

Conococheague District Klondike Derby

Hidden Valley Scout Reservation
Loysville, Pa.
January 27, 2024



Mushers Guide

General Information

Klondike Location

This year the Klondike Derby will once again be held at **Hidden Valley Scout Reservation** in Loysville, Pa.

Patrol Size

Each patrol competing must be made of between 4 and 8 Scouts. All events require complete Patrol participation. Some events may require repeat scouts if the patrol is less than 8.

Arrival / Check-in Process

Registration is limited to thirty sleds. All units will need to check in on Saturday morning. Starting at 7:30am and ending at 8:30am at the Dining Hall. One representative from the unit will need to check-in.

- Did your Scouts vote on next year's Patch design voting?
- Did you hand in your sled roster(s)?
- Did your Scouts pick up a station map?

Headquarters

The Klondike headquarters will be at the Dining Hall.

Bathroom Facilities

Latrines are located throughout the campus.

Garbage

All units should plan to carry in and carry out.

Parking

Parking is limited so please try to bring as few vehicles as possible.

Arrow of Light Scouts

Arrow of Light Scouts are encouraged to enter as a patrol with the Troop they are affiliated with. Arrow of Light Scouts are encouraged to have an older Scout or Den Chief as part of their team. Adults may accompany Arrow of Light Scouts for picture-taking and emergencies, not problem-solving.

Prohibited

The Klondike staff or Scout Camp reserves the right to confiscate any prohibited items or items felt to be unsafe from either campers or adults.

Prohibited:

- Adult Participation.
- Fireworks
- Firearms
- Alcohol
- Tobacco use or possession by underage individuals
- Ammunition
- Personal Communication Radios
- Laser Pointers
- Any other item determined to be unsafe.

Buddy System

Please remind all Scouts that the Buddy System should be always used. Campers should never travel alone.

First Aid

Each unit should bring their own first aid kit. Any emergencies should be reported immediately either to one of the activity leaders or by calling the headquarters.

Registration Fee-\$10 for youth and \$0 for Adults

Register your unit through Tentaroo.

Patrol Equipment Required

The following is a listing of equipment that each patrol should have with them in their sled as they compete in each event.

- American Flag
- Patrol Flag
- Scout Handbook
- Field Book
- Current Written Weather Report
- Pocketknife
- Rain / Snow Gear
- Various lengths of rope
- Fireman/Totin' Chips
- Pencil or Pen
- First Aid Kit
- Compass
- Flint and Steel or Hot Spark kit
- Waterproof ground cloth
- Bow Saw & Axe
- 3 – 6 ft. Staves
- 3 – 3 ft. Staves
- Tennis ball
- Tarp
- Blanket
- Splints
- Watch
- Whistle
- Notebook
- Blindfolds for every patrol member
- Appropriate clothing/boots
- Personal water bottle
- 50' Continuous Rope
- Unit Roster

Klondike Schedule 2024

07:30 – 08:30 Check in

08:30 Opening Ceremony

09:00 – 09:30 Station 1

09:30 – 09:40 Travel

09:40 – 10:10 Station 2

10:10 – 10:20 Travel

10:20 – 10:50 Station 3

10:50 – 11:00 Travel

11:00 – 11:30 Station 4

11:30 – 12:15 Lunch (on your own, on the trail)

12:15 – 12:45 Station 5

12:45 – 12:55 Travel

12:55 – 1:15 Station 6

1:15 – 1:25 Travel

1:25 – 1:55 Station 7

1:55 – 2:05 Travel

2:05 – 2:35 Station 8

2:35 – 2:45 Travel

2:45 – 3:15 Station 9

3:15 – 3:45 Service Project for HVSR

3:45 - The Great Klondike Sled Race.

Awards Ceremony to directly follow Race.

General:

Each station can accommodate up to 3 sleds. Each station will be staffed with appropriate scorers.

Stations are 30 minutes long.

10 minutes allowed for travel and disinfecting.

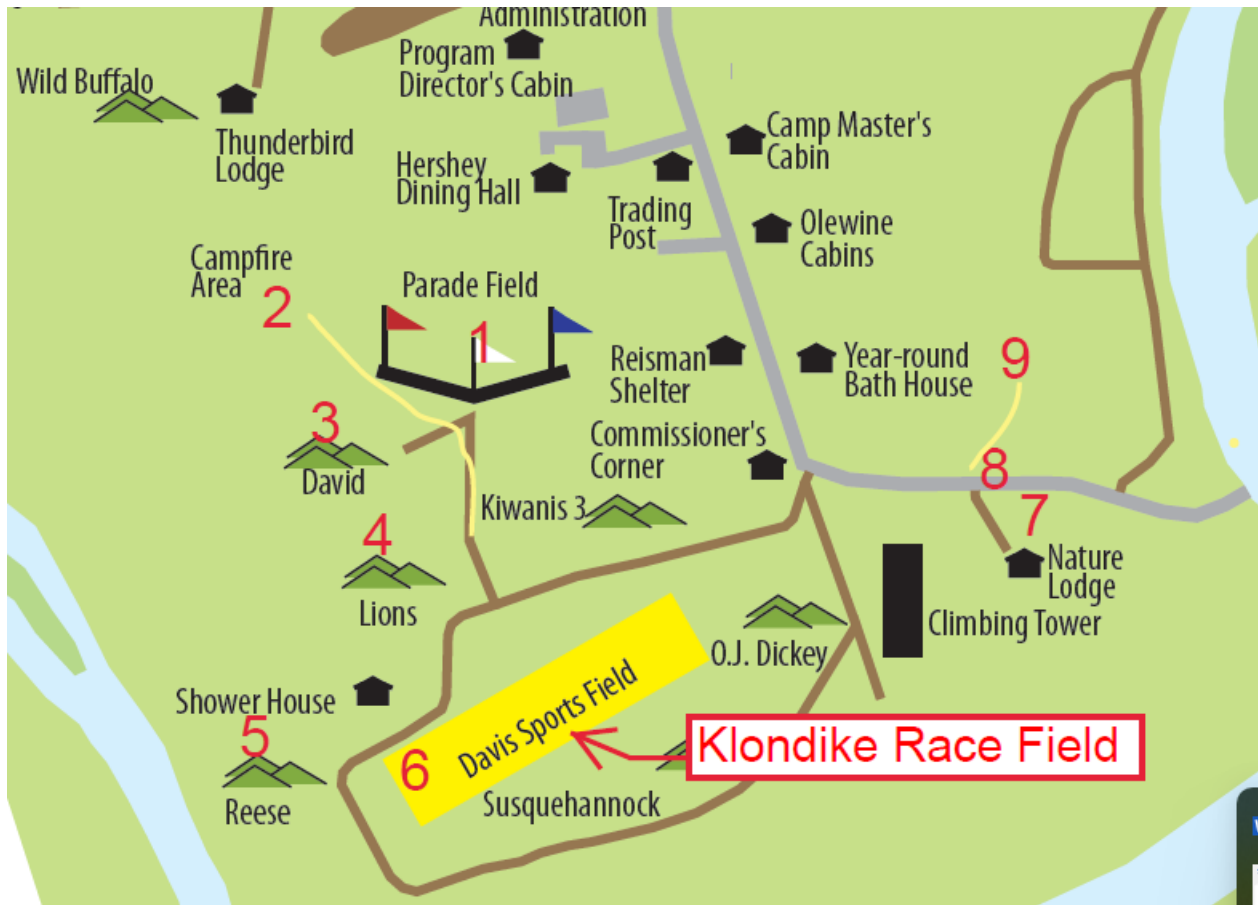
Example:

09:00-09:30 Station program time

09:30-09:40 travel to next program

Full participation by patrol members in the events by making an honest effort, even if unable to successfully complete task, best attempt, is required. The points for “completion” and “participation” are aimed at encouraging patrols to fully participate in the Klondike Derby. Adults/Leaders are not permitted to in any way to assist sleds, Picture taking is permitted, but no communication. In case of any tie(s) in the overall scoring, A Bonus station competition will break the tie.

Klondike Derby Map



Klondike Events

STATION 1

FLAG POLE - Parade Field

Problem:

The Concocheague district Klondike Flagpole was damaged by a winter storm.

Solution:

Lash together a flagpole from materials on your sled complete with a back-country pulley system and raise the American flag, pledge to the flag, lower, and fold.

Scoring:

Participation, Task.

STATION 2

SHELTER BUILD – Campfire Area

Problem:

Caught in a blinding snowstorm, each patrol must work as a team to build shelter.

Solution:

Scouts must use teamwork and communication to get this done. Scouts must use at least one type of lashing and knot in the shelter. Your shelter must survive the Perry County winter wilds. It must shelter two of your patrol members.

Scoring:

Participation, Task.

STATION 3

CROSSING THE SHERMANS CREEK – David

Problem:

Your patrol is being stalked by a BIG Pennsylvania Black Bear known as club foot. To escape Old Club foot, you must cross the gorge. The weather is warm, and the ice is thin.

Solution:

Patrol members must tie a rope using a bowline knot around their waist before starting to cross the gorge. The patrol members must step “on solid ice”. Once the first patrol member reaches the end, the remaining patrol members must tie the safety rope around their waist before beginning the course. After the second patrol member has reached the end of the course, the rope is coiled and thrown back to the remaining members of your patrol. Once across the gorge time to do a little fishing, find a hole in the Ice, and catch a mousetrap fish.

Scoring:

Participation, Task & Time. Three seconds will be added to your score each time a patrol member’s foot touches non-solid ice. This is an 8-member patrol event. Patrols with less than 8 members will have scouts repeat.

STATION 4

FIRE BUILDING – Lions

Problem:

With temperatures dropping fast, one of your team has fallen into a creek. You must quickly build a fire to warm him before hypothermia sets in.

Solution:

Answer a series of questions related to the prevention and treatment of cold weather injuries. Build a fire using materials you have on your sled. You will use either flint & steel or a hot spark kit to start a fire. No liquid fuel or other accelerant, no fire starter sticks or other such material, and no paper may be used. “Char cloth” is OK. Burn string at least 2ft. off the ground, Fire must be sustained to warm your buddy.

Scoring:

Time taken to get water to boil. Is egg hard-boiled? Hypothermia questions. Participation.

STATION 7

SMOOSHBOARD RACE & NUGGET TOSS - Reese

Problem:

You have come upon a weary group of travelers. Old Clubfoot has been on their trail. They need some cheer before they camp for the night.

Solution:

Your patrol must bring them some fun with an old-fashioned smooch board race, Teamwork at its best. Next on the festivities the nugget toss, again work together for an awesome toss.

Scoring:

Participation, Task completion & Time.

STATION 6**ORIENTEERING COURSE – Davis Field****Problem:**

A fallen tree has blocked the Susquehannock trail.

Solution:

Using a map and compass, navigate the keystone states tundra to find the control points. Watch out for Old Club foot.

Scoring:

Task, Participation & Time.

STATION 7**A-FRAME WALK – FIRST AID CARRIES – Near Nature Lodge****Problem:**

One of your team has broken his leg. You must assist him over the frozen Perry County Tundra.

Solution:

Your team must lash together an A-frame from the material on your sled. A member of your team plays injured, splint his leg, put him on the frame, and “walk” him across the tundra blindfolded as all but the injured have snow blindness. Now your patrol must use the Pack Strap carry for 10’, two-handed carry for 10’ then the four-handed seat carry for 10’ (different carriers) then build a stretcher (quickly disassemble you’re a-Frame) and move him back to the start using cooperation and teamwork. Old Club foot is hanging around and he’s hungry, so hurry.

Scoring:

Participation, Task & Time. (The A-Frame must hold together through the entire “walk”.)

STATION 8**LOG SAW – Across from Nature Lodge****Problem:**

The temperature is dropping. To survive you must build a campfire, but you need cut wood.

Solution:

Patrol members must use a bow saw to cut a log into three (3) approximately sixteen-inch (16”) lengths, and then use an axe to split each of the three (3) chunks in half to produce six (6) pieces of firewood. Logs will be provided. Bow saw, and axe should come from Patrol Sled.

Scoring:

Task, Participation & Time.

STATION 9**TOMAHAWK THROW - Behind Year-Round Bathhouse****Problem:**

Deer Skin Dale has challenged your patrol to a tomahawk-throwing competition. Your reputations as skilled outdoorsmen are at stake.

Solution:

Make the high score. All members must participate.

Scoring:

Participation, Points awarded based on accuracy. Tomahawk must stick in the target.

Grand Klondike Race – Davis Field**Problem:**

Race around the course in the shortest time

Solution:

Using your Klondike sled, race around the designated course, One Patrol member must ride inside the Klondike sled at all times, One Patrol member must be a “musher” and the rest are “Sled Dogs”.

Troop _____ Patrol _____

Inspection Category	Max Points	Points Awarded
1. Is the Patrol Flag Flying?	10	
2. What is the Patrol's name and cheer?	10	
3. Does the Patrol Leader have a WORKABLE COMPASS, and can the Patrol Leader use it?	10	
4. Does the patrol have a patrol FIRST AID KIT?	10	
5. Is the First Aid kit easily accessible location known to all members?	10	
6. Do the patrol members have water bottles?	10	
7. Are all Scouts properly CLOTHED (i.e., Mittens, Hat, Ear Protection, Winter Jackets, and "Long Johns?")	10	
8. Are all Scouts properly SHOD? (Insulated & Waterproof - NO SNEAKERS!)	10	
9. Does the Patrol Leader have a written weather forecast for Saturday night showing the source and time?	10	
10. Is the Sled neat, and properly loaded, and contents, included protected from the weather?	10	
11. Does the sled contain the required staves?	10	
12. Are all SHARP TOOLS safely sheathed?	10	
13. Pot to boil an egg? Tennis ball?	10	
Maximum	130	

NOTE: The whole patrol must qualify or have no score. No partial or pro-rated scores.

Patrol Leader: Resolve any disagreements with the inspection team head judge IMMEDIATELY. Your scores will not be changed later.

Note on Sleds: No wheels allowed on sleds.