

Mountain Territory Klondike Derby Information

February 16-18, 2024

2024 Klondike Derby!

This is Mountain Territory's winter event.

WHO: All: Scout Patrols, Venturing Crews, and Webelos/AOL Dens may participate. Units attending will receive a cool 2024 Klondike patch! Webelos/AOL may either camp with a troop, as a den/packs, or attend just for the Derby Saturday morning at their option.

The Klondike Derby originates from the Klondike gold rush era, where miners tested their skills against the elements for precious nuggets of gold. Some struck it rich, and some not so rich. Likewise, Patrols and Dens will be awarded gold nuggets by competing against the clock and each other in a series of games based on scouting skills. Each patrol's "mining" success will be based on how well they follow instructions, apply their scout skills, work as a patrol in a team fashion, and show off their scout spirit. Their efforts will be rewarded with "gold nuggets."

This year's Klondike will be organized in four general events. First is the Klondike Derby on Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon will be troop time to work on Totin' Chip/ Paul Bunyan skills with your troop in your campsites. Saturday evening will be a patrol Dutch oven dessert and awards at the fire bowl. Sunday morning will be 2 hours of conservation service project hours. All scouts who have or earn their Totin' chip and participate in the conservation service hours will earn their Paul Bunyan Award.

AWARDS: Trophies will be awarded to Webelos Scouts, First Year Scouts, and Experienced Scouts based on event scores. The Prospector's Golden Pan will be awarded to the patrol that shows the best patrol and scout spirit. Patrol/Den Ribbons will be awarded for 1st place in each game.

KLONDIKE STAFF VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! Like last year, the games and program areas will be staffed with experienced Youth and Adults from each troop. Experienced Youth (14-18 years) not participating in a patrol are encouraged to help staff events and program areas. Each troop attending should **plan on providing at least two adult volunteers** to sponsor and staff a game. **If you have a new game suggestion, call or email and we can help develop how to score it. This year we will be introducing to new games.** Each game should be able to be done by patrols of 4 to 10 scouts within a time limit of 2-10 minutes. Equipment and gear for the games should be from the patrol gear list to be carried on each patrol's sled or provided by the sponsoring troop. See the equipment list so your patrols come prepared.

2024 Klondike Schedule:

Friday February 16th:

7:00-9:00 PM - Check in at the Craft Lodge

9:00-9:30 PM - Cracker Barrel at the Craft Lodge

9:30 PM - a short SPL and SM meeting – Each Unit should have a participant in this!

Saturday February 17th

8:00 – 8:30 AM – Check in at the Craft Lodge

8:30 – Gather at the flagpole in front of the Fort

8:45 am - Games Start

12:30 pm – Games End

12:30-1:45 – Soup Lunch at the tower

2:00 – 5:00 pm – Troop time - Paul Bunyan/Totin' Chip skills

5:00 – 6:30 pm – Dinner and Dutch oven dessert prep

6:30 pm – Dutch oven dessert competition and Awards at the Fire Bowl

Sunday February 12th

9:00-11:00 AM – Conservation Service Project

11:00 AM – Camp Dismissed

KLONDIKE COORDINATOR: Mark Martinez: 425-301-7522 or mark76wa@comcast.net

Please contact me if you are able to help staff at the Klondike, Sponsor a Game, Soup Kitchen or host a Derby Dinner. Call me if you have any questions.

COST: \$30 per scout and \$15 per adult. The cost includes a campsite reservation. Unfortunately, there is not a discount if you're not staying overnight.

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WHERE: Camp Edward, Monroe WA

KLONDIKE SOUP POT: Every scout should bring **two cans** of soup to be turned in at the First Aid Station/Game. **One can is for the lunch soup pot, and one is for the food bank.** Each person should bring a cup or bowl and an eating utensil to enjoy a helping from the soup pot.

REGISTRATION: Register online using the council website,

PATROL/DEN SPECIFICATIONS:

1. Patrols of 4 to 8 scouts with a suitable Klondike sled plus all essential gear (See below).
2. All scouts must be properly clothed for winter weather, regardless of whether there is snow or not. (**No Cotton!** rain gear, warm coats, waterproof boots etc.)
3. Each patrol must submit a roster at Klondike Headquarters upon check-in, complete with the Scoutmaster's signature (*roster forms will be on the Website soon and at the Klondike*)
4. The Scout Outdoor Essentials list. The Scout Handbook is a useful resource!
5. No flammable fluids, accelerants, or other dangerous stuff (Scout defines "fuel" for fires is wood, not gas). Check your Scout Safety Guide in case you have any questions.

SLED SPECIFICATIONS: Sleds must be homemade. Klondike sled plans can generally be found on the internet. Sleds should be sturdy enough to transport one team member and all the patrol's gear. Each patrol should bring all the items they will need to compete in each of the Klondike events. The Klondike is a harsh environment. Many a miner has hit the mother-load with proper planning, preparation, and supplies.

Suggested Patrol Equipment (To be carried in sled.) You are going to the Klondike, so BE PREPARED!

Klondike Sled (wheels optional; skis work well in the grass)

Patrol Flag

Nugget Pouch

Frying Pan

Stretcher Poles

2 Blankets

Kindling Wood and Firewood

Matches in waterproof container

Cooking Mitt

Triangular Bandage for Sling

Splint materials for Arms and Legs

Compass

Whistle

Ten lengths of rope – each about 6 feet long

Fire Starting Materials – NO Petroleum or magnesium-based accelerants

Metal Can or Bucket to carry Ashes (from fire/cooking event.)

At least 1 uncooked egg and eating utensils.

Patrol 10 essentials, food, and clothing needs for the day

2 cans of soup per patrol member (turn in at Be Prepared / First-Aid Station)

Patrol Cheer

Scouting Spirit

1st Aid Skills

Knot Tying Skills

Teamwork
