



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
NASHUA VALLEY COUNCIL

2018 Wachusett Klondike Derby

Hosted by Boy Scout Troop 477



Theme: Around The World
Date: Friday, Jan 26th – Sunday Jan 28nd, 2018
Where: Leominster Sportsman Association, 1455 Elm Street, Leominster 01543

Each Scout will be properly dressed or will be sent home!

Cost: \$9.00 Scouts / Scouters, \$7.00 Webelos (Webelos are for the day only)
\$50.00 non-refundable deposit required upon online or in office registration is required to secure your spot (equivalent to 6 Scouts)
\$15.00 per Scout/Scouter/Webelos if the Unit registers after January 21, 2018
\$2.00 extra patches

Medical Forms due before scouts set up or participate in events.

Please provide an advance registration for your unit online at <http://www.nashuavalleybsa.org/> and click on Activity Registration. We are just asking for an estimate of how many scouts and adults will be in attendance. You will still be required to provide the full registration form at the event.

Scoutmaster & SPL Information

Any questions on the event, please contact Rick Pace (314) 580-0281 or rapon2929@gmail.com or Steve Doyle sdoyle2683@aol.com

What is a Klondike Derby?

A Klondike Derby is a Boy Scout winter skill and camping event, held in January in the snow (hopefully). Typically, it involves an overnight campout and multiple Camporee-type competitions, where Boy Scout Troops and Patrols compete against one another. Each Patrol will use a dog-type sled which they have made and will use Scout power to pull it instead of dogs. The Scouts will pull the sleds that are loaded with their personal and patrol equipment. The Scouts will journey through the woods and fields, up and down the hills, and stop at different towns / stations where they will be tested on different Scout skills. When they arrive at each town they will be tested on their Scouting knowledge, team work, and problem solving skills.

What type of clothing?

One of the most important parts of a Klondike Derby is to keep warm and dry. Each Scout must dress for the weather. Winter weather is very likely to change, requiring preparedness for almost any condition. A nice day can turn into a raging blizzard. Common sense is your best protection. Dress in layers. Avoid working up a sweat and keep yourself comfortable by removing or adding layers of clothing. Waterproof boots are essential. Wear socks of wool or other materials that draw away perspiration. A wool cap or similar head gear with ear coverage is necessary both during the day and night to retain warmth, even while in a sleeping bag. Scarves are recommended to protect the face from the cold and biting wind. Boys should wear wool mittens covered with a water repellent shell. Gloves may be worn, but they are not as warm as mittens. Scouts are more vulnerable to the cold at meals, because they do not move around as much. Prior to every meal, ask every boy if all his clothing is dry. If not, have him change into dry clothes before eating. Unit leaders should visually inspect Scouts before they takes off on the trail.

COST: \$9.00 per Scout / Scouter
\$7.00 per Webelos and adult for Saturday daytime events only
\$15.00 per Scout/Scouter/Webelos if Unit registers after 1/21/18

REGISTRATION: Friday Night 5:30 PM and Saturday Morning 8:00 AM. 9:00AM. Each Senior Patrol Leader should register his Troop and all Patrols upon arrival at the Klondike Derby to receive the Instructions and Materials needed for the weekend. Please have the registration form filled out and medical forms ready to speed up the registration process.

MEDICAL FORMS: As with any District-sponsored event, BSA medical forms are required for all participants. Please make sure your Unit brings a medical form for each and every youth and adult participating in this event. Be prepared to drop off them off at the Leominster Sportsman Club when you register. You are required to pick them up at the end of the weekend. Without a medical form your participation may not be allowed.

Each Scout will be properly dressed or will be sent home.

VISITORS: Visitors are welcomed and invited to attend the event. Please check in and let the Klondike Staff know when you arrive and will be leaving.

WEBELOS: Webelos can attend the Klondike. Scoutmasters are encouraged to invite your Webelos to attend. Webelos leaders talk to your local troops about Webelos attending. Webelos are NOT allowed to spend the night and will be under the direct supervision of the Troop who invited them.

HEALTH & SANITATION FACILITIES: There will be facilities onsite in the form of porta potties. Please be sure to keep them clean. There is electricity in the building should anyone need it. Maps & first aid will be located at the club house.

PARKING: Parking is fairly limited; we encourage all troops to carpool. Troop trailers will be directed where to park upon arrival. More information will be provided at registration.

RESTRICTED AREAS: There will be areas where scouts will not be allowed. Any Scouts not following the rules will be asked to leave.

WATER: Troops need to bring their own water with them. Water is **NOT** available. Please insure that your scouts remain hydrated. Even though this is a winter event and it is cool outside, hydration is critical to scout safety.

FIRES: Above Ground fires allowed, be sure practice your LNT skills. Fires must be attended to at all times. Water buckets must be displayed as usual.

FIREWOOD: Troops can bring in firewood for their campfires. Firewood can be collected from surrounding woods for this event.

TRASH: Trash in – Trash out. Please remember the Outdoor Code and leave Leominster Sportsman's Association cleaner than you found it.

PATROL METHOD: One of the purposes of the Klondike is to utilize the Patrol method during all activities. Scouts should bring all materials required for an overnight adventure in extreme arctic conditions. Each Patrol should plan on bringing the gear for traveling in the snow, building a snow shelter, first aid and rescue. Using this event guide, the Scout Handbook, the Scout Fieldbook, the Webelos Handbook, The Senior Patrol Leader Handbook, and The Patrol Leader Handbook, a unit will be able to do well in the preparation, acquiring the equipment recommended, and developing a program that a Patrol can use to be competitive.

LEADERSHIP: All Troops should be under the direct control of a Senior Patrol Leader (SPL)/Patrol Leader (PL) at all times. All changes to the activity schedule relative to the Klondike Derby route and participation routine shall be made only to the SPL or PL.

FIRST AID: Each Troop and Patrol should be prepared with first aid equipment and supplies (readily identifiable) for caring for cold exposure and small wounds. More serious injuries must be brought to the Norco Club House for immediate treatment or departure to a local hospital.

EQUIPMENT: Each Troop/Patrol shall furnish their own equipment and tools to be used. All Patrols will bring a sled to the event with all their equipment lashed to it. See detailed list in equipment section of this package. Warm clothing for the conditions is mandatory. Each Patrol will have a Patrol flag, and display it on their sled.

TROOP AND PATROL FLAGS: Each Troop is requested to bring a Troop Flag. All Patrols are encouraged to bring a patrol flag.

EVENTS: The grading of each Patrol begins at check-in. Read everything carefully, because some events will require you to bring specific equipment.

AWARDS: A 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th place ribbon will be given to the Patrols best over-all at Klondike. Patrols will receive a bag for collecting gold nuggets at registration. Nuggets are handed out at each Town and by event staff. Nuggets are the Patrols to keep or can be exchanged for bars of candy prior to the movie.

CLEAN UP AND CHECK OUT: When a Troop is ready to check out, after the closing ceremony at about 9 am on Sunday, the SPL must come to the Leominster Sportsman Club to get medical forms, and receive patches if available for all Scouts. Troops will not be allowed to checkout during closing ceremony.

Events

ALL Units MUST participate in all events!

Each patrol will be given a schedule of events upon arrival. The events are listed below.

Event Name	Description	Notes
Singapore Slingshot	Test your slingshot skills and hit the targets	
Nordic Viking Invasion	Your Patrol must defend their village from the attacking Vikings	
Irish Sack Race	Race against the clock in potato sacks	
Everest Base Camp	Make your own survival shelter	Troops and Patrols must bring their own shelter materials
Fiji Beach Getaway	Recreate the beach scene	
1st Aid Around the World	First aid injuries from around the world	
Ooodles of Noodles	Noodle chopstick race	
World of Scouting	World Languages Challenge	
World Wide Culinary	Discover and uncover foods from around the world	
French Revolution	Using the trebuchet provided, each troop gets two practice shots with cantaloupe and then the third is the measured shot	Troops and Patrols must provide 3 cantaloupes
Iditarod Race	Klondike Sled race	Need to make a flag prior to the race
Siberian Shooting Spree	Take aim and hit the targets	
Nordic Snow Shoeing	Try your hand...or feet at snowshoeing	
Flag Making	Draw a flag to recapture during the Iditarod Race	

Weekend Schedule (A revised schedule will be given at the event.)

Friday 1/26/2018
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Registration at Leominster Sportsman Club for Troops camping overnight
 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM Crackerbarrel

Saturday 1/27/2018
 8:00 AM Registration at Leominster Sportsman Club
 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Opening ceremony & Announcements
 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Morning Events
 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Lunch
 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM Sled Race - All Patrols
 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM Afternoon Events
 4:00 PM Flag Lowering & Announcements
 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Supper & Clean up
 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Catholic Service / Scouts Own Service
 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Campfire & Coco
 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM Troop/Patrol Time
 11:00 PM Lights out

Sunday 1/28/2018
 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Closing/Award Ceremony
 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Pack up/ Clean up / Site Inspection / Head Out

