

Battleground District

KLONDIKE DERBY 2022

SNOW NOTES



Quail Hill Scout Reservation

Saturday, February 5, 2022

<https://www.monmouthbsa.org/bg-klondike>

KEY INFO for 2022

- We have changed the fee structure for the Klondike. We are doing away with the Sled Fee, and just charging per scout. If you pay by Friday January 21st, the fee is \$10 per scout. If you pay on or after Saturday, January 22nd, the fee is \$14 per scout. You do not have to give us the roster with the names until February 5th, the day of the Klondike.
- All payments must be made through the Council website, BG Klondike page, <https://www.monmouthbsa.org/bg-klondike>
- If fewer scouts show up than you have paid for, please contact Council for a refund.
- The Starting Time Lottery will be held at the BG Roundtable Meeting on January 6th. Troops at that meeting will get first choice for start times. Troops not at that meeting will be randomly assigned a start time.
- Orienteering (Tok) **EACH SLED MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE COMPASS!!!** Please make sure you have an orienteering style compass (has a rectangular base with degree bearing on a movable dial). The Tok Staff will NOT have any to lend to the sleds (COVID rules). And don't forget that each sled should **ALSO** have at least one smartphone with a GPS app, as well as pencil and paper!!! Note: Any other cell phone use on the trail will cause points to be deducted from scout spirit score at any or all towns.
- Cooking (Aniakchak) – **REMINDER – NO FAT WOOD, NO ACCELERANTS.** Any fire starting method found in the Scout Handbook or Field Book is acceptable. **TRIPODS** should be made when you arrive at Aniakchak. Demonstrate those scout skills! A patrol cheer with **SCOUT SPIRIT** and one sentence gets you one nugget, **SCOUT SPIRIT** and two or more sentences gets you two nuggets.
- **SLEDS** must have **WHEELS!!!** **SCOUTS** must wear hiking boots or hiking shoes. **NO SNEAKERS!!!**

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Rules relative to COVID

We will be following the instructions on the “Latest Council Updates on COVID-19” webpage. As of now, the last update was dated December 1, 2021. The rules are (1) Stay home when sick and (2) Follow all current rules for NJ, your community and your unit’s chartered partner. If the rules change between now and the Klondike, we will be following the new rules.

While we are not having the Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist, the temperature check and wristbands this year, the BG Klondike Staff asks that everyone follow all other protocols from last year.

While at Quail Hill, each sled will be in their own “bubble”. At each town, the staff will be in their own “bubble”. The sleds and staff should minimize contact as much as possible. Everyone must maintain social distancing between “bubbles”, and, as much as possible, even within “bubbles”. Only the sled patrol leader should interact with the town’s staff.

We encourage everyone to wear a mask when near others in camp.

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Registration and Arrival Procedure

All registration will be done online. Please see Page 2 for details.

All vehicles, including those with sleds, must park in the lower parking lots near the Lawrence Lodge. No cars will be permitted past the Lawrence Lodge (with the exception of Klondike Staff, those camping at QHSR for the weekend, and those attending events other than the BG Klondike).

Your troop should gather in the parking lot and walk up the road TOGETHER to the Lass Lodge parking lot.

Registration check-in will be at the entrance to the Lass Lodge parking lot. We will collect your Sled Roster and compare the number of scouts attending to the number that pre-registered. If additional scouts have shown up, the fee must be paid on the council website before proceeding. If fewer scouts have shown up, please contact Council for a refund.

Your next stop will be in the northwest corner of that parking lot. GPS Coordinates are 40.26620, -74.38814. That is where you will find the Flag Competition Committee! They will take a photo of your patrol flag and judge your patrol flag.

Your third stop will be the area right outside Devlin Lodge. Please arrive there 10 minutes before your Klondike Start Time. You will receive your Route Sheet, Map and Instructions. You will have at least 5 minutes to review (plenty of time), and the clock starts at your Klondike Start Time. Same as last year, if you are not ready at your Start Time, you will lose time, and possibly time nuggets!!! Do not be late!!!

When you arrive at each town, the Town Scribe will record your Arrival Time. If there are other sleds at that town, and your sled is not able to start the challenge right away, you will NOT be penalized. When your sled starts the challenge, the Town Scribe will also record your Start Time. (If you are able to begin the challenge when you arrive, then your Arrival Time and Start Time are the same).

Do your best! Be enthusiastic, work together as a team! Scout spirit is an important part of each town's score! When you have finished, the Town Scribe will record your score. A perfect score in each town is 20 nuggets!

As you depart each town, the Town Scribe will record your departure time. When you've departed your last town, that will also be your finishing time. There is no "check-out" at Lass Lodge.

This is a timed event. If you finish all six challenges in 4½ hours or less, you will earn an additional 20 nuggets. If you finish in 5½ hours or more, you will not earn any additional nuggets. Between 4½ and 5½ hours, you will earn a proportionate number of nuggets.

Last year, we held our Awards Ceremony via an Online Presentation at 5pm. That seemed to work very well, so we will do that again this year. Thus, when each sled finishes, the sled should be loaded back onto the vehicle and all participants should depart Quail Hill. Go home, wash up, and be online at 5pm. A day or two before the Klondike, we will send an email to all Staff & Scoutmasters with a link to the presentation. Please forward that email to all your scouts.

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PLACE:	QUAIL HILL SCOUT RESERVATION
DATE:	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022
TIME:	8:00 to 3:00 P.M. (<u>Gate opens at 7:00 AM</u>)
AWARDS:	5:00 P.M. on a Microsoft Teams Online Presentation

Registration Fee

There is a \$10 per scout fee, due by Friday, January 21st, payable by credit card on the Monmouth Council website. For scouts registering after January 21st, including the day of the event, the fee will be \$14 per scout.

Inclement Weather

The Klondike Derby will be held in almost any weather condition: snow, rain or shine. Scouts should dress appropriately. In the event of a weather emergency, like a blizzard, scoutmasters will be contacted the night before and notified of event cancellation.

The Course

The course will consist of a check-in station and six towns. There will not be a check-out station. Each sled is given 4½ hours to complete the course once they leave the check-in station. If a sled finishes in 4½ hours, they will earn an additional 20 nuggets. For every three minutes (or portion thereof) that they go over, they will lose the ability to earn 1 nugget. If a sled finishes in 5 ½ hours or more, there will not be any additional nuggets earned. **All sleds will be called off the course at 3:00 p.m.**

Sled Teams

Each sled must consist of at least 5 but no more than 10 Scouts. Please balance the number of older Scouts working with younger Scouts on each sled. If you have enough experienced scouts to fill an entire sled, please ask some older scouts to serve on Webelos or Scout Klondike Staff. Any troop having experienced scouts wishing to help out on staff should contact the Klondike Governor, Brad Daniels @ 215-805-1938 or DrChili111@gmail.com or Lt. Governor Steve Toth @ 908-337-6901 or Joy2dawrld@aol.com.

Sled design

Many ideas for sled designs can be found in the web. To get started, just Google "Klondike sleds". Designs that work on snow AND mud are best in New Jersey. **This year, sleds MUST have wheels!!!**

Trading Post, Food and Patches

The trading post at Lass Lodge will be open during the Klondike, via a window, so it's a bit like the drive-up at McDonald's. There might be a line, and it might take a while to get what you want. All participants are encouraged to bring their own food & water.

Arrival at the Klondike Derby

NOTE: We are NOT using Lawrence Lodge this year. All Registrations must be done online.

Your first stop will be with the Klondike Registration team, at the entrance to Lass Lodge parking lot. Please see page 4 for the details.

Your second stop will be with the Sled Flag Competition Committee in the northwest corner of the upper parking lot near Lass Lodge. GPS Coordinates are 40.26620, -74.38814. They will take a photo of your Sled Flag. Be sure to read the sample **Patrol Flag Contest Sheet** for the rubric that the judges will be using!

Your third stop will be the area right outside Devlin Lodge. Please arrive there 10 minutes before your Klondike Start Time. You will receive your Route Sheet, Map and Instructions. You will have at least 5 minutes to review (plenty of time), and the clock starts at your Klondike Start Time. This year, if you are not ready at your Start Time, you will lose time!!! Do not be late!!!

We will also be checking for appropriate footwear. Only hiking boots or hiking shoes are allowed. **NO SNEAKERS!!!** If anyone is found wearing sneakers, they will be removed from the Klondike Derby. They will wait near Devlin Lodge for their parents to pick them up ASAP!

Patrol Flag Contest

All flags must be handmade and new this year. Store bought, machine made and/or flags from prior years will not be considered for the Contest. Remember, we took pictures of the flags last year! All flags must have "2022" on them!

There are five important features that will be considered in judging your patrol flag. **DESIGN:** It should easily identify your patrol. Patrol names and flag graphics must be in good taste. **WORKMANSHIP:** The flag must be handmade, should be durable and well-constructed to withstand the elements of nature. **MATERIAL:** All flags must be constructed of cloth, leather, or a like material, (not paper). All Patrol Flags must be mounted on a pole. **VISIBILITY:** The flag should be at least 12 inches by 8 inches, and the lettering no smaller than 1 ½ inches in height. **IDENTIFICATION:** Your Patrol Name, Troop Number and "2022" must be clearly displayed on the flag.

The Stations

Camping (Nome): All patrols will be required to set up a campsite using the seven principles of **Leave No Trace**. A Leave No Trace instruction sheet is attached to this packet.

Cooking (Aniakchak): All patrols will be required to build a cooking fire and heat a pot of water (keep time allowed in mind). Due to Covid restrictions, there will not be a meal shared by the patrol this year. A patrol will be graded on how well it starts, uses and puts out their fire (Leave No Trace Principle #5, "Minimize Campfire Impacts".) The patrol will also be judged on how well it cleans up when it is done, (Leave No Trace Principle #3, "Dispose of Waste Properly".) Hot water will be provided by the town for cleanup.

IMPORTANT: Accelerants are not permitted. No fat wood, no kerosene soaked wood, etc. To start your fire, you can use newspaper, dryer lint, egg carton + dryer lint + melted wax, frayed-rope birds nest, or any other method found in the Scout Handbook or Scout Fieldbook.

Rescue (Hooper Bay): Each patrol will be given a first aid problem they will need to complete. This problem will be based on Tenderfoot to First Class Scout requirements in the BSA Handbook.

Challenge Event (Fort Yukon): Each patrol will be given a series of basic challenges that will need to work together (team building) to complete and/or solve.

Pioneering (Point Hope): Each patrol will be required to build an object using proper knots and lashings found in the Scout Handbook.

Orienteering (Tok): Each patrol will be given instructions to perform on an orienteering course, be asked questions about map reading skills and to calculate distances. Please make sure you have an orienteering style compass (has a rectangular base with degree bearing on a movable dial), one cell phone (with a GPS app, e.g. Pure GPS) and a pencil.

Check-out – No check-out station this year. The time you finish your last station will be your finishing time. After your last station, please pack up and head home. The Awards Ceremony will be on an Online Presentation around 5pm.

Scoring

Start on time	10 Nuggets
Six towns	20 Nuggets per town, total of 120 Nuggets
Finish in 4.5 hrs	<u>20 Nuggets, but lose 1 nugget for every 3 minutes over</u>
Total Nuggets	150 Nuggets

Important Information

FOOTWEAR: For safety **no sneakers or jogging shoes** shall be worn while participating in the Klondike Derby. **Any Scout wearing sneakers or jogging shoes will not be able to participate, and will be removed from the course. The scout will stay near Devlin Lodge until their parents pick them up.**

SCOUT LEADERS AND PARENTS must stay clear of the patrols and sleds participating in the derby, except in the case of an obvious emergency. Violation will cost deduction of points for each violation per sled as deemed necessary by the Klondike Governor and/or Mayors. Outside communications between sleds and others via walkie-talkie, verbal, written, cell phone, etc. is strictly forbidden. Any sled found to be in violation of this policy will be disqualified and removed from the course.

SCOUT BEHAVIOR: The Klondike Governor reserves the right to disqualify any Scout or sled when behaviors do not reflect the spirit of Scouting, the Scout Oath and Law.

THE OFFICIAL SCOUT HANDBOOK will be the ultimate reference in problem solving. All skills that must be performed by patrols are based upon skill requirements found in the Scout Handbook. Use the Leave No Trace Instruction sheet (included in the snow notes) when applying the seven principles of Leave No Trace.

There will be an awards ceremony at 5:00 pm via an Online Presentation. Awards will be given to First, Second, and Third Place Sleds, and for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place Patrol Flags.

If you have questions, please contact, Brad Daniels, the Klondike Governor at DrChili111@gmail.com or cell phone 215-805-1938, or Lt. Governor Steve Toth at Joy2dawrld@aol.com or cell phone 908-337-6901.

Yours in Scouting,

Brad Daniels
2022 Klondike Derby Governor

Steve Toth
2022 Klondike Derby LT. Governor

PATROL FLAG SCORESHEET

Patrol name: _____

Troop #: _____

Sled #: _____

DESIGN (1-10 points) _____

The flag must easily identify the Patrol. Patrol Name and graphics must be in good taste.

WORKMANSHIP (1-10 points) _____

The flag must be durable and well constructed.

MATERIAL (1-10 points) _____

The flag must be constructed of cloth, leather, or like material (no paper).

VISIBILITY (1-10 points) _____

The flag must measure at least 8" x 12" with lettering no smaller than 1½ inches in height.

IDENTIFICATION (1-10 points) _____

The Patrol Name and Troop number must be clearly displayed on the flag.

TOTAL SCORE (max 50 points) _____

Judged by: _____

The Seven Leave No Trace Principles of outdoor ethics form the framework of Leave No Trace's message. For more details see: <http://www.lnt.org/>



1. Plan Ahead and Prepare

Know the regulations and special concerns for the area you'll visit. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards, and emergencies. Schedule your trip to avoid times of high use. Visit in small groups. Split larger parties into groups of 4-6. Repackage food to minimize waste. Use a map and compass to eliminate the use of marking paint, rock cairns or flagging.

2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces

Durable surfaces include established trails and campsites, rock, gravel, dry grasses or snow. Protect riparian areas by camping at least 200 feet from lakes and streams. Good campsites are found, not made. Altering a site is not necessary. In popular areas: Concentrate use on existing trails and campsites; Walk single file in the middle of the trail, even when wet or muddy; Keep campsites small; Focus activity in areas where vegetation is absent. In pristine areas: Disperse use to prevent the creation of campsites and trails; Avoid places where impacts are just beginning.

3. Dispose of Waste Properly

Pack it in, pack it out. Inspect your campsite and rest areas for trash or spilled foods. Pack out all trash, leftover food, and litter. Deposit solid human waste in catholes dug 6 to 8 inches deep at least 200 feet from water, camp, and trails. Cover and disguise the cathole when finished. Pack out toilet paper and hygiene products. To wash yourself or your dishes, carry water 200 feet away from streams or lakes and use small amounts of biodegradable soap. Scatter strained dishwater.

4. Leave What You Find

Preserve the past: examine, but do not touch, cultural or historic structures and artifacts. Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects as you find them. Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species. Do not build structures, furniture, or dig trenches.

5. Minimize Campfire Impacts

Campfires can cause lasting impacts to the backcountry. Use a lightweight stove for cooking and enjoy a candle lantern for light. Where fires are permitted, use established fire rings, fire pans, or mound fires. Keep fires small. Only use sticks from the ground that can be broken by hand. Burn all wood and coals to ash, put out campfires completely, and then scatter cool ashes.

6. Respect Wildlife

Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them. Never feed animals. Feeding wildlife damages their health, alters natural behaviors, and exposes them to predators and other dangers. Protect wildlife and your food by storing rations and trash securely. Control pets at all times, or leave them at home. Avoid wildlife during sensitive times: mating, nesting, raising young, or winter.

7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Respect other visitors and protect the quality of their experience. Be courteous. Yield to other users on the trail. Step to the downhill side of the trail when encountering pack stock. Take breaks and camp away from trails and other visitors. Let nature's sounds prevail. Avoid loud voices and noises.

**BATTLEGROUND KLONDIKE DERBY
PATROL ROSTER**

PATROL NAME: _____ TROOP NO. _____

NAME

RANK

Leader:	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____
9.	_____	_____
10.	_____	_____

One copy of your roster will be included in your Sled Packet.

Please limit the number of older Scouts working with younger Scouts on each sled. **Do not staff your entire sled with Star and Life Scouts.** If you have enough experienced scouts to fill an entire sled, please ask some older scouts to serve on Webelos or Scout Klondike Staff.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY, THE LIST MAY HAVE CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR!

Equipment Per Scout

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cravat or Neckerchief | <input type="checkbox"/> Pocketknife w/Totin Chip Card |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Footwear - No Sneakers !!! | <input type="checkbox"/> Plenty of high-energy snacks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compass | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle - for yourself |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal eating utensils. Paper & plastic may be used but must be disposed of properly. | <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform (optional) |

Equipment Per Sled

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scout Handbook | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patrol Roster | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper towels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scout FieldBook | <input type="checkbox"/> Two Garbage bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patrol Flag | <input type="checkbox"/> Sump screen materials |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire starters (see Handbook) | <input type="checkbox"/> Bow saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tinder and kindling (for cooking fire) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small camp shovel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood material to make and maintain a fire to boil water and to clean-up | <input type="checkbox"/> Two Tarps 9' x 12' (approximate) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Matches, flint & steel, or steel wool & battery | <input type="checkbox"/> Tent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One 8-quart pot for hot water | <input type="checkbox"/> Bear bag (without bear) and 50' rope |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strainer or pot lid | <input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) splints, each 3 feet long |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NOTE: NO PATROL FOOD this year. Each scout may bring their own food in their own backpack. No sharing of food this year!!! | <input type="checkbox"/> Two Blankets or 1 Sleeping Bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pair hot gloves or hot pot tongs | <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponge or dishrag | <input type="checkbox"/> Nine (9) pieces of rope ($\frac{3}{8}$ " rope - not twine), <u>each</u> 10 feet long |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Six (6) staves, each 5-foot long |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Smartphone with GPS app (only for Tok – Orienteering) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper & Pencils |