



Hudson Valley Council, BSA

*Dutchess District*  
2012 Klondike

**“Stars and Stripes”**  
**Cook-Off**

February 4, 2012

Camp Nooteming  
Scout Road, Salt Point, NY

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DUTCHESS DISTRICT  
2012 KLONDIKE DERBY  
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The Dutchess District Activities Committee will be hosting this year's Klondike Derby on Saturday, February 4, 2012. The Klondike Derby will be held at Camp Nootteeming. The theme for this year's event is "*Stars and Stripes Klondike Cook-Off*".

Registration for the Klondike is \$6.50 per scout and \$3.50 per adult. Price includes Klondike patch and event ribbons. Reservations should be made online by the January 20, 2012 unit deadline. After that date there will be a \$2.00 per person late fee for scouts/scouters added to your unit's registration. **There will be no Unit walk-ins accepted the day of the event.**

Sled registration will be available on Friday night (Feb. 3) from 6:30 PM- 8:30PM at Camp Nootteeming and on Saturday (Feb 4) from 7:00AM – 8:30 AM. Please come prepared with your completed rosters.

This year there will be a **cooking challenge for adult scouters** – main dish and desserts.

Units are asked to supply some judges for the event. We need volunteers who are expert (or at least very good) in the areas of knots and lashing and/or map and compass. Please contact either Jim or Pat so they can make assignments.

All vehicles must be parked in assigned parking areas. Please note that we expect a large number of units and depending on the weather, parking may be at a premium. Car pooling is encouraged.

All scouts are to carry water and a mug with them. Since it is February the Winter Well is our only source of water at camp.

The awards/closing ceremony will be held at 4:00 PM.

There will be a concession stand selling hot dogs, soup, coffee, hot chocolate, candy, etc. Most likely coordinated by the OA.

### **Safety Concerns/Be Prepared:**

At least one adult leader in your troop should be trained for cold weather camping/activities. Their knowledge should be reviewed with your scouts in preparation for attending this event.

Dress in layers. Remember – NO SNEAKERS

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**Units must Register before January 20, 2012\*\***

**\*\* All Registrations must be online.**

\*Late fees apply to all scout/scouters added after Jan. 20, 2012

**No Unit Walk-ins at the event**

## 2012 Klondike Overview

This year's Klondike will challenge a patrol's skills at cooking, map and compass, and knots and lashing through a series of tasks that need to be completed in specific timeframes. Patrols will be expected to find 3 compass course stops, cook 3 dishes and set up a minimum of 3 camp gadgets (that they use) during the day. In addition, each group will be evaluated on basic camp set-up, sanitation practices, shelter building and a snow sculpture (or patrol game if there is no snow). Points will also be awarded for remembering the service project VA food drive items. Patrols should be made up of 6 to no more than 10 members. **There are no individual stations** rather the patrol site is the days' station and judges will come to you (unless directed otherwise).

**Cooking:** Each Patrol is to make 3 items in quantities large enough to feed the patrol plus an amount for the judges to taste. Those items will be:

- a main dish
- a dessert dish
- a side dish

Each dish is to be **cooked** using a different cooking method (ie. foil, utensil free, dutch oven, box oven, reflector oven, paperbag, waxed paper cup) with no stoves allowed.

Each dish is to incorporate either a red, white or blue key ingredient (such as (but not limited to) red meat, strawberries, apple, tomato sauce; blue corn chips, blueberries, blueberry yogurt; white potato, spaghetti, sugar, flour). **AND** each patrol must have one red ingredient dish, one blue ingredient dish and one white ingredient dish.

An example of an acceptable meal would be: Red Main dish –lasagna cooked in box oven, White Side dish --homemade rolls cooked on a stick, Blue Dessert –Blueberry dump cake made in a dutch oven.

Each dish will be judged on Taste, Presentation, and Use of Color ingredient.

Each patrol decides on the menu, which dish will be what "color", and which cooking method to use. These dishes are your patrol's lunch. You may want to bring some snacks.

A patrol menu and recipe for each dish is to be submitted at registration and should also be available at the patrol site.

**Knots and Lashing:** Each patrol is to make a minimum of 3 camp gadgets that are to be used during the day. These gadgets will be judged based on the difficulty of the project and accuracy of knots and lashings used. In other words a table would earn more points than a tripod, but both are acceptable.

**Map and Compass:** Directions will be given at opening, but participants will be finding 3 different spots throughout the day.

**Service Project:** 1 Canned Good per patrol member to be handed in for the Veterans Food Pantry at Castle Point.

**General:** A basic shelter large enough for all patrol members to find cover from the elements can be made using a tarp or other items. Prior Planning and Teamwork will be key to the success of the patrol. **All items needed for the day must be on the sled or with patrol members at the start of the event.** So plan, plan, plan.

# Sled Judging

Sled judging will take place throughout the day. Sleds will be judged on creativity and construction. All sleds will be considered for all categories and there will be a prize for best over-all sled. So long as nothing about the sled violates the rules, goals and spirit of scouting-- anything-goes.

## **Category 1 – Most Authentic**

## **Category 2 – Most Natural**

## **Category 3 – Most Theme Oriented**

### **Category 1 will be judged on:**

Using the internet, books, magazines, etc, find a type of sled used during the era of the Klondike Gold Rush (ie. Cargo sled or two-dog sled). Bring along a picture and description of this sled to the Derby. You will be judged on craftsmanship, closeness in similarity to sled chosen, ability to carry a “Ton of Gear” and strength/durability (there was machined wood, screws, and nails in this era. But were there plastic bottom ski’s then?)

### **Category 2 will be judged on:**

Sled should be made from as much “Natural” material as possible. Examples of natural materials would be bent branches, leather or hemp lashing, but no screws or nails. Points will be deducted for any “Man-Made Materials” used in the building of this sled. However, remember this sled will also be judged on strength and durability. Points will be deducted for store bought materials (No store bought wood, synthetic rope). Only one point will be deducted per nail/screw used (we want the sleds to hold up for the races at the end of the day.) **If screws or nails are used, you must provide us with a count in advance. If more are found than you have listed, each item will be penalized at 15 points each (a Scout is truthful).**

### **Category 3 will be judged on:**

Sled must be “Scout Powered Only”. Points will be earned for craftsmanship, innovation and appearance as well as strength/durability. Unlike in Categories 1 and 2, there are no limits for construction materials.

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PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE of EVENTS

FRIDAY 2/3/2012

6:30 - 8:30 PM Advance check-in

SATURDAY 2/4/2012

7:00 AM- 8:30 AM Check-in @ Admin Building

8:45 AM Opening Ceremony

9:00 - 9:15 AM Sleds on the Move  
Judging begins\*\*\*

3:00 PM Clean-up

4:00 PM Klondike Awards ceremony

\*\*\* More detail and times at the event

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**Sled Suggestions**

Patrol Flag displayed on sled  
Patrol Roster (with you at all times)  
Watch  
Flashlight  
First Aid Kit  
Scout Handbook  
Pad and pencils  
Pocket Knife W/Toten Chip for each scout w/ a knife  
Compass  
Materials for simple shelter (large enough for all patrol members to find cover)  
Rope (whipped or fused) for gadgets  
Staves for camp gadgets  
Water for each member of the patrol and for cooking and cleaning  
Reusable hot cup or mug for each patrol member  
Personal utensils and eating gear  
Trash Bag(s) as needed  
Menus(2 copies), Recipes(2 copies), Ingredients,  
Utensils and Cookware as needed  
1 bag Charcoal ( no lighter fluid needed type )  
Matches  
Fire Safety Equipment  
1 Canned Good per patrol member to be handed in for the Veterans Food Pantry at  
Castle Point VA

**Remember, all supplies needed for the day must be either on your sled or on your person (backpack). Once the event has started there is no returning for forgotten items.**

A COMPLETED ROSTER (attached) MUST BE TURNED IN AT CHECK-IN.

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**UNIT ROSTER**  
(TURN IN AT KLONDIKE EVENT)

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Adults: Event Leader: \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of sleds entering : \_\_\_\_\_ # of Patrols competing \_\_\_\_\_

Scouts:

Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_

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TURN IN AT KLONDIKE  
Make copies if needed