

Northern Star Scouting

# 2025 Klondike Derby

## Registration Packet & Leader Guide

January 25, 2025 - Saturday  
Fred. C. Anderson Scout Camp  
186 Anderson Scout Camp Rd.  
Houlton, WI 54082

February 15, 2025 -Saturday  
Rum River Scout Camp  
15659 Saint Francis Blvd.  
Anoka, MN 55303

Check-in from 7:30- 8:15am. Flag Ceremony at 8:30 am.  
(No admittance prior to 7:15am.)  
Event expected to end no later than 4:45pm

8 fun stations and a race to the finish! This outdoor winter event will challenge your most seasoned scouts and engage your newest recruits with skills practice and team building activities.

**Please read the entire Leaders Guide to ensure a successful event for your Scouts.**

Registration closes at midnight on the due date OR when we have reached the maximum capacity for attendees/units. Registering as early as possible is recommended.

Cost:

Scouts:           Early Bird: \$20  
                      Regular: \$25  
Staff/ Adults: Early Bird: \$15  
                      Regular: \$20

**No Walk-Ins! All Participants Must Be Pre-Registered**

Each of the 8 stations has a different activity or challenge. Some stations will require materials supplied by the unit. Please read this section carefully so that your scouts have the supplies they need to be successful.

### What To Bring- Program Supplies

- o 1 Sled per 8 youth participants.
- o 2 Adults per sled. (If you have more adults than 2 per sled, we would greatly appreciate their help in supporting the event staff. Ask them to check-in at the base upon arrival. Thank you for any support.)
- o Adequate clothing for an outdoor winter event- applies to adults also.
- o Medical forms- (one per participant) and any personal medical supplies.
- o Troop and/or patrol flag(s), no poles. - 1 per sled.
- o 3 fireplace logs per sled to donate to the "Home Fire".
- o Bag Lunch- We will provide hot ramen. There will NOT be enough time to cook lunch. Please plan accordingly with premade lunches for your unit.
- o 1 can basic chicken soup or broth per participant. Please no cream soups.
- o Mess Kit- plate, bowl, cup, spoon, fork, knife. - one per attendee.
- o Water! - It is important to stay hydrated, especially in the winter months when we don't realize how quickly we can dehydrate. All available water locations will be turned off due to winterization. Units should bring water to get through the day. We strongly suggest that each participant have a water bottle and the unit bring ample water coolers.
- o Scout book in a zippered (waterproof) bag - 1 per sled.
- o 1 device per sled that can be used for geocaching. (Google Maps or the I-phone compass will suffice.)
- o Bring what you would need to build a fire that will burn for 20 minutes. - one per sled. (**No Liquid fuels or fire starters allowed.**)
- o Matches (in a waterproof bag.)
- o Ten 10 ft. sections of rope ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ' minimum)- one set per sled.
- o Snow Shovel 1 per sled.
- o Non-perishable food items to be donated to the food shelf (optional).

Note we love our small units! If you are a small unit, you may be paired with other small units for the station rotations. It will be up to the scouts if they would like to remain paired up for the big race. If your unit has 1-3 youth attending, they may participate in an "All-Star Sled Team" contact the event coordinator for details and to ensure your youth are added to an "All Star" team. If your unit has more than 8 scouts, we will divide you into sleds to keep the team's fair.

## What To Bring - Winter Gear

In winter conditions, dressing correctly can do more than keep you comfortable - it can keep you safe. Dress in layers so you can add or remove articles of clothing to regulate your temperature and be sure to include layers that wick away moisture, block wind and keep you warm.

- o Wick - Your innermost (base) layer should be made of material that draws moisture away from your body.
- o Warm - Your middle layer or layers should trap the heat your body generates.
- o Wind - Your outermost layer should block the wind.

Avoid cotton, when possible, especially in your base layer (where it has the potential to hold moisture and make you feel colder).

Here is a recommended list of clothing articles to bring:

- o Long-sleeved shirt
- o Long pants
- o Sweater (fleece or wool)
- o Long underwear (polypropylene recommended)
- o Hiking boots, winter boots, or sturdy (warm) shoes
- o Socks (wool or synthetic) extra pairs are encouraged
- o Warm parka or jacket
- o Stocking cap/ hat (fleece or wool)
- o Mittens or gloves (fleece or wool and preferably with water-resistant shells)
- o Scarf
- o Rain gear (for layering or in case of warmer weather)

## COVID-19 / Illness

*In alignment with current protocol from the CDC, those who test positive for COVID should isolate at home until fever free for 24 hours and symptoms are improving.*

- *There is no longer a defined isolation time. Today's advice is very similar to what doctors give for flu or other respiratory illnesses.*
- *Wearing a mask for 5 days when you return to public activities is at your discretion.*
- *Contract tracing for close contacts will not be conducted.*

### Stations

- Where would you Go? (Geo-Caching)
- What Would You Catch? (Knot Tying)
- Who Could You Help? (Service Activity)
- Fire Starting
- Tomahawk Range
- Alligator Pit (Team building)
- What Would You Wear?
- What Happens now? AKA: Mystery Station

### General Details

- This event is designed around patrols of 8. If you are a smaller unit, be aware that we may team you with another smaller group or unit. If you are over 8 scouts, we will divide you to keep the teams fair. Scouts that wish to attend and be placed on a team with other scouts may join an All-Star Sled. Contact the event coordinator for details.
- For the race, no more than 8 scouts per team, per sled. Bring extra sleds if you are over and need to divide into 2 teams. Only one rider on a sled at a time.
- You will be given a rotation/patrol number at check-in. Please follow the rotation schedule for your patrol.
- Arrow of Light Scouts who are actively visiting Troops for potential crossovers are welcome to join this event. AOLs must bring a parent with them. Scoutmasters of the Troop being visited must include visiting Arrow of Light Scouts and their parents, in their unit's registration.
- Arrow of Light Scouts should not register without a troop. (see above)
- Linked units may participate together. To help us with ordering enough Klondike Ribbons, please either register separately on Black Pug, or indicate a joint registration by emailing the event coordinator.
- To keep all programming age-appropriate, this event is not open to Webelos (4th grade), Bear, Wolf, Tiger, or Lion Cub Scouts.
- Please have all documents - roster, health forms, etc. - ready at check-in. Unit vehicles should arrive together, with the adult leader who has the documents in the lead car.
- Please read the "What to Bring" section to note items needed for a successful event for your unit.
- Troop trailers are welcome; however, they will need to be parked in the parking lot and gear will be hiked in. A limited number of rickshaws may be available. Plastic sleds make great "personal rickshaws"!
- Each attendee should bring a bag lunch. Hot soup (ramen) and Cocoa will be provided to supplement. There will not be enough time for the units to cook lunch.
- Fires may only be started in fire rings.
- Please park vehicles in designated parking spaces only. No parking on the road is allowed. (Temporary drop-off or pick up is acceptable, but the vehicle must be moved to parking within a reasonable amount of time.) This is to comply with fire code as to not become a safety issue.

- All Scouts must be properly clothed for winter weather. Dress in layers, warm coats, water-proof boots, snow pants, gloves/mittens, etc. **No Cotton! No tennis shoes!**
- No flammable fluids, explosives, or items not permitted by the BSA. (the BSA definition of "fuel" for fires is wood not gas). See the Guide to Safe Scouting for more details.
- Water may not be available at camp. Please remember to have each Scout bring a full water bottle. Remember to have Scouts prepared with water bottles that can stay under their coat to prevent freezing.
- A map of the stations and schedule will be provided at check-in.
- Units not following the guidelines will be asked to leave.

This year's Klondike Derby Event Coordinator is Sara-Marie Malewitz. Please contact Sara-Marie with any questions: [Dmalewitz@me.com](mailto:Dmalewitz@me.com)

## 2025 Klondike Patrol Rotation Schedule

### 30 Minutes with 5 minutes to pass - 8 Stations

|                                | Patrol            | 1          | 2         | 3         | 4         | 5         | 6         | 7         | 8         |           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                                | <b>Start Time</b> | <b>End</b> |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Check-In                       | 7:30 AM           | 8:15 AM    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Check-in / Registration</b> |                   |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Flags                          | 8:30 AM           | 8:45 AM    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Flags</b>                   |                   |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Period 1                       | 8:50 AM           | 9:20 AM    | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 | Station 6 | Station 7 | Station 8 |
| Period 2                       | 9:25 AM           | 9:55 AM    | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 | Station 6 | Station 7 | Station 8 | Station 1 |
| Period 3                       | 10:00 AM          | 10:30 AM   | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 | Station 6 | Station 7 | Station 8 | Station 1 | Station 2 |
| Period 4                       | 10:35 AM          | 11:05 AM   | Station 4 | Station 5 | Station 6 | Station 7 | Station 8 | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 |
| Period 5                       | 11:10 AM          | 11:40 AM   | Station 5 | Station 6 | Station 7 | Station 8 | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 |
| Period 6                       | 11:45 AM          | 12:15 AM   | Station 6 | Station 7 | Station 8 | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 |
| Lunch                          | 12:20 AM          | 1:05 PM    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Lunch</b>                   |                   |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Period 7                       | 1:10 PM           | 1:40 PM    | Station 7 | Station 8 | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 | Station 6 |
| Period 8                       | 1:45 PM           | 2:15 PM    | Station 8 | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 | Station 6 | Station 7 |
| RACE!!                         | 2:20 PM           | 4:30 PM    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>RACE!! - Done in shifts</b> |                   |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Closing                        | 4:30 PM           | 4:45 PM    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Closing / Awards</b>        |                   |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |

***The Klondike Derby is a labor-intensive volunteer-planned and -run event.***

*Now that the Klondike is a Council-wide event, the need for help has grown exponentially.*

*Your Klondike planning committee is working hard to create a fun and engaging experience. We are excited to see you all at the 2025 events. **We will need your help on the day of the event.***

*The 2025 Klondike will have nine different events requiring 3-4 individuals to monitor, administrate, and score each event. If you will have 'extra' adult leaders, older scouts, or parents attending the Klondike with your unit, please contact Sara-Marie Malewitz (DMalewitz@me.com.) THANK YOU.*

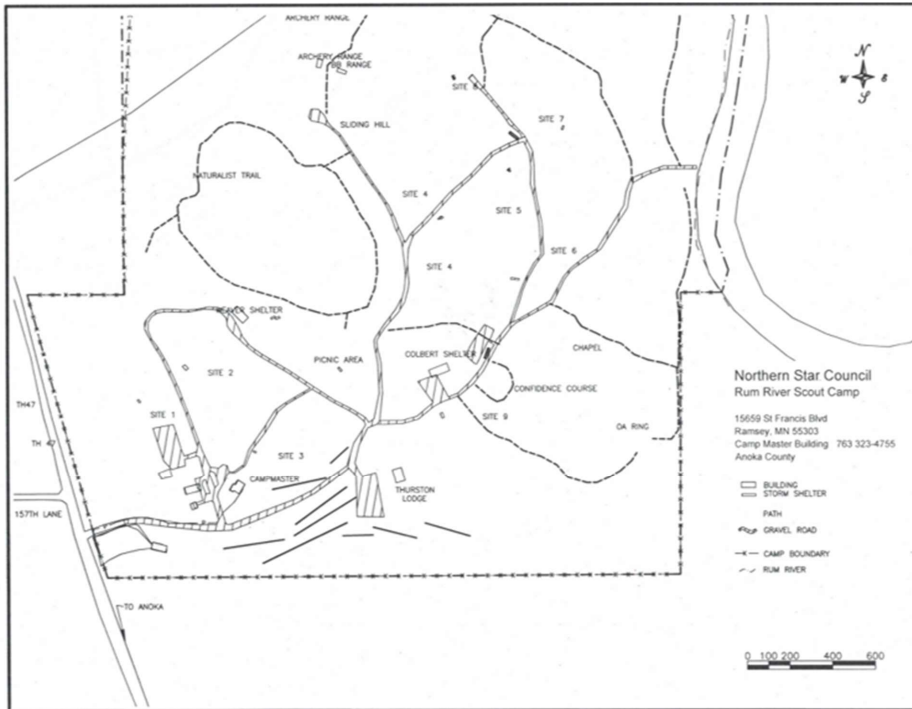
**Calm Space Sponsored by the Northern Star Scouting Special Needs & Disabilities Committee:**

This year members of the Northern Star Council Special Needs and Disabilities Committee are available in Valley View Lodge at Fred C. Andersen and Weaver Lodge at Rum River with calming activities and a space for scouts to take a sensory break. The purpose of this space is to help scouts who may be having difficulties prepare themselves for the remainder of the day's activities. This is also a great opportunity for unit leaders to meet members of the Special Needs & Disabilities team, introduce themselves, and/or ask questions of this team. Please stop in and say Hello when time permits.

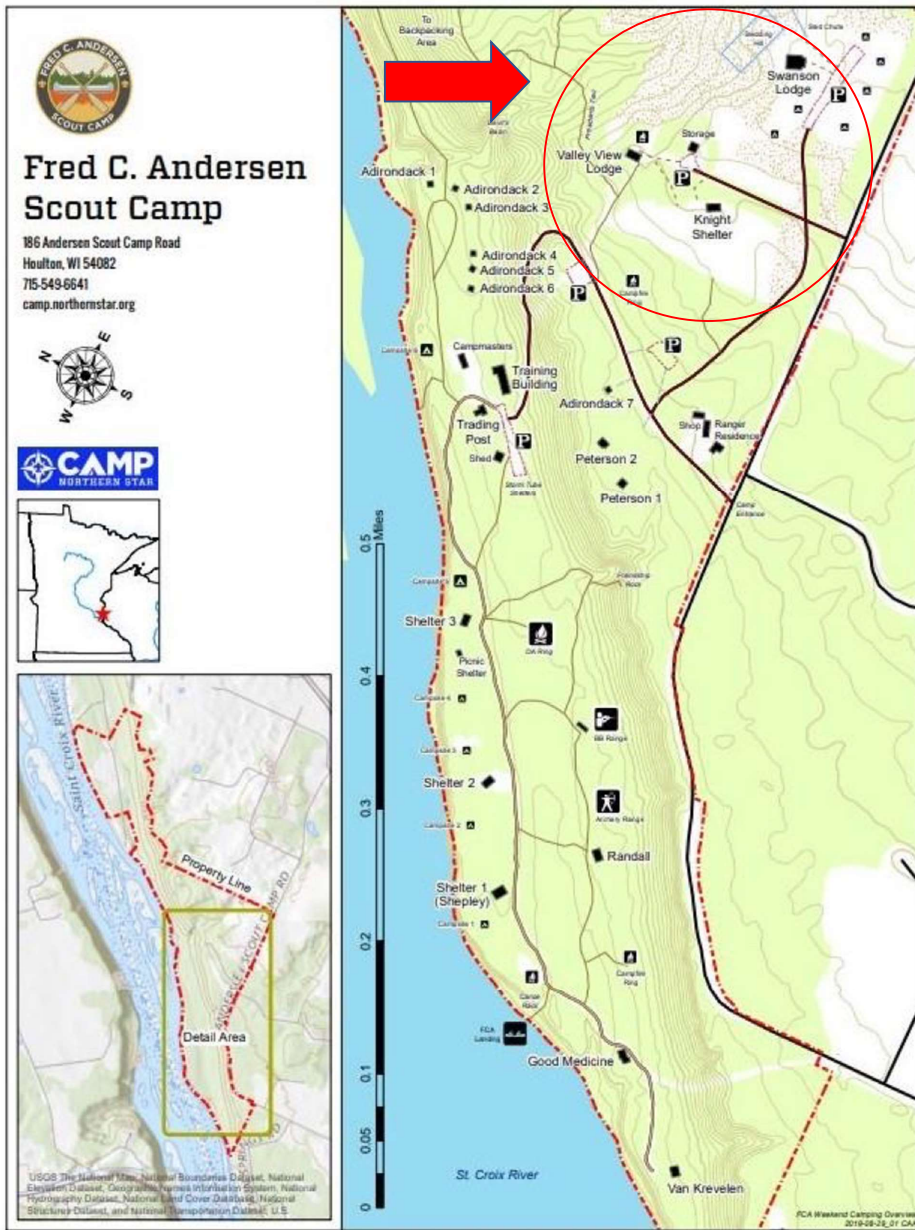
## Directions

The Rum River Klondike Derby will take place in various locations around the camp.

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The Fred C. Andersen Klondike Derby will take place in the upper Activity Field(s) by Swanson and Valley View.





## Northern Star Scouting – Klondike Derby – Roster / Check-In Sheet

Circle one: Fred C Andersen / Rum River

Circle One: Troop / Crew

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_

**All units require Two-Deep Leadership.** If your unit is a linked troop and both young men and women are present, both a male and female leader are needed (*Guide to Safe Scouting*).

Small units may be paired with other units, units with more than 8 scouts will be divided into teams of 8. Please plan adult participation accordingly.

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| Scoutmaster                         |
| Assistant Scoutmaster/ Adult Leader |
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| Senior Patrol Leader           |
| Assistant Senior Patrol Leader |
| <b>Scouts</b>                  |
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Scouts: \_\_\_\_\_ scouts @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ =  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Early Bird: \$15 Regular: \$20)  
 Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ =  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Early Bird: \$10 Regular: \$15)  
 Total Paid \_\_\_\_\_ =  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*For use by Registration Staff:*

**Check-in Paperwork** Complete:    YES    NO

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| · <b>Health Forms</b>      |  |  |
| · <b>Unit Roster</b>       |  |  |
| · <b>Registration Fees</b> |  |  |

### Unit Leader's Contact Info

Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

