



2025 Klondike Derby
Camp Cornhusker
Cornhusker Council, BSA
Return of the Yeti
"May the frost be with you"

When

January 31st to February 2nd, 2025

Where

Camp Cornhusker
63375 703 Trail,
DuBois, NE 68345-5032
(south of Humboldt, NE)

It's a time of uncertainty. Unrest grips the galaxy. A glimmer of hope remains in the heroic forces of the Resistance.

As they struggle against the dark might of the enemy, these brave scouts may yet learn the skills and strengths they need to move into the future...

The 2025 Cornhusker Council Klondike will revolve around the theme of STAR WARS and will draw from various parts of the STAR WARS universe.

All games and activities will in some way reflect this theme.

Please embrace the theme wholeheartedly! Keep it in mind when preparing for troop and patrol challenges, a costume contest and campfire program.

You are also welcome and encouraged to design gateways, props, signs and decorations that depict the theme.

Participants can dress in character – HOWEVER No weaponry of any sort, LARP, stage, plastic or otherwise. We will provide what you need at the stations for your battle Quests. Additionally, all character clothing must be worn over appropriate clothing for typical January/February outdoor weather.

Participation Options

The Klondike Derby steering committee wants to make every unit comfortable with the event. We have several plans to meet your needs. We will operate with normal Scouting standards; Leave No Trace and Pack In/Pack Out (meaning you will pack everything in and out for the weekend).

Older Scouts BSA Program Available – Klondike Shooting Sports

- 1. Camp out Friday Night & Saturday Night** – Arrive on Friday and set up your tents. Participate in activity session on Saturday, conclude the day with a campfire and awards presentation, stay overnight, attend non-denominational chapel service on Sunday morning and leave.
- 2. Camp out Friday night only** – Arrive on Friday and set up your tents. Participate in the activity session on Saturday. Leave on Saturday or stay and participate in the campfire and then leave that night.
- 3. Camp out Saturday night only** – Arrive on Saturday, participate in the activity session on Saturday, conclude the day with a campfire and awards presentation, stay overnight, attend non-denominational chapel service on Sunday morning and leave.
- 4. Day Trip Only** – Arrive Saturday, participate in the activity session on Saturday, and leave Saturday or stay and participate in the campfire and then leave that night.

2nd YEAR ARROW OF LIGHT Cub Scout

- Second-year Arrow of Light may attend this event if invited by and attending with a Troop. Cold-Weather Camping at council-designated locations is not authorized for Second-year Arrow of Light per the guide to safe scouting. Camporees for Second-year Arrow of Light are limited to DAY VISIT ONLY. Second-year Arrow of Light in attendance will need to be a part of an older youth patrol and cannot form their own patrol, as it is the feeling of the committee that Second-year Arrow of Light scouts do not yet possess the basic scouting skills needed to form an effective, fun, safe patrol without guidance from older more experienced scouts.

Proper clothing is a must and should be layered so the Scout can remove some layers if too hot or add layers if cold. Scout uniform is not required. Please dress appropriately. No inappropriate shoes (tennis, athlete shoes, etc.) will be allowed. Individuals will be sent home if inappropriately dressed. This should be covered at pack, second-year arrow of light den and Scouts BSA meetings if attending. This is an all-weather event, so bring plenty of clothing to change into to keep dry if necessary.

Troops must provide ALL their own meals for the Klondike Derby.

Price

- Registration for youth is \$20.00
- Registration for adults is \$15.00

Unit Check-In and Check-Out

- Check-in will start at 4:00PM on Friday and on Saturday at 7:00AM to 8:00AM for morning Patrols and 9:00AM to 11:00AM for afternoon Patrols in the Commissioner's Office, located at the south end of the Korff Conservation Education Building.
- Check-out will be after the program ends on Saturday or on Sunday morning, depending on whether your unit is spending the night on Saturday.

Activity Start Times

Patrol equipment checks begin at 8:30AM for morning patrols and at 1:30PM for afternoon patrol's; please be on time. The events will start at 9:00 AM, and at 2:00 PM. Each patrol will be assigned to either the morning or afternoon activity session based on preference indicated and availability on a first-come, first-served basis. Each Scoutmaster will be notified of the start time for their troop's patrol(s) so the unit can make travel plans. Plan on a time to leave that works well and will keep Scouts from standing around and waiting to participate.

Meals

All meals, including food, equipment and preparation, are the responsibility of the troop / crew.

What to Bring per Person

Don't forget to have your up-to-date BSA Medical Part A and B forms ready for each member in attendance!

- Camping Equipment (warm)
- Food
- Warm Clothes
- Toilet Paper, etc.
- Snow Boots not Tennis Shoes
- Extra Gloves

* Follow the BSA Guidelines for Cold Weather Camping

"BE PREPARED" for bitterly cold, windy weather.

What to Bring per Patrol – you will need to have a Sled or Backpack(s) to carry these items to each station. MUST have Sled or Backpack to carry these items.

- Patrol Flag Decorated with your Patrol Name.
- 2 Quality Compasses.
- Fire Starter material.
- 1 standard liter water bottle for each patrol member.
- Patrol First Aid Kit.

- Five (5) Scout Staves.
- R2D2 – 6-8 inches in diameter and 8-12 inches tall.
- Theme Decorated Estes Rocket and motor.
- Roll of toilet paper.
- Two (2) Granola Bars per person and a minimum of two (2) packets of Hot Chocolate per person, mugs/cups will NOT be provided.
- Mug for Hot Chocolate
- Scout handbook.
- Headlamp or flashlight.

Patrols should consist of four (4) to eight (8) Scouts. Troops or patrols with nine (9) or more Scouts should split into two (2) Patrols. Troops with fewer than four (4) Scouts are encouraged to team up with another troop.

Adults

Each unit will be required to provide adult leadership. In keeping with BSA policy, Two Deep Leadership is required at this event. If you are unable to provide two leaders, please contact another troop for help. Adults are encouraged to volunteer to help with the program. The patrols will go out as a group. **ONE ADULT WILL BE ALLOWED TO ACCOMPANY THE PATROL FOR SAFETY.** We want this to be a learning experience for the youth. Because of this, we will need many adults to help with directions and program stations.

THE PLAN

Patrols check in at the L Bar L. They will be given general instructions, then they proceed as directed.

The station leader will explain to them the problems which they must resolve and what to do when they finish. As they complete the problem, they will be awarded the number of rings earned. The patrol **MUST** stay at each station until told to move to the next station.

Staff

If you have adults or youth who want to volunteer, let us know as soon as possible so we can make assignments. All staff are expected to attend the 7:30 am meeting on the day of the event (Saturday). Youth staff must be 14 years old, **or** in the OA. We have some indoor sleeping quarters for staff, if they want to come down on Friday. Contact Will Cover William.Cover@scouting.org for more information or if you would like to help

Schedule of Events

2025 Klondike Derby

Friday January 31st, 2025

- 4:00PM – 10:00PM: Troops staying the night on Friday will arrive at Camp Cornhusker.
- Check in at the Commissioner's office on the south end of the Korff Conservation Education Building (Denoted as check in building on map). Please be prepared to provide verification of registrants and present BSA Health Forms (Part A and B) for review.
- Units will then proceed to the Camping Area (see map) to set up troop campsite. No tents allowed in program areas. Only one vehicle is allowed in the camping area. Please park all other vehicles in main parking lot, east of shooting ranges.

Saturday, February 1st, 2025

- Reveille and breakfast (**provided by troop**) times are up to troop's discretion.
- 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM registration will begin in the Commissioner's Office for Units running in the Morning.
- 7:30 AM Event Staff Meeting in Korff.
- 8:00 AM Flag Raising at Parade Grounds, west of Dining Hall.
- 8:30 AM Morning patrol's report to Check-in at the L-Bar-L.
- 8:30 AM Morning MANDATORY Shooting Sports Participants Range Safety Instruction at the Korff
- 9:00 AM Morning Trials Begin (End at 12:00 PM).
- 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM registration will begin in the Commissioner's Office for Patrols running in the Afternoon.
- 12:00 PM Lunch (**provided by troop**).
- 1:00 PM Themed Estes Rocket Launch.
- 1:30 PM Afternoon patrol's report to Check-in at the L-Bar-L.
- 1:30 AM Afternoon MANDATORY Shooting Sports Participants Range Safety Instruction at the Korff
- 2:00 PM Afternoon Trials Begin (End at 5:00 PM).
- 5:30 PM Flag Lowering at Parade Grounds, west of Dining Hall.
- 6:00 PM Dinner (**provided by troop**).
- 7:30 PM Campfire & Awards Ceremony at Staff City Fire Ring west of staff cabins.

Sunday, February 2nd, 2025

- Reveille and breakfast (**provided by troop**) times are up to troop's discretion.
- 7:30 AM Non-denominational Chapel Service in the Basement of the Korff.
- 8:00 AM Check-out opens in the Commissioner's Office
- 10:00 AM On our way home. Travel safely!

Klondike Shooting Sports Challenge

This year's Klondike Shooting Sports Challenge will be .22 Rifle Shooting.

YOUTH REQUIREMENTS

- Registered Scouts BSA members (no age restriction – recommended that youth are sufficient size to safely shoot a rifle), Venturers or Sea Scouts.
- **All youth participants are required to have written permission** form signed by their parent or guardian before they can take part in the program. The form is included in this packet (one copy needed per participant).
- **2nd Year Arrow of Light cub scouts attending Klondike cannot participate in this program.**

Just like the regular Klondike Derby program, the Shooting Sports Challenge program will be offered twice on Saturday, once in the morning and then again in the afternoon.

- Participants can choose to participate either in the morning session, the afternoon session, or both.
- The cost to participate in the Shooting Sports Challenge is the base fee for the Klondike Derby plus an additional **\$5.00** per session to cover special expenses.
- Participants can choose to compete on a sled team during one half of the day and then compete in the Shooting Sports Challenge during the other half of the day, or to compete only in the Shooting Sports Challenge and then have the other half of their day free; the cost is the same either way.

All firearms will be provided; no personal firearms allowed on camp property. Eye protection and ear protection will be available for use at no charge, but participants are welcome to bring their own if they have it.

Spots are limited, so this program is only available to youth during pre-registration. If spots remain open, adults can sign up and pay to compete when they check in at camp.

Safety training is required prior to participation, and it will be held before each session, training location and time is on the schedule. Any changes will be announced during check-in. The shooting range is outside; be prepared for cold weather.

Klondike Shooting Sports Challenge

Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement

Cornhusker Council is conducting a shooting sports program. Scouts will be instructed how to handle, maintain, and shoot a rifle safely and be provided instruction to increase their shooting skills. Scouts will have classroom instruction and range instruction in which they will fire a rifle under the supervision of a trained Range Safety Officer and NRA certified Rifle Instructor.

Scouts will be required to wear eye protection and hearing protection always while on the range. Scouts are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and Rifle Instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, _____, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk.

I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

For safety, my child and I agree that he/she will do the following or he/she will be removed from the program. I understand that any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded if my child is removed due to behavioral problems.

1. Complete the training offered as part of the program.
2. Wear all safety gear always while on the range.
3. Follow all safety rules provided in the training class.
4. Follow the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and Shotgun/Rifle Instructor(s).
5. Do not handle any shotguns until instructed to do so by the Shotgun/Rifle Instructor(s).
6. Follow the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) always.
7. Is a registered Scouts BSA member, Venturer, or Sea Scout

Participant signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian printed name _____ Date: _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____