

Fort Orange District Klondike Derby w/ Covid-19 Compliance Leader Info

Mission: Fort Orange District will be conducting an in person Covid-19 compliant Klondike Derby on January 22, 2022. BSA and NYS Department of Health social distancing and public health requirements will be in effect. These will include but not limited to Reducing the number of scouts and scouters at event stations, eliminating indoor gathering places except in the case of an emergency, staggering stations, and reducing time on the trail to reduce the need for warming shelters.

End State: Fort Orange District scouts and leaders will have the opportunity to have fun in the outdoors at Rotary Scout Camp while keeping the risk of coronavirus to a minimum. To accomplish this, we will need your help to do it.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. COVID-19 rules and regulations will still be in force in New York but Twin Rivers Council will be allowed to conduct outside events at Rotary Scout Reservation.
2. Unvaccinated Scouts and Scouters will wear face masks during the activities in shelters.
3. Scouts and Scouters will practice social distancing by avoiding close contact with non-troop members or others not on their sled team.
4. Scouts and Scouters will all fill out health attestation forms and those will be deposited with the District Staff at the event.
5. Warming opportunities will be limited to an emergency location and in the Camp Office and Scout leader vehicles. There will be 1 regular warming site to be used in an Emergency Only.
6. Cabins and buildings will be closed to Klondike Derby participants except in the case of Emergencies.

Special Note:

If your Troop has Snow Snakes, Please bring them. Bonus points will be given for troops who bring their own snakes.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=piQx9v1gVMY&t=30s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1OSB-TYrpcA>

PLAN: The Fort Orange activities committee has planned a modified Klondike Derby and scoring system to promote Scouting Skills and Fun Games from Scouting years past. Each sled team will be led by a Patrol leader and Scored by your scoutmaster accompanying your troops team. There will only be two timed events and this will be timed by FO staff or OA assistance. Key elements will involve a staggered start after 1st and second stations are complete, elimination of the pre-event gathering, and stream lined check in process. Lunch will not be served. During the First station there will be a brief Leader Meeting in the round and question and answer session. Scout Leader Only to reduce gathering.

Key Elements for Scouts::

1. The Klondike Derby will have 8 scoring sections.
 1. Sled inspection.
 2. Trestle Target Build
 3. Orienteering (Can Store)
 4. Fire Building and Rope Burn
 5. Fire Starters
 6. Snow Snakes
 7. Tomahawk Throw
 8. Sled Race
 9. River Crossing

2. Sled Sled teams will consist between 4-8 Scouts.
3. Scout leaders will be provided scoring packets for easy scoring throughout the day.
4. Extra credit for smaller teams can be earned in order to compete with larger teams on some stations.
5. In order to keep numbers low troops are asked to bring no more than 2 adults to follow scouts throughout the day.
6. Each team will be assigned a starting point and they will rotate through the stations in assigned order in order to avoid congregating in large groups. Scouts will be instructed to remain 8-10 feet away from other sled teams.
7. Troops must register Scouts and Scouters ahead of time and pay ahead of time. No walk-in payment will be accepted. Cost be set for 10\$ to cover the cost of patch and camp use fee per Scout. Adults will have a 5\$ charge to cover the cost of the camp usage fee and patch.
8. Troops will provide COVID-19 attestation forms for each Scout and Scouter at check-in. troops will have medical forms on hand but those will remain with the troops.
9. Cub Pavillion will be used as Klondike headquarters and check-in location. No Scouts or Scouters will enter the camp office except in the case of emergencies.
10. Troops will be asked to limit the number of vehicles in the parking lot when possible. Scouters will be asked to use vehicles as warming stations for Scouts when necessary to avoid congregating in the camp office or Seneca Lodge.
11. There will be no lunch event to avoid congregating and to allow the event to proceed more quickly than in normal years. Scouts will be encouraged to bring and eat snacks or trail meals as needed.
12. Winners WILL NOT be announced on the day of the event. Score cards will be collected at the end of the course from each team. Scores will be tabulated and winners will be announced on the District Facebook site and E-mail
13. Klondike patches are ordered and expected to be on site. If they are not, they will be made available when they arrive from the council office. Patches will be distributed to troops.
14. Check in at Cub Pavillion . ***Please Only 1 Leader at a time*** at the table for check in. Check in will be between 8:30-9 am Expected EOD will be 3:15 pm

Key Elements for Cubs:

1. Stations to Include.
 - A. Racing Snakes
 - B. Sports and Toss Game
 - C. Cub Essentials and First Aid game
 - D. Square knot Relay
 - E. Sledding
 - F. Scout Law Hopscotch
2. Stations Expected to be Run by OA Volunteers at this time.
3. Check in by Pack. Once all Cubs have arrived. Please send 1 leader 1 Check everyone in.
4. Cubs must register ahead of time and pay ahead of time. No walk-in payment will be accepted. Cost be set for 10\$ to cover the cost of patch and camp use fee per Scout.
5. Cub Check in from 11 am - 11:30 Expected EOD is 3:15pm
6. Face masks will be required for all when inside a Gathering area or with close proximity to other scouters
7. Groups will be spaced out and kept even. Parents are required to aid in social distancing guidelines of at least 6 ft apart when not in their own pack group.
8. Packs will provide COVID-19 attestation forms for each Scout and Scouter at check-in.

Packs will have medical forms on hand but those will remain with the parents / guardians in attendance.

9. Klondike patches are ordered and expected to be on site. If they are not, they will be made available when they arrive from the council office. Patches will be distributed to packs.
10. All buildings will be closed . Please use vehicles as warming stations. Seneca lodge will be available only on an emergency basis

If you have any questions please contact Andrew Mossey (amossey1077@gmail.com), Chair, FO Activities Committee.