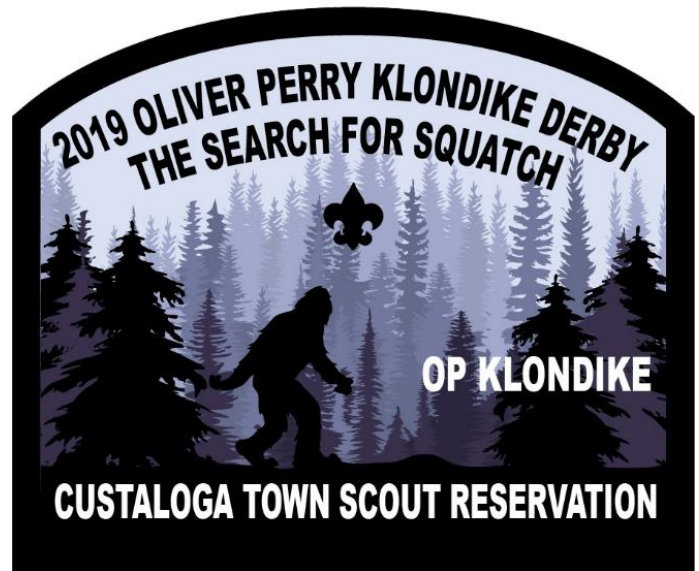


Welcome, The Oliver Perry District, Troop 37 and Troop 13 are excited to host the 2019 Oliver Perry Klondike Derby, *The Search for Squatch*.

We have prepared fun stations for all Scouts to use teamwork, problem solving, their Scouting skills, knowledge and Scout spirit to excel at the challenges of the 2019 Klondike Derby. Please carefully read through this guide to get of the details for this year's event. If you have any questions, please contact the Host Troop Leader or our District Executive listed below. We also ask that you review the Klondike Derby details with your Scouts and adult leaders before the event.



Finally, please be sure to complete your on-line 2018 Klondike Registration no later than Friday, February 1st.

Registration information can be found at https://scoutingevent.com/532-OP_Klondike2019.

This year you can pre-order event long sleeve t-shirts and register for dinner and a movie.

Interested in camping? There are cabins and sites available to rent. Visit the Custaloga Town Scout Reservation system at <https://campreservation.com/532/Home>

Please do not delay! We need as accurate a count as possible of units and patrols so that we can prepare in advance for your arrival. Please be sure to fill out the registration form completely as it has some important information we need for the final planning.

Thank you,

Klondike Derby Committee

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2019 Klondike Derby Details and Logistics

Who:	All Scouts BSA, Venturers, Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts
What:	2019 Oliver Perry District Klondike Derby
When:	Saturday, February 16, 2019
Where:	Custaloga Town Scout Reservation, Carlton, PA
Bring:	Klondike Sled, all required gear, equipment and forms as outlined in this guide
Registration:	On-line via the following link: https://scoutingevent.com/532-OP_Klondike2019#contactArea
Deadline:	Friday, February 1, 2018
Fees:	\$12 per Scout / \$5 per Adult
Extras:	dinner and a movie \$5 per person Long Sleeve OP Klondike Shirt \$20 and up
Camping:	visit https://campreservation.com/532/Home additional fees applicable
Hosted By:	Oliver Perry Troops 37 & 17, Erie PA

A Little Klondike History:

Just before the turn of the last century, gold prospectors traveled the sub-zero reaches of Alaska by means of dogs and sleds. They camped out in all kinds of winter weather, and therefore needed adequate survival skills, which they learned from the native Eskimos. Scouting has incorporated this theme in the Klondike Derby.

In a Klondike Derby, Scout teams pull specially designed homemade sleds around a field course marked by stations named for towns or villages. At each town the Scouts tackle exercises in problem-solving, as well as contests and other activities in which the teams are judged and granted points toward different awards. The event is designed to make Scouts use their heads, to put their Scouting skills to work in the field, to demonstrate teamwork and Scout spirit, and to have fun outdoors in the winter.

Volunteers:

The Klondike Derby is a traditional camporee format. Each Troop, Pack or Crew is requested to provide two adults to assist with the event. Names and phone numbers should be listed on the registration form. Volunteers should report to Headquarters by 7:30am on Saturday and should be available to serve until 4:00 pm. Volunteers should dress appropriately, as they will be outdoors all day. All volunteers are very much appreciated!

Check-In:

All sled teams should check-in Saturday morning between 8:00-9:00 AM. Sled rosters must be turned-in at check in. Only the Sled Team Leader will check-in at Headquarters (CTSR Dining Hall). At check-in, each Team Leader will be given a set of instructions, an assigned starting station and a map of the course and events. All events must be completed in the assigned order, which will be listed in the instructions.

Sled Inspection:

Trail Mounties will inspect and check each sled and sled team participating in the Klondike. This will be done between 8:00 -9:00 AM and can be done simultaneously to the Team Leader completing check in. Sled and Team inspection must be done before embarking to their first station.

Dress:

Winter weather will be a challenge and concern for Scouts during the Klondike. As seen from past Klondikes, temperatures can range from 10 to +55 degrees, with wind chills as low as minus 10 degrees. The weather can include snow, rain, sleet, or sunshine, sometimes all in the same day. **All Scouts must be appropriately dressed for the weather, or they will not be allowed to participate.** Suggested attire includes: long underwear, hats and gloves (2 pairs), wool or synthetic socks, boots (NOT sneakers), and layers of outerwear. **COTTON is not safe and should not be worn.** Rain gear (rain coat, poncho, etc.) should be carried or be available for each Scout on the sled or in daypacks.

Recognition:

All registered Scouts will receive a 2018 Klondike Derby Patch.

Prizes will be awarded for Best Sled, Sled Team Spirit, The Golden Skillet for the best lunch, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st place for the Iditarod, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st place for the Klondike Derby . The highest placed Oliver Perry unit will receive the Oliver Perry Klondike traveling Trophy and will be responsible for hosting the 2020 Oliver Perry Klondike Derby.

Claim Jumpers:

During their course of their travels, sled teams may encounter groups of Claim Jumpers. They are after the sled team's points. The Claim Jumpers will ask the sled team a series of scouting related questions. For every question they get wrong a point will be deducted from the team's total points. The team will then be given a "Free Pass" to be presented to any other Claim Jumpers should they be jumped again.

Sasquatch:

All along the course will be hidden "squatches" find one and take it. Carry it with you throughout the course to turn in at the end of the day. Each "squatch" will be worth bonus points to be added to your sled team's final score.



Villages / Stations:

There will be several stations that the teams will travel to throughout the day. Teams will be given a schedule at check-in indicating their schedule. We are planning on a “round-robin” format. In the event of more than 15 registered teams, we will switch to an open format. Schedule will be discussed at morning announcements. Planned stations are as follows

- Lumber Jack: each team will have to gather a set amount of tinder and kindling as well as chop wood. The Scout who is chopping wood must have his Totin’ Chit on him. Wood gathered and chopped will be loaded on the team’s sled and used for fire building prior to lunch.
- Cliff Climb: using ropes, teams will have to climb the hill and pull their sled up the hill located in the Adirondack camp site.
- Leader-Shape: teams will be blindfolded and directed by their team leader to form shapes with rope.
- Whit-Out Walk: teams will take a blindfolded journey thru a pre-determined course.
- Sled Balance: sleds will be balanced by the teams on large teeter-totter type platforms
- Signal Flags: using signal flags provided, sled teams will be divided and have to send a coded message to each other.
- Range shooting: All team members will have the opportunity to target shoot with rifles. Points will be given for accuracy and safety knowledge
- Past to Present: Each team will be quizzed on their “home state”. States will be assigned to teams once their on-line registration is completed. Each team will also be quizzed on the state that they are traveling in; Alaska.
- Stretcher Run: teams will make and carry a Scout on a stretcher thru a predetermined course.
- Medic Station: teams will be presented with 1st aid scenarios. They must answer questions and save the victims.
- Walk Like a Squatch: Try on squatch feet and complete a foot course.
- Ice Rescue: team members will rescue a team member who has fallen thru the ice and build a tripod to boil hot water over a pre existing fire.
- Spider Snare: sled teams will have to pass each member thru a vertical spider web.
- Ice Fishing: teams will throw a line to “fish” for snapper (mouse traps)
- Shelter Survival: teams will have to build an emergency shelter with items on their sled.
- Fire Building: teams will have to build a fire to cook their lunch using the wood that they gathered at the Lumber Jack Station. Teams will get bonus points for using flint & steel.

Lunch:

Sled teams will compete for the coveted “Golden Skillet”. At lunch time all Sled Teams will be assigned a spot along the road between the lower fields. There, teams will prepare a fire and cook a hot lunch. Fire preparation is judged and points awarded for the total score. A lunch portion should be presented to the Golden Skillet judges, located in the Pow Wow pavilion. Dishes will be judged on creativity, presentation and taste. The golden Skillet Challenge is optional however fire building is part of the Klondike Derby competition.

Race (The Iditarod):

All sled teams will race in a competitive foot race. One team member should be on the sled while the other members act as the sled dogs. Points will be awarded in order of completion.

Schedule

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Check In	Dining Hall
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Sled Inspection	Parade Field
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM	Announcements	Parade Field
9:20 AM – Noon	Morning Stations	Upper & Lower Fields
Noon – 12:20 PM	Fire Building	Lower Field Roadway
12:20 PM – 1:20 PM	Lunch	Lower Field Roadway

Entries for the Golden Skillet Award must be submitted before 1:20 PM at the Pow Wow Pavilion

1:20 – 1:40 PM	Iditarod	Lower Field behind Scoutcraft
1:40 – 4:00 PM	Afternoon Stations	Upper & Lower Fields
4:30	Awards	Dining Hall

6:00	Pasta Dinner	Dining Hall	\$5 per person
7:00	Movies	Dining Hall	

Thank you for participating in the 2019 Oliver Perry Klondike Derby. We hope to see you back next year.

Interested in summer camp at Custalogatown Scout Reservation?

Visit our council website at frenchcreek-bsa.org

KLONDIKE SLED INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Sled Team _____

Troop _____

Each sled will be required to have the following items on their sled at all times. Sled inspections will be held in the morning before the start of the Klondike Derby. Points are given for the items as well as sled construction.

- ☐ Boy Scout or Scouts BSA Handbook
- ☐ Notepad, Pencils
- ☐ Sled Team Roster
- ☐ Drinking Water
- ☐ First Aid Kit
- ☐ Axe and/or Hatchet with Sheath
- ☐ Empty 5 Gallon Bucket
- ☐ 1 Team Member must have a Totin' Chit
- ☐ Ropes: for hill climb, shelter building, lashings, ice fishing
- ☐ Bandana / Blindfold for Each Team Member
- ☐ 2 poles for stretcher building
- ☐ Blanket
- ☐ Tarp
- ☐ 3 dowel rods or sticks
- ☐ Lighter, flint & steel, hot spark, or matches
- ☐ Lunch for all team members and 1 judge
- ☐ Sm bag for lunch trash
- ☐ Knowledge of the teams "home state" as well as Alaska

Sleds should be traditional Klondike derby style sleds.

Wheels are optional if snow is less than 1 inch deep on the day of the Klondike Derby

Bonus points will be awarded for sleds and sled teams representing their assigned home state: eg wearing state colors, flying a state flag, etc.

SLED TEAM ROSTER

Sled Team _____

Troop _____

Scoutmaster or Adult Leader _____

Cell _____

Sled Team Member	Age	Rank

All member should be dressed appropriately for the weather

Each Sled team should turn in 1 copy of this Sled Team Roster at Check In
and carry at least 1 copy with them during the competition.