



**NOTE:** *This year's Leaders Guide will be broken up into two parts.*

- **Part A** provides **BASIC** information every crew will need to make reservation plans and prepare the construction of sleds. Answers the **WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? & HOW MUCH?** questions.
- **Part B** will provide supplemental information specific to the 2025 Klondike Derby and will be posted in Early February 2025.

The Klondike Adventure will be held at Boxwell Scout Reservation February 21st-23rd, 2025. 1265 Creighton Ln, Lebanon, TN 37087. **Note that Klondike will be at Camp Craig so please check-in at the Camp Craig dining hall.**

# Klondike Derby - Part B

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## 5 Day Out Meeting

The 5 day out meeting will be held virtually on Monday, February 17th, at 7:00pm. Once registered for the Klondike Derby, you will receive an email with the invite link for the meeting.

## The Klondike Program

The Klondike Derby is made up of several obstacles that are on a trail. As each Sled Crew reaches the obstacle entrances, they will be greeted by the mayor. A cheerful and spirited reply will be expected. (Note: it has been noted that some sled teams have been known to bribe the mayor. Some mayors may be bribable. Others may have a higher integrity. The mayor will explain the event or activity to take place within their town and any special rules or requirements of the obstacle. Some obstacles may be timed events, and others may be judged on the degree of completion. All obstacles are judged on teamwork. Each mayor will award sleds with points but not all towns are worth the same amount of points. Winners will be determined by points, speed of completion, and overall performance. Adults, Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, Ship Skippers, dads, moms, siblings, pets, etc., are not allowed to escort the teams on the trails.

## Derby Preparation

Different towns along the derby may or may not include the following challenges. We recommend crews to review scout and adventure skills.

- Puzzling Fishery:
  - Lashings
- A Crate Idea:
  - Speed and thinking
- Magic Shoes:
  - Strategy

- Watering Hole
  - Speed and lashings
- Sled and the Furious:
  - Physical Endurance
- Unsurviving:
  - First Aid
- Rifle:
  - Shooting
- Catapult Frenzy:
  - Thinking and Accuracy
- Dizzy Bowling
  - Accuracy

## Special Event Gear

Each team must have all of these items on their sled. The team may use anything on the sled to complete any given task. If there is a change to any obstacle task or material needed for the sled, the Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, or Ship's Skipper will receive a call from the activities chair advising of the change. A sled team meeting will be held Friday night as well as a safety check of each sled Saturday morning before sleds begin the derby.

**PLEASE NOTE:** the events are designed for sled teams of 4-6 members. All gear on the sled is expected to support the number of members on your sled team. You are encouraged to have at least 5 Scouts per sled partially because it can be tough to pull a sled with only 4 Scouts, and also, if you have an injured Scout, this will leave you with only 3 to pull the sled. **Teams smaller than four are not allowed, and anyone younger than 14 is not permitted at this event.**

### Required gear to be on the sled

- Large first aid kit including the following: bandages (enough for multiple scenarios), antibiotic ointment, sling, materials for a splint, sanitary cloth, and hand sanitizer.
- Rope (enough to make lashings)
- Colored markers
- Decorative torch (decorating friday night)

Youth Crew Leaders: make every effort to ensure your sled team members are properly dressed on the trail. All Scouts will be inspected for proper clothing. All scouts must be properly dressed and wearing adequate footwear.

Be comfortably cool. Wear clothing in layers. Layers can be removed and carried on the sled. They can be put back on if the sun goes down or it begins to get cooler on the trail. Since Scouts will be racing around the course, it is likely they will build up a sweat. Therefore, cotton clothes should NOT be a base layer.

We also ask crews to donate firewood for the event.

## Evening Activities

Friday Night, the sleds will be decorating torches to bring with them during the derby Saturday. These torches can help them gain bonus points for scout spirit from station mayors at different stations.

Evening activities such as field games will be held from 4 to 6 pm on Saturday available to all. A cornhole tournament will be occurring as well as a dutch oven contest; sign ups will be available Friday night. Branding will also be available to all Saturday Afternoon. Branding will be held underneath the Veranda at the Dining Hall.

After dinner, our evening Luau will begin with lots of fun and fellowship!

**WE CANNOT STRESS CLOTHING ENOUGH!!!! THE CONDITIONS AT KLONDIKE ARE VARIABLE AND ALMOST ALWAYS COLD, WET, WETTER, OR SOAKED DOWN DEEP TO MY BONES WET! STAYING WARM IS ESSENTIAL TO SAFETY AND TO COMPLETING THE COURSE! WHILE FIRST AID IS A SKILL WE NEED TO COMPETE – WE DON'T WANT TO USE IT IN A REAL-LIFE SCENARIO AT KLONDIKE!**

## Meals and Refreshments

All meals will be provided at Craig Dining Hall unless noted otherwise. For any specific dietary needs, please let us know during registration.

- *Friday Night Cracker Barrel*
  - *Chips and Salsa*
- *Saturday Breakfast*
  - *Breakfast Burritos*
- *Saturday Lunch (packed in the morning and eaten on the trail/at stations)*
  - *Sandwiches, Individual Chips, Fruit*
- *Saturday Dinner/Luau*
  - *Chicken Parm with noodles, salad bowl, brownies*
- *Sunday Breakfast*
  - *Cinnamon rolls, muffins*

*Hot chocolate will be served throughout the course of the day.*

# Merchandise

Merchandise will be able to be purchased/ordered at the event. Merchandise that will be on site will be mugs & stickers as well as some items from previous Klondike events. During the event there will be order forms for hats, t-shirts, long-sleeve shirts, etc. During the event an opportunity to get objects branded will be available There will be snacks and drinks being sold as well.

## Prices

- Hats-\$20
- Stickers- 1 for \$3 or 2 for \$5
- Mugs (for branding) -\$10
- Short sleeve t-shirts-\$15-17
- Long Sleeve Shirts-\$21-23



## Klondike Trading Post Form

Cotton T-Shirt

Long Sleeve T-Shirt

Embridored Hat

Branding

Brandable Mug

I Survived Sticker

Size and Price		Size and Price		Size and Price		Size and Price		Size and Price		Size and Price	
S-XL	\$15	S-XL	\$21	<div></div>	\$20	<div></div>	\$3	Feedom	\$10	<div></div>	\$3
2XL	\$15	2XL	\$21					Green	\$10		
3XL	\$17	3XL	\$23					Red	\$10		
4XL	\$17	4XL	\$23								

## Schedule *(subject to change)*

<b><i>Friday, February 21, 2025</i></b>			
<u>Time</u>		<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
5:00 pm	to 7:00pm	Check-in	Craig Dining Hall
7:00pm	to 8:00pm	Cracker Barrel & Open Activities	Craig Dining Hall
8:00 pm	to 9:00 pm	Opening Campfire	Campfire Area
10:00 pm	to 10:30 pm	Leadership Meeting	Craig Dining Hall
11:00 pm		Lights Out	Campsites
<b><i>Saturday, February 22, 2025</i></b>			
7:00 am	to 7:30 am	Last-minute Check-in	Craig Dining Hall
7:30 am	to 8:00 am	Flag Raising	Craig Flagpole
8:00 am	to 9:00 am	Breakfast	Craig Dining Hall
9:30 am	to 10:00 am	Safety Check	Under the Veranda
10:00 am	to 12:00 pm	Derby	Stations on trail map
12:00 pm	to 1:00 pm	Lunch	Stations on trail map
1:00 pm	to 4:00 pm	Derby	Stations on trail map
4:00 pm	to 6:00 pm	Open Activities	
5:30 pm	to 6:00 pm	Dutch Oven Contest	Veranda
6:10 pm	to 6:20 pm	Flag Lowering	Craig Flag Pole
6:45 pm	to 8:00 pm	Dinner	Craig Dining Hall
8:00 pm	to 10:50 pm	Luau	Craig Dining Hall
11:00pm		Lights Out	Campsites
<b><i>Sunday, February 23, 2025</i></b>			
7:45 am	to 8:00 am	Flag Raising	Craig Flagpole
8:10 am	to 8:20 am	Scouts Own Service	Craig Flagpole
8:30 am	to 9:30 am	Breakfast	Craig Dining Hall
9:30 am	to 10:15 am	VOA Meeting & Elections	Craig Dining Hall
10:20 am	to 11:15 am	Camp Tear Down & Clean Up	Campsites

# Derby Map

