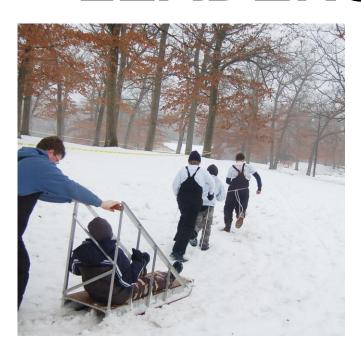


LEADERS' GUIDE





This essential guide contains program information for the weekend. Maps to campsites, sled design, scoring, and more will be shared later, and as more information is made available.

Fact Sheet

WHEN:

Jan. 25-27, 2019; Friday evening through Sunday morning. Activities will take place between 8:15 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26.

WHERE:

Camp Lowden, 4418 S. Scout Road, Oregon, IL. (camplowden.org).

PARTICIPANTS

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS: Boy Scout Troops, Venturing Crews, and Explorer Posts. Cub Scout Webelos (not noted on Doubleknot page) and Arrow of Light members may attend Saturday only with a parent or legal guardian.

Youth must be registered Scouts, Venturers or Explorers to participate in the Klondike for insurance purposes. If you have prospective members as guests of your unit who are not currently registered, you must submit at check-in a completed Boy Scout or Venturing registration form.

ELIGIBLE OVERNIGHT PARTICIPATION: Camping overnight is available for all Boy Scout Troops, Venturing Crews, and Explorer Posts. Units will camp in jamboree-style sites, with Scouts from all 12 counties of Blackhawk Area Council and surrounding councils intermingled in each sub-camp.

PRE-REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS ARE ENTITLED TO:

- 1. A Blackhawk Area Council Klondike patch (distributed upon check-in)
- 2. Lunch on Saturday, Jan. 26
- 3. Admission to all activities and events including:
 - a. Admission to age-appropriate activities from 8:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday
 - b. Saturday Night Indoor Fire Bowl and Cracker Barrel
- 4. Sunday morning Worship Service

WALK-IN REGISTRANTS:

Fees are \$20 per person. Walk-ins will not receive lunch. Patches, if available, will be distributed on a first-come, first-given basis.

OUT-OF-COUNCIL PARTICIPANTS

Units from outside of Blackhawk Area Council are encouraged to participate in the BAC Klondike using the same registration instructions as in-council units.

PARKING

Parking space is limited, and carpooling is highly recommended!

- 1. Unit equipment should be transported in the fewest number of vehicles possible.
- 2. Vehicles and trailers will not be allowed past the parking lot. Due to liability issues, any vehicles that get stuck will need to be towed at the owner's expense.
- 3. Units should bring sleds to transport their gear from the parking lot to their campsites.

CHECK-IN

- 1. Check-in is 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, and 7 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at Camp Check-in at the Main Lodge overlooking the parking lot.
- 2. **ONE ADULT LEADER AND YOUTH LEADER PER UNIT** will check in at the Main Lodge with the:
 - Unit's roster of attending youth and adults that contains name, address and emergency
 phone number of each person attending. This will be kept on file with the Klondike staff
 so, if you need a roster for your unit, be sure to make a copy.
 - Medical forms (Parts A and B) for all. Medical forms will be available to pick up at the Main Lodge at checkout (unclaimed forms will be destroyed in 72 hours).
 - Payment of any fees owed.
- 3. Klondike information packets will be provided at this time.
- 4. Participants/Units will be directed to their assigned campsite at registration.
- 5. All equipment must be transported by foot or sled to campsites. No vehicles/trailers will be allowed beyond the parking lot. All vehicles/trailers must be parked in designated areas.
- 6. Assistance for physically handicapped participants is available, but should be requested during registration on DoubleKnot.

CAMPSITES

- 1. This Klondike is a council camporee using outdoor sites only. Jamboree-style sites will be assigned by Klondike staff. There is no pre-selection or reserving of campsites.
- 2. Venture Crews and Explorer Posts will be assigned to a separate sub-camp.
- 3. All Scout units must provide their own tents, dining flies, cooking equipment, tables, and chairs.
- 4. Personal camping trailers and recreational vehicles are **not** allowed.

POLAR BEAR CAMPING

While the BAC Klondike staff will not be managing this award for campers, it is available to all Scouts who meet these requirements:

- Plan an overnight at one of the council camps or another camping area.
- Sleep in a tent, tarp, lean-to, or improvised shelter at below freezing temperatures and cook at least three meals.

• Two adult leaders must be in camp when the applicant qualifies for this award. They are responsible for the health, safety, and welfare of all participants.

Leaders who would like their unit to receive this award can find more information by visiting www.blackhawkscouting.org and searching for Polar Bear Award.

MEALS AND COOKING

- 1. Lunch will be provided to all participants who register by Dec. 20. All other meals must be provided by units.
- 2. Menus should be kept simple or prepped in advance to allow for maximum participation in Klondike activities.
- 3. High-fat foods are recommended for cold-weather camping. Focus on eating double your normal caloric intake. Suggested foods might include bacon, stews, chili, and burritos. Think high fat!
- 4. **No open fires, period.** Scouts practice Leave No Trace. Only camp stoves will be allowed for cooking.
- 5. Participants are asked to bring along munchies to share at:
 - A leaders' meeting/Cracker Barrel for one adult and one youth leader from each unit at 10 p.m. Friday in the Dining Hall. Bring enough to feed 6 people.
 - Event-wide Cracker Barrel immediately after the indoor camp fire Saturday night in the Dining Hall. Bring enough to feed 12 people.

SANITATION AND UTILITIES

- 1. **WATER:** Bring water for your unit. Water is available, but in limited locations.
- 2. **RESTROOMS:** Restroom facilities are located near campsites and in the program area. **Showers will not be available.**
- 3. TRASH:
 - a. Units are urged to provide a trash container for general use near the unit site entry area.
 - b. Scouts are Clean. While a Dumpster is available, we ask that units carry out their trash.
 - c. Grey water disposal will be explained at the leaders' meeting/Cracker Barrel. Units are requested to bring a 5-gallon bucket to transport grey water.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

TRADING POST: A Trading Post will provide various Scouting items for purchase.

LOST AND FOUND: Lost and found service will be provided at the Main Lodge.

FIRST AID: Located in the Main Lodge.

POLICIES

SUPERVISION

- 1. Units participating overnight must have at least two (2) registered adult leaders with Youth Protection training on site and supervising the unit at all times. Leaders with overnight participant units are to camp on site with their unit.
- 2. It is expected that youth will remain in the camp and activity areas throughout the event and will not be permitted to depart unsupervised.
- 3. Webelos/Arrow of Light Scouts are required to have a parent or guardian escorting them during event.

UNIFORMING: Due to the time of year and the desire to dress for warmth, Field Uniforms (Class A) are not necessary. Activity Uniforms (Class B) can be worn, if desired and appropriate for conditions.

BEHAVIOR: Conduct and appearance in route to, from, and while at the Klondike will be observed and judged by many. The Scout Oath and Law are the standard of behavior for all participants. The responsibility for proper conduct and appearance belongs to all participants.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES: The possession and/or use of any controlled substances by participants at the Klondike are prohibited.

FIREARMS: Per the Guide to Safe Scouting: "Except for law enforcement officers required to carry firearms within their jurisdiction, firearms shall not be brought on camping, hiking, backpacking, or other Scouting activities except those specifically planned for target shooting under the supervision of a currently certified BSA national shooting sports director or National Rifle Association firearms instructor."

INSURANCE: The Blackhawk Area Council provides accident insurance coverage to all units for all registered youth and all registered adults. The insurance plan is an Excess Insurance Plan meaning that the plan will pay all those eligible expenses incurred from a covered accident not paid by any other collectible insurance or pre-paid health plan. If no other insurance is in effect, this plan will pay all eligible covered expenses up to the plan limits. There is no deductible under this plan.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The Klondike Derby will open at precisely 8:15 a.m. at Camp Lowden's fire bowl. Activities will begin immediately afterward, approximately 8:30 a.m.

LUNCH

All program areas will shut down from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch. Remember, lunch is only available for participants registered by Dec. 20. Wristbands will be provided at check-in for lunch participants. Very important: Please include any food allergies or special needs at the time of registration on DoubleKnot. Saturday walk-ins will be notified at check-in where to have their lunch.

EVENTS

First- through third-place awards will be given for both troops and crews/posts in various categories. More information will be provided at check-in.

A sled-design contest will be held. Embellishment and functionality should be considered. **BE CREATIVE!**



CLOTHING

Participation in any winter event can be a lot of fun or a miserable experience - it all depends on preparation. By wearing several layers of clothing, you can enjoy the outdoors with very little effect from the elements.

The key to winter-weather comfort is keeping dry. Both moisture from perspiration and snow or rain can greatly affect your comfort. The following tips are provided to assist in preparing Scouts for the day's activities.

Clothing Avoid cotton clothes. Polyester and/or wool keep you warmer. Wear

several layers. At a minimum, this should include long underwear, pants, shirt, and a sweatshirt. Snow or ski pants are great for keeping you dry.

Coat A warm winter-weight coat is required, preferably with a hood. It is also

advisable to have a scarf to wrap around the neck and face.

Footwear Heavy boots, especially those with felt liner inserts, are needed to keep

feet warm and dry. It is suggested that two pair of socks be worn. Extra

socks should be available to change out during the day.

NO TENNIS SHOES!

Hat Everyone should have a hat that covers the entire head, including the

ears. A lot of your body heat can be lost from your head and neck.

Gloves Protection for the hands is critical. A good, warm pair of gloves is needed

to keep your hands warm and dry.

Rain Gear Rain gear in needed just in case it starts to rain.

If a Scout is found to be underdressed for the weather, that Scout risks being sent home. We want everyone to be safe!

PACKING LIST

If a Scout is found to be underdressed for the weather, that Scout risks being sent home.

Pack multiple pairs of pants and shirts.

You do not want to sleep in the same clothes you wore during the day.

ALL PARTICIPANTS:	OVERNIGHT PARTICIPANTS:
Boots (preferably with felt liners) Winter Jacket (preferably with hood)	Sleeping clothes, this is essential for staying warm at night.
Rain gear	Sleeping bag (low-degree bag) and fleece liner (if available)
Hat Water-resistant Gloves	Sleeping pad (closed-cell not air-filled)
Scarf Snow pants (waterproof pants)	Hygiene products (there will be sinks and toilets but no showers)
Hand and/or foot warmers (optional, but really, really nice)	
Warm under garments (Long underwear)	
Long pants	
Long-sleeved Shirts	
Sweatshirts or fleece	
Thick socks (multiple pairs)	
Change of clothes	
Flashlight or Headlamp	
Water bottle	
Sunglasses	
Mess kit (if required by unit)	
Day pack to carry water, extra socks, extra gloves	
Health forms!!	
Medications (if needed)	

CHECKOUT

All units must be checked out by noon on Sunday. Checkout procedures will be provided upon check-in. No checkouts will be allowed during the church services.

VERY IMPORTANT: Please notify staff during check-in if you will be leaving on Saturday night.

Scouts are Courteous! This is a big event with limited parking space. We ask everyone to be patient and courteous. We will do our best to keep everything flowing, but we will need your help. Please don't block any roads or another unit's campsite.

REGISTRATION AND FEES

The Deadline for Final Registration for participants is December, 20, 2018, to ensure food and patches for ALL units.

All fees, including pre-registration, are transferable but not refundable.

QUESTIONS

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