

# Klondike Derby 2013

**Date:** January 18-19, 2013

**Location:** Rockport State Park

**Cost:** \$7 (Scout or Adult)

## Check-in

Upon arrival, follow the instructions of the parking attendants. One adult and the Senior Patrol Leader should proceed to the pavilion at Hawthorne site for check-in. Bring a copy of your roster and tour permit.

## Schedule

### Friday January 18, 2011

4 pm: Begin arrival & check-in

4-8pm: Set up camp & dinner

8 pm: Patrol leaders Meet at Camp Headquarters (District tent)

### Saturday January 19, 2011

7:30 am: Wake-up/Breakfast

8:15 am: Flag Ceremony

8:30 am: Games/Activities

11:00 am: Sled Race

Awards Ceremony – immediately following the sled race

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## Fires and Tent Heaters

- Fires are allowed, but must be off the ground/snow in a “no trace” fire bowl.
  - No portable heater is allowed in sleeping accommodations ( BSA requirement).
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## Preparation for the Klondike

- Bring your own sled.
- Make sure all equipment is ready and in good repair
- Make sure all Scouts and leaders are dressed appropriately
- Have a tour permit

If your troop does not already have a sled, you’ll need to build one. Basic plans can be found on the internet or you can design your own. The only requirement is that it must be pulled by the scouts – self-propelled sleds are not allowed (dang!!).

## Directions to Rockport Reservoir

- Take **I-80 East** toward Evanston WY.
- Take **Exit 155** toward Kamas (State Route 32) for approximately 5 miles.
- Proceed to the south end of the reservoir, and then turn left at the entrance to **Rockport State Park**.
- Our campsites (**Hawthorne and Cottonwood**) are just past the entry booth.
- After arriving please come to the pavilion in the Hawthorne camp to check-in.



## Klondike 2013

- If you have attended the district Klondike Derby in the past, you know that this is always a well-attended district campout, and we are expecting to have high attendance once again.
- Soon after arriving at camp, report to the district tent with a roster of your scouts for check in. Late additions to your group can be added to the roster and paid for at this time.

### Prior to arriving:

- Be sure all scouts and patrols have adequate cold weather gear for winter camping. This is a great campout for those who are prepared, but can be long and miserable for those who aren't.
- Prepare a Klondike sled (directions can be found on the internet). There are various designs, but don't be afraid to use your imagination. Awards are given for best overall design, best use of scouting methods, and most innovative.
- Come prepared to participate in the different stations/activities on the course.
- Prepare for the great race. All scouts will race to see which team and sled is the fastest. Plan strategies such as how you will pull your sled, including the best way to harness the team and what to do if someone falls during the race.

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## Suggested Equipment – Be Prepared ! -- Focus on warmth!

**Important:** Taking expensive electronic devices is at your own risk. Snow can quickly make them disappear without regard to cost or importance!

### MAJOR EQUIPMENT

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sleeping bag (Make sure the sleeping bag is rated for 0 degrees. It will be COLD!) Use two sleeping bags for extra insulation. Putting one bag inside another is very effective at increasing warmth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foam pad (essential to provide insulation from ground/snow/ice)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hand warmers (disposable) for pockets and sleeping bags

### CLOTHING

- \_\_\_\_\_ Winter coat (or a vest and a shell parka)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Long sleeve shirts (2 recommended. Wool is best but not essential)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Thermal underwear (bottoms are the most important and polypro is best)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Outer socks (Non-cotton, 3 pair recommended – thick wool)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Inner socks (3 pair, polypro is the best)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Underwear (2 changes)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Snow Pants
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gloves or mittens (mittens are the warmest. 2 PAIR IF AVAILABLE.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Boots (NO TENNIS SHOES OR LIGHTWEIGHT NYLON BOOTS)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wool ski cap (balaclava style with facemask is best)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gaiters (very important)

**DRESS IN LAYERS ON WINTER TRIPS!**

## PERSONAL ARTICLES

- \_\_\_\_\_ Prescription or non-prescription medications
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Flashlight (w/NEW alkaline batteries)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Chapstick or lip balm
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Toothbrush and toothpaste
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Sun Screen
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Disposable hand warmers (also helps when placed in a sleeping bag in the feet area)
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## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS or OPTIONAL ITEMS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Money (Snacks may be purchased on the way, and there will be a trading post this year)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Pocket knife
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Scout Handbook
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Pencil and pad of paper
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Survival kit
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Sunglasses
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Healthy Munchies
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Spare batteries (new alkaline)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Small flashlight (AA size, with fresh alkaline batteries)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Matches (in a waterproof case - prescription bottles work great.)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Large garbage bag or pack cover (to cover your pack at night.)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Personal first aid supplies (moleskin, Band Aids, Tylenol, etc.)
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## PATROL EQUIPMENT

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fire kindling and wood for “Snow melting” station – Suggestion: Seal in a 5 gallon bucket until ready.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tour Permit
- \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol Flag
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sled
- \_\_\_\_\_ “No Trace” fire equipment
- \_\_\_\_\_ First Aid Kit
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tents (make sure they are all in good condition and have all parts, unless you like fixing tents in cold weather)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tarps
- \_\_\_\_\_ Shovels
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cooking Gear

