

**2025 Aurora District Klondike  
February 7-9, 2025**



**Camp Vista in Dundee, WI  
N3398 Chapel Heights Rd, Campbellsport, WI 53010**

## 2025 Aurora District Winter Klondike Challenge

### ***MISSION: KLONDIKE*** GENERAL EVENT INFORMATION

**Scouts BSA and Arrow of Light Scouts (5<sup>th</sup> Graders)** are invited to participate in the Klondike experience. Camp Vista is located roughly 55 minutes North of Milwaukee just west of Highway 67 and Long Lake in Dundee, WI. Arrow of Light Scouts should register with a Troop.

#### **Patrol Responsibilities to provide for the weekend events:**

- Bring a Klondike sled
- Bring all items on the patrol gear list included in this packet.
- Bring a Klondike sled and snow snake for the competitions.
- **Appropriate footwear** for each person on the trail is a MUST. Scoutmasters are required to make sure everyone in the unit is dressed for the weather.

#### **Adult Leadership:**

- **Two-Deep Leadership** is required for any group attending. All adults registering to attend the Aurora District Klondike must be registered leaders in the Scouting America per the [new policy effective September 1, 2023](#).
- Units are responsible for the behavior of everyone in the unit.
- This is a Scouting Event, so the staff expects each attendee will follow the guidelines of Scouting America.

**YOU MUST BRING BSA HEALTH FORMS FOR EVERY PARTICIPANT. THESE WILL BE CHECKED AND COLLECTED AT REGISTRATION AS WE MUST RETAIN THESE AT THE COUNCIL OFFICE AFTER THE EVENT**

**Each patrol** will need to bring a Klondike sled and the equipment to perform the challenges on the trail. A patrol gear list is included in this packet.

**Each patrol** should bring a Klondike sled and a snow snake for the Saturday competitions.

**Appropriate footwear and outerwear** for each person on the trail is a MUST. Scoutmasters are required to make sure everyone in the unit is dressed for the weather.

**TWO-DEEP leadership** is required for any group attending. Units are responsible for the behavior of everyone in the unit. Each unit will be asked to provide judges for the trail.

**THIS IS A SCOUTING EVENT SO THE STAFF EXPECTS EACH ATTENDEE WILL FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES OF SCOUTING AMERICA.**

**A Scout is reverent.** Everyone is encouraged to attend one of the religious service options provided on Saturday evening.

**CAMP VISTA REQUIRES THAT EVERYONE ATTENDING (SCOUTS AND LEADERS) MUST TURN IN A LIABILITY RELEASE FORM AND A UNIT ROSTER UPON CHECK-IN.**

# 2025 KLONDIKE WINTER CHALLENGE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

| FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2025 |   |                     |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 6:30 p.m.                | Registration/Check In                     | STAFF LOUNGE        |
| 8:00 p.m.                | “Intelligence Gathering” & Cracker-Barrel | DINING HALL         |
| 9:00 p.m.                | Scoutmaster/SPL/Adult Meeting             | STAFF LOUNGE        |
| 10:30 p.m.               | Report to Sleeping Quarters               | CABINS/OUTDOOR SITE |
| 11:00 p.m.               | Quiet Time/Lights Out                     | CABINS/OUTDOOR SITE |

| SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025 |  |                       |
|----------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 7:20 a.m.                  | Opening Ceremony   | DINING HALL           |
| 7:30 a.m.                  | Breakfast  | DINING HALL           |
| 8:15 a.m.                  | Bag Lunch Pick-Up  | DINING HALL           |
| 8:30 a.m.                  | Patrols Assemble for Snow Snake Competition (Extra Nuggets)<br>Sled Decoration Competition Judging (Extra Nuggets) | ATHLETIC FIELD        |
| 9:15 a.m.                  | Judges to Stations   | ADVENTURE TRAIL       |
| 9:30 a.m.                  | Shotgun Start  | ATHLETIC FIELD        |
| 9:45 a.m.                  | Klondike Challenge   | ADVENTURE TRAIL       |
| 3:30 p.m.                  | Klondike Sled Race (Extra Nuggets)   | TBA                   |
| 5:00 p.m.                  | Interfaith Worship Service<br>Catholic Service   | DINING HALL<br>CHAPEL |
| 6:00 p.m.                  | Dinner   | DINING HALL           |
| 7:15 p.m.                  | Mission Briefing   | LOWER FIRE PIT        |
| 9:30 p.m.                  | Cracker Barrel<br>(Dining Hall will Remain Open)   | DINING HALL           |
| 10:30 p.m.                 | Report to Sleeping Quarters  | CABINS/OUTDOOR SITE   |
| 11:00 p.m.                 | Quiet Time/Lights Out  | CABINS                |

| SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025 |   |                     |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 8:00 a.m.                | Breakfast                                       | DINING HALL         |
| 8:45 a.m.                | Awards/Closing Ceremonies                       | DINING HALL         |
| 9:00 a.m.                | Cabin or Site Clean Up                          |                     |
|                          | Check Out/Reconciliation/<br>Patch Distribution | CABINS/STAFF LOUNGE |

# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**Order of the Arrow Program**– The Eluwak Chapter of Kanwa tho Lodge will be hosting Friday night’s cracker-barrel and talking about the service they provide while sharing information on the many fun events they host each year. We are also asking all OA members to wear their sashes during dinner on Saturday.

**Snow Snake Competition** – All patrols are encouraged to participate in this competition. Patrols will choose one member to participate in one (or both) competitions split by distance and accuracy.

**Klondike Sled Decoration**– All patrols are encouraged to participate in this competition designed to recognize patrol efforts in decorating their sled per the annual theme. Awards will be given for creativity and best overall effort. Other awards may be given to unique entries.

**Adventure Trail** – Test your Scout skills by competing against other patrols in this round-robin style competition for gold nuggets. Stations will be judged on scout skills, teamwork, and spirit. Gold nuggets will be awarded based on performance in these areas and individual stations will be timed. Patrol performance will be reviewed and judges will counsel patrols after each event. Station sheets will be given to Scoutmasters after the event and awards will be given to the top three places on each trail.

**Advanced “Snow Ninja” Trail** – For older Scouts only. Pairs or Trios of Scouts will team up to complete in more advanced wilderness skills that may not be covered in the Scout Handbook. Pre-registration for this trail is required. Participating Scouts must be at least First Class rank (Preferably Star or above), due to the setup of the trail, one member of the team must be at least 14 years of age. Advance Trail team members will be allowed to intermix with regular patrols for snow snake and sled competitions.

**Klondike Sled Race**– All patrols are encouraged to participate in this race. The entire patrol must run with the sled in a heat against other patrols out around a cone and back. The entire patrol must cross the finish line for their time to stop. Fastest Patrol wins.

**Secret Agent Program**– All patrols are encouraged to participate in this weekend-long event. Activities may include: Scavenger Hunt, Codebreaking, Puzzles, Target Ranges, and Remote Control Car Driving Course. Patrols will work together to develop their “secret agent” skills while collecting clues to solve the final challenge and receive a special activity award.



**KLONDIKE  
DERBY**

The logo features the word "KLONDIKE" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. Below it, the word "DERBY" is written in a larger, stylized blue font where the letters are interconnected and filled with white dots, resembling a snowflake or a winter theme.

# AURORA DISTRICT KLONDIKE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

February 7 – 9, 2025

Camp Vista

## **REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY**

**Deadline for registration is Friday, January 24, 2025**

**Register online early to secure your preferred site and secure  
cabin availability! First come, first served!**

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### **THE COST FOR THIS EVENT IS AS FOLLOWS:**

PACKAGE #1:

**\$40.00** COST PER PERSON (early bird – regular +10)

**INCLUDES ALL MEALS IN THE DINING HALL AND SLEEPING IN A HEATED AREA**

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PACKAGE #2:

**\$18.00** COST PER PERSON (early bird – regular +10)

**POLAR BEARS AND TROOPS THAT WISH TO TEST THEIR WINTER CAMPING  
SKILLS**

TROOPS PROVIDE THEIR OWN TENTS, FOOD AND PREPARE THEIR MEALS  
OUTSIDE. THIS INCLUDES LUNCH ON THE TRIAL.

**SUNDAY BREAKFAST WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR A FEE OF \$4.00 PER PERSON**

**POLAR BEAR and SUB-ZERO patches will be available for purchase with a  
COMPLETED advancement report**

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PACKAGE #3:

**\$25.00** COST PER PERSON (early bird – regular + 5)

**SATURDAY ONLY AND INCLUDES LUNCH AND DINNER**

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### **Registration Questions Contact:**

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(414) 774-1776

District Director  
Cory Weber

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### **Event Questions Contact:**

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Jon Gagner

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# Snow Snake & Sled Race Competition Rules

## Sled Race

- All decisions by the judges are final.
- Any team interfering with another competitor in any way will be disqualified.
- The trail patrols will be the same team for the sled race.
- Depending on patrol sizes on the weekend, a limit on the number of mushers may be set before the racing starts.
- Each team will start and run out, around the cone and back to the start line where they started. Their time will be scored when the sled and **everyone** on the team is across the finish line.
- Each team will push, pull, or a combination of both, their sled with one team member of their choosing riding in the sled.
- The sled with the fastest time will be the winner.

## Snow Snake Competition

- All decisions by the judges are final
- The longest throw will win the distance competition. Each team will get 1 practice throw and two attempts for distance. The longest throw will win.
- The person coming the closest to the target area or the most within the boundaries will win the accuracy competition. Each team will only get one throw for the accuracy competition.  
**Note** – There will be three snow snake areas, a practice area, the distance competition area and the accuracy competition area. You can have as many throws in the practice area as a team wants. The distance competition will be held first.

**Any Troop that has extra snow snakes is encouraged to bring them to the Klondike for other Troops to use.**

# UNIT ROSTER

Troop/Pack/Crew #: \_\_\_\_\_ Site/Cabin #: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Adult Leader: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## ADULT LEADERS

|   | Last Name | First Name | Emergency Contact | Phone |
|---|-----------|------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1 |           |            |                   |       |
| 2 |           |            |                   |       |
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## SCOUTS

|    | Last Name | First Name | Emergency Contact | Phone |
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# PATROL ROSTER

LIST YOUR PATROL NAME, EACH SCOUT IN THE PATROL and WHO IS A POLAR BEAR. HAVE THIS READY AT CHECK-IN ON FRIDAY.

TROOP #: \_\_\_\_\_

PATROL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout Name (First and Last Name)

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| 1. _____ | PB | Day Only |
| 2. _____ | PB | Day Only |
| 3. _____ | PB | Day Only |
| 4. _____ | PB | Day Only |
| 5. _____ | PB | Day Only |
| 6. _____ | PB | Day Only |

PATROL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout Name (First and Last Name)

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| 6. _____ | PB | Day Only |



# AROURA DISTRICT WINTER KLONDIKE - 2025 ADVENTURE TRAIL PROGRAM

## REMEMBER THE SCOUTMASTER / SPL / ADULT MEETING IS ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Volunteers chosen to staff the trails as trail judges.  
Approximately 10-15 stations will be needed to be staffed by 3-4 adults.  
Scouts 16 years or older and of star rank or higher are invited to participate as trail judges.

**Every troop is required to cover at least one trail station per patrol in attendance.**

## ALL TRAILS

All trail challenges will be rewarded on **TEAMWORK, SCOUT SKILL, and SCOUT SPIRIT** in accomplishing the challenges. Each patrol is expected to use the Patrol Method.

## PATROL EQUIPMENT PATROL EQUIPMENT

Each patrol will need to bring the following equipment with them for the trail competition they should be split up and carried by patrol members in backpacks (no sleds will be used on the trail this year):

| REQUIRED |                         |
|----------|-------------------------|
| 1.       | Patrol Flag             |
| 2.       | Scouts BSA Handbook     |
| 3.       | Hatchet (NO AXES)       |
| 4.       | Saw                     |
| 5.       | Tarp                    |
| 6.       | Matches                 |
| 7.       | Water                   |
| 8.       | Snow Snake              |
| 9.       | First Aid Kit           |
| 10.      | 6 Scout Staves          |
| 11.      | Cook Kit                |
| 12.      | Fire building materials |

## ALL SCOUTERS SHOULD BRING APPROPRIATE ATTIRE FOR THE WEATHER

## PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

**EACH SCOUT** will need to bring the following equipment with them for the patrol competition

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| 1.  | Neckerchief or Blindfold   |
| 2.  | Compass  |
| 3.  | Personal Water Container   |
| 4.  | Pocketknife / Totin' Chit  |
| 5.  | Fireman Chit   |
| 6.  | 12-foot length of rope (for lashings or other activities – not twine)            |
| 7.  | 6-foot length of rope (for knot tying or other activities – not twine)           |
| 8.  | Pen (non-ballpoint) or Pencil (with sharpener if applicable)                     |
| 9.  | Small Notebook or Memo Pad   |
| 10. | Extra socks, mittens, and other articles of clothing appropriate for the weather |

## **ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT & INFORMATION**

### **Trail Information:**

Each patrol will be allowed to carry any additional equipment they feel necessary, but they must carry it the entire time on the trail.

Judging of the events will be done using guidelines set by the trail bosses.

Credit will be given for the way a patrol conducts itself at the station, on the trail and to and from each station.

**Each patrol will be expected to stay at its assigned station until instructed to go on to the next station by their current judge.**

No stations will be beyond the requirements for First Class rank. However, patrols of older scouts will be expected to perform the challenges at a higher level of experience.

**Claim jumpers may visit each patrol and Scouts will be asked to “defend” their awarded nuggets.**

**For detailed information about the trail, or  
have your questions answered about the  
even plan on attending the  
January Roundtable.**

# WINTER CAMPOUTS - PACKING LIST

## **LONG UNDERWEAR - 1 PAIR**

We highly recommend long underwear be made of polypropylene, Cappelen or APT mesh to guarantee warmth and dryness. Cotton promotes wetness and should not be used.

## **STOCKINGS - 2 PAIR**

Stockings should contain at least 50% wool or be made of a synthetic fabric such as polypropylene.

## **BOOTS WITH LINERS**

Snowmobile-type Sorrel or other insulated boots with insulated liners should be used.

## **PANTS**

Wool pants are preferred. However, snow pants can be used as outerwear.

## **SHIRTS - 2**

Shirts should be made of either a wool-blend or synthetic fabric.

## **SWEATERS**

Should be loose fitting and be made of wool-blend or synthetic. Polar fleece is excellent for winter camping and is highly recommended.

## **MITTENS WITH INSERTS**

Leather mitten shells (choppers) with wool inserts (liners) are recommended. Mittens are recommended over gloves. Gloves do not warm fingers necessary for prolonged outdoor activity.

## **STOCKING CAP**

Wool hats are the most effective type of headgear for winter camping.

## **PARKA TYPE COAT**

A variety of insulated parkas and coats may be used. Elastic cuffs tend to restrict blood flow to fingers. Outerwear should have zippers, rather than buttons, as they help reduce wind penetration.

## **POCKETKNIFE AND MATCHES**

Matches should be waterproof or in a waterproof container.

## **PLASTIC EATING GEAR**

Plastic cups, bowls and silverware should be used as they do not freeze to body parts.

## **CANDY AND SNACKS**

Hard wrapped candy and snacks are recommended. Foods containing chocolates and sugars make excellent snacks as they warm the body and provide quick energy. (chocolate cookies, nuts, GORP, granola cereal or bars)

## **SUNGLASSES - CHAPSTICK**

Helpful items to combat extreme snow reflections on sunny days and to keep lips from chapping.

## **Reminder about Electronics (Phones, cameras, etc.)**

Please be sure to only bring along items that you can lose in the snow! Aurora District Klondike leadership cannot be responsible for phones or other valuables lost on the trail!

# CAMP VISTA MAP

