



## Event Guide

### Watchung Mountain District **WEBELOS KLONDIKE TREK 2014**

All Webelos/AOL Scouts, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders, are invited to participate in the Webelos Klondike Trek, 2014. This will be a timed event that will test their skills as a patrol at 7 stations.

- Location:** The Loop Area (Playground), Watchung Reservation in Mountainside, NJ  
**Date:** **Saturday, January 25, 2014**  
**Registration:** Please register at <http://ppbsa.doubleknot.com/event/-webelos-klondike-trek/1349312>. Registration will open on Monday December 9, 2013 and close on Friday January 17, 2014. Each patrol must be accompanied by at least one (1) BSA registered adult leader plus one other adult. The cost of this event is \$6.00 for each member of the patrol. **Adult leaders are NOT REQUIRED TO PAY THIS FEE.**  
**Parking:** Trailside Nature Center, 452 New Providence Rd., Mountainside, NJ 07092  
**Event Check-in:** "Headquarters" pavilion on the Loop, at your scheduled time.  
**Trek Competition:** 10:00 a.m. through 1:30 p.m.  
Start times on 15 minute intervals.  
Last start time will be 11:30 a.m.  
**Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place, for lowest "NET" time. See below for NET time definition.  
Presented following event, or may be picked up at February roundtable.

This is a great opportunity for your Webelos to work as a patrol by testing their Scout skills in a timed competition. Patrols should be 4 to 8 Scouts and may be any mix of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. **SLEDS, WAGONS, OR SIMPLY BACK PACKS MAY BE USED.** The choice is yours. Each patrol is required to be led by two (2) adults, one of whom must be a BSA registered leader. All station tasks required for the competition are defined below.

The stations will supply some of the necessary materials required to perform each skills challenge, with the balance brought along. Scouts and patrols will be required to be equipped as specified below. To be competitive in this event, **advance preparation, both to procure materials and practice skills, is a must.** This competition assumes the patrols will know what to do once they arrive at each station, with minimal direction from the station hosts.

Start times will be between 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., on 15 minute intervals. You will be asked for a first choice plus alternate during on-line registration. We will do our best to accommodate your request. The anticipated completion time of the Trek is 1.5 hours. All patrols will check in at Event Headquarters, from which they will proceed to the Event Preparedness Station.

The Trek is completed as a circuit (fixed sequence from one station to another) around the course. Times will be recorded for check-in and check-out at each station. Patrols will be sent to different stations to start their individual trek. Starting position should not matter, as each patrol will complete the same set of stations, in the same order, but from a different starting station. Trek time will begin from check-in at the first station, and end with check-out at the last station, whatever they may be. The "NET" time, in minutes, for each patrol will be: (check-out last station) – (check-in first station) – (time for lunch station) + (total possible points – total earned points). Please note that every unearned task point becomes one minute added to the time. **LOWEST "NET" TIME WINS!**

- Questions:** Charlie Rose, Chairman, [wm.klondike.trek@gmail.com](mailto:wm.klondike.trek@gmail.com)  
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ALL CANCELLATIONS MUST BE MADE IN WRITING AND SENT TO THE:

PATRIOTS' PATH COUNCIL  
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Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927



# Webelos Klondike Trek

## Required Provisions

Because we cannot know how cold or hot it will be the day of the event, or even during the times each patrol will be running the event, it is important that Scouts and leaders “Be Prepared” for all likelihoods throughout the day.

Also, as the event has become popular and we are trying out a “timed” format this year, we are asking that Scouts and patrols bring along some of the items that were previously being provided. This is to make things easier on the volunteer Scout units hosting the Webelos trek stations, as well as to help minimize “bottlenecks” due to sharing station resources. This is closer in line with the success model of the Boy Scout Klondike Derby, which is also a timed event accommodating many more Scouts, where patrols bring EVERYTHING they will need.

### **Required Provisions for each member of the patrol: (Even if they will not be used)**

Dressed appropriately for weather; hat, coat, gloves, boots, leggings...

2 pair of hand/foot warmers – One pair for gloves, one pair for boots.

Rain Gear

Day Pack

Drinking Water

Lunch (Including uncooked, wrapped, grilled-cheese sandwich. May bring something else too, but need to cook a grilled cheese sandwich at the Cooking Station.)

Hot Chocolate Packet

Cup For Hot Chocolate

Spoon to Stir Hot Chocolate

One band aid (for use at first aide station).

One 4' to 5' length of rope

Scout neckerchief and 1 handkerchief (for use as bandage and dressing at first aide station)

Whistle

### **Required Provisions for each patrol:**

Patrol Flag

Patrol First Aid Kit

Garbage Bag

Bag of Marshmallows

6'x8' (or anything thereabouts) Tarpaulin or Blanket to make a rain/sun shelter

Four tennis ball size rocks, if using a blanket or tarpaulin that does not have grommets, to fold into corners for rope attachment.

15' length of rope

Boy Scout Orienteering Compass with baseplate and rotating bearing ring

### **Patrol Optional:**

Wagon or Sled (toboggan type suggested)



## Webelos Klondike Trek Stations

### **General Note to Station Hosts:**

Thank you once again for volunteering to make this Webelos Klondike Trek a successful and enjoyable event! We hope it lets the Webelos/AOLs experience and enjoy the “patrol method”, that is at the heart of Boy Scouts.

### **General Guidelines:**

1. This year we will have a timed event. Low time wins! For all stations except cooking, the clock will be running.
2. Station activities have been chosen such that Webelos will check-in, perform one or more required tasks, have points tallied, be initialed as “complete” by the station host, and leave.
3. Tasks are such that the Webelos patrols can mostly complete the tasks themselves, using a combination of materials brought from home (primarily), and materials provided by the station.
4. Stations should be able to handle multiple patrols at once, without delay to any; check them in, tell them where to complete their task, verify the task(s) are complete, add the points, initial the sheet, send them on their way.
5. The thought is we want to be prepared to handle many Webelos, without bottlenecks, under cold conditions. To do this, we want to properly “size” the station tasks, minimize delays, have tasks be mostly “self sufficient”, and keep the boys moving.
6. A fixed number of points is awarded for the completion of each task, i.e., all or nothing. This is how task completion will be factored into the final score (time) of the day. Final score for each patrol will be Number of Minutes to Complete the Trek + Total Missed Points, i.e., each missed point translates to 1 added minute.



## Webelos Klondike Trek Preparedness Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Preparedness):

1. The purpose of this station is to check that all required materials have been brought by individual Scouts, and by the patrols.
2. See above for check list.
3. Subtract 1 point from patrol score for each missing item, up to a maximum of -10 for the patrol. **(0 to -10 points)**
4. Points will also be lost on the Trek for inability to complete tasks due to missing items.
5. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(10 points)**
6. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
7. Place the Patrol Score **(max 10 points)** on the sheet.
8. Initial score sheet and send them on their way to their first “timed” station.



## Webelos Klondike Trek Distress Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Distress):

1. Upon arrival, patrol repeatedly waves patrol flag over head to get attention of station host and check-in. Host can get them going if not doing on own. **(5 points)**
2. Patrol checks-in. Record arrival time and start time (different only in case of station backup).
3. In unison, patrol repeatedly signals SOS using semaphore arm positions until OK'ed by host. Host can demonstrate the arm positions to get them going if needed. **(5 points)**
4. In unison, patrol repeatedly signals 3 short whistle blasts until OK'ed by host. Host can tell them to do this if needed. At least one patrol member must have a whistle to do this. If more than one has a whistle, then even better. **(5 points)**
5. In unison, patrol repeatedly shouts out SOS in Morse code (dit dit dit, dah dah dah, dit dit dit) until OK'ed by host. **(5 points)**
6. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
7. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
8. Place the Patrol Score (**max 25 points**) on the sheet.
9. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial sheet, and send them on their way.

### Required Material provided by Patrol:

Patrol flag

One or more whistles



## Webelos Klondike Trek Cooking Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Cooking):

1. Record time patrol arrives on sheet. (We will not be including the time spent at this station in the overall time. We would like them to relax a bit.)
2. Each Scout to cook a grilled cheese sandwich, on a Coleman stove that is equipped with a grill. Flip with a spatula. May wrap and take with, if too early to eat. **(5 points)**
3. Each Scout to prepare a cup of warm “hot chocolate” using a packet, cup, and stirrer brought from home. Warm water provided by the station. **(5 points)**
4. Have lunch or snack. Clean up trash. **(5 points)**
5. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
6. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
7. Place the Patrol Score (**max 20 points**) on the sheet.
8. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial, and send them on their way.

### Required Materials Provided By Station Host:

- 3 Coleman stoves with propane tanks. (2 grilling, 1 hot water)
- 2 Rectangular grills spanning two burners
- 2 Spatulas
- Butane Lighter
- Glad Wrap/sandwich baggies
- Coffee pot for heating/pouring water.
- Water for cocoa
- 3 pair fire gloves, one for each stove

### Required Materials Provided By Each Patrol:

- Grilled Cheese Sandwiches
- Hot Cocoa packets, cups, spoon



## Webelos Klondike Trek Fire Building Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Fire Building):

1. Patrol checks-in. Record arrival time and start time (different only in case of station backup).
2. Assign one of the washbasins.
3. Have each patrol build a fire lay in their basin, using provided tender, kindling and fuel. Recommended fire lays are teepee or log cabin. Please keep the fire lay on the small side as they will soon need to put it out. **(5 points)**
4. Light the fire lay. Patrols may use either matches or a lighter. **(5 points)**
5. Allow the fire to burn a bit while each patrol member toasts a marshmallow. **(5 points)**
6. Fully extinguish the fire with water, drain water off to the side, and dump the wet ashes/cinders into a metal ash can. **(5 points)**
7. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
8. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
9. Place the Patrol Score (**max 25 points**) on the sheet.
10. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial, and send them on their way.

### Required Materials Provided By District:

Six metal wash basins  
Tinder, kindling, fuel kits, one per patrol  
Marshmallow sticks  
Ash can/shovel

### Required Materials Provided By Station Hosts:

Lighters and/or matches  
Fire gloves  
Water bucket

### Required Materials Provided By Each Patrol:

One bag of Marshmallows  
16oz bottle of water for dousing fire



## Webelos Klondike Trek First Aid Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (First Aid):

1. Patrol checks-in. Record arrival time and start time (different only in case of station backup).
2. Each Scout applies a bandaid to the forehead of another in the patrol. **(5 points)**
3. Each Scout uses their neckerchief to bind a handkerchief or other form of compress, to the forearm (over jacket) of another Scout. **(5 points)**
4. Patrol will assemble a stretcher using their blanket and 2 provided poles. **(5 points)**
5. Patrol will transport a victim (patrol member) from point A to point B on the stretcher . At point B, the first victim will get up from the stretcher, and a second victim get on. The patrol will transport the new victim from point B to point A. **(5 points)**
6. Scouts will tell the station host 3 signs of hypothermia and 3 things to do to treat it. **(5 points)**
7. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
8. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
9. Place the Patrol Score (**max 30 points**) on the sheet.
10. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial, and send them on their way.

### Required Materials Provided By District:

10 poles for 5 stretchers

### Required Materials Provided By Each Patrol:

Bandaid for each member

Neckerchief and handkerchief for each member.

One 6' x 8' tarp or blanket for stretcher.



## Webelos Klondike Trek Knot Tying Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Knots):

1. Patrol checks-in. Record arrival time and start time (different only in case of station backup).
2. Patrol makes a “chain” of rope loops from short lengths they brought. Each loop is closed with a square knot. One loop per patrol member. **(5 points)**
3. Untie rope loops.
4. Patrol makes a “long” rope from the above short ropes, using sheet bends to connect the pieces. One length per patrol member. **(5 Points)**
5. Untie rope lengths.
6. Coil and wrap each length, in preparation to be put away. **(5 points)**
7. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
8. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
9. Place the Patrol Score (**max 20 points**) on the sheet.
10. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial, and send them on their way.

### Required Materials Provided by Patrols:

One 4' to 5' piece of rope per Scout.



## Webelos Klondike Trek Orienteering Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Orienteering):

1. Station hosts may help as needed.
2. Patrol checks-in. Record arrival time and start time (different only in case of station backup).
3. Station host will give each patrol a bearing. Patrol sets the bearing on compass\*. **(5 points)**
4. "Put Red in the Shed and Follow Fred"\* for 100 steps. **(5 points)**
5. Rotate bearing ring 180 degrees. **(5 points)**
6. "Put Red in the Shed and Follow Fred" for 100 steps. **(5 points)**
7. Provide the bearing of a distant landmark pointed out by the station host. **(5 points)**
8. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
9. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score. Place the Patrol Score **(max 25 points)** on the sheet.
10. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial, and send them on their way.

### Required Materials Provided by Patrol:

Boy Scout orienteering compass, with baseplate and moveable bearing ring.

\*"Put Red in the Shed and Follow Fred" is a useful ditty for remembering how to use a Boy Scout Orienteering Compass.

#### To follow a given bearing:

First, hold the compass with the base plate flat, at navel level, with the "Read Bearing Here" arrow (this is "Fred") facing forward.

Second, rotate the movable bearing ring, such that desired bearing is at the "Read Bearing Here" arrow.

Third, "Red" is the North end of the compass arrow, while "The Shed" is the red arrow on the base plate of the bearing ring, that looks like a little "Shed". With the "Read Bearing Here" arrow (Fred) still pointing forward from your navel, take baby steps as you turn your body, until the North end of the compass arrow (Red) is lined up with the "Shed". Now walk in the direction of "Fred".

#### To find a desired bearing:

First, hold the compass with the base plate flat, at navel level, with the "Read Bearing Here" arrow (this is "Fred") facing forward, while you face the landmark you would like to take the bearing of.

Second, rotate the bearing ring until "Red is in the Shed".

Third, read off your bearing from the bearing ring at the point, "Read Bearing Here".



## Webelos Klondike Trek Outdoorsman Station Operating Instructions

### Station Specific Instructions (Outdoorsman):

1. Patrol checks-in. Record arrival time and start time (different only in case of station backup).
2. Station host directs Scouts to a location where they can put up their shelter.
3. Patrol assembles a basic shelter from a 6' x 8' tarp or blanket. Patrol members and/or adult leaders serve as "tree and stake" points, to which ropes will be tied.
4. A center line using 15' length of rope is fixed between 2 "trees" (chests of patrol members) using 2 half hitches knot at each end. Pull rope taut. Drape tarp or blanket over rope, using 8' dimension, so 4' hangs on either side of rope. **(5 points)**
5. Each corner is fixed to a "stake" (ankle of a patrol member) using a 2 half hitches knot. For corner attachment, use either the grommet of the tarp, or a small rock tucked into the corner of the blanket. Use 2 half hitches knot at both ends of each corner rope. **(10 points)**
6. Station host checks for proper assembly.
7. Fold the tarp/blanket, and coil and wind the ropes for proper storage. **(5 points)**
8. Scout Spirit/Patrol Yell **(5 points)**
9. Add up the points. This is the Patrol Score.
10. Place the Patrol Score (**max 25 points**) on the sheet.
11. Record time the patrol is leaving, initial, and send them on their way.

### Required Materials Provided By Each Patrol:

One 6' x 8' tarp or blanket

Four tennis ball size stones, if a blanket or tarp without grommets is used.

One 15' length of rope

Four 4' to 5' lengths of rope