

**Troop 89 "Klondike Derby" Trip
Camp Squanto
Friday, January 29 – Saturday, January 30, 2010
TRIP INFORMATION AND EQUIPMENT LIST**

For our January 2010 trip, Troop 89 will participate in the Klondike Derby, a weekend of winter and snow themed fun and games at the Walpole Sportsman's Club. This is a BSA district-wide event, bringing together troops from the Seven Rivers district of Old Colony Council, along with Webelos Cub Scouts from the area who participate during the day on Saturday. This will be a fun chance to meet Scouts from other troops, and defend Troop 89's tradition of competitive excellence in these kinds of multi-event challenges (like Apache Relay at summer camp). We arrive and camp out on Friday night, then participate in the games on Saturday and return to Medfield in the late afternoon.

Message on being prepared:

Being prepared is your responsibility and you should make sure YOU PACK all of the suggested equipment/clothes for the trip. Please make sure to bring this newsletter and equipment list on the trip. We will do a quick inspection prior to departure to make sure everyone has the necessary equipment.

Signup and Cost:

- Signup will be at the Troop meeting Thursday, January 7, 2010.
- Cost will be \$20 per person, due at sign-up deadline. This covers 2 meals, registration for the event, transportation and overnight camping.

Parental Approval:

Form must be on file with the troop.

LOGISTICS

Friday, January 29

- Meet at Scout Shed
 - Patrol Leaders and Grubmasters – arrive at 5:30pm
 - All other Troop 89 scouts – arrive at 6:00pm
- Depart Scout Shed at 6:00pm
- Plan on eating dinner before you arrive at the Scout Shed

Saturday, January 30

- Depart Walpole Sportsman's Club -- 4:30 pm
- Arrive at Scout Shed – 5:00 pm. Scouts will be released for pickup after normal procedures for unloading and stowing troop gear

Weather and Preparation:

This is a WINTER CAMPING trip so you must plan accordingly! Remember what you have learned about cold weather camping: dress in layers, avoid cotton clothing, remove sweaty or wet clothing and change into dry clothes prior to bedding down, bring extra changes of dry, warm clothes, cover exposed skin, and if you get cold, take immediate corrective action.

Also, gear should be packed in a backpack as there may be a short walk-in to the site where we camp.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT LIST:

The following is a checklist of what personal equipment to bring. Scout uniforms will not be required. All Scouts should bring their Scout Handbook.

A personal equipment checklist for this winter trip is as follows:

- winter weight sleeping bag
- pillow
- sleeping pad
- insulated ground cloth
- canteen or water bottle
- personal drinking cup
- Mess kit and utensils
- flashlight with good batteries
- backpack to carry gear
- plastic trash bags
- warm footwear
- warm boots
- wool socks (2 pairs)
- heavyweight warm long pants (1)
- long sleeve wool or fleece shirt (1)
- winter jacket or parka
- additional outer layers such as fleece jacket, wool sweater
- outer shell to wear over insulating layers
- waterproof outer pants or ski pants
- wool hat
- heavyweight gloves or mittens
- neck gaiter and/or warm facemask
- underwear (2)
- thermal long underwear (2)
- pajama or other heavy sleepwear
- hand towel
- brush/comb
- toothbrush and tooth paste
- ChapStick or similar lip balm
- personal basic first aid kit
- Scout Handbook
- compass (optional)
- jackknife (optional and with Totin' Chip card only)

Any questions, please e-mail Mr. Lester at tripcoordinator@troop89medfield.org.

***Please note that personal electronics (including cell phones, I-pods, and CD players) are not on the equipment list. Do not bring these along on the campout. Thank you!**
