
TROOP 246 NEWSLETTER

January, 2001

Meetings

1/2	Lightnings Set up/Clean up
1/9	Aquabats Set up/Clean up
1/16	Sharks Set up/Clean up
1/23	Eagles Set up/Clean up
1/30	Lightnings Set up/Clean up

All meetings at Nut Swamp

Events

1/20	Klondike Derby
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Scout of the Summer

Mark Palframan

Scout of September

Brian Bosch

Scout of October

David Palframan

Congratulations, Scouts!

Rank Activity

2 nd Class:	Chris Boston, Andy Feldman, Mark Palframan
Star	Brian Bosch
Life	Kevin Boston

Coming Events

Klondike Derby will be held on Saturday, **January 20** at Quail Hill. We will have three teams, led by **Dan Lewis, Mark Palframan** and **Mike Cunningham**. The teams will pull their sled and equipment around a course with about five "towns" or stations. The teams will be challenged at each town with a problem to solve which involves scouting skills. While we won't know for sure what challenges we will encounter, these skills will likely include Pioneering, Orienteering, Rescue, Firebuilding, First Aid, and Wilderness Survival. A "hidden" skill needed at every station is reading and following instructions! Some time during the Tuesday meetings before the event will be spent getting ready.

At each town, the team can earn points based on their performance of the task at hand. In addition, the whole event is timed. The team with the most points and the least amount of time is the

winner. For those interested, There is a Klondike Derby website at:
<http://hometown.aol.com/cmishvicki/>

Last year, we had three sleds participating. Our highest placed team tied for **fourth place** with 181 points! Our two other teams came in at 27th and 40th place. Maybe this year we can place our teams higher! However, the real goal is to HAVE FUN!

All scouts who have been assigned to bring items for the event are encouraged to remember what they need to bring. Each item is critical to the success of the team. Missing items will cause your team to lose points.

Recent Events

Bowl-a-thon 12/29. A report will be made in the next newsletter.

This year, I'd like activity leaders (Scout and/or Adult – Scout preferred) for each activity to provide a short write-up to announce details for upcoming activities, and a short report of the trip afterwards.

Thanks to the Scouts who submitted their write-ups for this month's newsletter. Let's get even more participation next month.

Send items no later than one week before the first meeting of the month.

Don't worry too much about polishing up your submission – I'll be happy to do any final editing (of course, I'll also be happy if I don't have to do much editing!) Items can be submitted via email (plain text or Word 7.0), regular mail, or by phone. Email is preferred.

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ATTENTION ACTIVITY LEADERS!!!

