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FREEZ-O-REE

2018: Scouting Winter Olympics



Scout Leaders, Parents, and Participants,

The United States Air Force Academy Eagles Club is proud to host the annual Freez-O-Ree. We extend a “warm” welcome to all of our guests and acknowledge the extraordinary cooperation and efforts of the Air Force Academy and the Pikes Peak Council. Without the continued support from these groups, this event would not be possible.

We are honored to uphold a tradition of excellence at this year’s Freez-O-Ree, providing friendly competition, adventure and life-long memories for the youth that attend. We strive to improve this event each year, so if there is anything that the Air Force Academy or Pikes Peak Council can do to make your visit the more enjoyable and memorable, please let us know.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John R. Lira".

JOHN R. LIRA, CAPTAIN, USAF
Officer-in-Charge, USAFA Eagles Club

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Event Key Information:

Dates: 16-18 March 2018

Location: South Side of Falcon Stadium, US Air Force Academy

Cost: \$20 per person by 13 March and \$25 per person 14-16 March

Objective:

The objective of this document is to provide Scout Leaders and Troops with planning information to prepare for the Freez-O-Ree. More details will be provided to registered participants the day before the event, including any changes to the information below. If you have any questions, please email C19Benjamin.Flanagan@usafa.edu or call 774-217-1142.

Weekend Schedule:

Friday		
Time	Event	Location
1630-1900	Check-In	Check-In Area
1630-2000	Troop Campsite Set-Up	Camp Wide
2100	TAPS (All Quiet)	Campsites
Saturday		
Time	Event	Location
0700-0800	Troop Time (Breakfast)	Campsite
0830-0900	Opening Flag Ceremony	Flag Pole Area
0900-1200	Morning Events	Stadium Grounds
1200-1300	Lunch	Campsite
Afternoon	**Lacrosse games open to public at Falcon Stadium	
1300-1600	Afternoon Events	Stadium Grounds
1630-1700	Closing Flag Ceremony	Flag Pole Area
1700-1800	Dinner	Campsite
1830-1930	Awards Campfire	
1930-2000	Scout Leader & Senior Patrol Leader Cracker Barrel	
2100	TAPS (All Quiet)	Campsite
Sunday		
Time	Event	Location
0700-0800	Troop Time (Breakfast & Scouts Own Service)	Campsite
0800-1000	Break Camp, Campsite Inspection, Out-processing	Campsite

Scout Leader Notes:

Vehicles

One vehicle and one trailer will be allowed in each Troop campsite. All other vehicles need to park in the designated parking area next to the campgrounds. It is preferred, however, that Troops consolidate gear into as few vehicles as possible. Please direct questions to Cadet Ben Flanagan via email at C19Benjamin.Flanagan@usafa.edu.



Patrol/Troop Specific Equipment

IMPORTANT: Troops will need to bring a sled fabricated prior to the event by the Scouts, in line with this Klondike style event. Troops will be required to have a minimum of one sled, and can have as many as one per Patrol (up to 3). The sled should have the ability to be pushed and pulled across snow or dirt because Scouts will be required to bring their sled to each event station. The weight of the sled should be considered due to certain station challenges the Scouts may encounter. Sleds should also be capable of hauling necessary equipment for event stations (as identified below in the event station descriptions). Troops that do not bring a sled will risk losing points at initial check-in and sled-specific events.

Saturday Activities

IMPORTANT: Each Troop/Patrol will be responsible for going to as many stations as possible, in no particular order. Each station will award points that will contribute to an overall score, and the top three Troops/Patrols will be recognized at the awards campfire. There are ten stations that are subject to change but currently planned to include:

1. Hatchet Biathlon – accuracy and safety with axes, saws and knives (equip: N/A)
2. Scoutcross – reaction course (equip: N/A)
3. Lighting the Torch – fire safety and fire building (equip: matches and fire building materials)
4. Cross-country scouting– wilderness survival skills (equip: shelter building supplies)
5. Figurelashing – lashing skills (equip: 50 feet of 550 cord)
6. Olympic aid station– first aid skills (equip: first aid kit and splinting materials)
7. Scout bobsledding– orienteering skills + sled race (equip: compass)
8. Scouts skill curling– knowledge of Scout skills (equip: Boy Scout Handbook)

Each of the eight stations will be competitive, and Troops should prepare by reviewing axe/knife safety, fire safety, wilderness survival, first aid, orienteering and pioneering. Please ensure you bring the required supplies for each station.

*****Saturday Lunch*****

Time has been allotted for Troops and Patrols to prepare their own lunch meals. Please be aware that events will kick-off again at 1300 hours, and Troops should be cleaned-up and out of camp by then.

*****Saturday Scout Leader and Senior Patrol Leader Cracker Barrel*****

After the awards campfire, the Eagles Club will host Scout Leaders and Senior Patrols Leaders for a cracker barrel in the Hq area. Plates, cups, and eating utensils will be provided.

Recommended Gear list:

(DO NOT BRING 100% Cotton anything! No tennis shoes--no exceptions!)

Worn:

- []-long underwear
- []-uniform shirt, long sleeve
- []-warm shirt (wool, or heavy non-cotton)
- []-mid-weight inner layer (sweater, polar fleece top, wool Scout jacket)
- []-snow pants or wool "Scout type" pants
- []-winter weight jacket (hoods are good)
- []-inner sock (polypro, thin poly socks)
- []-outer sock (wool, *smart wool*)
- []-lightweight inner glove
- []-outer winter cold mittens/ gloves
- []-warm hat (wool, polar fleece, fur)
- []-ski mask full face covering
- []-winter boots (Bunny boots or Sorel type)

Personal Packing List:

- []-pocketknife
- []-first aid kit
- []-raingear/windbreaker/snowsuit
- []-water bottle
- []-flashlight with extra batteries(in pocket)
- []-sun protection (sunscreen, lip balm, sunglasses)
- []-bag to hold gear (backpack)
- []-2 pairs of extra gloves (extra thin inner glove + extra outer glove or mitten)
- []-extra stocking hat
- []-extra pair of long underwear
- []-2 extra pairs of wool socks, one for each day of campout
- []-complete change of clothes
- []-toilet kit (toothbrush, toothpaste, partial roll of TP, stored in ziplock bag)
- []-sleep kit (sweatshirt and pants, knit cap, loose socks all stored in ziplock bags)
- []-personal mess kit and eating utensils
- []-watch
- []-BSA handbook
- []-cold weather sleeping bag
- []-extra warm-up sleep gear (wool blanket, extra outer sleeping bag, etc)
- []-6' x 8' reflective ground cloth to go under sleeping bag
- []-closed cell foam pad (2 cheap ones work great!)



Troop/Patrol Kit for Saturday Activities: (Checked-in with sled at the opening flag ceremony)

- []-Map of the area (provided at check in) and compass
- []-50' of 550 cord, 25' of rope, and five 6' lengths of rope
- []-Three 4' (or longer), 1-inch (or wider) diameter poles
- []-Flint and Steel, waterproof matches in a sealed case, other fire starting objects, tinder and kindling
- []-Pocket Knife and/or Multi-Tool
- []-First Aid Kit including splinting material
- []-Tarps and shelter-building supplies
- []-Snack food (trail mix, granola, etc)
- []-Two liters of water per person
- []-Extra clothes (a few layers for each person / a blanket or sleeping bag)
- []-Snow shovel (to make winter shelter/a few per Patrol is sufficient)
- []-Scout Handbook

*****Note*****

Tents will be pitched on the ground, so plan for cold weather and high winds.

*****Reminder*****

The event time or location may have to change at any point due to military necessity. This event is not military training, representation of military training or simulation of military training but is a Boy Scouts of America Event.

Rules of Engagement:

Any participant (or visitor) who does not comply with these rules will be subject to dismissal.

Boundaries: Stay in the designated event area and away from the main roads for safety purposes. The areas to be used by Scouts will be outlined in the map provided at registration.

Latrines: Portable latrines will be located throughout camp. Please use them. Falcon Stadium indoor bathrooms will be strictly off-limits.

Accountability: Each Scout Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Patrol Leader will maintain accountability at all times. Upon arrival, Troops and guests will sign in at the Registration Table in the Headquarters (Hq) area. Anytime a Scout or guest enters or leaves the event area, they must check in/out at the Operations Tent (Ops Tent). It is very important that we keep an accurate attendance list at all times in case of an emergency.

Emergency / Questions: The Operations Tent (Ops Tent) is set up as a central point of contact for questions and emergencies.

First Aid: There will be a heated first aid tent (next to the Ops Tent) for emergencies.

Water: There will be no running water available. Troops will have to practice water conservation and bring enough water for cooking and cleaning needs for the entire weekend.

Cooking/Camping: Troops are required to bring all of their own equipment and camp inside their designated areas, practicing “leave no trace” camping techniques. Troops may be held liable for excessive damage to their areas.

Fires: Fires will be allowed depending on the Air Force Academy Fire Danger Level. For safety and environmental impact reasons, all fires must be above ground (in a fire barrel, etc.). All units must bring their own fuel and fire container. A limited supply of burn barrels will be available. These barrels should be cleaned prior to departure from the campsite.

Garbage: Please follow the rule, “what you take in, you take out.” Part of the check-out list will include policing for garbage. If necessary, reference the Outdoorsman Code per the Scouting Codes of Conduct. A single bear-proof dumpster will be available in the campground area.

Visitors: Visitors are welcome to observe daytime activities, but please remember that access for visitors who do not have a Department of Defense (DoD) identification (ID) card is **limited to 0900 through 1700 hours via the USAFA North Gate.** Visitors without DoD ID cards at other than designated visitor hours must inform the Eagles Club at least two weeks in advance in order to be placed on an Entry Authorization List (EAL). DoD ID cardholders may enter through the North Gate between 0600 and 2200 hours or anytime through the 24-hour South Gate.

Camp Rules:

1. Do not dig holes, trenches, etc.
2. Do not leave without checking in/out at the Ops Tent
3. Each unit Scout Leader is responsible for their unit’s medication and insurance documentation
4. Absolutely NO alcoholic beverages
5. No individual sheath knives, axes, hatches, etc. (authorized one (1) axe, hatchet, and saw per Patrol for use in a Troop designated axe yard)
6. Scouts and leaders must ensure that everyone has proper equipment for winter camping
7. Leave No Trace – Campsites should be left as clean or cleaner than they were found
 - Please carry out your trash and ashes if you build a fire

Directions to the Freezoree and Check in Procedure:

North Gate visitor hours are 9 AM to 5 PM for drivers who do not have Department of Defense (DoD) identification (ID) cards. Remember, visitors passing through the North Gate at other than designated visitor hours must inform the Eagles Club at least two weeks in advance to be placed on an Entry Authorization List (EAL). If any issues present themselves during the event, please call Cadet Ben Flanagan at 774-217-1142.

Step 1:

Enter through the North Gate, off I-25 at exit 156. Show a valid driver's license or DoD ID card.

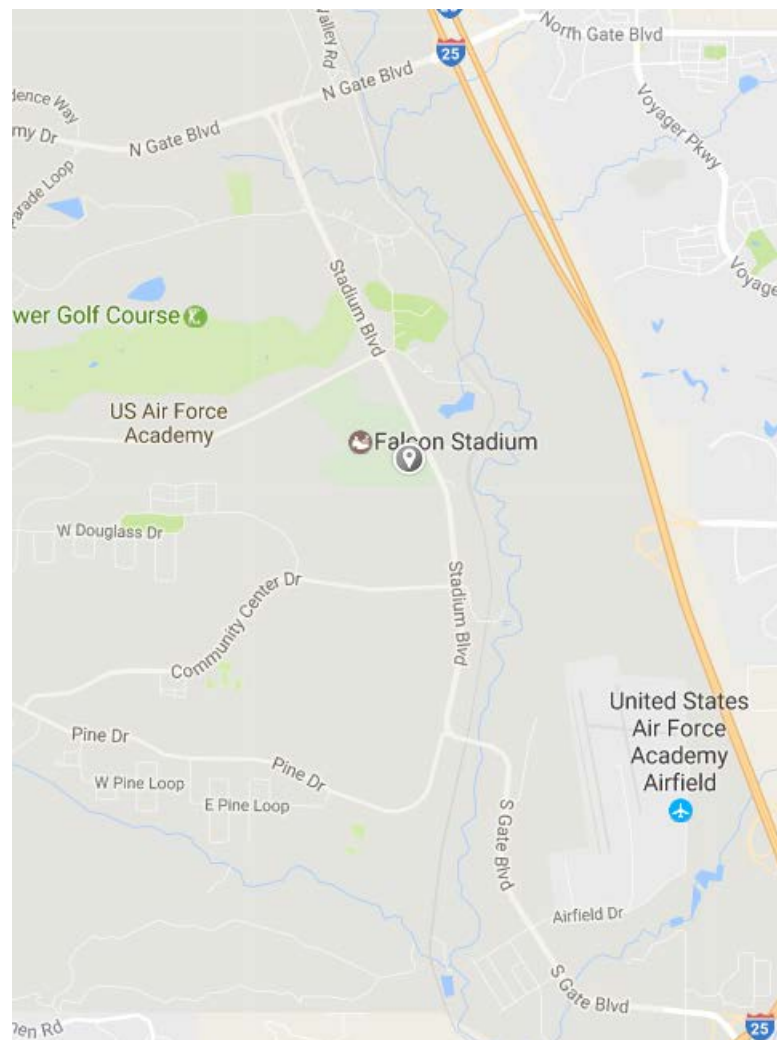
Step 2:

Take a left at Stadium Blvd after the B-52 static display. Continue for approximately two miles.

Step 3:

After passing two streets on your right (Parade Loop and Academy Drive), continue past the stadium on your right. Turn right into the parking lot, and check-in at the Registration area.

NOTE: Drivers with a DoD ID card may enter through the 24-hour South Gate at any time, continuing on Stadium Blvd and passing Community Center Drive before turning left into the Falcon Stadium parking lot.



Release of Liability

Each Scout will need to have a parent or guardian completely fill out a release of liability waiver before participation in any activities. These forms are the last two pages of this document. Bring these waivers with you to check in.

Scouter's Covenant Not to Sue

(For participants who are over the age of 18)

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am voluntarily
(Participant's full name)

participating in the _____ sponsored activity
(Name of group)

at the United States Air Force Academy. I understand that participation in this activity involves the risk of injury and property damage. I understand and agree that I am assuming the risk of any personal injury that may result to myself while participating in the above-referenced activity, and in consideration for my participation in this activity, I, for myself, hereby covenant and agree that I will never institute, prosecute, or in any way aid in the institution or prosecution of any demand, claim, or suit against the United States Government and/or its officers, agents, or employees, acting officially or otherwise, in my own capacity, for any injury to myself which may occur from any cause whatsoever as a result of my participation in this activity.

The term United States Government as used herein includes any officer, agent, or employee of the United States Government acting officially or otherwise.

Date

Participant's Signature

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Scout's Covenant Not to Sue

(For participants who are younger than 18)

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am legal
(Parent/guardian's full name)

parent/guardian of _____, who is voluntarily
(Participant's full name)

participating in the _____ sponsored activity
(Name of group)

at the United States Air Force Academy. I understand that participation in this activity involves the risk of injury and property damage. I understand and agree that I am assuming the risk of any personal injury that may result to the above-named child while participating in the above-referenced activity, and in consideration for his/her participation in this activity, I, for myself, my child, administrators, executors, and assignees, hereby covenant and agree that I will never institute, prosecute, or in any way aid in the institution or prosecution of any demand, claim, or suit against the United States Government and/or its officers, agents, or employees, acting officially or otherwise, in either my own capacity or that of guardian of the above-named child, for any injury to the above-named child which may occur from any cause whatsoever as a result of his/her participation in this activity.

The term United States Government as used herein includes any officer, agent, or employee of the United States Government acting officially or otherwise.

Date

Participant

Parent/ Guardian's Signature

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