



Troop 263

February 2006 Newsletter



Boy Scout Troop 263 participates in the January 6-7, 2006 Klondike/Freeze-Out



Members of the White Stripes Patrol are: Josh Vafides, Arun Behl, Zach Terrell, Dan McLinden, Matt Hand, Alex Spanos, and Patrol Leader Tyler Querol.

Boy Scout Troop 263 sent two sleds to compete in the Klondike/Freeze-Out which was held on Jan 6-7, 2006 at Pelham Fish & Game. Scoutmaster Spanos reports that both teams did an excellent job at the Klondike, competing at stations along the course. Stations involved map & compass, nature ID, obstacle course, lashings, and more. The 'White Stripes' patrol (above photo) received a trophy for **3rd place overall!** The "Redneck" patrol (picture below) received an *honorable mention plaque* for their performance at the cooking station!

Great Job, Scouts! (Photos by Mr. Fusco)



Members of the Redneck Patrol are: Joe Terrell, Patrol Leader Trevor Davis, Nick Fusco, Nate Spanos, Tyler Caron and Jake Vafides.

Troop Week at Hidden Valley July 23-29, 2006

It's time to make plans for an exciting week at Camp. *Several rates apply, depending on when payments are made in FULL.* Checks should be made out to "Troop 263" and given to the Troop Treasurer, Mrs. McLinden.

- \$275 – Payment in full by March 15th
- \$285 – Payment in full by May 15th
- \$300 – Payment in full AFTER May 15th

If you can't go the week the troop is going, or would like to go *an additional week*, you can attend camp as a Provisional camper any week of camp. The cost for Provisional campers is greater than that for the troop because staff has to be hired to be the leadership. For more information, ask Scoutmaster Spanos or look in the complete Griswold Scout Reservation handbook.

Troop 263 Eagle Scouts

Since our last newsletter, Troop 263 congratulates our 7th Eagle Scout, Craig Oliverio!! Congratulations on your achievement and all your hard work! Want to see the entire list of Eagles? *Check out our website at:* <http://troops.scouter.com/nh/troop263/>

Snorkeling and Sea Kayaking Trip

When it's cold outside, it's nice to remember the warmth...



The above photo was taken on the Sea Kayaking Trip to Gloucester, MA which was August 26-28, 2005.

Reminders/Information – If a scout misses a troop meeting, he should find out what announcements and information he has missed by calling his Patrol Leader or the SPL.

Please take time to review the calendar on the back, and be sure to sign up early so the troop can make plans!