

Troop 944 Lower Rank Advancement Event Policy

General Policy:

Troop 944 Troop or Patrol events for Second and First Class rank advancement are as required in the handbook. Events must have prior review/planning by the PLC, and include camping trips, service projects; outdoor activities together with hikes, bike rides, and swimming when the time or distance are in general conformity with rank or merit badge advancement requirements. Events must have prior approval of the Scoutmaster (typically at PLCs).

Clarifications to general policy:

1. The Tenderfoot required overnight camping activity may count as one of the Second Class overnights.
2. Second Class cooking requirement may be done during a fellow Patrol member's First Class cooking requirement.
3. A total of 3 overnight camping trips are the minimum for First Class.
4. First Class cooking may be completed before the Second Class requirement during the first six months of a new Patrol with the prior approval of the Scoutmaster.
5. Council-Wide events may be reviewed by the PLC for inclusion as a rank-event.

Scouts are encouraged to participate in the normal 12-13 Troop camping trips and normal 18-22 Troop Service Projects planned by the PLC each year to meet these advancement requirements. (Eagle Service Projects can also be used.) There are more than enough activities to attain the 10 required for First Class in a year.