

Official Centennial Event Qualifications

Sea Scout activities that wish to qualify as a Sea Scout Official Centennial Event must meet all 4 “S’s” of Sea Scouts.

Below please find the qualifying elements for Sea Scout Official Centennial Events.

Scouting: “The Sea Scout lives the Scout Oath and Scout Law every day in every way”

The Sea Scout Event must contain two of the following elements:

- Promote the Sea Promise, Scout Oath & Scout Law
- Youth should be in the appropriate dress according their Ship’s bylaws
- Conduct a meaningful ceremony
- Present Colors at the beginning or close of the event
- Propose your own unique Scouting element

Seamanship: “...For the Safety of your shipmates and your ship...”

The Sea Scout Event must contain two of the following elements:

- Training Activity promoting Safe Boating
- Promote Sea Scout Skills from the Ordinary Rank
- Small boat sailing for youth
- Cruising underway on a Sea Scout vessel
- Conduct Safety Drills
- Propose your own unique Seamanship element

Service: “Service to your community, your ship, the Scout Program, and all of those who have trustingly learned to look to a Scout for help.”

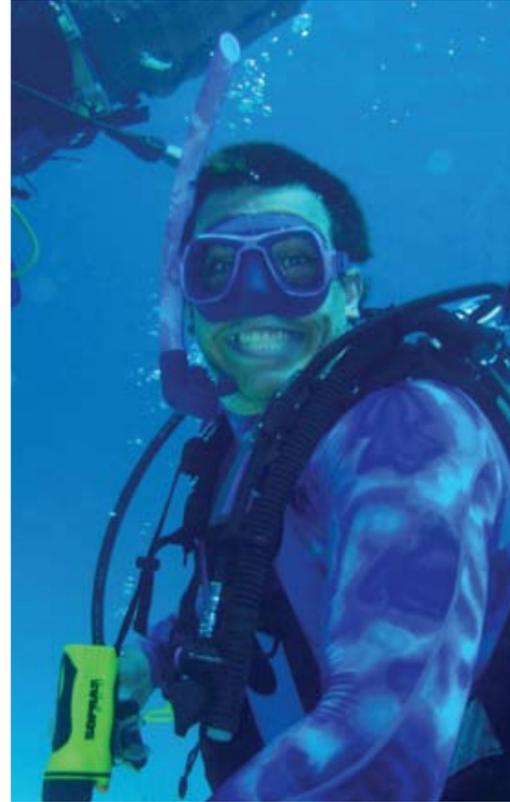
The Sea Scout Event must contain two of the following elements:

- Perform service benefiting your local area of operation, such as a port clean up
- Benefit the Scout Program
- Food Drive
- Provide Color Guard at community event
- Propose your own unique Service element

“Social”: The reward for the first three “S’s”

The Sea Scout Event must contain two of the following elements:

- Joint activity with at least one other Sea Scout Ship
- Awards ceremony recognizing youth accomplishments
- Bridge of Honor & Ball
- Non-competitive activity, such as movie night or barbeque
- Propose your own unique social element



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Celebrating the Sea Scout Centennial

2012 is our time to celebrate the Centennial of Sea Scouts. Local councils are encouraged to organize one Centennial event honoring the first 100 years of Sea Scouts, whether you have one Sea Scout Ship or twenty.

One of the key founding moments of Sea Scouts was in 1912, when Charles T. Longstreth organized a Sea Scout patrol aboard his yacht Arawan in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. A century later, Sea Scouts sail in waters off Puerto Rico to rivers of Iowa to the warm oceans of Hawaii.

A Council Centennial Celebration can qualify as an official Centennial Event by incorporating the 4 S's of Sea Scouts into their activity. The 4 S's include:



- **Scouting:** "The Sea Scout lives the Scout Oath and Scout Law every day in every way"
- **Seamanship:** "...For the Safety of your shipmates and your ship..."
- **Service:** "Service to your community, your ship, the Scout Program, and all of those who have trustingly learned to look to a Scout for help."
- **Social:** The reward for the first three "S's"

Please see the Sea Scout Official Centennial Event Application on www.seascout.org under "Centennial" for more information.

HERE ARE SOME SAMPLE ACTIVITIES A BOY SCOUT COUNCIL CAN HOST TO HONOR THE SEA SCOUT CENTENNIAL:

Sea Scout Day: Celebrate being a Sea Scout with a council-wide day by the water, complete with small boat sailing and a barbeque. Inland councils can use a Boy Scout camp where Sea Scouts can do semaphore, boatswain's chair, marlinspike and other "dry land" nautical activities.

Sea Scout Council Exhibit: Build an exhibit for the council office lobby, highlighting Sea Scout advancement and adventure.

Merit Badge Regatta: One day event with Sea Scouts teaching Merit Badges such as Rowing, Sailing, Motorboating or Canoeing to Boy Scouts.

Task Force Cruise: Sea Scout Ships rendezvous and cruise together to a destination. The cruise can include each vessel taking the lead, complete with signal flags to execute turns. A social event can be held at their destination, such as a barbeque or dance.

Centennial Regatta: Organize a competitive event honoring the Centennial, such as a sailing regatta or land-based competition, with activities such as boatswain's chair, scuttlebutt or drill. Existing regattas/rendezvous can apply for "Centennial" status in 2012.

The above are only ideas. You are only limited by your imagination. Remember: food, fun, and outdoor adventure bring youth together.



Centennial Sea Scout Award Requirements

The Challenge

To earn the award of 'Centennial Sea Scout' each scout must complete the first requirement/activity of each 'Cardinal Point' and four additional cardinal point activities of their choice. Any Sea Scout who completes all requirements/activities will also earn the 'Gold Centennial Scout' award.

Cardinal Point: SCOUTING

1. Participate in a National, Regional, Council or Ship organized recruiting event and bring a friend.
2. Make a presentation to a community group, school, church, etc. about the Sea Scouting program, activities, benefits and what you have learned. (See Able requirement #2(b) or Quartermaster requirement #2(b))
3. Be an active member of a Sea Scout Ship that earns the Centennial Ship and/or the Journey to Excellence Unit award or its equivalent.
4. Attend 75 percent of your ship's activities. (See Ordinary requirement #2(a) or Able requirement #2(a))



Cardinal Point: SEAMANSHIP

1. Earn the next Sea Scout rank: Apprentice; Ordinary; Able or Quartermaster or maintain being active with your ship if already a Quartermaster.
2. Earn an additional Sea Scout or Boy Scout recognition or merit badge that is directly related to aquatic safety and skill. Examples include: Any Centennial Advancement Elective; Long Cruise Badge; Snorkeling BSA; Scuba BSA; Boardsailing BSA; BSA Lifeguard; SEAL Training; Small Boat Handler; Qualified Seaman; Motorboating merit badge; Rowing Merit Badge; Scuba merit badge; or Small-Boat Sailing merit badge.
3. Hone your skills by participating in a National, Regional, Council or Ship event that focuses on safety and seamanship. Examples include: Safety at Sea Weekend; task cruise; regatta; Koch Cup; or other sailing race.

Cardinal Point: SERVICE

1. Serve your community by participating in a service project at a National, Regional, Council or Ship level, and/or completing Quartermaster requirement #3(a).
2. Serve your Sea Scout community by participating in an activity that benefits your ship or fleet. Examples include: hauling out a boat; refurbishing equipment; or doing the set-up and clean-up for a Sea Scout activity.
3. Adopt or submit a waterways service project that relates to your local community, such as a state coastal clean up day. Log at least five (5) hours of work for your service project.



Cardinal Point: SOCIAL

1. Attend and participate in an official National, Regional, Council or Ship Sea Scout Centennial celebration.
2. Contribute to the Sea Scout Centennial archive by submitting photos, videos or stories.
3. Attend and participate in an event for Sea Scout alumni in your area and/or the sponsors and supporters of your ship.

