



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
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2014 BOY SCOUT Pistol Program

Camp Loud Thunder is in
the Quad Cities Area near
Davenport, Iowa
on the Mississippi River



The 2014 Summer Camp season will be the third year of a very special pilot program coordinated by the Illova Council on behalf of the Boy Scouts of America. First-time shooters and advanced marksmen will be challenged through an exciting array of target presentations.

Is the program a success? Check out these results from last summer!

What types of handguns are used? Ruger model 22/45, .22 caliber, semi-automatic handguns are used.

How many shots do I get to take? In 2013, 600 youth and adults sent over 38,000 rounds of ammunition “down range” having fun at the pistol range. (That’s an average of 63 shots per shooter!)

Can I get a special patch? Yes, Camp Loud Thunder awarded their coveted “First in the Nation” patch to all youth and adults that participated (For FREE).

Did it cost extra to shoot handguns? No. As a pilot program, Camp Loud Thunder is offering this program at no additional cost to their campers. (A special thanks to our many generous supporters).

Are there other opportunities to participate in shooting sports at camp? You bet! The handgun program is ran in addition to our rifle, shotgun and archery ranges. Is training required? Yes, all eligible Scouts and adults must attend an annual 30-minute safety briefing while in camp to be able to participate. Advanced classes offer the NRA FIRST Steps pistol training.

Is it safe? Yes. Camp Loud Thunder utilizes adults that are BSA/NRA certified with supervision ratios that exceed recommendations. Safety is our number one concern!

Will there be room for my Troop in 2014? We hope so! Camp attendance has jumped over the past few years because of all the innovative new programs we are offering. Space is limited to ensure optimal merit badge class sizes, pool capacity and dining hall seating.

The ***ONLY*** camp in the Midwest approved for Boy Scouts to enjoy handgun marksmanship!

For more information on eligibility, or to make a reservation for your Troop to attend Camp Loud Thunder, visit our website at: www.illowabsa.org/Camping or call the Program Department at (563) 388-7233.