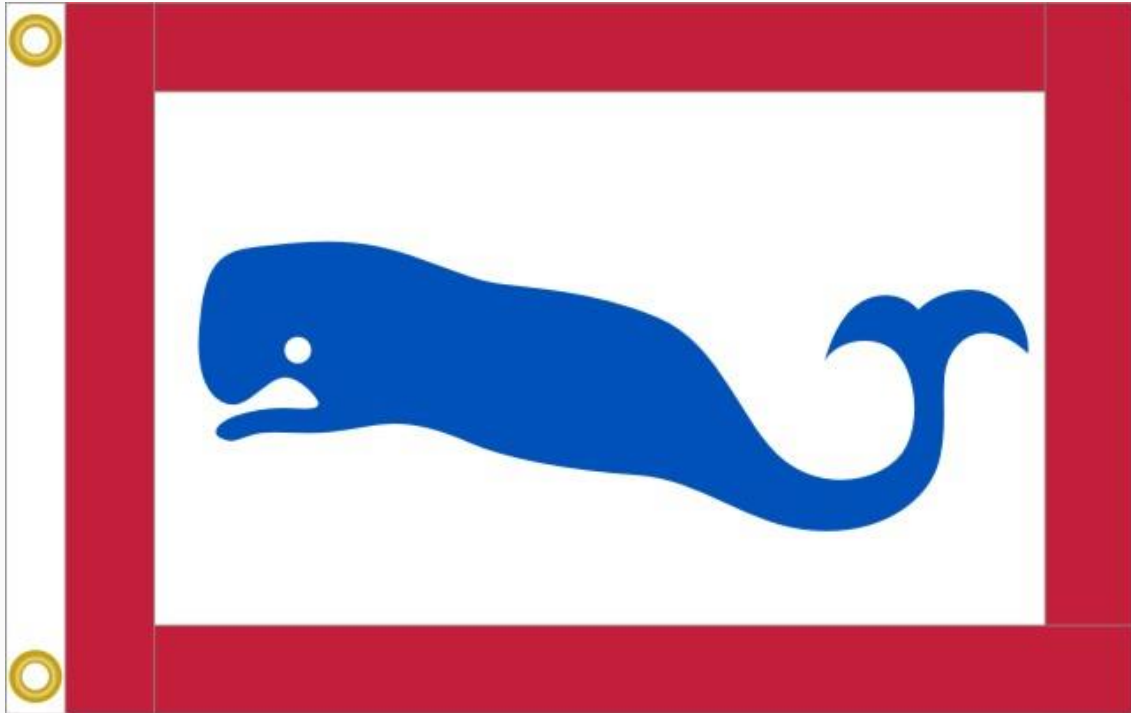


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For your Consideration:
Board Call Recap

The SM Sailing Board has a very productive phone conference in January (minutes posted on line). Full minutes are posted on the SM Sailing website. Here are the highlights.

- 1) The board approved a request to set aside some money for training. Starting in the Spring, member clubs can apply for a SMSA Training Grant to reimburse them for money spent on training - Instructor & Coach courses. More details to follow in a separate e-mail.
<http://www.southernmasssailing.com/ma-sailing-association-meeting-minutes.asp>
- 2) The Board also approved SMSA providing food and some registrations fee reimbursements for the upcoming Spring Race Management Seminar. Saturday April 8, 2017 (8 am - 4 pm) at the New Bedford YC. Those interested, should register on the [US Sailing Race Management site](#)

3) Finally, the board approved some monies to help defray the cost of attending the US Sailing Instructor Trainer course. I will start the process of finding qualified people who want to be ITs this Spring as well.

Regatta Planning

In the March Board call, the board will look at regatta planning including Grand Prix Protocol (2018-2028), SM Sailing regattas (Cumming, Gill, & Durant Team Racing), and reinstatement of the Ginn/Prosser. Call was rescheduled to **Wednesday March 22, 2017 at 8 pm**. For call in information, [click here](#)

TRAINING

Grand Prix Info



[2017 Peg Dates](#)

Attached is the most updated list of regattas for 2017. I will begin populating the master calendar in November. If your club would like to be included, please review the 2017 Peg Dates document and confirm your club's regatta by mailing me

[2017 Regatta Confirmation](#)