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For your Consideration: Summer Wrapup

And another summer is in the books. SM Sailing did a great deal to help member clubs this season. We set up fifteen instructor and coach course (level-1 Instructor, Level-2 Instructor, level-3 coach, & sailing counselor) and a Plan of Improvement course. With the help of the membership, we hope to start planning for summer 2017 soon.

SM Sailing helped shape the summer schedule, keeping track of traditional dates, balancing events, and providing support, where we could, for big time events like BBR, Hyannis Regatta, and the C420 Nationals in Falmouth.

We gave out a lot of prizes. We ran three junior events (Cumming Cup, Gill trophy, Durant Team Racing Trophy), provided trophies to our local kids who competed in the US Sailing Area A Junior National Qualifiers (Nash & Jones trophies), scored the Grand Prix event (420 separate sailors were scored in either the Opti, C420 skipper, or C420 crew standings) and reinstated the Hovey Trophy

And, we had a wonderful Annual meeting and Awards Dinner at Hyannis YC on August 23rd. The smiles on the faces of the kids picking up their hardware was priceless and we were able to properly say thanks to President Mark Conroy (Grand Cove YC), whose tern finished officially that day. If you did not pick up your trophy at the meeting, they will be mailed to your club this month.

And so we turn the page. New SM Sailing President Natalie Coleman-Fuller and the rest of the board is already contemplating 2017. They are eager to come up with more ways to give back to the membership. In September, a list of meeting and conference call times will be distributed and we welcome any and all interested to join in and help make your organization as good as it can be.

2016 was great and there is no reason why 2017 can't be awesome as well.

