

This Month in SMSA: April 12, 2014

<http://www.southernmasssailing.com>

1. Meetings/Conference Calls:

- a. Next Conference Call: Thursday April 17, 2014
- b. All calls start at 7 pm.
- c. Conference Dial-in Number: (760) 569-0111 Participant Access Code: 379941#

Meeting Minutes: <http://www.southernmasssailing.com/ma-sailing-association-meeting-minutes.asp>

2. Instructors: Training: An up-to-date schedule is posted on the US Sailing website (see below). In addition to that, we are adding a Level-1 Instructor course June 16-19, 2014 at the Falmouth YC. It should be posted very soon and open for registration. A few things to remember about US Sailing Instructor courses:

- a. All registration is done through US Sailing and on-line. All registrations questions should be directed to the training office of US Sailing (401-683-0800)
- b. Registration is always “first come, first served.”
- c. There is no “wait-list” for any US Sailing course. When it fills, it is filled.
- d. There is not room for “one more person” (i.e. you) in a course. Courses are capped at a certain number to ensure safety and to fit into the time allotted. Again, when it fills, it is filled.
- e. Courses are schedule in a wide variety of places, times, and formats. Sometimes those options require you to make choices. Don’t be afraid of signing up for a course that is outside the area. Often those new experiences can enhance the learning process.

http://training.ussailing.org/Course_Calendars/Small_Boat_Instructor_and_Coach_Course_Calendar.htm

3. Race Management: SMSA will be hosting a 1-day Race Management Seminar at **Saturday May 3, 2014 at Duxbury Bay Maritime School**. This certification seminar is perfect for those who are running club races and local regattas. Cost of the seminar is \$25, which covers all US Sailing materials; SMSA will pick up all other costs associated with the day including food. More information will be posted on the SM Sailing website –

<http://www.southernmasssailing.com/ma-sailing-association-clinics.asp>

Where to find stuff on the SM Sailing Website:

A. SMSA Regattas: schedule of 2014 events that have been confirmed are posted.

<http://www.southernmasssailing.com/ma-sailing-association-calendar-of-events.asp>

B. Peg Dates for 2014: Please look at the projected 2014 dates for traditional regattas.

[http://www.southernmasssailing.com/userfiles/2014%20SMSA%20Peg%20dates%20\(9-2-13\)a.pdf](http://www.southernmasssailing.com/userfiles/2014%20SMSA%20Peg%20dates%20(9-2-13)a.pdf)

When your club confirms its dates, please let me know (SouthernMassSailing@GMail.com) and I will post it on the SMSA website

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