

This Month in SMSA: Nov. 18, 2015

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For Your Consideration:

This month, SMSA has started the process of setting up US Sailing Instructor courses. While we start with many of the same course locations and dates as the previous year, we are always open to new locations, dates, and teaching options. The goal would be to set up the following:

- One Sailing Counselor Course
- Eight [Level-1 Instructor](#) Courses
- Two [Level-2 Instructor](#) Courses
- One [Level-3 Coach](#) Course
- One [Level-3 Head Instructor](#) Course (new in 2016)

Every year there is a scramble for places in courses, especially in Level-1. If I had a \$1 for every time I was asked, "I know that it says the course is full, but is there room for my child," I could buy a bigger boat. The simple economics of the situation is there are always a lot of instructors looking for training and courses do fill up fast. In SMSA, we do our best to make sure there are a lot of courses throughout the region in the short amount of time that exists between Memorial Day Weekend and the start of programs. The key is to plan ahead and to realize that you will have to prioritize everything that is going on in your busy lives in June if you want to be certified.

If your club is interested in host a US Sailing Instructor Course this year, please [contact me](#); the sooner the better.

I hope to have a preliminary list of courses posted on the [SMSA website](#) in December and then activate registration for those courses on the [US Sailing Website](#) after the new year.,

Junior Program poll

US Sailing Leadership Forum (San Diego, CA)



Next Summer is SMSA:

- [2016 Peg Dates](#) are posted.
- Please [confirm](#) your club's annual regatta by December 1st.
- Please consult the Peg Dates prior to posting on your club's website



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- A. [Regatta Schedule](#)
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