



2017 New England Regional Symposium

AGENDA

Saturday November 18, 2017 10:00 AM • 4:00 PM

HOSTED BY

Stamford Yacht Club
Stamford, CT

EVENT OVERVIEW

The Regional Symposiums provide an opportunity for organizations to share ideas and concerns about sailing education and programming within a specific region of the United States. All are welcome regardless if you're from a Community Program, Commercial School, Yacht Club, High School/College program, an instructor or from any other organization (sailing specific or not).

The event is set in a roundtable format designed for productive exchanges between participants. US Sailing will provide the moderator to facilitate discussion and offer a national perspective on some of the issues that face our industry. The topics listed below serve as a starting point for addressing a myriad of topics. The event is free for US Sailing members and \$10 for non-members. Lunch is included.

Please register in advance at: <http://www.ussailing.org/events/symposium-and-meetings/regional-symposiums/>

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1000-1030: Welcomes and Introductions

Welcome: Dave Gurney

Opening Remarks and Meeting Moderator: Matthew Hill

1030-1130: Topic #1: Race Management

During this session we'll discuss the importance of properly trained race officials, judges, and umpires, and the need for them, especially at youth events.

1130-1145: Break

1145-1230: Topic #2: Safety and Risk Management

Including a presentation from Gowrie Group Representative, Steve Schram



This section will kick off with a presentation from Gowrie Group speaking about safety resources and templates that are available to clubs and junior programs. Examples include: Emergency Action Plan Template, Junior Sailing Safety Manual, and Safety OSHA Check List.

US Sailing's Representative will discuss things clubs and organizing authorities can do to improve safety, and they can be both educational and in some cases, profitable: SafeSport training, Safety at Sea Seminars, and Powerboat Courses.



1230-1330: Networking lunch

1330- 1445: Topic #3: Town Hall discussion of Regional Sailing Issues

This time will be spent giving New England programs and leaders the opportunity to share best practices and learn from one another. Additional topics of interest may be discussed: Adding to Your Junior Program--Adventure Sailing, etc.

1445-1600: Wrap Up

Moderator lead discussion to recap the day's discussion, list takeaways, and ask questions.

1600-1830: Social Networking Opportunity

Please join us for a drink and some continued conversation after the event.

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