



# WELCOME

## Teaching with Small Boats Alliance Conference 2017

Sea Scouts, BSA  
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# Sea Scouts, BSA is organized:

*To promote better citizenship;*

*Improve boating skills and water safety knowledge;*

*To provide outdoor, social, and service experiences; and*

*Knowledge of our maritime heritage.*



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# 2016 Edition of the *Sea Scout Manual*



- Catalog # 33239—Available through Scout shops, council stores, and order online [www.scoutstuff.org](http://www.scoutstuff.org)
- Reference the manual through an online version on the Sea Scouts BSA website at [www.seascout.org](http://www.seascout.org)



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# Sea Scouts, BSA

Provides three tracks of participation and knowledge

- Recreational Boating
- Maritime Industry Careers
- Military Careers



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# High School (Sea Scouts) – Skills application

## Navigation Practice (Sea Scouts)

### Math for the Mariner

Use of bearing lines of position

Use of geometry to advance a position

Use of trigonometry for position determination

Use of multiple math skills to determine:

- Estimated time of arrival

- Course made good

- Speed made good

- Effects of current, tide, and wind on vessel position



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# High School (Sea Scouts) – Skills application

## Seamanship & Engineering

### Math for the Mariner

Mechanical Advantage (block & tackle)

Buoyancy / Reserve Buoyancy

Stability & Trim

Breaking Strength & Safe Working Loads

Advance & Transfer

Fuel requirements

Time and distance of arrival



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# Sea Scouts Survey Results

Surveys of our client population provide us some direction for the future:

**35% of youth Sea Scouts state they have an interest in going into a maritime or military career.**

**All others involved for recreational boating interests.**



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# Sea Scouts Support Engagement



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# Sea Scouts Support Engagement

## Evaluation of program to stimulate growth:

- STEM – evaluate ways to engage our youth in the offerings of science, technology, engineering and math
- Current advancement requirements – continually being updated to match what a youth needs to go into one of the three tracks, as well as offering them lifetime skills
- Expand the awards and recognition program to recognize youth and adults



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# Sea Scouts Support Engagement

## Evaluation of program to stimulate growth:

- Paddlesports – Development of program to engage more youth in the program, providing new options for youth in all parts of country
- Development of recruiting tools to support growth in ships and membership
- Work more closely with higher education institutions to expand our connection with them– (For example: California Maritime Academy)
- Create stronger relationship between Sea Scouts and Maritime secondary education and the Maritime industry



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# Building to Teach Workshop



- 3 day hands-on workshop at SUNY Maritime March 2014 (other opportunities pursued)
- 8 middle/high school educators and 12 Sea Scout adult leaders brought together
- Learned about teamwork, math skills, and building a boat



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# Safe Boating Partnerships



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# Memorandums of Agreement/Understanding

Continue to build on relationships with organizations outside of Scouting in support of a quality program:

- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary \*
  - U.S. Power Squadrons \*
  - American Canoe Association \*
  - Army Corps of Engineers \*
  - National Safe Boating Council
  - National Water Safety Congress
  - National Boating Federation
  - PADI \*
  - BoatUS
  - NASBLA (National Association State Boating Law Administrators)
  - US Sailing
  - Recreational Boating Leadership Council
  - NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration)
  - MARAD and SOCP \*
  - RBFF (Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation)
  - Others in boating safety
- \*MOA/MOU already in place*



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# Enhance Web Site Support

## [www.seascout.org](http://www.seascout.org)

### What is available and is being expanded:

- Program resources for youth and adults
- Online *Sea Scout manual* available
- Promotional videos accessible
- Skills development resources
- Forms to use for advancement (SPAR)
- Links to organizations to support training
- Awards and requirements for earning
- Online calendar of events around the country
- Recruitment tools



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# In, On, Around, and Under the Water



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