

After several inquiries to potential instructors, it became obvious we could not retain them to teach classes unless we were certain we could guarantee enough attendees to pay them, something I was unable to do. Therefore I would like to suggest an alternative option to classroom training for those who are interested. Many of you may already know of America's Boating Club and the United States Power Squadrons. Both of these organizations offer on-line classes on their website: [www.americasboatingclub.org](http://www.americasboatingclub.org) (they share this website). The classes they offer are: Basic boating, Seamanship, Navigation, Weather, Sail, Planning cruises, Engine maintenance, Marine electronics, Marine communication systems and CPR and First aid for boaters. The average cost for these courses is \$30.00, which is generally the per person cost for classroom instructors. If you are interested in any of these topics, I encourage you to visit this website for further information. This does not mean we have given up on classroom training. I am hopeful we will have several seminars to announce this season or next.