ARGENTINE NATIONALS

On March 25th through 28th, 1982, at San Nicolas, Buenos Aires, the Argentine Snipe Class Championship was contested by Julio Labandeira. After a first race with calm and shifting wind, the second race, run on the same day, saw the awaited southwest wind capsize half the fleet, making the job of the Rescue Commission difficult. Only 20 of the 59 starting boats crossed the finish line.

Next day, the same wind conditions prevailed, thus postponing the two programmed races. In fact five races were sailed, but the last was annulled by the Protests Commission due to its being considered as disputed out of schedule.

This decision was appealed to the National Authority. Nevertheless, the invalid race does not modify the two first places at the championship, so the Argentine Champions are Julio Labandeira crewed by Sergio Ripoll, and Subchampions Daniel and Marcos Mugaburu. On the result of the appeal will depend the validity of the Selection for the Junior World Championship, which requires a minimum of five races to be valid as such, as well as the other places for the final classification.

SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

With crews still feeling fit after the difficult southwest wind, twelve Argentine boats attended the Fifth South American Championship of the class, organized by the Yacht Club Uruguayo at the Puerto del Buceo in Uruguay, April 7th to 10th, 1982.

This time our representatives overcame their traditional opponents from Brazil; Julio Labandeira together with Mariano Guerisoli taking first place after a very consistent performance (2-5-3-1-2-21-2).

The tuneup race, disputed with a lot of wind and waves, was won by Hector and Hugo Longarella, demonstrating great talent and security under these conditions.

The next race (15 km. east wind) as well as the second (35 km. east-southeast wind) were won by Michael Weinschenk and his crewman Paulo Oliveira.

Next day was the revenge for the Argentines who won the two races. The first one (10 km. North West wind) was gained by Federico Moretti with Luis Hernandez and the second (25 km. east wind) by Julio Labandeira.

The fifth race run on the third day was conquered by Pablo Montes and Diego Chami from point to point, arriving after them, Julio and the Longarella brothers. The sixth race promised the repetition of the last result, Montes and Chami leading them, Julio and the Longarella brothers.

The sixth race was won by Julio Labandeira together with Mariano Guerisoli, demonstrating great consistency performance (2-5-3-1-2-21-2).

From the first leg, the Snipe with calm wind, followed by Hector Guerisoli and his crewmate Paulo Oliveira. The next day was the revenge for the Argentine victory, with Julio Labandeira leading and his crewman Paulo Oliveira.

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