1964 Championship of Brazil Won With Score of 8000 Points

AN UNEXPECTED AND ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE FEAT FOR THIS ANNUAL TOUGH CONTEST

Young Champion Reinaldo Conrad in 7 Races Left Only 1 First to Brother Ralph

TO THE VICTOR BELONG THE SPOILS! — Cornelia Buckup presents Reinaldo Conrad with the Victory Prize.

By Fernando Araujo

Captain of the Snipe Fleet at Brasilia

In the 4 year old lake of Brasilia, from July 18 to 26, 30 Snipes, most of them trailered from distances of 800 to 1500 miles, disputed the Brazilian title, known as one of the most hard to win in the Snipe Class.

Well planned and well organized by the Yacht Club and the Snipe Fleet of Brasilia, the championship was a complete success.

THE BIG QUESTION

"Early in the third week of July the participants started to gather at the beautiful late Clube de Brasilia. The big question was not who would be the 1964 champion, but who would be the winner in the confusing private dispute between Axel Schmidt — twice World Champion — and Reinaldo Conrad — runner up in the last year's World Championship, Western Hemisphere Champion and twice Pan-American and Brazilian Champion.

RETROSPECT

Axel Schmidt won the Brazilian Championship in 1961 and became World Champion in the same year at Rye, New York. Reinaldo Conrad won his first Brazilian title in 1962, when WC Axel Schmidt could make no better than the 21st place. Previously in 1959, then 17 years old, Conrad had made his "debut" in the international headlines winning the Pan-American Games gold medal for Snipes, title that he confirmed last year in Sao Paulo. Also in 1953 Conrad got his 2nd Brazilian title, Schmidt improving at that time to a 4th place.

Last September they met for the first time on an international regatta, the World Championship held in Bendor, France, and this was Axel's turn. He showed a 1-1-1-2-1 against a 2-2-2-1-2 of Reinaldo. Only 4 months before the Brazilian Championship Axel Schmidt won the South Atlantic Championship, while Reinaldo Conrad got a 4th place.

THE 1964 CHAMPIONSHIP

"Early this year young yachtsmen of Brasilia started to prepare for the big championship. 2000 items written down on an immense working order kept the "sailors" of the new capital busy for nearly 5 months. The "Spirit of Brasilia" worked finely - do it fast and do it well.

One open regatta named in honor of the Brazilian National Secretary for SCIRA, Sr. Fernando Avellar, and six races valid for the championship were scheduled.

July 19, a beautiful morning - 30 Snipes anchored at the Club's marina, sails up, posed as a nice guard for the flag hoisting ceremony. Navy Minister Ernesto Mello Baptista and Commodore Sylvio Pedroza raised the National Banner. Fernando Gomes Pedroza (Sylvio's brother), SCIRA Secretary for the Western Hemisphere hoisted the CBVM (Brazilian Yachting Authority) flag, and each fleet captain hoisted his fleet pennant, with brass band and all.

THE AVELLAR RACE

The "Fernando Avellar" open Regatta scheduled at 2:30 p.m. would be the first leap in the dark. The Club's cabin cruiser "Pioneira" (Pioneer) as the Committee Boat, commanded through six VHF mobile radio stations, a small fleet of motor boats: "Paveda" (Shum) the starter, the Lake Rescue Guard boat "Moca" (Young Lady) and the press boat "Lolo" carrying a dozen cameramen, press, movie and TV Professionals. One station at the Yacht Club completed the active network.

The start went on exactly at 2:40 p.m., but a great number of premature starters made the Race Committee call a new start. The second start was perfect. Soon the "cobras" (Brazilian term for skillful sportsmen) were ahead disputing the leadership. They are about 12 excellent skippers: Ralph Conrad and Eric Schmidt sailing their own boats (usually they race as crew for Reinaldo and Axel, respectively), Nelson Piccolo, Miss Cornelia Buckup, Nils Ostergren, Altman, Schramm, Henrique Schmitz, Augusto Barrozo, and of course Reinaldo Conrad and Axel Schmidt.

On the first mark Reinaldo Conrad had a close lead over Axel Schmidt. They maintained their positions up to the finish line, followed by Nelson Piccolo, Altman, Barrozo, Eric Schmidt, Harald Denker, Rolf Tambke, Carlos Wanderley and Schramm in that order.

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The first race was a real show for the spectators. The skippers presented the RC with the most perfect start ever seen in a Brazilian championship. 30 boats crossed the line in about 5 seconds and not one premature starter. The expected duel between Conrad and Schmidt kept on during the race. In the last leg Conrad could keep a close advantage over Axel and so they finished, with Miss Cornelia Buckup in third. Nelson Piccolo and Nils Oestergren completed the first five.

The second race was the one that Reinaldo Conrad made no concessions, taking the first place in all of them. The center of interest transferred to the runner up. In the last race we had 4 candidates for the second place: Axel, Ralph, Miss Cornelia Buckup and Nelson Piccolo. After the first beat Axel crossed the mark in first, Ralph was 8th, Cornelia 10th, Reinaldo 17th, and Piccolo 18th. Axel led the race up to the finishing line in that order: Ralph, Reinaldo, Schramm, and Axel jumped 8 positions. They crossed so Reinaldo Conrad aye a convincing answer; out the dispute with Axel Schmid, for the time being, at least. Conrad will have an opportunity to confirm his leadership in the VIII Western Hemisphere Championship Races at Oakville, Canada, later this season. Let's wait and see! (As readers of the October BULLETIN now know, Reinaldo defeated Axel there by 152 points. - Ed.).

The ANSWER

Of course Reinaldo Conrad gave a convincing answer about the dispute with Axel Schmidt, for the time being, at least.

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XV BRAZILIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

(Left) Snipes lined up at the Clube de Brasilia's Marina as fleet flags were raised in front of them during the opening ceremony. (Below) Races were held on Lake Brasilia. In the background: Palacio do Planalto (left) and the Congress Office Building (right). Note modernistic saucer and dome buildings where governing bodies meet.

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