

LENHART TOPS ON SOUTHERN CIRCUIT

CLEARWATER

Tom Nute with Carolyn crewing won the tune-up race of the Clearwater Mid-Winter 35th Annual Regatta as a preview of what the Californians intended to do on the Circuit: win **THE WHOLE THING**.

The first "real" race was sailed in South Bay as a precautionary measure—the heavy weather predicted didn't show and this race turned into a near drifter. Confusion marred the race as the Coast Guard moved in to force a rescaling of the windward mark outside the channel. The result: a "parallelogram" course, an island in the windward leg, marks to starboard — and confusion. Nute showed his winning ways again with Jeff Lenhart 2nd and Angie Diaz 3rd.

Tuesday's race was sailed in the Gulf with Lenhart coming on strong to win in very light winds. Earl Elms took the second and Gonzalo Diaz was 3rd. On Wednesday, with time for a 6-race series running short, two races were sailed on the Gulf in spite of the light conditions. Lenhart showed his skill by taking both races, while Nute got a 3rd and a second. Basil Kelley was second in the first race and Elms had the third place in the second race.

For Thursday's last day of racing, the wind picked up to 18 out of the north and looked more like the usual Mid-Winters as two choppy races were held in the Gulf. Lenhart dropped back to 4th in both these races — still good enough to win the series easily. Frank Levinson won the first race of the day and Angie Diaz won the second.

MIAMI

High winds and rain caused cancellation of numerous sporting events throughout Miami, but 48 skippers from as far away as Canada, California, New England and the Bahamas braved the choppy waters of Biscayne Bay for a weekend of racing on March 11-12 at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club.

In Saturday's racing at least 9 cap-sizes were recorded but because of recent modifications to flotation requirements, all eventually sailed home under their own power. Equipment failures were few which is a credit to the small boat's ability to withstand the pounding of the shallow waters of the Bay. Upon returning the skippers were greeted at the dock with the traditional Don Q daiquiri and cocktail party followed by barbeque steak dinner.

SCIRA MID-WINTER SNIPE REGATTA

Boat	Skipper	Races	Pts.	Fin.
18327	Jeff Lenhart, San Diego	2-1-1-1-4-4	11.0	1
16228	Tom Nute, San Diego	1-6-3-2-7-3	26.1	2
19066	Earl Elms, San Diego	7-2-5-3-5-2	31.7	3
19393	Angie Diaz, Miami	3-5-19-10-2-1	34.7	4
19063	Frank Levinson, Clearwater	5-12-4-12-1-9	51.0	5
19915	Scott Allen, Annapolis	6-7-14-9-3-5	55.4	6
10111	Gonzalo Diaz, Miami	4-3-11-3-11-8	58.7	7
19723	Basil Kelly, Nassau	8-8-2-17-9-11	63.0	8
19795	Barry Cochran, Clearwater	18-4-7-4-13-12	66.0	9
19091	Peter Duvoisin, Chantanooga	12-14-23-13-8-6	82.7	10
16616	Dave Peterson, San Diego	14-16-17-14-6-7	86.7	11
20002	Bruce Colyer, Ft. Lauderdale	10-13-21-11-15-18	97.0	12
12453	Don Cochran, Jr., Clearwater	17-24-18-6-14-14	98.7	13
12884	Means Davis, Atlanta	22-11-12-5-20-22	99.0	14
16861	Robert Dean, Ft. Myers	21-9-8-16-27-19	103.0	15
15291	Sam Astrojo, Miami	15-18-6-27-22-16	106.7	16
14634	Edwin Perez, Miami	16-15-13-20-18-13	107.0	17
6995	Francis Seavy, Clearwater	12-10-25-23-12-NF	112.0	18
19389	Clemente Inclan, Miami	9-20-22-15-21-N5	117.0	19
18314	Julio Gallardo, Miami	20-23-28-25-10-10	118.0	20
11900	Larry White, Miami	19-22-13-19-18-20	120.0	21
13620	Paul Dovey, Peoria	24-17-16-20-23-17	123.0	22
18793	Lucius Bugbee, Jamestown	11-27-20-24-16-NF	128.0	23
19797	Stirling Behnfeldt, Chicago	NF-25-10-21-24-23	133.0	24
9554	Charles Fowler, St. Petersburg	25-21-NF-26-17-15	134.0	25
18046	Harold Spicknall, Lansing	23-26-26-7-26-NF	138.0	26
11392	Anne Crook, Canada	NS-19-9-18-28-NS	138.0	26
14735	Dick Edwards, Clearwater	26-NF-27-22-25-21	151.0	28
18941	Robert Munyon, Lashoway	28-31-30-28-29-25	170.0	29
11559	Phil Blair, Clearwater	29-32-29-31-30-24	173.0	30
17388	See Mitchell, Clearwater	NF-30-31-29-31-26	177.0	31
17464	Jack Magnuson, Lakewood	NS-28-24-NF-NS-NS	182.0	32
19884	Al Gay, Andros	28-29-NF-NS-NS-NS	188.0	33
19387	Charles Morgan, St. Petersburg	DNS	200.0	34

DON Q REGATTA

Boat	Skipper	Races	Pts.	Fin.
19393	Angie Diaz, Robert Wilkinson	1-1-2	3.0	1
19066	Earl Elms, John Wogard	6-3-1	17.4	2
18327	Jeff Lenhart, Sandy Bruckner	2-8-3	22.7	3
19119	Paul Henderson, Mark Albary, Jr.	5-2-6	24.7	4
16606	Dave Peterson, Steve Bruckner	4-4-8	30.0	5
18316	Pierre Siegenthaler, Pedro Wussikuh	3-10-7	34.7	6
10111	Gonzalo Diaz, Frank Varela	11-9-5	42.0	7
19063	Bruce Levinson, Frank Levinson	12-6-9	44.7	8
19723	Basil Kelly, Gary Kelly	10-5-13	45.0	9
18019	Godfrey Kelly, Peter Andrews	9-12-11	50.0	10
16228	Tom Nute, Carolyn Nute	28-7-4	55.0	11
19091	Pete Duvoisin, Jane Duvoisin	8-19-12	57.0	12
20002	Bruce Colyer, Gail Colyer	7-17-19	61.0	13
15291	Sam Astrojo, Mary Perez	20-16-10	64.0	14
19600	Henry Davis, Tom Cantore	15-18-15	66.0	15
19795	Don Cochran, Bob Curran	19-14-18	69.0	16
13620	Paul Dovey, Mike Kinghorn	16-22-20	76.0	17
16025	Ted Wells, Donald Moura	NF-13-16	83.0	18
18314	Julio Gallardo, Harry Aguiar	13-20-NF	83.0	19
17400	Peter Christie, David Donald	14-NF-17	83.0	20
11900	Larry White, Tim White	22-21-24	85.0	21
19389	Clemente Inclan, Hilma Inclan	21-26-21	86.0	22
19793	Lucius Bugbee, John Wright	17-31-22	88.0	23
6995	Francis Seavy, Eric Stibitz	24-15-NF	89.0	24
19267	Don Hing, Gail Nubson	NS-11-14	91.0	25
9554	Charles Fowler, Vicky Stubbins	NF-23-25	102.0	26
14735	Dick Edwards, Phil Blair	27-30-28	103.0	27
18651	Lord Derway, Aubrey Pilkerton	NF-27-26	107.0	28
18126	Bill Teusdale, Justin	NF-28-27	109.0	29
19792	Glenk Woods, Jr., Camp Stephens	29-33-30	110.0	30

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Early Sunday the winds were still gusting to 30 and better, so the course was changed to eliminate the deadly run in the choppy going. This was wise since capsize were eliminated. Nevertheless, the final race was cancelled as a severe squall loomed on the horizon. Skipper seemed content to retire to lick their wounds at the shrimp and beer bust in the warm sunshine.

Agustine Diaz of Miami and crew Bob Wilkerson won by a substantial margin over Earl Elms, San Diego and crew Jon Wegand. Jeff Lenhart, San Diego was 3rd, giving him the lead in points for the Zimmerman trophy for the overall winner of the Circuit.

Bill Acordi
Miami, Fleet # 7



It takes muscles and guts to win the Don Q. Previous winners: Earl Elms 67, Pete Duvoisin 68, Tom Nute 69, Jeff Lenhart 71, and (kneeling) Augie Diaz 70 and 72. photo - Gabe Balasquide,

NASSAU

The two-day layover and trip to Nassau seemed to be just what Earl Elms needed. The three-race Bacardi Cup gave Earl finishes of 2-1-2, five points better than Tom Nute who had finishes of 4-2-1. Jeff Lenhart was not far behind with 1-9-5 making it a clean sweep for the contingent from California.

The Dudley Gamblin series of five races followed and again the San Diego mafia came out on top. This time Jeff Lenhart was in first place. He went into the last race four points behind Earl Elms. The wind had dropped to almost a drifter but Lenhart kept his good boat speed and finished third. Earl finished in the middle of the fleet and had to settle for third place. Nute was third overall.

Nassau provided winds in the 15-18 mph range except for the last day. The weather was warm, the races near perfect and entertainment delightful. All who attended were well rewarded and most are making plans to go again next year.

GAMBLIN MEMORIAL REGATTA

Boat	Skipper	Races	Pts.	Fin.
18327	Jeff Lenhart, San Diego	1-3-2-8-3	28.4	1
19066	Earl Elms, San Diego	3-1-5-2-10	34.7	2
16228	Tom Nute, San Diego	2-12-6-4-5	50.7	3
10111	Gonzalo Diaz, Miami	10-11-16-3-1	60.7	4
19267	Don Hite, Detroit	7-2-9-14-7	64.0	5
19091	Pete Duvoisin, Chattanooga	4-6-11-5-12	64.7	6
18316	Pierre Siegenthaler, Nassau	6-5-1-17-14	64.7	7
19393	Augie Diaz, Miami	9-NF-3-1-11	65.7	8
16606	Dave Peterson, San Diego	13-4-4-11-9	67.0	9
19773	Basil Kelly, Nassau	8-8-8-9-6	68.7	10
19449	Keith Zars, San Antonio	5-7-7-6-22	73.7	11
18019	Godfrey Kelly, Nassau	17-9-10-16	92.0	12
18850	Leif Zars, San Antonio	21-16-13-NF-2	97.0	13
6940	Bruce Colyer, Ft. Lauderdale	11-18-18-12-8	97.0	14
19063	Frank Levinson, Clearwater	15-10-15-18-13	101.0	15
17400	Peter Christie, Nassau	18-13-14-7-19	101.0	16
16025	Ted Wells, Wichita	14-14-12-13-20	103.0	17
19600	Henry Davis, Omaha	12-13-17-15-15	104.0	18
19386	Terry Tunn, Ann Arbor	16-19-21-NS-4	112.0	19
18503	Bob Bigham, Nassau	20-17-19-16-21	123.0	20
18017	Ken Allbury, Nassau	19-NS-NS-NF-18	135.0	21
17401	Ron Strange, Nassau	22-20-20-NS-NS	140.0	22
11392	Anne Crook, Canada	23-NS-NS-NS-17	142.0	23
19813	Dick Goppert, Lee's Summit	24-21-NF-NS-23	144.0	24

BACARDI CUP REGATTA

19066	Earl Elms, San Diego	2-1-2	6.0	1
16228	Tom Nute, San Diego	4-2-1	11.0	2
18327	Jeff Lenhart, San Diego	1-9-5	25.0	3
18316	Pierre Siegenthaler, Nassau	5-5-8	35.7	4
10111	Gonzalo Diaz, Miami	13-7-3	37.7	5
19267	Don Hite, Detroit	7-6-10	40.7	6
16606	Dave Peterson, San Diego	3-13-11	41.7	7
19449	Keith Zars, San Antonio	20-4-6	45.7	8
18850	Leif Zars, San Antonio	15-12-4	47.0	9
19393	Augie Diaz, Miami	3-3-NF	48.7	10
19600	Henry Davis, Omaha	9-10-12	49.0	11
19091	Pete Duvoisin, Chattanooga	5-1-1-16	49.0	12
19386	Terry Tunn, Ann Arbor	14-8-14	54.0	13
19773	Basil Kelly, Nassau	16-1-8-7	59.0	14
16025	Ted Wells, Wichita	11-1-4-17	60.0	15
19063	Frank Levinson, Clearwater	18-15-15	66.0	16
18019	Godfrey Kelly, Nassau	23-16-9	66.0	17
17400	Peter Christie, Nassau	19-17-13	67.0	18
17401	Ron Strange, Nassau	10-19-21	68.0	19
6940	Bruce Colyer, Ft. Lauderdale	12-21-19	70.0	20
18503	Bob Bigham, Nassau	22-20-18	78.0	21
11392	Anne Crook, Canada	17-NF-20	78.0	22
19813	Dick Goppert, Lee's Summit	24-22-NF	87.0	23
18017	Kenneth A. Bury, Nassau	21-NS-NS	87.0	24

The Zimmerman Trophy is awarded to the sailor with the best score for all three regattas on the Winter Circuit. A man has to be good to take this trophy home - no flukes here. This year's winner, Jeff Lenhart was followed by three prior winners: Earl Elms, Tom Nute and Augie Diaz.

ZIMMERMAN TROPHY

Jeff Lenhart, San Diego	87.1	1
Earl Elms, San Diego	89.3	2
Tom Nute, San Diego	144.3	3
Augie Diaz, Miami	152.1	4
Gonzalo Diaz, Miami	199.1	5
Dave Peterson, San Diego	225.4	6
Basil Kelly, Nassau	242.7	7
Pete Duvoisin, Chattanooga	253.4	8
Frank Levinson, Clearwater	262.7	9
Bruce Colyer, Ft. Lauderdale	325.0	10