

# BAHAMAS WINTER SNIPE CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Colyer, Elms Split Honors in Bacardi, Gambin Series

The Royal Nassau Sailing Club was host again to the 1973 Bacardi Cup and Winter Championship sailed in steady winds in Montagu Bay from the 14th to the 17th March.

The M.V. "Betty K." delivered the eighteen visitors' Snipes to Kelly's Dock in downtown Nassau at 9:00 a.m. on the 13th March, a day in advance of the first race for the Bacardi Cup. The Snipes arrived in good shape and were trailed by RNSC members and visitors to the Club where their owners unpacked them and soon had them out on Montagu Bay for practice sailing.

Of the 25 entries for the Bacardi Cup

eighteen were from the United States, one from Brazil and six from Nassau.

There were three races for the Bacardi Cup, two on Wednesday, the 14th March and the final race on the morning of the 15th March.

There was a very low tide for the start of the first race and unfortunately Earl Elms hit a coral head just before the start, which did damage to the slot in the bottom of his centerboard case and he had to retire. This race was won by Pete and Jane Duvoisin with Bruce Colyer and Peter Christie close behind in second and third positions respectively. Earl Elms got his boat patched up in time for the

second race in the afternoon and finished second with Bruce Colyer gaining the top spot. Bruce was moving very fast, particularly off wind, and, in fact, he was the only one to beat Earl in a race as Earl won every race thereafter. The Brazilian Gas-tao Altmayer showed his speed by running in a pair of thirds in the second and third races to give him second place in the Series. Bruce Colyer easily won the Bacardi Cup with finishes of second, first and sixth. Jeff Lenhart was third with a fifth, seventh and second beating out the Duvoisins, who finished fourth, by two points.

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PLACE	SKIPPER	FINISHES	PTS.
1	Bruce Colyer	2-1-6	14.7
2	Gas-tao Altmayer	8-3-3	25.4
3	Jeff Lenhart	5-7-2	26
4	Pete Duvoisin	1-12-5	28
5	Earl Elms	DNF-2-1	34
6	Basil Kelly	7-10-4	37
7	Don Hite	4-6-13	38.7
8	Peter Christie	3-15-11	44.7
9	Kenneth Albury	10-9-8	45
10	Doug de Souza	13-8-3	46
11	G. E. Diaz	16-5-9	47
12	Godfrey Kelly	9-11-10	48
13	Terry Tanno	11-4-19	50
14	Ron Strange	12-17-11	58
15	Jerry Thompson	6-14-DNF	62.7
16	Fritz Gann	15-13-17	63
17	Meas Davis	17-21-14	70
18	Bob Highman	14-19-21	72
19	G. A. Diaz	21-18-15	72
20	Bill Simont	18-16-DNF	76
21	Frank Lerrinton	22-20-16	76
22	Lucius Bugbee	20-23-18	79
23	Dick Goybert	23-22-20	83
24	Terry Whittenstone	19-25-DNF	87
25	Bob Williams	24-24-DNF	91

Terry Whittemore sailing in this Series, but the 18-knot breezes proved too much of a challenge for this "Old timer".

At the Club on Wednesday evening the Bacardi Company hosted their customary Daiquiri Party for this event followed by a buffet supper. Those deceptive daiquiris have become a traditional part of the Winter Championships!

The five races for the Dudley Gamblin Memorial Series were sailed on the 15th, 16th and 17th March, one each morning and one each afternoon, in fairly strong breezes up to 20 knots.

Earl Elms, with his twelve-year-old crew Donald Bedford, again proved his mastery of wind and sea by winning all five races in what was considered tough competition. The next three positions were unbelievably close with Bruce Colyer second and Jeff Lenhart third with 43.4 points each and Pierre Siegenthaler of the Nassau Snipe Fleet fourth with 43.7 points.

On Thursday evening Fran Donald and Commodore David Donald, entertained the sailors to cocktails and supper at their home.

The presentation of trophies took place at the Royal Nassau Sailing Club on Saturday night, where there was dinner and dancing as well as what has now become an annual event - a Floor Show including Junkanoo and a Limbo and Fire dancer - no singed moustaches this time!

As the Snipes were not being shipped to Miami until Monday, everyone spent Sunday relaxing on the beach at Paradise Island - having been transported there in power boats belonging to RNSC members. Ex-Commodore Basil Kelly arrived with a boat load of coconuts and, with everyone quaffing gin and coconut water, another fun-packed Regatta ended in a frolic.

Godfrey Kelly  
National Secretary, Bahamas

#### GAMBLIN TROPHY

PLACE	SKIPPER	FINISHES	PTS.
1	Earl Elms	1-1-1-1-1	0
2	Bruce Colyer	7-3-2-5-6	43.4
3	Jeff Lenhart	2-4-3-DNF-3	43.4
4	Pierre Siegenthaler	6-5-7-2-7	43.7
5	Castan Altmayer	3-6-9-3-8	52.1
6	Doug de Souza	5-12-5-6-2	52.7
7	Pete Duvoisin	4-5-10-4-9	57
8	Don Hite	9-11-4-8-4	62
9	Godfrey Kelly	8-8-8-7-14	76
10	Basil Kelly	11-7-11-9-11	79
11	G. E. Diaz	12-8-13-DNF-5	82
12	Ron Strange	13-17-6-11-13	89.7
13	Peter Christie	10-15-14-DNF-10	94
14	Mearns Davis	17-10-22-10-12	101
15	Fritz Gram	14-13-12-DNF-DNS	108
16	Lucius Bugbee	DNF-19-16-12-DNS	122
17	Frank Levinson	15-20-23-13-DNS	125
18	Bill Simons	18-21-18-DNF-DNS	126
19	Terry Timm	DNF-16-21-DNF-DNS	127
20	Dick Goppert	30-24-15-DNF-DNS	128
21	Jerry Thompson	DNS-18-17-DNF-DNS	128
22	Bob Bigham	19-23-20-DNF-DNS	131
23	G. A. Diaz	16-22-DSQ-14-DNS	133
24	Kenneth Albury	DSQ-14-19-DNS-DNS	138

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40 Snipes start light air race on Hillsborough Bay during Midwinters. In foreground (20220) is Scott Cline of Fleet 142.



## Record 40-boat Snipe fleet sails in Tampa Midwinters - ELMS WINS

1973 SCIRA Midwinter Champions were held this year for the first time at the Tampa Yacht and Country Club at Tampa, Florida. Clearwater Snipe Fleet No. 46 were joint hosts for the event which turned out to be a delightful waiting game in search of the March winds that proved elusive this year.

On Sunday, March 4, after an hour's delay waiting for wind, three short tune-up races were held.

All three were sailed in a 12 to 15

knot southwesterly wind that afforded both the skippers and the committee an opportunity to sharpen their racing tactics and procedures. In all, thirty Snipes participated in these tune-up races.

The first race was won by young Ed Nelson of Tampa Yacht and Country Club, followed by Frank Levinson of Clearwater and Bruce Colyer of Ft. Lauderdale. The second race went to Peter Duvoisin of Chattanooga, with Bruce Colyer second, and Frank Levinson

third. In the final race of the day, shortened because of the late hour, Peter Duvoisin crossed the finish line first, followed again by Bruce Colyer, with Francis Seavy of Clearwater third.

The final standings for the tune-up series: Pete Duvoisin 1st, Bruce Colyer 2nd, Frank Levinson 3rd, Ed Nelson 4th, and Bob Dean 5th.

At 6:00 P.M. Sunday the entry list had swelled to 40 — the largest ever for the Midwinters.

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Francis Seavy (left) and Past Commodore Taver Bayly enjoy hospitality hour at Tampa Yacht & Country Club.



While waiting for the breeze to come up, sailors and spectators mingle on club dock.

The weather for the first official races on Monday did not look encouraging. At 1:00 o'clock the Committee fired a postponement signal with anticipation of the sea breeze setting in by 3:00. The breeze finally came in late afternoon, however at 4:30 the wind was still so light that the Committee was forced to cancel the day's races. Both skippers and crew enjoyed frisker, swimming and lounging in the Florida sun — except for no wind, it was a beautiful day.

In attempting to catch up, the schedule was changed to include a morning race on Tuesday, and the first race began in a light, south-easterly at 10:00 A.M. Because of the light wind the committee set a relatively small olympic course. As the race progressed, the wind lightened, although it held from the original direction. First across the line was Terry Timm of Ann Arbor followed closely by Earl Elms of San Diego.

The wind dropped to zero and did not return until after 3:00 when the second race was begun in a steady southwesterly wind of approximately 8 knots. A general recall was necessary as a slight wind shift favored the leeward end of the line. A full olympic course was sailed, with the southwesterly holding to the finish. Earl

Elms was first followed by Terry Timm, which left the two boats in a dead heat at the end of two races.

After the fleet finished the second race, the wind veered approximately sixty degrees to a west-northwesterly direction. Although it was late in the day, the Committee scheduled a third start at approximately 5:15 in a five to seven knot breeze. As the race progressed through the first triangle, the wind lightened and the Committee fired a shorten course signal. The race was shortened to the windward buoy after one and one-third laps. John McGowan of Jackson, Mississippi, was first followed by Steve Cooper of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Jeff Lenhart of San Diego. Earl Elms had a bad start, but worked up to ninth while Terry Timm finished seventh. The fleet finished into a Florida sunset with the Club in the background, and all were happy to have three races under their belts.

The last day's racing was started in a light southeasterly of about five knots, but by the time the fleet reached the jibing buoy, the wind died to a zephyr. As the lead boats approached the buoy adjacent to the Committee boat, a signal was given to shorten course to the next

windward mark. The wind died further but shifted slightly to the west which allowed the fleet to finish within the time limit, completing the fourth race of the series. John McGowan was first again, followed by Angie Diaz, with Earl Elms third.

The fleet returned to the Club for lunch, and again the wind died to zero, and, in spite of all the desires, wishes and hopes of the Race Committee, it never returned until after the races were cancelled at 4:00 P.M.

In spite of the light air, and the fact that only four of the six scheduled races could be held, a good time was had by all and the competition was keen. Earl Elms with Don Bedford as crew emerged as Midwinter Champion, followed by Terry Timm with Leslie Clifton crewing, in second place. Last year's winner, Jeff Lenhart, with Bob Wilkinson as crew was third.

When last seen, the fleet was departing to attend the Don Q races in Miami.

Ed Nelson  
Clearwater Fleet No. 46

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### 1973 SNIPE MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOAT	SKIPPER	CLUB	RACES (1,2,3,4)	PTS.	FIN.
20219	Earl Elms	Mission Bay No. 495	2-1-9-3	23.7	1
19386	Terry Timm	Ann Arbor No. 570	1-2-7-7	29	2
18327	Jeff Lanhart	Mission Bay No. 495	11-5-3-6	44.4	3
19393	Agustin Diaz	Miami No. 7	5-19-5-2	48	4
19896	John McGowan	Jackson No. 604	23-18-1-1	53	5
20568	Means Davis	Atlanta No. 330	3-13-6-11	53.4	6
20002	Bruce Colyer	Miami No. 7	10-4-8-5	54	7
10111	Gonzalo Diaz	Miami No. 7	12-6-10-8	59.7	8
18015	Steve Cooper	Privateer No. 142	8-17-2-18	54	9
19091	Peter Duvoisin	Privateer No. 142	5-14-2-4	59.7	10
19387	Francis Seavy	Clearwater No. 46	9-15-13-15	76	11
19888	Frank Levinson	Clearwater No. 46	7-12-12-25	80	12
17736	Albert Lamar	Jackson No. 604	20-4-16-20	82	13
19056	Brad McFadden	Atlanta No. 330	17-10-25-13	89	14
20304	Robert Dean	Clearwater No. 46	14-9-20-24	91	15
19267	Don Hite	Lake Angelus No. 627	30-3-26-14	93.2	16
16699	Fritz Gram	Cuba Lake No. 442	4-20-35-17	96	17
11900	Larry White	Miami No. 7	21-7-22-23	97	18
20358	Doug De Souza	Mission Bay No. 495	26-16-4-31	99	19
20322	Bill Buckles	Rocky River, Ohio	15-21-11-35	106	20
15148	Galy Bustamante	Miami No. 7	32-11-32-9	108	21
12116	Gastao Altmayer	Brazil No. 426	24-28-17-21	114	22
19914	Buzz Layman	Indianapolis No. 409	18-57-14-27	115	23
20220	Scott Cline	Privateer No. 142	19-22-23-28	116	24
19057	Ed Nelson 4th	Tampa No. 46	DSO-26-15-10	119	25
20320	Bill Simons	Privateer No. 142	13-53-28-22	120	26
19795	Barry Cochran	Clearwater No. 46	28-25-27-19	123	27
15156	Kelly McGinnis	Jackson No. 604	16-27-29-29	125	28
19999	Ralph Swanson	Winchester No. 77	25-29-31-16	125	29
14634	Edwin Perez	Miami No. 7	29-23-18-53	127	30
20387	Sue Mitchell	Clearwater No. 46	12-50-30-26	132	31
19715	John Stanley	Crystal Lake No. 267	36-24-19-30	133	32
19793	Lucius Bugbee	Chautaugus Lake No. 124	27-34-21-32	138	33
20307	Judith Cortiss	Lansing	31-37-26-12	140	34
20554	Jack Magnuson	Chautaugus Lake No. 124	34-31-25-34	158	35
14735	Dick Edwards	Cuba Lake No. 442	38-35-34-37	168	36
19833	Dick Coppert	Missouri Y.C. No. 49	35-36-37-36	168	37
11559	Phil Blair	Clearwater No. 46	37-38-38-DNF	176	38
13303	Bill Doherty	Chippewa No. 621	33-DNS-DNS-DNS	177	39
10076	Bill Williams	Clearwater No. 46	39-39-39-38	179	40

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