

Mark Reynolds Earns Winter Circuit Honors

Chapin wins Midwinters in Clearwater to foil total Reynolds rout

MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP—CLEARWATER:

The traditional Saturday practice race was replaced this year by the Frank Levinson/Phil Blair Memorial Race, won by Mark Reynolds. Phil and Frank, for many years part of the hard working team which has made the Midwinters the top-notch regatta that it is, both passed away last year. Two special trophies in their honor were awarded in addition to the regular top finishers prizes. The Phil Blair Trophy was awarded to the highest finisher over 50 years of age, Gonzalo Diaz. The second special trophy, in memory of Frank Levinson, was awarded to the skipper voted by his fellow sailors as demonstrating the best sportsmanship. This award went to a most deserving, well known, hard working and highly respected local sailor, Francis Seavy.

If there had been any doubts in anyone's mind about Francis, they were removed following the second race on Monday. Francis had just completely refinished Honey, his classic wood Mills boat. It looked like a piece of furniture just off

the showroom floor. During the maneuvering for the start of the second race, a head-on collision put a hole in the boat that you could put your arm through. Francis hit his tongue, cried a little, quietly withdrew and sailed for home. When asked about it he said, "I was on port. When I zigged, he zigged. When I zagged, he zagged. That's all there was to it." I think we all cried a little with Francis at the sight of the damage.

BACK TO THE RACES: A front came through Sunday with winds 35+. The committee had no problem deciding to cancel for the day. Monday we sailed three races in the Bay in 10-15 knot winds. Tuesday we had three races back-to-back in the Gulf. Winds were 8-10 in the first two of these races, and 15 to 18 in the final race.

Dave Chapin, with crew Mark Sahh, was top dog with two firsts, two seconds, and a third. Consistency paid off. Competition was extremely tough as evidenced by the fact that of the six races, there were five different first place finishers. The second and third place boats,

Jeff Lenhart and Ed Adams had tie scores of 33.4 points, while fourth place winner Mark Reynolds had 34 points. Mark had crossed the line first in the third race only to learn that he had been over early at the start. This was his throwout race.

Steve and Connie Suddath with crew weight of about 265 lbs., and the first of non-professionals, did an outstanding job in the relatively heavy winds and chop. Their finishes were 2-3-4-5-8 for fifth place. Jerry Thompson was high in praise for his crew Karen Gregory who helped him to a sixth place finish over-all. Craig Martin, who recently filled the job at North Sails vacated by Mark Reynolds, finished seventh.

There were lots of top notch sailors in the top 20, and it wasn't uncommon to find sailors capable of high finishes in one or two races, but unable to maintain the consistency needed to stay on top. One such was Terry McLaughlin, new to the Snipe. An outstanding Canadian sailor, he has been selected to skipper Canada's entry in the next Americas Cup. He finished 3rd in the Memorial race and had a



L to R: Coconut Grove SC Commodore Alan Westcott presents the first place trophy in the 1982 Don Q Rum Keg Snipe Regatta to skipper Mark Reynolds and crewman Carl Hultgren from the San Diego YC as Regatta Chairwoman Fay Regen looks on.



Third race, Bacardi Cup, March 18, 1982, Montagu Bay, Nassau, Bahamas. Dave Chapin and Andrew Kelly, No. 24702, rounding the mark. Gonzalo Diaz, Jr., No. 24776, second. (Photo by Frederic Maura, Bahamas News Bureau)



Boat at mark is John Dunkley, No. 24687. Reynolds, No. 24815, is second.



Dave Chapin, No. 24702. Gonzo Diaz, Jr., No. 24776. (Photos by Frederic Maura, Bahamas News Bureau)

fourth in one race, and while always a contender, finished only 21st over-all.

The series was a good one, with 49 boats entered. Leo Murphy put on his usual champagne and cheese party Saturday night, and everyone was there. Following the races Monday there were grapefruit cocktails for everyone, and later the club served a spaghetti dinner. The ceremonies were concluded at the banquet Tuesday night. In addition to the usual prizes and special memorial awards, a seemingly endless number of practical gifts all made and donated by Joann Levinson's shop were presented to over 20 top skippers. Another comment: It was a pleasure to see Aylene Blair actively working for the regatta. She was constantly in attendance and always working, whether at registration, cutting grapefruit for the cocktail, or whatever.

Ken Simons

DON Q RUM KEG REGATTA—MIAMI:

The 1982 DON Q RUM KEG REGATTA was blessed with the nicest weather you can dream about. Biscayne Bay at its best!! All three days!!

Friday March 12: First race sailed with Southeasterly winds 10 mph. Pete Melvin and Dave Himmel took an early lead, never to be challenged. At the finish line was Pete Melvin, Mark Reynolds and Greg Fisher.

Second race: Winds Southeasterly 10 to 15 mph. Mark Reynolds and Carl Hultgren jumped on the lead. At the finish line it was Mark Reynolds first, Old Man Diaz and daughter Ana in second and Jeff Lenhard and Pat Muglia in third.

Saturday March 13: Third race: Again Southeasterly winds 10 mph. Light chop.

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MIDWINTER REGATTA (Top 20 of 49 entries)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Port	Places	Points	Finish
24702	Dave Chapin/Mark Salih	Austin, TX	1-7-1-2-2-3	11.7	1
20560	Jeff Lenhard/Pat Muglia	Costa Mesa, CA	4-3-3-8-12-1	33.4	2
24684	Ed Adams/Meredith Adams	Newport, RI	6-9-7-3-1-2	33.4	3
24815	Mark Reynolds/Carl Hultgren	San Diego, CA	2-4-5-1-9-4	34.0	4
24807	Steve Suddath/Connie Suddath	Pensacola, FL	15-8-2-4-3-5	40.7	5
20369	Gerry Thompson/Karen Gregory	Long Beach, CA	13-7-10-5-6-10	56.7	6
23286	Craig Martin/J.J. Fetter	San Diego, CA	5-1-15-dns-8-12	63.0	7
23712	Wilson Pereira/Alex Frigoyen	Miami, FL	12-6-5-10-5-dnf	65.7	8
23515	Greg Fisher/Dan Neri	Columbus, OH	11-10-8-6-11-6	70.4	9
23713	Gonzalo Diaz Sr./Ana Diaz	Miami, FL	3-18-12-16-10-8	75.7	10
24060	Robin Gale/Randy Gallman	La Jolla, CA	8-5-21-12-18-7	79.0	11
?	Terry McLoughlin/Bobbie Fisher	Toronto, CAN.	7-12-4-21-17-13	81.0	12
14002	Keith Donald/Macreen Hays	Pleasant Valley, PA	17-15-9-19-4-20	92.0	13
18321	Doug DeSouza/Mike McLaughlin	San Diego, CA	9-dsq-14-7-15-18	93.0	14
24307	Dick Mitchell/Julie Stiergerwald	Columbus, OH	14-17-6-11-22-22	99.7	15
24588	John Walton/Patti Fisher	Farm Hills, Mich.	16-11-13-14-15-21	100.0	16
23388	Jimmie Lowe/J. Martinborough	Nassau, Bahamas	10-20-11-15-37-14	100.0	17
24094	Hallman/Kelson Elam	Garland, TX	20-13-17-18-13-11	102.0	18
23525	Fred Abels/Todd St. John	Locust Valley, NY	22-21-20-9-27-9	111.0	19
23711	Gonzo Diaz Jr./Adam Killermann	Coral Gables, FL	26-16-18-17-19-15	111.0	20

DON Q RUM KEG REGATTA (Top 25 of 50 entries)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Club	Places	Points	Finish
24815	Mark Reynolds/Carl Hultgren	San Diego Y.C.	2-1-1-1-3	8.5	1
23619	Greg Fisher/Bobbie Fisher	Hoover Y.C.	3-4-7-2-8	43.7	2
24807	Steve Suddath/Connie Suddath	Pensacola Y.C.	7-6-5-13-1	53.7	3
23713	Gonzalo Diaz Sr./Ana Diaz	Coconut Grove S.C.	11-2-2-10-10	55	4
23286	Craig Martin/J.J. Fetter	Mission Bay Y.C.	6-7-4-7-5	55.5	5
24242	Pete Melvin/Dave Himmel	Coral Reef Y.C.	1-8-10-11-6	58.7	6
20560	Jeff Lenhard/Pat Muglia	Mission Bay Y.C.	8-3-15-5-7	65.7	7
24684	Ed Adams/Meredith Adams	Newport, Ct.	16-10-6-4-12	75.7	8
24688	John Walton/Patti Fisher	C.S.Y.C.	5-5-28-5-13	83	9
19389	Jeff Rubin/Ron Russell	Coconut Grove S.C.	10-11-12-5-18	90	10
24307	Dick Mitchell/Julie Stiergerwald	Columbus, Ohio	9-24-16-22-4	103	11
25080	Jimmie Lowe/Jeff Martinborough	R.N.S.C. Nassau B.A.	15-23-11-8-23	110	12
18321	Doug DeSouza/Mike McLaughlin	San Diego Y.C.	13-22-13-18-15	111	13
24060	Robin Gale/Randy Gallman	Mission Bay Y.C.	17-27-8-15-20	121	14
23751	Terry Tim/Gayle Nelson	North Cape Y.C.	12-9-22-23-26	122	15
20369	Gerry Thompson/Mike Poiderd	Altamira Bay Y.C.	28-17-14-16-21	126	16
24805	Steven Kelly/Sear McCarroll	Royal Nassau S.C.	24-28-23-15-9	129	17
24776	Angie Diaz/Kevin Burnham	Coconut Grove S.C.	DSQ-DSQ-3-3-2	129.4	18
23712	Wilson Pereira/Alejandro Frigoyen	Coconut Grove S.C.	25-25-18-14-19	131	19
24687	John Dunkley/Barry Orr	Royal Nassau S.C.	19-14-19-25-24	131	20
16699	Fritz Gany/Jane Gany	Cuba Lake N.Y.	21-20-21-17-22	131	21
23292	Alex Craig/Louis Verloop	Coconut Grove S.C.	29-11-25-24-17	136	22
23711	Gonzo Diaz Jr./Adam Killermann	Coconut Grove S.C.	14-16-20-20-29	139	23
20916	Gaby Bustamante/Albert Huerta	Coconut Grove S.C.	26-13-26-21-25	141	24
23623	Bill Spencer/Billy Spencer	F.I. Lauderdale	18-18-20-12-ENS	141	25

Winter Circuit

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Augie Diaz and Kevin Burnham established an early fight for the lead with Craig Martin and JJ Fetter, but they lost it at the finish line to Mark Reynolds in first, Gonzalo Diaz Sr. in second, Augie Diaz in third and Craig Martin in fourth.

Fourth Race: A little more wind, 10 to 15 mph and more chop too! Mark Reynolds and Carl Hultgren scored another first with Greg Fisher second and Augie Diaz third.

Sunday March 14: Fifth race: Again, Southeasterly winds 10 to 15 mph. Mark Reynolds, Steve Suddath and Augie Diaz led the fleet. At the finish line it was Suddath first, Augie second and Mark Reynolds third.

This is Mark Reynolds' 4th consecutive win of the DON Q RUM KEG REGATTA!

Race Committee and Regatta Chairwoman Fay Florida Regan did a beautiful job ably assisted by Dr. Clemente In-ulan, former Snipe Champion, and Coconut Grove Sailing Club members, many from the Lightning Fleet. Commodore Alan Westcott presented trophies to the first five.

The DON Q RUM KEG PARTY was the highlight of the Regatta and lasted from 5 p.m. on to nobody knows. Come back!

Gonzalo Diaz

BACARDI/GAMBLIN-NASSAU:

The Royal Nassau Sailing Club was host to the annual Bacardi Cup and SCIRA Winter Championship held March 17th-20th in Montagu Bay, Nassau, Bahamas.

Of the 30 entries 21 were from the U.S.A. and 9 from Nassau. The visiting Snipes were transported across the Gulf from Miami on the M.V. "Betty K."

We were honored in having renowned Star sailor Charlie deCardenas come over again this year from Miami to be Race Committee Chairman. Unlike last year he did not have his hands full with the weather. It was warm and sunny with light winds.

Californian Mark Reynolds and crew Carl Hultgren won the Bacardi Cup by three positions over Dave Chapin of Illinois and his Bahamian crew Andrew Kelly who took second place. Third was Californian Jeff Lenhart and crew Pat Maglia.

Opening day for the three-race Bacardi Cup was fine, with southeasterly winds of about 10-12 knots. There were two races with Reynolds winning both. Chapin

BACARDI CUP (Top 15 of 30 entries)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Places	Points	Finish
24815	Mark Reynolds/Carl Hultgren	1-1-2	3	1
24702	David Chapin/Andrew Kelly	4-2-1	11	2
20560	Jeff Lenhart/Pat Maglia	2-10-3	24.7	3
24776	G.A. Diaz, Jr.	6-6-4	31.4	4
23713	G.E. Diaz, Sr.	8-3-8	38	5
24742	Doug de Souza	16-4-5	40	6
23280	Craig Martin	18-3-6	41.4	7
18321	Doug De Souza	7-7-11	43	8
24791	Ron Fox	10-9-9	46	9
23620	Fred Abels	5-13-12	47	10
20369	Jerry Thompson	17-8-7	50	11
24060	Robin Gales	3-26-10	53.7	12
16699	Eric Gram	9-17-13	57	13
25088	Godfrey Kelly	11-16-16	61	14
18019	Jimmy Lowe	12-11-22	63	15

GAMBLIN CUP (Top 15 of 30 entries)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Places	Points	Finish
24815	Mark Reynolds/Carl Hultgren	8-2-1-1-1	12	1
24702	David Chapin/Ron Russell	2-1-3-2-3	13.4	2
20560	Jeff Lenhart/Pat Maglia	1-4-2-1-7	29.7	3
23280	Craig Martin	3-3-4-4-4	35.4	4
24776	G.A. Diaz, Jr.	4-16-6-6-8	63.4	5
24060	Robin Gales	6-8-7-7-6	63.4	6
18321	Doug De Souza	11-15-10-5-2	67	7
23713	G.E. Diaz, Sr.	7-6-9-8-8	67.7	8
20369	Jerry Thompson	5-11-8-13-18	84	9
24687	John Dunkley	9-12-12-9-19	91	10
16699	Eric Gram	21-7-13-10-11	92	11
24791	Ron Fox	13-10-15-12-12	96	12
24808	Steven Kelly	16-13-5-19-13	96	13
24142	Ron Simons	22-9-14-16-9	100	14
23151	Terry Timm	24-5-1-1-11-22	102	15

posted a second and a fourth and Lenhart a second and a tenth. The next morning, for the final race of the Bacardi Cup, the wind had backed to the North and was blowing 8 to 10 knots. This race was won by Chapin with Reynolds second and Lenhart third.

The five-race Gamblin Memorial series started on Thursday afternoon, after the final morning race of the Bacardi Cup. The wind was still in the North and light. This race was won by Lenhart with Chapin second. The next day, two races were sailed in Easterly breezes up to 15 knots, with a pretty good chop. This suited the heavy wind sailors a little better. These two races were won by Chapin and Reynolds.

On Saturday, the last racing day, the winds were Easterly at about 8-10 knots. Both of these races were won by Reynolds. In the final leg to the finish in the last race Reynolds was leading with Doug deSouza second, a few boat lengths ahead of Chapin, who was third. To win the Gamblin Cup, Chapin needed to finish second behind Reynolds, but this was not to be. Reynolds and deSouza went out on the long port tack while Dave tried the starboard tack but failed to catch Doug.

Reynolds and Chapin dominated the racing, the former winning the Gamblin Cup by a mere four-tenths of a point,

with three firsts, a second and an eighth. Chapin and crew, Ron Russell, took second place with a first, two seconds and two thirds. Lenhart and crew, Pat Maglia, were third, with a first, a second, a third, a fourth and a seventh.

The traditional Bacardi Daiquiri Party was held at the Club on Wednesday evening following the first two Bacardi Cup Races and was much enjoyed by everyone.

The Charles Kelly Memorial Trophy was won by Mark Reynolds, the skipper with the best score for all the races in the two Nassau Regattas. The Carl Zimmerman Trophy was also won by Mark Reynolds, the overall winner of the Southern Winter Racing Circuit.

John Dunkley and crew, Barry Orr, won the Concorde Trophy, a new trophy awarded by Pierre Siegenthaler to the Bahamian skipper with the best score in the combined Bacardi and Gamblin series.

The Trophy Presentation took place at the Club on Saturday night where there was dinner, lively dancing and good fellowship. If it were not for Dave Chapin the Californians would have again this year totally dominated the racing and taken home all the silverware. For many, Sunday was spent swimming and sunning on the beach at Rose Island.

Godfrey K. Kelly