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The Cover: Masters surfing mid-gybe at the World Masters in Vilamoura, Portugal. See more photos from the event at this link by photographer [Goncalo Melo Reis](#)

The Count: 22 new numbers were issued since the last issue: ARG 1, USA 1, ESP 5, JPN 11, 1 to Costa Rica, 3 to a builder.

Numbered Snipes: 31523
Chartered Fleets:
904: Nicoya, Costa Rica

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SCIRA Membership

Some of you have understood the importance of encouraging sailors to register with the Class. Some countries have already registered more boats and sailors than last year. This is a great result. Thank you!

I remind you for your convenience Section 19 and 20 of our Constitution:

Section 19. *Dues*

Each member of the Association and each owner of a Snipe Class boat, shall pay to the Association dues applicable to his/her country, the amount being determined by agreement between the National Secretary and the Board of Governors. Dues are to be paid by the owners of boats already holding measurement certificates within thirty days after the start of their local Fleet's racing season. Boat registration is reflected by a current decal displayed on the aft starboard side.

Section 20. *Non-payment of Dues*

If the owner of a measured boat of the Class shall fail to pay his dues within one month of the start of his Fleet's official racing season, such boat shall become ineligible to race. Such an owner shall lose his membership in the Association and all rights connected therewith. In the case of new boats launched after the expiration of the thirty days of grace, the owner may have his boat registered and measured and take part in the remaining point score races. If such procedure is not followed, the boat may not race in any open or closed races unless special permission is granted by the Fleet and approved by the National Secretary.

In addition, please remember that the number of registered boats affects the number of teams that a country can send to the Worlds next year. This is another reason why the National Secretaries should enforce the SCIRA membership rule.

Also the host country that does not comply with membership rules may not benefit from the reallocation system, regulated by the D.o.G. The reallocation system, in fact, is not a right but is a faculty granted to the host Country, a faculty that could be limited or suppressed.

I therefore invite you to observe the Constitution and to comply with the rules on membership in the general interest of our Class.

Thanks for the attention

Best regards



Pietro Fantoni
SCIRA Commodore



The Commodore's Log Book

Hello Snipe Sailors!

In the northern hemisphere we are at the height of the competitive season: many national championships have already been held as well as a successful World Masters in Vilamoura, Portugal.

In particular, this regatta was a successful event with 77 participants from 15 nations. The race area of Vilamoura gave the sailors every day different and challenging conditions, with current, different wind strengths. In the end, the Spaniards Damian Borras and Jordi Triay dominated the series with 5 bullets out of 7 races. The organization on and off the water was very good. I think everyone had fun, both at sea and on land with social events. For me, as often happens with the Snipe regattas, it was possible to meet old friends and make new ones. Friendship and respect for the opponent is a fundamental aspect for the Master Worlds, where the "Serious Fun" part of our motto is placed before the "Serious Sailing". The spirit of the event was understood by almost everyone.

In other parts of this Snipe Bulletin you will find reports, rankings and photos of this and other regattas. Other important events like the Women's World Championship, the Open European Championship and the Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship await us in the coming months. I hope to see many of you at these Championships.



During the last few months the Board has monitored the progress of the membership, comparing it with the past years. We have noticed that, in some countries, the Class is in strong recovery, thanks above all to the enthusiasm of the Fleet Captains and the National Secretaries. In some countries we have seen that in addition to the normal activities of organizing the regattas, World Snipe Days have been organized to make known and promote the Class to those who are not Snipe sailors. In other countries Clinics have been organized for those who already know the Snipe and want to improve their way of sailing Snipes. Other countries have bought or chartered construction yards to make them available free to sailors who want to try sailing a Snipe. All these initiatives are to be emulated: they serve to give liveliness to fleet activity. We do not have to stay still, each of us can make a practical contribution to the fleet activity. Let me know what is organized in your fleet, because it's nice that everyone knows what's happening on the other side of the world.

In a world political situation, where nations are increasingly trying to close and isolate themselves, SCIRA is in reverse trend! The initiatives of international racing circuits are very nice: I personally participated at (and helped to organize) the Alpe Adria Region Snipe Circuit (aka Kaiser Franz Joseph Cup and Kaiserin Sissi), with regattas in Austria, Italy Croatia, but with participation of crews also from other Countries. In other Countries (for example Spain and Portugal) teams usually comes from neighboring countries or even from Northern Europe. And excellent sailors (I think of our Vice-Commodore Luis Soubie, Damian Borras) often move to other countries to hold clinics. All this makes our class truly international!

See you soon, on the race course!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pietro Fantoni".

Pietro Fantoni

SNIPE WORLD MASTERS 2018

VILAMOURA*PORTUGAL

Damian Borras & Jordi Triay Dominate World Masters

At the Snipe Worlds at the Real Club Náutico de la Coruña last year the Associação Naval de Lisboa, Federação Portuguesa de Vela, Vilamoura Sailing, Companhia Nautica and SCIRA Portugal gave a presentation to the Board about their bid for the 2018 Id Crook Memorial Snipe World Masters. The Board was impressed with the bid and presentation and awarded the Championship to Vilamoura. I can say without a doubt that the regatta surpassed my expectations.



During the weekend the Domingos Borralho Trophy regatta was held as a warm-up to the Worlds. Augie Diaz and Ricardo Duarte from USA finished first followed by Adriano José Burgos Santos and Christian Franzen from Brazil in second then Jorn Haga and Maria Fiestas Le-Ngoc from Norway in third. They held 6 races over the 3 days.

The dry sail area was busy with measurement and the unloading of 2 trucks with 18 boats for charter from DB Marine. SCIRA Chief Measurer Luis Gonzalez and crew did an excellent job. 77 boats were registered, measured and ready for the Championship to begin. It was going to be a tough fleet with past World, European, Western Hemisphere, North American and National Champions in the mix. Monday dawned with a practice race and the Opening Ceremony on board the Condor de Vilamoura a two-masted 34 meter ship built in 1987. There was food, drink, music and a few short speeches. We knew we were in for a great week of *serious sailing, serious fun!*

Tuesday and Wednesday the first 4 races were held. The wind speed was at the limit, with gusts as high as 19 knots. The Race Committee monitored the wind over the 2 days and the averages were just below 15 knots. Master Damian Borras Camps and Jordi Triay Pons from Spain put on a clinic on how to win with 4 firsts followed by fellow Master Spaniards Fernando Rita and Juan Magro, in third was Apprentice Master Manu Hens and Maj Kristin Hansen Borgen from Belgium. After the first 4 races top Grand Master was Jorn Haga and Maria Fiestas Le-Ngoc from Norway and top Master Legend Paulo Santos and Thiago Sangineto from Brazil.

Special mention must be made of the oldest competitor in the fleet Oscar Gonzales Uruquia from Argentina who is 87! He and his crew Ramiro Iglesias sailed every race except for the last. Not only did he sail 2 races a day in sometimes challenging conditions he also made it to all the parties.

The last 2 days were sailed in calmer conditions, which I am told is normal for that time of year. The top three overall did not change. The Id Crook Memorial Trophy was awarded to Damian Borras Camps and Jordi

Triay Pons from Spain followed by fellow Spaniards Fernando Rita and Juan Magro, and in third Manu Hens and Maj Kristin Hansen Borgen from Belgium.

The philosophy of the World Masters is serious fun and we certainly had that in Vilamoura. Every night there was an event. Tuesday was a BBQ at Soul Moments, Wednesday everyone got their dancing shoes on at the chill out party at the Thai Beach Club. The DJ read the crowd and played great music, I think Kim Couranz won the dance trophy as she didn't sit down all night! Thank goodness there was a lay day on the Thursday because I know some people needed it to recover from all the dancing and imbibing the night before. People did various things on the lay day including touring the surrounding area. The organizers arranged transport to take sailors to the MED Music Festival in Loulé which I heard was great fun. The Friday night was formal dinner at the V Lounge with a Fado singer which is traditional Portuguese music. The closing ceremony and prizegiving was held on Saturday night

2018 Divisional Champions	
Top Apprentice Master	Manu Hens/Maj Kristen Hansen Borgen (BEL)
Master	Damian Borras/Jordi Triay (ESP)
Grand Master	Jorn Haga/Maria Fiestas Le-Njoc (NOR)
Master Legend	Paolo Santos/Thiago Sangineto (BRA)

with Damian and Jordi ending up in the water. This fantastic social program was included in the entry fee.

There are many people to thank for this amazing Championship. Associação Naval de Lisboa, Federação

Portuguesa de Vela and SCIRA Portugal. Nuno Reis - Event Director, Bruno Santos – Event Manager and Ivo Ferreira – Logistics for the excellent organization. All the sponsors. PRO Nino Shmueli and the Race Committee who did a fantastic job. Alvaro Robaina, Jury Chairman and his committee, I don't think they had too much work to do. Thanks to DB Marine for the charter boats and the repair work they did.

If you have never been to the Masters I recommend you give it a try. I look forward to seeing you at the next World Masters in 2 years!

--Gweneth Crook photo credits: Goncalo Melo Reis and various Snipe sailors





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Open Snipe European Championship

Pori, Finland August 20-25



Feel the spirit of Pori - 10 Facts and figures, tips and links

Hi all Snipe Friends!

Have you already visited snipeeuropeans.org web site and FB site *Snipe Europeans 2018* and checked the latest news. Don't worry, summary can be found here.

SCIRA Finland and the hosting Yacht Club BSF are glad to invite all Snipe friends to the Open 35th Snipe European Championship and 20th Junior Europeans. Jr regatta will be sailed in same starts and during same days as Open Championship. In this article you can find tips, tricks and the latest info why and how to get in Finland and spend there one week you hopefully remember the rest of your life.

Facts about Finland

Ranked as one of the safest place to travel in whole Globe, offering top education system for children, eight largest country in Europe with 188.000 lakes and 98.000 islands but only five and half million citizens, celebrating last year 100 years independency Finland certainly have something to offer also for international Snipe sailors. Since 1947 almost a thousand (975) Finnish Snipes have been registered in SCIRA files. Once we calculated that over 20.000 sailors have sailed Snipe at least once in Finland. In addition Snipe Class is ranked still the biggest two-handed-dinghy-class in Finland. So the Class is very much alive and kicking, and ready to host the great Europeans event.

Facts about Pori, Yyteri Beach and Regatta centre

- What makes it attractive to come to Finland
In 2006 the YC BSF had a chance to organize the Europeans for 54 boats with warm cosy atmosphere

during race week – exactly in the Spirit of Pori. Now in 2018 we want to make it even more memorable. Fantastic open sea conditions close to the race centre, distance to next shore in Sweden is 100 NM away. Typical sea breeze from south-west or north offer waves ideal for long surfs and fantastic sailing conditions. We can say it loud and proud; clearly best



racing area in Finland.

What is new compared to EC2006 event. Well, first of all, regatta activities are now concentrated in Yyteri Beach holiday resort – only in walking distance. Everything can found in one spot: race office, boat park, accommodation services, after sail activities, amusement for family and other team members who are not joining us at sea. Yyteri offers 5 km long sandy beach, actually the longest in whole Nordic region, offering great chance for jogging, biking, swimming, windsurfing and horse riding, not to forget adventure park Huikee. Area is also famous for bird watching

with interesting nature paths. Accommodation services such as hotel, summer cottages and camping area are located in area. There is a specific EC Snipe rate for participants in Yyteri hotel but also in city centre hotel 20 km away. Check the booking details on website.

And if you wonder how to scope with sandy shore, don't worry. We have tested the sandy conditions during 2017 Finnish Nationals. Shallow shore for the first 100 m filters biggest waves even in strong winds, clear marks show where the deep water starts, towing rope to get out and back safely after the races. It works perfectly well. And the distance to racing area is only 1-1.5 NM. You just wake up, have breakfast and start racing!

Steps to Europeans

If you have not yet done the decision to participate, now is the high season to do it. The deadline for registration is July 1st. Check your boat according to Europeans instructions with your local measurer and the process in Pori is much smoother. The regatta organizer has got nice discounts for travelling and hotel services. Our ferry partner Finnlines offer 25% discount for ferry connection Travemünde (GER)-Malmö (SWE) and 40% discount for Kapellskär (SWE)-Naantali (FIN). Map of ferry connections in Baltic Sea and possible routes can be found also at Europeans.org site in Competitor info. The recommended and probably the cheapest route to arrive in Finland from South Europe is to book the above mentioned ferry connections and drive through Sweden to Kapellskär, 80 km above Stockholm. Then 150 km drive to Pori. More detailed instructions and links for ferry bookings as well as some other alternative and tested routes can be found at snipeeuropeans.org site.



regattas. For an international sailing class like Snipe it is very important that several countries are alive and kicking, also in North Europe. Therefore, we strongly wish that also you can participate the European Championship event in Finland. The opportunity to host Europeans here up North definitely boost Snipe Class in the whole region. You are warmly welcome to support this boost



Welcome

Swinging Snipe sisters Mirja-Liisa and Hanna-Leena as well as the whole organizing committee wish you, your team members and families to Pori!

By: Kai Saarhelo

Join the Nordic Snipe spirit

We all know the big Snipe fleets in South European



Tavira hosted the Portuguese Nationals ahead of Snipe World Masters 2018

Last weekend the friendly town of Tavira in the South of Portugal hosted the national Championship in Snipe Class, that happened for the 73rd time. 29 participants from all over the country registered for the event with a strong presence of local teams from the Algarve, that will soon host the Snipe World Masters.

With the wind conditions sometimes a bit difficult 8 races out 9 planned were sailed, starting with a warm-up day before the official racing that allowed to test the waters before some “serious sailing”. Then the fleet faced three days of intense sailing with Tiago Holtreman Roquette & Tiago Moraes from We Do Sailing/Panoramah leading all days with 5 victories overall. That made them the new National Champions also winning the Masters title as well as receiving the prestigious Paulo Sena Rodrigues Trophy that is awarded every year to the best team on the circuit of National competitions that run in the Algarve region.



The next on the podium were Pedro Barreto/Henrique Brites from CNCascais, who caused a strong competition to two Tiagos throughout the Championship. With the bronze winner it was uncertain until the last day of racing and was decided among three teams: Antonio Pereira/Ricardo Schedel from CVBarreiro, Team NACEX of Miguel Graça/João Lopes and a strong local team of Hugo Verissimo/Cristovão Gonçalves from GCNFaro, but it was António and Ricardo who made it to the podium with two first finishes overall.



On the Juniors side it was Martim Sena Sancho/Lúcia Neto from GCNFaro who won the title this year. Apart from the awards all teams received a bag of delicious Algarvian oranges, a local tradition, that allows to take a bit of the sunshine home. The reception ashore and on the water was equally warm, thanks a lot to Clube Nautico de Tavira for a great Championship 2018!



Next stop for Portugal is the warm-up race before the Worlds with Domingos Borralho Trophy on 22-24th June in the nearby Vilamoura, that will further host the Snipe World Masters on 24-30th June. See you soon!

**--Anna Zykova. photo credits to Anna Zykova:
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Snipe European Championship 2018

20-25 August

Pori | Yyteri Beach
Finland



More information
<http://snipe.fi/>



Cuban National Championships - Nelido & Iris Manso Reign

May 6, 2018
Cienfuegos, Cuba

Final Results:

Top 3

1. Nelido Manso/Iris Laura Manso
2. René Torrecilla/Carlos Miguel Espósito
3. Daniel Fulgueiro/Lorena Fundora





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Alpe Adria Region Snipe Series

- Alpen Grand Prix - Mattsee (Austria), April 28-29
- South European Championship - Trieste (Italy), May 12-13
- German Open - Caldonazzo (Italy), May 25-27
- Sipar International - Moscenicka Draga (Croatia), June 2-3



Kaiser Franz Josph Cup (66 boats, 7 Countries) awarded to the first skipper with the best total score in the 4 regattas chosen

1. Pietro Fantoni & Arianna Buzzetti / Marinella Gorgatto
2. Andrea Piazza & Marta Pedensini / Luca Cucino,
3. Nikola Deskovic & Neven Barsic

Kaiserin Sissi Cup awarded to the first woman with the best total score in the 4 regattas chosen

1. Daniela Semec
2. Marinella Gorgatto
3. Manuela Mazza



2018 South Europe Summer Circuit

- Trieste, Italy, May 12-13, 2018 - South European Championship
- Moscenicka Draga, Croatia, June 2-3, 2018 - Sipar International

Final results:

1.	ITA Pietro Fantoni & Marinella Gorgatto,	5
2.	CRO Luka Jercic & Josipa Prosinecki,	10
3.	ITA Stefano Longhi & Eleonora Zuzic/Walter Lorefice,	16
4.	CRO Marko Marinovic & Vedrana Puljiz,	21
5.	CRO Milko Volaric & Dean Pavlak,	29
6.	ITA Andrea Piazza & Luca Cucino/L. Catarozzi,	30
7.	CRO Damir Vranic & Vlado Grego,	32
8.	LTU Gintare Scheidt & Kathleen Tocke,	35
9.	USA Augie Diaz & Silvia Penso,	36
10.	BEL Manu Hens & Maj Kristin Hansen Borgen,	37
11.	ITA Massimo Cigalotti & Manuela Mazza,	38
12.	ITA Dario Bruni & Emanuele Zampieri,	39
13.	ITA Alberto Schiaffino & Virginia Schiaffino,	40
14.	ITA Andrea Savio & Annarosa Perini,	41
15.	ITA Silvano Zuanelli & Floriana Luisa Giraudo,	41
16.	ITA Alberto De Paoli & Anna Mosca,	42
17.	ITA Enrico Michel & Antonia Contin,	43
18.	CRO Nikola Deskovic & Neven Barisic,	43
19.	ITA Paolo Lambertenghi & Antonio Bari,	44
20.	ITA Fabio Rochelli & Daniela Semec,	45
21.	ITA Giuseppe Prosperi & Marco Maria Onorato,	46
22.	ITA Roberto Emer & Margherita Bensa,	46
23.	CRO Daniel Bradicic & Ana Furlanic,	47
24.	ITA Maurizio Planine & Michela Furlan,	48
25.	CRO A. Spoljaric & F. Zanetic,	48
26.	ITA Lapo Savorani & Alessandro Bari,	50
27.	ITA Fabio Schaffer & Ilaria Bernardini,	51
28.	ITA Sergio Irredento & Marina Senni,	52
29.	ITA Marco Pantano & Francesco Fontana,	54
30.	ITA Umberto Wetzl & Luca De Reya,	56
31.	ITA Gioele Toffolo & Marco Mazzaroli,	57
32.	ITA Ilaria Rochelli & Filippo Facchin,	58
33.	ITA Marco D'Ambrosio & Antonio Falcomer,	60
34.	ITA Andrea Pesci & Lorenzo Baldi,	61
35.	ITA Andrea Schiaffino & Alberto Annoni,	62
36.	ITA Fabio Steffé & Stefano Bosutti,	63
37.	AUT Ezio Prataviera & Joanna Nowak,	64
38.	GER Rainer Lischke & Wolfram Muelhuber,	65
39.	ITA Mauro Marchesan & Mauro Ferrante,	66
40.	ITA Francesco Scarselli & Marco Rinaldi,	68



South Europeans

It was a complicated weekend on Gulf of Trieste for the South European Championship – Sergio Michel Perpetual Trophy.

Only one race was completed on Saturday in light wind conditions.



Despite the many attempts made, the Race Committee, chaired by Marcello Montis from Tuscany and supported by the local regatta officers, was unable to control the tantrums of the Sunday wind, leaving the standing unchanged.

First place for the Lithuanian Gintare Scheidt (Silver medal at the 2008 Olympic Games) supported by the American Kathleen Tocke, second for Augie Diaz from Miami with Silvia Penso from Trieste and in third place for the Belgian Manu Hens with the Norwegian Maj Kristin Hansen Borgen.

Unfortunately, the DoG of the South European Championship states that for awarding the trophy at least three races shall be completed and therefore, for this year, could not be awarded.

At the forth place the Italians Pietro Fantoni and Marinella Gorgatto who won the Ferin Trophy.

A warm thanks to the STV for the excellent organization and hospitality reserved for us.

--Daniela Semec





Triestina della Vela

2018 South European Snipe Championship

"Sergio Michel Perpetual Trophy"

Regata Nazionale

"Trofeo Ferin"

May 12-13, 2018



RESULTS

No	Numero	Nome	Punti	1
1	LTU 30281	SCHEIDT GINTARE, TOCKE KATHLEEN, CIRCOLO VELA TORBOLE	1,0	1
2	USA 30288	DIAZ AUGIE, PENSO SILVIA, CORAL REEF YACHT CLUB	2,0	2
3	BEL 31274	HENS MANU, BORGEN MAJ KRISTIN HANSEN, RYCB	3,0	3
4	ITA 15790	FANTONI PIETRO, GORGATTO MARINELLA, 13-YACHT CLUB ADRIACO	4,0	4
5	ITA 30706	BRUNI DARIO, ZAMPIERI EMANUELE, 402-14-C V CREMONA - ASS SPORT	5,0	5
6	ITA 31294	SCHIAFFINO ALBERTO, SCHIAFFINO VIRGINIA, 408-14-AS VELA LAGO LEDRO ASS	6,0	6
7	ITA 30930	SAVIO ANDREA, PERINI ANNAROSA, 349-13-SOC.TRIESTINA VELA ASS	7,0	7
8	CRO 28274	JERCIC LUKA, PROSINECKI JOSIPA, SAILING CLUB SPLIT	8,0	8
9	ITA 31406	MICHEL ENRICO, CONTIN ANTONIA, 350-13-SV COSULICH ASS VELICA	9,0	9
10	ITA 30009	LAMBERTENGHI PAOLO, BARI ANTONIO, 397-14-C.V.TORBOLE SOC COOP SP	10,0	10
11	ITA 30983	ROCHELLI FABIO, SEMEC DANIELA, 354-13-S.V.BARCOLA GRIGNANO AS	11,0	11
12	ITA 29195	PROSPERI GIUSEPPE, ONORATO MARCO MARIA, 1578-11-ASS.SPORT.DILCENTROVEL	12,0	12
13	ITA 30774	LONGHI STEFANO, ZUZIC ELEONORA, 349-13-SOC.TRIESTINA VELA ASS	13,0	13
14	ITA 28688	PLANINE MAURIZIO, FURLAN MICHELA, 352-13-S.NAUT PIETAS JULIA ASS	14,0	14
15	CRO 29569	MARINOVIC MARKO, POLIC VEDRANA, SAILING CLUB SPLIT	15,0	15
16	ITA 31247	SAVORANI LAPO, BARI ALESSANDRO, 085-02-C VELA TALAMONE ASS SPO	16,0	16
17	ITA 29081	SCHAFFER FABIO, BERNARDINI ILARIA, 348-13-Y C ADRIACO ASS SPORT D	17,0	17
18	ITA 29449	IRREDENTO SERGIO, SENNI MARINA, 349-13-SOC.TRIESTINA VELA ASS	18,0	18
19	CRO 30938	VOLARIC MILKO, PAVLAK DEAN, YC GALEB KOSTRENA	19,0	19
20	ITA 29722	PANTANO MARCO, FONTANA FRANCESCO, 330-11-C.N.CERVIA AMICI VELA A	20,0	20
21	CRO 1	VRANIC DAMIR, GREGO VLADO, YC GALEB KOSTRENA	21,0	21
22	ITA 28905	WETZL UMBERTO, DE REYA LUCA, 349-13-SOC.TRIESTINA VELA ASS	22,0	22
23	ITA 30508	TOFFOLO GIOELE, MAZZAROLI MARCO, 350-13-SV COSULICH ASS VELICA	23,0	23
24	ITA 29000	ROCHELLI ILARIA, FACCHIN FILIPPO, 354-13-S.V.BARCOLA GRIGNANO AS	24,0	24
25	ITA 26819	PIAZZA ANDREA, CUCINO LUCA, 408-14-AS VELA LAGO LEDRO ASS	25,0	25
26	ITA 29053	D'AMBROSIO MARCO, FALCOMER ANTONIO, 09-CV LA SCUFFIA PESCARA	26,0	26
27	ITA 30683	PESCI ANDREA, BALDI LORENZO, 058-02-C.N.CASTIGLIONCELLO ASS	27,0	27
28	ITA 30194	SCHIAFFINO ANDREA, ANNONI ALBERTO, 408-14-AS VELA LAGO LEDRO ASS	28,0	28
29	ITA 31098	STEFFE FABIO, BOSUTTI STEFANO, 348-13-Y C ADRIACO ASS SPORT D	29,0	29
30	AUT 28771	PRATAVIERA EZIO, NOWAK JOANNA, SEGELEXCLUB MATTSEE	30,0	30
31	GER 30798	RAINER LISCHKE, WOLFRAM MUEHLHUBER, MBB SG MANCHING	31,0	31
32	ITA 24165	MARCHESAN MAURO, FERRANTE MAURO, 352-13-S.NAUT PIETAS JULIA ASS	32,0	32
33	ITA 31447	SCARSELLI FRANCESCO, RINALDI MARCO, 1202-02-YACHT CLUB CALA.DE' ME	34,0	ocs



Bowers claims 2018 Winchester Invitational title

The newly renovated Winchester Boat Club was host for the first Snipe regatta on the Mystic Lake this year. In all, twenty boats competed. We are excited to say that regatta featured more girls than guys on the water, and was highlighted by 4 boats with only females! Look to see those pairings and many more down in Newport in August for the Snipe Women's World Championship.

Racing on Saturday was, as we like to say, particularly mystical. The Race Committee did great work getting 4 windward leeward races in under difficult conditions. The breeze swung from the west to the north to the south to the east, sometimes all in the span of a couple minutes. Art Rousmaniere and crew Lexi Pline took the first race, Katie Levinson and Emily Lynn took the second (after determining that battens are important), and Jim Bowers and Lara Dienemann took races 3 and 4. New snipe sailors Jack McGuire and Mimi Paz, recent Bowdoin Sailing alums, had a great day in the Swedish Chef, ending up with a couple top 5 finishes and finding themselves in 4th place at the end of the day. The results were very tight after racing, with only 15 points separating the 3rd and 12th place boats.

Saturday evening, everyone got to relax and enjoy hors d'oeuvres, delicious Blue-Ribbon barbecue, and beverages on the Swanson Cove. Thanks to all who contributed by bringing the appetizers, drinks, and desserts!

Racing on Sunday went swimmingly. Scratch that, meant to say Sunday was a great day for swimming. After a lengthy postponement on shore, the Race Committee summoned the sailors to the water for some Frisbee and relaxation. A weak easterly fought a weak westerly for about an hour with the result being 3 horns and a paddle ride back to shore at 1 pm.

Sailors packed up and made their way back to Swanson Cove for some appetizers, drinks, and leftover barbecue leading into the awards ceremony. Thanks to all the sailors, volunteers, and event organizers, especially fleet captain Katie Levinson, who did a great job putting the whole event together. Congratulations to Jim and Lara for winning this year's Winchester Invite! Hope to see everyone back at Winchester later this year for the Halloween regatta!

—by Liz Glavinski and Cam Fraser





Winchester Invitational competitors and Final Results

Skipper/Crew	Sail #	Finishes	Total
1. Jim Bowers/Lara Diermann	31171	2-3-1-1	7
2. Art Rousmaniere/Lexi Pline	31288	1-5-8-2	16
3. Cam Fraser/Liz Glivinski	30903	8-13-2-3	26
4. Jack McGuire/Mimi Paz	25412	6-15-4-4	29
5. Michael Bowers/Max Hetherington-Young	30422	3-9-7-14	33
6. Katie Levinson/Emily Lynn	29842	dns-1-5-8	35
7. Sue Ludiw/Jon Tabor	28442	dns-2-3-11	37
8. Ray Schmit/Margaret Lawrence	31204	4-8-9-16	37
9. Bob Coyle/Jacke Farnsworth	28542	12-4-10-12	38
10. Jennifer Rousmaniere/Nikki Bruno	31280	7-18-6-7	38
11. Ted Kenan/Alison Keenan	29955	5-17-11-6	39
12. John Tagliamonte/Linda Epstein	31013	14-6-16-5	41
13. Nicholas Biacobbe/Jacob Whitney	30089	9-11-12-13	45
14. Andy Klein/Michelle	31309	13-12-14-9	48
15. Robert/Jane Panza	29964	11-7-17-17	52
16. Audry/Kevin Hetherington-Young	30600	15-10-18-10	53
17. Kerry O'Brien/Ann Walt-Stalings	30470	10-16-19-18	63
18. Kelly Rousmaniere/Ander Boldefarb	29499	d17-14-15-19	65
19. Martin/Suzette Fraser	30999	dns-dnf-13-15	70
20. Peter Bronk/Diane Schilder	29972	16-dnf-20-20	77

Memories of the First Fiberglass Snipe - 9753

Snipe historian John Rose keeps in contact with Snipe sailors worldwide and is a constant source of information. Below is a string of an email thread on remembrance of the building of the first fiberglass Snipe....



John Rose -

Attached is a photo of Harold Gilreath's fiberglass Lofland Snipe #9753 "Texan III", built in 1954 after SCIRA adopted specifications for fiberglass Snipes. This is the first "official" (measured) fiberglass Snipe. Photo from Gilreath family photo albums, courtesy of Hal Gilreath Jr. His Dad Harold Gilreath was 1956 SCIRA Commodore. This boat was the first production fiberglass Snipe constructed by Francis Lofland (Lofland Co. - later Lofland Sail-Craft Inc., Wichita Kansas USA) with technical assistance and advice by Ted Wells and Harold Gilreath. For several years after, fiberglass Snipes had to be manufactured using a standard hull mold owned by SCIRA that was used to produce other hull molds. Later, individual builders were allowed to produce their own molds, with certification of measurements by SCIRA measurers. The early Lofland fiberglass Snipes had plywood decks that were often fabricated by the buyer, soon after Lofland introduced fiberglass decks from molds created for production Lofland Snipes.

The whereabouts of Snipe #9753 is unknown and it may no longer exist (last record was 1963 in Tullahoma, TN)

James Rix -

Please include my grandfather, John Rix, with the team that built the first fiberglass Snipes. He was the head of the tooling department at Cessna and

was working a lot with thermoset plastics at the time and invented Cessnite, a resin with a gravel filler. He brought his fiberglass experience to the team. I covered some of this history in my book about Ted Wells; <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1942790112>. The four, Francis Lofland, Harold Gilreath, Ted Wells, & John Rix partnered together and each got hulls from the mold before Lofland started up Lofland Sail-Craft with it. John's Hull was #9985. This boat went to my ex-brother in law who neglected it and it's likely destroyed by now. These boats had wood decks. I don't know when Lofland Sail-Craft boats added the fiberglass deck that had a small compartment in the back for storage. I was under the impression that all Sail-Craft had fiberglass decks.

Franklin Johnson-

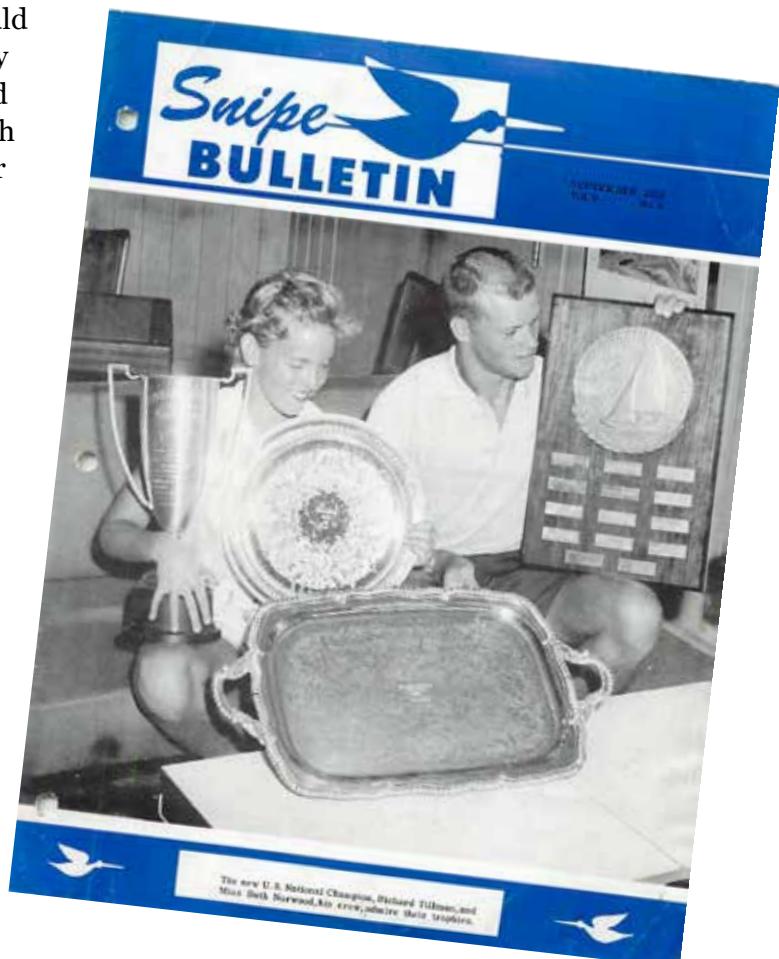
You are right about the picture being taken at the house on Macland Road, but unless this old dog's memory has gone south, that's about all that is correct. The picture was taken in early August 1959 just prior to our departure for the 1959 Nationals to be held in Fort Gibson. The boat is Texan II, not Texan III. This was the last of three Nationals I crewed for your Dad. As evidence, beyond a few brain cells that haven't been short circuited, the model of the car, the world's heaviest Snipe trailer(complete with full wooden floor and full-size spare tire), and the elevated spray rails - a feature of the boat until sheer

mounted deflector rails were added. Your mom and my wife came along. Harold installed an under-the-dash after-market A/C for the trip. It would work for about an hour before condensation froze the compressor. I made an air duct out a newspaper, directed the hot outside air using the front wing window, and unfroze it. We would drive another hour, and repeat the process. We had a great trip. Dick Tillman won the regatta. We had a shot at it until the last race when we got boxed at the start and couldn't recover enough. We finished third. Tillman at that time was built like a Greek god. He had Beth Norwood crewing for him. Beth was about 13 yrs. and didn't weigh 90 pounds, but had crewed for good sailors at the AYC since she was 7 yrs.. Tillman used his athletic ability to balance the boat and Beth did a fine job on the jib. That was when I learned how critical weight was in a Snipe in all winds less than 10mph, not just drifters. The ability to accelerate faster in a wind increase can get you out of the pack and into clear air.

The raised spray rails were a result of us nearly sinking in Lake Erie in the 1954 Nationals. We would come off a hard plane that filled the boat with spray (no thru-hull bailers in those days). The boat would come off the plane, the water in the boat would rush forward, we would plow into a wave that sent water

over the 3 in spray rails into the cockpit, and the boat would try to broach. We barely survived - many boats simply filled with water, foundered, and prayed for a quick tow. After the race, your Dad bought some plywood, roughly shaped them into 6 in spray rails, and thru-bolted them to the existing ones. I added a 4 in dia., 5 ft, cylindrical "slush" pump. The next race, after rounding the windward mark I got the jib and vang set, stood up, pumped furiously, and got the boat basically dry inside a minute, The extended spray rails did their job in deflecting the water coming over the bow. We were never in it but we were able to play with the big boys the rest of the regatta. We finished fourth.

I guess being the first production Snipes makes them noteworthy, but I can't ever recall being beaten by a Lofland boat in a regatta. Brad McFadden got one and after I dominated him for a season in what had been Owen Duffy's Walter Mitty, he bought Texan II from your Dad.



2018 Women's Snipe Worlds

The iconic sailing city of Newport, Rhode Island is in full summer swing. The waters that host several major regattas yearly is awaiting the arrival of the women's Snipe fleet! 9 countries have registered for the 2018 Women's Snipe World Championship, which means racing will be competitive.



For teams looking to do a local worlds warm up, the Snipe New England championship will take place July 20-23 in Beverly, MA.

See either the website or Facebook page listed below for event specific information. Looking forward to having the international Women's Snipe fleet in one of the most spectacular places to sail: Newport, Rhode Island!
www.snipeworlds.org/index.php/womens-championship/
<https://www.facebook.com/WomensSnipeWorlds/>

[website & registration](#)

[Social Media](#)



2018 Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship

October 20-27

Olivos, Buenos Aires, Argentina

The Snipe fleet returns to Buenos Aires to celebrate the 2018 WH&O Championship.

Hosted by Club Nautico Olivos and Association Argentina d Snipe, the regatta will be sailed on the Rio de la Plata.

Racing begins on Tuesday, October 23 with the prizegiving set for Saturday, October 27.

Already a stellar group of competitors have registered from 7 nations with additional entries to open up later this month.



[website & registration: 2018.snipewho.org](#)

2018 Snipe Racing Calendar

for more information on Snipe regattas, see the calendar on www.snipe.org

French Open	July 30-Aug 4	Cazaux, FRA
Women's Worlds	August 16-19	Newport, Rhode Island, USA
European Championship	August 20-25	Pori, FIN
Split Snipe Regatta	September 1-2	Split, CRO
Sul Brasileiro	September 7-9	Florianopolis, BRA
Coupe Viking	September 8-9	La Havre, FRA
NorthWestern Championship	September 15-16	Budworth SC, Cheshire, GBR
Viking Snipen	September 15-16	Baerum, NOR
Maria Guedes de Quieroz Int.	October 6-7	Cascais, POR
Snipe a Paris	October 6-7	Choisy, FRA
North Americans	October 6-8	San Diego, CA, USA
Espergaerde Open	October 7	Espergaerde, DEN
Host Cup	October 13-14	Baerum
Western Hemisphere & Orient	October 20-27	CN Olivos, Buenos Aires, ARG
Halloween	October 27-28	Atlanta, GA, USA
Copa Escuela Naval-Recreo	September 1-2	Vina del Mar, CHI
Semana de Buenos Aires	Sept 22/23/29/30	Buenos Aires, ARG
Memorial Confoulan	November 2-4	Cazaux, FRA
Cope Nacional Interligas	November 3-5	Guatape-Antioquia, COL
Nordeste Brasileiro	November 14-16	Salvador, BRA
Panettone	December 2	Morcote, SUI

2018 National Championships

Spanish Masters	July 31-Aug 2	Motril
Finnish Nationals	August 10-12	Turku
Norwegian Masters	August 11-12	Baerum
Belgium	August 11-12	Belgium
Polish Masters	August 18-19	Poznan
Polish Juniors	August 20-21	Poznan
Japanese Nationals	August 21-26	Fukuoka City Yacht Harbor
United States	August 23-26	Green Lake, Wisconsin
Norwegian Womens	September 1-2	Baerum
Spanish Nationals	September 13-16	Santiago de la Ribera
Finnish Masters	September 15	HSK, Helsinki
Italy – Senior	September 20-23	Talamone
Polish Masters	August 20-21	Poznan
US Masters	October 26-28	Atlanta, GA
Ecuador	Nov 1-4, 10-11	Salinas
Colombia	November 3-5	Colombia
Chile	November 23-25	Algarrobo
Peru	December 1-2, 15-16	La Punta
Argentina	December 6-9	Bahia Blanca

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German Open	June 14-16	Lake Caldonazzo, Italy
Snipe Jr World Championship	October 1-5	Ilhabela, Brazil
Snipe World Championship	October 7-12	Ilhabela, Brazil



Remembering Axel Schmidt

Three times Snipe World Champion, sailing with his twin brother Erik (1961, 1963, 1965). The first World Champion from Brazil.

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By Ricardo Lobato

This Sunday (June 10) we lost Axel Schmidt. His history mixed with the history of Brazilian Sailing. Son of the Danish Preben Schmidt, Axel started sailing Hagen Sharpie built by his father at their club. Then he joined his twin brother Erik in Snipes, founded the fleet 477. Then they won the first world championship of the Brazilian Sailing in New York (1961), Bendor, France (1963) and Canary Island (1965). It was a golden era for Brazil with the Soccer team, Maria Ester Boeno (Tennis), who also passed away two days before him, Eder Jofre (Boxe) and Bruno Hermanny (Spearfishing).

He also was Gold and Silver Medalists at the 1959 and 1963 Pan American Games in the Lightning class. He participated in the Olympic Games of Mexico 1968 and Munich in 1972. In offshore sailing, he was helmsman of the sailboat "Pluft" in the conquest of the Regata Buenos Aires - Rio. He was the helmsman of Pluft still in the traditional Admiral's Cup in England. With his "Osprey" sailboat, Axel won the Santos-Rio Regatta and the Ocean Sailing Rio Circuit.

When I started sailing, Axel had already stopped racing. However, he was a very active sailor up to his 79 years. He was always talking about sailing at Rio Yacht Club bar. His stories were very funny. He was also willing to teach newcomers to the Snipe Class like me. It was from him that I heard for the first time about jib sag and tight versus lack shrouds. Their nephews, Torben and Lars, recognizes his importance to their racing success.

The Sailing in Brazil is a bit sadder.



Snipe World Champion

- Rye, New York, USA, 1961
- Isle de Bendor, France, 1963
- Las Palmas, Grand Canary Island, Spain, 1965

Pan American Games

- 1st place in Lightning at Chicago 1959
- 2nd place in Lightning at São Paulo 1963

Olympic Games

- 7th place in Star at Acapulco 1968
- 6th place in Soling at Kiel 1972



Snipe Ranking Guidelines

SCIRA has an agreement with the SSL (Star Sailors League) whereby if we provide regatta results, they will calculate an international ranking system for us. In order to have a great ranking system, we need the cooperation of all regatta organizers and National Secretaries to encompass as many events and sailors as possible.

Read the guidelines to the right to help gather the information. Use this link to download the excel template (save as a csv file) and then send to the SnipeToday editor or the SCIRA office. It's that easy!

[Results Template](#)

Guidelines for sending regatta results for the International Ranking

The purpose of these guidelines is to facilitate the loading of results into the SSL database.

- It is necessary to fill in all fields in the attached file.
- In particular it is important to fill in the "Sailor ID" field.
- Sailor ID means SCIRA memberID number.
- The SCIRA member ID can be found by entering the name of the sailor and checking the corresponding number at this [link](#):
- The SCIRA member ID is used to avoid duplications or errors with the names of sailors (for example: Martin Bermudez or Marin Bermudez de la Puente or Martin Bermudez de la Puente Gallego).
- Using the SCIRA member ID also makes it possible for SCIRA to check that the sailor is a member in good standing.
- Fill in the number of races, correctly indicating the DNC or DNS boats in the individual races.
- Send the file to editor@snipetoday.org
- The file will then be forwarded to the SSL Team, which will upload it to the "machine", a complex excel file, on which the International Ranking regattas are loaded.
- Results in .jpeg format are absolutely to be avoided.

Thanks for your collaboration!

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Country	Boats Paid	Members
Argentina	46	84
Austria	1	2
Bahamas	4	3
Belgium	35	67
Brazil	47	80
Canada	14	17
Chile	13	25
Colombia	8	6
Croatia	8	14
Cuba	5	10
Denmark		
Ecuador	15	9
Finland	26	57
France	18	30
Germany	8	16
Guatemala	1	2

Italy	105	247
Japan	25	391
Lithuania		1
Mexico	0	2
Norway	129	190
Peru		10
Poland	13	24
Portugal	45	75
Puerto Rico	5	8
Spain	147	276
Sweden	2	3
United Kingdom	20	30
United States	320	388
Uruguay	10	18
Venezuela	0	0
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