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30,000 + Snipes

The Snipe Class hits another historic milestone by building its 30,000th boat! In our 71st year, this is quite an accomplishment, especially since we are not and have never been a manufacturers class. It also says a lot for our designer, Bill Crosby, who had the foresight to design a boat that stands the test of time.

Joining the Snipe are the Star and Lightning, two similarly strong international classes with hard chines who have been around as long or longer than the Snipe. Funny, all 3 are hard chined boats!

The Snipe Class awarded Snipe 10,000 in 1954 on a plaque presented to Mrs. Wm. F. Crosby at a ceremony in New York. In 1972, Snipe 20,000 was presented on a plaque and awarded to Mrs. Birney Mills at the awards banquet of the Midwinters Circuit in Clearwater, Florida. 24 years later in 1996, Snipe 30,000 was

raffled off at the Western Hemisphere & Orient Championships, raising more than \$11,000 with 755 Snipe sailors from around the world purchasing raffle tickets. 30,000 sat beside #1, *Adelaide*, which had recently been restored to its original condition and was donated to the Chesapeake Maritime Museum at the same ceremony.

Now, in 2002, SCIRA has officially crossed the 30,000 boat mark and new boats are being made at an alarming rate – is it that special 30,000+ number?

At any rate, the Snipe means a lot to all the people who have sailed one. What does it mean to you?

Happy Sailing!

Jerelyn



The Count: 39 numbers have been issued; 10 to Spain, 11 to USA, 1 to Denmark, 1 to Norway, 11 to Japan, 2 to Brazil, 1 to Italy, 1 to Sweden, 1 to Finland and 14 to boat builders.

Numbered Snipes: 30039

Chartered Fleets: 863

4 New Fleets, 1 Re-activated

Welcome to these new fleets:

860 – Ry, Denmark

861 – Club Nautico San Bernardino, Paraguay

862 – Stord, Norway

863 – Risør, Norway

Welcome back

102 - Oak Orchard, New York

Next Deadline: July 1

CIRCULAR LETTER

The International Rules Committee Chairman, Giorgio Brezich, has issued the following Circular Letter:

Rule 52.13: No electronic devises other than timers shall be used on the boat. The multi-function watches available on the market are allowed to be used in Snipe regattas provided they are worn on the sailor's body in a normal manner.

As stated in the Official SCIRA Rulebook 2001-2004: Constitution, Section 18: Rules and International Rules Committee: Whenever a "circular letter" from the International Rules Committee over the signature of the Chairman appears in the Snipe Bulletin, the corrections, interpretations or simplifications appearing therein shall become a part of the Official Rulebook. Such corrections, interpretations or simplifications will also be posted on the Snipe web site, Rules section.

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2002 German Open - First Ever!

The first German Open Championship was held on Lake Caldonazzo, Italy, from May 24th-26th. It was the honour to the German Nat. Secretary to welcome on Friday 23 Snipes (4 Polish, 12 Italian and 7 German) and to thank the Trento Sailing Association for the immense support, for the natural hospitality and also for the perfect organized social events.

But not only were the events ashore organized perfectly, the Italian friends had also ordered for all days their best wind, blowing southeastern.

Only on Friday the first start had to be postponed (the wind changed from north to south-eastern) for about two hours; so only two races could be held in a constant breeze of about 10 knots with a clear sky. In the first race Wolfgang Gerz ran on the first position, followed by Michele De Rosa and Giuliano Dematte. In the 2nd race Gerz and Dematte changed places and Tom Stahl arrived as 2nd on the finishing-line.

In the evening offered the "Cantina Isera" a wine-tasting to the participants

with four excellent wines (Chardonnay, Marzemino, Rebo and Muscato) that are typical for the Trentino, accompanied by a dinner, just as excellent prepared by the Club's restaurant!

On Saturday arrived three more Italian Snipes, so finally there were 26 snipes on the starting line. All 3 races were held in fresh and gusty breeze from about 14 -23 knots, that was really good sailing! The sky was changing from clear to cloudy. Four participants got very wet, when they capsized. Race 3 was started at 2 p.m.; Silvano Zuanelli ran on place 1, Stahl finished as 2nd, Gerz 5th and Dematte 11th! In race 4 Dematte was the winner, followed by Janusz Knasiecki and Stahl, Gerz finished as 5th. The last race on Saturday was won by Gerz, with Knasiecki 2nd, and Dematte finished as 4th.

Polish beer, Italian wine, Würstel, Polenta and a huge sucking pig were the reward for this hard piece of work. That was the second part of serious fun!

Blue sky on Sunday morning and just as ordered, the wind arrived at 1 p.m., so race 6 could be started, as announced,

at 2 p.m. in a breeze from 5 – 9 knots. Gerz ran on place 1, Dematte on place 2 and Knasiecki reached place 3. So for these three it would have been enough to sail only the last race to get their final position!

The prizegiving was held at 4.30 p.m. with cups to the first 6 competitors in the international (Gerz, Dematte, Knasiecki, Stahl, De Rosa and Zuanelli) and also in the national ranking-list (Gerz, Stahl, Hautmann Margit, Hautmann Günther, Empl and Hoerterich).

Besides that the AVT donated the "Punta Indiani Cup" to the team with the fewest points; this year it was to the German team to be proud of winning it!

The races were very tough, looking at the ranking-list you will notice that the 1st and 2nd have both 11 points!

As this event was quite successfully, the AVT offered to carry out the German Open on Lake Caldonazzo in 2003 again and of course we accepted. Hopefully looking forward to having again such a great weekend!

Results

<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Sail #</i>	<i>Finishes</i>	<i>Total</i>
1. Wolfgang Gerz/Andrea Fischer	GER29	1-3-5-5-1-1	11
2. Giuliano Dematte/Stefano Cavallari	ITA 29626	3-1-11-1-4-2	11
3. Knasiecki Janusz/Bogdan Ratajczak	POL 29973	5-7-6-2-2-3	18
4. Tom Stahl/Alessandro Rodati	ITA 28953	10-2-2-3-6-5	18
5. Michele/Tommaso DeRosa	ITA 29051	2-4-4-9-10-4	23
6. Silvano Zuanelli/Alessandro Pallaoro	ITA 27130	4-5-1-8-12-8	26
7. Bruno Bensa/Ruggero Roccari	ITA 28191	12-15-3-4-5-10	34
8. Tomas Slodecki/Pitula Marcin	POL 29475	7-13-9-6-3-14	38
9. Margit/Gerhard Hautmann	GER 29932	13-10-10-18-7-6	46
10. Renato Bruni/Riccardo Gibellini	ITA 29533	9-8-13-13-8-9	47
11. Mirek/Jacek Bloch	POL 29474	8-12-8-11-9-13	48
12. Alessandro Bellotti/Francesco Rigon	ITA 29779	11-9-ocs-12-14-11	57
13. Roberto/Massimiliano Emer	ITA 23439	14-11-15-14-11-12	62
14. Gunther/Sabine Hautmann	GER 30040	18-6-16-10-16-15	63
15. Alberto De Paoli/Anna Mosca	ITA 29569	dns-dns-12-7-13-7	66
16. Marco/Sandro Cavallari	ITA 29327	16-14-7-17-dns-17	71
17. Marco Bressan/Maria Teresa Cassani	ITA 26831	6-ocs-14-16-dns	90
18. Erwin/Martin Empl	GER 27024	21-16-17-20-18-19	90
19. Herbert Hoerterich/R. De Bernardis	ITA 26136	15-17-18-dnf-dns-16	93
20. Anna/Lorenzo Gnuffi	ITA 29050	dns-18-20-15-20-22	95
21. Klimczyk Jrosław/Rakocy Zbignew	POL 26744	19-19-19-22-19-23	98
22. Zeno/Marco Perinelli	ITA 27131	22-20-21-10-17-dns	99
23. Silvano/Giulla Dossi	ITA 29259	17-dns-dns-21-21-dnc	113
24. Vittorio Bortolotti/Fabrizio Marzaroli	ITA 29166	dns-dns-22-24-22-18	113
25. Rainer Lischke/Christopher Rhody	GER 26509	20-ocs-dnf-23-23-20	113
26. Paolo Cavazza/Anna Luppi	ITA 20366	dns-dns-dnf-dsq-15-21	117

Light Air Sailing

By Peter Commette

The following article was originally published in the June 1992 Snipe Bulletin. Peter Commette recently sent an updated version of this, which is now being reprinted here. Peter is a long time Snipe sailor, Laser World Champion, Pan Am Games gold medalist along with many other titles to his name. He now sails Snipes with his daughter.

In 1973, I won the U.S. Youth Championship, single-handed division, with all firsts. Luckily, though, I was saved the certain embarrassment of losing badly at the World Youth Championship by a rather unfortunate set of circumstances. These circumstances ultimately dictated that I participate in another regatta being held at the same time, and that the runner-up from the U.S. Youth Championship attend the World Youths in my place. That runner-up was Augie Diaz, and he blew away the competition at the World Youths, winning easily.

Why would I undoubtedly have lost? And why was our runner-up such an easy victor? The answer is simple: The U.S. Youth Championship were sailed in heavy air, and the Worlds were held off Portugal in light air. Augie had developed a keen light-air technique in the Snipe, and at the time, I didn't have a clue as to how to sail in light air.

Over the years I have learned how to sail in light air, thanks to the Finn and Snipe, and I would like to share with you how one abysmally slow light-air sailor has learned how to go fast in these conditions.

First, foremost, and at all times, you must be smooth. I am constantly telling my crew to "be like a gazelle." When a boat is slowed down in light air, due to the skipper and crew crashing about, it takes absolutely ages for the boats to get back up to speed.

Second, you must always keep the boat moving. This means that you must forget about pointing and foot, foot, foot.

You must also reduce your wetted surface. Watch Brent McKenzie,

from Lake Lanier, one of our fastest light-air skippers. He sits practically up at the front of the cockpit in light air to reduce wetted surface. Some have even theorized that the centerboard should be raised a bit, reducing its wetted surface, but I have never had the nerve to try this! I do remember what Jeff Lenhart did at the predominantly light-air 1990 U.S. Nationals at Annapolis with a grandfathered cut-back, low surface-area board.

Next, use gravity to help you fill the sails. Only when the boat is really moving, and there are not bad waves around, should you ever bring the boat to a flat position, not even after a roll tack. The boat should never approach vertical. This will give you a little feel in the helm, too, as well as reduce wetted surface even further.

Finally, your sails must have the correct shape. You need them to take up the shape that was cut into them for approximately ten to twelve miles per hour of breeze. You do not want the leeches tight or the sails too full. Therefore, you want to use your forepusher to induce mastbend, which also will sag off the leading edge of the jib. Sagging the jib is good because it allows the jib to take a more full, powerful draft-forward shape. However, you cannot point at all with a jib that is sagging too much, so you have to be careful not to overdo it.

My rule of thumb is that when the crew is off the sidetank and sitting in the boat, I begin to induce bend in the mast and sag the jib. If it is extremely choppy water, I will induce less bend in the mast to keep my mainsail more powerful and let my jib halyard off some. If it is extremely flat water, I will sag my jib exclusively by bending my mast more.

Your outhaul should be fairly tight in light wind in both chop and flat water. The reason is to open up the bottom of the leech.

Some final tricks that I use are: Cassette tape for the telltales. With flat water I always stand up, looking for puffs and balancing the boat on the balls of my feet. I will take off as much clothes as possible without disgusting the rest of the fleet, as a sweaty body can really feel the windshifts and puffs better. I stay as low as possible and heel the boat more when there are waves. Put your vang on at the highest point to which you want your boom to rise so that you can ease in the waves and lulls without ruining the upper trim of your mainsail.

It's important to remember that concentration and patience are crucial if you are to do better in light air. No one enjoys these conditions, but a great percentage of sailing is done in light air. The gains made in light air are sometimes impossible to recognize, but if you take the advice that I've given you here, it won't be long before you'll find yourself at the front of the fleet!

Sail Numbers

Once again, it was noted from regatta results that some skippers sailed the events with improper sail numbers. Your cooperation to enforce the following prescriptions, not only as a boat owner and sailor, but also as a regatta organizer or even a SCIRA officer;

'A skipper entering a regatta must use the sail number corresponding to the number of the boat time and is basic for the Class. It was noted that many sails were bought from previous owners (mostly from a different country) and the country designation & sail number were not changed prior to registration. These showed up when the results were sent to the SCIRA office.

It is imperative that sailors and regatta organizers insist that proper numbers be used when sailing in regattas.

Your assistance is appreciated!

International Doublehanded Centerboard Boats

ISAF requires each International class to complete questionnaires, which are viewable in full on the ISAF website: www.sailing.org Published below are all the double-handed centerboard boats. You'll notice the Snipe is one of the strongest double-handed classes in the World!

<i>Int. Class</i>	<i>Countries</i>	<i>2001 Boats built</i>	<i>Boats built last 5 years</i>	<i>Boats Worldwide</i>	<i>Price</i>
Int. 14	9	40	200	500	9,400 £
29er	16	251	800	800	4,500 £
49er	28	75	437	750	8,600 £
420	28	425	1850	40,000	3,000 £
470	35	152		31,000	5,500 £
505	17	27	154	2,500	8,600£
B14	6	6	120	265	7,000 £
Cadet	12	80	410	820	1,600 £
Contender	12			2,250	6,500 £
Dart 18	18	20	100	7750	11,000 E
Enterprise	8	44	290	20,000	5,500 £
Flying Dutchman		10	43		11,000 £
Flying 15		21	168	1300	10,000 £
Fireball	19	38	175		
Flying Junior	11	25	150	>2500	6,950 £
Laser II	10	70	540	10,650	4,545 £
Mirror	7	80	500		3,000 £
Moth	10	+15 ?	+70 ?	+1,000 ?	4,500 £
Snipe	26	125	781	30,000	4,796 £
Tasar	5			3,000	4,400 £
Topper			3000	35,000	1,600 £
Vaurien	17	39	309	25,000	1,500 £

Clarification from January Snipe Bulletin

Past Uruguayan National Secretary Pedro Garra writes:

"Very nice report on the Worlds! As I continued reading I found some incorrect concepts concerning Uruguay's report at the NS meeting and our proposal to the Board.

We never proposed to make the Jr. Worlds annual. Maybe there could have been some interruption to our speech from one other country who commented that, but definitely it was not our idea. Furthermore, it would be very difficult for us to send teams out every year.

Concerning the proposal to the Board, it was made by Argentina and Uruguay, but also Brasil, Chile, Colombia and Paraguay. It never included National Champion from each country, Junior European Champion nor Women's World Champion, but just North and South American Champions and the extra quota for the 5 countries best represented in the Jr. Worlds.

Could you please clarify this matter to the Snipe community in the next Bulletin?"

Kind regards,
Pedro Garra



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XXV Campeonato Sudamericano de Snipe

Club Nautico San Bernardino, Paraguay

Se realizó exitosamente el XXV Campeonato Sudamericano de la Clase Snipe del 24 al 30 de Marzo, organizado en Paraguay por el Club Náutico San Bernardino (CNSB), la Clase Snipe y la Federación Paraguaya de Vela.

Las regatas se corrieron en aguas del Lago Ypacarai. Este lago es un excelente lugar para la realización de regatas. Tiene condiciones muy variadas de vientos y olas. Se corrieron todas las regatas previstas en el programa.

Los días 25, 26 y 27 se corrieron las Categorías Mixto y Máster, y se realizaron las 5 regatas programadas, con vientos de 6 a 13 nudos, con boques que obligaron al cambio de boyas en algunas de ellas. Se consagraron campeones sudamericanos en la Categoría Mixto: Pablo Defazio y Mariana Foglia, del Yacht Club Uruguayo; Vice Campeones: Andrea Foglia y Felipe García del Yacht Club Punta del Este y en el tercer lugar se ubicaron Carlos Schaman Myriam Schauman, del Club anfitrión, el Náutico San Bernardino.

En Máster ganaron el campeonato, Raúl Fiori y Susana Colombes, del Tucumán Yacht Club; El Vice campeonato quedó en poder de Oscar González y Gerardo Cortese, del Club Regatas Güemes; y el tercer puesto fue para Peter Harazim y Alberto Da Silva, del Sailing Club Sao Paulo.

En Junior son campeones sudamericanos Marcelo Bellotti y Cristian Voustoupal, del Club Campo Do Castello; Quedaron con el Vice campeonato Eduardo Muller y Eric Baldigen y en el tercer lugar se ubicaron María Stefani y Nicolás Stefani, del Yacht Club Uruguayo.

En la Categoría Senior se consagraron CAMPEONES SUDAMERICANOS SANTIAGO SILVEIRA Y NICOLAS SHABAN, Del Yacht Club Punta del Este; Son VICE CAMPEONES PABLO

DEFAZIO Y FEIPE GARCIA, del Yacht Club Uruguayo; y en el Tercer Puesto se quedaron PEDRO GARRA Y RICARDO FERRES, del Yacht Club Uruguayo.-

En Júnior y Senior se corrieron las regatas con vientos que variaron entre 12 y 23 nudos.

Para este campeonato fueron invitados, como Oficial de Regatas, el Uruguayo Carlos Horacio (Tico) Gómez Montaldo, del Yacht Club Uruguayo; y el Juez Internacional de la ISAF, Nelson Ilha, Brasileño, encabezando la Comisión de Protesta; quienes acompañados por personal y Directivos del Club anfitrión, aseguraron la conducción técnica del evento.

En el lago de Ypacarai, el Club Nautico San Bernardino quedó de fiesta, no solamente por el éxito en la organización de su segundo campeonato sudamericano, sino porque se están dando los primeros resultados de una nueva política impulsada por sus directivos: la de fomentar la práctica del velerismo deportivo entre sus socios, trabajando vigorosamente en la clase optimist, desde hace unos años. De su millero corrieron este campeonato, dos embarcaciones, con timoneles de 15 años y sus tripulantes de 12 y 14 años, respectivamente, quienes superando las dificultades de sus escasas experiencias y sus pocos kilos, disputaron los tres campeonatos y todas las regatas, quedándose uno de los barcos con un 5to. puesto en la categoría júnior; en tanto que en Mixto, otra embarcación del Náutico San Bernardino se ubicó en el tercer puesto.

Además de estos hechos auspiciosos, juntos con los pabellones de los cuatro países participantes, y la bandera del Club, durante la inauguración oficial del evento, al son de la Banda de Música de la Armada Nacional, los anfitriones izaron por primera vez el Estandarte de su flamante Flotilla de Snipe que lleva el N° 861, siendo así el CNSB, el socio más joven de Scira Internacional.

Mixto

1. Pablo DeFazio/Mariana Foglia	URU 28024	1-1-1-1-(dnc)	3
2. Andrea Foglia/Felipe Garcia	URU 29829	2-3-(4)-2-1	7.75
3. Carlos/Myriam Schauman	PAR 22820	(4)-2-2-4-2	10
4. Maria Stefani/Nicolas Stefani	URU 27869	3-4-3-(5)-5	15
5. Raul Fiori/Susana Colombes	ARG 28965	5-(7)-6-3-3	17
6. Ana Bellotti/Sergio Sorrentino	BRA 29361	6-6-(7)-6-4	22
7. Guillermo/Estefania Mendieta	PAR	7-5-5-7-(dnf)	24
8. Juan/Rocio Franco	PAR 26922	8-8-(dnc)-8-6	30
9. Juan Sosa/Mayra Fernandez	PAR 27816	(9)-dnf-dnf-9-dnf	34

Master

1. Raul Fiori/Susan Colombes	ARG 28965	1-(2)-1-1-1	3
2. Oscar Gonzalez/Gerardo Cortese	ARG 29241	2-1-2-2-(3)	7.5
3. Peter Harazim/Alberto Da Silva	BRA 27388	(3)-3-3-3-2	11
4. Juan Scarpetta/Victor Gonzalez	PAR 29149	(dnf)-4-dnc-dnc-4	16

Senior & Mixto

1. Santiago Silveira/Nicolas Shaban	URU 29827	1-1-1-2-1-1-(dnc)	5.75
2. Pablo Defazio/Felipe Garcia	URU 28024	2-6-2-1-2-2-(dnc)	14.75
3. Pedro Garra/Ricardo Ferres	URU 29251	(5)-3-4-4-3-4	18.75
4. Ignacio Fernandez/Juan Gomez	ARG 28696	3-2-5-3-5-(8)-2	20
5. Marcelo Bellotti/Cristian Voustoupal	BRA 29823 Jr.	4-4-(6)-5-4-6-5	28
6. Jose Lovigne/Sebastian Guerra	ARG 29889	6-5-3-(7)-6-5-4	29
7. Kadu De Oliveira/Thiago Nippling	BRA 28693	(9)-8-7-6-7-3-3	34
8. Andrea/Mariana Foglia	URU 29829	8-7-9-9-(11)-9-7	49
9. Eduardo Muller/Erik Baldigen	BRA 27533 Jr.	7-(16)-8-10-13-7-6	51
10. Mariano Arroyo/Esteban Pettinari	ARG 28984	12-12-10-8-8-(dnf)-8	58
11. Carlos/Myriam Schauman	PAR 22820	(13)-10-12-13-9-10-9	63
12. Oscar Gonzalez/Gerardo Cortese	ARG 29341	(15)-13-13-11-12-12-12	73
13. Maria/Nicolas Stefani	URU 27869 Jr.	11-11-(17)-12-dnf-15-11	76
14. Paolo Scarpetta/Alejandro Yegros	PAR 29149	17-(18)-15-15-10-13-16	86
15. Peter Harazim/Alberto Da Silva	BRA 27388	21-15-14-14-(dnc)-14-13	91
16. Carlos Gorostiaga/Pablo Cuevas	PAR	14-17-16-(dnc)-dnc-11-10	92
17. Raul Fiori/Susana Colombes	ARG 28965	10-9-11-(dnc)-dnc-17-dnc	95
18. Guillermo Mendieta/Juan Sosa	PAR 29919 Jr.	(22)-19-dnf-16-dnf-18-15	105
19. Ana Bellotti/Sergio Sorrentino	BRA 29361 Jr.	18-dnf-(dnc)-dnf-dnf-19-14	111
20. Juan Scarpetta/Victor Gonzalez	PAR 25490	20-20-15-dnf-(dnc)-16-dnf	113
21. Alejandro/Sebastian Gorostiaga	PAR 24702	19-14-19-dnf-(dnc)-dnc-dnc	121
22. Anibal Ortiz/Estefania Mendieta	PAR 27816	(24)-dnf-dnc-dnf-dnc-dnf-dnf	132
23. Juan Franco/Matias Ortiz	PAR 26922	23-21-dnf-dnf-(dnc)-dnc-dnc	134
24. Flavio Caiuby/Juliana Acevedo	BRA	16-(dnc)-dnc-dnc-dnc-cnf-dnc	135

2002 Winter Circuit

US National Secretary Bill Welch and wife Sherry sent daily Circuit reports and photos. Below are excerpts from their daily postings.

Midwinters, Clearwater, FL

Sunday, March 10

Wow what a day!!! If you were not on the water in Clearwater, you missed it. Clear blue skies, light green emerald water, 65-75 degrees, with 10-15kts predicted.

They took us 1 1/2 miles off the beach to minimize the current effect coming from the north. But the waves were the story; no one had time to think about the current. The rides were incredible; 18kts (felt like 25) with swells of 3 feet and an occasional wave higher than the boom. You could not get off a plane even if you tried. The wind and waves built during the day with occasional puffs over 20kts. Several boats flipped, five went in, but the rest of us stayed out for three long races.

The real thrill was the ride in. The tide shifted before we came in so the current was going out at about 1/2 kt and the wind was from the Northwest at 18kts, creating a series of 5-6 foot standing waves at the breakwater. That was definitely an E-ticket ride. Making things more interesting was the 10,000 spring-breakers packed onto the beach, about 50 power boats cruising the beach in the inlet, rock bands trying to play reggae, and the para-sailors and fishing fleet all squeezed into the mix.

Monday, March 11

The wind built until the middle of the second race when the seabreeze (westerly) began to win out over the prevailing easterly, so the wind began to weaken for the third race. After all of the great wind yesterday this 6-8kts with holes was difficult. At the second leeward mark, the end of the fleet sat in a hole for a



1939 Midwinter start courtesy of Cookie Gilreath

few minutes, then set their poles with the new seabreeze (180 degree shift). The remarkable thing was that it took more than 15min for the seabreeze to actually sweep over the entire course, and filled in earlier on the right than on the left. Bibi had been leading the whole race and remained in the lead even with the wind shift, as the RC shortened the course at the third windward (now leeward) mark.

Tue, March 12

No surprise George Szabo and Brian Janney continued their strong performance and won the Midwinters easily. Today the wind was from the South East as predicted but was variable in strength and direction making the tactics frustrating and more challenging. Frequently all crews were at full hike and depowering, then moments later powering-up and sitting in. The waves were small due to the direction of the wind and the short time that it had been blowing, so surfing was infrequent. Up-wind it was playing the shifts, and avoiding the holes. Six races had already been completed, so we only sailed one race today, then reached in to the dock and packed up to move to Miami. Hal Gilreath picked up his fifth place trophy from last year, and Bibi Juetz was awarded the Levinson Sportsmanship Award. It is on to Miami; it is still time to make it. Pack up the Snipe up, and head south.

Midwinters Results

1.	George Szabo/Brian Janney	USA 29672	1-1-3-1-1-(4)-1	6.75
2.	Rob/Bridget Hallawell	USA 29842	5-2-1-2-(7)-2-6	17.75
3.	Hal Gilreath/Hugh Hallawell	USA 29324	2-3-2-(8)-5-3-5	20
4.	Carol Cronin/Andrew Pimental	USA 29988	3-4-4-4-4-(6)-3	22
5.	Birger Jansen/Cecilia deFaire	NOR 29940	4-5-5-6-3-(10)-2	25
6.	Peter/Sheehan Commette	USA 29114	8-6-(10)-5-8-5-4	36
7.	John MacRae/Linda Epstein	USA 29727	(9)-8-9-3-2-8-8	38
8.	Bibi Juetz/Dane Bianchi	BRA 29143	(cnf)-708-10-6-1-10	41.75
9.	Mike/Tim Blackwood	USA 27788	12-12-7-7-(13)-7-7	52
10.	Alex Pline/Nancy Gilreath	USA 29147	7-11-(13)-9-10-11-9	57
11.	Hans Birkholz/J. Williams	USA 29987	11-13-12-12-11-9-(dnc)	68
12.	Gonzalo Diaz/Greg Saldana	USA 28814	13-9-dnf-11-14-15-(dnc)	78
13.	Sherry Welch/Ed Sherman	USA 29955	14-(15)-11-15-15-12-15	82
14.	Bill Welch/Dee Schilling	USA 29400	(16)-14-15-14-12-14-13	82
15.	Jan Persson/E. Sejlaub	DEN 30001	6-10-6-(dnc)-dnc-dnc-dnc	82
16.	Halvour/Edel Poulsson	NOR 29673	15-17-(dnc)-19-9-13-11	84
17.	Dan Gautraud/Jayson Johnson	USA 28680	(18)-cnf-14-17-17-17-14	97
18.	Ray Schmit/Taryn Pittman	USA 25659	(dnf)-dnc-dnc-13-16-16-12	97
19.	John Hill/Diane	USA 28628	19-dnf-(dnc)-16-19-19-16	107
20.	Bob Foster/Karen Goforth	USA 26397	17-(dnc)-dnc-18-18-18-dnc	111

Don Q, Miami, FL

Friday, March 15

The weather could not have been more perfect today in Miami: light SE breeze 10-14kts, light chop, 75-80 degrees, sunny, warm green-crystal-clear water. We had a leisurely morning, rigging and registering, and still had time to get two long windward-leeward races in.

Andrew Pimental and Carol Cronin were cranked up and going fast; they remarked that they never stayed with their 'game plan' but it worked better than expected. The wind shifted more with velocity than direction, with a few holes mixed in, making the tactics challenging.

Saturday, March 16

The weather forecasters are getting better; it was another spectacular day on Biscayne Bay. The wind was a gentle 8-12 knots out of the east all day until we came in, and then it picked up on schedule to 15kts giving us an enjoyable plane into the club..

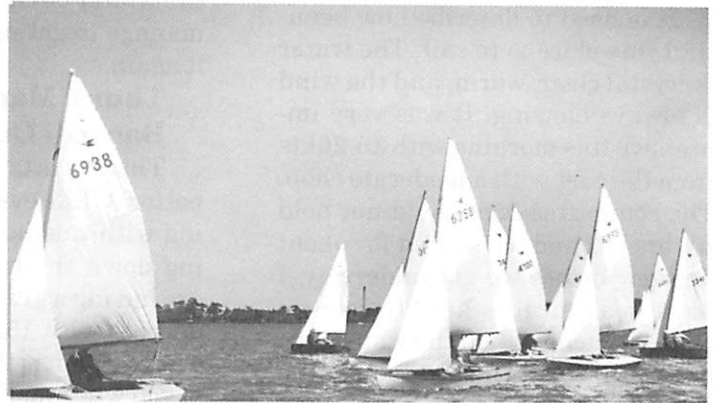
The scheduled start was for noon, and everyone was out early enjoying the perfect conditions for sailing. Another windward-leeward course was signaled and the obligatory general recall was completed, then we got down to racing under the Z flag. About five minutes into the race, just enough time to get the fleet spread out widely across the course, a monster 30 degree LEFT shift came in with pressure. This caught the series leader Szabo/Janney way to the right, with Diaz/Wirth also on the wrong side. This shift proved to be a persistent shift, lasting until most of the fleet reached the windward mark. George fought back to 11th and Augie to 13th from a position of probably 28-30 after the shift. That is a skill that all of us can admire, since most of us find ourselves on the wrong side of the shift frequently and can never get back any boats much less over half the fleet. George explained that once he realized that it was a persistent shift he used every excuse that he could find to move towards the pressure. He tacked on any little shift and made ground against the leaders 10 foot at a time. Andrew Pimental cleared the tactics into overly simple terms, as "two distinct games": when you are in the lead and in front with clean air, you always move towards the middle between the rest of the fleet and the mark. When you are buried with no chance of clean air, the trick is to find a clear lane with pressure moving you towards clean air and the favored side; usually the clean air takes precedence over the favored side.

By the time the second race was started today, the chop was also confused with multiple power boats zipping around, some actually spectating, and a few PHRF boats practicing. Everyone was fighting so vigorously to get to the left many did not realize that the shift had arrived, tacked very late, and ended up reaching for the mark.

When we got in from this unusually long day the Don-Q drinks met us at the dock, the Cuban dinner was served buffet-family style and was wonderful.

Sunday, March 17

The weather was magnificent today for the final race of the Don Q. Early in the AM there was only a whisper on the bay, but we were promised 10-15kts by the weather service, and they were right. Again the wind was near



easterly, but we had a lot more chop today particularly at the windward mark. Just like the last two days, the left shift appeared on Q, and those that took the left early gained. George Szabo and Andrew Pimental arrived next to each other at the windward mark and match raced for several legs until George finally got a few boats between them, winning the race but not giving Andrew enough points to take the regatta.

1.	Andrew Pimental/Carol Cronin	15.5
2.	George Szabo/Brian Janney	17.25
3.	Augie Diaz/Gus Wirth	23
4.	Birger Jansen/Cecila de Faire	29
5.	Peter/Sheehan Commette	31
6.	Jimmie/Jody Lowe	36
7.	Jim Richter/Watt Duffy	45
8.	Gonzo Diaz/Michael Abadin	47
9.	Bibi Juetz/Dante Bianchi	49
10.	Carr Moody/Rick Jarchow	51
11.	John MacRae/Linda Epstein	62
12.	Gonzalo Diaz/Martin Hermida	65
13.	Ernesto Rodriguez/Robert Ramirez	66
14.	Eric Reinke/Kim Couranz	70
15.	Hal Gilreath/Hugh Hallawell	72
16.	Jerry Thompson/Lynn Fitzpatrick	73
17.	Michael Kaim/Aaron Miller	81
18.	Bill/Sherry Welch	82
19.	Woody Norwood/Diane Fowler	87
20.	Hans Birkholz/Josie Williams	100
21.	Robin Baker/Janet Plitt	100
22.	Gordon Flemming/Patty Maloney	101
23.	James Janda/Daniel Weberndorfer	101
24.	Ray Schmit/Taryn Pittman	107
25.	Greg Saldana/John Kehoe	130
26.	Tak Uchino/Yvonne Blackstone	131
27.	Halvor/Edel Poulsson	133
28.	Jay Chen/Jock Kolhas	143
29.	Sharon Crockett/Bonnie Unsworth	145
30.	Bergie Montarroyos/Luis Agudelo	150
31.	John Hill/David Hernandez	152
32.	Christian Vilate/Pablo Vilate	154

Nassau, Bahamas

Wed, March 20 - Bacardi Cup

It is hard to describe how beautiful this place is to sail. The water is crystal clear, warm, and the wind is always blowing. It was very impressive this morning with 15-20kts from the east with a moderate chop. The committee boat could not hold it's anchor and we waited for about an hour before we got underway. I have to admit it is hard to concentrate on racing when the water is so beautiful. On starboard tack in the morning the sun was at just the right angle so that you could see your entire boat shadow on the bottom, masthead to daggerboard. WOW!! The fleet got off to a clean start, first attempt, without any individual recalls. The fleet tactics were predominantly "FG" (follow George) since he punched out early and fast taking all of us to the right corner for a single tack beat (but still a long 1 1/4 mile windward leg). Then downwind the "FG" mode continued as he sailed low and fast, by-the-lee, extending his lead. Spray was flying; this was exciting racing. A few shifts suckered some of us to the left, but it appeared the right corner was the ticket. As is the custom around here, we all sailed in to the club for lunch. This gave us a moment to dry out and repair anything lost or broken during the first race. It also requires extreme discipline to put the soggy boots back on and go out and do another race in the afternoon. The wind dramatically changed for this afternoon's race (as all of the old salts whispered to us earlier today, "the wind will die when the tide changes"), only 10-12kts, with a few holes but about the same direction. Once or twice, just to see if we were paying attention, a 20-degree left shift, and a 30-degree right shift came through mixing up the fleet. The "FG" method did not work this race since he was 5 of 6 deep most of the race, and we were forced to chase Robert Dunkley who lead at every mark. Great racing.

This evening is the Bacardi Party with terrific rum drinks and Eddies' homemade snacks (the conch fritters were to-die-for). So life is tough on the winter circuit, somehow we will manage to get up tomorrow and do it again.

Thurs, March 21 -

Bacardi Cup/ Gamblin

This regatta just keeps getting better. While everyone else is freezing with this huge cold front pushing down through the country, we are having a great time sailing in 80 degrees with 15kts from the south. The problem is the direction. For all of you who know Nassau harbor, the wind coming from the south comes over the island, and therefore is highly irregular. It was common to have 30-degree lifts and 30 degree headers only moments apart, and velocity changes of 5-8kts without warning. Those that made out were successfully able to manage the current, sail rapidly through holes, change gears every two minutes, and tack about thirty times each weather leg. The runs were almost as bad with great gains to be had with properly timed jibes. Birger Jansen hit the first shift and never looked back; however he was pursued by George and Augie. The three of them worked away from the rest of the fleet, finishing in that order to wind up the Bacardi series. George Szabo and Bryan Janney win the Bacardi Cup again. -

Friday, March 21 -

Gamblin Day 2

Just another beautiful day on Montagu Bay. The wind switched around to the west today as predicted, and it was warm and beautiful; break out the sun block. No wet suits required.

The RC set a windward leeward course in the morning in 8-10kts. Today the wind was much more steady and even across the course, however the current was much, so tactics were limited to: get-a-good-start.....then go left. Jerry Thompson had a great start and hit all the minor shifts and got to the windward mark first. George was close behind

him but could not pass him until the second windward mark. Augie found himself deep at the first mark. He still managed to pass boats on every leg finishing a remarkable 8 after rounding 15 at the first windward mark.

As the sequence began the wind started dying. The current had switched and was now pushing us across the line, and we had our first recall, and then a Z-flag.. The fleet went right in tight formation with several tacking away with minor shifts. The squall line behind us dwindled, and the frontal boundary in front of us dissipated taking all of the wind with it. We drifted towards the windward mark spread out so that each of us had some fresh air, then a giant 40 right shift just before the mark turned the fleet sideways burying Robert Dunkley who was looking great wide to the left. George Szabo and Augie Diaz led the fleet around the windward mark and then we crawled to the jibe mark. Woody Norwood felt right at home and loved the drifter, but it was painful for the rest of us. The wind started filling in, so that we were able to hike a little by the time we reached the leeward mark. Then we had two short windward legs to the Northeast to test the fleet on the relative importance of current or wind pressure. George and Augie hit the hard right corner and made out the first time up, but on the second and last windward leg, Augie separated from George early in the leg moving to the left. Two-thirds up the wind went left about 15 degrees and that allowed Augie to close the distance; George was sweating. On the cross, George was still ahead. Great racing.

Saturday, March 22 -

Gamblin Day 3

20kts from the Northeast today. This was flat-out-fun sailing, heavy air with only a moderate chop. The RC set triangle courses which gave us screaming reaches. It was hard to concentrate since everything was so beautiful.

The first weather leg was tight

International Snipe Class 2002 Racing Calendar

International Championships

Jr. Europeans	Le Havre, France	July 21-26
Nordics	Bjorneborg, Finland	August 2-4
North American Championship	Carlyle, Illinois, USA	August 16-18
European Championship	Anzio, Italy	September 14-20
Western Hemisphere & Orient	Alamitos Bay, Calif., USA	September 21-29
Women's Worlds	St. Petersburg, Florida, USA	October 15-20
World Masters	St. Petersburg, Florida, USA	October 22-27

Other Major Regattas

Vitus Bering Cup	Horsens, Denmark	June 15-16
Belgium Sailing Cup	Nieuwpoort, Belgium	August 16-18

National Championships

Italy – Women's, Masters	Castelletto di Brenzone	June 15-16
Italy	Anzio	June 27-30
United States	Pass Christian, Mississippi	June 29-July 6
Norway	Stavanger	July 3-7
Sweden	Motala	July 22-28
Denmark	Greve Sejlklub	August 8-11
Belgium	Scharendijke, Netherlands	August 23-25

with the whole fleet arriving very close together. Szabo and Augie Diaz were rapidly separated from the rest of us moving way out in front by the end of the race. Augie held onto the lead and took first.

The second race followed immediately. We were off clean with a Z flag, and again the fleet remained very close. Both Augie and George started heading left, but it was obvious they were sailing their own race. This time George was in front. Augie tacked early and George covered to weather and they sailed into the fleet on a header. George let Augie get into traffic then he simply tacked back into the starboard lift and never looked back. George and Brian finished maybe 100 boat lengths ahead of Augie and Gus; what a performance. George Szabo and Brian Janney win again and take the Bacardi Cup, Gamblin, and the Zimmerman.

Gamblin Results

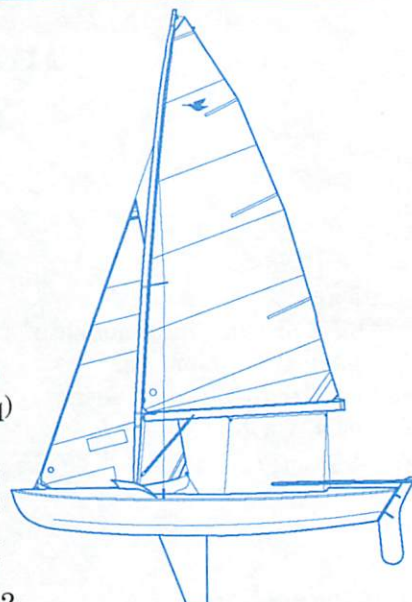
	<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Finishes</i>	<i>Total</i>
1.	George Szabo/Brian Janney	1-1-1-2-1	5
2.	Augie Diaz/Gus Wirth	2-8-2-1-2	14.75
3.	Gonzo Diaz/Lisa Griffith	4-13-3-4-5	29
4.	Robert Dunkley/Michelle Lakin	7-5-12-3-3	30
5.	Birger Jansen/Ceclia de Faire	3-9-4-7-9	32
6.	Jimmie/Jody Lowe	5-4-11-6-8	34
7.	Peter Bruce Wassitch/T. O'Brien	6-7-8-9-7	37
8.	Jerry Thompson/L. Fitzpatrick	8-2-6-10-11	37
9.	Bibi Juetz/Lucas Ostergren	dnf-3-5-11-4	41
10.	Robin Baker/Janet Plitt	12-6-9-12-15	54
11.	F. De Cardenas/D. Shepard	10-16-15-5-10	56
12.	Gavin/Morgan McKinney	9-15-16-8-13	61
13.	Woody Norwood/Julie Smither	11-10-14-15-12	62
14.	Bill/Sherry Welch	15-11-7-13-16	62
15.	Gordon Flemming/P. Maloney	13-14-18-14-6	65
16.	Halvor/Edel Poulsson	14-12-10-16-14	66
17.	Lori Lowe/Diane Fowler	16-18-13-17-17	81
18.	Jorn Haga/Ida Saetersdal	17-17-17-dnc-dnc	87

Wiibroe Cup 2002

May 18-20

Espergarde Sejlklub

<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Country/Sail#</i>	<i>Finishes</i>	<i>Total</i>
1. Jonatan Persson/Kristine Schultz	DEN 0	2-1-(15)-2-3	8
2. Birger Jansen/Cecilia de Faire	NOR 29940	7-5-4-1-(dnf)	17
3. Robert Winther/Martin Persson	SWE 29860	(16)-11-1-3-6	21
4. Pal Bratbak/Asne Berner	NOR 27549	(30)-4-10-5-8	27
5. Niel Martin/Andreas Godtfredsen	GBR 29576	3-10-5-(17)-10	28
6. Ove Lorentsen/Rasmus Thomsen	DEN 28769	6-2-13-13-(dsq)	34
7. Bo/Bodil Lindsjo	SWE 29919	5-18-(26)-9-4	36
8. Reider Berthelsen/Marius Waersten	NOR 2995	(21)-15-2-19-2	37
9. Ulrik Sandvig/Steffen Skjoenberg	NOR 27971	12-8-12-7-(13)	39
10. Morten Ullmann/Kim Hyttel	DEN 29939	17-16-(22)-8-1	42
11. Tomm/Christina Sandberg	SWE 29943	13-3-(27)-22-7	45
12. Max Rohrie/Jannick Schreiner	DEN 29978	(23)-13-6-11-22	52
13. Thomas Rasmussen/Janett Krefting	NOR 29705	(32)-14-14-15-9	52
14. Bjorn Forslund/Hildie Trettnes	NOR 30016	9-9-6-30-(dsq)	56
15. Henrik Andersen/Rune Forsberg	DEN 28151	10-(42)-17-20-12	59
16. Per/Axel Edwall	SWE 28766	11-(30)-9-19-24	63
17. Tomis Berg/George Holsoh	SWE 27459	18-(33)-3-25-16	64
18. Christine Andersen/Jonas Hiltgaard	DEN 29916	28-20-(33)-16-5	69
19. Ola Nygard/Pernilla pettersen	NOR 15569	22-6-16-29-(dnc)	73
20. Thomas Weber/Brian Willumsen	DEN 26833	15-7-28-27-(28)	77
21. Thomas Iversen/Karina Aamann	DEN 29970	1-(34)-dnd-14-11	78
22. Thierry den Hartigh/Joris Dicrckxsens	BEL 29252	8-17-(dnc)-32-21	78
23. Henrik Dahl/Lasse Kohler	DEN 27140	(39)-28-31-4-16	79
24. Tom Boe/Elisabeth Bauman	NOR 29632	(46)-25-18-10-25	79
25. Jorn Haga/Ida Satersdal	NOR 29855	(44)-31-19-12-17	79
26. Alan Williams/Liz Crouch	GBR 29834	25-27-29-6-(37)	87
27. Rickard Oberpichler/Emil Svensson	SWE 30028	26-32-7-(40)-27	92
28. Erling Nesse/Thomas Bogue	NOR 30024	4-29-37-24-(dnc)	94
29. Henrik Jorhov/Kasper Wedersoer	SWE 29089	20-23-36-(dnf)-15	94
30. Mats/Elinor Gothlin	SWE 27808	19-12-(41)-35-31	97
31. Magnus Hedmark/Jorgen Fromstad	NOR 29720	31-(39)-21-34-20	106
32. Halvor/Edel Poulsson	NOR 29673	37-(dnc)-20-21-32	110
33. Lena Mansson/Kristina Gustafson	SWE 29360	35-19-(42)-28-34	116
34. Januss Knesiecki/Bogdan Ratajczak	POL 29972	29-22-15-(39)-33	119
35. Bibi Juetz/Noel Ferreira	BRA 29679	40-37-30-(42)-14	121
36. Heidi Sandvig/Cecilia Irgens	NOR 2797	42-(48)-11-31-39	123
37. Soren Ebdrup/Soren Hegild	DEN 29725	24-25-23-dnc-(dnc)	124
38. Petter/Line Hansen	NOR 28775	(48)-21-32-42-29	125
39. Rune Kartveit/Janicke Allere	NOR 29451	34-(40)-34-23-36	127
40. Filip Svensson/Tobias Jonsson	SWE 2970	27-36-dnd-(38)-19	134
41. Eivind/Eilen Tytlandsvik	NOR 29897	(50)-41-25-44-25	136
42. Bength Harling/Mats Holm	SWE 8260	47-(dnc)-24-26-12	139
43. Javier Sanchez/Margarita Ylla	DEN 25705	(49)-38-44-33-30	145
44. Bernhard Rost/Alexandre Rost	SWE 12375	33-24-45-(49)-44	145
45. Marius Selvig/Viktor S. Larsen	NOR 29368	(51)-44-38-47-25	152
46. Flemming Rasmussen/Earald Holstein	DEN 29010	14-47-46-46-(dsq)	153
47. Per Hoksaa/Grund Hannemyr	NOR 29152	45-35-(48)-36-40	156
48. Soren Jakobsen/Thomas Anderson	DEN 28046	38-46-40-(40)-35	159
49. Mats Akerblad/Ebba Folis	SWE 13216	36-45-42-(45)-38	162
50. Hege Berthelsen/Ellen Hoagh	NOR 29083	43-(43)-39-41-41	164



Majsnipen 2002

May 11-12

Goteborgs Snipe Club

	<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Country/Sail</i>	<i>Finishes</i>	<i>Total</i>
1.	Morten Ullman/Kim Hyttel	DEN 29939	(6)-2-3-5-1-3	14
2.	Ulric Sandvig/Viktor Sinding-Larsen	NOR 27971	2-8-2-(ocs)-4-1	17
3.	Birger Jansen/Cecilia de Faire	NOR 29940	3-3-1-6-(ocs)-9	22
4.	Tomas Berg/Patrik Wollmersson	SWE 27459	5-(13)-6-1-9-5	26
5.	Tommy/Christina Sandberg	SWE 29943	11-6-7-2-2-(ocs)	28
6.	Bo/Bodil Lindsjo	SWE 29149	(9)-7-8-4-7-4	30
7.	Robert Winther/Martin Persson	SWE 29860	8-(14)-5-9-5-7	34
8.	Henrik Jorhov/Kasper Wedersjo	SWE 29089	(ocs)-1-9-12-3-11	36
9.	Bjorn Forslund/Hilde Trettenes	NOR 27808	1-12-(13)-7-6-13	39
10.	Mats Gothlin/Simon Edwall	SWE 27808	10-4-10-3-12-(14)	39
11.	Christian Andersen/J. Midtgaard	DEN 29916	4-11-(14)-8-11-6	40
12.	Filip Svensson/Thobias Jonsson	SWE 29704	(15)-5-15-10-14-8	52
13.	Richard Oberpichler/Emil Svensson	SWE 1	12-(15)-11-11-8-10	52
14.	Henrik Andersen/Rune Forsberg	DEN 28151	7-9-(18)-13-13-12	54
15.	Sara Back/Linda Johansson	SWE 26842	14-16-16-(ocs)-10-2	58
16.	Per/Axel Edwall	SWE 28766	13-10-4-(dnc)-dnc-dnc	69
17.	Alf Horsjo/Birger Svensson	SWE 28783	(17)-17-12-16-15-16	76
18.	Javier Sanchez/Margarita Ylla	DEN 25705	16-(18)-17-14-18-15	80
19.	Heidi Sandvig/Aasne Berner	NOR 2797	(19)-19-19-15-16-17	86
20.	Johan/Claes-Goran Rylander	SWE 18984	18-20-(dns)-17-17-18	90



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2002 Portuguese Nationals

April 25-27

Tavira

What a great National Championship! We never thought that in such little time a class could present such force. In only one year we were able to duplicate the present fleet in the national championship, presenting an enviable quality. It was with great pleasure that we could verify the work by our partner Pablo Sena Rodrigues, who pulled together the Algarvia fleet of 7 boats. We're really happy that he was able to reactivate the fleet in the Algarve, where it had been really strong before. It is with much pride that we hear the innumerable compliments of the diverse entities of the national level that also want to be in our class. The sailors of other classes are diverse but are interested in sailing Snipes. Congratulations to all the ones that believed, without your vision we never would have reached our objectives. I cannot forget to thank the Nautical Club of Tavira for the

excellent organization provided at all the levels by them. Championships with this organization are not had every day.

A fleet of 30 boats was present the morning of April 25 to dispute the National Championship of the Snipe Class. Warm temperatures, a spectacular wind, everything was "ok" to start the championship in the best form. The championship promised to be tough, with great sailors competing against including many past National Champions. After 3 great days of racing, Portugal has a new National Champion.

The Goblet William Crosby was presented to the national champion, a goblet that is practically 60 years of existence that will be in the ownership of the national champion until the next championship.

--Miguel Talone

Portuguese Nationals Results

<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Sail #</i>	<i>Yacht Club</i>	<i>Finishes</i>	<i>Total</i>
1. Miguel Leite/Tiago Borges	29612	CV Atlântico	3-1-1-1-1-1-(13)	8
2. Joaquim Moreira/Rui Barbosa	28368	CV Atlântico	1-3-3-3-6-11-(12)	27
3. António P. Lima/Diogo Machado	28754	CV Atlântico	(15)-11-2-7-4-4-4	32
4. Pedro Guimarães/A. Barreto	28767	CV Atlântico	2 (14)-5-2-9-10-5	33
5. João Barreto/F. Champalimand	25979	CN Cascais	8-(15)-11-4-5-6-3	37
6. Diogo Talone/Tiago Guerra	29958	CV Atlântico	6-4-9-6-8-(12)-6	39
7. Henrique Anjos/Jorge Moya	29967	CN Cascais	5-5-8-5-3-16-(21)	42
8. Miguel Talone/Tomás Oliveira	29962	CV Atlântico	10-2-6-(17)-10-3-16	47
9. Tiago Roquette/Tiago Marcelino	27972	YC Porto	9-8-4-8-14-9-(dnc)	52
10. Filipe Silva/Mariana Cunha	29146	AN Lisboa	(16)-6-14-10-7-14-2	53
11. Paulo Rodrigues/Patricia Reis	14800	CN Tavira	13-(20)-13-12-11-7-1	57
12. Luis Pessanha/Paula Araújo	29333	CV Atlântico	14-7-15-(16)-13-2-8	59
13. Miguel Graça/João Pedrosa	29370	AN Lisboa	11-10-7-14-12-(15)-9	63
14. Henrique Pinto/Luis Gorjão	29959	CN Cascais	4-13-12-(20)-19-8-18	74
15. Carlos Batista/José Lopes	29406	CN Tavira	12-19-16-11-2-(20)-19	79
16. Luisa Queiroz/mariana Almada	26841	CN Cascais	19-18-10-18-(23)-5-11	81
17. Vasco Empis/Margarida Aguiar	29371	CN Cascais	7-16-(19)-15-17-19-7	81
18. Paulo Palha/João Palha	29874	CV Atlântico	17-17-18-21-16-13-(dnc)	102
19. Carlos Azevedo/José Magalhães	29292	CN Cascais	18-(dnf)-dnc-9-15-21-14	107
20. Eduardo Vanzell/António Matos	2996	CN Cascais	21-9-(bfd)-19-22-18-22	111
21. Ricardo Magalha/João Lapa	26840	CIMAV	(30)-12-bfd-22-20-17-15	116
22. Nuno P. de Melo/J. Massanpina	25186	CIMAV	20-21-17-(24)-18-22-20	118
23. Pedro Ambrósio/João Allen	9407	CN Povoense	(25)-25-23-13-25-23-10	119
24. Nuno Machado/Luis Machado	26156	SC Porto	23-(26)-21-25-24-25-17	135
25. Francisco d'Ore/Pedro Cunha	29530	CN Cascais	(26)-24-22-23-21-24-23	137
26. Jerónimo Castro/Luis Vilela	25004	AN Lisboa	22-23-20-(27)-26-26-25	142
27. Nuno Oliveira/José Mendes	29926	CN Povoense	27-22-25-26-21-28-(dnc)	155
28. José Costa/José L. Costa	25518	CN Tavira	24-27-24-(dnc)-dnc-27-26	158
29. Saul Lopes/Helena Ferreira	26839	AN Guadiana	28-(dnf)-dnf-28-28-dnf-24	168

Snipe Merchandise

- SCIRA Shirts:** t-shirts: \$10.00; polo shirts: \$20.00
Snipe belts: D-ring style: bird logo or SCIRA logo: \$15.00
 SCIRA logo with leather tabs: \$20.00
 All leather with bird stamp: \$25.00
Best of Snipe Bulletin: \$20.00 Snipe Tales: \$20.00
Blazer patches: \$3.00 Straw Hats \$20.00;
Window decals (inside) \$1.50
Blueprints to build your own Snipes; \$20.00
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 Kevlar duffle bags; \$60.00 med; \$70.00 large zip end
 Kevlar bathroom kits: \$20.00
 Kevlar wallets: \$15.00
 Snipe silk ties: \$40.00
 Kevlar backpacks: \$60.00



2002 Dues Paid

as of May 31, 2002

As suggested at the recent Board of Governors, each Snipe Bulletin will carry a current listing of dues paid members current as close to the printing date of the Bulletin.

This is to assist countries and sailors to know if their dues have been received in the SCIRA office as well as regatta organizers to assist in registration.

The 2003 Worlds entry quota will be based upon the average of boats paid for the years 2001 & 2002.

	<u>Boats paid</u>	<u>Skippers</u>	<u>Crews</u>
Argentina	12	12	-0-
Bahamas	15	14	-0-
Belgium	19	21	9
Bermuda	8	7	-0-
Brazil	54	49	30
Canada	6	8	3
Chile	-0-	-0-	-0-
Colombia	27	28	25
Cuba	5	2	2
Denmark	12	24	10
Finland	17	22	25
France	34	32	24
Germany	6	3	3
India	-0-	-0-	-0-
Italy	101	105	96
Japan	-0-	2	-0-
Norway	72	79	5
Paraguay	-0-	-0-	-0-
Poland	9	9	8
Portugal	100	100	-0-
Russia	28	32	26
Spain	11	12	-0-
Sweden	53	48	15
United Kingdom	27	34	2
United States	487	518	26
Uruguay	18	19	18
Total	1118	1180	327

**Polski Swiazek Klasy Slonka
Snipe Polish Open 2002
September 20-22, Pozna, Poland**

Notice of Race

Polish Snipe Class Association and Jacht Klub Wielkopolski announce the Polish Open 2002. The course will be located in Kiekrz Lake, Pozna, Poland

Rules: The regatta will be governed by ISAF, the Racing Rules of Sailing 2001-2004, the SCIRA rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. The organizers reserve the right to advertising on the hull according to ISAF rules.

Participants: Each competitor must be a member of an approved yacht club affiliated with ISAF/National Authority. Each competing boat must carry a year 2002 decal according to the SCIRA rules and each skipper must be a member of his/her National SCIRA association. Each skipper shall hold a valid SCIRA membership card to be presented at registration together with a valid measurement certificate.

Scoring System: The official SCIRA low point system will be used. If there are more than three races, the worst score will be discarded.

Courses: This regatta will be sailed on courses recommended by SCIRA.

Sailing Instructions: Sailing Instructions and a list of participants will be available at the Regatta office at check-in from 8am on Friday, Saturday 20, 2002. Preliminary sailing instructions will be available on the home page: www.tutaj.com.pl/jkw

Penalty System: Rules 44.1, 44.2 and 44.4 (720) turns penalty will be used.

Regatta office: Jacht klub Wielkopolski
Wilków Morskich 17/19
60-480 Pozna, Poland

fax: +48-61-8482691 or 61 8482681

homepage: www.tutaj.com.pl/jkw

e-mail: jaceksail@wp.pl

Trophies: cups and medals will be given to the first, second and third place boats.

Insurance/disclaimer: The organizing authority, Polish Snipe Class Association, Jacht Klub Wielkopolski and any other party involved in eh regatta disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and good, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participating in this regatta. Each competitor shall present an insurance card with a minimum cover of \$5,000 USD to the organizing committee when registering.

Entries: entries may be obtained off the homepage and submitted not later than September 1, 2002.

Entry Fee: 30 Euro per boat to be paid at the regatta office check-in.

Schedule of Races:

Friday, September 20	8:00	regatta office opens
	11:30	warning signal of first and subsequent races
	19:00	social event
Saturday, Sept. 21	11:00	Warning signal for first & subsequent races
	19:00	social event
Sunday, Sept. 22	12:00	Warning signal of final race

During the event, 7 races are scheduled. If conditions warrant, 3 races may be sailed on the same day. No warning signal will be given after 13:00 Sunday.

Closing and prizegiving ceremony will be held 2 hours after final race Sunday.

Accommodation & Camping: look for more information on the homepage: www.tutaj.com.pl/jkw

**2002 North American Championships
August 16-18, 2002**

Notice of Race

Organizing Authority: Snipe Class International Racing Association and Carlyle Sailing Association, Snipe Fleet 705

Hosting Club: Carlyle Sailing Association, Snipe Fleet 705

Rules: The current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas, the Deed of Gift and the Sailing Instructions shall be in effect.

Advertising: This regatta is classified as Category "A" in accordance with the SCIRA Advertising Prescription.

Entry and Eligibility: This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and skippers from eligible North American continent nations, subject to any Deed of Gift trophy restrictions.

Fees: Entries and fees received by August 2, 2002 – US \$75 per boat. Entry and fees received after August 2, 2002 – US \$90 per boat. Entry fees include three days of racing, three breakfasts, two evening meals and prizes.

Registration: Registration may be completed by filling out registration form.

Schedule: All times are shown as Central Standard Time

Thursday August 15

9:00am-10:00pm Registration and Measurement

Friday August 16

8:00am- 10:00am Continental Breakfast
Late Registration and Measurement

10:30am Competitors Meeting

11:00am Harbor Warning Race #1

Approx. 12:30pm Lunch

Harbor Warning Race #2 at discretion of RC

Possible Race #3 to follow Race #2 at discretion of RC

7:30pm Dinner

Saturday August 17

8:00am Continental Breakfast

9:30am Harbor Warning First Race of the Day
Races to follow at discretion of RC

7:30pm Dinner

Sunday August 18

7:30am Continental Breakfast

8:30am Harbor Warning First Race of the Day

12:00 Noon No Races to start after

Awards & Lunch immediately following last Race of the Day

Measurement: (1) All boats are subject to measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or the Race Committee.

(2) All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed. (3) All boats will be weighed. (4) Two suits of sails will be measured per boat.

Sailing Instructions: Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration.

Courses: The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for Championship regattas as published in the current SCIRA Official Handbook and as modified per Sailing Instructions.

"Black Flag": RRS Rule 30.3 shall not be used in this regatta.

Scoring: The SCIRA Low Point scoring system will be used. Six races are scheduled with no drop race. Two races will constitute a regatta.

Prizes: Trophies for the first 10 finishers will be awarded to both skipper and crew along with the presentation of the Birney Mills Memorial Trophy to the first place boat and the Chuck Loomis Trophy to the highest finishing junior team.

Qualification for Subsequent Event: First and second place finishers will qualify for the 2003 SCIRA World Championships.

Social: See Schedule of events

SCIRA Representative: TBD

Regatta Contact: Andrea Sepanski, 26 Ernst Drive, Glen Carbon, IL 62034: (314)578-0320 cell or (618) 288-4565 home, asepanski@hotmail.com

**Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
Long Beach, California, USA
September 21-28, 2002**

**EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP
September 15 - 20, 2002
Notice of Race**

Organizing Authority: Snipe Class International Racing Association
Hosting Club: Alamitos Bay Yacht Club

Rules: The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the Deed of Gift for the Hayward Western Hemisphere Trophy. Rule 30.3 "Black Flag Rule" will not be in effect for this regatta. In case of conflict among those documents cited in NOR 3.1, the SCIRA Deed of Gift and the Racing Rules of Sailing, in this order, will be applied. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will prevail. The prescriptions of the United States national authority will not apply.

Entry and Eligibility: Entries will be as called for in the Deed of Gift as printed in the SCIRA Rulebook 2001-2004, page 122.

Registration: The completed entry form and the registration fee of \$375.00 USD by either check or money order made out to the ABYC, must be received no later than Monday, August 26, 2002. Entries or fees received after this date will be \$500.00 USD. The entry fee will cover the entry, welcome reception, 2 dinners and the awards dinner for the skipper and crew. All competitors must complete the entry process prior to 1200, Tuesday, September 24th. No boat's entry will be complete until it has checked in with registration, all forms are received and all fees are paid.

Schedule: registration and check-in will be in the Quarterdeck at ABYC on Saturday through Monday, September 21-23, 2002 from 1200 to 1700.

Racing Schedule			
Practice Race	Sunday	September 22	Warning 1400
Race 1	Tuesday	September 24	Warning 1400
Race 2 & 3	Wed	September 25	Warning 1300
Lay Day	Thurs.	September 26	
Race 4 & 5	Friday	September 27	Warning 1300
Race 6 & 7	Saturday	September 28	Warning 1300

Measurement: Measurement is scheduled for Saturday through Monday September 21-23, 2002 from 1200-1700. All boats will be weighed and measured according to SCIRA rules and inspected for safety equipment and decals. All sails will be measured. A maximum of 2 suits of sails will be measured for any entry. All boats are subject to additional measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee.

Chartered Boats: Boat chartering will be on first come first served basis. The cost of chartering a boat will be \$500.00 USD plus the cost of insurance (approx. \$100.00 USD). Charter information is available at www.abyc.com/westerns/index.html or contact: Gavin O'Hare, 4588 W. Pt. Loma Blvd., San Diego, CA 92107 e-mail: gohare@nalco.com, phone: +619-225-0117. Chartered boats will be available by 0800 Friday, September 20, 2002.

Sailing Instructions: Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. Preliminary Sis will be available on the ABYC website: www.abyc.org

Courses: The sailing areas are located as shown in the Sailing Instructions. Seven races of the SCIRA type courses specified shall be scheduled. Course length shall be 5 nautical miles minimum, 7 nautical miles maximum.

Scoring: The SCIRA low point scoring system will apply. Three races are required to constitute a series. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be total of her race scores. When from 6 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

Prizes: Hayward Western Hemisphere Trophy for the boat winning the regatta. Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth in the regatta. Daily firsts will be awarded to the boat finishing first in each race each day after racing.

Hospitality and Social: limited housing on first come first served

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: Snipe Class International Racing Association (SCIRA)

HOSTING CLUB: Reale Circolo Canottieri Tevere Remo, Lungotevere in Augusta 1, Roma 00195, ITALY Reale Circolo Canottieri Tevere Remo 00042 Anzio Riviera Zannardelli 101

RULES: The current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the prescriptions of FIV, the SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas or Sanctioned Regattas, the Deed of Gift and the Sailing Instructions shall be in effect.

ADVERTISING: This regatta is classified as Category A in accordance with the SCIRA Advertising Prescription.

ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY: This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and skippers in good standing for the current year (insert co-skipper if permitted and crew for championship and sanctioned regattas) subject to any Deed of Gift trophy restrictions.

FEES: Entries and fees received by August 1, 2002 - Euro 200 per boat. Entries and fees received after August 1, 2002 - Euro 250 per boat. Entry fees inclusive of the following social events: Opening ceremonies, two dinners during the Championship, and the prizegiving ceremonies.

REGISTRATION: Registration may be completed on-line at the [hosting club web site](http://hostingclubweb.com), or by contacting the Reale Circolo Canottieri Tevere Remo Sailing Secretary, Mrs. Alessia, telephone 0039 6 3612274, FAX 0039 6 3230425, e-mail: segreteria@rcctevereremo.it Payment in Euro may be made by check, wire transfer, Visa or MasterCard.

SCHEDULE: Use the [official online form](#) of the regatta

MEASUREMENT: All boats are subject to measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee and are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed. See the "Entry, Eligibility, and Measurement Restrictions" section of the Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas for the required minimum measurements and checks.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Sailing instructions will be available at Registration.

COURSES: The courses to be sailed are Class approved courses for an European Championship as published in the current SCIRA Official Rule Book. **BLACK FLAG:** Racing Rule 30.3 shall not be used in this regatta.

APPEALS: Because there will be a properly constituted International Jury, there will be no appeals of its decisions.

SCORING: The SCIRA Low Point scoring system will be used. Seven races are scheduled. Four races will constitute each regatta.

PRIZES: The European Championship will award prizes to the first through third place skippers and crew.

SCIRA REPRESENTATIVE: Ezio Braga

BOAT CHARTERS: Contact the Hosting Club for information or visit the [related page](#)

basis will be available. Local hotels within a short driving distance of ABYC are also available. For additional information contact: Adra Kober, +562-434-4529. Additional information for hotels can be found on the website: www.abyc.org. A social package will also be available for those not racing. Preliminary social schedule.

Monday	September 23	Welcome Reception
Tuesday	September 24	Dinner
Wednesday	September 25	Dinner
Saturday	September 26	Awards Banquet

SCIRA Representative: Don Hackbarth

Regatta Contact: Gordon Brown, Regatta Chair. 7201 East Ocean Blvd. Long Beach, CA 90802. Phone: +562-434-9955, fax: +562-434-2267. E-mail: abyc@abyc.org or browgrdn@aol.com.

***Informational note:** the United States Coast Guard requires that all vessels carry a USCG approved personal floatation device for each member of the crew on a boat.

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U.S. Championship of Champions

Mission Bay Yacht Club

San Diego, CA

January 2002

U.S. Sailing holds an annual event that brings together the year's national champions from a variety of classes for a showdown in one class of boat to determine who will be the Champion of Champions. Due to September 11, and a full regatta calendar of the previously chosen boat, the 2001 event was moved to January of 2002 and the Snipe was chosen for the battle.

Champions must be a national or North American class champion to qualify, and 12 classes were able to send their best to the event. Funny, 8 of the 12 were actually Snipe sailors who crossed over in other classes to win their championship, so the fleet was full of "knowledgeable" Snipe people. US National champion Augie Diaz was unable to attend, so the Snipe class was officially represented by the 2001 US Women's champion, Stacey Szabo.

The Mission Bay fleet was able to provide 12 equally matched Persson boats for the regatta and even hired 2 professional "boat boys" to equally tune and care for the boats, which were sailed in a round-robin fashion. The Quantum sail loft provided brand new suits of sails, which along with the identical tuning, reduced the competition down to tactics & boat handling.

A clinic on the intricacies of Snipe sailing was given to the few newbies, and the regatta began.

After 3 days of 15 extremely close races, it came down to a tie between George Szabo and Brian Janney and the team of Kevin Funsch and Watt Duffy, with Szabo/Janney winning the tie breaker.

	<i>Class</i>	<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Total</i>
1.	Star	George Szabo/Brian Janney	32
2.	Vanguard 15	Kevin Funsch/Watt Duffy	32
3.	Laser	Chris Raab/Jon Rogers	41
4.	Sabot	Mark Gaudio/Chuck Sinks	52
5.	InterClub	Jim/Susannah Bowers	54
6.	J/24	Chris Snow/Aine McLean	65
7.	W. Snipe	Stacey Szabo/Jerelyn Biehl	79
8.	San Juan 24	Chuck Skewers/Julie Mitchell	89
9.	XBoat	Andrew Keane/Gordy Bowers	105
10.	E Scow	Bob Biwer/Augie Barkow	109
11.	Buccaneer 18	David Spira/Michael Connolly	137
12.	Holder 20	Tim Carlson/Jim Rosaschi	148

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Portuguese Sailors enjoy the ride



Sailors from Italy and Argentina gather for a photo at in San Remo

South European Championship

March 29-31

San Remo, Italy

<i>Skipper/Crew</i>	<i>Country/Sail #</i>	<i>Finishes</i>	<i>Total</i>
1. Enrico/Franco Solerio	ITA 29571	1-1-1-7-1	3
2. Luis Soubie/Lorenzo Bonomi	ARG 28701	3-7-1-(ocs)	11
3. Bibi Juetz/Dante Bianchi	BRA 29679	2-9-9-2	13
4. Ulrik Sandvig/Steffen Skjoenberg	NOR 27971	8-2-3-15	13
5. Giovanni Galeotti/Dina DeBock	BEL 29374	4-3-6-8	13
6. Andrea Battisti/Ylena Guerrini	ITA 29079	5-4-4-7	13
7. Pietro Fantani/A.M. Moronato	ITA 28912	7-8-5-25	20
8. Enrico Michel/Ilario LaRossa	ITA 29812	10-10-2-10	22
9. Antonio Bari/Pierluca Freddi	ITA 6313	12-5-10-16	27
10. Ben VanCauwenbergh/N.Deferm	BEL 28373	14-11-14-4	29
11. Giorgio Brezich/Lucio Penso	ITA 29900	18-6-19-5	29
12. Birger Jansen/Cecilia DeFaire	NOR 29940	17-16-11-3	30
13. Paolo Tomsic/Andrej Mocilnik	ITA 28774	6-12-12-36	30
14. Nicolo Paolillo/Simona Cristofori	ITA 29195	11-18-8-34	37
15. Niccolo Belloni/Luigi Beducci	ITA 29365	13-21-27-13	47
16. Alessandro Rodati/Tom Stahl	ITA 29869	15-17-15-22	47
17. Marta Seculin/Chiara Lamamarca	ITA 29081	9-23-18-21	48
18. Stefano longhi/Alessandra Papa	ITA 29774	32-36-16-6	54
19. Giuliano Dematte/S.Cavallari	ITA 29626	34-14-29-11	54
20. Franco Zamorani/Tania Ragni	ITA 29554	30-13-26-18	57
21. Thierry DenHartigh/Greet Jansen	BEL 29252	36-15-38-9	60
22. Fabio/Daniela Rochelli	ITA 29934	28-30-22-12	62
23. Claudio Ciufu/M.G. Mazzacuva	ITA 29685	26-22-28-14	62
24. Barbara Giacometti/V. Pasetti	ITA 26510	23-19-30-20	62
25. Alessandro Testa/Luigi Addonisio	ITA 28354	20-26-21-23	64
26. Alberto Perdisa/Andrea Minardi	ITA 29722	33-42-13-19	65
27. Peter Iversen/Thomas Rasmussen	DEN 29539	16-dnf-20-31	67
28. Gianluca Lamaro/Michele Ungaro	ITA 29772	25-20-24-ocs	69
29. Giuseppe Morani/Marco Romani	ITA 29082	29-35-17-27	73
30. Wolfgang Gerz/Fisher Till	GER	37-29-31-17	77
31. Thomas Mercante/F. Di Caprio	ITA 295	21-38-dnf-24	83
32. Sergio Irredento/Ortenzia Caselli	ITA 29415	40-28-23-32	83
33. Ezio Braga/Marco Carpinello	ITA 29555	35-25-25-33	83
34. Giuseppe Barone/Marco Nuccorini	ITA 29375	27-24-34-39	85
35. Manola Reis/Monica DeCata	ITA 28906	22-31-36-37	89
36. Magnus Hedmark/J. Fremstad	NOR 2970	19-41-33-38	90
37. Marco Pantono/?	ITA 29354	31-27-32-dnc	90
38. Sebastien Monteil/B. Mariage	FRA 28853	42-34-35-26	95
39. Halvor/Edel Poulsson	NOR 29673	38-33-39-28	99
40. Marco Cristofori/D. Angelotti	ITA 29260	45-32-40-30	102
41. Alberto De Paoli/A.M. Mosca	ITA 29569	39-37-37-29	103
42. Marco/Roberto Calliari	ITA 29052	24-40-44-40	104
43. Jerome Thomas/Eric Falise	FRA 29856	41-39-41-42	121
44. Angelo/Antonio Pedone	ITA 26824	46-45-46-35	126
45. Andrea Faldella/F. Perdisa	ITA 29568	47-44-43-41	128
46. Marco Castelfiori/Paolo Mazzarri	ITA 27118	43-43-42-ocs	128
47. Gunther/Sabine Hautmann	GER 26509	dnf-46-45-44	135
48. Marco Cavallari/Lorenzo Gnuffi	ITA 29327	44-ret-dnf-43	138
49. Stefano Venditti/Massimo Somenzi	ITA 29960	dnc-dnf-dnf-dnc	153
50. Roberto Tozzi/Claudio Massucci	ITA 29194	dnc-dnf-dnf-dnc	153

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2001 Worlds	1,2,4,5,6
2001 North Americans	1,2,4,6
2001 Winter Circuit	1
2001 Nassau Circuit Overall	1
2001 Bacardi Cup	1,3,4
2001 Midwinters (Clearwater, FL)	1
2001 Brazilian Nationals	1
2001 Atlantic Coast Champs	1
2001 Pacific Coast Champs (PCC)	1
2001 District 4	1
2001 District 6	1
2001 District 7	1
2000 Western Hemispheres	1,2*,6,7,8,9,10
1999 Worlds	1,2

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