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**The Count:** 80 numbers have been issued; United States 7, Japan 16, Italy 5, Denmark 1, Brazil 4, Norway 5, Sweden 1, Russia 24, Spain 10 and 7 to a builder.

**Numbered Snipes:** 30149

**Chartered Fleets:** 863

## Trademark Update

We are pleased to inform all members that the US Trademark Registration No. 2,677,698 for the mark SERIOUS SAILING, SERIOUS FUN was issued to SCIRA by the US Patent and Trademark Office on January 21, 2003. All Trademarks now in use must now be replaced with ® as soon as possible.

## Apologies for the Delay

Apologies for the delay in the Snipe Bulletin. No, you weren't taken off the mailing list (but have you paid your dues for 2003 yet?!). This will be a super Snipe issue, since both the September and January issues have been missed. We promise to try to keep up-to-date!

## 2003 SCIRA Committees

*as appointed by the Commodore*

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# Faster Than Ever

## Quantum Sails win 4 of 7 races at the Worlds

Christian Noe with his brother Alejandro Noe, from Argentina used the Quantum FB-3 main and the PS-5 Dacron jib with a Sidewinder mast to win three races at the Worlds! And they did this with a crew weigh of 345lbs. For the full interview of how the Noe Brothers pulled this off, go to: [www.quantumsails.com/snipe](http://www.quantumsails.com/snipe).

Rogelio Padron, and Eduardo Alonso from Cuba, won the last race using the latest sails from Quantum Spain.

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# From the Rules Committee & Chief Measurer

## Advertising

We have to ask your best attention on the advertising category allowed to be used in Snipe Regatta for the year 2003.

The individual advertising policy of the Classes is subject to ISAF approval as stated on Appendix I Section II Rule 20.4.5

The ISAF competent Committee discussed in the November Conference held in Cyprus our, and various other Classes, Advertising rules and informed us that were not approved. So during the year 2003 all snipe regatta shall be of Category A.

See attached official ISAF's letter.

The R C intend to re-submit to ISAF the rules we have explaining better the reasons that generated the limitation the SCIRA Board of Governors has generated with the intent to have the necessary approval.

We regret for the inconveniences that some sailors could have but it is out of our control and, at moment, it is absolutely compulsory to follow the ISAF prescriptions.

—**Giorgio Brezich**  
Int. Rules Chairman

## Measurement Problems Noticed

During the latest International Championships the Measurers have found several items not complying the class Rules. The greatest problem found has been in the batten pockets location: it seems that many sailmakers have forgotten this old rule they had followed during many many years. In fact the new system to measure the mains didn't changed the pockets location, and we cannot understand why, all over the world, these pockets has become to move too high or too low...

The sails have been the most common problem for the measurers: in fact some of them had too much cloth at head (5 mm is maximum), the boltrope cut back more than 25 mm at tack and, in very few sails, materials no more allowed (such as Bainbridge SL500+), mis-located grommets and large girths in jibs.

So, measurers, be careful when checking the sails: those infringements have been found not only in brand new sails, but also in sails that have already been approved and used during national championships!

Other important manufactures' complaints (!) have been found on a rudder (not parallel to the transom), a board (too narrow) and a mast (top band too high). Those manufacturers have been notified of the problems found.

On the other hand, the measurers have noted some infringements made by the contestants at sea. The most common is to hoist the main too high over the top band: the excuse is that, tightening the cunningham, the main will go down, but in most case this is not true: pay attention to this problem, it may cause a protest by the measuring committee (or the R.C.).

Another common infringement is the lack of the stopper at the boom's band: it is mandatory, so put a screw or a bolt, you need few seconds to do it.

During the safety checks at sea, the measurers have found that many sailors use to secure their board to the boat with a knot. This system is not the best and is illegal too, because the board height cannot be perfectly controlled and a knot may loose... a shackle is the solution, once found the proper line length you need only one second to lock the board.

At last, pay attention to the new Proctor mast butts: they have been changed, and it is necessary to move the pin in the mast rail one hole back to have the mast in the correct position. For the mast customers, Proctor will include the instructions to correctly positioning the mast.

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## A Year in the Life of a Snipe Commodore

Past Commodore Birger Jansen was very active in his year as Commodore traveling to 12 regattas in 6 countries. Birger enjoyed his year of Commodore-ship and meeting the various sailors around the globe. He stated that to understand the full complexities and depth of our Class, one needs to travel. Following is a list of the regattas Birger attended: Winter Circuit, USA & Bahamas; South European Championship, SanRemo, Italy; Majsnipen, Sweden; Wiibrooe Cup, Denmark; Vatternsnipen and Open Swedish Championship, Sweden; East European Championship, Russia; Open Danish Championship, Denmark; Europeans, Italy; Master Worlds, USA; Halloween Regatta, USA.

Past Commodores gathered at the World Masters in Florida recently. Pictured: Jerry Thompson, Terry Timm, Horacio Garcia Pastori, Wayne Soares, Birger Jansen, Gonzalo Diaz, Sr., Pete Fenner, Id Crook, Lee Griffith and Jimmie Lowe.



# Carolyn Brown Krebs & Julie Redler Reign as World Champions!

The women of the Snipe world converged in St. Petersburg, Florida in October to contest the 5<sup>th</sup> Women's World Championship and the Roy Yamaguchi trophy. Returning were reigning World champions Karianne Eickland and Janett Krefting of Norway, complemented by numerous other worthy competitors representing 8 countries.

The weather was not looking promising the first week in October, with hurricane season lingering on and tropical heat rising from the still air over the area. But when the scheduled racing began, a convenient cold front came through, dropping the temperature and lifting everyone's spirit with 10-15 knots from the NW.

The first race was an Olympic triangle with Uruguayan beauties Andrea and Mariana Foglia finding the first left shift and never looking back. The second day provided Northerly winds, lighter in the first race with 10-12 knots and picking up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> race to 12-15 knots. Bridget Hallawell and Shelly Suarez called the first shift in the first race, winning that race. Carolyn Krebs and Julie Redler rounded in first for all marks in the second race. The current was stronger pushing against the sailors on the left side, however, there was more pressure and distinct lifts far to the left in the second half of the beat. Tactics were challenging with very shifty conditions.

The fourth race of the series was sailed on Friday morning with a strong flood tide running directly against an 18 knots brisk breeze. In this shallow bay an impressive chop was present, making the boat handling tricky but exciting to watch. There were many capsize. Several boats chose not to sail or went in after taking a peek outside. Double triangles were sailed and the spray was flying. Once again the Foglia sisters demonstrated their heavy air confidence and sailed away from the fleet with a convincing win. After the last boat finished, everyone including the RC scrambled for the safety of the harbor, waiting for the wind to ease and the tide to switch. By 1400 the wind was 30 degrees fatter to the right, the tide was going out, and the bay was again flat calm

for a perfect afternoon race. Krebs/Redler won their second race, so at the end of the third day of racing she was leading the series with 1 1/2 point margin, however the next 8 boats were all within 2 points of each other. It was

anyone's regatta going into the last day.

The forecast for the final day was 5-10 knots from the Northeast with an afternoon sea breeze. The fleet sailed out in to a beautiful 8-knot morning. The first beat of the day found the whole fleet heading for the left corner to catch a ride on the stronger incoming current; except for Hallawell/Suarez who had a message from outer-space whispering "go right." They were hard to the right corner, all by themselves, when a 15-degree right shift came in allowing them a significant lead at the windward mark. The competition was fierce and they were back in fourth at the last leeward mark. The top four boats crossed each other in the dying breeze and the Foglias looked as if they were going to have another first. They had to cover Eickland/

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*Photo: Julie Redler & Carolyn Brown Krebs celebrate!*

Krefting to their left and Hallawell/Suarez behind and to their right as they approached the finish line. They tacked in front of Bridget forcing her to tack onto port (above the starboard layline), and the Foglias were free to head for the line, above Eickland/Krefting. As the Foglias were about to cross the finish line near the pin end, Hallawell/Suarez reached down and spun around the committee boat a fraction of a second in front, surprising everyone. Great racing! Eickland/Krefting then won the last race of the series using the last breath of anything resembling wind, but that finish was not enough to beat Krebs/Redler for the series as they were close behind crossing in third.

Another great regatta and great sailing.  
—Bill Welch



# Augie Diaz & John Kehoe Top World Masters

62 teams from 13 countries attended the bi-annual World Masters event, which was a remarkable turnout considering the global economic uncertainty and fears of travel. Augie Diaz and crew John Kehoe won the US Masters and the World Masters, which were sailed concurrently at St. Petersburg Yacht Club in Florida. The sailing was very tight with 3 teams within 1/4 point of first going in the last day. This was the 4<sup>th</sup> major Snipe regatta win for Augie this year!

The first day of sailing found a gentle Southeast breeze and opposing tide. Kiyoshi Masuda and Hiroyuki Taniguchi of Japan had a great start near the committee boat, went right and led around all the marks to win race #1. Day two was a beautiful day for lying around on the beach, but frustrating for sailing.



After a morning delay, the sea breeze appeared to be coming in, so the fleet sailed out in a perfect 6-8 knots from the Northeast. The RC however, was sitting in an equally perfect 8 knots from the Southwest. Between the two breezes was a narrow No-wind section. After two hours of waiting, the breeze finally died altogether, and the fleet was towed in.

Day 3 found the typical summer weather (in fall!) with a good breeze of 10 knots and a current setting up more chop than wind. Left seemed like it would be the way to go to maximize the shoreline effect and current, however, the boats that made out were playing the shifts and pressure to either side of the course. Diaz, Bibi Juetz and Jimmie Lowe were out in front early, but Colin & Karen Park, recovering from a bad start, moved up through the fleet quickly to take the lead. Sherry Welch with George Szabo as crew sailed brilliantly the last three legs to move from 40<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>. The wind then dwindled to less than 4 knots by the end of the race and many boats had a hard time running back to the committee boat against the current. The RC wisely chose to wait on shore for the sea breeze



to fill in, which it never did!

On the final day of racing the wind was light and from the south. The current however was going out with enough velocity to push the committee boat stern in the wind. After 2 current-induced general recalls, the fleet was off. The current was stronger against the fleet on the right but all of the pressure and shifts were coming from the right, so it paid to be over there. Past Commodore Jerry Thompson with crew Kimmie Isobe were one of the first to hit the right corner and won the last race of the series. Bibi Juetz was buried at the start but crawled back to 7<sup>th</sup> with an impressive display of raw boat speed. Augie was able to finish 8<sup>th</sup>, which gave him the overall win.

Another great regatta capped by a nice banquet and trophy presentation.

—Bill Welch

## Results--top 5 in each division

### Apprentice Masters (45-54)

1.	Augie Diaz/John Kehoe	USA	3-2-5-8	18
2.	Sherry Welch/George Szabo	USA	6-8-2-15	31
3.	Birger Jansen/Jeanette Shouten	NOR	10-10-4-21	45
4.	Steve Stewart/Don Bedford	USA	12-18-6-23	59
5.	Jerome Fournier/Julie Calvert	USA	8-23-30-4	65

### Masters (55-64)

1.	Colin/Karen Park	USA	7-4-1-9	20.75
2.	Jerry Thompson/Kimmie Isobe	USA	5-13-18-1	36.75
3.	Terry Timm/Jerelyn Biehl	USA	13-7-3-45	68
4.	Alessandro/Enrico Solerio	ITA	23-9-26-10	68
5.	Ed Sherman/Diane Fowler	USA	26-21-27-2	76

### Grand Master (65+)

1.	Bibi Juetz/Dante Bianchi	BRA	4-1-20-7	31.75
2.	Gonzalo Diaz, Sr./Martin Hermida	USA	24-26-11-5	66
3.	Sam Mollet/George Bothwell	USA	36-27-37-18	118
4.	Ken/Mary Ann Rix	USA	47-44-41-16	148
5.	Horacio Garcia Pastori/Mariana Foglia	URU	37-29-48-53	167

### Overall--top 25 of 62

1.	Augie Diaz/John Kehoe	USA
2.	Colin/Karen Park	USA
3.	Sherry Welch/George Szabo	USA
4.	Bibi Juetz/Dante Bianchi	BRA
5.	Jerry Thompson/Kimmie Isobe	USA
6.	Birger Jansen/Jeanette Shouten	NOR
7.	Steve Stewart/Don Bedford	USA
8.	Jerome Fournier/Julie Calvert	USA
9.	Ove Lorentzen/Kim Hyttel	DEN
10.	Gonzalo Diaz, Sr./Martin Hermida	USA
11.	Terry Timm/Jerelyn Biehl	USA
12.	Alessandro/Enrico Solerio	ITA
13.	George Walker/Holly O'Hare	USA
14.	Harald/Emiko Walder	NOR
15.	Ed Sherman/Diane Fowler	USA
16.	Lee Griffith/Sara Griffith Adducci	USA
17.	Fred/Jan Rozelle	USA
18.	Nobuo Okumura/Naoyuki Iwase	JPN
19.	Tod Sackett/Karen Sackett-Rampe	USA
20.	John/Elizabeth Lally	USA
21.	Jose F. Garcia de Soto/Borja G. deSoto	ESP
22.	Kiyoshi Masuda/Hiroyuki Taniguchi	JPN
23.	Jan/Jane Persson	DEN
24.	Woody Norwood/Carlos Wybert	USA
25.	Halvor/Edel Poulsson	NOR

## Russians Krylov & Ryzhykov Win Europeans

The Snipe Europeans took place in Anzio from 15-20 September at Reale Circolo Canottieri Tevere Remo and Lega Navale Italiana. Held in alternate years with the World Championship, the winners after a hard fought series were Alexey Krylov & Evgenyi Ryzhkov from Russia.

51 boats from 11 nations started to race on Monday 16th with "scirocco" wind from 160 at about 12 knots decreased during the race. The race committee opted for windward/leeward course. After the first round, the top mark was repositioned after a consistent shift to the right. The first four boats (2 Spanish, the Russian teams and an Italian) made an incredible mistake going to the old mark: Birger Jansen with Cecilia de Faire, the former European Champion, were very smart gaining the lead of the fleet and won; second was his teammate Ulrik Sandvig with Steffen Skoenberg and third the Spanish team Palacio Pumariega.

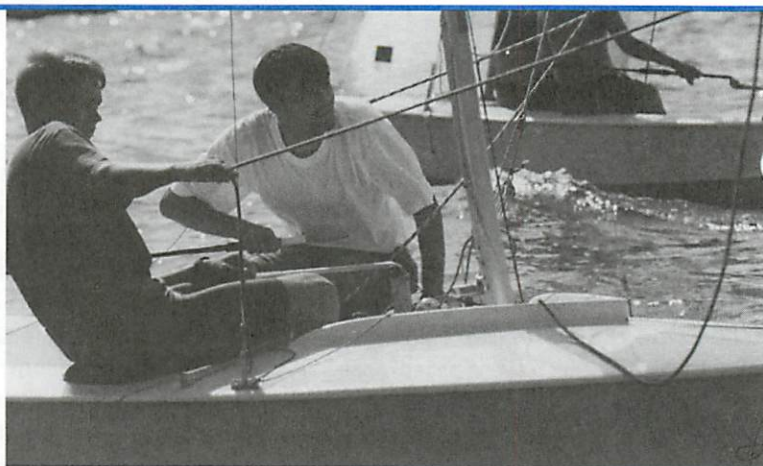
For the second day of racing the weather was rainy. The lack of wind obliged the competitors to wait until the late afternoon for the second race. It was a very difficult race with a light North-eastern wind (4 knots) with long waves opposite to the direction of the wind. Many shifts and holes with no wind made the decisions for the sailors problematic. Bart Janssens and Eva Jacobs from Belgium dominated, second was Spanish Rayco Tabarez and Mariano De Leon (8 points for check in failure), third Alexey Krylov and Evgenyi Ryzhkov (Russia). The

Belgians Janssen-Jacobs led the series, ahead of Commodore Birger Jansen and the Italian Champions, the Solerios brothers.

The lack of wind forced the Race Committee to postpone the races of day three. Finally at 3 pm a light breeze coming from southwest allowed the start of another windward-leeward course. Strong current and many shifts made the race very difficult. Negrin-Martin, national champions of Spain, captured the race ahead of Pons-Cavaller, also from Spain, and the Russians Krylov-Rizokov, who passed in second overall after the Belgians Janssen-Jacobs.

The wind increase for the second race up to 10 knots. After a general recall and a Z flag the fleet started for another windward-leeward course. Pons-Cavaller took the race, followed by the Danish champions Ullmann-Hyttel.

2 races were attempted on Thursday. The wind was blowing again around 160° and 10 knots. The RC chose the windward/leeward course. The sea was choppy and hard to sail for little wind shifts on both sides. The fleet was very tight and in few minutes was possible to gain or lose many positions. Also the downwind legs were hard to play. The starting lines were set properly so we had only a general recall each race that were started under Z+I flag. The race 5 was managed very well by the Spanish team Bosch/Mora followed by Janssens/Jacobs very fast in that weather conditions. Forslund/Trettenes were 3rd, Pons/Cavaller 4th and Solerios 5th. The Russians Krylov/Ryzhykov were



able to manage to score 6th and keep the top of score.

The winners of race 6th were the Russians who increased strongly the distance from other competitors for the final success. Forslund/Trettenes were able to play an excellent first downwind leg that allowed them to cross the gate in second place that they kept for all the time. Solerios were 3rd followed by local crew Paolillo/Cristofori that sailed an excellent championship. Palacio/Pumariega scored 5th.

Friday at 12.00 the course was set and RC was ready for the start but the weather was not good. Under a shower and a risk of a storm, the race was postponed, the fleet recovered inside the port and ashore until the weather improved. At 14.15 the RC began the procedures but, after two general recall, the second under Z+I flag, at 14.30 (last time for a start) the race was abandoned. At 18.30 the prize giving was celebrated in the square of the town awarding the trophy and prizes to winners.

—Antonio Bari

Photos by Gianni Loperfido



### European Championship Equipment

#### Masts

Cobra USA (1980)	1
Proctor Miracle	14
Sidewinder std.	26
Sidewinder black	4
Sidewinder junior	6

# European Championship

## Results

1. Alexey Krylov/Evgenyu Ryzhykov	RUS29490	(10)-3-3-5-6-1	17.75
2. Bart Janssens/Eva Jacobs	BEL29613	5-1-5-(21)-2-9	21.75
3. Toni Pons/Toni Cavaller	ESP29870	11-(12)-2-1-4-11	28.75
4. Enrico/Franco Solerio	ITA29976	6-5-12-(13)-5-3	31
5. Cristobal Bosch/Lorenzo Mora	ESP29178	9-10-(55)-6-1-6	31.75
6. Bjorn Forslund/Hilde Trettenes	NOR30026	13-(17)-8-10-3-2	36
7. Birger Jansen/Cecilia DeFaire	NOR29940	1-8-9-7-26-(55)	50.75
8. Paco Ibanez/Clara Torres	ESP29608	7-(22)-19-9-7-16	60
9. Nocolo Paolillo/Simona Cristofori	ITA29195	(38)-6-6-24-20-4	60
10. Francisco Palacio/Angela Pumareiga	ESP28278	3-23-(26)-14-18-5	63
11. Rayco Tabarez/Mariano de Leon	ESP29854	23-8-4-4-(55)-30	69
12. Ulrick Sandvig/Steffen Skoenberg	NOR27971	2-37-(55)-15-8-10	72
13. Giorgio Brezich/Lucio Penso	ITA29900	17-(25)-7-19-24-7	74
14. Antonio Bari/Paolo Lambertenghi	ITA6313	18-(41)-17-12-15-15	77
15. Enrico Michel/Andrea Trani	ITA29812	4-15-(34)-22-17-20	78
16. Morten Ullmann/Kim Hyttel	DEN29939	22-(37)-24-2-13-22	83
17. Tommy/Christina Sandberg	SWE29943	15-7-18-(31)-22-23	85
18. Aureliano Negrin/David Martin	ESP29993	14-33-1-11-(55)-28	86.75
19. Giovanni Galeotti/Jim Haverhaels	BEL29794	(57)-24-15-30-14-8	91
20. Miguel Leita/Joao Nuno Allen	POR29612	12-(40)-11-23-19-29	94
21. Per Edwall/Frederice Bernhardt	SWE28766	(35)-11-31-8-12-34	96
22. Thierry Den Hartigh/Greet Jansen	BEL29252	20-4-(51)-51-9-14	98
23. Jean-Jacques Frebault/Gilles Boisaubert	FRA29937	16-(30)-16-27-29-13	101
24. Giuliano DeMatte/Tommaso DeRosa	ITA29626	(42)-26-28-18-10-19	101
25. Castor Alonso/Oscar Ribo	ESP28258	25-(38)-32-16-11-27	111
26. Miguel Talone/Tomas Olivera	POR29962	26-13-25-(36)-36-12	112
27. Ola Nygard/Pernille Petersen	NOR15569	24-9-37-26-21-(38)	117
28. Robert Winther/Martin Persson	SWE29860	27-(39)-10-28-28-25	118
29. Karl Otto Book/Alexandra Wang	NOR29088	31-29-(33)-3-32-32	127
30. Gianluca Lamaro/Michele Ungaro	ITA29772	39-19-13-34-(42)-24	129
31. Bo/Bodil Lindsjo	SWE29979	33-(45)-22-40-16-18	129
32. Claus Carpelan/Risto Valjus	FIN29965	21-40-20-17-33-(44)	131
33. Giuseppe Barone/Marco Nuccorini	ITA29375	19-27-23-39-31(50)	139
34. Sue Antonelli/David Cummins	GBR27106	(48)-20-27-38-27-31	143
35. Christian Anderson/Jonas Midtgaard	DEN29916	40-42-(55)-25-23-17	147
36. Ben VanCauwenbergh/Benjamin Romain	BEL30008	37-18-14-(47)-44-36	149
37. Barbara Giacometti/Daniela Berto	ITA29510	41-(57)-29-33-25-21	149
38. Giuseppe Morani/Marco Romani	ITA29082	28-21-(46)-27-30-42	158
39. Jaime Miranda/Javier Garcia Tizon	ESP28804	44-35-21-20-(55)-40	160
40. Magnus Hedmark/Aasne Berner	NOR29720	34-20-(41)-37-35-39	165
41. Pietro Fantoni/Giovanno Rinaudo	ITA28912	8-50-36-35-(55)-37	166
42. Rickard Oberpichler/Emil Svensson	SWE30045	29-16-42-42-41-(45)	170
43. Miguel Graça/Joao Pedrosa	POR29996	43-(46)-30-34-37-26	170
44. Luis Pessanha/Paula Araujo	POR29333	30-(53)-40-48-34-35	187
45. Erling Nesse/Thomas Bogno	NOR30024	(57)-28-38-49-43-33	191
46. Henrik Jorhov/Kasper Wedersoe	SWE29089	32-38-35-44-(55)-43	192
47. Nick McGonigle/Guy Welch	GBR29303	35-42-39-41-39-(47)	197
48. Alan Williams/Liz Crouch	GBR29834	45-44-45-(50)-40-41	215
49. Juana Negrin/Carmen Perez	ESP29787	47-(49)-43-43-38-48	219
50. Mark Antonelli/Robin Winsland	GBR29677	46-(54)-44-45-45-46	226
51. Jussi Savela/Freddy Wegelius	FIN28349	(57)-43-47-46-51-51	238

## Executive Director's Report

The Snipe Class is stronger than ever!

As we've seen in previous years leading up to the Olympics, Snipe sailors are prevalent in the various Olympic classes in training for the upcoming Games. Just recently at the Miami Olympic Classes regatta held this January, virtually every class had a Snipe sailor competing. Probably the largest per capita class in which Snipers were represented was the Stars. Snipe sailors were also present in the coach boats: Carlos Llamas, Henry Filter, Greg Fisher and Paul Cronin were coaching the Ynglings; Jan Persson in the Finn dinghy; Anthony Kotoun in the Stars. Here were a few of the Snipe sailors seen at the regatta:

Tornado: Santiago Lange

Yngling: Carol Cronin, Liz Filter, Bridget Hallawell

Europe dinghy: Lauren Maxam

49er: Ty Reed

Laser: Mark Mendelblatt, Andrew Campbell

Finn: Charles Heimler

470: Mark Ivey, Allyson Jolley, Lynne Jewell, Mikee Anderson-Mitterling, Graham Biehl

Star: Mark Reynolds, Rick Merriman, Bill Hardesty, Jimmie Lowe, Augie Diaz, Vince Brun

And there are more! Jonathan Persson & Thomas Iversen (DEN) are training in the 49er; Andrey Kiriliuk & Valey Ushkov (RUS) in the Tornado along with Mauricio Santa Cruz (BRA) also in the Tornado; Ekaterina Skudina, Tatiana Lartseva & Ekaterina Kovalenko (RUS) in the Yngling and Dmitry Berezkin (RUS) in the 470 continue to pursue their Olympic dreams.

And where is this going? Obviously the Snipe Class fills many roles. Providing the training ground for future Olympians is one. Many Federations realize this and continue to support the Snipe class, knowing their future sailors hone their tactical and international skills at our regattas. What other roles do we fill? The perfect boat for combined teams, with the option of international competition. The perfect boat for those who prefer to stay and sail on their own lake or bay. The perfect boat to be able to afford to compete at a high level. The perfect boat for Serious Sailing, Serious Fun.

Whatever role the Snipe fills for you, it is a perfect fit. How many classes can say that?

## National Secretaries

—Please send in membership lists as soon as possible to receive decals & membership cards for the racing season.

—Please send regattas reports & photos

—All countries must be current with any payments by **July 1, 2003** to qualify teams to sail in the Worlds

—Please send your updated fleet & measurer's information

## Snipe Snippets

### Charlie Morgan Re-appears

As reported by the St. Petersburg, Florida Fleet 801: "The Charlie Morgan has returned to Snipe sailing. He sailed Snipes actively in Florida before he built "Heritage," the all wood 12-meter, and sailed it in Newport, Rhode Island for the right to defend the America's Cup in 1970. This month he bought a relatively new Persson, 29961 and sailed it very well at the Florida States. He won the Midwinters in 1961, 1962 and 1964, and the Florida States at least once. Now he's back and we are very happy to have him around to teach us a few things." —Bill Welch, US National Secretary

### Brad McFadden is Missed

Brad McFadden died on Saturday, January 11, in a skiing accident on Aspen Mountain, in Colorado, USA. Brad started sailing a Snipe when he was 12 years of age, crewing for Fred Pember in Atlanta. He got his first Snipe when he was 13. He was an active Snipe sailor from the mid 1950s until the late 1980s. Last year, as a favor to a friend (and with some high interest in the extraordinary trophies hand-made by Herb West (another "retired Snipe sailor) Brad sailed again in the Halloween Regatta and won the "Goblins" division. He was my best friend for over fifty years. I am going to miss him a lot. But so will a lot of others, as Brad had strong friendships not only in sailing but also in skiing and flying, his two other passions.—Woody Norwood, Snipe 29200

### Oldest Snipe Sailor Still Sailing

SCIRA UK possibly has scored a top world point in having the oldest active Snipe member, Leslie Lancaster, in his 95<sup>th</sup> year. On the strength of Maldon Snipe Fleet 362, Leslie has completed three terms as Fleet Captain, served on a number of UK SCIRA Committees and held Maldon Yacht Club flag officer positions up to Commodore.



On the subject of retirement, Leslie proudly stated: "My name is engraved on all major UK class trophies except the British National Championship. When I finally achieve that trophy I will give retirement consideration!"



# Honors to Katsumi Hirata's Retirement

SCIRA reported the retirement of fellow Snipe sailor Katsumi Hirata from his International Jury position within ISAF, when he culminated his 37 years of International Judging by presiding over the 2001 Snipe Junior World Championship in Cleveland, Ohio, USA. Since then, Mr. Hirata has provided an impressive list of accomplishments that SCIRA is extremely proud to reproduce in the Snipe Bulletin. Mr. Hirata was honored by ISAF with the Gold Medal for his long service and significant contributions to the sport of sailing and the work of the Federation. At 91 years of age, Mr. Hirata continues to sail on his cruiser Martha with his wife and friends. Mr. Hirata continued to sail Snipes until just a few years ago, competing annually in the Japanese Masters & nationals. His dedication to our sport and Class should be an example for everyone who loves our sport!

## IYRU (ISAF)

1964	Tokyo Olympic Games, Secretary of Int. Jury
1968	Mexico Olympic Games, IJ
69-69	Member of Racing Rules Committee
79-79	Member of Racing Rules Committee

Mr. Hirata's resume as IJ & IU

IJ=International Judge

IU=International Umpire

\* = chairman

\*\* = vice chairman

1964 Tokyo Olympics	Enoshima, Japan
1968 Mexico Olympics	Acapulco, Mexico
1973 505 Worlds	Hong Kong
1974 505 Pan Pacific	Sajima, Japan
1975 Moth Worlds	Okinawa, Japan
1977 470 Worlds	Hamanako, Japan
1979 505 Pan Pacific	Sajima, Japan
1981 Snipe Worlds	Long Beach, CA USA
1982 Asian Games	Bombay, India
1984 470 Worlds	Takapuna, New Zealand
1985 505 Worlds	Enoshima, Japan
1986 Asian Games	Pusan, Korea
Snipe WH & O	Enoshima, Japan
1987 Sea Games	Jakarta, Indonesia
FJ Worlds	Sakaiminato, Japan
Snipe Worlds	La Rochelle, France
1988 Snipe WH & O	Spanish Point, Bermuda
1989 Snipe Worlds	Karatsu, Japan
Moth Worlds	Wellington, NZ
Int. 50 Footer	Misaki, Japan
Nippon Cup Match R.	Hayama, Japan

## SCIRA

88-88	Board of Governors
1990	Honorary Vice Chairman

1990 Asian Games	Shinoutou, China	IJ
Snipe WH & O	Buenos Aires, ARG	IJ
Merit Cup	Misaki, Japan	IU
1991 Int. 50 Footer	Misaki, Japan	IJ
Nippon Cup Match R.	Hayama, Japan	IU
Toshiba Cup Match R.	Sajima, Japan	IU
1992 Japan Sea Race	Turuga, Japan	IJ
Snipe WH & O	Nassau, Bahamas	IJ
Merit Cup World Match	Kotubo, Japan IU	
Nippon Cup Match R.	Hayama, Japan	IU
1993 Optimist Asian Champ.	Hiroshima, Japan	IJ
Asian Regatta	Hiroshima, Japan	IJ
Hiroshima Match Race	Hiroshima, Japan	IU
Japan Sea Yacht Race	Miyazu, Japan	IJ
1994 Snipe World Masters	Gamagori, Japan	IJ
1995 IMS Int. Regatta	Auckland, NZ	IJ
Mumm 36 Worlds	Hamble, England	IJ
1997 Snipe Worlds	San Diego, CA USA	IJ
1998 Snipe World Masters	Cordoba, Argentina	IJ
1999 Snipe Worlds	Murcia, Spain	IJ
2000 Snipe Women's Worlds	Trieste, Italy	IJ
2001 Snipe Jr. Worlds	Cleveland, Ohio USA	IJ

## Reg Chapman's new wood Snipe

Reg is a long standing member of Maldon Yacht Club and has been sailing a Snipe for the last six or seven years. Reg started building his Snipe about a year and half ago, he does not have a suitable workshop so the boat had to be finished of in the Maldon Yacht Club dinghy park. You can see the Maldon Snipe fleet in the background. Reg used to build Phantom one man fast racing dinghys.

His boats are still sought after today.

The boat is light and extremely

stiff. The layout and cockpit design is totally new and Reg's own design.

Bob Robowtham and myself took the boat out for its maiden voyage two weeks ago. The boat went very well and was quick to get up on the plane. It all felt very lively especially as Bob and myself are no light weights. We suggested a few minor improvements to the controls but, apart from that, everything worked well.

—Alan Hoy



## Diaz/Rogers Top Hemisphere

Augie Diaz and Jon Rogers took the Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club in a very close series decided in the final race. This was definitely a world-class event with 25 teams qualifying from 7 countries and sailed in the Pacific Ocean off Long Beach, California. The sailors had to contend with rain, fog, light air and 18-knot breezes with a swell and chop. It was amazing to see the best in the world change gears and consistently wriggle their way to the front despite all of the varied conditions. The Alamitos Bay Yacht Club did an excellent job managing this event, with excellent race committee work on the water and wonderful parties back on shore.

The series started off with a practice race on Sunday in 15-18 knots and a bright sunny afternoon. The reaches were fantastic and we all thought was going to be some regatta! Then the actual racing started on Tuesday after all of the measuring. The California "marine layer" was a little thick, however everyone thought it was going to burn off. It didn't. The race was sailed in light air 6-8 knots with fog so thick that at times visibility was down to 100 feet. Randy Lake and Piet vanOs of the US lead the fleet with a commanding win, with the current World Champion Alexander Paradededa and Flavio Fernandes from Brazil and Augie Diaz/Jon Rogers close behind. The fleet had a difficult time finding the harbor entrance on the way in as the fog deepened to only 20-foot visibility; the support boats stood by the entrance and sounded air horns while others found the stragglers with radar. Wednesday also began with a marine layer however it burned off by noon and the fleet sailed the second race in light, but building breeze. Again, Paradededa/Fernandes, Diaz/Rogers and Lake/VanOs were out in front after hanging to the left on the first beat as if they had timed the 15 degree left shift to come in when they reached the corner. The third

race had the fleet back in their spray jackets as the breeze picked up in the afternoon and went right. Diaz/Rogers hit the pin end and crossed the fleet and should have never looked back. However, the competition in this fleet was relentless—Paradededa/Fernandes passed him on the downwind leg catching a little more air to the left of Augie. Thursday was the layday. Friday was more of the common Long Beach weather with sunny skies and light to moderate breeze from the southwest. Diaz/Rogers and Paradededa/Fernandes continued their close racing but the Brazilian continued his winning streak finishing first in race four but fell to 6<sup>th</sup> in the fifth race, while Augie remained consistent with 2 seconds.

On the final day of racing, it was raining with light air and the normal sailing area chocked with container ships that could not come into port due to a longshoreman labor dispute. The race committee moved closer to shore. Diaz/Rogers scored another great pin-end start while Paradededa was over early, restarted, but was



deep in the fleet with a dying breeze full of holes. He finished 13<sup>th</sup> and Diaz pulled out another 2<sup>nd</sup>. So it came down to the last race. Both Diaz & Paradededa knew there was throw-out. No surprise, the start was a match race between the two. Diaz won the start; his mission, to keep Paradededa deep in the fleet. Although Paradededa passed him, Diaz had achieved his objective, slowing the Brazilian down long enough that he only posted a 7<sup>th</sup>.

Another successful Snipe Championship with no protests filed and a new Champion crowned. What a great series; World class racing, World class fun!

—Bill Welch

### Western Hemisphere & Orient

#### Results

1. Augie Diaz/Jon Rogers	USA28810	3-3-3-2-2-2-(9)	15
2. Alexandre Paradededa/F. Fernandes	BRA29821	2-1-1-1-6-(13)-7	17.25
3. Marcos Macarenhas/Pedro Caldas	BRA28650	5-(13)-7-7-4-5-2	30
4. George Szabo/Brian Janney	USA29957	8-11-5-4-(22)-4-3	35
5. Randy Lake/Piet VanOs	USA28854	1-2-6-12-(17)-14-1	35.5
6. Santiago Silveira/Nicolas Shaban	URU29827	6-(22)-8-6-3-6-8	37
7. Ivan Pimentel/Pedro Tinoco	BRA29815	14-10-2-16-1-1-(dnf)	43.5
8. Javier/Nicolas Ocariz	ARG28647	4-6-(21)-14-5-12-5	46
9. Shigeru/Toshio Matsuzaki	JPN30025	11-8-(12.5)-11-10-7-4	51
10. Henry Filter/Lisa Griffith	USA29867	17-9-4-5-14-3-(10)	52
11. Kenji Abe/Hiroshi Yamachika	JPN29527	(21)-7-12.5-10-8-9-11	57.5
12. Koji Ida/Hiromu Yamasaki	JPN29150	12-14-11-9-11-11-(19)	68
13. Pedro Garra/Ricardo Ferres	URU29251	9-18-10-(19)-18-10-6	71
14. Shigeo Takamura/Saturo Maruyama	JPN29464	(18)-12-9-8-8-16.5-17	71.5
15. Jimmie/Jody Lowe	BAH28811	13-17-17-3-(24)-8-15	73
16. Diego Garcia/Martin Dovat	URU29785	7-16-18-13-7-15(200)	76
17. Bryan Lake/Graham Biehl	USA29104	10-4-14-21-13-16.5-(dnf)	78.5
18. Marcelo Bellotti/Eduardo De Silva	BRA29823	15-5-(22)-18-20-19-14	91
19. Takeyasu/Sugiyama/M. Yasumoto	JPN29909	19-15-16-924)-15-24-10	99
20. Jorge Gonzalez/Tomas Depolo	CHI28864	20-(24)-19-17-19-20-16	111
21. Luciano Gubert/Alex Bunese	BRA29666	(23)-19-20-20-21-21-12	113
22. Bibi Juetz/Lucas Ostergren	BRA29913	(24)-21-24-1-5-16-18-21	115
23. Ike Gaete/Diego Bravo	CHI28838	22-23-(25)-22-12-23-22	124
24. Robert Dunkley/Kimie Isobe	BAH29899	16-20-15-(dnc)-dnc-dnc-dnc	126
25. John/Maggie Manderson	USA29684	(25)-25-23-23-23-22-13	129

## Interview with a Champion

The Snipe Bulletin asked triple champion (US Nationals, Western Hemisphere & Orient and World Master champion) Augie Diaz for his thoughts on the Snipe and what goes on inside his boat. Here are his replies:

SB: How was this regatta for you this year? – the old adage, “old age & treachery will overcome youth & skill” comes to mind...Your consistency obviously unseated World Champion Alexandre Paradedda.

AD: Definitely old age, not much treachery and we were very fortunate to beat Alexandre; I think our win was a combination of two things: Alexandre was not as prepared for this event having just sailed the 470 Worlds and Jon Rogers made a big difference on our boat.

SB: How did you prepare for the WH & O Championship?

AD: I have been sailing as much as I can. Leading up to the Snipe Nationals I practiced on the weekends against Miami Fleet members like Robert Ramirez and Peter Commette. Practicing with Peter made a big difference and that led to the success that Pam Kelly and I had at the Nationals and this carried over to the WH & O Champ. Also we were able to sail against Jimmy and Abigail Grubbs before the regatta off Long Beach and this helped a lot.

SB: In your boat, who calls the tactics (skipper, crew or combination?)

AD: Definitely a combination and that was a pleasant surprise for Jon and I that our tactics philosophies are similar, so we just clicked right away.

SB: Speaking of crews – you have never sailed with Jon Rogers before. How was the adjustment and the short time to get acquainted in the boat?

AD: Jon is not just a terrific sailor, he was able to figure out my weaknesses (the many) and help me out in those areas. My sense is that he has sailed with so many different people that he has developed this ability. Additionally, Jon has a keen sense of balance both upwind and downwind- balance is easier when you have the tiller in your hand- you feel it; but Jon feels the boat and balances it perfectly without the tiller! The result is speed. We adjusted to each other very quickly and mostly due to Jon's background and experience.

SB: You've been sailing the Star and Snipe a lot this year – any similarities or vast differences?

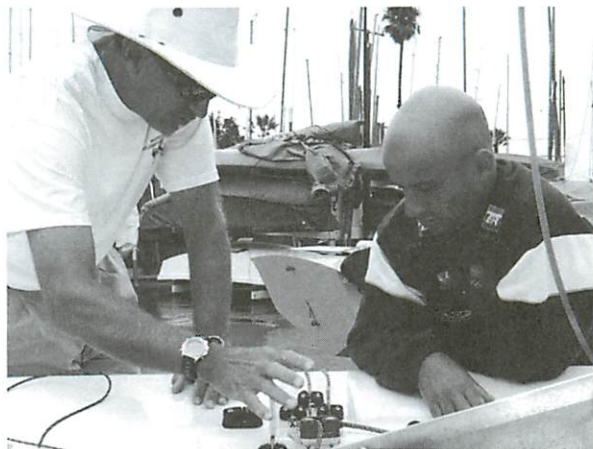
AD: There are many similarities- both have hard chines, have very competitive, close racing and deep fleets. So tactically the race is very similar.

SB: Were you surprised with the light winds in Long Beach? Did you change your settings?

AD: Yes we were surprised with the light winds and did have to shift gears; generally longer spreaders and looser rig. But having sailed against great competition at the Nationals in light air helped.

SB: Did you do or try anything different for this regatta?

AD: Not really, I go with the philosophy



that since I really don't have time to experiment, I copy what is fast and get my set up from George Szabo and Mark Reynolds and make very minor adjustments from there based on my style.

SB: What is your training schedule like - will you change in preparation for the Worlds in Sweden?

AD: I do Yoga, work out with weights once a week and sail as much as I can. I try to play basketball with my boys and their friends as often as I can and I walk a lot. I want to increase my weight training for Sweden.

SB: Everyone is pleased to see you back at the top. What can you attest your Snipe longevity to?

AD: I have to say that I have just been very fortunate in this regard: first there is my father, what can you say about the Old Man- what a great example of perseverance, commitment and sense of fair play, clearly a formula for longevity; then there is my mother and my brother that support me in so many ways that I couldn't get to first base without them and then there is my girlfriend Coni who gives me no choice but to feel and act young so that I can keep up with her!



Photos: Above: Augie & Xandi Paradedda discuss rigging preferences.

Left: Ivan Pimentel rounds first.

Page 10: Augie & Jon in sailing the Pacific ocean. All photos by Rich Roberts.

# International Snipe Class

## 2003 Racing Schedule

### International Championships

South Americans	March 3-9	Punta del Este, Uruguay
Midwinter Championship	March 24-26	Clearwater, Florida
Don Q Rum	March 28-30	Miami, Florida
Bacardi & Gamblin	April 2-5	Nassau, Bahamas
San Remo	April 18-20	San Remo, Italy
Yves LeBour-France	May 2-4	Le Havre, France
Wiibroe Cup	June 7-9	Espergaerde, Denmark
Yves LeBour – UK	June 21-22	Broadstairs, England
Brazilian Eastern Champs	July 4-6	Cabo Frio, Brazil
Spanish Cup	July 17-20	Gijón, Spain
Scandinavian Championship	July 21-27	Motala, Sweden
East European Championship	July 28-August 1	Moscow, Russia
World Championship	August 2-9	Landskrona, Sweden
Pan American Games	August 2-10	Dominican Republic
Junior World Championship	August 12-17	Moscow, Russia
European Cup	August 15-17	Herne Bay, England
Ladies Europeans	August 23-27	Moscow, Russia
Brazilian Southern Champs	September 5-7	Porto Alegre, Brazil
Yves LeBour –Belgium	September 27-28	Eau d'Heure, Belgium

### National Championships

Brazil	January 17-25	Rio de Janeiro
Uruguay	March 22, 23, 29-30	Punta del Este
	April 5-6	Punta del Este
Spain	April 30-May 4	Valencia
France	May 29-June 1	Anancy
Portugal	June 7-10	Porto
Germany	June 13-15	Caldonazzo, Italy
Finland	June 27-29	Helsinki
Sweden	July 3-5	
Norway	July 3-6	Snarøya
United States	July 11-19	Buzzards Bay, Mass.
Denmark	July 31-August 1	Espergærde
United Kingdom	August 15-17	Herne Bay, Kent
Belgium	August 23-24	Scharendijke, Netherlands
Italy	September 3-7	Muggia
Poland	September 19-21	
Chile	November 1-2, 8-9	Algarroba

### Other Regattas

Bergen Cup	May 24-25	Bergen, Norway
Vettern Snipen	July 21-22	Motala, Sweden
Viking Snipen	August 30-31	Vestfjordens, Norway
Vestlandsmesterskapet	September 13-14	Stavanger, Norway

## From the SCIRA Office

### Measurement Packages Ready Soon

The Rules Committee has been diligently working on the following that should be available soon!

- standard measurement cards for all owners
- new MDS
- measurement package for all measurers

### Rulebooks

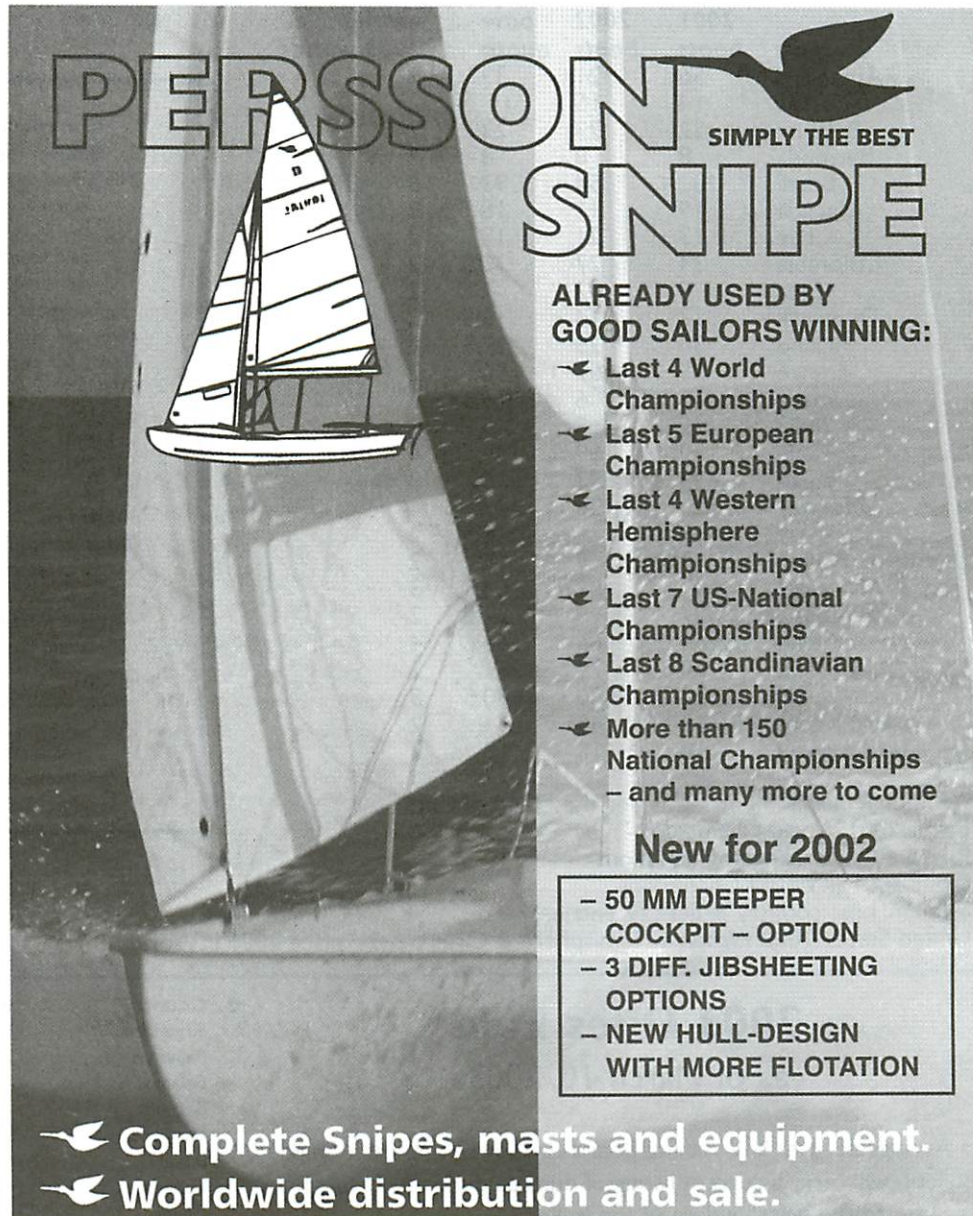
If you are a dues paying member of SCIRA and would like to have a hard copy of the current Rulebook, contact the SCIRA office to have one sent to you.


### Coming Issue

—the coming Snipe Bulletin will post all Rules change proposals for consideration at the Board of Governors meeting to be held at the 2003 Worlds in Sweden this August. If any members would like to present a change for consideration, please contact the SCIRA office immediately.

—Financial reports for 2001 & 2002 will be printed in the next issue

—Regatta reports from the 2003 South Americans, Brazilian Nationals and Winter Circuit and Southern Europeans.





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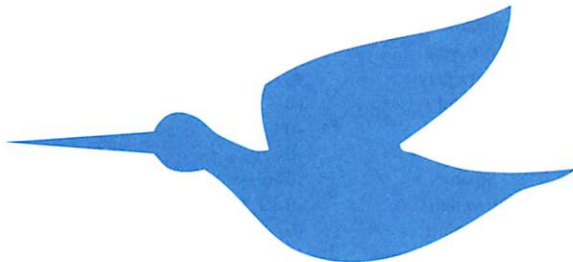
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## 2001 & 2002 Dues Paid by Country and Entry Quotas for 2003 Worlds

Country	2001 boats	2002 boats	base quota	entries 2003 worlds
Argentina	56	21	39	2
Bahamas	14	15	14.5	2
Belgium	22	23	22.5	2
Bermuda	8	8	8	2
Brazil	132	54	93	3
Canada	19	11	15	2
Chile	13	21	17	2
Colombia	34	27	30.5	2
Cuba	5	2	2	2
Denmark	17	14	15.5	2
Finland	30	25	27.5	2
France	55	57	56	2
Germany	5	6	5.5	2
India	5	5	5	2
Italy	130	159	144.5	4
Japan	639	633	616	8
Norway	120	126	123	4
Paraguay	9	4	6.5	2
Poland	3	9	6	2
Portugal	107	101	104	3
Russia	27	28	27.5	2
Spain	264	64	164	4
Sweden	68	74	71	2
USA	621	580	600.5	8
Utd Kgdm	63	45	54	2
Uruguay	18	18	18	2

### Commodore Hub E. Isaacks Trophy Snipe World Championship

The following formula shall be used. Registered Boats means number of properly registered boat owners submitted to the SCIRA office by each National Secretary on the dues paid members for that year. Information **must** include: name, address, fleet number and hull number to which the member has paid dues upon.

#### Average Number of Registered

Boats for the past 2 years	Entries
5-60	2
61-110	3
111-180	4
181-250	5
251-300	6
301 and up	8

#### Other entrants in addition to country quotas

- World Champion
- European Champion
- Western Hemisphere & Orient Champion
- First and second place in the Junior World Championship will qualify for the senior worlds in a succeeding year.
- One additional skipper from the host country, providing that it does not have among its other representatives the Junior or Senior World, European or Western Hemisphere & Orient Champion

Additional qualified entries as per the Deed of Gift:

Brazil: 2001 World Champions

Russia: 2002 European Champions

Spain: 2001 Jr. World Champions

Sweden: host country & fleet (2 entries)

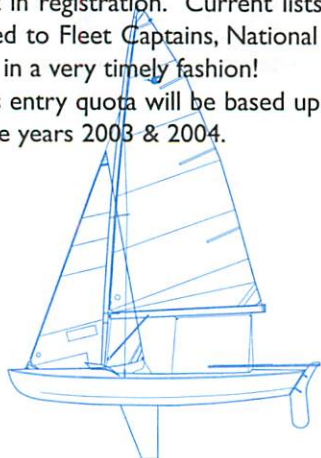
United States: 2002 Western Hemisphere & Orient & 2<sup>nd</sup> place 2001 Jr. World

## 2003 Dues Paid as of March 10, 2003

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. Current lists of paid members can be e-mailed to Fleet Captains, National Secretaries or Regatta Organizers in a very timely fashion!

The 2005 Worlds entry quota will be based upon the average of boats paid for the years 2003 & 2004.



Country	Boats paid	Skippers	Crews
Argentina	14	14	14
Bahamas	2	2	-0-
Belarus	-0-	-0-	-0-
Belgium	-0-	-0-	-0-
Bermuda	3	2	-0-
Brazil	61	63	65
Canada	4	5	2
Chile	-0-	-0-	-0-
Colombia	25	28	24
Cuba	-0-	-0-	-0-
Denmark	-0-	-0-	-0-
Finland	-0-	1	-0-
France	-0-	-0-	-0-
Germany	6	5	3
India	5	2	-0-
Italy	1	1	-0-
Japan	0	3	-0-
Norway	2	1	1
Paraguay	4	5	-0-
Poland	-0-	-0-	-0-
Portugal	-0-	-0-	-0-
Russia	-0-	-0-	-0-
Spain	-0-	1	-0-
Sweden	-0-	1	-0-
Ukraine	-0-	-0-	-0-
Utd Kingdom	-0-	-0-	-0-
United States	180	194	16
Uruguay	-0-	1	-0-
<b>Total</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>62</b>

# 2002 Argentina Nationals

## San Nicolás

### November 1-3

The 2002 Argentine Nationals were celebrated in San Nicolás over the November 1-3 weekend.

The regatta sailing area was excellent, held on a lake that was 1-½ miles in length with no current. Each race was 1-1.5 hours in length with the wind blowing from the north the first two days. The last day a "pampero" arrived, with the wind

blowing from the southwest, elevating the wind to a consistent 22 knots, with gusts of 27, making the last race very exciting!!

The race committee ran very good races and everything was perfect! The fact that no protests were filed confirmed that.

Cristian Noe and Federico Lopez dominated the regatta but Luis Soubie with Marcela Domato as crew, followed closely behind in 2<sup>nd</sup>. Even with our tough economic times, 22 boats showed up to race the Nationals and enjoy Snipe sailing!

#### Results

1. Cristian Noe/Federico Lopez	ARG28643	1-1-2-1-(6)-1-2	7
2. Luis Soubie/Marcela Domato	ARG28701	2-2-5-(5)-1-2-1	11.5
3. Adrian Marcatelli/Fernando Zapatosky	ARG29339	5-(14)-1-2-2-4-7	20.75
4. Matias Pereira/Martin Bisi	ARG28211	4-3-3-(16)-3-7-3	23
5. Lucas Gomez/Juan Gomez	ARG28785	9-7-5-4-4-5-(17)	34
6. Eduardo/Julian Fumagallo	ARG12733	10-4-10-7-7-3-(12)	41
7. Ignacio Fernandez Vina/Rene Hormazabal	ARG28696	3-11-(13)-3-13-6-6	42
8. Adolfo Benavidez/Federico Pierson	ARG22718	6-6-15-6-9-(19)-5	47
9. Mariano Arroyo/Agustin Zabalua	ARG28984	7-12-7-(18)-12-12-11	61
10. Ariel Villalaba/Francisco Bonaventura	ARG28969	8-(16)-8-12-10p20-11-16	65
11. Juan Dris/Marcos Lewis	ARG20243	14-5-6-11-16-(20)-13	65
12. Mario Fumagallo/Santiago S. Ordonez	ARG12103	11-9-(21)-10-19-9-8	66
13. Javier Moyano/Julio Cozzario	ARG29730	(17)-10-11-14-11-17-4	67
14. Emanuel Botello/Mariana Zarza	ARG27860	16-8-9-(21)-15-10-10	68
15. Martin Pertini/Lelio DeSanto	ARG28698	(22)-13-16-8-8-8-15	68
16. Federico Norman/Gonzalo Caceres	ARG2864	12-18-12-(20_18-16-9	85
17. Esteban Fourquet/Juan Pablo Molinari	ARG29344	18-17-18-9-10-14-(dnc)	86
18. Jose Lovigne/Sebastian Guerra	ARG29889	13-(19)-14-15-14-18-14	88
19. Fabricio Chuchi/Fernando Garcia	ARG28789	20-20-17-13-17-13-(dnc)	100
20. Nicolas Casariego/German Diaz	ARG12000	15-15-19-19-20-15-(dnc)	103
21. Javie Rodriguez Gil/Carol Keen	ARG29234	19-(21)-20-17-21-21-18	116
22. Franco Camba/Leandro Antoliche	ARG24992	21-(22)-22-22-dnc-dnc-dnc	131

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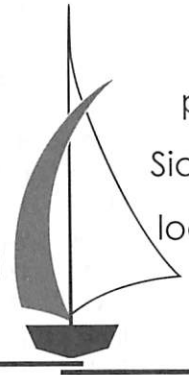
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# Copa di Lucia

December 14, 2002

## Fleet #329, Stockholm Snipe Club

It is always a bit hazardous to arrange a regatta in December in Sweden since the weather conditions normally are rather icy, both inside the Snipe and out. The weather forecast predicted a very cold temperature but luckily it was wrong. The weather conditions were ideal considering the time of year and we had -2 degrees Celsius, cloudy skies and 1-3 m/s wind from southwest. At Aludden in Djursholm (just north of Stockholm, Sweden) 7 crews gathered full of expectations. In spite of the cold, all equipment ran well except for one boat that had to remove a 10 kg block of ice and another who had to change their hard frozen jib sheet.

The race courses were upwind/downwind with "gate rounding" at the leeward mark with two laps and finish at the downwind leg. Four races were concluded and the worst one thrown out. The winning tactic was to try the left side after the start where the current was milder and then on the port tack, towards the weather mark, find the better wind and at the same time estimate the speed and direction of the ice-flows on the starboard side of the race course. The crew that succeeded to manage the conditions best were the team of Tomas Tarp/Rickard Oberpichler. They had a somewhat slow start with two fourth positions. With better trim, using the mast pusher to open up the leech a bit more in the light breeze and by doing a couple of

smart tacks between some of the numerous ice-floes, they found some extra wind and won the two remaining races and also the whole regatta just ahead of Jonas Wibom/Linda Johansson. The regatta was very tight with only two points differing between 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place. "After sail" was enjoyed at the premises of family Rost where everyone could have a drink of "glögg" (hot red wine with sugar) and "Janssons frestelse" (temptation of Jansson, i.e. stripped potatoes with herring and cream). Thank you everybody who joined this last regatta of 2002 and special thanks to Hakan Wersall who donated an ice-pail (!) to the winners. Thanks also to the Royal Swedish Yacht Club (KSSS).

### Results

1.	Tomas Tarp/Richard Oberpichler	(4)-4-1-1	6
2.	Jonas Wibom/Linda Johansson	2-2-2-(4)	6
3.	Mats/Elinor Göthlin	1-(6)-4-3	8
4.	Bernhard Rost/Jonas Ahlberg	3-3-(5)-2	8
5.	Mats Åkerblad/Håkan Wersäll	(6)-1-3-6	10
6.	Niklas Toregård/Patrik Gransäter	5-5-(6)-5	15
7.	Per Göthlin	(7)-7-7-7	21

## Women's Worlds

### Results

1.	CB Krebs/J Redler	USA	5-3-1-(9)-1-6-3	18.5
2.	K. Eikeland/J. Krefting	NOR	6-6-2-3-(8)-3-1	20.75
3.	B. Hallawell/S. Suarez	USA	4-1-6-(8)-5-1-5	21.5
4.	A./M. Foglia	URU	1-4-12-1-(raf)-2-4	23.5
5.	C. Cronin/K. Fears	USA	7-2-3-4-9-(11)-2	27
6.	L. Stout/L. Filter	USA	3-8-5-2-6-(12)-9	33
7.	L. Pline/S. Eldridge	USA	2-(ocs)-4-5-4-10-10	35
8.	J. Gauthier/J. Spring	USA	8-5-10-6-3-5-(16)	37
9.	U. Nystrom/J. Stahl	NOR	(17)-14-7-12-4-11	55
10.	J. Bruner/P. Duffy	USA	12-9-8-dnf-2-9-(18)	57
11.	C. deFaire/J. Shouten	NOR	9-(17)-15-10-11-7-7	59
12.	A. Schedel/T. O'Dea	USA	16-12-16-(dnc)-19-8-8	79
13.	S. Welch/T. Bixby	USA	(21)-10-7-13-13-18-20	81
14.	Y. Yanaga/A. Minoshima	JPN	19-15-(ocs)-14-7-20-6	81
15.	L. Lowe/J. Plitt	BAH	15-14-(ocs)-12-15-13-14	83
16.	L. Jeffers/A. Linton	USA	14-11-(ocs)-15-16-16-12	84
17.	S. Back/L. Johansson	SWE	11-18-17-11-17-(23)-15	89
18.	M. Maurin/S. Gonzalez	CHI	10-16-9-(ocs)-14-19-22	90
19.	L. Fitzpatrick/P. Helmick	USA	20-13-(ocs)-dnf-10-17-17	94
20.	G. Crook/K. Heywood	CAN	13-20-11-dnf-(dnc)-14-25	100
21.	S. Ogura/C. Ogura	JPN	(24)-19-13-dnf-18-21-13	101
22.	K. Yamada/M. Sakamoto	JPN	23-(ocs)-18-dnc-dnc-15-19-127	
23.	A. Sepanski/L. Manning	USA	22-(ocs)-19-dnc-021-25-21	134
24.	R. Silverstein/A. Ackman	USA	18-(ocs)-ocs-16-20-dnc-dnc	135
25.	C. Snook/B. Ransom	USA	(26)-21-20-dnc-22-24-24	137
26.	K. Park/D. Fowler	USA	25-22-dnf-(dnc)-dnc-22-23	139



# 2002 Open Swedish Championship

With 37 boats from Sweden, Norway, and Denmark participating, it was a truly terrific regatta. The winds varied from 10-14 m/s during day 1 and 2 and only 3-5 m/w during day 3.

The winning team was Bjorn Forslund and Hilde Trettenes (NOR30026) from Norway. They sailed their new Skipper Snipe. Just one month before the Open Swedish Championship, they won the Norwegian Championship, and they are now setting their sites at winning the Europeans!

Second in the regatta was Birger Jansen and Cecilia De Faire (NOR29940). The best Swedish team was Gustaf Svensson and Lennart Ljunggren (SWE29353). Another great performance came from Jeanette Krefting and Karianne Eikeland from Norway (NOR30046), the 2000 Women's World Champions. They sailed a new Skipper Snipe as well (rose and grey in photos), and finished 8th.

—Tommy Svensson



## SNIPES NORTH WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS AT BUDWORTH

There was a good turnout of 28 Snipes for the North West Championships held at Budworth Sailing Club on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2002. An international flavour was added by high-ranking crews visiting from Norway and USA.

The Norwegian fleet of three from Stavanger, comprised Jørn Haga and Ida Setersdal, Rune Kartveit and Janicke Allers, Bjarte Høylandskjær and Hege Jarle Haaland. Whereas Rune and Janicke just missed out on the prize places, Jørn and Ida made fifth place.

Gene Soltero from Dallas, Texas, brought his own sails and borrowed Judith Goodwin's ITSA Marine Snipe, 28639: Budworth's Deborah Love stood in as crew. Gene finished third overall, but what really made his weekend, was his first place in the fourth race, which was also his first win in the UK. Gene can now claim to have won a race in each country he has competed in.

The weather for the weekend came in as forecast - mild, hazy to sunny conditions with wind from the South, light on Saturday and 13 mph or so on Sunday. These winds, coming across the length of the Mere, can produce some of Budworth's trickiest, racing conditions - this weekend was no exception - perhaps favouring the local crews.

However, even for crews with local experience, rounding the windward mark, situated in the lee of Marbury Park Woods, in-

creasingly became a lottery during the first two races on Sunday. The lucky ones could expect to be lifted right round the mark, the unlucky ones were just headed off into still air. The situation improved for the last race, when the mark was moved further towards the centre of the mere.

Nevertheless, racing throughout the weekend was competitive, close and friendly. The first race set the scene with the lead changing hands at least four times. However, Neil and Jenny Martin got to the front on the penultimate lap, to go on to finish first, holding off a late surging challenge from Mark Antonelli and Robin Winsland.

Out of the Weekend's five races, it was only Mike Crompton winning in the second race, and Gene in the third, that broke Neil and Mark's "one two" finishing order for the rest. These results ensured Mark's second place overall and Neil and Jenny retaining respectively, the Howarth Trophy and Crosby Cup, as North West Snipe Champions.

The Juniors' racing was equally competitive and close. Geoffrey Edwards, crewed by Becky Partridge on Saturday and Katie Sampson on Sunday, was once again highest placed Junior helm at 15<sup>th</sup>, however, Tom Crompton, crewed by Will Edwards, was just one point and one place behind.

— David Alexander

### Results

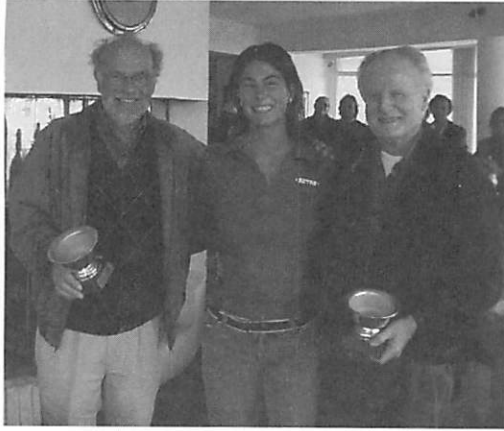
Skipper/Crew	Club	Total
1. Neil/Jenny Martin	Budworth	5.25
2. Mark Antonelli/Robin Winsland	Budworth	9
3. Gene Solter/Deborah Love	Dallas, Texas	13.75
4. Alan Williams/Liz Crouch	Budworth	15
5. Jørn Haga/Ida Setersdal	Stavanger	19
6. Mike/Ben Crompton	Budworth	20.75
7. Rune Kartveit/Janicke Allers	Stavanger	23
8. Phil/Michael Hackney	Budworth	28
9. Brian/Ian Gregory	Blue Circle	32
10. John Love/Chris Surridge	Budworth	38
11. David/Frances Alexander	Budworth	39
12. Paul/Duncan Fraser	Budworth	52
13. Hugh Smallman/A. & S. Brown	Budworth	53

14. Nigel Harrison/K. Halmshaw	Budworth	55
15. Geoffrey Edwards/Patridge	Budworth	56
16. Tom Crompton/Will Edwards	Budworth	57
17. Wally/Val Hardman	Budworth	59
18. Mike Andrews/Ted Thompson	Budworth	65
19. Roger/Richard Barnes	Budworth	68
20. Bjarte Høylandskjær/H. Haaland	Stavanger	73
21. Steve/Jane Kelham	Budworth	74
22. Stephen/Miles/Lucas Johnstone	Budworth	7
23. Lester Scott/Susan Robertson	Budworth	80
24. Raymond Ross/Chris Haymes	Budworth	93
25. Gavin Watkins/Dennis O'Byrne	Stone	95
26. Andy/Katie Hunt	Budworth	96
27. Sam Robinson/Tunecliffe/Bailey	Budworth	103
28. Paul/Hilary Naylor	Budworth	108

# Old Timer's Regatta

## Punta del Este, Uruguay

A new idea to promote our Snipe Class went under way on November 9th and 10th in Uruguay. Originally thought an "Old Snipers Regatta", the competitors, who did not think themselves



"old" changed it to "Remembrance Regatta". According to the logo that Juan Grunwaldt and Miguel Vidal designed, "Jurassic Park Regatta" would have perfectly fit! J

Even before the World Championship, we were thinking in how to motivate ex-Snipers to enjoy sailing in the class again. Several reasons prevented them to race regularly. Being overweight in combination with their former crews, the impossibility of taking time out of their families or just feeling that they were not competitive any more were among those reasons.

We organized a regatta for skippers and crews who did not sail Snipes regularly in the past 10 years. The key to the great success was giving the chance to former crews to enjoy competing against others in the same condition. Different to the Master category, where master



skippers chose younger crews, current snipers were not allowed to race and were all asked to lend their boats to their old fellows. A special wind limit of 15 Kt was established, to make the boat lenders sure that no crew would need to hike out hard with their 170 Kg (375 pounds)!!

On a unstable forecast for the weekend, we realized that we only had chance to race on Saturday. In spite of the changing and light wind, they went out and raced 3 excellent W-L under the cheers of a big crowd. As Carlos (Tico) Gomez, the club's Race Officer, was also racing, the RC was formed by current Snipers. They did an excellent job, changing the course several times, and even pleasing Tico! On Sunday the forecast prevailed and a 30 Kt Pampero ended the championship with Saturday's races only.

Crews included Horacio García Pastori/Felix Leborgne (4th in 1975 Worlds), who raced against their sons Alejandro, Horacio and Felix. Also Fernando Thode/Alberto Demichelli (Bronze Medal in 1983 Pan Am Games) and Carlos Murguía/José (Bocha) Torre took part of this regatta, fighting until the last minute for the first place, which was finally won by Murguía/Torre.

The trophy presented by Aldo Centanaro carried the name of the late sniper Dr. Pedro Garra. Everybody agreed that he would not have participated in this regatta, as he would have been racing regularly still!

At the closing ceremony Alberto Demichelli showed an col-



lection of old photographs that everybody enjoyed. The atmosphere was so high, that 2 championships of this type were already scheduled on the spot for 2003.



An unofficial concession was made to the ones that decide to buy a Snipe and start racing regularly again: they will be allowed to race anyway in 2003!

We would like to encourage fleets of the rest of the world to try to bring back former snipers in this way. In addition to the pleasure of helping them reenounter with their fellows and enjoy racing in state of the art Snipes, the spirit builds on the one of younger generations. As always, a very special Snipe family feeling was present in the "Remembrance Regatta 2002".

—Pedro Garra

Photos: top, Leborgne/Fogliati/Garcia Pastori. Left: Garcia Pastori & Leborgne. Above: Murguía/Torre.

# Japan National 2002

The 2002 Japan Nationals were held November 13 through 17, 2002 at Yamaguchi-ken Sports Interchange Village where Yacht Harbor, Swimming Pool, Athletic Gym, Study & Training Rooms and economical lodging facility of \$20/night including a breakfast & a dinner are equipped, under participation of 65 boats from all over the country. Of the 65 boats, 28 boats (43%) were college sailors.

The wind conditions were light such that only 4 races out of the scheduled 7 races were completed. The top 4 college teams were able to excel in the unstable conditions, but on the other hand, home teams and native sailors such as Takamura (2001 National Champion) and Abe (3<sup>rd</sup> place in 2001, 2000) did not finish so well. The winner was K. Ida/H. Yamasaki (Shimazu Seisakusyo), for them this was their third win. In second place was T. Kesamaru/Y. Kawakami (North Sail Japan) and third was Y. Morita/A. Fujita (Honda Kumamoto). Other top 15 were as listed below.

As another topics, SCIRA Japan newly held "The Members Meeting" after skippers meeting in which SCIRA Japan Board reported to the members with important issues and current topics and questions and requests were presented from the members to the SCIRA Japan Board.

— Jiro Yamamoto



Photos by Jiro Kurita. Right, Ida and Yamasaki show their winnings!  
Below: scramble for the start!



## Results Top 15 among 65

Place	Sail No.	Skipper/Crew	Point	Total
1.	28972	K. Ida/H. Yamasaki	6 - 11 - 15 - 4	36
2.	28758	T. Kesamaru/Y. Kawakami	28 - 8 - 3 - 2	41
3.	29392	Y. Morita/A. Fujita	38 - 0.75 - 0.75 - 8	37.5
4.	29880	Y. Yamamoto/N. Takei	30 - 2 - 8 - 12	52
5.	29427	T. Oka/Y. Kobayashi	5 - 10 - 10 - 38	63
6.	29423	T. Miyaguchi/A. Kobayashi	20 - 26 - 11 - 9	66
7.	30025	S. Matsuzaki/T. Matsuzaki	14 - 35 - 5 - 16	70
8.	29620	S. Koga/M. Shiraishi	13 - 14 - 6 - 40	73
9.	29003	S. Uchida/M. Uchida	23 - 6 - 7 - 38	74
10.	29619	M. Hashimoto/H. Ozaki	15 - 29 - 18 - 16	78
11.	29295	H. Maeda/T. Kusumoto	24 - 17 - 22 - 18	81
12.	29049	H. Hata/M. Michizuka	18 - 7 - 31 - 31	87
13.	28875	T. Iwase/T. Takagi	0.75 - 20 - 33 - 34	87.75
14.	29744	M. Ibaragi/T. Umetani	10 - 9 - 16 - 60	95
15.	29464	S. Takamura/S. Maruyama	46 - 5 - 27 - 20	98



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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
<b>2000 Western Hemispheres</b>	<b>1,2*,6,7,8,9,10</b>
<b>1999 Worlds</b>	<b>1,2</b>

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