



1994 Summer Report

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Craig Leweck

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THE COVER: Blue Circle Fleet 545, United Kingdom. 20557 skipper Elizabeth Crouch, crew Michelle Bolton. 20247 skipper Mick Fish, crew Emma Fish.

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AROUND THE SNIPE WORLD Belgium Salutes Victor Claessens



Victor Claessens retired from his office as commodore of the dinghy class for the KYC in November 1993 after being in office every weekend for the past 20 years, supported by his wife and friends.

He helped a lot to the class especially against the Belgian sailing federation and other instances in organising many races (4 a year) and the last 4 Belgian Championships. Without him it would have been very tough for Snipe in our country.

At last, in May 1994 he traveled with me (other years he visited his brother in the USA) and another Belgian crew to the Wibro-Cup in Denmark where he could enjoy the fantastic Snipe mentality and friendship on and off the water.

For all that he did, I am sure he belongs to our "Snipe hall of fame" which makes our class so exceptional.

> —Andre Callot Belgium National Secretary

Columbia Active Again

National Secretary Richard Deeb reports an active fleet in Columbia with 12 sailors and the National Championships set for August.

New Fleet Captain for Oklahoma City

Andy Towles has taken over the reigns in Edmond, OK. He can be reached at: 1505 Pine Oak, Edmond, OK 73013. 405-330-1751.

Snipe Festival Update

As of printing, organizers of the Snipe Festival in Japan report: World Masters Registrants: 59 from 12 countries Junior World Registrants: 24 from 13 countries

Womens World Registrants: 46 from 5 countries

Annapolis NAs Update

Don't miss out on what the Severn Sailing Association and Eastport Yacht Club are planning for this year's NA regatta. Some of the best racing anywhere in the world will be in Annapolis, Capitol of Sailing, this September. If you want to test yourself against the top boats, experience the Annapolis Racing Scene or just have a great vacation, fill our the pre-registration form in this bulletin. There will be the famous beer truck, giveaways, massages by June Schneider, gatherings at Marmadukes Pub and EYC's Bar and a lot more. Fill out the pre-registration form and send it in before August 25!

There is also no excuse for not coming to Annapolis. USAir is offering a discounted fare so you can fly here and use one of the available charter boats. Or, tell your skipper to trailer the boat and fly here yourself. Housing and Daycare for those future Snipe sailors (FSSs) can also be arranged. Please call in advance if you need day-care facilities.

Plans are underway to make the North Americans a feeder race to the Western Hemispheres in Uruguay this December. A freighter will take Snipes from Baltimore. If you are going to Uruguay, you can leave your boat at SSA after the regatta. Contact Pete Fenner for further details.

SSA is a famous one-design racing club and home to Snipe fleet 532. Former National Secretary Phil Richmond will be the Principal Race Officer so we are assured of good courses and fair sailing. There are over 40 Snipes here at SSA.

September brings some of the finest sailing weather we have on the Chesapeake. Expect winds to be from the south at 8-10 mph in the morning, perhaps freshening in the afternoon to 14-16 mph. The water temperature will be about 70 degrees by mid September and there will by the usual choppy seas.

The sponsorship for this event is looking positive. If all goes well, ESPN-2 will bring their "Gyro" Cam in for 2 days. One day's filming will be spent with the NAs on the Bay, and one day will be spent in the Annapolis Harbor filming the Team Racing. Gary Jobson hopes to cover the North Americans and the Team Racing for his new weekly show on sailboat racing. However, ESPN coverage is sponsor dependent.

Team Racing will be on Spa Creek in the Annapolis Harbor. The format will be 6 teams with three boats per team. The specifics are subject to the sponsors approval but in any event, if you want to participate, you will not be turned away.

Trophies will be awarded for the top 10 skippers and crews, top master, top junior and top woman. Additional "other" prizes will also be awarded.

Preliminary Schedule of Events Wednesday, September 21

10-5	Registration & Measurement
1pm	Practice Race
6pm	Opening Ceremony

Thursday, September 22

8:30-10 Registration & Measurement 10:15amCompetitors Meeting 10:45amDock Start 11:55amRace #1 & #2 Post race activities to be announced

Friday, September 23

9:50am Dock Start 11:00amRace #3, #4, #5 Post race activities to be announced

Saturday, September 24 9:50am Dock Start 11:00amRace #6 & #7 Post Race Trophy Dinner

Sunday, September 25 Team Racing in Spa Creek



"This Ain't No Club Race"

Doug Hart and Jon Rogers Capture US Nationals Title

56 teams traveled from across the US to Lake Ray Hubbard, Dallas, Texas, July 11-15 for the 1994 Championship of the United States. Teams from as far away as Seattle, Miami, Boston and San Diego battled the summer heat and the road with single, double, triple and even a quad boat trailer (with another Snipe on the Landshark!).

Southern hospitality and weather greeted each team with Rush Creek Yacht Club rolling out the welcome mat. Fried Elliott and his band of volunteers registered sailors while the measuring team of Brainard Cooper, Dan Williams & Chuck Loomis braved the Texas heat and occassional thunderstorm to make sure the boats were equal.

Seniors

On Monday morning the seniors gathered for the competitors meeting, anxious to get on the water. Regatta Chairman Fried Elliott, outlined the laws for the week, and was quoted as saying "This ain't no club race". The thunderstorm from the previous day had left the weather unsettled and a bit overcast, but served up a day of 8-12 knot breezes for the single start Crosby elimination series. Race 1 found Rick & Carol Merriman leading the pack with the top ten trading places before the finish. Race 2 had the Lewecks leading wire to wire with the Merrimans on their tail and Henry Filter and Carol Newman finishing third. The third race of the day started after 2 recalls and the Z flag, but Jeff and Becky Lenhart established a nice lead ahead of Jerry Thompson/Dee Schilling and Filter/Newman in third.

Back at the club, the fleet retired to the pool for relief from the Texas heat. Pitchers from the "slurpee" machine kept appearing as the charge cards issued on bow numbers made it easy to relax and enjoy Rush Creek's hospitality (until the bill came due!).

Day 2 of the Crosby gave 8-10 knots with Doug Hart and Jon Rogers posting their first and only bullet for this series. Bryan Fishback and Lorie Stout scored second with Peter and Connie Commette earning their first of two thirds for the day. The last race of the Crosby showed the final top 10 Crosby winners placing in the top 10, except for Lenhart who was deep.

After the line was drawn for the Heinzerling/Wells series, the two fleets were off. On shore in the morning, the breeze was up around 15 knots, and everyone was decid-



Regatta Chairman Fried Elliott helps congratulate Jon Rogers and Doug Hart,US National Champions

ing on gear and rig changes, but the voices in the back of their minds were whispering that it may die. Decisions. The first race began in about 10-12, with the next race hovering around 10 knots. At the end of the first day, Doug Hart and Jon Rogers had a 7 point lead over 2nd place Doug Clark and Alex Stout. The Merrimans followed and local boy Jim Bowers and Sarah Robertson were in 4th. The three F's, Fishback, Filter and Franco were all within a point of each other, and the racing was tight.

Thursday morning dawned, and the crowd was gathered around the YC TV, watching constant radar weather updates, showing a band of thunderstorms located around Dallas. The Race Committee flew the postponement flag, and everyone waited. Talk was of Tom Nute's 1977 Championship, held at the same site, won on 3 races. Doug Hart was anxious. The crowd busied themselves, and finally at 4pm, the races were cancelled. That evening, a majority of the fleet boarded buses and headed to the Rangers vs. Bluejays Baseball game at Dallas' new stadium. The Diaz family changed sports for a couple of hours and cheered along with the other sailors for their favorite teams.

Friday found the fleet on the water early, and 5-8 knots of breeze. The last day would

be no picnic as the sky was clear and the heat was on (in more ways than one!). The Heinzerling fleet was entertainment for the Wells, with numerous recalls, postponements and general recalls with the Z flag! Hart and Rogers posted a bullet on the first race, solidifying their place. Race two, in 3-5 knots, was a bit more entertaining. After a shifty weather leg, the wind shut off and the fleet coasted to the jibe and leeward mark. Doug Hart and company went low and looked golden for a while until it really shut off and shifted. After the bugs cleared, the entire fleet had rounded with Hart/Rogers in 2nd to last with the Wells fleet not 10 boat lengths behind. At the finish, Texan Bill Draheim and Jake Scott won with Clark/Stout pushing for the trophy, Bob Little and Tom Purdy in 3rd, Fishback/Stout in 4th and another local, Greg Gust and Ryan Glaze in 5th. Hart and Rogers posted a 29, with a couple of Wells finishes crossing before them. (Is this a first?)

A postponement followed, with the majority of the fleet swimming off their boats to cool off, and water being generously handed out off the committee boat to keep everyone hydrated. With the "sea breeze" filling in to about 5 knots, the last race started and found the Lewecks posting their second bullet

1994 Perpetual Trophy Winners List

Heinzerling - Champion of the United States Portage Lakes - Champion Crew of the United States Slauson - 2nd Place Skipper & Crew of the Heinzerling series Wells - Champions not sailing in the Heinzerling fleet Crosby - Winner of the qualifying series Griffith -High Point of combined Crosby and Heinzerling Carolyn Nute -Top placing married couple Eleanor Williams - Top placing female in Heinzerling Masters Endurance - Oldest skipper entered in Championship Owen E. Duffy - Junior Championship of the United States Gilreath - Champion crew of the U.S. Junior Championship

Doug Hart, Jon Rogers, Mission Bay Jon Rogers, Mission Bay Doug Clark, Alex Stout, Annapolis Peter & Laura Fenner, White Rock, Dallas Craig & Lisa Leweck, Mission Bay Rick & Carol Merriman, Mission Bay Rick & Carol Merriman, Mission Bay Lorie Stout, Annapolis Bob Sanders, Seattle Yano Casalaina, San Francisco Miriam Casalaina, San Francisco of the series. Commette, Fishback, Filter and Merriman followed, but it was Hart/ Rogers that clinched the Championship.

The Wells world found close competition between Pete and Laura Fenner, Martin Bebb and Rita Goppert and newlyweds Jon and Susan Christensen. The newlyweds led after day one and posted a first on the first race on the final day, but the light breeze moved National Secretary Pete Fenner with daughter Laura crewing, into the top spot.

The Championship dinner had eveyone outside under a canopy with Chairman Fried Elliott as Master of Ceremonies. Perpetual and national trophies designed by fleet member Jerry Sams, drawings of the original Snipe beautifully framed, were handed out to the trophy winners.

Fried Elliott's final comments reflected upon personal contacts with Hub Issacs and a local fleet member, both of whom have since passed away. Fried reminded us that the most important aspect of Snipe sailing is the friends that we make and will always have, not just the competitive aspect. "Remember to ask "How are you?" rather than "How did you do?".



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1. Doug Hart/Jon Rogers	28687
2. Doug Clark/Alex Stout	28050
3.Bryan Fishback/Lorie Stout	28575
4. Henry Filter/Carol Newman	28094
5. Rick/Carol Merriman	27077
6. Peter/Connie Commette	28714
7. Craig/Lisa Leweck	28672
8. Jack Franco/Lisa Griffith	28702
9. Bill Draheim/Jake Scott	24638
10.Jim Bowers/Sarah Robertson	25710
11. Don Bedford/Grace Fang	25521
12. Jerry Thompson/Dee Schilling	24702
13. Lee Griffith/Kerry Tyson	27054
14. Bob Little/Tom Purdy	27568
15. Gavin O'Hare/Aimee Hess	23591
16. Lucas/Augie Diaz	26457
17. John MacRae/Melitta King	26451
18. Greg Gust/Ryan Glaze	26078
19. Steve Stewart/Jeff Baker	22815
20. Jeff/Becky Lenhart	25715
21. Watt Duffy/Priscilla Albright	25048
22. Bill Hall/Ray Schmidt	28199
23. Mike Lenkeit/C. Raferty	28686
24. Bob/Sandy Rowland	26747
25. Stephan Irgens/Monica Bigar	
26. Gonzalo Diaz/Aaron Haller	26395
27. Doug/James Goppert	28383
28. Sean/Jerelyn Bichl	26104
29. Robert Dull/Leigh Morgan	27788
30. David/Susan Odell	27521
31. Yano/Miriam Casalaina	28445
32. Scott Self/Robyn Holt	26077
33. Jerome Fournier/Kim Noe	28679

Skipper/Crew

1. Pete/Laura Fenner

2. Martin Bebb/Rita Goppert

5. John Sepanski/Mark Aljets 6. Dave Tillson/Kristen Lawton

7. Bob Hyland/Suzanne Stephan

8. Darryl Waskow/Ros Corper

9. David Reeves/John Hill

11. Fried Elliott/A. Korkosz

13. Andrea Sepanski/C. Irgens

14. Charles/Kimberly Quade

16. Bob Ewoldt/Chuck Wahl

19. Mary Ann Rix/lam Olson

20. Bob Sanders/Cliff Wright 21. Gary Derrick/Russell Cole

23. Scott Worral/M. Harrison

22. Vince Casalaina/Joe Caruana 26112

15. Pat Keane/Alan Ebner

17. James/Ken Rix

18. Steve/Mary Snider

12. John/Vickie Gilmour

10. Ed/Pat Olson

3. Jon/Susan Christensen

4. John/Mary Buckley

U.S. Snipe Nationals
Heinzerling Series

Fleet	Places	Points
Mission Bay	.75-2-875-(29)-8	19.50
Annapolis	4-3-(10)-4-2-7	20
Annapolis	3-5-(14)-6-4-3	21
Annapolis	(16)-675-5-12-4	27.75
Mission Bay	6-8-4-(17)-6-5	29
Miami	8-13-5-2-(25)-2	30
Mission Bay	(22)75-3-7-2075	31.50
Alamitos Bay	7-4-12-10-9-(13)	42.
L. Ray Hubbard	1 (21)-21-11-875-6	46.75
L. Ray Hubbard	15-12-2-15-15-(16)	49
Mission Bay	(23)-18-6-11-8-14	57
Alamitos Bay	2-10-25-3-(26)-19	59
Barnegat Bay	9-11-13-9-18-(27)	60
Alamitos Bay	13-(29)-9-29-3-10	64
Mission Bay	12-(32)-15-12-11-15	65
Miami	(29)-7-17-23-17-9	73
Winchester	18-25-7-(27)-7-17	74
L. Ray Hubbar	d 11-9-(28)-28-5-21	74
Mission Bay	10-16-16-(24)-22-12	76
Mission Bay	(31)-14-19-16-10-20	79
Mission Bay	(28)-27-24-13-13-11	88
Winchester	15-19-(26)-18-16-23	91
Mission Bay	24-15-20-14-19-(25)	92
Cowan Lake	(33)-24-30-20-14-18	106
Carlyle Lake	19-17-21-30-(31)-22	109
Miami	14-26-18-(32)-27-28	113
Missouri Lake	25-22-(32)-25-21-24	117
Mission Bay	26-(30)-23-19-28-26	122
Annapolis	17-31-22-21-(dnf)-dnc	124
San Francisco	(32)-23-31-22-24-31	131
San Francisco	27-20-33-26-32-(dnf)	138
L. Ray Hubbar	d 20-28-29-(33)-30-32	139
Mission Bay	30-(33)-27-31-23-30	141.

Wells Series

Boat

25515

25517

24042

28444

25049

23966

27904

27734

25421

26666

25375

26752

27094

25060

24321

25552

27405

17159

25787 25044

23277

25488

Fleet	Places	Points
Dallas	(10)75-2-2-475	9.50
Missouri Lake	3-575-(21)75-2	11.5
Lincoln	.75-3-575-(6)-3	12.50
Lincoln	11-2-3-3-5-(12)	24
Carlyle Lake	2-(12)-12-5-2-4	25
Mission Bay	5-6-(10)-8-3-8	30
Kansas City	4-(14)-8-4-9-11	36
Barnegat Bay	9-9-4-9-7-(15)	38
Atlanta	8-8-6-12-(20)-6	40
Dallas	(13)-13-9-7-13-5	47
L. Ray Hubbard	6-11-7-(15)14-9	47
San Francisco	7-10-(20)-6-8-19	50
Carlyle Lake	12-4-17-(19)-15-7	55
L. Ray Hubbard	15-(21)-15-13-12-10	65
Lincoln	14-15-13-10-(19)-17	69
Lincoln	(22)-7-11-17-17-18	70
Wichita	17-16-(19)-18-11-13	75
Sequoyah	20-(22)-16-14-10-16	76
Wichita	16-19-(21)-11-16-21	83
Seattle	(23)-18-22-16-18-22	96
	18-20-18-20-21-(25)	97
San Francisco	21-17-14-(dnc)-dnc-dnc	98
L. Ray Hubbard	l 19-(dnc)-dnc-dnc-dnc-14	102

Juniors

Four Jr/Sr. teams and 2 Jr/Jr teams completed the 2 day Junior National Championships.

Saturday provided 5-10 knots with a Texas shower driving the fleet into the harbor for a lunch break. After the rain abated, the fleet was back out for a late afternoon race. Leading after day 1 was Adrian and Augie Diaz in the Jr/Sr division and Yano and Miriam Casalaina in the Jr/Jr division. Sunday was more breezy with a thunderstorm waiting until the Jrs. were done before driving the practice race senior participants in. The general rule was "when the Texans are heading for the barn, better join in the roundup."

The Junior leaders in both divisions were also the winners of their respective divisions after the races on Sunday, with Lucas Diaz in second for the Junior/Junior division, James Goppert second in the Junior/Senior division with Mark Aljets and Cecile Irgens rounding out the fleet.

The trophy dinner in the clubhouse rounded out the Junior Nationals with a trophy presentation by National Secretary, Peter Fenner.

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Junior/Junior Division

Skipper/Crew	Boat	Fleet	Places	Points
1. Vince/Miriam Casalaina	28445	San Francisco	.75-27575-2	6.25
2. Lucas Diaz/DeCardenas	26457	Miami	275-2-25	7.50
Junior/Senior Divis	sion			
Skipper/Crew	Boat	Fleet	Places	Points
1. Adrian/Augie Diaz	26395	Miami	.75757575	3.75
	28383	Missouri Lake	4-2-2-3-2	13
2. James/Doug Goppert	20505	WIISSOUTI Lake	4-2-2-3-2	15
 James/Doug Goppert Mark Aljets/John Sepanski 	25049	Carlyle Lake	2-3-3-2-4	14

U.S. Junior Championships

Crosby Series qualification for the Heinzerling

top 15 of 56 Skipper/Crew Boat Fleet Places Points 1. Craig/Lisa Leweck 28672 Mission Bay 9-.75-9-4-2 24.75 27077 2. Rick/Carol Merriman Mission Bay .75-2-12-6-5 25.75 3. Jerry Thompson/Dee Schilling 24702 Alamitos Bay 7-5-2-14-4 32. 4. Jack Franco/Lisa Griffith 28702 Alamitos Bay 2-6-8-8-9 33 5. Bryan Fishback/Lorie Stout 28575 Annapolis 3-11-10-2-10 36 6. Doug Hart/Jon Rogers 28687 Mission Bay 15-17-5-.75-8 45.75 7. Peter/Connie Commette 28714 Miami 11-12-19-3-3 48 8. Lucas/Augie Diaz 26457 Miami 8-15-26-5-.75 54.75 9. Doug Clark/Alex Stout 28050 Annapolis 23-10-11-9-7 60 10. Jeff/Becky Lenhart 25715 Mission Bay 4-34-.75-7-23 68.75 11. Mike Lenkeit/C. Raferty 28686 Mission Bay 14-16-27-20-6 83 12. Jim Bowers/Sara Robertson 25710 L. Ray Hubbard 33-4-17-22-11 87 13. Henry Filter/Carol Newman 28094 Annapolis 19-3-3-12-ret 93 14. Don Bedford/Grace Fang 25521 Mission Bay 26-8-29-18-12 97 15. Stephan Irgens/Monica Bigard 28470 Carlyle Lake 13-13-31-17-19 97



Junior/Junior trophy winners: Yano & Miriam Casalaina, Lucas Diaz (crew not pictured)

Junior/Senior trophy winners: Stephan & Cecile Irgens, MarkAljets, John Sepanski, Doug & James Goppert, Augie & Adrian Diaz.

Junior News

Mission Bay Hosts Snipe Juniors

MBYC hosts one of the world's premiere Snipe fleets, but it hasn't gone unnoticed that its members are getting a little long-oftooth. Kids, new homes, careers, etc. seem to be taking the toll on time and energy, and so it was that the local flock went to work on a plan to introduce So. California Juniors to the Snipe class.

June 25-26 were selected as the dates to host the Snipe Jr. District VI Championships and the Western US Jr. Worlds Qualifier. The regatta was an important one with many goals. First and foremost was to promote the Snipe Class and introduce young sailors to the boat we love to sail in hopes they will join us (if not now, maybe in the future). Second, was to determine the top Junior team from So. California and, third, to determine the West Coast Jr. Team to represent the United States at the Snipe Jr. Worlds in Japan this August. An East Coast team had already been selected, and US Sailing is funding the winners, so stakes were high!

To prepare for this, the fleet held a series of clinics which started in April. Teams were assigned boats to sail, if they didn't have one of their own. It was clear right from the start that these young sailors were good ones, so the emphasis was on the Snipe itself and "time in the boat" as opposed to tactics, etc.

On regatta day, 12 teams arrived to compete. Most teams were from So. California, representing 6 yacht clubs. The lone out-ofdistrict team was from San Francisco to compete for the Jr. Worlds spot. Saturday's three heats saw Mark Ivey, with crew Danny Zimbaldi, take races 1 & 3 for the regatta lead. The dark horse team from San Francisco of Yano Casalaina & JP Cling showed they were a threat with a pair of 2nd's in races 2 & 3, but would need a solid breeze on Sunday if they were to win. The surprise of the regatta was Steve Hochart & Bridget Shear. These two had been the most committed as far as practicing and attending clinics, and it showed as they took the lead on the first reach of race #1. (Note: Bridget is the daughter of World Champion crew, Mike Shear. Her grandfather was Herb Shear, the originator of the Chubasco Snipe and "founding father" of the MBYC Snipe fleet).

Saturday's breezes were in the 8-12 knot range, but settled mostly in the upper range making it tough on the lighter teams, who were simply overpowered. Things got worse



Sunday as the breeze for race #4 piped in at 15 knots plus. The "Frisco" boys were salivating at the chance to get to Ivey in their favorite conditions, but Mark proved equal to the task with a bullet, while the San Francisco team settled for another 2nd.

The final races on Sunday were sailed in light and shifty Mission Bay conditions as the breeze died and slowly backed. Many of the teams were much better than they showed, but were simply over-powered by the breeze and perhaps a bit overwhelmed by the competition on the front end.

All participants showed much promise and would do better with more time in the boat. I want to commend all the participants for sticking it out through a long, tough 6race regatta. We were all impressed by their talent and fortitude! We hope to see all these

Results **District 6 Junior Championships**

Junior/Junior

Mark Ivey/Danny Zimbaldi Steve Hochart/Bridget Shear Brian Camet/Lissa Springstead Ben Lakin/Keith Magnussen Marc Barra/Steve Moore

Junior/Senior Trevor DiMarco/Martin Von Wolf.

Junior World Qualifier

Mark Ivey/Danny Zimbaldi Steve Hochart/Bridget Shear Brian Camet/Lissa Springstead Yano Casalaina/J.P. Cling Ben Lakin/Keith Magnussen

young people join the Class with their own boats some day.

Special thanks to all the boat donors. The regatta wouldn't have been possible without this supreme sacrifice and show of support. Thanks to everyone who helped at the clinics, registration, race committee, and rigging.

Best of luck to Mark Ivey and Danny Zimbaldi in their pursuit of the Jr. World Championship!

-BobBowden District 6 Governor

Von



From the Birds Beak--Letters to the Editor -

Suffrage Movement Takes Hold

I would like to say thanks to Bill Martin for his letter in the July issue of the Snipe Bulletin. I think it is time for the nominating committee and the Class to get more creative and push to include women on the Board of Directors, there are lots out there that would do a great job for the Class. You may have to approach 50 women to get the right 2, but they are there! I do have to disagree with his comment about Lorena Bobbitt though, the women in our Class would be more subtle but definitely lethal.

-Gweneth Crook North Vancouver, BC Canada

Class Helps PAL Program

ed note: I found a letter in the files regarding the PAL Program and wrote for an update on its progress. jwb

Thanks for your letter and your concern about our PAL Program. Yes, I am happy to say we are still going along with our Snipe building project, although it has had some rough going.

Let me bring you up to date on the project. Since I first contacted your association, we have been overwhelmed with your support and the support of your membership. I did not realize that my letter to the association had been published in your magazine until I started receiving calls and letters from your membership making reference to "my letter." I received, almost at once, the plans, lofting lines, books and general information from the Snipe Association through Mr. Tom Payne. Very shortly thereafter, we were contacted by the US Sailing Assocition with offers of help in the instructional phase of our program and great information on schools with sailing programs. North Sails of San Diego donated two suits of sails for the project and a gentleman from Valencia, CA., called to donate a Snipe with a trailer to the program. I feel really bad about this as at the time of his call, we were in a period of civil unrest due to a civil rights trial which was drawing national attention and were unable to accept the boat. At that time, I promised to get back to him when things had died down. You guessed it, I lost his name and phone number. I am sure he has lost all faith in us due to my carelessness. Nevertheless, we were able to get the jib built and the frames in place before the next disaster. Our project space was given over to Parks and Recreation as they had more children to work with. Nice things always happen, through, Judy Barker at the Santa Monica Airport has now donated the use of some hangar space so we can now continue. The jig is back in place, frames set, and we are ready to fit the keel batten. More kids are with us now than at the beginning. We have support from the parents of some and we are really looking forward to launching boat #1.

I will be taking some pictures in the very near future and you will most certainly be getting copies.

I thank you once again for your support for our program to keep kids off the street and give them a real chance at life.

Respectfully, Bo Clampitt Santa Monica Police Department

...More Simplified Snipe

When I first read Joel Zackin's letter I did agree with the theme that the Snipe was too complicated and we should simplify the boat. However, after thinking about the issues involved, I do not think we should make significant changes to the way we manage the Class.

A big problem with the concept of a simple boat is just the advances of technology that comes with time. A modem Snipe or Lightening is a very different boat when compared to the original design from the 1930's. Many of the other classes that stayed simple did so by not changing with the times. How many one designs can you think of

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that used to be around, but have been replaced by the Laser or J-24? I think one factor that has kept the Snipe and Lightning strong is that we have changed and updated with the times.

The unrestricted aspects of our one design rules that contribute to making the boats more complex also allows people to try the things that make the boat better. A manufacturer's class that specifies everything does provide equality, but in the long term it also builds obsolescence because you can't modernize the design. Without the gradual refinements that changed the original Snipe into the boat we know today, the Snipe would be an anachronism.

The issue becomes how to manage the Class rules. If you allow too little experimentation then eventually a design will become obsolete when compared to new designs. If you allow too much, then new versions of the same design obsolete existing boats. I do not know how to control complexity without creating a climate that stifles modemization.

In the long run I think continually modernizing the Snipe is very important and if this results in complexity then that is an issue we need to accept. Rule changes that outlaw experimentation will also outlaw the development that has kept the Snipe competitive for sixty years.

> —Darryl Waskow Princeton, NJ

I am writing regarding the now famous letter by Joel Zackin that appeared in the April Bulletin. Let me start out by saying that I have had my own Snipe since 1972, and I knew Joel even before that when we crewed on our fathers' Snipes at Lake Quassapaug. Let me finish this paragraph by saying that those who oppose his view should realize that his feelings are not brought on because he does not understand the controls that he has proposed doing away with or simplifying. Joel has won a variety of fleet events, sanctioned regattas, and done well on a national level. He has a very clear grasp of what the purpose and implication of every adjustment that can be made on a Snipe. His comments are intended to benefit the Snipe Class, not to improve his own racing rules.

Also, Joel has done a lot to build up our fleet. For those who do not know it, Lake Quassapaug is the home of Snipe fleet #231. For over 45 years, we have had one of the strongest Snipe fleets anywhere. While our numbers are down from a few years ago when we averaged fifteen boats each Sunday for club racing, we still get nine or ten boats out, week in and week out. To me, the most amazing part of our strength is that we are a small lake in the middle of nowhere, and 99% of the population has never been on a sailboat in their lives. Obviously we know how to recruit.

The question then is why did Joel make those suggestions? I will not try to speak for him, buy my opinion is that we have become more concerned with attracting the best sailors, instead of the masses. THAT MIGHT NOT BE BAD! But, I am confused by some of the conversations I have had, and opinions I have read.

People are always complaining that participation at regattas is down. Well, what do you expect? We appeal to a narrow segment of the population. As I said, that might not be bad, but let's face reality; unless we appeal to the masses, we are not going to have massive regattas! As Alex Pline's letter (Bulletin, June 1994) stated, "While the Snipe may have originally been a simple daysailor intended for casual racing or a junior type boat, as well as an adult racing one design, it has evolved into a sophisticated, yet quite easily handled, technical and tactical one design". When it was simple, our numbers were up. Now that it is sophisticated, our numbers are down. I know, they are down everywhere, and no one can prove whether is it because of the changes in the boat or the culture, but we do know the changes in the boat have not served to attract more beginners.

To me the issue is simple: we either strive to have a boat

that appeals to the masses, or one that is a challenge to the super sophisticated sailor. It would be nice if we could be both, but I really do not think we can have our cake and eat it too. The average person can not be expected to get excited about being a boat that is bursting with lines and adjustments that will take years to fully comprehend. That same person may someday develop into a more sophisticated sailor who will appreciate the intricacies of a complex sailing vessel. But, do we want to take the chance that when that time arrives the Snipe may not be the boat of choice? Will that person stay in the class he decided to learn in? Will they choose a different class all together? Do we want to consciously exclude a large number of people getting into the sport for the first time?

Unlike some Snipe class members who voiced their opinion in the June Bulletin, I will be sailing a Snipe for a long time, no matter which tack that class takes. My vote is to appeal to the masses, because that's when the boat was the most fun for me. But my love of the boat and the people I have met over the years will keep me in it whichever way you all decide to go! But let us make a conscious decision to go one way or the other. And keep in mind, once we plot our course, it will be hard to turn the ship around.

—Dave Rogers, Jr. Fleet Captain, Quassapaug Yacht Club

On reading Joel Zackin's letter my first impression was that he was right. But, after giving it more thought I decided that simplicity was not as important as "true faimess". I am willing to try anything to increase our numbers, as long as we do not rule out the competitiveness of any weight group. Deep down however, I feel simplifying will make sailing unfair for some groups, and we may lose those groups entirely.

Alright, let's assume newcomers will always purchase the simplest boat. Let's suppose we made the Snipe with only a mainsheet and a jib sheet, real simple, not even a whisker pole. Great, we won the bid, we have a new Snipe sailor. Did we really solve anything? This poor newcomerhas to go up against some of the best modern sailors in the world, and a barrage of people not too far behind them. The newcomer is not going to make it unless s/he is a very special person. What we have learned in the Miami fleet over many years is that people can only take hopelessness for so long. This is the real problem. To remedy this, we in Miami have instigated a second fleet for people who have less experience. This blue fleet is now the stronger of our two fleets—great competition, it's really fun to watch.

Let us all keep in mind that yacht racing is a very complex sport. The Snipe as it is today is trivially simple in comparison to the factors and interrelationships that serious yacht racing entails. If a person is in it for the long haul, that challenge is embraced not shunned. The Snipe is trivially simple compared to yacht racing in general.

Simplicity only gives the illusion of fair play. I once sat and listened in awe to a top sailor of another class, a strict one-design. He explained all the little tricks that can be done to go fast. I thought I was creative until I heard some of this stuff. We are talking here of hidden boat reconstruction to get just the right tweak, etc. With the Snipe you just ease your shrouds to get the same effect. My point is, there is creative energy n all sailing. In the Snipe class, all this is out in the open. This is what I refer to as "true fairness", the open legal right to make the boat you own go as fast as it can possibly go for your weight.

Numbers are one way to measure the success of a class. There are other ways to measure the success of a class. How about numbers of good sailors a class can retain? Using this measure how are we doing?

> -Charlie Bustamante Boca Raton, FL

The discussions initiated by Joel Zackin's letter in the April Bulletin reflect a great deal of concern over the



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current health and future of the Snipe class. Joel's letter and several concurring opinions focus upon the cost and complexity of the Snipe as a leading factor in class decline. While this is a valid concern, this is a misplacement of priorities.

The variation in hull design and rigging are factors that broaden the range of Snipe sailors. The Snipe itself is a boat that emphasizes tactical sailing over boatspeed. It is a fairly complex boat that allows an individual crew to rig their boat to their requirements. The technical aspect of the Snipe allows it to evolve to maintain pace with the natural progression of technology. Additionally, this permits builders to produce new boats to meet advancements and thereby remain a viable and solvent manufacturer. Witness the evolution of the JY-15, JY-15 Turbo and the Laser and the Grand Prix Laser. Only through the application of product improvement - i.e. technology - are these builders able to remain viable.

Snipe sailing is not an inexpensive sport; as sailing itself is inherently expensive. However, the initial cost of the boat is relatively cheap when amortized over the service life of a Snipe. Major championships are won by boats over ten years old. Several more simply rigged classes require the purchase of a new boat on an annual basis to achieve results on a National basis. Rigging simplicity, while possibly a contributing factor, is not an answer unto itself to the stagnation in class growth. Cost control - through technological development (centerboard study), expensive/exotic materials restriction (carbon fiber/kevlar) and sails limitations - is being addressed and should continue as a class priority. Class approval and/or the restriction of certain costly modifications remain requirements to prevent the need to have the latest and greatest in order to achieve results. Technological development has led to many improvements over the life of the Snipe (aluminum masts, self rescuing hulls) that have

allowed the class to maintain pace with current technology. Regardless of the level of rigging complexity it is rare for anyone to be credited with a victory solely on the basis of the crew's boats. Even at the elite level of international competition the emphasis is on the sailors and not on the boat.

The flexibility in rigging and design allows for a broad range of sailors in size and age. A more simple boat reduces the range in optimum crew weight and thus reduces its potential sailing population. Witness the epitome of the simple boat - intercollegiate dinghies. The top teams attend regattas with several crews for different wind strengths. The second tier teams, who have only one crew, are able to compete at only one wind strength and can't compete across all levels of winds.

Another strength in the complexity and technical aspects of the snipe is that the builders depend on the class rather than the class depending on the builder. The Snipe class is able to dictate rigging standards from its membership rather than the builders dictating the boat. Sailors are brought into the class through its members rather than through a hard sell marketing approach. Mr. Forrest Kenney's letter exemplified this as his introduction in the Snipe was accomplished through its members while his JY-15 sailing was done solely through the builder.

The strength of the Snipe class is its members, relationships between sailmakers, builder and sailors, and an easily sailed boat. The Snipe class has had recent growth slowed due to a lack of an organized growth/promotion effort. Until recently there was not an organized effort to recruit prospective sailors. Without the effort focused upon expounding the enjoyment available in Snipe sailing the class faltered. There are many classes (Windmill, Rebel, Comet) of easily sailed boats that have declined due to a lack of marketing. Even the Laser was in the decline until the current builder took over and restructured the marketing strategy. The JY-15 and Vanguard 15 are not new sailing concepts but they do offer a class built around a strong marketing effort. The current effort in marketing in national magazines, Sail Expo, etc..is correctly addressing the problem

The Snipe offers an enjoyable boat to sail for a large variety of people of various sailing skills. It offers unsurpassed social enjoyment. The class will require a concerted effort of all members to ensure that this information is circulated to all potential sailors. We have a great class that is "Serious sailing, serious fun". Spread the word.

-Hal Gilreath



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tue., October 4	1000-1700	Registration
	1400	Practice Race
Wed., October 5	0900-1100	Registration
	1100	Competitors' Meeting
	1300	Warning Signal Race #1, subsequent races to follow
Thurs., October 6	1300	Racing Continues
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Stone International Open

With the visiting European flags, alongside the Union Jack, hanging limp the Race Committee delayed the start of race one owing to a severe gale warning. Following consultation with the Coast Guards and Life boat service it was concluded that the race area was in the "eye" of the depression and start with caution.

In very light wind the fleet of 26 spread out over the Olympic course, some with success, others frustration, in looking for the signs on the sea for the slightest zephyr. Race one went to GRB 20246 Gary Lewis/J. Simpson with GRB 28398 Chris and Sue Surridge awarded second.

With a slight delay, allowing the Race Committee to get the latest weather print out, race two got underway. The light wind began to drop off and with only minutes left the time limit was just about beaten; to give a fist to GRB 24154 National Secretary John Love/Debbie Love, Gary Lewis/J. Simpson too second and GRB 20255 Nick Mcgonigle/Keith Butler claimed third.

Overnight the gale came through which left Sunday racing in doubt. The Race Committee and Euro General Secretary Broughton went into discussion on the prospects. Again, close contact with the weather authority it became apparent that the front, though slow, was passing, winds would abate whilst the tide change would calm the high seas.

With shouts of glee, the young lions launched, the older teams and juniors deciding between yes & no!

The course set the gun fired and off into the rolling seas went the fleet. At times with Snipes lost in the troughs it was difficult to keep track of the changing positions. Despite the conditions there was minimal capsize or equipment breakage, reflecting the high standard of competition and boat maintenance. Exhausted crews were grateful to the gun as clocked in first was GRB N. McGonigle, second GRB 20246 G. Lewis/J. Simpson and

Spone and Krefting win Norwegian Nationals

1994 Norwegian Nationals were held in Bergen June 22-26 with 48 boats. Six races were held in winds from 6-12 knots.

The next big event is the Viking Snipe, set for August 20-21. With 69 boats attending last years regatta, we hope to have delegates from Sweden, Denmark, Argentina and more. This will be considered one of the "tune-up" regattas for the Europeans in Menorca in September.

Trials were held in Norway for the Europeans, with Birger Jansen and Carine Juliussen winning, ahead of Spone/Krefting and 6 more teams, all heading for Menorca in September. -Janett Krefting

Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places F	oints
1. Kristoffer Spone/Janett Krefting	KNS	1-1-1-2-1-1	0
2. Seir Svendsen/Jan Pett Gamborg	Olso	2-7-7-1-4-3	29.70
3. Birger Jansen/Carine Juliussen	Vestfjorde	5-29-2-7-3-2	34.70
4. Thomas/Hanne guttormsen	Soon.S.F.	3-3-12-3-2-49p	38.10
5. Erling Nesse/Anne Hese Roes	Hjellestad	12-2-8-4-6-15	54.70
6. Karl Otto Book/Jostein Groden	Asgardstra	6-4-10-6-5-49p	57.40
7. Espen Guttormsen/Gro Kristiansen	Soon.S.F.	10-12-6-11-18-6	74.40
8. Reida. Berthelsen/Jannicke Haug	Vestfjorde	4-9-4-19-13-49p	75
9. Simen Lofterod/Ander Ombustvedt	Soon S.F.	18-20-3-12-17-12	88.70
10. Larsen/Sinding	Berum S.F.	22-6-9-31-14-8	88.70
11. Ola Johannessen/Ivar Jacobsen	Berum S.F.	9-5-18-49f-19-10	90
12. Carl Johannessen/Sigrid Nonas	Berum S.F.	29-11-5-8-10-49p	92.
13. Kristia Sandtorv/Sturla Sletten	Hjellestad	8-8-17-29-49q-5	96
14. Steffen/Eivind Nysether	Svelvik	20-15-25-13-9-9-	96
15. Njaa Torbjornsen/Are Nordahl	Hjellestad	7-27-20-5-23-13	97
16. Otto Book/Cecilie Irgens	Asgardstra	15-33-19-18-11-7	100
17. Ola Nygard/S. Christophersen	Hjellestad	24-19-15-9-12-16	5 101

Fleet News

third GRB 26159 E. Brougton/M. Broughton.

Following lunch, the crews rested and refreshed, took to the water for the fourth and final race. The wind was still strong but the sea had calmed making for exciting conditions. Race four went to Gary Lewis, Chris and Sue Surridge in 28398, GRB 26996 Don Smith/A. Smith took third and ESP 28385 P. Biddulph/J. Kirk finished fourth.

The annual Stone Invitation had been a success

under the organization of fleet captain Eric Broughton. A selection of winds from "just about to almost too much". gave a selection to all crews. The regatta barbecue had been over catered for allowing for a second healthy serving. The Lounge bar entertained a disco, with the downstairs bar serving the less energetic whom undertook the serious side of drinking. A warm welcome was extended to the French National secretary Gilles Boisaubert, the UK lady teams had tough competition from the famed French helm Sylvie Le Bour and the young helm Anne Romain; whilst the English junior teams had continental challenge.

> -JonLeeder Public Relations Officer SCIRA UK



Eric Broughton, Stone Inernational organizing officer and Fleet Captain, with younger brother Mark. J. Leeder photo.

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Results

1.	GRB 20246	Gary Lewis/John Simpson
2.	GRB 20255	Nick McGonigle/Keith Butler
3.	GRB 24154	John/Debbie Love
4.	GRB28398	Chris/Sue Surridge
5.	ESP 28385	Patrick Biddulph/Jose Kirk
6.	GRB 26996	Donald Smith/Malcolm Smith
Ma	rlow Ropes Tro	phy- 1st Lady Helm

Anne Romain/S. Bunnel Man at the Wheel Trophy - 1st Foreign Helm

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1994 Snipe Hunt & District 3 Championships

Indianapolis Sailing Club, June 11-12

Skipper/Crew	Boat	Places	Points
1. RickWood/Danielle Smith	26110	975-3	12.75
2. Bob/Sandy Rowland	26747	8-3-5	16
3. Buzz Levinson/Bob Allen	26673	3-2-12	17
4. Chad Coberly/Peter Woodruff	26736	5-7-6	18
5. Matt Heywood/Mark Spicknall	26612	2-5-17	24
6. Clay/Becky Sanborn	26613	4-13-8	25
7. Scott Rowland/Kevin Bucklew	26303	11-1775	28.75
8. Fred/Jan Rozelle	28989	.75-12-19	31.75
9. Jim/Julie Richter	24500	14-8-11	33
10. Cliff/Minde Browning	28370	17-15-2	34



District 3 Champs: standing: Peter Woodruff, Chad Coberly, Buzz Levinson, Jno Disch, Rick Wood, Karen Lorenz, Bob Rowland, Matt Heywood. kneeling: Bob Allen, Danielle Smith, Sandy Rowland, Mark Spicknall.

<u>Fleet News</u> Zackin/VanWagenen Capture Whittemore/ St. John Regatta

On June 11th & 12th, Quassapaug Yacht Club hosted its annual Whittemore St. John Regatta. Once again, the theme for the weekend was future Snipers and campers! Of the twenty one boats that participated, nine had children in attendance. As usual, the club lawn was full of tents for the weekend.

Saturday's racing started at 11:15, with a south southeast breeze clocking in a 10-18 knots. At the windward mark of the first race, Dave Rogers and Tom Scully rounded first, followed closely by Fred Abels/Chris Pease, Joel Zackin/Beth Van Wagenen, and Dick Davidson/John Beshbory. There was some jockeying for position the whole race, but at the last tack Davidson got the best shift and crossed first, followed by Rogers, Abels and Zackin.

In the second race, Peter Wolcott with Joe Scully took the lead at the first mark, and was able to stretch it to what looked like a sure bullet. However, just as they rounded the leeward mark to start heading for home, the jib halyard shackle came undone sending the jib crashing to the deck, along with their hopes for a first place finish. Zackin/ VanWagenen were able to capitalize, beating a hard charging Sandra Brown/Greg Pease and Davidson/ Beshbory.

After two races, the competitors were treated to some well deserved sandwiches. As usual, some of the Club's land-lovers were there to make sure all the needs of the sailors were met.

The wind for the remaining two races had dropped off a litt, now at 8-12 knots. In the third race, Rob/Robby Gorman and Dave Lance/Scott Topolie rounded one, two, three around the first mark. They were never challenged finishing first, second, followed by Ray Schmidt and Teresa Alexander.

The final race of the day saw the Gormans repeat

around the first mark, followed by a host of other boats (sorry but the author was too far behind in this race to see anything but a cluster of boats). At the second mark, Abels/Pease came out of the pack first. They went on to an unchallenged victory, followed by Lence/Topolie, and Brown/Pease.

At the end of the day, the regatta was wide open, particularly if two more races were sailed on Sunday which would allow for a throw out. Races were scheduled to start at 10:00 am, so there was little doubt in anyone's mind that all the raced would be held.

Saturday night saw another delicious meal served. Regatta chairwoman Jan Frink did a great job of organizing the dinner, and the whole event. Nothing spectacular happened that night, just a lot of socializing as this was the first regatta that many of the participants had seen each other since last sailing season. There was a lot of catching up to do on whose family had grown, and whose was about to, and who was contemplating same.

One note of interest was Rob Gorman's mysterious disappearance from the evenings festivities. Rob was fatherly enough to bring the children down to the tent and get them settled for the night. As it worked out, he laid down for a few minutes and did not wake up until 6 am, missing most of the party. My, how old some of these Snipers have gotten.

Also quite notable was the age of some of the crews who were participating in the racing. Robby Gorman, age 9, is sailing in what is probably his third Whittemore St. John regatta with his father Rob. making his debut as a participant here at age 6 was Adam Rousmaniere also sailing with his father, Art. Definitely a couple of future super Snipers in the making.

Just as the sun started to rise the next moming, a loud

clap of thunder made sure none of the campers over slept. From 6 am until 12:15 pm when the races were canceled, we had constant thunder, lightning, and torrential downpours. Therefore, Saturday's results were final: Zackin/ VanWagenen,Lence/Topolie, Davidson/Beshbory, Abels/ Pease, Brown/Pease.

The members of Quassapaug Yacht Club would like to once again thank those people who traveled to the Club to participate in our regatta. We hope all of you will join us again for our August regatta, as well as next Spring as we do this regatta all over again.

—Dave Rogers Fleet Captain Quassapaug Yacht Club

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1. Joel Zackin/Beth VanWagenen	Quassapaug	15.75
2.Dave Lence/Scott Topolie	Winchester	18.
3.Dick Davidson/John Beshbory	Quassapaug	21.75
4. Fred Abels/Chris Pease	Sea Cliff	23.75
5.Sandra Brown/Greg Pease	Quassapaug	26
6.Dave Rogers/Tom Scully	Quassapaug	26
7.Peter Wolcott/Joe Scully	Quassapaug	28
8.Rob/Robby Gorman	Marblehead	31.75
9.John/Donna Lally	Winchester	34
10Ray Schmidt/Teresa Alexander	Newport	36
11.Bill Hall/Steve Keckler	Winchester	39
12.Art/Adam Rousmaniere	Winchester	42
13Mike Elser/Jane Welch	Quassapaug	43
14.Jim/Carol Tomassetti		49
15.Sue Lodico/Jan Tabor	Winchester	57
16.Bob/Melanie Coyle	Medford	57
17.Peter/Leslie Zackin	Quassapaug	67
18.Peter Festersen/Pat O'Neil		75
19.Ken/Jan Frink	Quassapaug	76
20.Mike/elena Langlois	Winchester	76
21.Eric Gabrielson/Liz Crutcher	Quassapaug	81





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-Ove Rasmussen Fleet Captain Fleet #1, White Rock Lake

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Skipper/Crew	Places	Points
1. Greg Gust/Ryan Glaze	3-5-1-1-1	10.25
2. Jim Bowers/Sarah Robertson	1-2-3-ymp-3	2 16.25
3. Pete/Suzan Fenner	6-1-4-3-5	18.75
4. Andy/Suzi Towles	2-3-9-2-4	20
5. Gene Soltero/Kim Haley	5-6-2-6-7	26
6. Fried Elliott/Cindy Stephans	9-12-5-4-3	33
7. Bill Jackson/Ellen Burk	4-4-13-5-8	34
8. Charles/Kim Quade	14-8-7-8-6	43
9. Ed Olson/Pat Melly	7-9-6-15-9	46
10. Martin Bebb/Eric Densing	17-7-8-7-12	2 51

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October 6-9, 1994							
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Skippers address:							
City		State		Zip	Telephone:()	
Member of:	US Sailing	•		member number:			
	SCIRA	yes	no	hull number: Fleet or Club:			
Need charter boat: yes	no						
There is no registration fee, but a social fee may be charged at time of regatta. See July Bulletin for Schedule of Events.							
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Signed by skipper:				date:			
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SEPTEMBER 10-11; NOR-CAL OPEN. San Francisco Bay. Vince Casalaina, 2418 Stuart, Berkeley, CA 94705. 510-841-8524.

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SEPTEMBER 17-18; COLUMBUS OPEN: Hoover Lake, OH. Steve Callison, 251 Orchard Lane, Columbus, OH 43214. 614-784-0926

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