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Kenneth E. Watts

We received this recent note from Past Commodore Fred Schenck: "A very sad note for pre-war Snipe sailors and some years after WWII; sailmaker Kenneth E. Watts passed away in mid December. The funeral was held the 20th of December. I believe the Hall brothers, Oakland, CA, won first in the SCIRA World Championship using my Snipe and their Watts sails. Darby Metcalf and I won in 1940. Ted Wells, Eddie Williams, and many more used his sails exclusively."

Take A Minute

The minutes of the world meeting of the National Secretaries and the SCIRA Board of Governors are printed in this issue. Take a minute to read them. Many important

issues were raised, and decisions were made about the continuing operations of the class organization.

All this affects the future of the class. You should be informed, and express opinions to your class representatives. An updated list of officers, board members, national secretaries, district governors, and U.S. fleet captains is included in the SCIRA Directory, also in this issue. Save this list and refer to it when you need to get in touch with the class leaders.

Pay Your Dues

Dues are due, and will be delinquent at the end of next month. If you want to sail in an early regatta be sure your boat is legal. Send in your dues now to get your 1986 SCIRA decal. U.S. dues are \$25.

THE COVER Introducing the New Commodore

Newly elected SCIRA Commodore Wayne Soares has worked his way up through the ranks in SCIRA's service, having served as fleet captain of Spanish Point Snipe fleet, National Secretary for Bermuda, and General Secretary for the Western Hemisphere.

A native of Bermuda, Wayne grew up in a Snipe family. Both his brothers, Conrad and Bobby, are Snipe sailors, and his daughters Beverley and Andrea crew for him. Beverley was his crew in the 1984 Western Hemispheres, and the 1985 World Championship.

Wayne has won Bermuda Race Week, and has represented Bermuda in many international championships, but may be best known as master of ceremonies for the race week awards dinner. His smiling face has graced the cover of the *BULLETIN* at least twice before: in July 1978 sailing in the worlds in Copenhagen, and leading the fleet off the line in Bermuda Race Week in September 1983.

Wayne travels throughout the world in

his work for Shell Oil Company, and frequently takes along his golf clubs to indulge his second favorite hobby.

Communication and administration are of special interest to Wayne. Improvement in these areas are his aim for 1986.

THE SCORE

Five numbers were issued in the last month of 1985, all going to the U.S.A. A new fleet was chartered — the Internacional da marina de Vilamoura in Portugal.

Twelve nations requested 335 numbers during the year. This represents a slight decrease and our 54-year average is 490. Numbers issued were as follows:

Japan	130	Brasil	10
U.S.A.	71	Norway	8
Spain	60	Denmark	4
Italy	30	England	2
Portugal	11	Paraguay	1
Argentina	10	Uruguay	1
		Total	335

Numbered SNIPES — 26462
Chartered Fleets — 796

Minutes of the National Secretaries Meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Minutes of the National Secretaries Meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 25, 1985.

PRESENT: Commodore Roberto Salvat, presiding; Vice-Commodore Wayne Soares; Rear Commodore Jerry Thompson; European General Secretary Louis Paul Lamarque, also representing France; General Secretary for the Western Hemisphere Julio Labandeira; Acting North European Secretary Mats Gothlin, also representing Sweden; European Vice-Secretary Antonio Roquette, also representing Portugal; Western Hemisphere Vice-Secretary Id Crook, also representing Canada; South European Secretary Francisco Perez Lopez, also representing Spain; and the following National Secretaries: Argentina, Pablo Homps; Bermuda, Kevin Blee; Brazil, Flavio Caiuby; Chile, Roberto Vega; Columbia, Mariana Isaza; Cuba, Gabriel Alvarez; Finland, Peter Bjurstrom; Norway, Birger Jansen; Paraguay, Cesar Spezzini; United States, Ralph Swanson; and Uruguay, Horacio Pastori Garcia.

Commodore Salvat opened the meeting with greetings to all countries, and called for reports by all countries.

CANADA: Crook reports Canada continues "about as usual" as to numbers. Some new young sailors look promising for the future.

PARAGUAY: Spezzini reported problems with boats and measuring.

COLUMBIA: There are currently 20 boats active. Their problem is they have no builder. They hope to add 15 more boats.

UNITED STATES: Snipe is on the rise in the U.S. There has been some decrease in activity in the center of the country, but coastal areas are on the increase with new fleets being formed on both coasts.

URUGUAY: There are three fleets and 26 active boats. The country has the current world junior Snipe champion.

ARGENTINA: There has been some decrease in numbers, with less activity in the center of the country, but not on the coast. Argentina will be host to the next South American Championship. Snipe is the best and most active class in the country.

CHILE: The class in Chile is being re-organized after having been inactive since 1980. Ten boats entered the nationals in March.

FINLAND: The number is down a little, but Snipe is strong. Efforts to build the class include getting businesses to buy

Snipes to be lent to juniors for the sailing season.

BRAZIL: Currently there are 180 Snipes sailing in Brazil.

BERMUDA: Bermuda has 18 active Snipes, all in one fleet. They have an active group of young sailors and they hope to get bigger.

CUBA: Cuba has 20 boats — all of them old. They are interested in building new Snipes, although none have been built yet. They are particularly interested in participation in the Pan American Games.

NORWAY: Snipe is growing in Norway, with 100 active boats. It is the biggest two-man boat in the country, and sailors from Norway travel to regattas throughout Europe.

SWEDEN: Sweden has some difficulties, although it is still the most active two-man dinghy class in the country. There were 40 boats at the '85 national championship. Their best activity is in special races, such as distance races and the winter Lucia Cup. The "old people" who are class veterans continue in the class, but there is difficulty in recruiting new members. Since Sweden, Finland, and Norway are all close and have similar circumstances, they work together to solve any problems.

PORTUGAL: There is a boom in Snipe sailing in Portugal. There are many new boats with an expected increase next year. Many juniors are participating. There is a new regatta, the Delgado Trophy, initiated

between Spain and Portugal, which has generated a great deal of interest in intra-country racing.

SPAIN: Snipe is the most important class in Spain, with 1,200 boats in the country — although not all pay dues. There is much activity with five major championships. The national championship drew 68 boats. There are seven new fleets. They had 50 boats in 1984, and 60 in 1985.

FRANCE: France has 50 boats. In France there is trouble with the sailing federation. Although L.P. Lamarque has many personal friends in the federation there are policy problems. Some of the fleets in France have died. Currently Lamarque is trying to push juniors, and there is some junior activity.

NEW BUSINESS: MASTERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: Julio Labandeira proposes that the Snipe Class create a world masters championship due to the high level of performance and participation in that age group. This motion is to approve such a championship in principal, with details as to rules to be added later. Seconded by Id Crook. Approved in principal by vote.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 1987: Antonio Roquette requested that Lamarque report on plans for the 1987 championship in hopes of avoiding any unexpected changes for customs or in-country transportation of boats. Lamarque reported that it is 10 kilometers from La Rochelle to the sailing area, so there are no problems. The organization needs to get information out early enough that there will be no unpleasant surprises on arrival. France will try to

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National Secretaries . . .

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La Rochelle is on the Atlantic on the south west coast of France. The program is ready. The French Sailing Federation will handle the race committee and the protest committee. The dates will be the end of August or the first of September.

Two weeks of activity will be organized, with the first an open regatta for practice, and the second the world championship. The Courvoisier factory tour is a planned activity. There is a youth hostel 500 meters from the club. Many hotels are available in the nearby area. Lamarque showed a map of the local area. He assured the meeting that appropriate accommodations will be available.

Boats should be shipped through La Harve. Lamarque should be informed as soon as possible about boats to be shipped, as he is in the shipping business. He pre-

fers communication by Telex.

Labandeira asked if SCIRA personnel will be involved in the Race Committee and protest committee. Lamarque reported that the SCIRA representative will be on the RC, and that the protest committee will be composed of IYRU judges with Snipe experience. A problem is that SCIRA/France does not have enough personnel to cover all posts. Lamarque will be in charge of all on-shore activities.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 1989:

Labandeira reported that Japan will present a bid to the SCIRA Board to hold the world championship August 1-6, 1989.

OLD BOATS: There was a complaint that some older boats, which are not required to meet current tolerances have an advantage, and should not be allowed to compete in world championships. This will be referred to the Board and the Rules Committee.

PAN AMERICAN GAMES: Canada requested support from SCIRA countries to persuade the Canadian Sailing Association to allow Canada's Snipes to participate in the 1987 Pan Am Games.

NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Perez Lopez strongly recommended that all countries conduct junior national championships. He also asked consideration be given to allowing the top two finishers in the world junior championships to sail in the senior worlds. After discussion it was considered that adding the two juniors to the number in the worlds would not be appropriate. A vote recommending holding junior national championships in all countries passed.

MEASURING AT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Lamarque requested that there be a certificate for Snipes in order to do away with protracted measuring at World Championships. Bjurstrom of Finland stated that without measuring sailing is war, and that measuring at this championship was excellent.

AT THIS POINT THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED: RE-CONVENED, Nov. 27, 1985 as follows:

MEETING RE-CONVENED, November 27, 1985, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

PRESIDING: In the absence of Commodore Roberto Salvat the meeting was chaired by Vice-Commodore Wayne Soares.

INCREASED PARTICIPATION IN THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: A proposal by past Commodore Flavio Caiuby to increase the number of participants in world championships on a basis proportional to the number of dues paid

boats in each country was introduced. Vice-Commodore Soares asked that each national representative express an opinion as to approval in principal of this proposal; not the way in which it is to be implemented.

SPAIN: Asked how it would work. Soares read the original proposal, but asked only for an agreement in principal. Spain agreed in principal.

CHILE: Agrees in principal, with care being taken to be fair to all.

SWEDEN: Sees danger if there are too many from big countries at the expense of small countries. Suggested increase might be handled in a different way.

NORWAY: Has the same opinion as Sweden.

CANADA: "A good idea." Sees problem in providing boats.

BERMUDA: Agrees in principal if a fair distribution is enacted.

PARAGUAY: Sees this as just. Has questions about problems of a hosting country in organizing a larger championship.

ARGENTINA: Thinks proportional representation is just, but worries about the custom of providing lodging, and sees that small countries may have a problem.

FRANCE: "A good idea. Be careful about small countries and hosting countries."

CUBA: Also worried about the smaller and poorer countries.

U.S.: Supports the proposal completely.

URUGUAY: Supports the proposal, and believes it is just. Small countries would be in the same position as they are currently, but they will sail in a better quality of competition. He believes that this will not increase the numbers a great deal, and possibly the subtractions and additions will add to the quality of competition.

SUMMATION: Vice-Commodore Soares asked for a quick tally of the results. Report that there is a "groundswell" of approval in principal from those present for increasing participation in the championship. Vice-Commodore Soares added that to keep a balance some method should be devised to prevent any team racing. This approval in principal will be introduced at the Board meeting.

JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: There is a bid from Paraguay for 1988.

Lamarque reported that Spain has withdrawn its bid to hold the championship in 1986, but that Europe has possible bids from both Italy and Denmark. Europe has a third country as a possibility, and definitely wants to hold the championship in Europe. Lamarque needs two months to submit bids. Paraguay would not have time to plan the championship for 1986. Swan-

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son reported that the U.S. can be considered as a contingency if Europe can't hold the championship.

NUMBER IN WORLDS (More discussion):

NORWAY: Why not three boats per country?

URUGUAY: Three boats per country would not make better competition, and might lower, rather than raise the level.

FRANCE: France needs to know the number in order to plan for 1987. Soares replied that any decisions would not apply for the next championship.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

ANCHOR REQUIREMENT: Sweden: "Some people in North Europe sail in conditions where they can't use anchors. Could they be made optional?" Soares: Although conditions within SCIRA countries vary, the anchor is considered a safety device, and is a requirement. It is highly unlikely that the Board would give permission to a country to break rules.

WHISKER POLES ON DECK: Spain requests that the rules be made to stipulate that when whisker poles are carried on deck they be required to be kept within the confines of the deck, and not extending over the bow of the boat.

COMMITTEES AT CHAMPIONSHIP:

Spain requested that committees at world championships have proportional representatives between Europe and the Western Hemisphere. Answer that this will be followed where practical, but in France in 1987, for example, it will not be possible. Soares commented that we are all SCIRA, so there is no "them against us" conflict.

RUDDERS: Spain noted that rules say that rudders should be solidly built, and of a minimum weight. He requested that the rules say that lead may not be added to make up the minimum weight. This will be referred to the rules committee.

RACE SCHEDULE: Norway requested that the worlds race schedule be altered to have only one race on the first day, so that in case a borrowed boat has a breakdown, only one race will be lost. Soares replied this is a good point. It depends on the location. This is possible under present rules.

SCIRA COMMUNICATIONS: Possible means of electronic communications to speed the transfer of information within SCIRA were introduced by Carlos Bosch of Bermuda. Computer communications, Telex, and Telefax, were discussed as possible means to this end. Vice-Commodore Soares asked for brief comment and reactions to this proposal. The proposal will be presented to the Board of Governors for disposition. Money will

have to be spent on equipment to put this technology in place.

REACTIONS: All approved. Swanson: "... will be the best system in the world if they will use it."

Soares is committed to improvement in communications. Carlos Bosch will meet with any delegates to discuss ideas, problems, and implementation.

NON-SCIRA COUNTRIES IN SCIRA CHAMPIONSHIPS: W.H. Secretary Labandeira reported a request from Japan that non-SCIRA countries be allowed to sail at Western Hemisphere and other championships in hopes of encouraging Snipe sailing in these countries. Soares answered that the aim is good, but this is against SCIRA rules, and it is doubtful that the SCIRA Board will agree to break this rule.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP: Chile, at the request of Brazil, presented a bid to hold the junior worlds at Florianopolis if other bids do not materialize. This is the second contingency bid, after the U.S.

FURTHER BUSINESS: Vice-Commodore Soares thanked Horacio Garcia Pastori, who acted as interpreter for the meeting, and introduced Rear Commodore Jerry Thompson.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



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Argentina Triumphs In 1985 Snipe World Championship

Santiago Lange and Miguel Saubidet lead one-two Argentine sweep at Buenos Aires.

Santiago Lange and Miguel Saubidet, Argentina, are the 1985 Snipe World Champions. Santi and Miguel, representing the host club and fleet, Club Nautico San Isidro, Buenos Aires, Argentina, finished 4.4 points ahead of fellow Argentinians, Johnny MacCall and Sergio Ripoll. Miyuki Kai and Akio Kaneko of Japan were third; Felix Gancedo and Carlos Llamas, Spain, were fourth; and Paulo Santos and Cassio Ashaver, Brazil, finished fifth. Gonzalo and Francisco Campero, Argentina, were sixth; defending champion Torben Grael and Marcelo Maia, Brazil, seventh; Jorge Haenelt and Laureano Wizner, Spain, eighth; and Marcelo Viana and Sergio Araujo, Brazil, ninth. Steve Rosenberg and Pat Muglia, U.S., although they won two races, finished tenth overall.

The regatta, raced November 23 through 30, on the broad and shallow River Platte, featured long courses, in mostly medium to heavy winds. The strong current and shallow depth contributed to a short steep chop, which was difficult to master. Teams arriving with coaches and rubber boats for a week of practice before the races, decided they needed at least two weeks to master the tricks of effective steering through the waves.

The competition was the best ever assembled for a Snipe event; Gancedo and Grael have three Snipe world titles between them, and Kai was world champion in 470. Current hemisphere champion MacCall and Haenelt competed, as did USYRU Champion of Champions Steve Rosenberg. The winners, Lange and Saubidet, hold the South American Championship title.

The equipment used was as wide a cross section as the class can provide; the first place went to a 10,000 series wooden boat, second was a new South American Alax, third was a Japanese Chubasco, fourth Felix Gancedo's classic Skipper Snipe, and fifth another wood boat. All boats were carefully measured by an international measuring team which has developed a new method for testing moment-of-inertia. The only radical departure in equipment was the exceptionally long poles carried on the Argentine boats; an innovation quickly copied after the first day of racing.

Nineteen Snipe nations were present for the regatta, with Cuba and Chile returning after several years of absence from international Snipe competition.

The Scene . . .

Club Nautico San Isidro, one of Argentina's oldest yacht clubs, located on the Rio de la Platta, in a suburb of Buenos Aires, was host for the XXXII Mundial de Snipes November 23-30, 1985, with the assistance of Club Nautico Olivos. This world championship was a part of the celebration of the club's 75th anniversary.

The club's spacious grounds include the main clubhouse, a riverside dining room, a sailors' snack bar, a golf course, tennis courts, swimming pools, and a picnic island across the river, to accommodate a membership of about 12,000. The club maintains fleets of training boats for juniors, and the new world champion is a product of its training program.

Sailing is on the broad river, which features the sort of challenging racing that should prevail in a world championship. The tricky river current is complicated by wind and tide; all of which helps to create a short stiff chop in the shallow water.

On The Course . . .

Race I: A long race course was set in the 15 to 18 mph winds. A heavy current helped push the fleet over just before the gun, resulting in a general recall. The second start was good, and those working the right side of the course arrived at the mark first, with Garcia DeSoto in the lead, followed by two Argentine boats and Gancedo.

On the reach the story of the regatta began to unfold, as the Argentine boats showed amazing speed in the planing conditions. On the second beat Kai of Japan, working the left side of the course, picked up a lot of distance to round behind Santiago Lange, and just in front of Johnny MacCall. Garcia DeSoto dropped to fourth, Campero was fifth, and Felix sixth.

With the wind dropping toward the end of the long race, Santiago Lange still held a good lead to the finish, followed by Kai, MacCall, Campero, and Gancedo. Defending Champion Torben Grael worked up to sixth, and DeSoto finished seventh. Two boats dropped out with equipment problems; Scarpetta right after the start,

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Santiago Lange and Miguel Saubidet, on top of the world, hold the Hub Isaacks trophy high. Buzz Lamb photo.

World Championship . . .

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and Mitchell at the end of the second beat.

Race II: The second race, scheduled back-to-back with the first, was started after the entire course was shifted to the left, and further out to sea. (All courses had marks at least one mile from shore). Again, there was a good start after a general recall.

On this first beat Norway's Birger Jansen led around the mark followed by Bjurstrom, of Finland, and Paulo Santos. The wind was lower on the reach, and with some boats working high, Santiago Lange went low, and rounded in the lead. As boats bunched up at the mark in the lighter

wind, Lange, in clear air, worked out a huge lead, followed around the leeward mark by Johnny MacCall, Santos, and Torben Grael.

Positions held mostly in this order to the finish, with Santiago Lange taking his second bullet, followed by Johnny MacCall, Paulo Santos, Gonzalo Campero, and Torben Grael.

Race III: Tuesday's races were in heavy wind following the passage of a thunderstorm and front on Monday night. The course was several miles from the club, and at least two miles from the shore. The heavy current tended to carry the fleet in the direction of the course, resulting in four general recalls before the fifth start proved good, with only Italy over early.

In the heavy wind and waves, capsize were common, along with several breakdowns. Johnny MacCall worked out an early lead, and had three minutes on the fleet at the second windward mark. He was followed by Viana of Brazil, Torben Grael, Paulo Santos, and Felix Gancedo.

By the finish the wind had moderated and shifted more to the south. The shifts were pronounced, and difficult to predict, even though the courses were set far from shore. At the finish it was MacCall, still maintaining more than two minutes on Torben Grael in second. Viana was third, Gonzalo Campero fourth, and Lange fifth.

Race IV: By the start of this race the tide and wind were both less strong, but three general recalls were still called before the fourth start was good. Steve Rosenberg, with a perfect start on port at the pin end, was over early, and did not restart, giving him his drop race for the series.

The wind increased again during the first beat, and Torben Grael's crew missed the hiking strap, and had to be retrieved from the water. Several boats capsized on the beat, and some suffered breakdowns. The shallow depth of the water was an added hazard, since the mast would stick in the mud if the boat tried to turtle. Vice Commodore Wayne Soares had two breakdowns for the day's racing.

Again Santiago Lange showed amazing speed on the reaches, working out a big lead. Felix Gancedo and Johnny MacCall traded places in the race with the finish order as follows: Lange, MacCall, Gancedo, Campero, and Haenelt.

Race V: Only one race was scheduled for Wednesday. The wind was very light and shifty at the scheduled start time, and the start was postponed for the wind to settle. After one general recall, a huge wind shift of 45 degrees or more forced a change of the whole course.

After the course was reset, the start was good, but the course was long for the lighter wind. Steve Rosenberg had a huge

lead at the first windward mark, followed by Paulo Santos, Johnny MacCall, Campero, and Gancedo.

The order remained more or less the same, and with MacCall closing the distance, Rosenberg engaged him in a tacking duel up the second beat.

A continued shift in the wind resulted in a shift of the finish mark 30 degrees to the north for the final beat. The order at the finish was: Steve Rosenberg, Santiago Lange, Johnny MacCall, Paulo Santos, and Jorge Haenelt of Spain.

Race VI: After a lay-day for play and picnicking, the racing resumed for the final day with the lightest wind of the series, about 8 to 10. Since a pompero (a particularly violent form of thunderstorm) was predicted for that night, the committee was anxious to complete races on schedule.

With light wind, and the tide running against the line, the first start was good, except for a few individual recalls. MacCall and Lange were far ahead of the field at this point, and racing each other. They played the left side of the course, and rounded the first mark with Lange in 10th and MacCall in 13th. Bjurstrom of Finland was first to the mark, with veteran Jan Persson of Denmark second, Viana third, and Roquette of Portugal fourth.

At the triangle the order remained about the same, with Portugal moving into second; Lange and MacCall were ninth and 11th. A shifting wind shifted fortunes as well, and on the second beat Kai rounded first, Bjurstrom second, and Gancedo third.

Twice world champion Felix Gancedo showing how well he handles the boat and the wind, moved into first place on the last beat. Kai finished second, followed by Santos and Roquette. Bjurstrom fell to fifth, with Lange in sixth. MacCall had his worst race, finishing in 15th place.

Race VII: Going into the last race MacCall could still catch Lange, but he had to finish third or better, and have at least one boat between himself and Lange.

The wind had picked up a little between races, and for the first time there was a perfect start, with nobody over the line early. The current was still running strong, however, as demonstrated when the first two boats hit the windward mark in rounding. Rosenberg took the lead at that point, followed by Santos, Campero, and MacCall in fourth. The wind picked up and shifted during the first reach. At this point Lange was in 16th place. On the second reach MacCall moved into third place, with Lange still well back in the pack.

A wildly excited spectator fleet following the two hometown favorites had to be firmly ushered off the course during this race, and spectator buoys had to be



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SEPTEMBER 24-28, NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP, San Francisco Fleet 12, Dick Loomis, 2429 Debbie Way Calistoga, CA 94515.

OCTOBER 26-27, HALLOWEEN REGATTA, Atlanta Fleet 330, Jack Fasse, #3 the Croft, Atlanta, GA 30324.

established beyond the finish line.

On the second beat MacCall misjudged the wind shifts. Rosenberg maintained his first place, followed by Kai and Santos, but MacCall rounded in seventh, with Lange still in 12th place.

At the finish it was Rosenberg first, Kai second, Graef third, Santos fourth, Gancedo fifth. MacCall finished sixth, just ahead of Lange. The crowd went wild.

The Social Side ...

A full moon, loud music, and a small club bursting with sailors, guests, girls, and gate crashers, made "La Universal" Fiesta at Club Nautico Olivos a fitting finale for a fun filled week of Sniping and socializing.

Earlier, at Club Nautico San Isidro, a gaily striped tent was set up on the lawn as Snipe party headquarters for the week, starting with a get acquainted dance on Saturday. Sunday's opening ceremony and flag raising was followed by a cocktail party at the tent, and Monday night, when the rest of the club was closed, Snipers were treated to a special dinner at Club Nautico's riverside dining room.

A highlight of the week was Thursday's lay-day boat tour of the river delta, featuring an asado at the Isla Club Nautico San Isidro. Sausages and barbeque! Those Norte Americanos present enjoyed it thoroughly, thinking of home, turkey, (and snow?) on that Thanksgiving Day. The

SNIFE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Country	Places	Points	Finish
10863	Santiago Lange/Miguel Saubidet	Argentina	1-1-5-1-2-6-7	24.7	1
25995	Johnny MacCall/Sergio Ripoll	Argentina	3-2-1-3-3-15-6	29.1	2
26234	Miyuka Kai/Akio Kaneko	Japan	2-8-9-8-6-2-2	48.7	3
19981	Felix Gancedo/Carlos Llamas	Spain	5-7-8-3-7-1-5	51.7	4
13504	Paul Santos/Cassio Ashaver	Brazil	13-3-7-13-4-3-4	59.4	5
12733	Gonzalo Campero/F. Campero	Argentina	4-4-4-4-12-11-12	67	6
25455	Torben Graef/Marcelo Maia	Brazil	6-5-2-11-18-25-3	71.4	7
24555	Jorge Haenelt/Laureano Wizner	Spain	16-6-14-5-5-8-11	82.7	8
22495	Marcelo Viana/Sergio Araujo	Brazil	8-15-3-6-16-9-35	89.4	9
25220	Steve Rosenberg/Pat Muglia	United States	20-16-20-nf-1-12-1	92	10
26156	Antonio Roquette/Francisco Campos	Portugal	14-9-11-23-8-4-15	95	11
25040	Hakan Bjurstrom/Rikard Bjurstrom	Finland	17-10-10-10-14-5-13	97	12
20862	J. Garcia DeSoto/Javier Gurierrez	Spain	7-14-12-15-13-10-8	100	13
25586	Kazunori Shinka/Yasushi Tubokura	Japan	9-13-18-7-11-16-9	101	14
25978	Haracio Carabelli/Luis Chiapparro	Uruguay	15-12-6-9-10-17-17	104.7	15
25992	Jack Franco/Rob Lindley	United States	10-11-17-22-9-13-14	110	16
25535	Birger Jansen/Janett Jansen	Norway	12-19-21-14-19-14-10	124	17
25186	Ricardo Fabini/Fernando Viana	Uruguay	21-20-13-18-25-7-20	135	18
25138	Lahti Lukka/Juhani Heljo	Finland	19-23-15-12-27-28-23	155	19
25530	Erling Nesse/Gunnar Astrup	Norway	11-22-29-17-26-18-27	157	20
26103	Mats Gothlin/Nick Bjorling	Sweden	22-27-16-21-21-26-19	161	21
24116	Doug Nugent/Ken Mitchell	Canada	23-18-23-nf-22-21-21	164	22
10106	V. de la Guardia/Roberto Lopez	Cuba	27-32-22-16-29-19-16	165	23
25704	Jan Persson/Johathan Persson	Denmark	18-25-19-24-24-23-nf	169	24
26094	Bert Frosberg/Mats Frosberg	Sweden	29-17-25-20-23-22-26	169	25
24703	Rafael Bosch/Shevaun Adcock	Bermuda	32-21-27-nf-15-20-24	175	26
22820	Carlos Schauman/Camillo Schauman	Paraguay	25-26-24-25-28-29-18	182	27
26143	Antonio Bari/Pier DiGirolano	Italy	24-30-26-nf-17-20-22	185	28
25864	Wayne Soares/Beverly Soares	Bermuda	28-24-nf-26-20-32-28	194	29
23397	Jeff Mitchell/Jack Mitchell	Canada	35-26-28-19-33-24-29	195	30
15159	G. Dematte/D. Dematte	Italy	26-28-30-26-30-27-25	198	31
20399	Alfredo Oyarzun/Hugo Perrin	Chile	31-31-31-nf-32-35-30	226	32
20221	Manuel Isaza/Camilia Isaza	Columbia	30-29-33-nf-nf-33-32	228	33
25490	Juan Scarpetta/Alicia Scarpetta	Paraguay	nf-33-32-nf-34-31-31	232	34
25012	Louis Paul Lamarque/J.P. Etcheber	France	nf-nf-nf-nf-31-34-33	239	35

asado was followed by a football game; soccer, not American football; in which South America took on the whole world! They won there, too, and there was only one casualty among the 75 or so young men on the field. He was "only" a crew,

and his skipper found a local replacement for the final day of racing.

Pablo Homps, general chairman for the regatta, and all his committees worked overtime to make sure all the guests for the regatta enjoyed this world get together.

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Minutes of the Board of Governors Meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Minutes of the Board of Governors Meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 28, 1985.

PRESENT: Commodore Roberto Salvat, who presided at the meeting, Vice-Commodore Wayne Soares, Rear Commodore Jerry Thompson, Western Hemisphere General Secretary Julio Labandeira, European General Secretary Louis Paul Lamarque, Vice-European Secretary Antonio Roquette, South European Secretary Francisco Lopez Perez, Acting North European Secretary Mats Gothlin, U.S. National Secretary Ralph Swanson, Member-at-large Means Davis, Vice Chairman of Rules Dan Williams, and Executive Secretary Buzz Lamb. Carmen Salvat acted as translator.

MINUTES: Moved by Swanson, seconded by Soares that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed in the *BULLETIN*. Motion passed.

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE: Moved, seconded and passed that the constitution be changed to add the position of Vice-Secretary of the Western Hemisphere as a voting member of the Board of Governors. Also moved, seconded and passed to delete the position of East European Secretary as a member of the board. The number of members of the board will remain the same.

CHANGE IN NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE WORLDS: Lamarque requested that consideration be given to a minimum of two, maximum of four participants per country. Soares stated that there are three or four options, and that consideration might be given to these options with a vote to be taken later. Some options and difficulties and expense of boat shipping and travel were discussed. At the suggestion of Vice-Commodore Soares action was taken to have each member present submit his proposal for changes in the number of participants in the world championship in writing to Buzz Lamb, who will compile all the proposals for a mail vote. The vote will be taken by January 31.

L.P. Lamarque requested that the projected total of participants be no more than 50. Lamarque would prefer a minimum of two and a maximum of four for the 1987 championship. He will try to arrange the most favorable rates possible for housing.

Thompson asked review of custom of hospitality to the participants, he prefers only one team per country be given complimentary food and housing by the host

country. Soares suggested this option be left open.

Consideration was given the proposal to allow the top two in the junior world championship entry in the senior worlds. Decision voted was not to allow this particular increase in numbers.

Labandeira requested that the vote on the formula for increasing number of participants be taken at this meeting. Soares repeated that time is needed to study the proposals.

JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: Financial help to the host country holding the junior world championship was proposed by Commodore Salvat. He proposed a maximum of \$10,000 be allocated to the host country. This amount represents the approximate interest on SCIRA's assets for two years. A formula should be worked out as to how the money is to be spent with the possibility of 2/3 going for boats, and 1/3 for the organization. Discussion of ways money should be spent followed. Boats, and the provision that all contestants have access to equal equipment was a major concern. Travel for contestants and money for boat transportation were eliminated from consideration, on the grounds that this would dilute the funds to the point that each contestant would receive a very small amount which would not help the individual substantially, and would not really strengthen SCIRA.

Soares: Supports the principal. On what should the host country spend the money?

Labandeira: Paraguay, which has bid for the 1988 championship needs money for boats.

Soares: Suggested that it is easier to find travel money for juniors than to find host countries for the junior championship.

MOTION: Soares moved and Davis seconded: SCIRA will spend up to \$10,000 every other year to assist the Junior worlds. The SCIRA Board and the host country will decide how the money is to be spent. Motion passed.

Further discussion by Roquette and Labandeira on use of SCIRA money for travel. Travel money not approved.

Location for 1986: L.P. Lamarque expects to have a bid from Europe from either Italy or Denmark to hold the 1986 Junior Worlds. Swanson proposed that in the future projected use of SCIRA funding be presented as part of the bid. The bid from Europe will be received in two months. The U.S. and Brazil have contingency bids.

REGIONAL REPORTS: L.P. Lamarque: Europe is in good shape. Norway has more boats and activity. Sweden is down a little, and Lamarque has a communications problem with Finland. He needs a new address for the National Secretary — furnished by Lamb. Both Denmark and England are working well with good co-operation from national secretaries.

Belgium: Although they want to continue as a Snipe country they requested they not be required to pay SCIRA fees. The decision was that they must pay or they are no longer a SCIRA country.

Switzerland: L.P. Lamarque is working with Enzo Perini of Italy to revive interest in Snipe sailing on the Swiss lakes nearest to Italy. Lamarque hopes to have Swiss Snipes sailing at the world championship in France.

Italy wants a big SCIRA championship — perhaps the Juniors. Their sailing federation must approve.

Portugal wants to sponsor Angola and Mozambique, both former Snipe countries.

John Broughton of England has a contact with South Africa, as well as Switzerland. Europe would like to revive the European and African tradition within the Class. They will continue to push the Snipe interests in spite of the political problems which are still a reality in some situations.

Europe needs to concentrate championships in central Europe to facilitate travel. There might be a possibility of organizing a junior worlds in either Belgium or Switzerland. There is some contact with Eastern Europe, but no organized SCIRA activity. Lamarque will continue to pursue contacts there.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE: Labandeira has been in contact with all former Snipe countries, working for participation. Chile, Cuba, and Columbia are all present at this championship. Japan will be host to the 1986 Western Hemisphere Championship, and a bid for Japan to hold the world championship in 1989 will be presented at this meeting.

Labandeira reported that Japan is trying to get Asian countries to attend the worlds.

Davis: Proposed that foreign students in the U.S. be approached as potential Snipe ambassadors when they return home. His daughter is a college sailor with contacts in this area.

RULES COMMITTEE REPORT: Williams reported measuring went well at this championship. Lead has been added to some rudders to achieve minimum weight.

Thompson asked about procedure for

sending questions to the rules committee. Williams replied most questions are letters: 99% of those questions can be answered by pointing out what the rule is, rather than requiring a rules interpretation. Rules changes will be considered at the board meeting in 1987.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS: Ralph Swanson proposed that for many years work on the rules committee and in measuring, Arch Higman be made an honorary vice-commodore of SCIRA. Seconded by Thompson. Passed.

MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP: Labandeira moved that a world masters championship be approved. Motion passed.

Discussion followed with approval of minimum age limit of 45 for the skipper, and minimum total age for skipper and crew of 80. Social aspects of the championship are to be emphasized.

Davis proposed that as a pattern for future championships Atlanta Yacht Club, host club for the U.S. 1986 Masters championship will open the championship to invite foreign participants. The dates are in late September. Invitation accepted.

RULES CHAIRMAN: Wayne Soares moved that Ted Wells be honored with the

title of Rules Chairman Emeritus. Motion passed.

U.S. STRUCTURE: Davis asked approval of undertaking establishment of procedural rules for the U.S. as described in Section 32 of the constitution. Approved.

SCIRA COMMUNICATIONS: Carlos Bosch presented his preliminary work on a communications network for SCIRA. With discussion of the best possible implementation of the concept of electronic communication, the decision was made that some form of telex would be the best point to begin. Approval of spending SCIRA money to fund electronic communication passed. Bosch, who has spent some time in research will be available to discuss this project with those interested. Bosch is collecting Telex numbers from those present. The SCIRA office will have telex communication as soon as it can be installed.

1989 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BID:

At the invitation of Commodore Salvat and the Board, Mr. Sawa, representing Fujiya Matsumoto, the Japanese National Secretary, presented an invitation for the 1989 World Championship to be held at Karatsu, Japan, in August 1989. Preliminary planning is already underway with the bor-

rowed boats to be the same as the one Kai is sailing in this championship. A schedule of events, a map of the area, and a colored brochure were presented for consideration. Approval of the concept of the championship was voted by those present. A letter will be sent regarding confirmation of schedules, and any changes.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE CHAMPIONSHIP 1986: A schedule of events in Japan from October 11 through October 17 was presented.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION: Commodore Salvat reviewed his 15 years of service as Western Hemisphere Secretary, member of the rules committee, member of the Board, and as Commodore with pleasure and pride. He thanked all present for their help and consideration.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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