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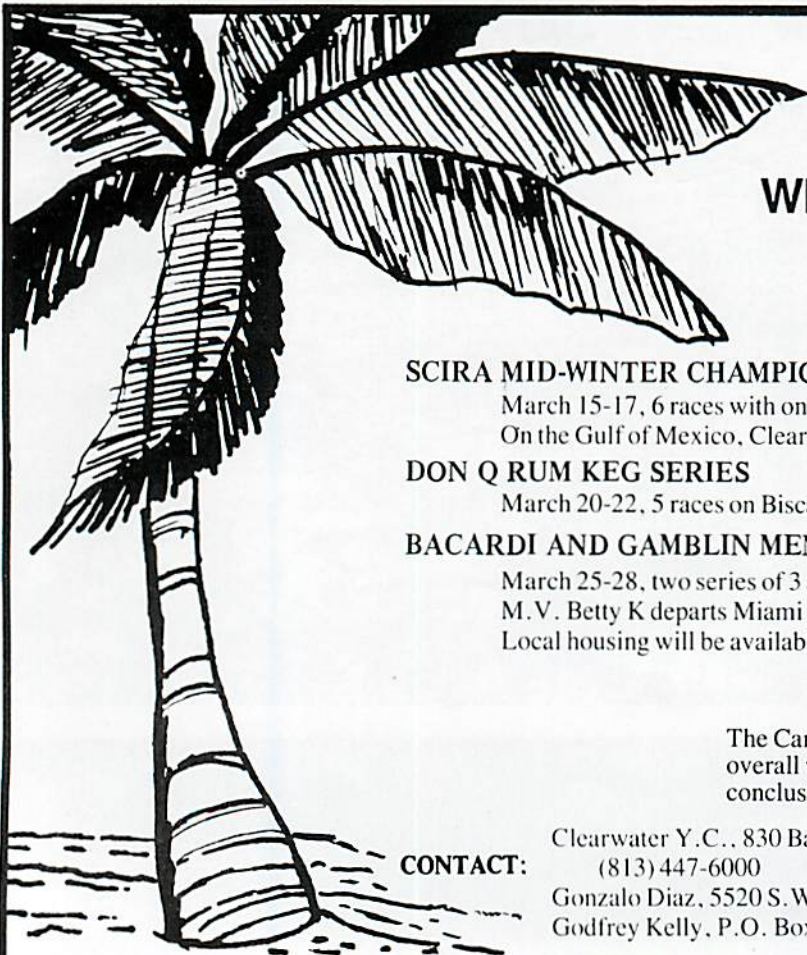
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# Western Hemisphere Secretaries Meeting, Fujisawa, Japan, October 14, 1986

**Present:** Presiding: Western Hemisphere General Secretary, Julio Labandeira; SCIRA Commodore Wayne Soares; Past Commodore Roberto Salvat; Executive Secretary Buzz Lamb; Measurer Chuck Loomis; and the following National Secretaries: Chris Hains, Canada; Fujiya Matsumoto, Japan; Pablo Homps, Argentina; C.S. Reddy, India; Ralph Swanson, U.S.; David Kuhn, Bermuda; and Paulo Santos, Brazil.

**Attendance:** Labandeira commented that this regatta is good but needs better attendance and asked for opinions on improving the numbers. His opinion is that 30 would be a good number, and suggested the possibility of three boats per country. Problems would include supplying enough equal boats, and the high cost of transportation for crews. Labandeira suggested that alternatives could be: (a) Allow three per country. (b) Invite non-Snipe countries to participate, and (c) Have the worlds every year and not have hemispheric championships.

Swanson commented that a limiting factor would be the number of boats which a country could provide for lending as required in this regatta — 30 is possible, 60 is not. Hains commented that money for travel is the major limiting factor for Canadian participation. Soares pointed out that 23 is the highest number in any WH championship ever. His question was: "Is bigger better?" Although there is some support for a worlds every year, the Western Hemisphere Championship has its own purpose and history. The quality of competition is excellent. Thirty boats might be better. Labandeira feels that those present should begin as soon as the meeting is over to make a good championship better, and asked about the next championship location. A central location would help increase attendance.

**1988 Championship:** David Kuhn and Wayne Soares presented a bid for the 1988 championship to be held in Bermuda. Twenty-four is the maximum number of boats which will be available for the regatta. U.S. could help with boats if necessary. The best dates would be late October — after the 15th.

Bid from Bermuda was accepted.

**Rules:** Labandeira proposed that the Class adopt the course which is now used in some Olympic races in which more legs are sailed. This would be a longer course requiring a longer time limit for comple-

tion. He feels this should be included in the rule book and used for major championships. Soares suggested that Labandeira should write up this proposal for presentation to the rules committee which would present it in France to the Board.

**Junior World Championship:** A discussion of the 1986 Junior championship in Italy included criticism of the distribution of boats and the SCIRA grant. Commodore Soares stated that an accounting would be submitted by the host country and consideration of that report would have to be made by the Board of Governors. Deed-of-gift should be changed from contestant "may not" (use his own boat) to "shall not".

Labandeira wants the Board of Governors to ask the host country for a return of the part of the grant for boats which were not rented, and favored a sanction on the host country. Homps supported this suggestion. A show of hands shows four in favor and two against. Passed.

**Pan-American Games:** Snipe will participate in the games to be held in Michigan City, IN, in August of 1987. Swanson asked that all countries promote participation in the games. The U.S. has promised to lend good McLaughlin boats to countries which do not bring their own. Lamb will write all Pan-American National authorities urging attendance.

**Hospitality for Championships:** Discus-

sion of providing lodging and food for contestants and officials. This is a custom and not an obligation. It was pointed out that except for meetings at championships the class officials would no longer see each other, and control of the class would be by letter and telex. The Snipe class for the last 40 years has been well run, and the officials have done as much as the contestants to contribute to its success. Labandeira suggested that it would be possible to offer hospitality to the officials, but the spouses would have to pay.

**1988 World Masters:** Chris Hains presented a bid from Id Crook to hold this championship in Oakville. Those present approved a motion to support this bid.

**1989 World Championship:** The championship will be held at Karatsu City, Japan, dates to be decided. Shipping will be to a port two hours from the sailing site. Japan hopes to have new boats available to charter. Swanson would like to see all boats supplied by the host country. Others feel there is valuable "cross fertilization" in having boats from all over the world in competition.

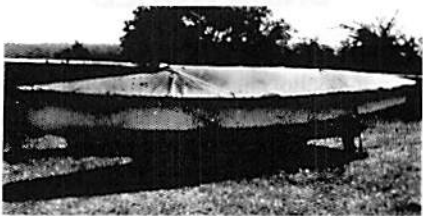
**Election of Officers:** Pablo Homps, Argentina, was elected Western Hemisphere General Secretary. Id Crook, Canada, was re-elected as Vice-Secretary.

Labandeira thanked those present for their support. Meeting adjourned.



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## REPORTS FROM THE RACING UNIONS

John Broughton, SCIRA European Vice-Secretary, attended the IYRU General Assembly at Pall Mall, London, November 8, 1986. The general report was that the state of yachting world wide is in good standing, with positive reports on plans for the entry of China into IYRU representing a great boost in potential membership.

Sponsorship is viewed as a positive potential which must be watched and controlled.

The IYRU finances for 1986 reflects a 9,000 pounds sterling profit.

Changes considered included reconsideration of rule 26.

Peter Talberg was voted as the new president of the Union. Of special interest to Snipe sailors: Arturo Delgado, past Commodore, was elected to the IYRU Permanent Committee.

## USYRU

Past Commodore Doug Desouza and Vice-Commodore Jerry Thompson attended the annual meeting of the USYRU in San Diego, in October.

A special session of the One-Design Class Council concentrated on "brainstorming" for proposals to solve problems of one-design classes. Conclusions will be included in a report to the classes.

Snipe sailor Bill Lynn was re-elected president of the USYRU, and SCIRA Board Member Larry White was elected to serve on the Board of Directors.

## AROUND THE SNIFE WORLD

### BELGIUM IS BACK

Andre Callot, new SCIRA Secretary for Belgium reports that the leading yachting magazine in his country will report on their Snipe Championship held in October. Eighteen year old Wim Ghys won.

### UNITED KINGDOM — Annual Meeting Plans Dinghy Exhibition

John Sewell announced March 7-8 as dates for the London Dinghy Exhibition. Ideas, photos, and literature are needed as well as labor to man the Snipe Stand. The pitch will be toward the younger generation. Len Miller will be asked to display his new design Snipe.

### U.S. — New Fleets/Old Fleets

Lake Norman, near Charlotte, N.C., in District IV, is one of the most active one-design clubs in the area. Eve Chapin, Rt. 6, Box 668, Mooresville, NC 28115, is the person to contact if you have any prospec-

tive Snipe sailors to recommend.

David Lindsay, Seabrook, TX, represents a group of young sailors who want to form a new fleet in this area near Houston. David's address is: c/o Cameron Sails, 3222 Nasa Rd., Seabrook, TX 77586.

Bill Welch, 2001 Illinois Avenue, St. Petersburg, FL 33703, called the office about a group which has been searching for the best small boat for a racing fleet. He quoted John Jennings as having advised him to "quit talking and buy some Snipes." We look forward to having a revived fleet in St. Pete in time for the Winter Circuit.

We also heard from long-time Sniper, photo journalist Ted Cronyn: "If you hear of any would-be active people in this area (Manhasset Bay, NY), I would be glad to try to help reactivate what was a strong group — 23 boats on paper, 10-15 racing, although I spend half the year on the west coast." Ted Cronyn, Box 672, Plandome, NY 11030.

So — go to it. There is plenty of interest in the class out there.

## U.S. Pan Am Trials

The U.S trials for the Pan Am Games will be held at Michigan City, Indiana, May 29-31. Michigan City, site of the Games which are to be held August 7-23, is located on the southeastern shore of Lake Michigan. The trials will be under the direction of the organization which will conduct the finals.

Snipers who enter the trials competition must agree to sail in the finals should they win. One entry per country is allowed in the finals.

## THE COVER

Santiago Lange continued his sweep through the continents of the world, winning the Western Hemisphere Championship, Enoshima, Japan, in October. Here he leads the run across a silvery Sagami Bay. Buzz Lamb photo.

## THE SCORE

Five numbers were issued last month with four going to the U.S.A. and one to France. No new fleets were chartered.

**Numbered SNIPES — 26744**  
**Chartered Fleets — 800**

## New National Secretary For Colombia

"This is to inform you that we have elected Ms Hortensia Soler as our new National Secretary. Her address and telephone numbers are: Hortensia Soler, Apartado Aereo 49556, Bogota 1, Colombia. Tel 286-1193 (office), 218-1851 (home).

You can send telex communications to Hortensia (c/o Gabriel Cuervo), to my telex number: 41431 SMA CO." From Gabriel Cuervo, SCIRA-Colombia.

Thanks to Gabriel for his work for the class in Colombia, and welcome to Hortensia.

## LETTERS

### SNIFE: A Collegiate Boat!

Many of you, as I do, feel the Snipe would be an excellent collegiate fleet boat. I have begun a campaign to interest universities in the Snipe. If you are aware of any contacts we already have in intercollegiate circles I would appreciate knowing about them.

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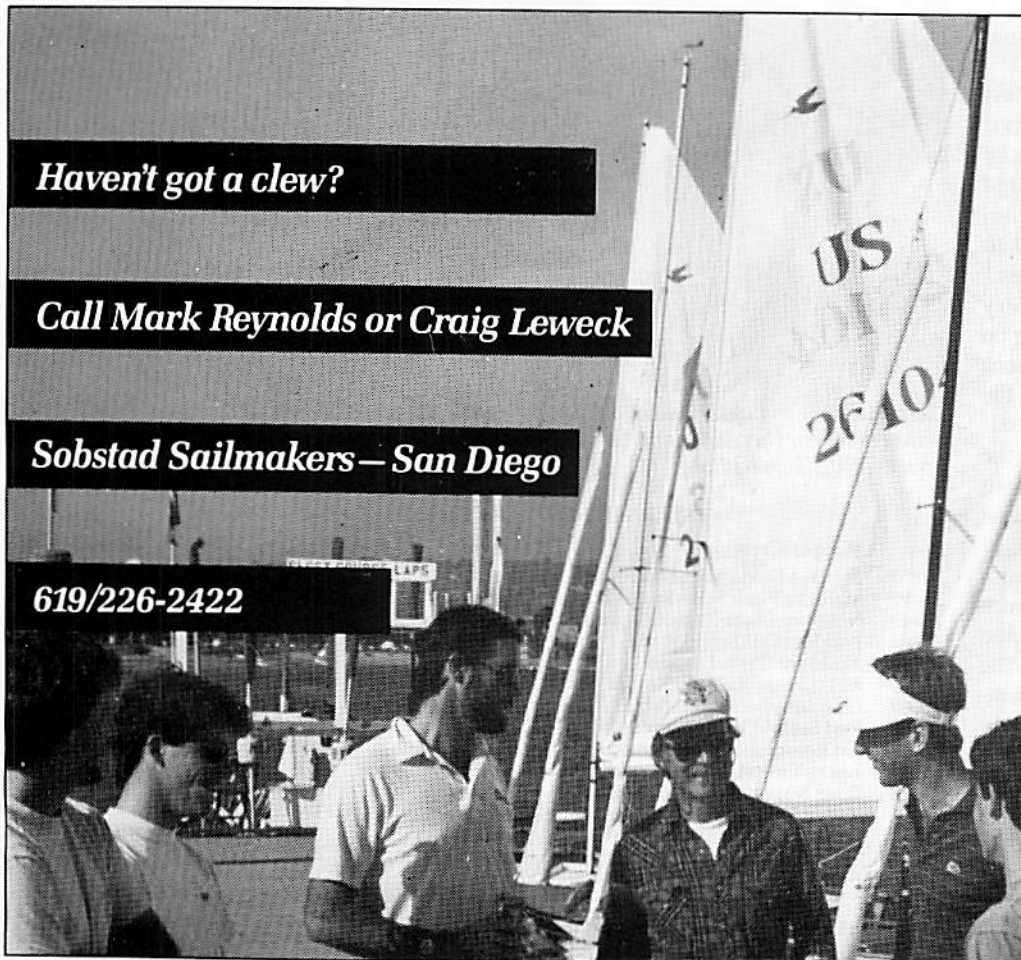
*Bibi Juetz, Brazil, hikes hard to stay ahead of Bill Buckles, U.S., in the 1986 World Masters Championship held in Atlanta. International crews are Paul Gillis, U.S. with Bibi, and Id Crook, Canada, with Bill. Buzz Lamb photo.*

a little simpler and give it an indestructable mast. No taper at the top might do the trick.

The class would have to decide on any changes.

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# Lange/Saubidet Capture Western Hemisphere Championship

Santiago Lange and Miguel Saubidet conquered another continent in winning the Western Hemisphere Championship at Enoshima, Japan, October 11-17. World Champions Lange and Saubidet, representing Argentina, held only a one point advantage over Marcello Viana Reitz and Saul Filho, representing Brazil, going into the final race, where the two teams finished third and fourth to take first and second overall for the championship.

Japan's Nobuhiro Utada and Noriaki Sugitani, who dropped a sixth place as their worst finish, took the third place trophy. Defending champions Juan MacCall and Sergio Ripoll, Argentina, were fourth, followed by Yoshihiro Chiba and Jun Suzuki, Japan, in fifth.

Enoshima Yacht Club, built for the 1964 Olympics, is located in a sheltered harbor on Sagami Bay, center of sailing activity on Japan's east coast. The Bay featured conflicting currents, interesting wave conditions, and winds sufficiently varied to challenge the hemisphere's best sailors.

Winds for the regatta ranged from very light through the extremely heavy going on the last two days, and although some races were cancelled, and others postponed, the entire seven race schedule was completed.

Eight nations were represented in the 16-boat fleet. Cuba and Korea, both scheduled to race, were unable to attend at the last minute.

The high quality all-new Okumura Snipes provided by the host country were all equal, and were assigned to, and sailed by, the same teams throughout the series. Vice Chairman of the Rules Committee Chuck Loomis and Japan's Hisako Katoh shared the measuring duties for the regatta. They ruled that the standard whisker poles provided with the boats would be used by all contestants.

### RACES:

**Race 1:** Tow lines were formed outside the harbor, and the winds were zilch when

boats arrived in the starting area at 10:00, the scheduled start time. The committee moved a little closer inshore, and set a long course as the wind filled from the north as predicted. The first start at 11:50 brought a general recall, and the fleet finally got

off the line at 12:00 in moderate northerly wind.

Leaders at the first mark were Chiba, Lange, and Viana Reitz, with Utada fourth and Adams fifth. Lange took the lead on the reach with Reitz in second by the jibe



Winners Miguel Saubidet and Santiago Lange applauded by Commodore Wayne Soares. Buzz Lamb photo.

### WESTERN HEMISPHERE CHAMPIONSHIP — 1986

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Country	Places*	Points	Finish
10863	Santiago Lange/Miguel Saubidet	Argentina	1-5-dq-2-1-2-3	21.7	1
22495	Marcello Viana Reitz/Saul Filho	Brazil	2-2-4-9-2-1-4	25	2
26440	Nobuhiro Utada/Noriaki Sugitani	Japan	5-3-2-1-3-4-6	32.4	3
25995	Juan MacCall/Sergio Ripoll	Argentina	8-dq-5-3-4-3-1	43.4	4
26047	Yoshihiro Chiba/Jun Suzuki	Japan	9-1-1-5-7-13-8	52	5
21671	Julio Labandeira/Raul Revora	Argentina	4-4-8-8-6-7-2	57.7	6
26009	Ed Adams/Meredith Adams	USA	6-7-3-4-8-5-5	58.4	7
13504	Paul Santos/Cassio Ashaver	Brazil	3-6-rt-7-5-10-10	72.4	8
25412	Art Rousmaniere/J. Rousmaniere	USA	7-8-6-10-9-6-7	78.4	9
25235	Jimmy Lowe/Graham Lawrence	Bahamas	10-13-7-13-13-9-9	97	10
24116	Doug Nugent/Howard Sutton	Canada	14-11-11-6-11-11-12	97.7	11
24805	Robert Dunkley/John Lawrence	Bahamas	13-9-10-12-10-8-rt	98	12
25864	Wayne Soares/Beverly Soares	Bermuda	12-10-9-15-12-12-11	102	13
26106	Chris Hains/Donald Hains	Canada	11-12-12-11-15-14-13	109	14
25846	Brett Wright/Tonya Marshall	Bermuda	15-14-13-14-16-rt-rt	124	15
16104	C.S. Reddy/K.N. Misra	India	16-15-14-16-14-15-rt	126	16

\*Races are scored in the order they were sailed.

mark. Adams was third, and Chiba fourth. On rounding, Adams split from the leaders. Lange and Viana Reitz held their positions on the leg while Adams dropped to sixth. The finish order was Lange, Viana Reitz, Paulo Santos, Julio Labandeira, Utada and Adams.

**Race 2:** The second race began at 3:00 with the legs shortened in order to insure a finish before the 5:10 sundown. Although the committee boat end was crowded by a large glob of boats, there were no recalls, and most of the fleet favored the left side of the course.

Reitz and the two Japanese boats led around the first mark, and held their lead to the end of the triangle which was completed in 42 minutes. Boats did not use their poles on either reach.

On the second beat the wind died, and as boats drifted aimlessly toward what had been the windward mark, the wind filled from behind. Suddenly poles went up and boats converged on the mark, and began a beat back toward what had been the downwind mark. The committee, equal to the challenge, placed a gate boat at that mark and dropped a new mark to accommodate the 180 degree wind shift.

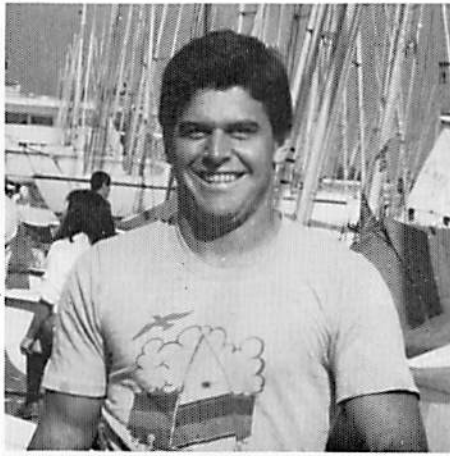
On the second half of the last beat the wind shifted to the left and lifted boats to the finish, as a light rain began to fall. At the finish Chiba, Reitz and Utada still maintained their leading positions in spite of all the wind shifts. Johnny MacCall was fourth, Julio fifth, and Lange sixth.

**Race 3:** Variable winds plagued the start of the third race, but after two postponements and one general recall, the fleet started at 10:35 in northeasterly winds of 10-12. Heavy current affected all the boats as the wind shifted and began to die by the end of the triangle, which took a little over an hour. The race was abandoned on the second beat for lack of wind. A restart was scheduled for 2:30.

On the second start most went right, but Lange and Chiba had bad starts and both took the left corner. Utada arrived first at the mark followed by Adams, Reitz and Chiba. Lange was in ninth place, and Labandeira rounded last. Santos dropped out of the race on the second reach. He had lost the plug and was slowly sinking.

Chiba went far right on the second beat, caught a shift, and moved from fifth place to first. Adams was second, and Utada third. Chiba held his first place, but Utada caught Adams at the finish. Lange, fighting Labandeira for eighth place took him past the finish line. After the tack to the finish Labandeira protested Lange for forcing him into the mark. Lange was disqualified at the hearing.

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*All photos by Buzz Lamb*

*Second place winner Marcello Vianna Reitz.*

*Below: Noriaki Sugitani and Nobuhiro Utada were third in the Championship.*

*Bottom: Sergio Ripoll and Johnny MacCall, defending champions, finished fourth.*



## Western Hemisphere . . .

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There was not enough time for a second race that day.

**Race 4:** Boats were again towed to the start and racing was postponed to wait for wind. After two hours of waiting and one false start and recall, the hoped-for seabreeze filled in. Most of the fleet took the port tack. Chiba, Rousmaniere and Utada held on starboard. At the first mark Chiba led, followed by Rousmaniere and Utada. With poles up on the reaches, Lange gained third place. Rousmaniere lost out on the second reach and rounded eighth.

Chiba held the lead over Utada and Lange on the second beat, but lost it on the run. Utada rounded the leeward mark first and maintained it to the finish, with Lange second, MacCall third, Adams fourth, and Chiba fifth.

Although there was good wind, too much time would be required to reset the course before dark, and racing was over for the day.

**Race 5:** With a start ready to go at 10:10, a huge wind shift forced a postponement. After one general recall in the shifty wind, the fleet got off to a good start. Lange led MacCall and Reitz around the first mark, followed by Santos and Utada. The wind shifted on the reaching leg, and poles came down as the leg turned into a very tight reach. The rounding order held to the end of the second reach where the "C" flag was up, signaling a new windward mark. As Lange covered MacCall on the left side of the course, Reitz went right and took the lead on the second beat. Lange held second and MacCall third.

On the last beat Lange stayed with Reitz, and the resulting tacking duel gave first place to Lange with Reitz second. Utada was third and MacCall fourth. Santos finished fifth.

**Race 6:** The race began in the heaviest wind of the series. The fleet split at the start with Reitz grinding Lange down on the left, and Utada covering MacCall on the right. They rounded in that order with Rousmaniere in fifth.

Some of the lighter crews came close to being overpowered in the heavy conditions, but only one failed to finish. No breakdowns of the borrowed equipment were reported.

Reitz, Lange, MacCall, and Utada maintained their places to the finish, with Adams finishing fifth and Rousmaniere dropping to sixth.

**Race 7:** With winds of 18 to 20, and only one point out of first place, Reitz positioned himself to control Lange off the start



*Jun Suzuki and Yoshihiro Chiba pose with their fifth place trophies. Buzz Lamb photo.*

if he could. Everyone else was secondary as Reitz and Lange matched each other tack for tack on the first beat. Labandeira rounded first followed by Rousmaniere, Reitz, Lange, and MacCall. On the reaches the order was maintained. On rounding Reitz tacked first, with Lange following. They held each other on the wrong side of the course, and MacCall rounded the weather mark first, followed by Labandeira, Adams, and then Lange, with Rousmaniere between himself and Reitz.

The wind had lessened considerably by the last run. On the last beat MacCall led to the finish, followed by Labandeira. Lange and Reitz waltzed to the finish, with Lange controlling the Brazilian to finish third and win the regatta. Adams finished fifth for the race.

**ROY YAMAGUCHI MEMORIAL RACE:** The Roy Yamaguchi Memorial race was conceived as both a warm-up for the competitors, and a fitting memorial to Roy Yamaguchi, who was instrumental in organizing Japan's first Snipe fleet in 1956. In the 30 years since, the Class has grown to more than 1,000 registered Snipes, which can be seen sailing all over Japan.

The committee set a long course in the brisk 12 knot wind, and Santiago Lange set the pace he was to maintain throughout the race, and into the championship. He and Ed Adams were overlapped at the first mark, with Lange on the inside. They went high toward a wrong mark (set for another race) on the reach, and while Lange maintained his position, Adams lost both Japanese boats. Although the wind light-

ened, the positions remained the same to the finish, with Lange first, Utada second, Chiba third, and Adams fourth. Commodore Wayne Soares, with Beverly crewing, made a dramatic comeback on the last beat to finish fifth.

Mrs. Roy Yamaguchi made the trophy presentations for this race.

**SOCIAL:** The social introduction to Japanese culture began as Mari Matsumoto introduced each of the contestants, and the national secretaries presented their flags for the opening ceremony at the yacht club on Sunday evening. There followed a gala cocktail party where everyone learned at least one Japanese word "Kanpai!" It means "bottoms-up".

Wednesday's Japanese Bar-B-Que served under a full moon, featured beef, mushrooms, and prawns big as lobsters, along with Hawaiian songs for entertainment. Since Thursday was a lay-day, "Kanpai!" was heard well into the night.

On Thursday a bus tour included a visit to the Great Buddha of Kamakura. The enormous Buddha is over seven hundred years old, is several stories tall, and has withstood a tidal wave which washed away the temple in which it was enclosed.

After a complimentary luncheon at the Kanto Auto works, the marvels of Japanese industrial efficiency were demonstrated in a tour of the completely automated plant. The 800 workers turn out a Toyota every 75 seconds!

Next there was a visit to the Tokyo TV station whose news cameras covered the championship.

The day was complete with a tour of the famous Happon-en Gardens and restaurant. A tour of the Bonsai, tea houses, and fish ponds in the garden was followed by a splendid buffet dinner in the restaurant.

Trophies were presented and flags were lowered ending the championship at the Yacht Club late Saturday afternoon. This wasn't the end of the festivities however. Back at Hotel Sylphide, home of the contestants during the regatta, there was a feast of grilled salmon, sing-along entertainment, and still more "Kanpai!"

The person who made it all work was Fujiya Matsumoto, National Secretary for Japan, who organized the housing, and the social program, as well as the racing. He depended not only on the excellent organization which smoothly runs one of SCIRA's largest Snipe countries, but also on the enthusiastic help of his family. Mrs. Matsumoto, Motoko, was the charming hostess for the social events and served as banker, office help, and travel agent during the day. Their daughter Mari was the indispensable interpreter, translator, and secretary for the championship.



# Shore Sails Dominate

## the 1986 Nationals!

1, 2, 3 Heinzerling 6 out of the top 8

2 Wells

1, 2, 4, 6 Crosby 7 out of the top 10

1, 3 Junior Nationals

**...but that's not all!**

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1,2,3,4,5 Colonial Cup

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1,2,3,5 Call of Fall

1 (8 out of top 10) Southern champs

1,2,3,5,8 District I

1,2,3,4,5,6 District III

2 District V

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# Spain Is Best of Eight Nations In European Championship

*Eight Snipe nations sent 53 boats for racing on Spain's Mar Menor.*

Fernando Rita and A.M. Andreu, representing the host country, won the XIX European Championship without having to sail the last race. Fifty-three boats representing eight Snipe nations competed for the championship which was sailed September 6-12 in the waters of the Mar Menor, and organized by Real Club de Regatas de Santiago de la Ribera (Murcia) Spain.

Rubio and Solana, also representing Spain were second. Former European Champion Finn Hanssen with Erling Nesse of Norway was third. Early leader Roquette of Portugal finished fourth, and Denmark's all-time great Jan Persson, sailing with his son as crew, was fifth.

**Race 1** started in winds of Force 1 with 50 boats on the line. Grand Numa lead the fleet and headed in the direction of the coast. The wind shifted, favoring those near the committee boat side of the course. With fantastic speed and good tactics, the first race was a Portugese festival. The first three places were Roquette, Borralho, and Guerra.

**Race 2:** With Force 2 winds, the committee set a perfect line for the 14:54 start. The wind continued to shift throughout the race. In what was almost a photo finish, Roquette was again the winner, with Rita of Spain second. In third place, only 10 feet behind the leaders, was Spain's Mainemare. Hanssen of Norway finished fourth.

**Race 3** was started at 17:37 with wind at Force 2, and 53 boats on the line. Rita/Andreu would have to move with authority if they wanted to gain the title of new European Champions. But the Roquettes had the same desire. Rita/Andreu crossed the line at 19:00 and the last boat finished at 19:12. Roquette was second and Hanssen third.

**Race 4:** The day began with a splendid sun and no wind, but about 14:30 the wind went from Force 0 to 3-4 in just a few minutes. The race began at 15:05 with 52 boats starting in the Force 3 winds. The wind increased to Force 4 which should favor the Northern Snipes, but Rita led all the way. Rubio followed around the course to finish second. Jansen of Norway

moved up from eighth place to finish third.

**Race 5:** 52 Snipes started at 17:25, with the wind blowing Force 4. Early leaders were Camino, Spain; Jorisch, Sweden; and Rasmussen and Persson of Denmark. By the second beat Rita and Camino moved to the front with Persson in third. They finished in that order with Lahti of Finland fourth, and Sweden's Forsberg fifth.

**Race 6** began at 12:28 on the 11th with Force 1 wind. With little wind, the Portugese recuperated, and the battle between Roquette and Rita began again. Rita was first at the first mark followed by Roquette, Dematte of Italy, Rubio, and Ramada of Portugal. The finishing order was: Roquette, Rita, Rubio, Gerra, and Hanssen.

**Race 7:** His finish in race six gave Rita the championship without his having to sail in the last race. Competition for other places in the top five was still close between Roquette, Rubio, Hanssen, and Jansen.

The last race began with winds of Force 3, and only 48 of the 53 Snipes on the line. The leader, Spain's Camino, was disqualified, changing the finishing positions for the race to Jan Persson, Denmark first; Guerra, Portugal, second; Hanssen of Norway, third; and Andersen, Denmark, fourth. Rubio's fifth place, and Roquette's 11th reversed their standings for the championship, and Hanssen finished third overall.



XIX CAMPEONATO DE EUROPA  
(Top 25 of 53 Boats)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Country	Places	Points	Finish
23203	F. Rita/A. Andreu	Spain	14-2-1-1-1-2-ns	26	1
19223	R. Rubio/R. Solana	Spain	4-17-5-2-11-3-5	51.7	2
24967	F. Hanssen/E. Nesse	Norway	15-4-3-5-8-5-3	53.4	3
25767	T. Roquette/P. Roquette	Portugal	1-1-2-29-rt-1-11	55	4
25704	J. Persson/J. Persson	Denmark	9-9-9-14-3-nf-1	70.7	5
25981	G. Guerra/J. Conde	Portugal	3-8-pms-12-21-4-2	75.7	6
25535	B. Jansen/J. Jansen	Norway	5-13-31-3-18-6-6	82.1	7
22382	P. Brodsted/Erhardi	Denmark	6-25-14-11-14-11-7	98.7	8
21422	J. Mainemare/R. Marques	Spain	12-3-4-37-39-12-12	110.7	9
12296	D. Borralho/J. Oliveira	Portugal	2-12-23-7-23-14-29	113	10
26650	S. Valjus/R. Valjus	Finland	28-16-7-4-11-41-16	114.7	11
24761	I. Camino/J. Gutierrez	Spain	16-7-21-10-2-31-dq	118	12
25528	S. Andersen/S. Bulow	Denmark	19-7-19-34-19-ns-4	134.7	13
26474	P. Jorisch/Gert Fougt	Sweden	17-32-25-20-10-19-9	136	14
26097	Ericsson/B. Engstrom	Sweden	27-19-24-8-17-15-18	137	15
22011	P. Ferrer/E. Boissier	Spain	10-27-28-17-13-9-rt	140	16
26639	H. Evers/P. Evers	Denmark	25-15-29-25-6-29-8	143.7	17
25684	J. Ramada/J. Ramada	Portugal	29-26-20-13-30-7-14	145	18
25752	F. Lopez/M. Fontenla	Spain	18-37-8-16-31-24-16	146	19
25138	J. Lahti/J. Heijo	Finland	20-30-43-39-4-13-19	159	20
25476	B. Forsberg/M. Forsberg	Sweden	49-39-13-6-5-28-34	159.7	21
26349	G. Dematte/D. Dematte	Italy	7-28-27-30-25-10-37	163	22
25705	O. Lorentzen/K. Fossum	Denmark	22-pms-22-22-22-8-41	173	23
26599	Otto Book/Inger Book	Norway	43-21-37-9-15-34-21	173	24
26093	P. Lundh/S. Lenving	Sweden	34-18-7-47-38-26-17	176	25



*Fernando Rita and Antonio Andreu with trophies won in European Championship.*



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## Callison Edges Leweck In Bolde Mothers

The 20th Annual Bolde Mothers Intergalactic Open was sailed on Cuba Lake, Dismal Valley, Earth on July 27, 1986 with over 50 Snipes in attendance representing 10 states and two countries but no extra-terrestrials.

The event was sailed one day after the National Championship was won by past intergalactic champs Ed and Meredith Adams but it was a quantum leap from Chautauqua to Cuba.

Many took advantage of the generous Non Sailing Package and stayed on shore to drown their sorrows at the beer truck. But many of the competitors sported a new look: Jennifer Rousmaniere replaced her husband Art at the helm; Steve Callison brought in a new crew, Andrea Tomaselli; Nadine Franczyk hooked on with Lee Griffith when Team Diaz headed home; Tarasa Davis crewed for Jeff Lenhart; Robert Lindley teamed with Russ Fox to skipper his first regatta; Ron and Karen Fox signed up to rescue and take pictures; Griff Hall recruited Patti Burton; Alvin Bugbee and Leo Murphy found some E-Scow girls for their Snipes; and over half a dozen Canadian entrants headed by the first intergalactic champs Bent Poulsen and Id Crook came down from the great north. But the biggest surprise was to see IYRU Paul Henderson switch from his jury position to sail with his daughter Martha and finish very respectably.

The sailing conditions were less than ideal but RC George Bradley was able to set two Olympic courses back to back with totally different starting areas on Saturday with no wind on Sunday.

Steven Callison's victory in the final race enabled him and Andrea Tomaselli to edge Californians Craig Leweck and Kenyon



*Start of Bolde Mothers regatta on Cuba Lake.*

Martin by .7 point with the winners of the first race, Dick Mitchell and Maureen Hays, another point behind.

Champagne and Cuba Cheese temporarily replaced beer during the cocktail party as The Whole Hog Company prepared the pig roast under the watchful eye of Bob Johnston and Id Crook. After dinner guest DJs provided the disco music as East met West in an unscheduled beer-chugging contest won by Kenyon Martin over Dave Rogers (who later won a re-match). Many felt this to be the best of our regattas but I believe the jury is still out.

*Leo Murphy*

*Winners Steve Callison and Andrea Tomaselli move to weather in perfect trim.*



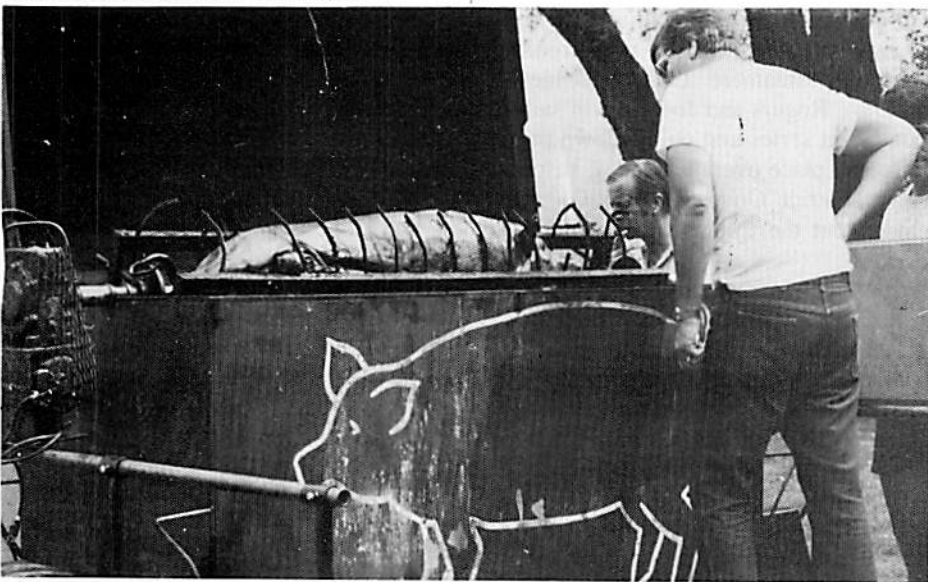
### BOLDE MOTHERS INTERGALACTIC OPEN (Top 20 of 36 Entries)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Club	Places	Points	Finish
24608	Callison/Tomaselli	Rochester YC	4-1	8	1
25848	Leweck/Martin	Mission Bay YC	3-2	8.7	2
25676	Dick Mitchell/Hays	North Cove YC	1-5	10	3
26455	Hall/Burton	Severn SA	2-7	13	4
26004	Griffith/Franczyk	Pine Beach YC	6-3	17.4	5
25412	Rousmaniere/Rousmaniere	Winchester BC	8-6	25.7	6
25060	Lenhart/Davis	Mission Bay YC	13-4	27	7
26286	Swanson/Lee	Severn SA	5-12	28	8
26641	Henderson/Henderson	Royal Canadian	9-8	29	9
25992	Lindley/Fox	San Diego	7-11	30	10
26299	Johns/Johns	Barton BC	11-9	32	11
26160	Hock/Hock	Newport YC	12-10	34	12
24777	Pierotti/Pierotti	Cuba Lake YC	15-13	40	13
26106	Hains/Dugan	Oakville Harbour	17-15	44	14
24166	Nugent/Munnoch	Royal Canadian	16-18	46	15
23397	Jeff Mitchell/Paulssen	Oakville Harbour	20-16	48	16
29433	Belford/Belford	Oakville Harbour	22-14	48	16
25659	Schmidt/Alexander	Boston	10-dnf	55	18
26612	Haywood/Pearson	Barton BC	21-23	56	19
24683	Bugbee/Davis	Portland, ME	23-22	57	20
19795	Edwards/Wisniewski	Cuba Lake YC	26-19	57	20





*Bolde Mothers winners, back row, L to R: Steve Callison, Dick Mitchell, Leo Murphy, Griff Hall, Jeff Lenhart, George Bradley, Lee Griffith, Bob Johnston; Front: Andrea Tomaselli, Maureen Hays, Reann Hays, Kenyon Martin, Craig Leweck, Patti Burton, Tarasa Davis, Nadine Franczyk.*



*Leo Murphy inspecting pig roast under supervision of Bob Johnston.*

## Leweck Captures Southern California Traveling Trophy

It was another busy year of Snipe racing in California, and the year was recently highlighted by the Carolyn Nute Memorial/Halloween Regatta held in Mission Bay on October 25-26.

This was also the last scheduled event for those vying for the So. Calif. Traveling Trophy, which was won by Craig Leweck of the Mission Bay Fleet. This trophy is awarded to the one who scores best in seven of the nine designated events with using the high points system.

Leweck is a recent returnee to the California area. After a two year hiatus in the Midwest, he arrived into the San Diego area (originally from Los Angeles) a year ago and was ready to shake off those cold winters and do some sailing. His Snipe sailing is closely related to his business as he works for Mark Reynolds and Sobstad

Sailmakers of San Diego. Craig also had a good year on the national scene. He won the overall title at the Winter Circuit, was second at the North Americans and third in the Crosby series at the Nationals.

Despite the fact that District 6 and 7 are greatly removed from the bulk of the Snipe class in the U.S., it is a pretty active and young group that is proud of its high level of competition. The turnouts were by and large disappointing this year, mostly due to the fact the young sailors were getting older and doing things like buying houses and having babies. Hopefully, we will all get this out of our system soon and will once again see the large fleets out on the start lines.

*Gail McClure  
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## Doug Wefer Triumphs At Lake Quassapaug

Lake Quassapaug was the site of the annual Board of Governor's Regatta on the weekend of August 23-24. Beautiful weather and unusually brisk winds made for an excellent weekend of racing.

Saturday's sun and southerly 5-15 mph winds allowed four Olympic course races to be staged. The fine weather continued for the traditional barbecued steak dinner and following party. But while the competitors were busily partying, a cold front swept through the area.

Sunday, sailors were greeted with a preview of Fall with gusty and shifty 18-25 mph northwest winds. Both of the day's races were fast and wet and featured a dangerous jibe mark on the two triangle course, the scene of several spectacular capsizes. Fortunately, all but one competitor were able to right themselves and continue racing and there were no gear breakdowns. Also fortunate was that only two races needed to be sailed as the conditions were physically draining (at least my 115 pound crew and I were beat!)

The regatta was dominated by the superb sailing of Doug Wefer from the Sea Cliff fleet who sailed an almost perfect series, posting four firsts, a second and a third.



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## BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REGATTA (Top 15 of 26 Boats)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Club	Places	Points	Finish
25737	Doug Wefer/Kris Meyer	Seacliff	2-3-1-1-1-1	6.5	1
25412	Jennifer Rousmaniere/Rousmaniere	Winchester	1-1-4-2-15-4	11.5	2
24110	David Rogers/Laurie Rogers	QYC	6-10-3-8-4-9	27	3
22800	Joel Zackin/Rich Cob	QYC	15-7-6-3-6-5	27	4
25810	Rob Gorman/Lisa Gorman	Marblehead	7-13-5-9-8-3	32	5
26174	David Lence/David Koepp	Winchester	5-6-14-7-9-6	33	6
20996	Steve Shepstone/Melissa Shepstone	Seacliff	10-11-8-5-12-2	36	7
25003	Sue Tabor/Jan Tabor	CPYC	9-5-12-11-2-10	37	8
25659	Ray Schmit/Teresa Alexander		14-2-11-21-3-dns	49	9
24999	Martin Fraser/Tara Nelson	Medford	6-19-13-6-16-9	50	10
21440	Steve Sprole/Kathy Sprole	CPYC		54	11
22285	Sarah Levinson/Harry Levinson	Medford		56	12
24633	Shawn Sullivan/Fran Sullivan	QYC		56	13
23968	Paul Wood/Kathy Wood	PLYC, Ohio		58	14
25714	Dick May/Sondra Brown	QYC		60	15

## JUNIORS

24999	Tara Nelson/Martin Fraser	Medford	1-1	1.5	1
26202	Steven Winkler/Maria Tricca	CPYC	3-2	5	2
19060	Sondra Brown/Bobbie Pease	QYC	2-3	5	3
21632	Greg Pease/Jennifer Aquaria	QYC	4-4	8	4
13667	Chris Pease/Suzanne Brown	QYC	5-5	10	5

Also doing a superb job and a close second, was the Swedish Chef skippered by Jennifer Rousmaniere. Local fleet members Dave Rogers and Joel Zackin sailed a consistent series and pulled down third and fourth place overall finishes, respectively. District Governor Rob Gorman rounded out the trophy winners in fifth place.

With the encouragement of the District Governor, junior sailing has received increased attention in District I this year, in hopes of encouraging fleet growth. We were able to stage two junior races in the light air early Saturday morning prior to the senior races. These races were open to any junior skipper (did not have to own their own boat), there was no entry fee and crews need not have been juniors. Winning the junior title (trophies were awarded) was Tara Nelson with Steven Winkler second and Sondra Brown third out of the

five boats entered. These races did generate a great deal of enthusiasm among our junior sailors and we hope even greater participation occurs next year.

Mike Elser

Lake Quassapaug Fleet 231



Juniors, Back: Tara Nelson, Steve Winkler, Sondra Brown; Front: Maria Tricca, Robbie Pease.



Winners L to R: Rob Gorman, Lisa Gorman, Laurie Rogers, Dave Rogers, Jennifer Rousmaniere, Art Rousmaniere, Kris Meyer, Doug Wefer, Joel Zacklin, Rich Cob.

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I would like to thank you all for your support and patronage over the years. In the last 15 years I have enjoyed building quality boats and watching them perform with much success, but more than that, I enjoy the many close friendships which have evolved from Snipe sailing. I wish the best for all of you in this new year and hope you will get to know Steve in the near future.



Good Sailing,  
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