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HELP WANTED

Buzz and Marge Lamb have decided to do some extended cruising starting next year. This means that the position of Executive Secretary will be open as of January 1, 1988.

Anyone who is interested in the job should send a resume to the office. The resumes will be reviewed by the Commodore and the US National Secretary for their recommendation to the Board of Governors. The latter will meet at the World Championship in France in August so the cutoff date for applications is August 21, 1987. A brief description of the duties follows.

The functions of the office are primarily communication and recordkeeping. Correspondence is the most time consuming duty. Replies to incoming mail at the rate of 12-15 letters per day must be made to fleet captains, national secretaries, officers, board members, individual members, and district governors as well as from outside the class such as prospective members, other classes and the general public. Many telephone calls are received as well as a few messages on the telex.

Publishing the SNIPE BULLETIN is done monthly and requires securing articles, writing, and editing. Coordination of the typesetting, make-up, printing, and mailing is necessary to insure timely mailing. Some portion of the work must be done every week.

The RULE BOOK is published every four years but the data must be accumulated every year. The data is maintained on the computer and the typesetting is done from the computer. The office does the pasteup work and otherwise prepares the mechanical.

Other publications include the BASIC SNIPE SAILING MANUAL, a brochure, the Measurement Data Sheet, blueprints. A number of forms such as dues notices, regatta reports, and invoices are prepared as needed. SCIENTIFIC SAILBOAT RACING was completely revised in 1979 but is no longer in print, although we still have some copies for sale.

Agendas and the attendant minutes are prepared for SCIRA and SCIRA/US meetings. Attendance for these meetings is necessary as is attendance at meetings of the USYRU.

Recordkeeping consists of maintaining a membership file containing name, address, boat number and the type of boat measurement, date of dues payment, and office held for all members in the Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada and the US. This information is in the computer. Records of each boat and the history of its ownership are maintained on 3 x 5 cards. All of this information is verified before a dues decal is sent.

The accounting records are kept on the computer with separate funds for SCIRA and SCIRA/US. Each fund has a bank account and there is also a money market account which pays interest. Accounts receivable are maintained for each advertiser, builder, and sailmaker. Disbursements are made as soon as invoices are received so there are no accounts payable. Payroll tax returns are prepared quarterly and an annual tax return is required. Corporate annual reports must be filed with Ohio and Tennessee.

Decals are sent to national secretaries and their accounts are charged. They receive credit when unused decals are returned. Numbers for new boats are also assigned and charged as are subscriptions. Accounting must be made for all of these transactions.

Qualifications for the job are varied. An ability to organize is absolutely the most essential quality for every aspect of the job. Editorial abilities include writing, editing, and proof-reading. An ability to generate timely articles as well as having pursuasive talents to solicit articles is required. Typing skill is essential as is the knowledge of the use of a computer. Photographic skills are desirable as is some

THE COVER

Lively action around the downwind mark in the second race of the Gamblin Series at Nassau on the Winter Circuit: Robert Dunkley, BA 24805, and Sam Mollet, US 24087, prepare to round ahead of Birger Jansen, N 25535.

THE SCORE

Sixteen numbers were issued during the month with 5 going to each of three nations - Brasil, Finland and Norway; USA got one number. No fleet charters were issued

Numbered SNIPES — 26936 Chartered Fleets — 801

knowledge of printng production. An understanding of taxes and finances is needed and bookkeeping skills are required.

The secretary must be able to make decisions on his own as frequently there is no one else available. Flexibility is necessary as interruptions are numerous. Knowledge of Snipe sailing and class history is highly desirable. Honesty, integrity and industry are, of course, taken for granted. Strength, stamina and good health are required, since there isn't anyone else to do the work.

Remember to send your resumes to the office as soon as possible but no later than August 21, 1987.

Plans Firmed For '87 North Americans

Plans are underway in Marblehead for the Snipe North American Championship, to be held September 10-12. This championship will offer great racing as well as lots of fun for competitors and spectators alike, so mark the event on your calendar now.

Registration at the Eastern Yacht Club begins the evening of September 9. Registration for late arrivals will continue early the morning of September 10, to be followed by a skippers' meeting. An eightrace series will be sailed Thursday through Saturday, with Sunday as a make-up day if necessary.

Some housing will be available in local Snipe sailors' homes for sailors who preregister. Van parking/camping is also available. There are several hotels and bed and breakfasts in the area. For more information on any of these, call Housing Chairman Carolyn Brodsky at (617) 631-0825.

Eastern Yacht Club hospitality and plenty of social events guarantee the North Americans will be fun no matter where you end up in the scoring. Don't miss this opportunity to visit Marblehead. Where else can you enjoy a harbor that's home to 3000 boats, surrounded by a historic town filled with quaint homes, excellent restaurants, shops and marine stores?

Watch future Snipe *Bulletins* for Regatta Registration Forms. Or contact Regatta Chairman Rob Gorman at 80 Jersey Street, Marblehead, MA 01945 (phone 617-631-1512).

How Many People Pay Snipe Dues?

The punch line to the old joke about "How many people work here?" is "About half". Our record of collection is better than that — but it ain't good.

As this is being written, dues have been

due for five months, they have been delinquent for two. Dues notices and final notices have been sent out to those who have not paid. Currently, at least one District Governor and one member of the Board of Governors have not paid their dues. Current decals are required on all boats participating in Snipe Regattas. One third place finisher in a prestigious regatta hasn't paid in two years now.

What are you going to do about it?

Around The Snipe World

ACTION IN CONNECTICUT

Anthony Rugens, 102 Winthrop St., New Britain, CT 06052, is interested in forming a new Snipe Fleet in New Britain. He reports the potential for a three-boat provisional fleet in the near future.

Also, at Bantam Lake, Carmine Gugliot-

The '87 U.S. Masters — Don't Miss It!

The U.S. Masters Championship will be held on Geist Reservoir, Indianapolis, Indiana on Wednesday through Friday, September 16-18. The tentative schedule is as follows:

Sept. 15 (Tues)

Arrival and practice if needed! Registration from 12 noon - 11 p.m. Light buffet will be served, 6 til ??

Sept. 16 (Wed)

- Registration 8-11 a.m.
- Brunch 9-11 a.m.
- Skippers meeting 11:15 a.m.
- 1st race, noon
- 2nd race, 2 p.m.
- Refreshment after racing
- 7 p.m. informal cookout at club
 8:30 p.m. story telling time by Schenk, Wells, Williams and other ancient mariners

Sept. 17 (Thurs)

- Brunch 9-11 a.m.
- Skippers meeting 11 a.m.
- 3rd race, noon
- 4th race, 2 p.m.
- Refreshment after racing 7:30 p.m. dinner and party at club
- (informal but shower required)

Sept. 18 (Fri)

- Brunch 9-10:30 a.m.
- Skippers meeting 10:30 a.m.
- 5th race, 11:30 a.m.
- Make up races if needed immediately following
- Refreshment after racing
- 3 p.m. (approx), trophies

Entry fee of \$100 per boat covers all meals including Tuesday buffet for skipper and crew. Some boats will be available ti is interested in reorganizing Fleet 301. His address is: 177 Dinatali Drive, Waterbury, CT 06705.

SPREADING THE GOOD WORD

Thanks, Harken. Notice the Harken ads in current sailing magazines. Snipe is the latest Class highlighted in this series of ads featuring one-design classes.

And, thanks, Mike Segerblom. Mike is including Snipe brochures and advertising for the class in his I.S.P. catalogs.

We appreciate this favorable advertising. Advertising is one of the approaches to promotion which the Class needs to consider in depth.

NAME CHANGE

In the interest of simplicity, District III Governor Ray Szczepanski and his family have gone to court to shorten their name. Please address him in the future as: Ray Sepanski.

for charter. Limited housing with fleet members is available. Excellent motel accommodations are 12 minutes away.

Snipes arriving early can sail in the 32nd Annual Indiana Open Snipe Championship, Sept. 11-12, 1987.

Indianapolis Snipe sailors look forward to hosting the 9th Annual U.S. Masters Championship. This regatta was originated by Dan Blodgett who will be in attendance this year. The Indianapolis fleet has been active since 1955 and our lake is approximately three miles long and up to 3/4 miles wide.

An experienced race committee will guarantee good courses and enjoyable racing. Our facilities are excellent. The Masters is growing each year and proving to be a really fun as well as a competitive regatta.

There will be overall trophies as well as trophies for the following age groups:

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- 65 and older Grand Masters
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 - Indianapolis, IN 46240 Phone: 317-257-4674



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3.4 Midwinter champs

- 1,2,3,4,5 Colonial Cup
- 1,2,3,5 Call of Fall
- 2 District V
- 1,2,3 Wolverine
- 3 Central American Games
- 1 Redneck

Call or write Greg Fisher or Matt Gregory at the loft or look for Steve Callison on the regatta circuit.





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Godfrey Kelly is most windward boat just after the start of the second race of the Gamblin series. Boats to leeward from left are Debra Willits, Peter Christie, Sam Mollet, Birger Jansen, Jimmy Lowe, and Robert Dunkley.

Snipes Conclude Winter Circuit At Nassau

Complete scores for the Nassau Championships were not available when the June *BULLETIN* went to press. The top finishers were: Bacardi Cup Peter Commette and Alex Smigelski of the Miami Fleet. They also placed first for the Charles Kelly Memorial Trophy as top finishers for the Nassau races.

The Dudley Gamblin Trophy went to Keith Dodson and Mike Bartell. The top finishing Bahamian, and winner of the Concorde Trophy, was Robert Dunkley with crew Eric Krebs.

The Zimmerman Trophy for the top finish in the Circuit went to Mike Segerblom, with crew Kenyon Martin.



The same group of boats a few seconds later with Kelly working to weather and port tack boats taking transoms.

BACARDI CUP (Top 15 of 27 Boats)				DUDLEY GAMBLIN MEMORIAL TROPHY (Top 15 of 27 Boats)					
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34687	J. Dunkley/R. Farrington	19-11-14	44	15	25417	M. Pritchard/P. Hall	15-11-13-16-16	71	15

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Winners of the Saturday Ladies and Juniors races. Skippers Kathy Bronaugh and Taylor Grimsley in back. Jeannie Bronaugh and Brian Hackbarth front. (Dan Williams photo)

"A" Fleet, l to r: Skippers, back, Ed Craig, Dave Pritchard, Griff Hall, Brent McKenzie, Matt Gregory. Front, Mike Funsch, Edie Yarbrough, Steve Burke, Linda Duvoisin. (Dan Williams photo)

Below — Masters, "B" Fleet, and Junior Trophy: Skippers, Frank Pontious, Patricia Fowler, Chauncey Clark, Ted Stout. Crews, Mickey Pontious, Lynn Fowler, Chance Clark, and Julie Smither. (Dan Williams photo)

Dave Pritchard Is Southern Champion

Dave Pritchard and Mike Funsch of the Lake Lanier Fleet 781 are the 1987 Southern Snipe Champions. Dave who also won the championship in 1985 had an unbeatable 3-1-1 score card, followed by Griff Hall of Annapolis with 8-3-3. Defending champion Brent McKenzie, with crew Steve Burke, had 6-5-5 for third place.

Matt Gregory, now sailing for Hoover Lake, Ohio, won the first race, but added a ninth and 10th to finish fourth overall, while Privateer's Eddie Craig finished fifth with two second places on Saturday, and a dismal 20th on Sunday.

Fifty-six Snipes arrived at Privateer Y.C., Chattanooga, TN, for the annual Mother's Day Weekend series, sailed May 9-10 on Lake Chickamauga.

Saturday's wind came out of the usually favorable southeastery direction, but was both shifty and puffy, causing at least one capsize, when the crew was on the wrong side of the boat. Matt Gregory and Linda Duvoisin won the first race, followed by Ed Craig and Monty Humphreys. Dave Pritchard was third in his only less than perfect finish.

The second race followed as soon as the windward mark was moved to accommodate one of the wind shifts. Conditions were much the same as in the first race. Pritchard won, with Craig in second, and Griff Hall and Edie Yarborough third.

Sunday morning was time for starting practice, as Race Committee Chairman John Wesley kept shooting guns until the fleet got it (more or less) right. After three general recalls, the fourth start was good



enough, and the fleet was off on the same course as Saturday. Those who chose to start at the pin end of the line were nowhere by the time the first boats rounded the windward mark, and by the end of the triangle, the wind had degenerated into a typical Chickamauga Lake drifter. Wesley mercifully shortened the race at the end of the second beat, with Pritchard drifting across ahead of John and Ann Walton, and Griff Hall again finishing in third place.

The "B" fleet mixed it up a little bit, with Chauncey and Chance Clark of AYC beating Patricia and Lynn Fowler of PYC by half a point, although Patricia won two of the three races. Ken and Jennifer Campbell of Annapolis took the third place finish for the Bars fleet.

Taylor Grimsley and Brian Hackbarth of Atlanta were best in the Junior race. Kathy and Jeannie Bronaugh, Privateer, won the ladies race. Both theses races were held Saturday morning before the regular racing began, and are a regular feature of the regatta.

Ted Stout with crew Julie Smither, Atlanta, won the regatta trophy for the best finishing junior in the regular racing. Frank and Mickey Pontious, also of Atlanta, took home the Masters trophy.

The Van Wesley Trophy for the 1986 season was presented to Brent and Sharon McKenzie. A summary of the scoring for that trophy is featured in this issue.

Marge Lamb, Privateer Fleet 142

SOUTHERN CHAMPIONSHIP 'A' Fleet — Top 35 of 48 Boats							
Boat	Skipper	City	Places	Points Fi	inish		
25951	David Pritchard/Mike Funsch	Atlanta	3-1-1	4.75	1		
26455	Griff Hall/Edie Yarborough	Annapolis	8-3-3	14	2		
25840	Brent McKenzie/Steve Burke	Atlanta	6-5-5	16	23		
26026	Matt Gregory/Linda Duvoisin	Columbus, OH	1-9-10	19.75	4		
25434	Ed Craig/Monty Humphreys	Chattanooga	2-2-20	24	5		
26668	Tom Payne/Tom Schroder	Gainesville, GA	23-4-9	36	4 5 6		
25418	John Walton Jr./Anne Walton	Detroit	4-31-2	37	7		
26004	Lee Griffith/Karla Griffith	Yardley, PA	19-12-6	37	8		
16104	John Muhlhausen/K. Muhlhausen	Atlanta	15-21-4	40	9		
24686	Marc Duvoisin/Anne Duvoisin	Titusville, FL	20-6-15	41	10		
25420	Paul Dovey/Lisa Dovey	Indianapolis	12-19-11	42	11		
24093	Scott Cline/Alan Carscadden	Chattanooga	11-13-22	46	12		
26473	John Sinclair/Mike Lanier	Atlanta	22-8-19	49	13		
26737	Tom Smith/Shawn Burke	Atlanta	7-20-25	52	14		
25948	Jess Coburn/Taylor Grimsley	Atlanta	16-16-21	53	15		
24994	Frank Pontious/Marilyn Pontious	Atlanta	9-11-35	55	16		
25125	Rob Fowler/Bruce Carscadden	Chattanooga	14-15-26	55	17		
26107	James Howard/Anne Howard	Atlanta	35-10-14	59	18		
19091	Pete Duvoisin/Jane Duvoisin	Chattanooga	13-14-32	59	19		
26914	Steve Sherman/Kevin Brinkmann	Chattanooga	17-18-27	62	20		
25872	Paul Gillis/Mary Janet Gillis	Atlanta	24-35-7	66	21		
23332	Mike McLaughlin/M. McLaughlin	Chattanooga	5-17-49	71	22		
26100	Woody Norwood/Scott Bowers	Atlanta	36-23-13	72	23		
25070	Bill Lynn/Annie Kielstra	Atlanta	18-26-28	72	24		
24442	Buzz Lamb/Marge Lamb	Chattanooga	26-43-8	77	25		
26664	P. DeBeukelaer/Micky DeBeulelaer	Jackson, MS	33-34-12	79	26		
25373	Kathy Bronaugh/Jeanie Bronaugh	Atlanta	39-7-34	80	27		
24600	Will Stout/Adriane Stout	Atlanta	29-37-16		28		
24747	Dan Williams/Brainard Cooper	Chattanooga	30-24-33	87	29		
26105	Raymond Burke/Rob Ostrom	Atlanta	21-50-18		30		
25231	Bob Wardwell/Robby Wardwell	Chattanooga	27-33-29	89	31		
25264	Means Davis Jr./Peggy Davis	Atlanta	28-25-39	92	32		
24699	John K. Ruff/John D. Ruff	Athens, GA	32-38-23		33		
25888	Gan Evans/Chas Booth	Columbus, OH	10-39-49	98	34		
25406	Means Davis V/Miss Van Hutten	Atlanta	40-30-30	100	35		
	'B' Fleet — Top 5 of 8 Boats						

24637	Chauncey Clark/Chance Clark	Atlanta	3-2-2	7	1
21021	Patricia Fowler/Lynn Fowler	Chattanooga	1-6-1	7.50	2
26337	Ken Campbell/Jennifer Campbell	Alexandria, VA	5-1-4	9.75	3
26119	Ted Stout/Julie Smithers	Atlanta	2-4-5	11	4
24742	Geoff Wing/Kim Roberson	Chattanooga	6-7-3	16	5



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Sharon and Brent McKenzie, winners of the Van Wesley Trophy for the 1986 season. (Dan Williams photo)

Van Wesley Trophy Won By Brent McKenzie

The D4 standings represent competition for the Van Wesley Trophy. To qualify for the award you must sail in five sanctioned D4 regattas in the year including the Southerns and the District Championship.

Brent McKenzie topped the District and won the Van Wesley Trophy. He and Sharon raced nine regattas, winning four. The only other sailor even close was Dave Pritchard, last year's winner, who did not qualify having sailed only four regattas. But it would have been close if he had sailed one more. The other qualifiers were: Bill Simons, Tom Smith, Scott Cline, Pete Duvoisin, Frank Pontious, Paul Gillis, Tom Payne, John Muhlhausen, Ray Burke, Ken Simons and Clay Hudgins.

All other sailors who raced in three regattas in 1986 are also listed so that you can see just how you compare through the year. Of course, the Southerns and the Districts are two of the most competitive regattas, so those who attended may have a slightly higher average score than someone who only attended three smaller regattas.

Brent McKenzie and Paul Gillis attended the most regattas in 1987 with nine, and Tom Payne with eight. Remember, to qualify you only need five regattas, with two being the Southerns and the Districts.

It's an interesting competition — let's see if you can qualify in 1987.

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LETTERS

One of the proposed rules changes concerns weight reduction. Val Simhauser of the Island Bay, Illinois, Fleet expressed this opinion to Rules Chairman Dan Williams:

Dear Dan:

I finally sat down last night with the April '87 Snipe *BULLETIN*, and was horrified to read about the proposed weight reduction.

I've sailed Snipes for over 20 years now. At the time of the weight reduction from 425 pounds to 381 pounds, I owned and campaigned in a Chubasco, No. 18039, which I still own. I was able to get the weight out of that boat, and bring it down to the 381 lb. minimum. Many of the Snipers in our Springfield fleet were not so lucky. They already were faced with tough competition from the younger members of the fleet, but when they found that their old Loflands and Lemkes were 30 and 40 pounds overweight, that was it. Interest declined, boats lost their resale value and changed hands repeatedly, and the fleet has never been the same.

I will concede that the weight reduction

was not the sole cause of my fleet's decline. I will also concede that the weight reduction has made the Snipe faster and more sensitive. However, I take exception to the argument that an additional 11 pound weight reduction would improve the Snipe. If a 381 lb. Snipe doesn't appeal to a sailor, I doubt that a 370 lb. Snipe would either.

Moreover, we'd have to put our existing boats through the weight reduction ordeal again. I know I can get 11 pounds out of my new McLaughlin, No. 26079, but I'll have to be real creative to get another 11 pounds out of that old Chubasco.

I think we're all aware of the problems experienced by the 470 class. Those hulls are so light that they cannot withstand more than several years of use. I don't think an 11 pound reduction would cause that problem for the Snipe class, but that's where weight reduction leads to ultimately.

For those who advocate any further weight reduction, I suggest a diet or a lighter crew. I vote to leave the minimum weight at 381 pounds.

> Very truly yours, Val C. Simhauser



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Ted holding a "Chat Show" at the Budworth dock.



Dedicated Snipe sailors of the Budworth fleet over 30 years ago, taken during the visit of Ted Wells. To the right of Ted is Frank Penman, now deceased. Frank rebuilt SCIRA UK following World War II. Offices held: club commodore, fleet captain, England National Secretary, SCIRA Commodore, European champion 1956.

Fleet 217 Has 50th Anniversary

England's Budworth Sailing Club, home of Snipe Fleet 217, celebrated its 50th Anniversary at the closing of 1986. To mark the anniversary a dinner/dance was organized by ex-fleet captain Roland Antonelli.

In attendance were many famous names from the sailing fraternity of the north of England. And, over a third of those present had connections with SCIRA. One end of the bar was given over to photographs and posters of days long gone, including the photographic record of Ted Wells' visit to U.K. in the early 1950s.

> John Broughton UK Secretary



Left to right: Ron Parkin, Royal Yachting Association representative, N.W. England; Ian Broughton, Budworth vice commodore; The Kennedy-Youngs, son of founder, club commodore; Beryl and Don Elliott, Budworth's commodore, plus active Snipe sailors.

ST. PETERSBURG REGATTA (Top 8 of 10 Boats)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Places	Points Fin	ish
19888	John/Samantha Jennings	4-1	4.75	1
26760	Ed Baird/Lisa Alkire	3-2	5 3	2
26300	Ethan/Trudy Bixby	2-3	5	3
25045	Buzzy Heausler/Joe Blouin	1-dns	10.75	1
26397	Bob Foster/Richard Fachman	7-4	11 5	5
12762	Mike Gable/Sandy Scheda	5-6	11 (6
26771	Bill/Sherry Welch	8-5	13	7
26995	Francis Seavy/Kathy Phelan	6-dns	16 1	8

John Jennings Wins St. Pete Inaugural

St. Petersburg Fleet 801 is off and racing! They had their inaugural regatta, hosted by the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, on April 18. A very modest but determined group of 10 Snipes appeared on a cloudless day with winds for the first race clocking in at 18 knots from the southwest. Unfortunately, they were gusty and strengthening with the afternoon sea breeze.

Buzzy Heausler led a tight pack around the course winning the first race. After finishing, his main halyard broke and he had to retire under jib alone, missing the second race. Francis Seavy almost lost his mast as an aging side stay started to fray; several other boats headed back in with him, due to the building winds.

In the second race, Ed Baird showed us his world class style. He has never sailed a Snipe before, but had a great time, and inspired us all at the start. He capsized at the favored end of the line two minutes before the gun, scattering all nearby competitors. Then, with a well-timed maneuver, got the boat back on its fleet just at the start. It worked great and he almost won the race. Just before finishing, he capsized again, letting John Jennings sneak by to win the two-race regatta.

Needless to say, Ed was not the only one capsizing. The wind was gusting well in excess of 25-30 knots with unpredictable shifts playing off the downtown shoreline. The race committee wisely, as it turned out, decided to abandon the rest of the scheduled races, since the private airport



located next to the race course recorded gusts to 38 knots later in the day!

Fleet 801's point series will be sailed as part of the summer Wednesday night races hosted by St. Petersburg Y.C. Weekends will therefore be open for all of us rookies to travel to the nearby sanctioned regattas for needed experience.

We'd like to thank everyone for all the support we have received this winter, putting our fleet together. It wasn't easy starting a one-design fleet in a big boat town, but with your help, we have a solid beginning. Thanks to John Jennings, commodore of the SPYC, and especially to Bob Foster, Francis Seavy, and to Ted Huntley of the Clearwater fleet.

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Action at the mark! In the second race of Dudley Gamblin series at Nassau, Gram has rounded and gone as Dunkley, Mollet, Jansen, and Commette prepare to round.

Segerblom Wins Olympic **Classes Regatta**

Mike Segerblom representing the home fleet finished 8.7 points ahead of Warren Wheaton of the San Francisco Bay fleet to lead the 35 boat Snipe fleet at the 1987 Olympic Classes Regatta, April 3-5 at Alamitos Bay.

Mike discarded a 14th place finish in the six-race, one-throwout series. Warren dropped a DNF. Chris Raab was third, Robin Gales was fourth and Craig Leweck was fifth.

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26758	Mike Segerblom	1-11-14-2-5-1	30	1		
25994	Warren Wheaton	3-9-dnf-9-1-2	38.7	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
25781	Chris Rabb	7-6-4-8-2-5	45.7	3		
25223	Robin Gales	6-4-9-6-6-3	48.8	4		
25848	Craig Leweck	11-7-7-3-3-6	49.1	.5		
20560	Jeff Lenhart	8-1-3-12-7-12	50.7	6		
26175	Keith Dodson	4-5-13-1-dns-10	53	7		
25329	Robb Walker	2-8-1-16-14-13	56	8		
18321	Doug Desouza	14-2-2-13-12-17	63	9		
23593	Packy Davies	10-15-10-5-9-7	70	10		
23972	Peter Newbre	13-20-5-11-8-9	75	11		
23280	Tom Nute	5-10-12-14-11-11	78	12		
26756	Jeff McDermaid	17-18-dnf-10-4-4	79	13		
22729	Gregg Morton	dnf-3-11-24-15-15	94.7	14		
23583	R. Vandenmeer	18-29-6-18-10-dnf	110.7	15		
2467	Grant Hill	22-19-18-19-13-16	115	16		
26161	Bill Denhart	9-12-24-23-18-dns	116	17		
25844	Russell Fox	20-23-21-15-17-14	117	18		
25976	Jon Andron	dnf-13-16-4-21-dnf	118	19		
25970	Ron Fox	16-16-17-22-dns-18	119	20		
25849	Randy Smith	15-22-15-21-19-sna	112	21		
24607	Ed O'Sullivan	12-17-25-20-22-dns	126	22		
815	Scott Barnard	24-nf-ns-17-16-8	131	23		
26112	Aad Rommelse	19-21-22-26-20-19	131	24		
25220	Emile Razpopov	28-28-26-27-23-20	154	25		





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JULY 18-19, NORTHEASTERNS, North Cape Fleet 762, Terry Timm, 214 West Michigan Ave., Saline, MI 48176. (313) 429-5433.

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