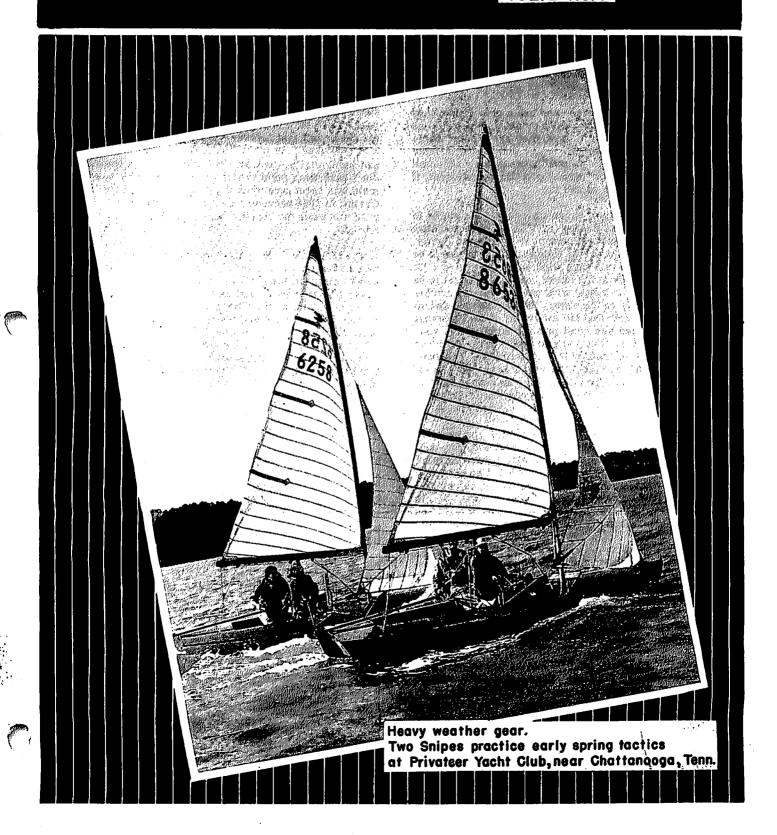
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WELLS' WANDERINGS BY TED WEL

Little Known Things Well Worth Remembering • • •

Every winter the boating magazines are full of articles on how to get your boat into condition for the coming season. They are also full of advertisements for new boats and sails and while none of the ads say that if you only bought their boats or their sails you would automatically win races, that is the hope and expectation of the purchasers of new boats and new sails.

By this time there are probably a lot of unhappy individuals around the country. Their new sails are no good, their new boat is no good, or the old one is no better than it was last year.

If the old boat is a heavy clunker and has a poor finish, they are right. If they bought cheap sails or did a homemade job of trying to improve some old ones, they are also probably right.—If they haven't committed any of these unpardonable sins the only thing left for them to do is break down and admit that there is nothing serious wrong with their equipment, if they would only learn how to use it.

The first thing to do, if you haven't already done so, is to reread Scientific Sailboat Racing (ADVT). In case you have already done this but gave it a once over a little too lightly, the most important things are as follows. Don't expect to be able to go to windward in a high wind unless you have a jib fairlead well inboard from the sheer, and don't expect to be able to go to windward in a light wind unless you have another fairlead out practically on the sheer. Adjust the fore and aft position of the fairlead so that the entire luff of the jib breaks at the same time when you head into the wind. Have your rigging loose enough so that you can really trim the jib in without being interfered with by the leeward stay. Rig some straps or other means so that you and the crew can both get out to balance the boat so that it will stay as nearly level as possible, and don't try to reach with your sails strapped down tight.

Most important, however, do all of the sailing you possibly can and practice jibes, come-abouts, starts, whisker-pole technique, and experiment constantly with trimming your sails until you really know where they should be trimmed for best performance. Don't start looking for minor adjustments to be made on stay lengths, mast position, etc., in the hope that some mysterious change will suddenly make you start winning races. Unfortunately there isn't any sure easy way.

A good way to practice is for two boats to go out together, one of the boats keeping the trim of the sails, balance, course, etc. constant while the skipper of the other boat experiments with the trim of the sails, pointing higher and lower, etc. When doing this it is somewhat difficult to separate out other variables such as slight differences in wind velocity and direction, but if you do enough of it, it will be very helpful.

One of the most valuable things for either a brand new skipper or a very experienced one is to keep a notebook and after each race write down any particularly bright or dumb things that you did and any new observations that you may have made. Looking this notebook over during the season will not only be helpful in refreshing your memory, but some recent experience may have shed new light on a previous experience. At this time of year last year's notebook should be studied very carefully in order to avoid doing the same dumb things as were done the year before. (Some people never learn.

I find the same things on my list year after year, but I'm hopeful).

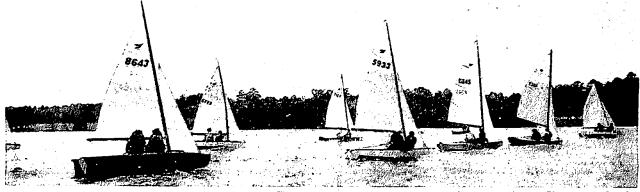
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Sailing is like any other sport--you have to practice in order to be good at it. It doesn't take fancy equipment or new sails every year to win races, but you do have to know how to use the equipment and the sails that you have. My old Watts sails started their eleventh season in Clearwater this year. (My Varalyzy is a mere infant--this is its sixth season). I have another suit of Watts sails which are now starting their fifth season and which I hope to really learn how to sail this year. I will have to learn how to use them pretty soon--those old ones can't last forever--although at the present writing they look like they should be good for another five years; and incidentally, contrary to some rumors I have heard, I don't have them recut two or three times every season. The main was recut once when it got blown out of shape in Corpus Christi in 1948 because I used it in several races where the wind was much too high for full sails. The jib has never been touched.

It is a little late in the year now to be sending old sails back to a sailmaker to be recut; however, if they only have a few queer lumps in them they can frequently be improved by soaking them in water and then hanging them up to dry. This tends to get all of the fibers in the same shape as far as stretch is concerned and seems to even up the shape of the sail. Incidentally, by soaking I don't mean to send them to a laundry or put them in the family Bendix. I can't imagine a faster way of ruining a suit of sails than either of these two procedures, although I have heard of people pulling both stunts.



His father sails a Star DRAWN BY JOSEPH PARADINE, 8996



Part of the fleet racing at Shreveport. The winner, Eddie Williams, is number 5933 shown

in the center of photograph. Photograph Langston McEachern, Shreveport Times.

By Bob Lawton

Eddie Williams and his crew Ned Linscott, sailing under the Missouri Yacht Club burgee found the umusually heavy weather of Cross Lake, near Shreveport, Louisiana, to their liking and walked away with the series. All three races were sailed in velocities of from 20 to 35 miles an hour.

Fifteen Snipes answered the starting gun of the first race on May 10th. One of the local skippers, J. Keyer, capsized before the start. The course was one mile wind-ward-leeward, twice around. Williams took an early lead and was 'way out in front at the finish. Crews were all pumping and bailing on the runs. Snipes were planing all over the place. Local skipperette, Janet Johnson, 16 year old Sniper showed a lot of courage and was the only woman skipper racing. She turned over twice and still finished ahead of two boats.

The second race started Sunday morning with the wind as high as ever. Williams worked out a slight lead but was being pushed hard by Willie Rotzler. Rotzler's jib halliard broke with only two legs to go on the six legged triangle. He managed to finish fourth anyway which put him in second over all po-

The hastily repaired halliard parted again just before the warning gun for the third race and he was unable to start.

The third race was another 3 mile triangle, one lap. Ben Moore of Dallas won it with Harold Martin from the same club, second. Eddie was third.

Friday's warm-up race was won by Frank Reisnecker of San Antonio. Williams was second.

Here is the final line-up; Eddie Williams, Kansas City,. lst 2nd Harold Martin, Dallas . . Jerry Jerome, Tulsa Ben Moore, Dallas H.Metcalf, Shreveport 3rd 4th 2 5 5th Joe Becker, Dallas . L.Adelman, San Antonio 8 6th 5 7th 12 8th J. Johnson, Shreveport W.Rotzler, San Antonio F.Deere, Dallas 9th dns dns 10 G.McGown, Ft.Worth L.Kuntz, Dallas Gregory-Allen, Dallas 9 11 dns 12 8 dns 13 13 14 13 dns dns L.Reed, Houston J. Meyer, Shreveport dns

JOHN T. HAYWARD IS HIGH POINT CHAMPION

John T. Hayward, past Commodore of SCIRA, sailed his Snipe during the past season in sixteen point score races to take fourteen firsts and two second places. His competitors ranged from five to eight boats and he sailed with the Sequoyah Yacht Clubat Tulsa, Oklahoma. His score for the season was 1740 points, ten less than a perfect score. As a result he wins the National and International High Point Championships both of which trophies have been raced for every year since 1932.

Competition for points closed March 31st but a great many fleets were late in sending in results. Undoubtedly more will come in, but it is impossible to hold up the Championship any longer. Some Fleets sent in scores on other than the standard forms as supplied by SCIRA (available free to any Fleet)and of course, such scores could not be recognized. In handling these scores, it is necessary that all be on regulation sheets as provided.

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5851	O'Brien Bros., Iowa-Nebr.	20	1705
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7873	V. Larson, Chautauqua L., N. Y.	17	1693
6380	K. Nicholson, Pine Beach, N. J.	10	1690
	R. Kaufman, City Island, N. Y.	10	1681
	Morris Brown, Brazil	8	1680
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Snips from the SNIPE'S Bill

Missouri Valley Races on July 4, 5, 6

Five Snipe races and the third annual Missouri Valley Regatta will be staged on July 4, 5 and 6 at Lake Manawa at Council Bluffs, Iowa. The event will be sponsored by the Iowa-Nebraska Fleet 309, and is the first three-day regatta to be held by that organization.

According to Regatta Chairman, Floyd E. Hughes, the affair will provide both top competition and good entertainment at the Fleet Headquarters at the Council Bluffs Elks Country Club. Early arrivals will be treated to a lake-side dance on the evening of July 3, with chicken dinner and fireworks to follow the racing on July 4. Luncheon, a regatta banquet and other informal entertainment will wind up with a dance Saturday night and trophy luncheon Sunday noon in the 1952 edition of the Missouri Valley regatta the sponsoring fleet will be trying for its first win in the series Wichita skippers have dominated the Snipers from six states competing in the first two years.

Country Club facilities are being augumented to take care of an even larger number of visiting boats this year ... and the Iowa-Nebraska fleet has fortified itself with several additional competitors from Omaha and Council Bluffs to add to the fun.

Gerber to Double Snipe Building Space

Gerber Boat Works, City Island, N.Y., will shortly start construction of a new building which will double the size of the present shop, making it possible to greatly increase Snipe production, completed boats, partly finished boats, etc. Gerber says that his mast production this year will be stepped up to the highest level yet.

Bulletin One Year Old

With this issue Snipe Bulletin is one year old. During that year SCIRA has grown more than at any other time in its history. Bulletin has spread the word of Snipe racing far and near and boasts world wide circulation. I wish, at this time, to express my thanks to those of you who have helped make all these issues possible. To Ted Wells who has given most generously of his time and money; to Joe Parradine, for his cartoons; toBob Vreeland, for his excellent photos; to Comm. Duffy for his assistance and untiring efforts and to all the rest of Snipe skippers, fleet captains and others who have sent in reports, race results, photos, etc. Particular thanks are extended to our good friends the advertisers and I hope you all appreciate what they are doing in helping to finance Bulletin. Without their financial help and faith, I can assure you, it would not be possible to print Snipe Bulletin. Your part is to help Bulletin by patronizing these concerns who have advertised with us. Thanks a million.

Bill Crosby



Who is this Ted Wells anyway?

There are some Snipers who don't know who Mr. Wells is or why he should rate a special page in our mag. Ted Wells is Chairman of the International Rules Committee and Rear-commodore of Snipe Association. He has won; Snipe World's Championships at Geneva, Switzerland in 1947. Again at Larchmont in 1949. He won the "ational Championship in 1947 and 1949 and was runner up in 1950. He was high point champion in 1945 and 1948. He won Kidwinter regatta in 1948. 1950,1951,1952; Southwestern champion in 1946, 1947, 1949,1950. He has won innumerable lesser regattas, races and championships. He is the author of Scientific Sailboat Racing - a best seller and is without question the leading authority on racing small sailing boats in U.S. if not the world. We proudly present Ted Wells material each month and Snipers everywhere should read and profit by what he says.

PLEASE-Your Address-PLEASE

Don't forget to send in your correct address if you are moving or going away for the summer. Snipe Bulletin can't follow you unless it knows where to go. Give number of your boat and both old and new addresses. And, incidentally, if you paid dues before June 1st last year and have not yet paid them for 1952 - you may not get Snipe Bulletin any more because you've had 12 issues and your subscription has run out.

Revised Racing Dates

the dates listed herewith are of sanctioned regattas still to come. In each case, where possible, we have listed the man with whom you should get in touch if you plan to enter. In some few cases this information was not received.

FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB Interclub Regatta. June 7-8 R.M. Coleman, 611 Ft. Worth Natl Bank Bld.

Fort Worth, Texas.
BRITISH ISLES Championship.Dr.F.V.G.Pe-June 23-28

nman, 116 Bennett St., Hyde, Cheshire. MIDWESTERN Championships, Wichita S.C. June 28-29 T.A.Wells, 5 Linwood Blvd., Wichita, 15, Kansas.

June 28-29 SEA CLIFF Invitational. Sea Cliff Y.C. Wm.Parenteau, 36 Prospect Ave., SeaCliff,

L.I., N.Y. Jul.4-6 MISSOURI VALLEY Invitational Regatta

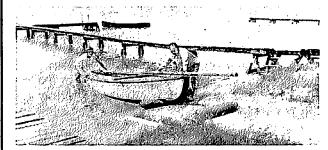
Lake Manawa, Iowa. Floyd Hughes, 344 Kenmore Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa.

RETZHAUPT AND BRIODY Trophies. Newport July 4-6

Y.C., Newport, N.Y.
MIDDLE ATLANTIC Championship. Potomac
River Fleet. J.A.Roseborough, 2604North
George Mason Drive, Arlington, 7, Va. July 19-20

> This and the photo on the opposite page were taken at Sloan's Lake at Denver, Colo. The caption on the pic on opposite page read something of Race Chairman Samuel P.Card instructing his Committee, Kiss Colorado (Earle Abner) and on the left Kiss Pueblo (Doris Miller). Below is a dead heat finish between Ray Bingham and Fleet Cap't Jerome Raphael.





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Jul. 30-Aug 3 SWEDISH NATIONAL Championships. Halsingbord, Sweden. NORTH ATLANTIC COAST Championships. Aug. 2-3 Eastchester Bay Fleet. Ray Kaufman, 109 Sherman Ave., New York, 34, N.Y. PACIFIC COAST Championships. South Aug.2-3 Coast Corinthian Y.C., Santa Monica, Cal. MICHIANA Championships. Eagle Lake Y.C., Aug. 2-3 Edwardsburg, Mich. U.S.NATIONAL Championships.Green Lake, Aug.11-15 Wis. Comm.E.D.Morse, Green Lake Y.C., Green Lake, Wis. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, Green Lake Y.C., Aug.9-10 Green Lake, Wis. EUROPEAN Championships, Copenhagen Den-Aug.13-15 mark. UPPER GREAT LAKES Championship, Lake Wa-Aug. 22-24 wasee, Indiana. Frank Levinson, 5919
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Aug.30-31 LONG ISLAND SCUND TEAM Championships
Cedar Point Y.C., Westport, Conn.
Aug.30-Sep.1 SOUTHWESTERN Championship, Dallas, S.C., Dallas, Texas. NEW JERSEY STATE Championships. Sep.6-7 Beachwood Y.C. E.D.Gaunt, Beachwood, LAKE LOTOWANA Trophy. Missouri Y.C., Lee's Summit, Mo. Bill Wicker, 3411 Gilham Road, Kansas City, Mo. WESTERN HEMISPHERE Championships, Clear-Sep.13-14 Nov.25-28 water Y.C. Cliff McKay, Clearwater Y.C. Clearwater, Florida, U.S.A. If your regatta is not listed here, please let us know about it. Sanction blank will be sent on request. Please list name of chairman with address.

Western Hemispheres Set for Clearwater, Fla

November 25 to 28 have been set for the dates of the Western Hemisphere Championships which will be held at Clearwater Yacht Club, Clearwater, Fla. The regatta will be open to two entries from each active country in the Western Hemisphere and include, Canada, U.S., Bermuda, Cuba, Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay.

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