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The Coral Harbour Club's accommodations were very pleasant and we became acquainted with the contestants and their crews and found ourselves cheering for all of them, although (naturally) we did favor our U.S. team.

The Nassau Snipe Club can feel mighty proud of their World Championship Regatta. Our thanks to them!

We are off on the SS President Roosevelt on an All-Around-The-World cruise and will take pleasant memories of our Snipe friends along with us. Will not be at Clearwater this winter, but we send our greetings to all those there, feeling sure that this regatta will be nicer than ever."

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It seemed a pity that all could not enjoy Derf's lore and other Snipe anecdotes that have been enacted through the years. So, I approached Derf and we decided to collect and publish a booklet on Snipe legends and lore. In order to avoid an overwhelming California and Indiana bias (although admittedly California probably has a disproportionate share of bizarre Snipings), we would like to have contributions from Snipers everywhere concerning incidents that you know about. The stories can be serious or comical, old or recent, local or national.

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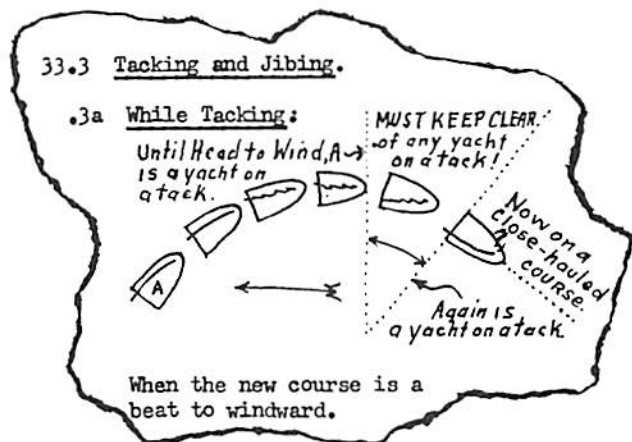


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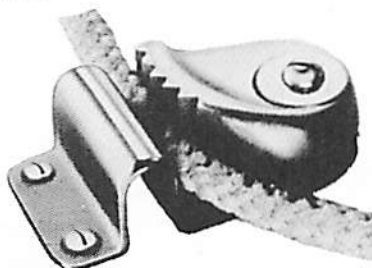
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The Cover

It is rather unusual to print such a picture on the cover of a sailing magazine, but the occasion is so auspicious that it warrants unusual and special mention.

The First Eastern European Championship of the International Snipe Class was held September 18-24th at Izmir, Turkey. Of the 6 nations comprising this group at present, (Austria, Lebanon, Poland, Roumania, Turkey, and Yugoslavia), 3 of them participated. The photo shows Yugoslavian, Lebanese, and Turkish sailors with the President of the Yachting Federation and the Governor of Izmir during the closing ceremonies and distribution of trophies.

Certainly an imposing group of men, demonstrating again the strength of Snipe sailing throughout the world. SCIRA congratulates the organization of this important regatta, and wishes this district fair sailing in future years.

THE SCORE

Numbered SNIPEs — 17545

Chartered Fleets — 650

Looks like Spring winds are starting to fill out Snipe sails again for another banner year, for SCIRA issued another 89 numbers for new hulls the last 30 days. That keeps us still a little ahead of last year (but not for long, we fear!), and, all things considered, one can feel well-satisfied. The U.S. led with 31; Brasil and Finland 25 each; Norway 5; Chile 2; and Colombia 1.

During the same period, 3 new fleets have been chartered.

Fernando Bolin, National Secretary of SCIRA/Spain, conveyed the good news that 2 new fleets had been organized there and requested charters for them. Accordingly, Charter 648 went to the Club Nautico de Pollensa, and Charter 649 to the Club Nautico de Portitrol, both in Mallorca in the Islas Baleares. How tough it must be to HAVE to sail Snipes in that beautiful area! These two clubs face a wonderful opportunity, and SCIRA wishes them congratulations and great success.

It hasn't been too long ago that Denmark chartered 3 fleets for the first time in a couple of years, so we were pleasantly surprised when Bjorn Pedersen, National Secretary of SCIRA/Denmark informed us that another new fleet had been made in the town of Horsens with 6 new Snipes. Charter 650 went to the first Fleet Captain Hans Jacobsen, Borgergade 21, Horsens. We don't know what it is, but Snipes seem to flourish in Denmark, and all SCIRA wishes them success in even further and continued expansion.

A MOST IMPORTANT NOTICE! Your present SCIRA membership card expires on March 31st, so that means annual dues are payable again. Get your new blue card now!

THE COMMODORE SAYS

Under our Constitution, the Board of Governors has complete and absolute power to speak and act for SCIRA. Only the Board can give official approval and authorization for any proposed class policies. This is the way it has always been and should be—no one person can officially dictate or make decisions for the class.

The Board of Governors continually bears in mind that SCIRA is an organization for all current boat owners and must be administered considering the interest of all its members. We are not just in the business of developing champions and championships. We have a sport for all small boat sailors, and we will not alter the fundamentals of the boat or class merely to allow possible honors for the potential champions we may have, for we hold in trust the integrity of some 17,000 boats and their somewhat fewer skippers, and great care should be taken that no action anywhere would make these boats obsolete.

Some of our European people with Snipe interests (but not members of the SCIRA Board), have misinterpreted this basic policy of our one-design class, and subsequently misrepresented SCIRA's position to yachting people and the press, with the result that many statements (some inaccurate) have been published in Yachting Magazines. They have wrongfully suggested or stated that the SNIPE CLASS would, or might, promote a new, light, cheap, 2-man centerboard boat to meet IYRU's specifications for such a boat for use in the Olympics.

SCIRA Board has already rejected this new development and proposal. It seems more likely to hurt the present organization of the class than to assure the continuing growth that the proponents assure us that we need.

Your class officers are pleased that so many members have been excited, interested, and are participating in the promotion of Snipes, each in his own way. This is good! Inevitably, there will be a difference of opinion as to how best to do this.

We will not discourage the individual actions of any of our members.

SCIRA does not contemplate sponsoring or endorsing any other boat for any reason. We will continue to improve (within one-design limits) and enjoy the one we have for ourselves and for the good of the sport.

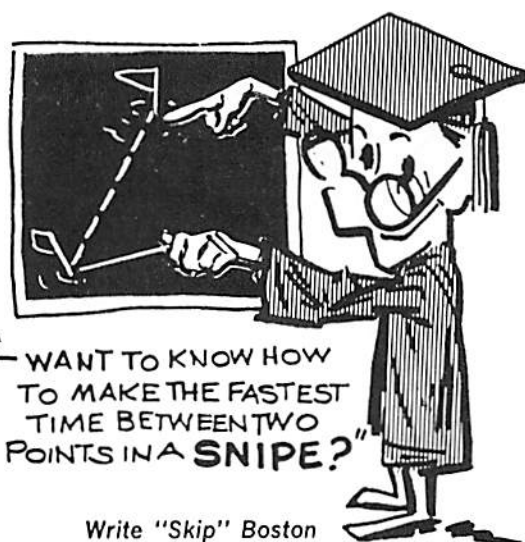
Unofficially, we will encourage all new small boat designers and builders and wish them well within our larger sporting family. At present, SCIRA has not authorized any outside development in the name of the class, and has not delegated authority to anyone, either on or off the Board.

Again I want to make this point: The only changes we contemplate will be for the good of the whole class, and these will be sensitively discussed throughout the class before any decisions or actions are taken by the Board.

Robert C. Schaeffer, MD.

England Has Full 1968 Schedule

May 25-26	International Open Meeting - Stone SC
June 15-16	Broadstairs SC - Open Meeting
26-30	Northwich SC - Open Meeting
28-30	Steeple Bay - Blackwater
July 7	Blackwater and Colne Regatta - Stone
14	Upnor, Medway YC - Snipe Team Race
18-21	Upnor, Medway YC, Medway Regatta, 277 Trophy
Aug. 10-11	Maldon YC, - S. E. Championships
23-25	Sheerness Catamaran YC - National Championship organized by Erith YC and Blue Circle SC.
Aug. 31-Sept. 7	Burnham Week - McKinlay Challenge Cup
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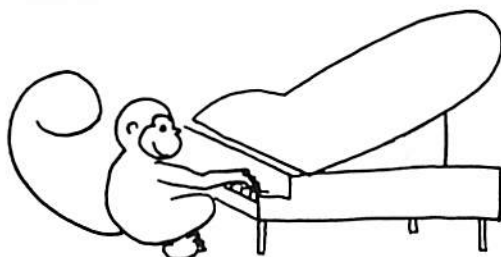
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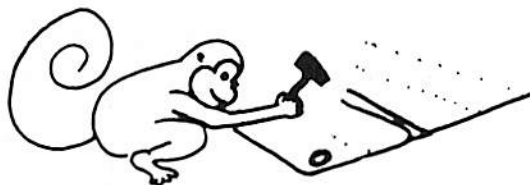
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A statistics professor we know gave this illustration to show that a highly improbable event could take place if given enough time and circumstance: He said that if you take enough monkeys, turn them loose on a piano, they will eventually compose, say, a hit Broadway musical.



Let's apply this illustration to sailmaking: If we take enough monkeys and turn them loose with sailcloth and sewing machines, they will eventually make a fast sail.

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Western Hemisphere Plans

For the first time since 1952, the Western Hemisphere Snipe Championship will be held in the United States. This will be the tenth Hemisphere Championship (held every two years) and will take place at Jacksonville, Florida, with the Florida Yacht Club on the St. John's river hosting the event. The dates will be October 20-25, 1968.

In many recent International events, new identical boats have been provided by the host country, and this has enabled all competitors to have an equal chance. This happened at Porto Alegre, Brazil (1959); Rye, New York, (1961); Oakville, Canada (1966); Minneapolis (Pan-Am Trials); and Winnipeg (Pan-Am Games).

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Four of these new boats have already been spoken for and it is suggested that interested parties contact Lemke (see Snipe BULLETIN ad) directly as soon as possible.

A complete description and photographs will follow in a later edition of the Snipe BULLETIN. -Bud Hook, Nat. Sec. USA.

Northeastern Regatta Plans

I have been notified by letter that this year's Northeastern Snipe Championship Regatta will be held on Lake Mohawk, New Jersey on May 25 and 26. Ray Tallau, Fleet Captain of the Mohawk Fleet and correspondent, is chairman of the Regatta. Also, at our District #5 Mid-winter meeting held the 17th of February, I was notified that next year's event will be held on Lake Ontario by the Oakville Yacht Squadron.

I am pleased that this event has achieved the stature that it apparently has but there is a problem that I feel must be called to the attention of SCIRA members of northeastern North America. This problem is simply one of racing on the Great Lakes in late May.

This regatta was established by the members of the Onondaga Snipe Fleet in 1962. It was intended to be a regional regatta, to be the first major event of the year and of particular interest to serious Snipe sailors. However, in view of the racing conditions on the Great Lakes, it now appears that it would be desirable to move the date of the regatta to mid June when it is to be held on these bodies of waters.

At our District meeting I raised this question and there was complete agreement among our Fleet Captains to shift the 1969 regatta date from late May to mid June. I have requested the Governors of Districts #1 and #3 to consider this question at their next meetings. I have also asked the Canadian National Secretary to consider this matter. I would like to have the SCIRA members effected by this subject to be aware of the situation when it comes up for discussion in the near future. Also, interested clubs should enquire now about hosting the 1970 regatta, for it would be nice to get this event on an advanced rotating schedule. -Jackson Cummings.

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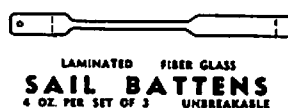
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- 1st & 4th District 6 Governor's Cup
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- 1st Puerto Rico National Championships
- 1st Florida State Jr. Championships
- 1st Virgin Islands National Championships
- 1st Atlanta Halloween Regatta
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Eastern European Championship Regatta Inaugurated

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I'm happy to let you know that the first East European Championship Regatta we have organized in Izmir has been a great success. The participants were two Yugoslavian, two Lebanese, and five Turkish teams; the Junior European Champion Hayri Karabilgin, after a series of consistent races placed first in these races, too. As you may see from the accompanying score sheet, they got five firsts and one second. Our former champion, R. Yilmaz, placed sixth. Bobic was a real fine skipper. The Lebanese team, though unexperienced and new, was promising. The organization of the Regatta was perfect; Navy boats proved to be a great help.

The idea behind this Regatta was to promote Snipe racing in Eastern Europe. Roumania couldn't take part because their program was too crowded this year; Austria has only one Snipe skipper, who's currently doing his military service, so he wasn't able to make it; Poland couldn't get permission. But we hope that next time in 1969, they will all be represented. This was the beginning, and a real good one! It was decided that the second East European Championship Regatta will be held in Austria; if that proves to be impossible due to unforeseeable circumstances, Lebanon volunteered to organize it in Beirut in 1969. Mr. M. Buluc, who almost single handedly organized this Regatta, was the number one cause of the success of the Regatta. Finally everybody left in the hope to meet again in 1968 European Championship races in Izmir.

— Aydin Koral, National Secretary, SCIRA/Turkey



OPENING CEREMONY at Izmir Sept. 18-24. — Kehmet Photo.



THE WINNERS - (l. to r.) Vice-Secretary SCIRA/Turkey Macit Buluc; Hayri Karabilgin holds the Perpetual Trophy; H. Kemal Senturk, Governor of Izmir; and crew Altan Yalman.



LEBANESE TEAM- Naji and Ali Graoui, Najjar Vakim, and their National Secretary with Macit Buluc and David Franco.



YUGOSLAVIAN TEAM - (l. to r.) Cok Zlatan, skipper, and his crew Korosel Zlatko have their picture taken with Macit Buluc of the Turkish Yachting Federation and Assistant National Secretary of Turkey.

Boat	Nation	Skipper	Crew	Races	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts.	Fin.
15196	Turkey	Hayri Karabilgin	Altan Yalman		1	1	1	2	1	1	8000	1
14645	Yugoslavia	Babic Drago	Ruzic Daslav		3	2	5	1	2	2	7607	2
15968	Turkey	Vural Suveren	Emre Arda		4	4	2	5	4	5	6924	3
15984	Turkey	Ahmet Baydar	Azat Baykal	dnf	5	4	6	3	3	6	6849	4
15982	Turkey	Ibrahim Selamioelli	David Franko		5	3	dnf	4	6	4	6703	5
14313	Turkey	Rasit Yilmaz	Yusuf Zaptgioelu		2	6	3	7	7	7	6502	6
12663	Yugoslavia	Cok Zlatan	Korosel Zlatko	dnf	dnf	6	6	3	5	6	6486	7
5982	Lebanon	Najar Vakim	Ali Graui	dnf	dnf	7	dnf	8	dns	8	5855	8
14568	Lebanon	Pierre Arbadji	David Farsoun	dnf	dnf	dnf	9	9	8	dns	5790	9

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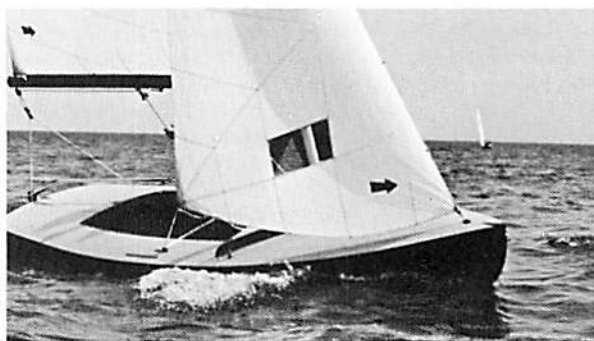
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Dave and Kathy Schmidt, and Frank Levinson with Dave Young, 1st and 2nd winners of the Call Series.



10th place winner Bud Hook gets his trophy from Lt. Gov. Rock



Scene at the buffet table of the banquet following Saturday's races.

The 13th Annual Indiana Open Snipe Championship was sailed at the Indianapolis Sailing Club located on Geist Reservoir, northeast of Indianapolis, on September 9 and 10. As in recent years, this year the regatta consisted of two series, the Eli Lilly, emblematic of the Indiana championship, and the John Call, for those who did not feel that they were yet ready to tackle the competition found in those vying for state championship. 79 boats participated--38 of which sailed in the Lilly Series and 41 in the Call Series.

The official regatta commenced on Friday evening at the Clubhouse of the Indianapolis Sailing Club where a welcoming party was held for the early arrivals.

Due to the large number of entries both the Lilly and the Call Series were broken into four fleets, each sailing three races, two on Saturday and the third on Sunday morning. The

THE ELI LILLY CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Alan M. "Buzz" Levinson of the Indianapolis Sailing Club, with his wife, Winnie, crewing, sailed to victory and became the Indiana State Champion in the three race series with finishes of 1-3-1, for a total of 4,644 points. Buzz, this year's United States representative to the Pan American Games, and runner-up in the Nationals, added one more of many wins in his career of Snipe sailing.

Close behind and in second place with a series of 4-1-1 was the winner of the Wells Series in this year's National Championship, and holder of several state championships--Jim Richter of the Indianapolis Sailing Club, with Noel Harris crewing.

Bill Hancock, defending Champion, could do no better than 8th, and in 10th place was SCIRA Past Commodore Bud Hook, ably assisted by crew, Helen Call, widow of John Call, for whom the Call Series was named.

first race saw light winds from the North-Northeast, gradually increasing throughout Saturday afternoon. The Sunday morning race was held in 12 to 15 knot winds and brought a close to the regatta with ideal sailing conditions.

A dinner-dance was held on Saturday night at Hook's Service Center, where an excellent meal and music greeted approximately 200 sailors and their families.

Sunday afternoon, following the finish of both series, Lt. Gov. Robert Rock of the State of Indiana, presented trophies to the first ten places in the Lilly Series and the first five places in the Call Series. Shortly thereafter boats departed the Indianapolis Sailing Club in all directions, fully satisfied with a tremendous week-end of sailing and activities in this annual affair which rates as one of the largest annual Snipe regattas held in this country.

THE JOHN CALL SERIES

The first fleet of John Call Series got under way five minutes after the second fleet of the Lilly Series had started. The course was the same as that of the Lilly Series and needless to say, created quite a work-out for the gallant race committee. Dave Schmidt of Indianapolis won the John Call trophy by sweeping the series with expert sailing combined with the teamwork of his wife-crewman, Kathy. He netted two firsts and a second for an aggregate point total of 4,721.

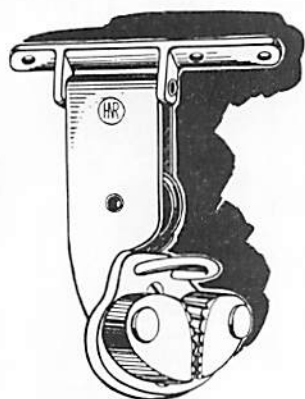
Second place went to Frank Levinson, of Indianapolis. Frank is the 14 year old son of Buzz Levinson, winner of the Lilly Series, and is following the tradition created by his father and uncles, Harry and Frank. His crew in this regatta was Dave Young, and they had an excellent 4-1-1 finish for a total of 4,569 points.

Third place went to Dale Keltner of Decatur, Illinois, who had finishes of 3-2-2.

— Dick Clark

Boat	SKIPPER (25 or 30)	CLUB	Races	1	2	3	Pts.	Fin.
13030	Buzz Levinson	Indianapolis SC		1	3	1	4644	1
13008	Jim Richter	Indianapolis SC		4	1	1	4569	2
15040	James Menzies	Cowan Lake		4	4	2	4259	3
16800	Gene Lemke	Indianapolis SC		3	4	4	4182	4
16799	Bud Leonard	Diamond Lake		3	2	11	3865	5
16402	Brad McFadden	Atlanta		11	2	3	3865	5
10793	Bob Rowland	Cowan Lake		1	7	9	3780	7
16508	William Hancock	Indianapolis SC		6	6	7	3606	8
16797	Paul Zent	Indianapolis SC		2	19	2	3526	9
17109	Bud Hook	Indianapolis SC		5	10	6	3482	10
16607	Sue Bertermann	Indianapolis SC		5	1	18	3425	11
16734	Mark Schoenberger	Cowan Lake		2	11	10	3382	12
16798	Richard Clark	Indianapolis SC		11	7	5	3352	13
17163	Frank Pontious	Diamond Lake		13	5	7	3236	14
16741	Joe Williams	Torch Lake YC		9	5	12	3161	15
16789	Don Hite	Lake Angelus Y.C.		12	8	6	3155	16
16400	Bob Bigham	Cowan Lake		17	11	3	2920	17
13837	Tom Wurster	Diamond Lake		7	14	9	2909	18
16796	Bill Krieg	Indianapolis SC		8	18	14	2907	19
15520	Tom Head	Indianapolis SC		19	3	11	2828	20
13440	Stu Griffing	Cowan Lake		9	15	8	2789	21
16397	John Call	Indianapolis SC		10	19	5	2741	22
15587	Joe Bucek	Indianapolis SC		16	6	13	2634	23
16730	Lou Leber	Ivy YC		16	16	4	2619	24
1442	Andy Steffen	Indianapolis SC		7	13	15	2616	25

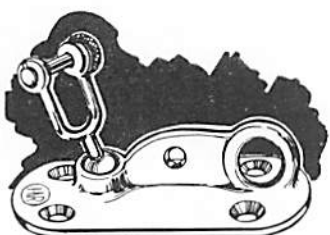
Boat	SKIPPER (27 or 41)	CLUB	Races	1	2	3	Pts.	Fin.
16729	Dave Schmidt	Indianapolis S.C.		1	1	2	4721	1
16401	Frank Levinson	Indianapolis S.C.		4	1	1	4569	2
15215	Dale Keltner	Decatur Y.C.		3	2	2	4486	3
15322	Heinz Fischer	Muncie		6	2	1	4346	4
16836	Tom Townsend	Indianapolis S.C.		2	7	4	4046	5
8643	John Goldsworthy	Newport		5	3	5	4036	6
15218	Bryan Hague	Birch Lake Y.C.		2	6	6	3971	7
16697	Jim Rapp	Ivy Y.C.		7	6	3	3825	8
16608	Jerry Peterson	Indianapolis S.C.		4	5	7	3821	9
4340	Robert L.Hill	Houston S.C.		12	4	3	3654	10
16481	Mike Kirby	Indianapolis		7	3	11	3500	11
16336	John Brannon	Indianapolis		10	9	4	3354	12
15009	Paul Jovey	Ivy Y.C.		8	8	9	3202	13
13836	Don Holtz	Birch Lake Y.C.		11	8	8	3078	14
14301	Tom Eastwood	Indianapolis S.C.		19	4	6	3078	15
16114	Jim Bigham	Cowan Lake		1	23	8	3013	16
14583	John Keefer	Wall Lake Y.C.		6	19	5	3005	17
9308	Ron Knight	Diamond Lake		9	7	13	2964	18
17214	Roy Massena	Indianapolis S.C.		3	11	18	2873	19
15001	William Marx	Wall Lake Y.C.		9	13	12	2649	20
14771	Park Wiseman	Muncie		5	5	5	2592	21
14719	Bob Allen	Indianapolis S.C.		10	14	11	2590	22
15709	Ralph Townsend	Indianapolis S.C.		15	12	9	2541	23
15219	Dick Madden	Indianapolis S.C.		22	9	7	2541	24
5454	Tom Hofes	Houston S.A.		14	12	10	2531	25
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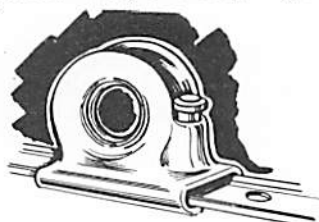


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Wells Wanderings



by Ted Wells

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WHAT PRICE PROGRESS?

By the time this appears, I presume there will have been a decrease in the excitement and confusion caused by articles in various American and British magazines concerning Peter Harris and Jack Holts newest brain child. Building of this boat was a case of misguided enthusiasm in my opinion, caused by an obsession on the part of some south European countries and a few others to be hooked up with something that will be in the Olympics. The European countries in particular want a very light boat also, since they generally launch their boats by carrying them in off the beach or over a sea wall. Recent experience with the structural integrity, or lack of it, has been pretty sad on some very lightly built new boats.

Even if the Snipe is going down in popularity in some European countries - these countries historically have contributed literally almost nothing to the cost of running SCIRA and it doesn't seem logical to expect the people who foot the bills to take on administration of a new boat that they don't want.

There is a strong possibility of there being a new Olympic two-man boat to replace the Flying Dutchman - but one of the best articles I have read in a British magazine makes quite a case for a maximum length of 13'9", a sail area of 140 square feet, and no spinnaker. Also, the IYRU would certainly require a series of trials before deciding, and these can be pretty expensive and frustrating. Ask Skip Etchells.

In any case - the basic fact is that the SCIRA is not a commercial organization looking for a new product to sell - it is an association of owners of Snipe Class sailboats, with officers who are dedicated to doing what they think is best for the dues paying owners of Snipe Class sailboats.

Peter Harris sincerely believes that if SCIRA will agree to sponsor his new boat, it will be granted IYRU Class A status immediately and will be adopted as the Olympic two-man dinghy, and that the IYRU will be so happy about the whole thing that they will let the Snipe into the Olympics, too.

The first belief might be correct, but I have serious doubts about the other two.

WESTWARD HO

The first weekend in January, the temperature in Wichita hit -9°. My car decided that no self respecting automobile should be expected to run under those conditions and it didn't. I was sitting at home Monday morning waiting for the tow truck to show up when the phone rang and it was Bob Schaeffer to tell me that King Harbor Yacht Club was having a five race Snipe Only regatta January 20 and 21, the Commodores Ball January 19, the weather was beautiful and why didn't I come out. He couldn't have picked a better time to call.

In addition, 16025 had had some extensive surgery performed on her bottom with a sabre saw and I wanted to see whether the operation was a success or not. The weather was beautiful; I won the regatta at King Harbor - named the Far Go Wells Regatta; got clobbered at San Diego the next weekend in the second Wells Wandering Regatta; and I still don't know if the operation was a success. But the sailing was delightful.

At King Harbor, Pierre Havre's regular crew, Jim Grubbs crewed for me. We had no local knowledge so we went the wrong way on the first tack in three races, and the right way but too far in one race, but we seemed to be going very fast to windward and not too badly down wind, especially in view of the fact that the wind was very light.

At San Diego, Lew Bedford, who is currently leading the Mission Bay Fleet in their Nationals qualifying races, had sold his boat the day before so he crewed for me. Lew was also Regatta Chairman. We had plenty of local knowledge but the only times that what we did turned out right was when someone forced us to do something we didn't want to. Like the last race when we were held on a starboard tack much longer than we liked so we reached the first mark first.

Old Joe must have gotten the word that Bedford was crewing for me and felt that it was worthwhile to come out and personally louse up the works. One race was unbelievable.

We got out of phase, zigging when we should be zagging, working our way back to fifteenth place, in a very nice breeze. As Ken Karnes said - when you get out of phase, break the hiking stick, lose your rudder, fall overboard or capsize - but do something to break the chain of events and get yourself back in phase.

How About a Hole in the Foot?

Here another Sniper from that famed center of Snipe activities (rules, boats, ideas, etc) of Wichita, Kansas, comes up with another good suggestion. Certainly seems plausible, so read it - and then express your opinion in the BULLETIN!

"Two years ago the Snipe Association approved the use of a Cunningham adjustment for luff tension. This has proven to be a very effective and inexpensive means of maintaining proper sail shape. The Association should have gone one step further and approved the Cunningham adjustment for foot control. Almost all good competitive skippers have some sort of outhaul device for foot control, almost all of which fail to work satisfactorily. The outhaul device is heavy, cumbersome, expensive and otherwise unsuited to do the job which a 50¢ piece of line and a 50¢ grommet will do well.

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The rumor that spread across the land speculating that the sailmakers would create some sort of super sail after the approval of the present Cunningham adjustment just hasn't materialized, and the approval of the foot Cunningham won't significantly change sail design either.

If all fleet captains would pole their skippers for opinions and submit the results to their District Governors, we could have approval for this change within the year. Let's get with it."

— John Cameron

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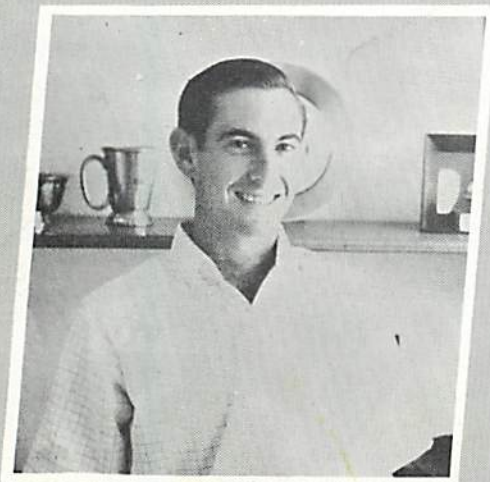
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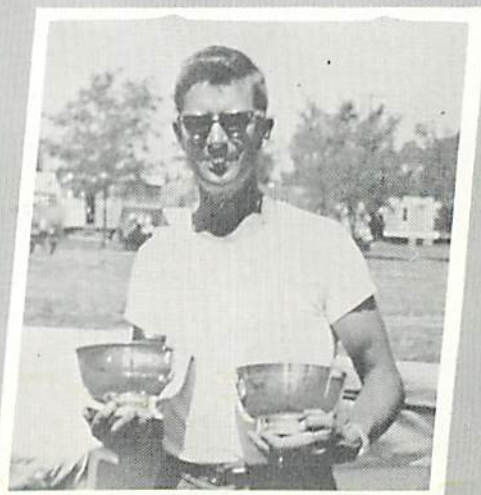
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