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THE COVER:George Szabo and crew Jeff Baker lead the pack at the Bacardi Series in Nassau, stop 3 on the Winter Circuit.

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From The Commodore

I took part in the VIII Snipe Class World Master Championship 1998 held in Cordoba, Argentina as a competitor. This championship was hosted by Club Nautico Cordoba, and with great efforts of many Argentine SCIRA members and volunteers, it finished a remarkable success.

Especially, as a commodore, I would like to thank Mr. Francisco Agusti for his devoted labor.

The winner was Ms. Bibi Juetz, and her crew Felipe Vasconcellos, Brazil. I would like to say congratulations from the bottom of my heart to Bibi, who is very famous SCIRA sailor and at the same time one of my best friends.

Expecting a greater evolution in the future

Around the Snipe World SNIPE CLASS INSTRUMENTAL **IN 2 MAJOR US AWARDS**

The Snipe Class recently submitted nominations to US Sailing for 2 of their major awards: W.Van Alan Clark, Jr. Sportsmanship Award, and the One-Design Club of the Year Award. Both our candidates were chosen. Congratulations to Gonzalo Diaz, Sr. of the Miami, Florida fleet and Mission Bay Yacht Club, recent host of the 1997 Snipe World Championship.

SNIPE SCREEN SAVER

The Seattle fleet is in progress to create a computer screen saver of Snipe sailing. They are requesting good color photos with a brief caption or description as well as name of photographer and fleet name, to be sent to: SCIRA, 1833 Tustin Street, San Diego, CA 92106, USA. Photos will be returned if you include your address! For more information, contact Mark at: mwilson@starbucks.com.

NATIONAL SECRETARY CHANGES

The SCIRA office has been notified of the class is proud to nominate him for following changes:

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France

Phillippe Roy 60 Rue de longchamp 75116 Paris, France telephone & fax: +33-1-47-27-14-52 of the masters' world, and also expecting the younger days, having volunteered to coach attendance of many master members at the next, the IX Snipe Class Master World Championship 2000 in Denmark, I would like to send a part of my salutation for the opening ceremony:

As many of you might know, the masters' races are becoming very active these days. We can find the same situation in Japan.

A recent letter from Great Britain shows that some people there are trying to organize a Snipe elders' guild. The entrants are former champions, former Olympic representatives, and those who stopped to attending the races a long time ago but still, for some reason, cannot forget the excitement of racing. Some of them have regained the enthusiasm of their

Gonzalo Diaz, Sr. was recently nominated from the Snipe Class for the United States Sailing Association National Sportsmanship Award, which he subsequently won. Typically the award is presented at the Spring USSA meeting, but Gonzalo was busy sailing at the Winter Circuit, so arrangements were made to present his award at his regatta, the Don Q. Ding Schoonmaker of USSA presented the award. Following is an excerpt from the submitted nomination.

1997 W. Van Alan Clark, Jr.

Sportsmanship Award

"Sportsmanship means different things to different people. In the Snipe Class there is no doubt that "Old Man Diaz" represents what sportsmanship is all about. Gonzalo Diaz, Sr. came from Cuba in 1959. Once he got his family safely to Miami, it is rumored that he returned to sail his yellow wooden Snip across the straits. It is stories like this which made this man a legend.

In the Snipe class, we believe that sports-

manship means supporting all competitors, competing with integrity, and building for the future of the sport. Mr. Diaz is a superb example of sportsmanship in each of these definitions, and the Snipe the National Sportsmanship Award.

Mr. Diaz is an accomplished sailor. His sailing achievements include 2nd at the 1959 Snipe Worlds (Paul Elvström was 1st), 2nd at the 1959 Pan American Games in Snipes, and the Cuban National Snipe Champion in 1958.

While Mr. Diaz can be found at the top of the fleet at most regattas, more often than not you will find him hanging around the finish line to befriend and help a tailender.

the training of club juniors.

I rarely see a class of boat which actively holds more races than Snipe does in all categories of Junior, Masters and Women's with the variety of 4 age groups in both genders. I consider that the associations with officers mainly retired from sailing are generally on the decline.

On the other hand, in Snipe Class, we can see the past Commodores sailing in the World Championship as well as many officers, and executive directors.

I am sure that this is the way a class boat should be. I hope that more and more Masters' races will be held world wide.

Akibumi Shinoda

Mr. Diaz has held many positions in the Snipe Class both nationally and internationally. He's a member of Coconut Grove Sailing Club, home of Snipe Fleet 7 which hosts the Don Q Rum Keg Regatta. To this day Mr. Diaz refuses to charge an entry fee for this event.

Despite his on-the-water accomplishments and contribution to the learning curve of many of his peers, the Old Man's greatest contribution to the sport may be his local fleet building and his support and hard work with junior sailors.

There are varying definitions of sportsmanship. In the Snipe Class we know without doubt that Gonzalo "Old Man: Diaz, Sr. is a true sportsman of the highest caliber.

For that reason, the Snipe Class is pleased to nominate Gonzalo Diaz, Sr. for the W. Van Alan Clark, Jr. Sportsmanship Trophy."



Midwinter's

Clearwater, Florida **Clearwater Yacht Club** March 21-24

Former National Champion Doug Hart and Scott Lindley from San Diego, CA won the 60th annual Snipe Midwinters by half a point over defending champions George Szabo and Carol Newman. Moderate breeze and cool temperatures (50's on Sunday!) dominated the six race, one throwout series, and the victory came down to the final minutes of the last race.

Constantly changing conditions rewarded the gear changing Hart and Szabo had worked so hard on for last fall's World Championship. A breakdown in the first race used up Szabo/Newman's throwout, and a tight port tack approach to the weather mark the last race forced them to spin two sets of circles. Though they caught back up to sixth, they could not pass the one extra boat necessary to beat Hart/Lindley overall. Class newcomer Tyler Moore from Annapolis, teamed up with ace crew Samantha Rosemont, led overall until the throwouts were counted in.(28 boats)

Midwinter Results

| | Skipper/Crew | Sail # |
|-----|--------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Doug Hart/Scott Lindley | 29314 |
| 2. | George Szabo/Carol Newman | 28672 |
| 3. | Jack Franco/Jeff Baker | 29702 |
| 4. | Tyler Moore/Sam Rosemont | 2610 |
| 5. | Alex/Lisa Pline | 29147 |
| 6. | Birger Jansen/Liv Ulveie | 29410 |
| 7. | Stu Robertson/Lisa Griffith | 29109 |
| 8. | Hal Gilreath/Will Glenn | 28142 |
| 9. | Craig/Mimi Beardsley | 29148 |
| 10. | Don Bedford/Steve Stewart | 29013 |
| 11. | Federico/Sebastian Romero | 28983 |
| 12. | Robert Oberg/Kari Warren | 26130 |
| 13. | Shinichi Uchida/Kenji Sawada | 27283 |
| 14. | Charlie/Michele Bustamante | 27872 |
| 15. | Gonzalo Diaz, Sr./Greg Saldana | 28814 |
| 16. | Matt Bryant/Ron Hyatt | 29373 |
| 17. | Harry/Sarah Levinson | 26894 |
| 18. | Don Hackbarth/Christenson | 29014 |
| 19. | Mitchell/Kristen Rogers | 27273 |
| 20. | Bill Welch/Anne Rogers | 29400 |
| 21. | James Richter/Buzz Levinson | 24500 |
| 22. | David Mulhausen/B. Hackbarth | 16104 |
| 23. | Halvor Poulsson/Eder Rhger | 27410 |
| 24. | Jerry Thompson/Allen Capellin | 24702 |
| 25. | Sherry Welch/Trudy Bixby | 27772 |
| 26. | Bob Foster/Carly Franklin | 26397 |
| 27. | James Andraitis/Bev. Keller | 24600 |
| 28. | Tom Parks/Bonnie Robertson | 24020 |

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1998 Midwinter Circuit (XXXII) Don Q Rum Keg Snipe Regatta

Miami, Florida Coconut Grove Sailing Club

March 27-29

George Szabo and Carol Newman representing the San Diego Yacht Club and Mission Bay fleet #495 from California easily won the XXXII Don Q Snipe Regatta with consistent 2-3-2-1-3 finishes. 13.5 ahead of the second place Jimmie Lowe and Gavin McKinney from the Royal Nassau Sailing Club, Nassau Bahamas with 23 points.

We had sailors from Japan, Argentina, Bahamas, and Norway sailing in this International Regatta. The Japanese crew, Shinichi Uchida and Kenji Sawada, sailing a chartered boat, placed 4th with very consistent finishes 7-4-8-4-7. The Argentinians, Federico and Sebastian Romero, sailed very well to a 10th place finish in spite of a DSQ.

High winds did not let us sail on Friday but we had magnificent weather on Saturday and Sunday, 3 races on Saturday with 10 to 15 kts winds from East and Northeast and 2 races on Sunday with Northeasterly winds 15 to 20 kts. Biscayne Bay at its best!!

The Coconut Grove Sailing Club Race Committee Chairman, Jack King organized and successfully conducted the races and was helped by: SNIPE CLASS Rep. Phil Richmond from Annapolis and many C.G.S.C.



| Fleet | Finishes | Total |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Mission Bay | (9)-3-3-2-4-2 | 14 |
| Mission Bay | (dnf)-2-1-1-5-6 | 14.5 |
| Alamitos Bay | 2-(11)-2-6-1-5 | 15.75 |
| Annapolis | 6-1-6-4-3-(9) | 19.75 |
| Annapolis | (13)-9-7-3-6-3 | 28 |
| Norway | 7-(10-8-5-10-1 | 30.75 |
| Alamitos Bay | 11-5-5-10-7-(14) | 38 |
| Lake Lanier | 3-4-10-(14)-11-11 | 39 |
| Lake Lanier | 5-6-(14)-7-8-13 | 39 |
| Mission Bay | 4-(14)-12-8-9-7 | 40 |
| Cordoba, Argentina | 1-8-4-12-(16)-16 | 40.75 |
| Annapolis | 10-15-13-(20)-2-10 | 50 |
| Enoshima, Japan | 12-7-9-11-12-(20) | 51 |
| | 8-13-11-13-13-(15) | 58 |
| Miami | 17-12-(20)-16-15-4 | 64 |
| St. Petersburg | 16-18-15-18-(22) | 75 |
| Winchester | 14-20-16-17-14-(21) | 81 |
| Atlanta | (20)-19-18-9-18-18 | 82 |
| St. Petersburg | 15-21-17-15-20-(24) | 88 |
| St. Petersburg | 19-16-19-(22)-17-22 | 93 |
| Indianapolis | 21-(dnf)-22-21-23-17 | 104 |
| Atlanta | 24-22-25-19-(26)-19 | 109 |
| Norway | 22-17-24-23-25-(dnf) | 111 |
| Alamitos Bay | (dnc)-dnc-dnc-dnc-19-12 | 115 |
| St. Petersburg | 23-23-23-(24)-24-23 | 116 |
| Clearwater | 18-24-21-(dnf)-p20-dnf | 116 |
| Atlanta | 25-25-dnf-dnf-(dnc)-dnc | 131 |
| St. Petersburg | 26-27-(dnc)-dnf-dnc-dnc | 136 |

members and friends of the Miami Snipe Fleet. We received a lot of praises from the sailors about the excellent Race Committee work.

Hope you all come back for the XXXIII

Don Q Rum Keg Regatta in 1999!!

Gonzalo Diaz, Sr., Regatta Chairman

The Winners Photo:

Standing, left to right: Jimmie Lowe, Hal Gllreath, Shinichi Uchida, Alex Pline, George Szabo, Craig Beardsley, Birger Jansen, Jerry Thompson, David Tillson, Federico Romero, Jack Kina R.C. Chairman and Carl Straw C.G.S.C. Commodore. Front: Gavin McKinney, Will Glen, Kenji Sawada, Lisa Pline, Mimi Beardsley, Liu Ulveie, Robert Lindley, Barbara Tillson and Sebastian Romero.

1998 Midwinter Circuit

Don Q Results

| | Skipper/Crew | Sail # | Fleet | Finishes | Total |
|-----|------------------------------------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1. | | 28672 | Mission Bay | 2-3-1-1-3 | 9.5 |
| 2. | Jimmie Lowe/Gavin McKinney | 28811 | Nassau | 5-2-11-3-2 | 23 |
| 3. | Hal Gilreath/Will Glen | 28142 | Lake Lanier | 4-8-p20-2-1 | 29.75 |
| 4. | Shinichi Uchida/Kenji Sawada | 27283 | Enoshima, Japan | p20-4-7-4-6 | 37 |
| 5. | Alex/Lisa Pline | 29147 | Annapolis | p20-11-3-12-10 | 53 |
| 6. | Craig/Mimi Beardsley | 29148 | Lake Lanier | 10-14-20-16-4 | 64 |
| 7. | Birger Jansen/Liv Ulvie | 29410 | Norway | 8-16-2-5-dnf | 66 |
| 8. | Jerry Thompson/Robert Lindley | 24702 | Alamitos Bay | 14-17-15-6-15 | 67 |
| 9. | | 27567 | Mission Bay | 9-6-26-15-12 | 68 |
| 10. | Federico/Sebastian Romero | 28983 | Cordoba, Arg | 1-dsq-4-10-7 | 68.75 |
| 11. | | 28812 | Miami | 13-25-10-7-dnf | 69 |
| 12. | | 28814 | Miami | 17-21-14-14-5 | 71 |
| 13. | 5 | 29314 | Mission Bay | 3-1-ocs-13-9 | 71.75 |
| 14. | Robb Walker/Rowena Carlson | 29044 | Mission Bay | 21-20-12-8-14 | 75 |
| 15. | Stu/Erin Robertson | 29109 | Alamitos Bay | 23-9-9-19-20 | 80 |
| 16. | Ernesto Rodriguez/Naomy Basto | 27363 | Miami | 11-12-6-17-ocs | 87 |
| 17. | Don Bedford/Steve Stewart | 29013 | Mission Bay | ocs-5-8-20-8 | 88 |
| 18. | Kevin Downey/Cristi Stroud | 24776 | Miami | 12-13-22-22-19 | 88 |
| | Roberto Lizano/? | 26457 | Miami | 16-28-24-25-11 | 104 |
| 20. | Bob Oberg/Michele Bustmante | 26120 | Annapolis | ocs-22-17-11-13 | 110 |
| 21. | | 27276 | Miami | 18-15-25-32-24 | 115 |
| 22. | Brent McKenzie/Nancy Gilreath | 25840 | Lake Lanier | 22-19-18-24-dnf | 118 |
| 23. | Gavin/Holly O'Hare | 29016 | Mission Bay | 26-7-ocs-23-18 | 120 |
| 24. | Ken/Kay Voss | 26900 | Miami | 30-23-16-29-23 | 121 |
| 25. | Matt Bryant/Karen Park | 29373 | St. Petersburg | 34-24-13-28-dnf | 124 |
| 26. | Don Hackbarth/Marita Christensen | 29014 | Atlanta | ocs-10-23-26-21 | 127 |
| 27. | Lee Griffith/Lisa Griffith | 29204 | Barnegat Bay | 15-18-dnc-9-ocs | 129 |
| | Carr Moody/Rick Jarchow | 27364 | Miami | 35-30-p20-21-17 | 132 |
| 29. | Bill Welch/Anne Rogers | 29400 | St. Petersburg | 20-29-32-30-26 | 137 |
| 30. | Tod Sackett/Lee Sackett | 28575 | Cleveland | 29-26-31-33-22 | 141 |
| 31. | Lori Lowe/Sherri Welch | 25235 | Nassau | 32-36-34-27-25 | 154 |
| 32. | Robin Baker/Robbie Kahle | 25058 | Miami | 24-32-29-34-ocs | 160 |
| 33. | Fernando DeCardenas/Jeremy Roberts | 689 | Miami | 31-39-30-35-27 | 162 |
| 34. | Jay Chen/DJ Suarez | 24950 | Miami | 37-40-28-37-28 | 170 |
| 35. | Jim Janda/Mitch Harvey | 28791 | Miami | 28-31-33-38-ocs | 171 |
| 36. | James Richter/Frank Workman | 24500 | Indianapolis | 27-37-35-28-dnc | 173 |
| 37. | John Hill/Stephanie Carroll | 28628 | Atlanta | 33-41-36-39-29 | 178 |
| 38. | Henrik Wennerstrom/Kippy Bolz | 28694 | Miami | 19-27-ocs-dnf-dnc | 178 |
| 39. | | 28244 | Atlanta | 36-33-21-dnc-dnc | 182 |
| | Halvor Poulsson/Rager Edel | 27410 | Norway | ocs-35-p20-31-ocs | 191 |
| 41. | Peter Welles/Sean Dougherty | 25197 | Atlanta | 38-38-37-36-dnc | 195 |
| 42. | Montarroyos/Montarroyos | 24995 | Miami | p20-34-dnf-dnc-dnc | 202 |
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Photo: Start of the Bacardi. 29314: Chuck Sinks/ Scott Lindley; 29108:Don Bedford/Steve Stewart; 28672: George Szabo/Jeff Baker; 28069:Jim Belford/ Peter Dillon; 27015: Umberto Valle/Piera Alberta. Dennis Kelly photo.

Overall Winter Circuit Zimmerman Trophy Final Results

| 1.George Szabo | 121 |
|---|--------|
| 2.Birger Jansen/Liv Ulveie | 156.75 |
| 2.Birger Jansen/Liv Ulveie 3.Federico/Sebastian Romero | 168.25 |
| 4.Shinichi Uchida | 172 |
| 5.Don Bedford/Steve Stewart | 186.75 |
| Statistic application | |



1998 Midwinter Circuit

Bacardi & Gamblin Series. Overall Zimmerman

Nassau. Bahamas **Royal Nassau Sailing Club** April 1-4 (Szabo's Snipe journal)

Took the noon flight from Miami to Nassau, it looked like half of the Mission Bay Snipe fleet was onboard, a taxi cab to the sailing club, went straight to the bar, said hi to "your the man" Eddie the bartender, ordered a Kalik and joined the rest of the Snipe fleet that was sitting on the porch. Eventually the boats showed up so we began rigging. Back in the clubhouse a new pecking order was being established on the ping pong Table. Don Bedford had a strong start and was looking unbeatable. We threw everything we had on him. When no-one could beat him, our hopes were on Shinichi Uchida from Japan. Unfortunately Don beat him too, so now Don is the new man to beat on the ping pong table in Nassau. Maybe one day he will be able to put his name on the wall for that.

The first day of sailing it was blowing straight down the bay with good whitecaps. The whole fleet looked out and thought "we're not going out there" we later found that the wind funneled by the club and was stronger in front of the bar and the big white caps were caused by the outgoing tide. We ended up with 15knots and Jeff and I won both races. The Bacardi Party was that evening. Three blenders running at one bar, enough rum to make the table sag at the other bar, and more Conch fritters than you wanted to eat.

Day two had lighter breeze, two more firsts for us but that was to be the end of our luck. John Papadopoulos had a great first beat and was in the front of the fleet for a bit and The heavy team of Bedford /Stewart (350lbs) had a great race before lunch but were a bit slower in the afternoon race. The Commodore's party is always the evening when you realize that Nassau can be a little bit different than the rest of the world. When we pulled up the man at the gate politely told us that the boss would like for us to park in the parking lot. Every house should have a parking lot.

Day three, back for more sailing, this time with shifty breeze off the land. Two teams were over early, one was us. When we finally got to the weather mark the fleet was just about at the reach mark. Ouch. Back at the pool at the lunch break the Argentines who didn't go back we even more unhappy than we were. After lunch the second race was very shifty. A large shift just after the start put those that went right in front. We were on the left of course. That evening there was an

| | Skipper/Crew | Sail # | Fleet | Finishes | Total |
|-----|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|-------|
| 1. | George Szabo/Jeff Baker | 28672 | Mission Bay | 1-1-1 | 2.25 |
| 2. | Federico/Sebastian Romero | 28983 | Argentina | 3-4-3 | 10 |
| 3. | Don Bedford/Steve Stewart | 29018 | Mission Bay | 2-8-2 | 12 |
| 4. | Jimmie Lowe/Gavin McKinney | 28811 | Nassau | 5-2-8 | 15 |
| 5. | Dave/Barbie Tillson | 27567 | Mission Bay | 8-3-4 | 15 |
| 6. | Birger Jansen/Liv Ulveie | 294 10 | Norway | 4-7-6 | 17 |
| 7. | Chuck Sinks/Scott Lindley | 29314 | Mission Bay | 7-6-7 | 20 |
| 8. | Gavin/Holly O'Hare | 29016 | Mission Bay | 10-9-5 | 24 |
| 9. | Robb Walker/Rowena Carlson | 29044 | Mission Bay | 9-10-11 | 30 |
| 10. | Stu/Erin Robertson | 29019 | Alamitos Bay | 15-5-12 | 32 |
| 11. | Jerry Thompson/Robert Lindley | 24702 | Alamitos Bay | 6-13-14 | 35 |
| 12. | Shinichi Uchida/Lori Lowe | 27283 | Japan | 11-15-9 | 35 |
| 13. | Don Hackbarth/Marita Christensen | 29014 | Atlanta | 13-12-13 | 38 |
| 14. | Robert Dunkley/Pat Dillon | 29201 | Nassau | dnc-11-10 | 44 |
| 15. | Halvor Poulsson/Edel Ragel | 27410 | Norway | 14-14-9 | 47 |
| 16. | Jim Belford/Peter Dillon | 28069 | Canada | 12-16-dnf | 51 |
| 17. | Watt/Priscilla Duffy | 25048 | New Orleans | 19-18-15 | 52 |
| 18. | Peter Christie/Oliver Sosinsky | 28693 | Nassau | 16-19-18 | 53 |
| 19. | Jim Richter/Brett King | 24500 | Indianapolis | 17-17-20 | 54 |
| 20. | John Papadopoulus/Faillers | 29015 | Newport Harbor | 20-20-16 | 56 |
| 21. | Johnny Christie/Carol Osborn | 28693 | Nassau | 18-21-17 | 56 |
| 22. | Umberto Valle/Piera Alberta | 27015 | Italy | 21-22-21 | 64 |

Gamblin Results

| | Skipper/Crew | Sail # | Fleet | Finishes | Total |
|-----|---|--------|----------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1. | Shipper Crew Shinichi Uchida/Lori Lowe | 27283 | Japan | 6-2-4-11-6 | 29 |
| 2. | Jerry Thompson/Robert Lindley | 24702 | Alamitos Bay | 11-5-5-4-4 | 29 |
| 3. | Federico/Sebastian Romero | 28983 | Argentina | 2-ocs-6-2-1 | 32.75 |
| 4. | Don Bedford/Steve Stewart | 29013 | Mission Bay | 8-9-12-1-2 | 32.75 |
| 5. | Birger Jansen/Liv Ulveie | 29410 | Norway | 5-3-15-5-5 | 33 |
| 6. | Dave/Barbie Tillson | 27567 | Mission Bay | 9-4-1-10-10 | 33.75 |
| 7. | Jimmie Lowe/Gavin McKinney | 28811 | Nassau | 3-1-10-ocs-3 | 38.75 |
| 8. | Robert Dunkley/Pat Dillon | 29201 | Nassau | 16-11-3-3-9 | 42 |
| 9. | Stu/Erin Robertson | 29109 | Alamitos Bay | 7-6-2-ocs-13 | 50 |
| 10. | Robb Walker/Rowena Carlson | 29044 | Mission Bay | 12-8-12-9-12 | 53 |
| 11. | Don Hackbarth/Marita Christensen | 29014 | Atlanta | 10-14-8-13-11 | 56 |
| 12. | Gavin/Holly O'Hare | 29016 | Mission Bay | 14-13-9-7-14 | 57 |
| 13. | Watt/Priscilla Duffy | 25048 | New Orleans | 17-10-14-8-8 | 57 |
| 14. | Jim Richter/Brett King | 24500 | Indianapolis | 15-16-16-6-7 | 60 |
| 15. | Scott Lindley/Chuck Sinks | 29314 | Mission Bay | 4-7-7-dnf-dnc | 62 |
| 16. | George Szabo/Jeff Baker | 28672 | Mission Bay | 1-12-11-dnf-dnc | 67.75 |
| 17. | John Papadopoulus/Faillers | 29015 | Newport Harbor | 13-17-17-14-16 | 77 |
| 18. | Peter Christie/Oliver Sosinsky | 28693 | Nassau | 18-15-19-12-15 | 79 |
| 19. | Halvor Poulsson/Edel Ragel | 27410 | Norway | 19-18-18-ocs-dnc | 99 |
| 20. | Johnny Christie/Carol Osborn | 28693 | Nassau | 20-dnf-20-dnc-dnc | 106 |
| 21. | Umberto Valle/Piera Alberta | 27015 | Italy | 21-dnf-dnc-dnf-dnc | 109 |
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excellent Bahamian diner at the sailing club.

The last day (4) of the Gamblin was the best. Blowing 20 knots, t-shirt and shorts and a great reach to the start (didn't I write the same thing last year?). The race started and we got to the mark first. Two screaming reaches and we opened up a nice lead until our shroud parted and the mast came down. Ouch. We tried hitch-hiking. The Argentines wanted us to show them some leg but they then decided that our legs didn't look good enough. Oh well. On the second triangle Chuck Sinks' shroud came out of his spreader which bent his mast. When we got back to the dock we added up the points for the Zimmerman and found that we would still win so we packed our boat and sipped gin from coconuts for the rest of the afternoon

The best story of the last day is all of the 'I

could have won if' stories. Of course if we hadn't broken a mast then . . . , if Jimmie Lowe had gone back when he was over early and had passed just one boat, if Bedford hadn't had the 12th. . . , if Jim Richter had tacked for the other end of the line and passed Shinichi then Jerry Thompson. . . . could have won (upon learning Jim's story wanted to know where that Jim guy was and have a few words), and then there was Tillson's "If I hadn't stayed out so late. . ." The trophy dinner was great! Day five was spent at Rose island.

Day six we flew back to Miami, picked up the boats from the shipping company and spent the next 46 hours on the road driving back to California.

Copa de Canarias 1998

La regata se celebró en Lanzarote los días 14 y 15 de marzo, con vientos de componente norte de 20 a 25 nudos el sábado y de 15 a 18 nudos el domingo. Se hicieron 4 pruebas de las 6 programadas, ya que el primer día el viento duro y la fuerte marejada solo permitieron que se hiciera una prueba. El domingo mejoró y se hicieron 3 pruebas.

The regatta was held in Lanzarote, March 14 & 15, with winds from the north of 20-25 knots on Saturday and 15-18 knots on Sunday. We were only able to hold 4 of the scheduled 6 races, and on the first day with hard winds and strong seas only permitted one race. It was better on Sunday where we were able to complete 3 races.

Hay que destacar el buen nivel en la flota de Lanzarote, que ocupó las 8 primeras plazas de la general, y la impresionante exhibición de Negrí y Martí, que en condiciones de viento duro no tienen rival en Canarias. Tambié hay que hacer notar la participación de 6 barcos de Tenerife que hacía más de 15 años que no participaban en una competición regional de esta clase.

We must highlight the great level of the fleet of Lanzarote, that occupied the first 8 general places, and the impressive exhibition of Negrí and Martí, with the heavy conditions they had no rival in the Canaries. We must also note the participation of 6 boats from Tenerife where it has been more than 15 years since they have participated in a regional competition of the Class.

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| 2 | Felipe Orito – Iñaki Galán | 2-2-2-(4) | 6 |
| 3 | Pedro Ferrer - Wilfredo Tabares | (DSQ)-4-4-1 | 9 |
| 4 | Alfredo Morales - Gonzalo Morales | 3-(5)-3-3 | 9 |
| 5 | Sergio Morales – Alejandro Sánchez | 4-(8)-7-5 | 16 |
| 6 | Luciano García – Miordf; Teresa Lorenzo | 5-6-6-(7) | 17 |
| 7 | Jose L. Lorenzo – Santiago Alvarez | 7-3-9-(10) | 19 |
| 8 | Pedro de Armas – Jonas de la Cruz | (12)-7-8-6 | 21 |
| 9 | Martin Tejera – Jose Marrero | 6-10-11-(DSQ) | 27 |
| 10 | Miguel A. Baneyto - Patrick Biddulph | (11)-9-10-8 | 27 |
| 11 | Fernando Medina – Alejandro Ramine | 9-(14)-14-11 | 34 |
| 12 | Fernando Marrero – Luis Morales | 13-(DNF)-13- 9 | 35 |
| 13 | Manri Rodriguez - Cristian Sanchez | 10-12-16-(DSQ) | 38 |
| 14 | Claudio Montalban – Francisco Belda | 15-11-(17)-12 | 38 |
| 15 | Matias Gomez – Marcos Sanchez | (18)-13-15-14 | 42 |
| 16 | Estanislao Bethenc – Echeide Toledo | 8-(DNF)-5-DNF | 43 |
| 17 | Fernando Ojeda – Alicia Corral | 19-15-(21)-18 | 52 |
| 18 | Javier Fraile – Esteban Fraile | 17-(DNF)-19-16 | 52 |
| 19 | Jose Guerra – Francisco Santan | 20-17-(24)-17 | 54 |
| 20 | Alejandro Morales – Bruno Farray | (DNF)-DSQ-12-13 | 55 |
| 21 | Manuel Flores – Isaac Hernandez | 21-16-(23)-19 | 56 |
| 22 | Miguel A. Guerra – Daniel Armas | (DNF)-DNF-22-15 | 67 |
| 23 | Edmundo Beneyto - Carlos Beneyto | 22-(DNF)-18-DNF | 70 |
| 24 | Andres Morales - Sacha Levy | 16-(DNF)-DNF-DNF | 76 |
| 25 | Alfredo de Quitan - Mario Suarez | 16-(DNF)-DNF-DNF | 76 |
| 26 | Jose Gonzalez – Raico Tabares | (DNF)-DNF-20-DNF | 80 |
| 27 | Orlando Umpierrez – Alexis Hernandez | 23-(DNF)-DNF-DNF | 83 |
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50 Years of Snipe Sailing Celebrated at Budworth Fleet #217

Seventy past and present members attended a reunion dinner-dance to celebrate 50 years of Snipe racing on Budworth Mere, a 100 acre lake set in the Cheshire countryside, now just a few miles from Manchester International Airport.

The event was masterminded by fleet captain Mark Antonelli, assisted by his father Roland and Mike Andrews, both very longstanding Snipe sailors. While Mike was not able to trace any founder members still living, he was able to make contact with several who sailed in the 1950s, so plenty of reminiscing went on round the bar.

Delving into the club archives provided a fascinating insight into dinghy sailing just after the war. The fleet (and the club) was formed by a group of war veterans frustrated by the difficulties of re-establishing their offshore sailing activities. A supply of blackmarket red cedar was located and a boatbuilder persuaded to produce 18 Snipes at a cost of £60 each. These were duly registered with the USA and given sail numbers in the 6000 series. An apparently very convivial series of summer weekends was spent scouring the countryside of Cheshire for a suitable stretch of inland sailing water until a chance conversation took place in the bar of the "Cock of Budworth" with the local land agent. A deal to sail on Budworth Mere was quickly clinched and the landlord of the "Cock" agreed to provide storage for all the sailing gear and of course liquid refreshment after sailing. In the absence of any launching facilities, a group of Italian prisoners of war from a nearby camp were enlisted to manhandle the boats across a field to the water's edge. The grand launch took place in apparently lively wind conditions for it is recorded that the Italians looked on with bemusement as the fleet screamed off in all directions out of control.

Thereafter, the fleet prospered and quickly built up to 30 boats. Changing and launching facilities were built, complimentary dinghy classes were adopted and club membership rose to a peak of over 500 members. There are still about 30 Snipes sailing, from a golden wooden oldie (10325) to a recent Persson.

From the February 1947 Jib Sheet, precursor to the Snipe Bulletin, "Our newest fleet has just been chartered and has received its charter No. 217. This fleet is to be know as the Snipe Section of the Manchester Cruising Association. Fleet Captain is Dr. J.A.K. Young, 473 Bury New Road, Kersal, Manchester, England. Fleet measurer is F.H. Holden. All boats will shortly be measured. Dr. F.V.G. Penman, National Secretary for Britain, has assured us that England will definitely have an entry at Geneva. He also informs us that the British government has completely forbidden the use of wood or other materials for the construction of pleasure boats. This applies to both professional and amateur builders and the Doctor winds up his letter with - "What a world." To this we can only say "Amen." In an earlier note from Dr. Penman (1946), he reports that his "Snipe, Gossamer, has been laid up since 1940 when his sailing waters were covered with moored logs to prevent Nazi seaplanes from landing." Our English fleets have a strong history of Snipe sailing!

Russia Produces 1st Snipes for Junior European Championship

SCIRA Russia, in bidding for the 1998 Junior European Championship, realized the travel distance to Moscow was significant. The pledged to build 25 new boats for charter for the Junior sailors so they would not have to transport boats the great distance.

With the first boat out of the mold in February, measurers were sent to verify SCIRA standards, and a beautiful new Snipe was born. The other 24 are currently under construction in time for the 1998 Junior European Championship to be held in Moscow July 8-15.





As one measurer commented, "these Snipes have ideas from other Snipes in a good mix, and it looks very nice!"

Congratulations to National Secretary Alexei Fomin and SCIRA Russia for a great start for their fleet!



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Confessions of a Women's Sailing Convert

I used to disagree with the concept of having separate Women's Snipe events....."Why do we need a separate event?" I asked. Isn't that one of the great things about the Snipe, that men and women can compete equally? My memories of women's sailing in college were mixed -some positive, but also some memories of discovering where the cat-fight stereotypes come from. And besides, what would the parties be like, quilting bees? I just wasn't all that enthused.

Then I went to the First Women's Snipe Worlds in Japan. It was the experience of a lifetime. And I learned.. I learned that women Snipe sailors were just like all Snipe sailors great people. Great people to compete against and to party with. The camaraderie was excellent. No cat-fights to be found anywhere, And I learned, I learned that while I have always felt the ability to compete equally, not all women have had the same opportunity. One of the top teams said that they had had a hard time even getting a boat to practice in because they were women. Another told me they were generally ridiculed for wanting to sail at all, much less steer. And I learned. I learned that an international event is like no other. Not only was the event well attended (46 boats from Japan, Norway, the US, Uruguay, and France), the competition was excellent. Starting techniques vary around the world, as does boat set up, steering style, etc. I learned that pounding on the deck can be an effective substitute for English at mark roundings, too! And I learned. I learned that the Japanese have been conducting a Women's National Championship for the past 10 years. Maybe they were on to something

Then I went to the Second Women's Worlds in Spain. And I learned that my previous experience in Japan had not been a fluke. The same great camaraderie, the same stories of bias in some countries, the same level of competition, and this time 9 countries were represented! And I learned one more thing, that having a separate women's event was a great way to promote the Snipe Class. Several of the competitors had not sailed in the Snipe before training for the Worlds. The Snipe is such a great boat to promote to women sailors. "All those lines" that some have been complaining about make the Snipe a perfect boat for women's teams because they allow for a great range of competitive crew weights and strengths. It hooted in both Japan and Spain and, even though the average crew weight was significantly lower than normal in coed events, the fleets handled themselves very well.

So like many new converts, I am now a zealot. Last year we held the first Women's Nationals here in the US. By all measures it was a success - it got new women into the Snipe (at least one has purchased a boat since), it got women who normally crew at the helm, and everyone who participated had a great time. Again, not a cat-fight to be found anywhere. This year not only are we in the US hosting the second US Women's Nationals the weekend before the US Nationals in Gull Lake, we are also hosting the 3rd Women's Worlds in Annapolis, MD on October 3-7. So here's my plea: If you know of any women sailors who are not already Snipers, here's a great promotional opportunity to get them into a boat. If you are a woman Sniper, PARTICIPATE! Don't fret over logistics, let apathy take over, or worry about whether you are good enough, just figure it out and COME! I promise you will become a convert, too.



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Gull Lake - Site of the 1998 US Nationals

This year the US Nationals will be held on a beautiful inland lake in Southwestern Michigan, Gull Lake. Gull Lake provides the perfect venue for everyone, especially families. Gull Lake Yacht Club has a clubhouse

with all the necessary amenities, including dining rooms, snack bars, excellent shower facilities, gorgeous grass lawn leading to a sandy beach, shaded parking lots, several boat hoists and ramps, ample docks and much more. There is an

eighteen hole, perfectly manicured gold course and several tennis courts. The lake is spring fed with crystal clear water that is drinkable. This place begs for the mother-ofall water fights.

Lake sailors will thrive on the seldom steady winds. Never give up for a favorable shift is waiting. Eric Lind, PRO, will provide expert race courses that will start on time, weather permitting. I have sailed off and on at Gull Lake since 1958 and can testify that you will enjoy the racing.

Tom VanderMolen, Regatta Chairman, has numerous social events planned that will add to the fun and frivolity. Tom has surreptitiously been planning this fun stuff for sev-

> eral years. I am not about to divulge his plans but you and your family will be graciously hosted and entertained.

Gull Lake is planning something for everyone. There will be separate series of races for wood boats with appropriate trophies and a

best-of-show award for the best looking wood Snipe. Older Snipes competing for the championship will have their own set of trophies.

I look forward to seeing young and old, beginners or experienced sailors, juniors, families, old and new friends at this years Nationals. A large turnout is expected, perhaps similar to the 125 boat fleet at Green Lake, Wisconsin. You will enjoy Gull Lake and the 1998 Snipe National Championships. Terry Timm

US National Secretary



District Governors and Fleet Captains:

Call the SCIRA office for a current listing of paid members before your Districts or Sanctioned regatta. Mailing labels also available for 410 - just make sure you order in time!

Time to Gear up for Race Season

Check to make sure you have a current decal on your boat and royalties on your sails! Have you checked out the new Racing Rules? How about SCIRA rules?

- -- centerboard restraint (Rule 26, pg. 43)
- -- outhaul restricter (Rule 43, pg. 46)
- -- mast restraint (Rule 33, pg. 44)

US Masters In Atlanta To Be Extra Special

The 1998 USA Masters will be held Monday October 19 thru Thursday, October 22 in Atlanta at the Atlanta Yacht Club on Lake Allatoona. After a Friday lay day you can sail some more in the infamous Halloween Regatta Saturday and Sunday October 24 and 25. This is a great opportunity to get together again with your old Snipe buddles and party and sail. MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW. As usual the hospitality will be great. Housing will be available in cabins and houses at or near the club. All meals, including a special brunch will be served in a casual atmosphere a the clubhouse. No races are planned until 1:00pm each day. Course lengths will be set to a provide reasonable race time lengths of 45min to 1 hour. Charter boats and crews will be available, or we will help you arrange to borrow/charter a boat in your area. Even Harold Gilreath has promised to be there as your Chief Race Officer. We are looking forward to seeing all you old salts again. For more information contact Don Hackbarth as follows; phone 770 587 3653, fax 770 395 2801, email snipesgwh@aol.com.



to the further form will be in the next issue of the Snipe Bulletin along with housing information.

1998 Brazilian National Championship - Porto Alegre

Veleiros Do Sul Sociedade Nautica Desportiva January 24-31

The following results were mailed in by new National Secretary, Alvaro Fonseca. The table below the results gave the following information about the National Championship:



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| | Race 1 | Race 2 | Race 3 | Race 4 | Race 5 | Race 6 |
| # boats register- ed | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 |
| # boats starting | 31 | 31 | 28 | 26 | 27 | 30 |
| # boats finishing | 30 | 28 | 28 | 26 | 24 | 25 |
| Type of Course | Olympic | W-L | Olympic | Olympic | Triangle | W-LS |
| length of course | 4.8 m | 4.0m | 4.9m | 4.9m | 5.7m | 4.1m |
| Start time | 16:19 | 18:38 | 14:30 | 16:14 | 15:59 | 15:17 |
| Finish time | 17:43 | 19:37 | 15:28 | 17:13 | 17:10 | 16:24 |
| Total regatta | 1:24 | 1:01 | :58 | :59 | 1:11 | 1:07 |
| Wind direction | 180 | 180 | 135 125 | 125 140 | 135 100 | 175 |
| Wind strength | 6 | 6 | 15 | 16 | 20-12 | 8 |

| | Skipper/Crew | Boat # | Club | Finishes | Total |
|-----|--|--------|-------|------------------------|-------|
| 1. | Alexandre Paradeda/Flavio Fernandes | 29678 | CDJ | 1-4-1-2-1-(dnf) | 8.25 |
| 2. | Andre Fonseca/Roberto Paradeda | 26211 | ICSC | 2-2-3-5-2-(6) | 14 |
| 3. | Mauricio SantaCruz/Eduardo Neves | 29112 | ICRJ | (7)-3-5-1-5-2 | 15.75 |
| 4. | Frederico/Felipe Vasconcellos | 27665 | CC | 4-1-8-9-(12)-3 | 24.75 |
| 5. | Bruno Bethlem/Sergio Gomes de Almeida | 26915 | ICRJ | (14)-5-7-4-4-7 | 27 |
| 6. | Fernando Kessler/Eduardo Paradeda | 27535 | CDJ | 6-(15)-4-3-10-5 | 28 |
| 7. | Ricardo Rezende/Walter Jose Dias | 17474 | ICAJU | 8-8-(11)-7-8-1 | 31.75 |
| 8. | George Nehm/Fernando Alves | 28348 | CDJ | 12-10-2-6-7-(dnf) | 37 |
| 9. | Andre Warlich/Rodrigo Linck Duarte | 27816 | CDJ | (15)-13-6-8-3-10 | 40 |
| 10. | Daniel Augusto Glomb/Osny Mendes Filho | 29319 | FVP | 9-(12)-10-11-9-4 | 43 |
| 11. | Pepe/Lucia D'Elia | 27539 | RYC | (20)-6-12-12-6-8 | 44 |
| 12. | Arcellio Moreira/Mauricio Baptista | 29305 | CNC | 5-(16)-15-13-11-13 | 57 |
| 13. | Marcos Mascarenhas/Pedro Caldas | 28560 | RYC | 11-7-(17)-14-15-12 | 59 |
| 14. | Lucas Ostergren/Andre Streppel | 28652 | VDS | 10-14-16-10-(dnf)-11 | 61 |
| 15. | Boris Ostergren/Ernesto Ari Neugebauer | 28458 | VDS | 21-9-9-15-14-(ocs) | 68 |
| 16. | Pedro Garra/Juan Esterovich | 29251 | YCU | 3-(dnf)-dnc-dnc-13-9 | 87 |
| 17. | Carlos Fanucchi/Guilherme Monteiro | 2 | CCSP | 22-11-20-17-17-(23) | 87 |
| 18. | Dante Bianchi/Lucas Sousa | 29263 | ICRJ | 13-17-(dnc)-dnc-16-14 | 91 |
| 19. | Bibi Juetz/Renata Plepis Veiga | 29143 | ICRJ | 19-18-(24)-20-21-18 | 96 |
| 20. | Sidney Bloch/Ian Bennett | 26681 | CNI | (25)-19-18-21-19-20 | 97 |
| 21. | Fernando Cavalli/Eduardo Cavalli | 27817 | VDS | 16-21-23-19-22-(ocs) | 101 |
| 22. | Mathias Ostergren/Isaak Radin | 23772 | VDS | 23-dnf-13-18-18-(ocs) | 103 |
| 23. | Ricardo Canepa Barbosa/Richard Zietemann | 29156 | YCSA | (dnf)-dnf-14-16-dnf-15 | 103 |
| 24. | Alfredo Rezende/Carlos Jaboti | 275 | ICAJU | 28-20-19-(dnc)-20-17 | 104 |
| 25. | Rodrigo Menegassi/Caroline Boening | 28460 | CDJ | 17-24-26-22-(dnf)-16 | 105 |
| 26. | Angelo Menegassi/Daniel Ortega | 23029 | CDJ | (30)-22-22-25-23-21 | 113 |
| 27. | Mariana Teixeira/Simone Dani | 26807 | VDS | (26)-23-25-24-24-19 | 115 |
| 28. | Rubens Riveiro/Kadu Bergenthal | 29000 | VDS | 24-25-21-23-(dnc)-22 | 115 |
| 29. | Peter Harazim/Alberto Henrique da Silva | 12117 | SC | 18-27-28-26-(dnc)-24 | 123 |
| 30. | Henry Boening/Adriano Ryba | 28291 | CDJ | 29-26-(dnc)-dnc-dnc-25 | 142 |
| 31. | Jose Carlos Ribeiro/Alessandra Hackbart | 17171 | CDJ | 27-28-27-(dnc)-dnc-dnc | 144 |
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Notes from The SCIRA Rules Committee

Tape **Drive Construction**

Some sailmakers have asked us about "tape drive" construction. They felt that it was legal because they were putting the tape on an already-approved material. But the correct interpretation is that these are not to be used for the present because the rule as written states "woven " materials and the use of "scrim". The tape in the tape drive sails is reinforced with uni-directional thread, neither woven material or scrim. (See Rule 65, page 50 of the International Rulebook)

For further information, contact Brainard Cooper, Chairman of the Rules Committee) Request submitted in July, 1997 Action of the Rules Committee of September.1997

Approved mylar laminates

Below are listed the Mylar laminates we have approved for use in Snipe sails.

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Please, remember that the SCIRA Rules (Rule 65, page 50 of the Rulebook) state that: "Laminate material approval is limited to commercially manufactured, readily available material which are cost competitive with woven materials and which have been specifically approved by the Rules Committee basis". case-by-case on a Any request to approve a new material

must be addressed to the Rules Committee Cooper Brainard Chairman Action of the Rules Committee, October 1997

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Battle of Atlanta

The 1997 Battle of Atlanta was held on September 21, and 22 at the Lake Lanier Sailing Club near Atlanta, GA. Three races were held on Saturday in winds ranging from 8 to 15mph. Two more races were held on Sunday in lighter breezes.

Shawn Burke with crew Will Morang took the early lead winning the first race. Craig and Mimi Beardsley finished second followed by Marc and Steven Duvoisin. The second race was won by Hal Gilreath with crew Kathy Dressler, followed by Dave Prichard with crew Julia Cook, who was followed by Shawn Burke. Steve Burke, after breaking down in the second race, won the 3rd race with crew Nancy Gilreath. Second place went to James Lipp with crew Faith Colaloca and Hal Gilreath crossed the line third. So after the first day 7 sailors had graced the top 3 positions. Also as the day unfolded, several competitors had failed to complete all of the races. Dave Prichard, Brent McKenzie, Steve Burke, and Lee Bradley all failed to finish all three races on Saturday for a variety of reasons.

Sunday the winds were light and the competition heavy. Shawn was winning with Hal close behind. Steve Burke won the first race on Sunday with Hal Gilreath and Shawn Burke finishing second and third respectively. The last race was won by Dave Prichard followed by Woody Norwood with crew Nell Jones, and Marc Duvoisin.

So at the end of the regatta, Shawn Burke won, and Woody Norwood with a strong finish in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th races was second. Many others were but a race away from wining the 1997 Battle of Atlanta, and all will return next year to try again.



| Pos | Boat# | Skipper | Crew | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Т |
|-----|-------|--------------------|---------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 1 | 26743 | Shawn Burke | Will Morang | 1 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 21 |
| 2 | 29200 | Woody Norwood | Nell Jones | 13 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 30 |
| 3 | 28950 | Marc Duvoisin | Steven Duvoisin | 3 | 9 | 6 | 9 | 3 | 30 |
| 4 | 28142 | Hal Gilreath | Kathy Dressler | 7 | 1 | 3 | 2 | DSQ | 32 |
| 5 | 28048 | James Lipp | Faith Colaloca | 5 | 6 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 32 |
| 6 | 24807 | Steve Burke | Nancy Gilreath | 8 | DNS | 1 | 1 | 7 | 35 |
| 7 | 27872 | Charlie Bustamante | Michelle Bustamante | 9 | 5 | 11 | 6 | 5 | 36 |
| 8 | 25071 | Dustin Kays | Christopher Stang | 4 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 11 | 36 |
| 9 | 28842 | Dave Prichard | Julia Cook | 12 | 2 | DNF | 8 | 1 | 40 |
| 10 | 26309 | Martin Zonenberg | Clay Smith | 6 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 6 | 44 |
| 11 | 26737 | Tom Smith | Jack Smith | 10 | 12 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 47 |
| 12 | 29148 | Craig Beardsley | Mimi Beardsley | 2 | 4 | 7 | DNS | DNS | 49 |
| 13 | 25840 | Brent McKenzie | Stephen McKenzie | 11 | DNS | DNS | 10 | 4 | 61 |
| 14 | 28628 | John Hill | Chris Hurst | 15 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 63 |
| 15 | 28655 | Justin Chambers | Joyce Harvey | 17 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 72 |
| 16 | 22870 | Ray Stang | Jennifer Carson | 14 | 15 | 14 | 16 | 13 | 72 |
| 17 | 26165 | Mike Coffman | Nancy Hutton | 16 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 74 |
| 18 | 12021 | Lee Bradley | Kelly Bradley | 18 | DNS | 16 | 17 | 17 | 85 |



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