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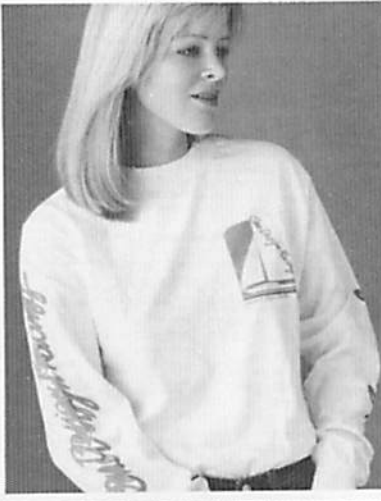
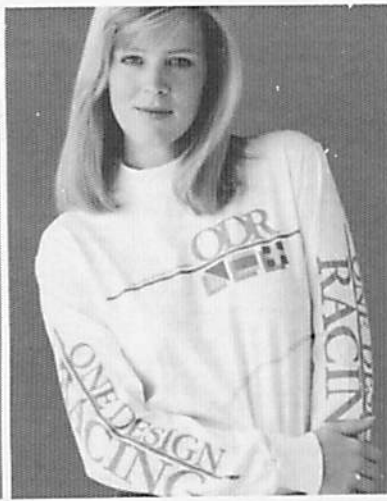
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Snipe Selected for 1987 Pan Am Games

It has just been learned that Snipe has been chosen as one of the classes to be sailed in the Pan Am Games to be held in the U.S.A. in 1987. The games are to be held in Indianapolis but the sailing will be on Lake Michigan at Michigan City, Indiana — not too far from Chicago. Complete details will be published as soon as they are received.

Snipe Video Available

Don Hite has recently converted the "One Boat For All" film to a video cassette, and has presented copies to each U.S. District.

Don, who owns a professional film processing business, has offered to take video footage from regattas and edit it for inclusion in a video promotional (or entertainment) film for use by SCIRA. Contact Don directly if you have questions or film to submit.

Don's home address is: 5375 High Ct. Way, W. Bloomfield, MI 48033.

Ray Stevens

We recently learned of the death in early August of long-time Snipe sailor Ray Stevens. Ray lived in Orlando, Florida and was a supporter of Snipe racing on Florida's West Coast. We express our sympathy to Ray's son, Snipe sailor Allyn Stevens.

Submerged Rules

Ambiguity in the Sailing Instructions

by Gary Boswell
Dallas Fleet 1

"The Race Committee saw Star#3235 sail under a sidespan of the Captree Bridge instead of the center span as a majority thought the sailing instructions provided and . . .". The previous sentence is quoted from Appeal #66. It seems that the intent of the Race Committee was that yachts should sail through the center span. Indeed, for most of the classes in this multi-class regatta the sailing instructions so stated. Yet for the Star class the course was not printed in the sailing instructions. They did state, however, that the marks to be passed would be signalled from the Committee Boat. The center span of the bridge was not included in the list of marks actually signalled from the Committee Boat.

Prior to the race, the skipper of Star

#3235 asked if there was any rule which required him to pass through the center span. The response from a member of the Race Committee was, "No, but I certainly advise against a shallower, lower span." Apparently Star #3235 ignored this friendly suggestion and was observed sailing under a sidespan.

The Race Committee disqualified Star #3235 ruling that "The offhand advice from a member of the Committee during the period shortly before the start of a regatta was obviously not intended to be a ruling and does not bind the Committee." This is consistent with other rulings by the Appeals committee and would undoubtedly have been binding if there were no extenuating circumstances.

The Appeals Committee ruled, however, that there was reasonable doubt as to whether or not the center span ranked as a mark for the Star Class. They continued giving us another Submerged Rule as follows: "When a reasonable doubt exists as to an interpretation of a sailing instruction, it must be resolved in favor of the contestant even though he was the only one to take advantage of it."

Experience indicates that few Race Committees know this Submerged Rule. Invariably, when confronted with ambiguity, they rule in favor of what was intended by the Race Committee. Consequently, you might want to remember this Submerged Rule and the Appeal from which it comes so that you can call it to the attention of some future Race Committee in the event you either accidentally or with clever preplanning profit from ambiguity in the sailing instructions.

THE COVER

1985 U.S. National Champions are Steve Rosenberg and Pat Muglia, center, shown here among the leaders in the last race of the Championship. Steve Callison, right, finished third. District III Champion Rick Wood, who finished fourth, is right between Rosenberg and Callison. Craig Leweck, 25848, finished 8th in the series, and Fred Rozelle, 25489 finished fifth. Ralph Deeds photo.

THE SCORE

Thirty-one numbers were issued during the month with 20 going to Spain, 10 to Argentina and 1 to Uruguay. No new fleets were chartered.

Numbered SNIPES — 26380
Chartered Fleets — 795

SCIRA/US Board Meets at Detroit, August 11, 1985

PRESENT: Ralph Swanson, U.S. National Secretary, Rules Committee Chairman Ted Wells, Rules Vice-chairman Dan Williams, Rear Commodore Jerry Thompson, Executive Secretary Buzz Lamb, Members-at-Large: Sam Mollet, Larry White, Means Davis, Dick Schmidt, and Fritz Gram; District Governors Patti Fisher and Jeff Lenhart.

Secretary Swanson announced that some of the agenda items would be taken out of order.

MINUTES: It was moved, seconded and passed that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as published in the October 1984 issue of the *Bulletin*.

FINANCIAL REPORT: SCIRA/US Fund cash receipts and cash disbursements, and cash balances for the first six months of 1985 were presented. Discussion followed on collection of outstanding charges on return shipment of boats from Portugal. Money for one boat has been recouped. Invoices will be sent for the others. Without travel expenses the U.S. Fund would have no problem. Reallocation of SCIRA office expenses between SCIRA/International and SCIRA/US was discussed as a means for a better balance. Currently salaries are divided equally between the two. Swanson discussed the background of this split.

Davis asked about the make-up and authority of the US Board. Swanson stated that there is no constitution for the US Board which conducts US affairs. By tradition, those members of the international board who reside in the US constitute the US Board. District Governors are invited to attend for information and input, but not as voting members.

USISA through USYRU has made a travel grant to those competing in the Worlds, in the amount of \$2,400, but has specified that grants may not go to those in the marine trades, or those who can deduct expenses from income tax payments. The money may otherwise be divided among those eligible as the class sees fit.

PRESENTATION US NATIONALS BID 1988: Warren Wheaton presented a slide show of the San Francisco and Richmond Y.C. area as a bid for the 1988 US Nationals. Either District 6 or District 7 will be approved as host district. Wheaton also asked the Board to consider an increase in the entry fee for the US Nationals

and an increase in the number of entries allowed for the host club.

VICE-SEC./WH BOARD POSITION: A Constitutional amendment proposed to add the Vice Secretary of the Western Hemisphere as a voting member of the Board. An additional proposal was made to drop the Secretary of Eastern Europe as a board position. Background of the addition which would balance the Vice Secretary of Europe already on the Board; and the deletion as the position no longer has nations associated with SCIRA and would also maintain the same number of members on the Board, was given by Swanson. Both proposals were moved, seconded, discussed and passed. (This vote is advisory only as this is to be voted on by the International Board in November.)

AMENDMENTS TO DEEDS OF GIFT: Hub Isaacks Trophy: A proposal for changing the number of entries in the deed of gift to a "pro-rata" basis, based on the number of registered Snipes in a nation. It was moved, seconded and passed that this proposal be accepted. (This vote is advisory only as this is to be voted on by the International Board in November.)

Masters Trophy: Changes proposed by the donor, Dan Blodgett: Minimum age for a skipper changed to 45; minimum combined ages of skipper and crew shall be 80; skipper and crew may change places from race to race but only if both are SCIRA members and both meet age requirements. After discussion a further change was proposed which would "grandfather" those between the ages of 40 and 45 who have already sailed in a Masters Championship. Changes moved and seconded but resulted in a tie vote. The deed of gift requires agreement between donor and SCIRA; the donor will make the binding decision on changes.

ONE BOAT FOR ALL: Don Hite has made seven video copies of the film which will be presented to the districts. He is willing to compile a new video movie from regatta footage sent to him. An announcement will be put in the *Bulletin* asking for submissions for the film.

HEINZERLING TROPHY: The trophy needs room for more names. Repairs approved.

PAN AM GAMES: Lamb reported that sailing for the 1987 Pan Ams will be at Michigan City, IN. Decision on classes is to be made by a committee constituted at the last games in Venezuela. USYRU President Chuck Kober and Tom Ehman are understood to be on the committee. Probable classes are J-24, Star, Lightning, Snipe, Laser, and a sailboard. Bill Lynn

will be the new USYRU president (he owns a Snipe.) Swanson urged all members to use their influence to have Snipe included. The U.S. will be committed to lend boats to be chartered to contestants who do not bring their own boats. This will require a maximum of 18-20 boats.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: Argentina will lend one boat for each nation; a second one will be available for charter.

REGATTA PRIZES/AMATEUR STATUS: Consideration was given the question of a Snipe given as a regatta first award. It was decided this is in excess of what is allowed under the rules, and thus endangers the amateur status of the contestants.

CHAMPIONSHIP SITES: North Americans 1986 — San Francisco will be host. Gram wants to submit a bid for Buffalo Canoe Club to hold the North Americans and asked where to submit bids. Swanson stated that bids are submitted to the U.S. National Secretary, and the decision is made between the secretaries of the U.S., Canada, Bermuda, and the Bahamas. Masters 1986 — Bids were presented for Indianapolis and Atlanta. Atlanta's bid was accepted for 1986. Indianapolis was chosen for 1987 if they so wish. U.S. National 1986 — District 5 and Chautauqua Lake Fleet 124 will be hosts for the regatta which is scheduled for late July 1986. U.S. Nationals 1988 — District 6 or 7 will host the nationals that year. San Francisco (D-7) has submitted a bid. Mission Bay (D-6) may also submit a bid. Bids will be accepted up to January 1, 1986 for that championship.

ENTRY FEE FOR U.S. NATIONALS: Moved and seconded that the entry fee be raised to \$100. After discussion, the motion failed to pass. Moved and seconded that the fee be increased to \$75. Passed.

INCREASED ENTRIES FOR CROSBYS: Moved and seconded that the host fleet for the U.S. National be given an increased quota of 2 boats for 5 registered Snipes. Passed. Moved, seconded and passed that district qualifiers for the Crosbys be changed to "drop down" if the second and/or third place finishers do not attend. This is to be accomplished by deleting the words "no alternates" in the "OPEN TO" section on page 127 of the current SCIRA Rule Book.

FINANCES: There was a discussion of travel allocations. It was moved, seconded and passed that there be no travel allowances other than those funds provided by the USISA.

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US Board Meeting. . .

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MEASUREMENT AND RULES: Williams reported that 3 major builders had submitted samples of the hull material of their boats. Klegecell is used by all, making for a much stronger boat. He has talked to all builders during the measurement process at the nationals. Measurement at this regatta has gone well.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS, CURRENT CHAMPIONSHIP: There was discussion of the one-minute and the three-minute sudden death rule included in the sailing instructions submitted for this regatta. SCIRA has a set of required sailing instructions in the current Rule Book. The decision was made that the instructions must follow the SCIRA Rule Book.

ORGANIZATION: Davis discussed the codification of rules and by-laws for the U.S. organization. It was moved, seconded and passed that he be asked to consider and submit such rules and by-laws. Gram and Thompson will assist.

Meeting adjourned.

General Membership Meeting Held

The U.S. General Membership meeting was called to order by Ralph Swanson, U.S. National Secretary, at 4:15 p.m. August 16 at Crescent Sail Yacht Club, Detroit, Michigan.

Secretary Swanson introduced other members of the board including: Jerry

Thompson, Sam Mollet, Fritz Gram, and Means Davis. Actions taken by the U.S. Board at their all-day meeting on Sunday were reviewed: The U.S. Board of Governors will not fund travel in 1985. The USISA has granted \$2,400 in travel funds. Charter and loaner boats are available in Argentina for the worlds, and SCIRA/US will not fund boat shipment.

Other actions and votes by the U.S. Board were reviewed. (See minutes of the Board Meeting).

Announcement was made of the dates selected for future championships, the changes in the deed of gift for the U.S. Masters, and the change in entry fee for the future U.S. Nationals.

The meeting was then thrown open for questions and discussion: Ron Fox asked about funding for travel from the USISA. The grant may be split in any way between those eligible, as long as the person receiving a grant is not in the marine trades.

Other questions were asked on increasing funding for the U.S./SCIRA treasury. Increase in royalty fees was suggested. Allocation of salary contribution between SCIRA international and SCIRA/US discussed. Currently the split is 50/50. Reapportionment would substantially ease the financial burden on the U.S. treasury. Financial statements are sent to members of the board and district governors. They are not printed in the Snipe *Bulletin*. Gonzalo Diaz proposed a financial committee for the U.S.

Means Davis who will be chairman of a committee to undertake a study of the by-laws invited people to submit ideas for consideration.

Swanson discussed a downturn in one-design sailing and requested people publicize their regattas more fully. He expressed his thanks to the board who had spent their time on the all-day board meeting. With travel costs skyrocketing, he also expressed thanks to Larry White, Dan Williams, and Ted Wells, who attended the meeting although they did not plan to sail in the regatta.

Further discussion included the following questions: Bill Buckles asked about the term of office for the Board. Brian Mollet suggested that donations which are tax deductible be requested in the *Bulletin*. Lee Griffith asked if it would be possible to allow late-registration for the nationals with a large late registration fee. Gonzalo Diaz asked if there is a refund of the Nationals registration fee. Answer, "Yes, if the request is made before the start of racing."

Bob Hill expressed appreciation to Ralph, Buzz, and the Board for the work for the class.

Meeting adjourned.

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District IV Title Copped by Pritchard

David Pritchard and Mike Lenkite of the Lake Lanier Fleet won the SCIRA District IV Championship held June 23-24 on Chickamauga Lake. Privateer Fleet 142 was host to the 51 boat fleet which included representatives from 11 of the 13 fleets in the District. Tarasa Davis and crew Steve Sammons repeated as District IV Junior Champion.

Means and Peggy Davis, representing both Atlanta Yacht Club and the Barefoot Fleet, were second. Mike and Marsi McLaughlin and Pete and Jean Duvoisin from the host club took third and fourth place honors. Raymond Burke and Robb Ostrom of Lake Lanier were fifth.

Only four of the scheduled five races were completed.

In spite of surprisingly good winds for the first and second races on Saturday, starts were complicated by a big fleet and shifting winds, resulting in time wasting recalls, and only two races were completed the first day. Positions were scrambled by a wind shift on the finishing leg of the first race, with Woody Norwood of Atlanta nipping Gonzalo Diaz, Sr., for first place. Brent McKenzie of Lake Lanier was third. The start of the second race was delayed while a string of barges passed through the course, and a lunch break was declared before the second start.

The wind continued shifty for the second

race, but the predicted thunder storms never materialized. David Pritchard worked out a comfortable lead, and won the second race easily. Mike McLaughlin and Means Davis took the second and third place spots.

Sunday morning's first race was again delayed by one false start and a recall, but by the second start the wind had died to drifting conditions, and *nobody* was at the line when the gun went. A drifting first triangle ended when the wind came from behind, taking most of the 50 boat fleet around the leeward mark together in one blob. When all was sorted out Dave Pritchard got his second bullet with Don Pettigrew of AYC second, and Means Davis again in third place.

The wind settled in enough for a fourth race to be sailed back-to-back with the third. Pritchard worked out a horizon job, to take the race and the regatta. Buzzy and Gail Heausler of the Clearwater fleet were second, and Means Davis had his third third place finish.

Engraved brass ship's bells were the unique trophies awarded for the first five places, and the Seavy-Roberts perpetual District IV Trophy went to a new winner: Dave Pritchard who is in his third year as a Snipe sailor.

Scott Cline was regatta chairman. District Governor Frank Pontious presided over the district meeting held on Saturday night.

DISTRICT IV CHAMPIONSHIP (Top 25 of 51 boats)

Boat	Skipper	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
25951	David Pritchard/Mike Lenkite	Lake Lanier	7-1-1-1	9.25	1
24264	Means Davis/Peggy Davis	Atlanta	8-3-3-3	17	2
25735	Mike McLaughlin/M. McLaughlin	Privateer	11-2-5-10	28	3
19091	Pete Duvoisin/Jean Duvoisin	Privateer	6-11-15-5	37	4
26105	Raymond Burke/Robb Ostrom	Lake Lanier	10-4-25-4	43	5
25840	Brent McKenzie/Steve Burke	Lake Lanier	3-14-14-15	46	6
25045	Buzzy Heausler/Gail Heausler	Clearwater	15-6-26-2	49	7
25015	Kurt Wiese/Jules Ivester	New Orleans	24-8-11-7	50	8
23713	Gonzalo Diaz Sr/Seppy Downs	Miami	2-19-19-11	51	9
21212	Tom Craig/Carmen Berry	Privateer	4-5-22-23	54	10
25750	Don Pettigrew/Jay Pettigrew	Atlanta	34-18-2-8	62	11
24605	Tarasa Davis/Steve Sammons	Atlanta	19-21-20-6	66	12
25233	Gonzo Diaz/Rick Rossen	Miami	9-15-33-12	69	13
23272	Tut Campbell/Ruth Brodhead	Atlanta	12-20-18-25	75	14
25872	Paul Gillis/M.J. Gillis	Atlanta	21-28-13-13	75	15
26100	Woody Norwood/Scot Bowers	Atlanta	1-27-21-27	75.75	16
25231	Bill Simons/Sherry Simons	Privateer	5-41-10-21	77	17
24093	Scott Cline/Alan Carscaddon	Privateer	13-9-39-16	77	18
24686	Marc Duvoisin/Linda Duvoisin	New Orleans	22-30-9-19	80	19
24807	Steve Suddath/Connie Suddath	Lake Lanier	18-10-4-ns	84	20
26107	James Howard/Linda Howard	Lake Lanier	37-7-23-18	85	21
25172	Charlie Bustamante/M. Richard	Miami	16-24-16-31	87	22
24600	Brad McFadden/Martha McFadden	Atlanta	dq-12-6-20	90	23
24774	Martin Zonnenbert/Linda Leeds	Lake Lanier	dq-17-12-9	90	24
16115	Joe Fernon/Derek Fernon	Atlanta	35-33-7-17	92	25

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Steve Rosenberg Crowned U.S. National Champion

Jack Franco finishes second, just one point behind.

Crescent Sail Yacht Club, Detroit, Michigan, and District III were hosts for the 1985 U.S. National Championship sailed on Lake St. Clair August 12-16.

Steve Rosenberg of Long Beach, California, along with his veteran championship crew, Pat Muglia, made a clean sweep of both the Heinzerling and Crosby series to claim this year's championship. Steve was followed closely by fellow Californian, Jack Franco, who had led going into the final race of the Heinzerling only to fall one point short. Third place went to Steve Callison of Rochester, New York, with Rick Wood of Portage Lakes fourth and Fred Rozelle of Crescent Sail Yacht Club rounding out the top five.

Ed Adams of Newport finished sixth, Jeff Lenhart of Mission Bay was seventh, Craig Leweck of Columbus was eighth, Dave Pritchard of Atlanta, ninth with last year's champ, Steve Suddath, tenth.

This year's nationals was held on Lake St. Clair, northeast of Detroit and the week provided a little bit of everything as far as sailing conditions were concerned. During the week the winds ranged from 5 mph with chop right up to 20+ with waves and the ever present current which kept the competitors on their toes. Race Committee Chairman Derrick Fries and his experienced crew did an excellent job giving the competitors fair weather legs, good starting lines and timely starts.

The regatta featured an active social schedule with almost everyone attending the nightly events. Chairperson Sally Savage, with help from her dedicated and skilled party committees, put together a fun week.

Sunday night featured the junior national awards at Bayview Yacht Club with a cookout, after which a large group of senior Snipers turned a quiet Sunday night at the Bayview bar into a fun-filled welcoming party. Monday night was casino night down at the club, with a pizza dinner, lots of beer and lots of loud and rowdy gambling. Party'ers later bid with their winnings for a variety of slick door prizes.

Tuesday, the gang converged on Brownie's, a local waterfront restaurant, which was just the thing for resting the weary bones acquired during Tuesday's



1985 Junior Champions: Left, Crew Paul Noring, right Skipper Scott Lindley.

windy races. Service and food were both great, and the Crosby results being passed around made for some good conversation.

Wednesday was downtown Detroit night at Jacoby's Restaurant, with other excursions to Greektown and other downtown night spots, with good times for all. Thursday featured a chicken barbecue at Crescent, with beer and good times after a long, cold, rainy day on the water.

Friday's awards banquet at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club capped off the regatta with both style and fun. Dancing and dining along with the awards were the order of the evening, with a diehard group of about 50 Snipers finally being thrown out of the club at 2:30 a.m.

Every day after racing featured a keg of beer donated by various members and friends competing at the regatta. Many thanks to all who contributed to this worthy program which was enjoyed by all participating.

JUNIOR NATIONALS

Scott Lindley of San Diego along with crew Paul Noring made a clean sweep of all five races to take this year's U.S. Junior Championship. Russell Fox, with Kevin Goyan from Long Beach sailed to a decisive second place with Rob Frechette and Nicki Wiltrout of Portage Lakes third, Tarasa Davis of Atlanta, fourth, and Mike Lenkite of Atlanta fifth.

As usual, the juniors had some of the best wind of the week with Saturday's breeze of 12-18 mph and partly cloudy skies making for three challenging races.

Lindley, who was very fast when the breeze was up, led at every mark but one on Saturday and won all three races with comfortable leads. The rest of the fleet was a little more mixed up, however, with Frechette second and Fox third in race one, Fox second and Jane Faust third in race two and Fox second and Tarasa Davis third in race three.

Sunday dawned with clear skies and a

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
25992	Scott Lindley/Paul Noring	Alamitos Bay	1-1-1-1-1	3.75	1
25884	Russell Fox/Kevin Goyan	Los Angeles	3-2-2-3-5	15	2
23332	Robby Frechette/Nicki Wiltrout	Portage Lakes	2-4-5-8-8	24	3
24605	Tarasa Davis/Derrick Fernon	Atlanta	6-5-3-4-7	25	4
25951	Michael Lenkite/Dennette Bristol	Lake Lanier	5-9-4-6-2	26	5
27271	Jeff Irvine/Bill Barrett	Cowan Lake	10-8-6-2-3	29	6
24608	Jane Faust/Quinn Schwenker	Newport YC	9-3-8-8-4	32	7
25990	Andrew Moeller/Paul Andreporre	Crescent	4-10-9-9-6	38	8
24272	Scott Rowland/Bill Crossley	Cowan Lake	7-7-7-7-10	38	9
21790	Chad Coberley/Paul Berner	Decatur	8-6-10-11-12	47	10
24267	Eric Deeds/Taylor Lincoln	Crescent	11-11-11-12-9	54	11
17765	Charlie Connors/Dwight Patten	Gull Lake	12-12-12-10-11	57	12

brisk northerly breeze of about 15 knots for race four. Lindley again showed his dominance in the breeze with another easy victory. Race four saw Jeff Irvine of Cowan Lake second, and Russell Fox third. The biggest threat to Lindley's sweep came in race five when the wind lightened to approximately 10 knots and Mike Lenkite taking the lead around the first lap. On the final beat however, Lindley relentlessly ground Lenkite down to take the lead in the last hundred yards and go on to win, with Lenkite, second and Jeff Irvine, third.

Many thanks to Fred Rozelle who headed the race committee for the juniors and to all the C.S.Y.C. members who assisted us in putting on a fine Junior Nationals.

CROSBY SERIES

Monday morning dawned with what looked like a typical Lake St. Clair day in August with moderate 8-10 mph breezes, some chop and lots of sunshine. This turned out to be the order of the day for the first two races of the Crosby. Monday also happened to belong to Steve Rosenberg and Pat Muglia who sailed to two decisive first place finishes. The thermal breeze and opposing current didn't bother him as it did some of the other competitors who spent Monday figuring out exactly what was happening on our race course. Dave Pritchard of Atlanta had a first on Monday along with Dick Mitchell of Lorain, who returned to his home waters to sail an excellent Crosby series.

Tuesday saw some threatening weather and the highest winds of the series with 15-20 mph gusty breezes. The rain and storms held off, though, and the fleet got off two good races. Tuesday was Mark Reynolds' day, as he found the breeze and chop to his liking and recorded two firsts for himself. Other winners in Tuesday's racing were last year's champ Steve Suddath and Ed Adams of Newport.

Reynolds could not quite catch Rosenberg for the Crosby Trophy, however, and Steve won it by three points. Mark was followed by Rear Commodore Jerry Thompson who sailed a very consistent series to take third. Keith Dodson from Alamitos was fourth and Doug Wefer of Sea Cliff, also with an excellent series came in fifth.



Trolling for Snipe: A day's catch on the way in from the race course.

CROSBY QUALIFYING SERIES

Boat	Skipper	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
25220	Steve Rosenberg/Pat Muglia	Alamitos Bay	1-1-3-7	11.5	1
25815*	Mark Reynolds/DeAnn Reynolds	Mission Bay	6-7-1-1	14.5	2
26113	Jerry Thompson/Robert Lindley	Alamitos Bay	5-7-6-3	21	3
26175	Keigh Dodson/Claudia O'Brien	Alamitos Bay	2-6-10-5	23	4
25737	Doug Wefer/Kristan Meyer	Sea Cliff	6-2-8-8	24	5
25676	Dick Mitchell/Maureen Hays	Lorain	4-1-7-14	25.75	6
25489	Fred Rozelle/Jane Rozelle	Detroit	7-13-2-6	28	7
25800	Dick Schmidt/Gwen Gordon	Los Angeles	5-5-9-10	29	8
24807*	Steve Suddath/Connie Suddath	Lake Lanier	13-7-1-8	30.75	9
24608*	Steve Callison/Jane Faust	Newport YC	3-2-11-15	31	10
20560	Jeff Lenhart/Carol McBride	Mission Bay	4-18-4-5	31	11
25436*	Jimmy Grubbs/Lynn Grubbs	Lake Washington	12-6-2-15	35	12
25951*	Dave Pritchard/Mike Lenkeit	Lake Lanier	1-9-19-7	35.75	13
25994	Warren Wheaton/M.L. Wheaton	San Francisco	14-21-3-2	40	14
26110*	Rick Wood/Amy Wheeler	Portage Lakes	14-4-12-11	41	15
25731	Terry Timm/Patti Fisher	Barton BC	11-4-15-13	43	16
25435	John Lally/Dave Lence	Mass Bay	10-12-9-12	43	17
23713	Gonzalo Diaz/Ana Diaz	Miami	18-14-8-3	43	18
25848	Craig Leweck/Mary Lou Anderson	Hoover	2-3-34-4	43	19
25412	Art Rousmaniere/J. Rousmaniere	Winchester	10-3-14-18	45	20
16699	Fritz Gram/Jane Gram	Cuba Lake	8-8-10-19	45	21
25871	Henry Filter/Sally Savage	Indianapolis	3-13-28-2	46	22
25418	John Walton/Ann Walton	Detroit	20-10-6-11	47	23
26099*	Ed Adams/Meredith Adams	Narragansett	35-8-4-1	47.75	24
23624	Sam Mollet/Brian Mollet	Portage Lakes	9-12-20-9	50	25
25781	Eric Eiffert/Lynn Eiffert	Newport YC	16-15-13-6	50	26
26161	Bill Denhart/Tracy Young	San Francisco	8-23-14-9	54	27
24233	Gonzo Diaz/Eric Rosen	Miami	12-16-12-14	54	28
25460	Fred Abels/	Pine Beach	7-24-7-17	55	29
26004	Lee Griffith/Karla Griffith	Pine Beach	24-17-5-13	59	30
25992	Jack Franco/Renee Vesterby	Alamitos Bay	9-5-34-12	60	31
25172**	Charlie Bustamante/M. Richard	Miami	13-19-11-20	63	32
24682	Jeff Evans/	Island Bay	16-10-34-4	64	33

* Pre-qualified

** Did not qualify

HEINZERLING TROPHY

Wednesday began with thunderstorms and a one hour postponement after the championship series skipper's meeting. When the fleet finally got out to the race course there was only time to finish one race before the thunderstorms rolled in again. The light air race featured an all California top four with Jim Grubbs of San Francisco first, Jack Franco second, Warren Wheaton, also of San Francisco third, Steve Rosenberg fourth, with the first non-Californian being Dave Pritchard of Atlanta in fifth.

With only one race completed going into Thursday, the committee was praying for wind and the possibility of getting in three races. Wind was what they got, along with a driving cold rain which persisted almost all day and at times made even the big inflatable marks hard to find. The Heinzerling race committee did an excellent job in getting three good races in without much delay in between. This was appreciated by the fleet which got back to the dock almost an hour and a half sooner than the Wells group.

Jeff Lenhart took control in Thursday's first race, closely followed by Steve Rosenberg, Steve Callison and last year's winner Steve Suddath. Then in race two, Mark Reynolds showed his stuff by winning handily. This time Jack Franco chased Mark to come in second with Fred Rozelle third and Ed Adams fourth.

The fleet was divided after race two between those who wanted to go in and get warm, and those who couldn't stand to see such good wind wasted. The committee sided with the latter and race three was started promptly. Keith Dodson proved that the Californians can hang in there in our cold northern summer by taking a first. Ed Adams finished a good day by placing second with Steve Callison coming back from an 18th the race before to take third. Disaster struck some of the stars of the fleet though as Lenhart and Reynolds finished 30th and 31st respectively.

Friday's final race began in light winds with Jack Franco holding what seemed to be a solid 10 point lead on Steve Rosenberg. It was not to be however, when Jack finished 14th with Rosenberg coming in third to take the series by a point. Race five was won by Fred Rozelle of Crescent who chipped away at the leaders the whole race and took the lead on the final beat. Steve Callison's second locked up a series third.

WELLS TROPHY

In the Wells, consistency paid off for Means and Peggy Davis whose score included only one race worse than fourth (a seventh). Race one Wednesday saw a post-

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ponement on the water while the fleet waited for the race committee to find the race course and then to find some wind. A race was started in about five knots of wind and some of the flattest water we saw all week. Bill Buckles led this race all the way around to the leeward leg where John Irvine got past him, only to be passed himself by Mark Zonnenberg of Lake Lanier on the final beat. Irvine finished second, Davis third, Buckles fourth.

Thursday's rotten weather took its toll on the Wells fleet, with more than one boat deciding that two races was enough for one day and skipping number three to go take a hot shower. The first race Thursday saw Dick Hand of Portage Lakes take an early lead, only to have Bill Buckles sneak by on the second beat. Buckles hung on to win followed by Hand in second and Leigh Savage of Crescent in third.

In Thursday's second race it was John Irvine of Cowan Lake who took control, winning going away with Charlie Bustamante of Miami, second and Means Davis third. Bob Rowland of Cowan came from behind on the final beat to take fourth place in a race which saw the fourth through 11th place boats finishing within 20 seconds.

Thursday's final race (with a smaller fleet hanging in there) belonged to John Irvine again. This time, Bill Buckles chased him around the course for a second with Jim Evans of Lorain third, Means Davis fourth and Leigh Savage fifth.

Davis went into Friday's final race with a slim, $\frac{3}{4}$ point lead over Buckles and only $2\frac{1}{2}$ over Irvine. Disaster seemed to strike when he rounded the weather mark in the twenties. What followed was a display of light air mastery that I'm sure Buckles and Irvine won't soon forget. Means worked his way to second behind Bob Rowland to win the series and the Wells Trophy. Charlie Bustamante was third in the final race with Irvine and Buckles fourth and fifth respectively.

This year's nationals was noteworthy because of a total lack of protests between competitors out on the water. It is a tribute to the Snipe Class and its sailors that such a talented group of competitors could participate in such tight racing for a full week with no unsettled disputes being brought in off the course. These sailors race as ladies and gentlemen according to the rules and should be proud of themselves. This, along with everything else that Snipe sailors bring with them to a regatta make all of us at Crescent very proud and honored to have been able to host the 1985 U.S. Nationals.

Leigh Savage
Regatta Chairman

HEINZERLING SERIES

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
25220	Steve Rosenberg/Pat Muglia	Alamitos Bay	4-2-14-5-3	28	1
25992	Jack Franco/Renee Vesterby	Alamitos Bay	2-7-2-4-14	29	2
24608	Steve Callison/Jane Faust	Newport YC	8-3-18-3-2	34	3
26110	Rick Wood/Amy Wheeler	Portage Lakes	11-10-7-7-5	40	4
25489	Fred Rozelle/Jane Rozelle	Detroit	7-16-3-14-1	40.75	5
26099	Ed Adams/Meredith Adams	Narragansett	9-12-4-2-22	49	6
20560	Jeff Lenhart/Carol McBride	Mission Bay	10-1-6-30-7	53.75	7
25848	Craig Leweck/Mary Lou Anderson	Hoover	13-8-9-22-4	56	8
25951	Dave Pritchard/Mike Lenkeit	Lake Lanier	5-11-17-19-6	56	9
24807	Steve Suddath/Connie Suddath	Lake Lanier	12-4-10-25-9	60	10
25737	Doug Wefer/Kristan Meyer	Sea Cliff	15-15-13-8-10	61	11
24682	Jeff Evans/	Island Bay	14-18-8-9-13	62	12
25436	Jimmy Grubbs/Lynn Grubbs	Lake Washington	1-14-5-16-27	62.75	13
25815	Mark Reynolds/DeAnn Reynolds	Mission Bay	16-5-1-31-12	64.75	14
26113	Jerry Thompson/Robert Lindley	Alamitos Bay	23-9-16-10-8	66	15
25800	Dick Schmidt/Gwen Gordon	Los Angeles	22-19-22-6-11	80	16
26175	Keith Dodson/Claudia O'Brien	Alamitos Bay	31-13-11-1-26	81.75	17
25994	Warren Wheaton/M.L. Wheaton	San Francisco	3-17-28-20-15	83	18
26161	Bill Denhart/Tracy Young	San Francisco	6-26-12-12-29	85	19
25731	Terry Timm/Patti Fisher	Barton BC	18-6-30-15-20	89	20
25676	Dick Mitchell/Maurine Hays	Lorain	21-30-19-13-19	102	21
16699	Fritz Gram/Jane Gram	Cuba Lake	27-21-20-18-16	102	22
25418	John Walton/Ann Walton	Detroit	19-22-26-26-18	111	23
25412	Art Rousmaniere/J. Rousmaniere	Winchester	24-29-15-21-25	114	24
25781	Eric Eifert/Lynn Eifert	Newport YC	17-25-23-29-24	118	25
23624	Sam Mollet/Brian Mollet	Portage Lakes	20-28-29-24-17	118	26
25435	John Lally/Dave Lence	Mass Bay	32-20-27-11-30	120	27
25871	Henry Filter/Sally Savage	Indianapolis	28-24-21-17-31	121	28
23713	Gonzalo Diaz/Ana Diaz	Miami	26-23-25-23-28	125	29
25460	Fred Abels/	Pine Beach	30-27-24-28-23	132	30
25233	Gonzo Diaz/Eric Rosen	Miami	29-32-31-32-21	145	31
26004	Lee Griffith/Karla Griffith	Pine Beach	25-31-32-27-32	127	32

WELLS SERIES

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
24264	Means Davis/Peggy Davis	Atlanta	3-7-3-4-2	19	1
26300	Bill Buckles/Derreck Fernon	Lorain	4-1-11-2-5	22.75	2
24271	John Irvine/Nancy Gueon	Cowan	2-16-1-1-4	23.5	3
25172	Charlie Bustamante/M. Richard	Miami	6-6-2-8-3	25	4
26303	Bob Rowland/Sandy Rowland	Cowan	8-18-4-9-1	40.75	5
25990	Leigh Savage/Arthur Kubert	Detroit	10-3-9-5-18	45	6
25735	Mike McLaughlin/M. McLaughlin	Privateer	5-5-8-13-22	53	7
26162	Wade Edwards/Eliza Edwards	Detroit	11-14-7-7-15	54	8
25888	Jim Evans/Ann DeGozzaldi	Hoover	7-20-10-3-29	69	9
26092	Bryan Dougherty/Judy Hays	Sea Cliff	39-12-5-10-13	79	10
25975	Ron Fox/Karen Fox	Alamitos Bay	23-4-14-17-23	81	11
24605	Tarasa Davis/Means Davis V	Atlanta	12-10-18-39-8	87	12
23332	Rob Frechette/John Frechette	Portage Lakes	13-11-17-39-10	90	13
23624	Dick Hand/Nikki Wiltrout	Portage Lakes	39-2-29-12-9	91	14
25872	Paul Gillis/M.J. Gillis	Atlanta	27-15-6-16-28	92	15
26104	Sean Biehl/Jerelyn Biehl	Mission Bay	8-26-16-11-31	92	16
26290	Weatherston Colt/Eric Deeds	Indianapolis	18-22-12-22-19	93	17
24774	Martin Zonnenberg/Linda Leeds	Lake Lanier	1-13-35-39-6	93.75	18
26288	David Laidlaw/Mary Laidlaw	Barton	20-8-28-24-21	101	19
25841	Don Hite/Michelle Drake	Lake Angelus	24-34-27-6-12	103	20
18886	Bill Coberly/Dave Cook	Decatur	15-17-33-23-16	104	21
23968	Paul Wood/Kathy Wood	Portage Lakes	17-24-24-15-26	106	22
25863	John Crookston/Mike Otto	Wall Lake	22-30-21-32-11	116	23
24678	Bob Hill/Danny Benz	Acton	31-23-30-19-14	117	24
26026	Matt Gregory/Holly Gregory	Privateer	19-9-13-39-39	119	25



Means and Peggy Davis, Wells Trophy winners.

PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Steve Rosenberg is the 1985 winner of the Heinzerling Trophy representative of the U.S. National Championship of the Snipe Class. In addition he won the Crosby Trophy for the best score in the four races of the qualifying series. As winner of both trophies, he was also winner of the Harold Griffith Trophy for the best combined scores for the entire regatta. Pat Muglia is the winner of the Portage Lakes U.S. National Crew Trophy.

The Slauson Memorial Trophies, consisting of identical skipper and crew trophies for the runner-up position, went to Jack Franco and Renee Vesterby. Renee Vesterby also received the Eleanor Williams Memorial Trophy as the highest finishing woman in the Heinzerling regatta.

The Carolyn Nute Memorial Trophy for the top finishing husband and wife team went to Fred and Jan Rozelle.

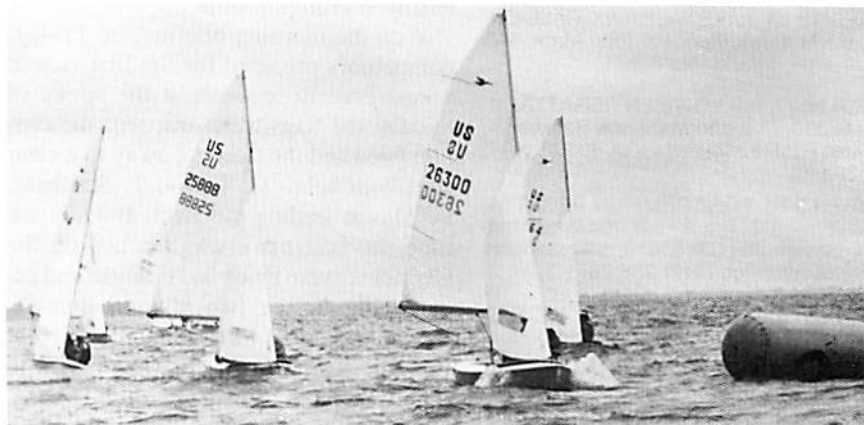
Means and Peggy Davis, Atlanta, Georgia, won the Wells Trophy. Chuck Loomis, of the Mass Bay Fleet, won the Jane Schenck Masters Endurance Trophy. The Macklinburg-Duncan Race Committee Trophy went to Derrick Fries, of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Scott Lindley was awarded the Commodore Duffy U.S. Junior National Trophy, and Paul Noring received the Harold Gilreath Junior Crew Championship Trophy. Both Scott and Paul represent the Mission Bay Fleet.

SCENES AT THE U.S. NATIONALS — 1985



Dan Blodgett and Ralph Swanson discuss the Masters.

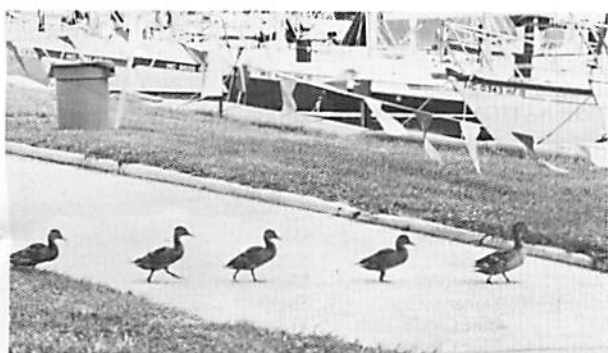


Mark rounding in the rain.

Photographs by Buzz Lamb



The Old Man prepares for the Championship series.



Duck crossing.



Wade Edwards relaxing.



Observation deck at CYC; M.J. Gillis, Linda Leeds, Steve Callison, and Marge Lamb watch the Juniors return from the races.



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The UK Snipe Nationals drew a fleet of 28 boats, including competitors racing from Gryon S.C. Switzerland and Alami-tos Bay Y.C. America. Raced over neutral waters, in the Thames Estuary, at the Sheppey Y.C. Sheerness. With the Association supplying the race officers, course laying and rescue coxswains the now familiar 'Snipe traveling circus' arrived on the Thursday evening of July 11 to put together the final touches for a prob-lem free championship.

With the morning briefing, on Friday, competitors prepared for the first race at noon. True to schedule at the stroke of midday the flags were dropped, the can-non fired and the fleet got away to a clear start with helms G. Lewis, T. Stratham, P. Mason leading the fleet. But, by the time the first mark was reached on the Olympic course much had changed and en-couraging to see two junior helms A. Lewin and M. Lawry coming well up. Final positions for the first race went to A. Stratham, A. Lewin, P. Mason and G. Lewis forth.

The second race followed in the after-noon with a wind picking up to a force three. From the start there was no ques-tion of the winner; Paul Mason took a magnificent lead which was held until the final cannon signalled his winning race two. Two Budworth fleet Snipes took sec-ond and third with A. Stratham and Alan Williams. That evening at the Commo-dores Reception, a happy party got under-way with a barbecue cooking well into the late evening rounding off a perfect day.

The following morning crews roused from the club's dormitory to tackle a hearty English breakfast, the atmosphere was jovial with much bantering at the tables. Again the first race was noon, allowing time for tuning or a visit to the local town.

Race three saw one boat returning over the line in a slight sea chop and wind registering two. The brother/sister juniors Alexander and Juliet Lewin took the lead with P. Wolstenholm almost touching their transom up to the first mark. Amongst a mass of boats much shouting could be heard, resulting in the first infringement.

A Maldon fleet boat helmed by Eddie Wetherall had touched and completed a 720 which placed him now well out of the running. Race three went to P. Wolsten-holm, Blue Circle fleet.

The fourth race saw many over the line and the officials shouting their numbers in-to the recorder. All returned except 25529, M. Townsend of Alami-tos Bay Y.C. It was a bad omen for race four saw protests, retirements and breakages. The wind and sea had picked up and with the first so closely bunched the jibe mark saw a melee with positions changing drastically with some boats having to re-round. A. Lewin 20351, P. Wolstenholm 26090 and C. Frost 26159 came through ahead and clear. Race four closed with junior A. Lewin winning and gaining much applause from the committee boat for their excellent sail-ing in tough conditions. Cheers also went to the other two junior crews M. Lawry from Stone S.C. and Ian Harding, Broadstairs S.C. whom were well up.

To complete the second day of racing a German Evening packed out the host club. With a German band supplying the music/cabaret and traditional larger being sold at half price many heads were drum-ming the following morning!

Day three dawned with heavy winds that had arrived overnight with a frightening thunder storm. Many anxious eyes turned to the wind indicator then to the sea run-nig. The gorilla type crews looked with glee, whilst those with less bulk pondered. In a force six the race got underway with junior M. Lawry first at the mark. The tough conditions spread the fleet whilst capsizes put many out, unfortunately M. Lawry/P. Blud became victims whilst in a strong challenging position. Race five went to A. Williams, P. Wolstenholm and G. Lewis.

With the weather deteriorating the final race got off without delay with only half the fleet entering. With exciting racing the race went to A. Stratham representing the Budworth fleet.

A dazzling show of trophies was laid out for presentation, many of the perpetual cups of solid silver dating back to the mid 1930s.

*John Broughton
U.K. Secretary*

BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Boat Mfgr	Finish
26090	P. Wolstenholm/S. Roberts	Blue Circle	Martin Marine	1
23001	A. Stratham/W. Wolstenholm	Budworth	Martin Marine	2
20641	P. Mason/K. Harvey	Blue Circle	Skipper	3
23233	A. Williams/J. Allen	Budworth	Skipper	4
20351	A. Lewin/Miss J. Lewin	Stone	Skipper	5
22779	G. Lewis/S. Kirk	Budworth	Martin Marine	6
26159	C. Frost/P. Frost	Stone	Skipper	7
20247	D. Mason/J. Kirk	Blue Circle	Skipper	8
21724	N. Fish/J. Fish	Blue Circle	Skipper	9
21910	E. Wetherall/I. Sinclair	Maldon	British Brylan	10

Franco, Nugent Take Canadian Honors

The combined Ontario Open/Canadian Open Snipe Championship hosted by the Oakville Harbour Yacht Club, Oakville, Ontario, was run August 3-4, 1985. There were 20 entries including two from California, two from Massachusetts, two from Michigan, six from New York State, three from Ohio and five Ontario boats.

The start of the races on Saturday was delayed by light air which had a tendency to shift from south to southeast. When the thermal finally settled in and increased to five miles per hour race committee chairman Don Hains started the first of three races. This race was won by Jack Franco and Renee Vesterby, Balboa, California, followed by 1985 Snipe Bermuda Race Week Champion, Jerry Thompson and Robert Lindley from Long Beach with Steve Callison and Jane Faust of Rochester third. Steve and Jane took the second race with Jack Franco and Jerry Thompson finishing second and third. Jack Franco won the third race with Eric and Lynn Eiffert from Rochester second and Steve Callison third.

The festivities ashore Saturday evening were enlivened by the traditional Oakville "Green Can" sponsored this year by Captain Morgan Rum. The representative of Seagram presented hats and visors to the skipper and crew of the top three boats as of the third race.

Another highlight was a speech by long-

time Sniper, Bent Poulsen, who was back sailing after an absence from the sport of 14 years.

The weather on Sunday was a repeat of Saturday and the start of the fourth race was delayed until the thermal filled in and became steady. After a couple of false starts the race finally went off. Terry Timm and Kate Haywood from Ann Arbor, Michigan, led the fleet on every leg. Jerry Thompson was second. Jeff Mitchell and Jack Mitchell from the Oakville fleet were third.

Ashore after packing the boats the awards were held at The Club, home of the Oakville Harbour Yacht Club. O.H.Y.C. Commodore Jack Ward presented the prizes. Flags for first, second

and third were given out for each race. Jack Franco and Renee Vesterby got the Oakville Trophy for the Ontario Open. Doug Nugent and Ken Mitchell from the Oakville fleet who were sixth in the series received the John Leckie Trophy for the Canadian National Championship, having been the top Canadian boat in the regatta.

The winners used a 1984 McLaughlin boat with Ullman sails. Second place was a 1981 McLaughlin with Shore sails. Third was a 1985 Phoenix with Ullman sails. Fourth was a 1974 Southern with Shore sails. The fifth place boat was a 1984 McLaughlin with Shore sails.

Chris Hains
Oakville Fleet 321

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Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
25992	Jack Franco/Renee Vesterby	Alamitos Bay	1-2-1-7	16.0	1
24608	Steve Callison/Jane Faust	Newport	3-1-3-9	26.4	2
26113	Jerry Thompson/Robert Lindley	Alamitos Bay	2-3-11-2	30.7	3
21440	Steve Sprole/Kathy Sprole	Cottage Park	4-4-5-5	36.0	4
25731	Terry Timm/Kate Maywood	Barton BC	7-6-9-1	39.7	5
24116	Doug Nugent/Ken Mitchell	Oakville	5-5-4-8	42.0	6
25781	Eric Eiffert/Lynn Eiffert	Newport	6-7-2-16	49.7	7
26299	John Johns/Cathy Gendron	Barton BC	8-12-7-4	53.0	8
23397	Jeff Mitchell/Jack Mitchell	Oakville	11-8-14-3	56.7	9
26106	Chris Hains/Don Hains	Oakville	12-9-8-6	58.7	10
25433	David Belford/Bryan Simms	Oakville	9-11-6-10	59.7	11
23332	Bob Frechette/Ted Goodman	Portage Lakes	10-10-13-13	70.0	12
26160	George Hock/Andrea Hock	Newport	13-13-10-11	71.0	13
23968	Paul Wood/Kathy Wood	Portage Lakes	14-16-12-12	78.0	14
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