

## **Commodore's Comments**

The Junior and Senior World Championships have now been successfully completed in Almería and Santiago de la Ribera, respectively. SCIRA Spain, Club Real de Regatas in Santiago, and Club de Mar, Almería all did wonderful jobs in handling the incredible number of details required both on-shore and on-the-water in hosting these complex events. Our Snipe class motto, "Serious Racing...Serious Fun", was upheld in fine fashion at both of these events. Both competitions were world championships of which we can all be very proud.

Congratulations to the new SCIRA Junior World Champion and Crew from Argentina, Lucas Gomez and Marcos Montanaro and the Runners-up from Spain, Francisco Sanchez and Matios Ros. Congratulations to the new SCIRA World Champion and Crew from Cuba, Nelido Manzo and Octavio Lorenzo (also recent PanAm Games Gold Medalists) and the Runners-up from Brazil, Andre Fonseca and Rodrigo Duarte. They are all well deserved champions and represent the Snipe Class very well.

Besides the championships, the SCIRA Board of Governors met in Santiago de la Ribera for several days of very productive meetings. It should be remembered that the SCIRA International Board of Governors is a working Board with the potential for important change occurring throughout the year. However the convergence of the Snipe class at the site of the World Championships is *the*  prime opportunity to meet face to face every two years and get things done.

Motions passed by the Board will be published in the November Snipe Bulletin in detail and have already appeared in preliminary form on the Snipe e-mailing list. Following is a recap of some of the more important changes, which will be implemented for Year 2000:

- SCIRA membership has been redefined without losing the critical importance of boat ownership. The opportunity now exists to be a SCIRA member without being a boat owner, but rather the member of an entity, which owns Snipes. Also, we must all sign up our crews to be members of SCIRA worldwide. All members of SCIRA International will receive the new International Bulletin and a Rulebook. This opens up new areas of untapped revenue dollars and direct communication with members for SCIRA.
- A revamped and completely International Snipe Bulletin will be unveiled in Year 2000. All members worldwide will receive 2-3 issues per year covering international news, rules changes, and reports on international events only. Regional regatta coverage will continue with already existing regional publications and newsletters. This change opens up completely new communication lines and promotion to our own membership, which

has not existed previously.

- The carbonfibre centerboard was approved for a final round of testing and a Board vote for final acceptance (or rejection) by July 31, 2000.
- Advertising under ISAF Category C rules (individual advertising allowed as restricted by individual class rules) will be allowed in events up and including national championships by approval of the national secretary and subject to SCIRA restrictions. Category C not allowed in SCIRA International events (Worlds, Europeans, WHO, Jr. Worlds, etc).

There were several important rules changes affecting the boat, measurement, and race management, but I will not try listing them all here. The changes listed above are very significant SCIRA organization changes, which will have very positive impacts on the class going forward. Many of these changes require important implementation and detailed definition in the near future, so stay tuned for those details. Feedback from membership to Board members on these changes is very valuable and is encouraged. Remember that your Board of Governors continues to work year round.

--Lee Griffith

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Please forward new National Secretary, District Governor and Fleet Captain contact information to the SCIRA office for 2000 mailings.



# 1999 Snipe World Championship - Santiago de la Ribera, Spain

|     | Skipper/Crew                            | Country/sail#                      |                             | Total |
|-----|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
|     |   |                                    | (20)-6-1-2-7-4-5            | 24.75 |
|     | André Fonseca/Rodrigo Duarte            | BRA 29254                          | 1-(p20)-5-5-12-5-4          | 31.75 |
|     | Fernando Rita/Javier Sintes             |                                    | (23)-p20-4-7-3-7-2          | 36    |
| 4.  | Aureliano Negrin/David Martin           |                                    | 21-p20-(dsq)-1-5-2-3        | 45.75 |
| 5.  | Carlos Martinez/Alberto Vadell          | ESP 29607                          | 12-p20-(30)-19-1-1-1        | 57.25 |
| 6.  | Ricardo Fabini/Ignacio Saralegui        | URU 28026                          | (29)-4-2-9-16-24-13         | 68    |
| 7.  | Bruno Bethlem/Fernando Krahe            |                                    | 2-17-(34)-20-9-11-14        | 73    |
| 8.  | Valery Ushkov/Mikhail Vedenev           | RUS 29480                          | 17-(39)-16-13-15-6-10       | 77    |
|     | Augie Diaz/Gonzalo Diaz, Sr.            |                                    | 6-12-22-6-(24)-15-17        | 78    |
|     | Damian Borras/Juan Magro                | ESP 29505                          | 18-p20-(27)-4-11-3-22       | 79    |
|     | George Szabo/Eric Wilcox                | USA 29672                          | 5-10-19-21-19-(22)-19       | 93    |
|     | Matias Pereira/Marcus Behrendt          | ARG 28211                          | 4-20-9-17-(dsq)-32-15       | 97    |
|     | Mauricio Santa Cruz/Vianna Vianna       | BRA 29530                          | 25-(p20)-p20-8-4-19-6       | 98    |
|     | Ivan Pimentel/Pedro Caldas              | BRA 29654                          | (28)-p20-13-14-20-8-28      | 100   |
|     | Paulo Santos/Dante Bianchi              | BRA 29639                          | 10-15-38-23-2-12-(39)       | 100   |
|     | Yoshihiro Okinishi/Daiki Ideta          | JPN 28722                          | 8-7-10-28-27-23-(35)        | 103   |
|     | Morten Ullman/Kim Hyttel                | DEN 29519                          | 22-p20-(36)-18-13-9-8       | 104   |
|     | Pablo Fresneda/Carlos Carmona           | ESP 29580                          | 9-40-20-16-8-16-(ret)       | 109   |
|     | Oliver Gongora/Alejandro Fresneda       | ESP 28920                          | 7-25-26-(34)-6-29-23        | 116   |
|     | Luis Soubie/Cecilia Granucci            | ARG 28701                          | 38-21-7-(41)-25-14-11       | 116   |
|     | Enrico Michel/Stefano Longhi            | ITA 29812                          | (46)-14-43-22-23-13-9       | 124   |
|     | Federico/Felipe Vasconcellos            | BRA 29612                          | 15-(p20)-37-26-14-21-12     | 125   |
| 23. | Shigeo Takamura/Satoru Maruyama         | JPN 29391                          | 3-18-11-(dnf)-30-41-24      | 127   |
| 24. | Enrico/Franco Solerio                   | ITA 29571                          | 36-(46)-40-3-10-38-7        | 134   |
|     | Manuel/Eduardo Fumagallo                | ARG 12733                          | 33-(p20)-21-15-26-18-29     | 142   |
|     | John Jackman/Steve Stewart              | CAN 29646                          | 12-13-29-30-32-(37)-26      | 142   |
|     | Pal Bratbak/Michel Irgens               | NOR 29152                          | 34-23-28-27-17-(35)-18      | 147   |
|     | Tiago Roquette/Raul Bulhao              | POR 29292                          | (35)-32-14-24-18-33-27      | 148   |
|     | Pedro Lorson/Watt Duffy                 | USA 28044                          | 19-34-6-(42)-37-20-33       | 149   |
|     | Yuzo Morita/Tatsuhiko Tokunaga          | JPN 29392                          | (37)-37-33-25-29-10-20      | 154   |
|     | Dmitry Berezkin/Michail Krutikov        | RUS 29490                          | 14-16-12-(dsq)-dnc-27-p20   | 154   |
|     | Birger jansen/Liv Ulveie                | NOR 29630                          | 16-(42)-31-10-35-40-25      | 157   |
|     | Peter Iversen/Chris Pedersen            | DEN 29539                          | 24-p20-8-32-(dnf)-25-40     | 160   |
| 34. | Eduardo Santambrogio/Gonzalo Martinez   | ARG 28646                          | (ocs)-p20-15-11-dnf-17-54   | 171   |
|     | Jean Jacques Frebault/Gilles Boisaubert | FRA 29322                          | 39-(p20)-p20-12-39-36-31    | 172   |
|     | Shigeru Matsuzaki/Masanobu Ono          | JPN 29288                          | 11-31-(39)-33-33-31-36      | 175   |
|     | Hal Gilreath/Alex Stout                 | USA 29324                          | 31-35-25-(40)-36-34-21      | 182   |
| 38. | Roberto Fabini/Santiago Gari            | URU 28826                          | 27-36-17-37-(40)-28-38      | 183   |
| 39. | Miguel Leita/Pedro Ambrosio             | POR 28818                          | 30-28-23-36-34-(43)-32      | 183   |
|     | Bjorn Forslund/Lisa Gehrken             | NOR 29454                          | 26-(p20)-18-29-28-dnf-p20   | 199   |
|     | Gabriele Bernardis/Stefano Pontalti     | ITA 27109                          | (43)-38-32-35-22-39-34      | 200   |
| 42. | Per Anders Johanssen/Karin Petterssen   | SWE 27856                          | 44-33-(ocs)-31-31-26-41     | 206   |
| 43. | Miguel Bunte/Jorge Sabido               | POR 29370                          | 48-43-46-47-21-30-(ocs)     | 235   |
| 44. | Robert Dunkley/Ted Smith                | BAH 29210                          | 41-(47)-41-44-38-45-37      | 246   |
|     | Guy Celis/Yves Ratinckx                 | BEL 29115                          | 40-(48)-42-39-45-48-45      | 259   |
|     | Thierry Den Harting/Greet Jansen        | BEL 27141                          | (49)-49-35-46-41-46-42      | 259   |
| 47. | Mattias Alm/Fredrik Hansson             | SWE 29455                          | 42-p20-44-(49)-43-47-44     | 262   |
|     | Bo Lidsjo/Bodil Lidsjo                  | SWE 29149                          | 47-p20-(ocs)-43-48-44-43    | 278   |
|     | Gweneth Crook/Monique Gaylor            | CAN 25843                          | 32-51-49-(53)-49-52-49      | 282   |
|     | Confoulan/Etcheber                      | FRA 27847                          | 45-(52)-47-48-47-49-47      | 283   |
| 51. | Claus Carpelan/Freddy Weglius           | FIN 29019                          | 53-(p20)-p20-38-46-42-48    | 284   |
| 52. | Iain Marshall/Richard Marshall          | GBR 29501                          | 50-50-(ret)-51-42-54-46     | 293   |
|     | Juha Pekka Vourinen/Rene Nurmi          | FIN 28707                          | 51-(54)-48-45-51-50-50      | 295   |
|     | Brian Gregory/Ian Gregory               |                                    | (55)-50-52-44-51-51-54      | 300   |
|     | William Kemenes/Roberto Londono         | Care and an oracle strends and the | (54)-53-51-50-50-53-52      | 309   |
|     | Margit Hautman/Gerard Hautman           | GER 27024                          | 56-56-52-dnf-(dnc)-dnf-53   | 329   |
| 57. | Gunter Hautman/Angelika Brich           | GER 26509                          | 55-(57)-dnf-dnc-dnc-dnc-dnc | 340   |
|     |   |                                    |                             |       |

## Argentines Gomes/Montanaro Oust Spanish for Jr. World Title

In unusually light conditions for the venue, 18 year old Lucas Gomez and 19 year old Marcos Montanaro of Argentina, won the last race to claim the 1999 Jr. Snipe World Championship title in Almería, Spain, August 17-21. Both Spanish teams of Paco Sanchez/ Matias Ros and Raul Valenzuela/Carlos Carmona, were leading 1-2 into the last day of the Championship. With all races but one sailed in winds under 12 knots, not all races could be sailed and there were no throw-out races. The Race Committee moved the start time up the last day to 11:00 and amended the Sailing Instructions to attempt 3 races to give the competitors a throw-out, but the wind would not cooperate and only one race was held on the final day.

22 teams from 12 countries competed for this years championship with 12 sailors returning to the Jr. Worlds for their second time to compete. The Deed of Gift for the Vieri Lasinio De Castelvero Jr. World trophy states that a competitor must not turn 20 years in the year of competition. The youngest sailor was 14 year old Sean Adams of the US.

After formal Opening Ceremonies at the Club de Mar Almería, the sailors were off for their first day of competition. Only one race was held in perfect winds of 8-12 knots. Gomez/Montanaro, Jr. World veterans Pablo Defazio/Diego Stefani of Uruguay and Dustin

Kays/Sean Adams of the US, started at the pin and hit the left side to lead around the weather mark. Gomez/ Montanaro held their lead the entire race with Danes Thomas Rasmussen/Chris Pedersen climbing to a 2nd place finish.

The second day started in about 6 knots of breeze with Kays/ Adams port tacking the fleet in a clean start. At the weather mark it was Defazio/Stafani of Uruguay, Kays/Adams of the US and Emanuel Botello/Lewis Marcos of Argentina followed by Roberto Paradeda/Daniel Ortega of Brazil and local favorite Raul Valenzuela/ Carlos Carmona of Spain to round out the top 5. The Uruguayans held and lengthened their lead while the rest of the pack had a tight rounding at the last leeward mark rounding. By the finish, Women's World champions Ekaterina Skudina and Tatiana Lartseva of Russia had squeaked out of the pack and in good tactical moves, held Argentines Gomez/Montanaro, who had also climbed through the pack, to

the finish. Anxiousto finish, the Argentines tacked too early, tagging the Russians stern. This cost them 2 places and a 720 - a hard lesson 10 learn. The breeze picked up to 12-15 knots for the third



Country/Sail # Finishes

race with the seas becoming choppier and confused. The Spanish teams of Sanchez/ Ros and Valenzuela/Carmona showed the fleet the way around the course and finished 1-2 respectively. They repeated this on the second day, even in the light breeze. The RC postponed the start on day 3 because of shifting winds. After hours in the club swimming pool, any hint of breeze made the competitors anxious to race, and finally the RC sent the sailors out for one race in the light breeze. photo above: Lucas Gomes & Marcos Montanaro celebrate being World Champions!

On the final day, the sailors were sent out early, but only a single race was held to complete the championship.

SCIRA Spain and the Club de Mar Almería did an excellent job organizing the Championship. The facilities were incredible, offering the juniors a huge swimming pool to play in waiting for the wind. Also available were tennis, soccer, basketball and other activities.

Total

#### 1999 Snipe Junior World Championship Almería, Spain

#### Skipper/Crew

| 1.  | Lucas Gomes/Marcos Montanaro          | ARG 29230 | 1-5-10-4-1      | 20.5  |
|-----|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| 2.  | Francisco Sanchez/Matias Ros          | ESP 28764 | 8-10-1-1-2      | 21.5  |
| 3.  | Raul Valenzuela/Carlos Carmona        | ESP 9779  | 10-4-2-2-4      | 22    |
| 4.  | Roberto Paradeda/Daniel Ortega        | BRA 29366 | 4-3-5-7-8       | 27    |
| 5.  | Pablo Defazio/Diego Stafani           | URU 28024 | 11-1-3-12-3     | 29.75 |
| 6.  | Frederico Vasconcellos/P. Mascarenhas | BRA 29612 | 5-19-4-8-5      | 41    |
| 7.  | Emanuel Botello/Lewis Marcos          | ARG 27860 | 13-6-8-6-10     | 43    |
| 8.  | Ekaterina Skudina/Tatiana Lartseva    | RUS 29480 | 14-2-14-3-13    | 46    |
| 9.  | Santiago Silveira/Alejandro Foglia    | URU 27785 | cnf-12-9-10-7   | 50    |
| 10. | Maria Skoliapova/Mikhail Kondratyev   | RUS 29490 | 6-11-16-9-12    | 54    |
| 11. | Jorge Gonzales/Tomas Depolo           | CHI 28840 | 19-9-7-5-15     | 55    |
| 12. | Thomas RasmussenChris Pedersen        | DEN 26470 | 2-dnc-11-11-11  | 57    |
| 13. | Dustin Kays/Sean Adams                | USA 25071 | 12-7-12-20-6    | 57    |
| 14. | Otto Nielsen/Peter Jacobsen           | DEN 29020 | 9-16-6-13-14    | 58    |
| 15. | Francisco Mesquita/Artur Cortereal    | POR 28028 | 3-8-18-17-17    | 63    |
| 16. | Philip Marshall/Duncan Read           | GBR 29501 | 17-17-13-18-16  | 81    |
| 17. | Lee Sackett/Grant Glass               | USA 28575 | 15-14-17-19-18  | 83    |
| 18. | Thomas Mercante/Marco Mazzeo          | ITA 28817 | 18-15-20-14-19  | 86    |
| 19. | Andrea Garibbo/Simone Ricci           | ITA 28771 | cnf-18-21-15-9  | 88    |
|     | Viktor Sinding Larsen/Jonas Stromquis | NOR 19428 | 16-13-15-22-ocs | 91    |
|     | Alexandre Soares/Nuno Vasconcelos     | POR 29407 | 20-dsq-22-16-20 | 102   |
| 22. | Magnus Hedmark/Lars Oppkvitne         | NOR 22802 | 21-20-19-21-21  | 102   |

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Lincoln Snipe Fleet #567, Lincoln Nebraska June 26 & 27, 1999

#### FINAL RESULTS

| <u>Place</u>  | Name                           | Home Fleet          | <u>Boat#</u> | <u>Finishes</u>   | <u>Total</u> |  |  |  |
|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| A Flee        | <u>A Fleet:</u>                |                     |              |                   |              |  |  |  |
| 1             | Jon Christensen/Susie Wahl     | Lincoln #567        | 24042        | 1 3 2 7 1         | 13.5         |  |  |  |
| 2             | Blaine/Adrienne McCleskey      | Rocky Mountain #210 | 28361        | 4 1 6 1 3         | 14.5         |  |  |  |
| 3             | Carter Weitz/Tami Weitz        | INSA #309           | 25486        | 2 4 4 3 2         | 15           |  |  |  |
| 4             | Andy Towles/Katy Towles        | Oklahoma City #14   | 29808        | 11 5 5 4 4        | 29           |  |  |  |
| 5             | Jim Russell/Rachel Russell     | Lincoln #567        | 28881        | 13 2 1 13 5       | 33.75        |  |  |  |
| 6             | James Rix/Ken Rix              | Wichita #93         | 29313        | 9 14 3 5 8        | 39           |  |  |  |
| 7             | Martin Bebb/Carole Veir        | Sequoyah #68        | 25517        | 8 10 14 6 7       | 44           |  |  |  |
| 8             | Ed Weitz/Libby Raus            | INSA #309           | 28482        | 12 12 7 12 9      | 52           |  |  |  |
| 9             | John Briggs/Joseph Briggs      | Lincoln #567        | 25731        | 3 7 21 17 6       | 54           |  |  |  |
| 10            | Bob Ewoldt/Faye Sabata         | Lincoln #567        | 25552        | 5 13 16 10 10     | 54           |  |  |  |
| 11            | Doug Swenson/Karen Swenson     | Rocky Mountain #210 | 28900        | 17 8 14 11 12     | 62           |  |  |  |
| 12            | Larry Briggs/Vicki Albert      | Lincoln #567        | 27372        | 6 19 12 2 dns     | 63           |  |  |  |
| 13            | Bill Brush/Tom Brush           | INSA #309           | 27523        | 14 17 11 9 14     | 65           |  |  |  |
| 14            | Pat Keane/Teresa Alexander     | Lincoln #567        | 24321        | 7 9 19 8 dns      | 67           |  |  |  |
| 15            | Carl Lundstrom/Julie Lundstrom | Rocky Mountain #210 | 24809        | 15 11 9 19 15     | 69           |  |  |  |
| 16            | Fred Hegel/Ronnie Hegel        | Rocky Mountain #210 | 29535        | 18 16 18 14 11    | 77           |  |  |  |
| 17            | Jack Wagener/Cindy Prucha      | Lincoln #567        | 28882        | 20 6 10 18 dns    | 78           |  |  |  |
| 18            | Mary Ann Rix/Bill Loyd         | Wichita #93         | 25785        | 10 15 20 20 13    | 78           |  |  |  |
| 19            | Jim Lowrie/Beth Wahl           | Rocky Mountain #210 | 28450        | 19 21 8 16 17     | 81           |  |  |  |
| 20            | Robert Hoffmann/P. Pepeliaev   | INSA #309           | 27570        | 21 23 17 15 18    | 94           |  |  |  |
| 21            | John Bohling/Tonja Bohling     | Lincoln #567        | 20197        | 16 18 dns dns dns | 106          |  |  |  |
| 22            | Bob Bischoff/Kris Caldeira     | Rocky Mountain #210 | 20403        | 23 20 15 dns dns  | 106          |  |  |  |
| 23            | John Layman/Marian Layman      | Lincoln #567        | 21913        | dns dns dns 21 16 | 109          |  |  |  |
| 24            | Chuck Wahl/Cissie Smith        | Lincoln #567        | 23822        | 22 22 22 dns dns  | 124          |  |  |  |
| <u>B Flee</u> | B Fleet:                       |                     |              |                   |              |  |  |  |
| 1             | Erik Bengtsson/Rich Straebel   | Lincoln #567        | 22810        | 1 1 2 4 4         | 11.5         |  |  |  |
| 2             | Howard Parker/Mason Youngman   | Lincoln #567        | 21604        | 2 3 6 1 1         | 12.5         |  |  |  |
| 3             | Peter Guile/Greg Peterson      | INSA #309           | 25487        | 4 2 4 2 2         | 12.5         |  |  |  |
| 4             | Charles Culp/Mary Culp         | INSA #309           | 23340        | 3 5 1 3 3         | 14.75        |  |  |  |
| 5             | Brian Drahota/Bill Gustafson   | Lincoln #567        | 21364        | 6 6 3 5 6         | 26           |  |  |  |
| 6             | Ron Silver/Heather Silver      | Lincoln #567        | 22327        | 5 4 7 dns 5       | 28           |  |  |  |
| 7             | Rob Newton/Jessica Newton      | Lincoln #567        | 14895        | 7 7 5 dns 7       | 33           |  |  |  |
| Juniors:      |                                |                     |              |                   |              |  |  |  |
| 1             | <br>Tom Brush/Bill Brush       | INSA #309           | 27523        | 1                 | 76           |  |  |  |
| 2             | Rachel Russell/Jim Russell     | Lincoln #567        | 28881        | 2                 | .75          |  |  |  |
| 3             | Joseph Briggs/John Briggs      | Lincoln #567        | 25731        | 3                 | 2            |  |  |  |
| 4             | Jessica Newton/Rob Newton      | Lincoln #567        | 14895        | 3<br>4            | 3            |  |  |  |
| -             |                                |                     | 14073        | 4                 | 4            |  |  |  |

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# **Cam Racing**

By popular demand, we have added team racing to this regatta, as well as single-handed racing. Each team must have three boats; dig-up your old college team and bring them with you. Practice with your friends, or just show up and we will match you with other snipers already here.

This is sure to be a fun event.





What Are You Looking At? Upwind and down, your eyes are the most immediate source of critical data. Exercising a rhythm when gathering data will keep all the pertinent information flowing as needed. As you sail upwind check these areas one by one in succession, when you get done start all over again. The actual order is up to you, but discipline yourself to check in on all the areas. Your eyes should be constantly on the move. UPWIND

 Luff of jib, check the telltales and keep them flowing. If you're fast maybe burn a little by pinching just a touch, if your feeling sluggish (the boat that is) then foot just a bit.
 The Horizon; cross checking the angle of heel with the feel of the boat will keep you going fast. Every boat's taste for heel is different, learn what is fast for yours and maintain it with body weight, steering and sail trim.

3) Water; look out for puffs, lulls, flat water and choppy water. Keeping tabs on this information will allow you to make good tactical decisions and will assist you in making slight adjustments to course as you work your way through the waves.

4) Look Up; the leech of the main, make sure it is trimmed to perfection, this is the throttle, work it.

5) Look In; the boom and traveler setting. This should just be a quick check to make certain all is well.

6) Scan; quick check for other boats, right of way boats are one thing, clear air is another.
7) Leech of Jib; if your boat is set-up so you can see it easily from where you are steering, check it out. A telltale 75% of the way up with a window in the main is very handy for checking if the jib has flow.

#### DOWNWIND

1) Luff of Spinnaker; same as the jib, keep it flowing

2) Horizon; check that angle of heel

3) Water; keep looking for puffs, lulls and waves; this time, however, a quick look over your shoulder will help in assessing the best possibility for the next puff.

4) Look Up; check the mainsail, sheet tension and vang tension to make certain you are keeping that top batten parallel to the boom, adjust that vang to do so.

5)Scan; look for other boats and make certain your air is clear.

- The Coach

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## **1999 Danish National Championship**

July 1-4, Horsens, Denmark

#### **Skipper/Crew**

- 1. Peter Iversen/Jesper Kristensen
- 2. Preben Kristensen/Johan Hansen
- 3. Jonatan Persson/Christine Schultz
- 4. Thomas Iversen/Andreas Godtfredsen
- 5. Morten Ullmann/Kim Hyttel
- 6. Thomas Weber/Brian Willumsen
- 7. Thomas Rasmussen/Chris Pedersen
- 8. Henrik Andersen/Peter Sølver
- 9. Jesper Larsen/Joan Larsen
- 10. Søren Andersen/Johan Sædholm
- 11. Jan Persson/Jane Persson
- 12. Otto Nielsen/Peter Jacobsen
- 13. Jakob Sørensen/Søren Adnersen
- 14. Anne Marie Hansen/Jannik Hansen
- 15. Bent Dahl/Mark Johansen
- 16. Henning Sørensen/Jakob Frost
- 17. Søren Thomsen/Andrea Bøje

## **Missouri Valley Championship**

On Saturday July 3, 18 Snipes from the Midwest met at Lake Manawa for the 49th Annual Missouri Valley Championship. The weather forecast held true, and by the skippers meeting the wind speed had built to 30-35 mph with gust to 35+. In our zeal to get the competitors some races, we set a port triangle, but with the wind and wave conditions as they were, realized the necessity for postponing. After several more postponements, races were cancelled for the day. As a diversion during the afternoon the RC tried to initiate a friendly game of beach volleyball between the "roadies" and the "homies", unfortunately, the same winds that kept the fleet off the lake, kept the volleyball in the woods! That evening we were all treated to a wonderful steak dinner, door prizes and a fireworks display.

At the 8 am skippers meting conditions looked good, with wind speeds around 7-10 mph with flat water. However as luck would have it, by the 8:30 white flag sailors were greeted by a near mirror image of Saturday's conditions. While some boats remained at the dock and other turned back, we finally go the first race off. John and Mary Buckley took the right side and led to the finish. IN the second race, the Buckleys were looking good until that dreaded moment when the mast is under the boat. That allowed the team of Pat Keane and Jon Christensen, coming in from the left, to get the bullet. In the third race, James & Ken Rix, from Wichita, KS, played the right side for the win. As usually happens,

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the winners of the regatta, Pat Flood and crew Joan Lappe, did not win a race, but sailed consistently for the top trophy.

We at INSA fleet 309 would like tot hank all the crews for their support, not only for this year but all the years gone by. We invite you all to join us next year to help celebrate 50 years of Snipe Racing, good times, and great friendships on Lake Manawa.

-Bob Hoffman

- 1. Pat Flood/Joan Lappe
- James/Ken Rix
- 3. John Sepanski/Chris Stahl
- 4. Pat Keane/Jon Christensen
- 5. John/Mary Buckley
- 6. Ed Weitz/Libby Weitz Raus
- 7. Bill/Mac Brush
- 8. Carter/Tami Weitz
- 9. Bob Recker/Kathlenn Smith
- 10. Katie/Andy Towles
- 11. George Rood/Jan Churchill
- 12. Bill/heather Dunbar
- 13. Charles/mary Culp
- 14. Mary Ann Rix/Bill Lovd
- 15. Glenn/Judy Ruff
- 16. Harry Crook/Jim O'Brien
- 17. Dan Stoney/Lisa Hughes
- 18. Jon/Katie Gondring
- 19. Rick Scofield/Tom Jetton



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