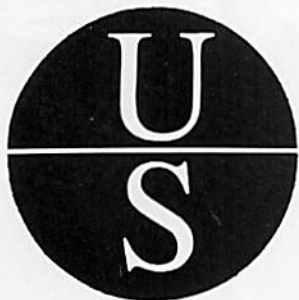


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LETTERS

Finland's National Secretary Attends Spain's Race Week

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I have enclosed some unofficial results from the regatta, the first five of the Snipe Class.

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PALMA MALLORCA RACE WEEK (Top 5 Boats)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Country	Places	Points	Finish
10863	Lange/Saubidet	Argentina	1-1-1-1-1-1	0	1
23233	Rita/Andreu	Spain	12-2-3-2-2-4	22.7	2
25705	Persson/Persson	Denmark	rt-6-2-5-3-2	33.4	3
25974	Martinez/Bernal	Spain	3-20-9-3-4-3	40.1	4
25535	Jansen/Jansen	Norway	7-4-7-8-5-5	54	5

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Point Score Forms Mailed September 15

The Minneford and Reichner Trophies are among the oldest in SCIRA's list of perpetual trophies. They are presented every spring for the previous season's best scores. The Reichner Trophy is the international high point trophy, and the Minneford is presented for the highest U.S. score. All fleets are eligible to send in their fleet scores, which are based on the old SCIRA system of 1600 points for first place (found in the current rule book on page 82). The whole system is explained beginning on page 79 of the SCIRA Rule Book.

U.S. Fleet Captains will receive point score forms from the office this month. All National Secretaries and fleet captains are urged to send their fleet score results to the office. Use blanks from the office, copy the form printed here, or use 3 x 5 file cards. We can't accept lists, but we do want to include all the fleet scores.

Results will be printed in the April *Bulletin*, and must be received in the office by February 1, 1987.

1987 SCIRA Directory Changes Are Due

Changes for listing of officers, national secretaries, and U.S. fleet captains must be received in the office by December 31, 1986 to be included in the 1987 SCIRA Directory which will appear in the February issue of the *Snipe Bulletin*.

We need your cooperation to keep the Directory listings as up-to-date as possible.

AROUND THE SNIPE WORLD

NEW FLEETS...

We are proud to announce fleet charter number 800! Brazil's National Secretary, Henrique Motta, received that milestone number for the Emanuel Mesquita Barreto Fleet in July. Henrique anticipates another new fleet for Brazil in the near future.

The Ocean City Maryland Fleet chartered in June, has elected Deke Sheller, 627 N. Pinehurst Ave., Salisbury, MD 21801, as its first fleet captain.

OLD FLEET...

One of our oldest fleets is on the move. Bob Peugh, Fleet Captain of Wichita Fleet number 93 reports:

"Wichita Sailing Club has a new name and a new home. Santa Fe Lake, our home for about 50 years, gradually restricted our active area as it accumulated silt. El Dorado Lake, just a few miles further east,

THE COVER

1986 South American Champion Julio Labandeira is shown practicing his planing technique. Sergio Tantanian photo.

THE SCORE

Four numbers were issued during the month and all went to Denmark. Fleet Charter number 800 was issued to Emonel Mesquita Barreta in Aracaju, Brazil. Congratulations to the new members of this fleet.

Numbered SNIPES — 26660
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is a brand new lake developed by the Corps of Engineers. It is a large, clear, deep, lake fed from the Walnut Valley drainage area. Our new name is the Walnut Valley Sailing Club. We have won the sailing concession on the lake, which means we have the right to develop the sailing cove. Our cove, called Brush Creek, is ideally suited for the sailing activities. . . We have installed a new ramp, docks, and 40 slips. . . The waterfront is enhanced by new roads and a dry storage area. A shelter building is under construction. . .

"We did not receive access to the lake early enough in the year to make our usual regatta date feasible. However, we are anxious to have our many Snipe friends come and enjoy these great facilities, so we have scheduled a regatta this year in October. . . :

"OCTOBER 4-5, MIDWESTERN CHAMPIONSHIP, Fleet 93, Bob Peugh, 1058 Gretchen Lane, Wichita, KS 67206."

Try These Ideas To Build Your Fleet

At the USYRU meeting last Fall some serious consideration was given to problems in one-design sailing, and classes were asked to contribute promotion ideas

in a round table discussion. (Some of these have been featured before, try them again.)

BLUE JAY: Try a fleet purchase program. (Note: this works for boats or sails. The new fleet at Marblehead started BIG with just such a program.)

WINDMILL: Invite the general public to crew for you. (Lief Zars described a "crew roster" system worked out for the Lake Canyon fleet in the *Bulletin* several years ago.)

PENGUIN: Have a well-used boat put in racing shape by fleet volunteers. It is loaned out to prospective members and sold to new or prospective members at the end of the season. (This is good junior bait.)

FLYING SCOT: Winning skippers of a fleet are given handicaps in order to spread the trophies.

SUNFISH: Fun races: blindfold the skipper, and have the crew coach him around the course, backward races, treasure hunts, etc. (Try a balloon race. Keeping them in the boat to return to shore for the count is the hard part.)

Big brother/sister program matching an "A" fleet skipper with a "B" fletcher for the season.

J/24: Run short races in light air — more people have a chance of winning. Have a cruise — a full moon wine and cheese par-

ty. Emphasize the social side for family benefit. Give special awards: Youngest, oldest, sportsmanship, etc. Call people and encourage them to come sail.

THISTLE: Raquetball tournaments, etc. (One Snipe fleet has a miniature golf tournament during one regatta. The winner gets as much publicity as the winner of the races. Also have a net and volleyball for use while waiting for the wind. That keeps the crowd there until the wind does appear — and uses up some of that youthful energy!)

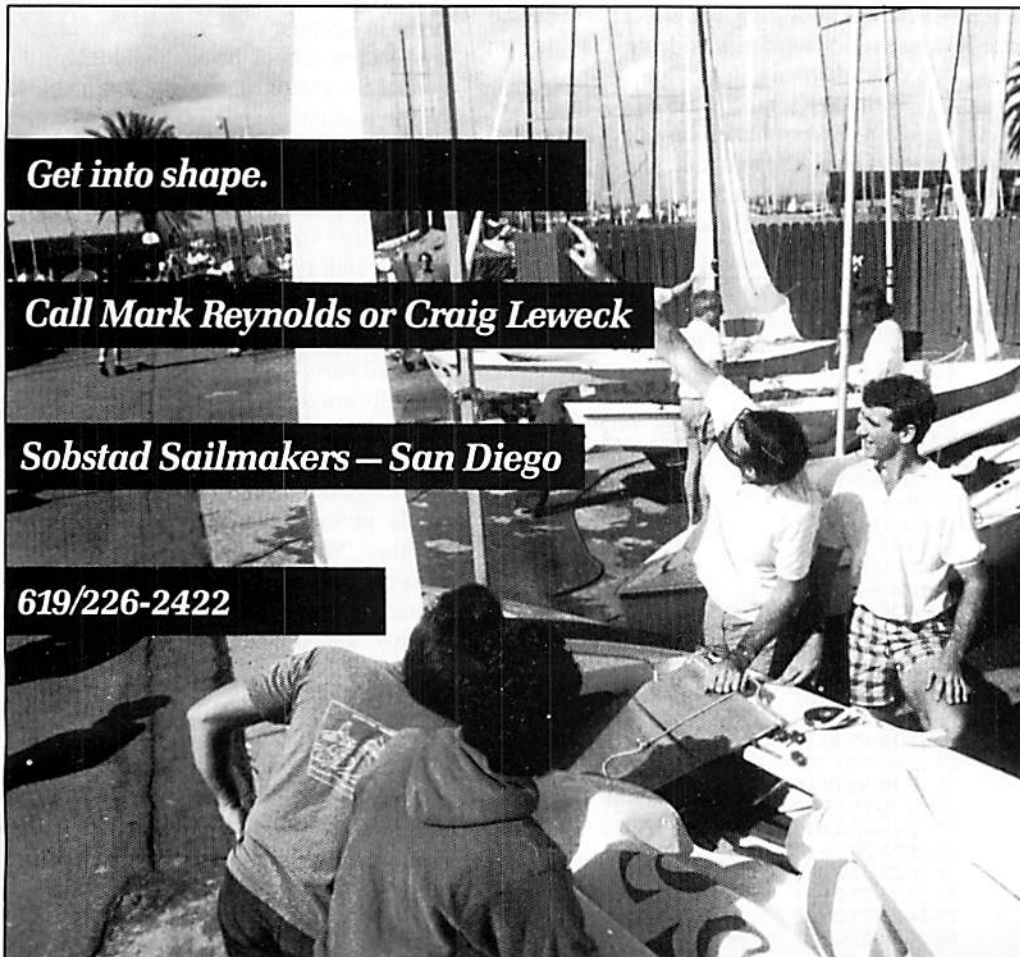
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Thompson Edges Bartlett For Bermuda Race Week Title

Hospitality reigns at Spanish Point Boat Club.

Spanish Point Boat Club once again hosted the Snipe sailors taking part in Bermuda International Race Week, April 27-May 3, and judging from the quality of the sailing and the partying, the hard work and effort was well worth it. This year's fleet was well stocked with talent and a look at the results show you just how wide open the regatta was.

The week started with the welcoming party at the home of Keith and Mary Davis and once again it was a superb affair. First time visitors were greeted as warmly as old-time friends.

On Monday, early arrivals at the club were greeted by sunny skies and a nice 8-10 knot breeze. The breeze increased slightly as the day went on and a few clouds blocked the sun but Rob Gorman and Wayne Huntley found the conditions to their liking. They sailed away with two firsts with Jonathan Bartlett and Ron Fox taking second and third in the first race and

Jerry Thompson and Jonathan in the second.

Tuesday the sailing continued with a little brisker 15-18 knot breeze. John and Cathy Johns sailed to a first in the first race followed by Sam Mollet in second and Chris Hains in third. The second race was postponed for awhile due to a squall that came through between races. Many boats were forced to scramble into the club, while some braved the elements and stayed out. The race was finally started and Jerry Thompson and Hal Gilreath came home first with Doug Nugent and Rob Gorman following. Tuesday evening was the official cocktail party and needless to say all the sailors were glad to have a lay day on Wednesday.

Thursday's race was sailed in almost ideal 8-10 knots and sunny skies. Fritz and Jane Gram showed that they could still bounce back by putting a horizon job on the fleet. Second and third respectively

went to Jerry Thompson and Doug DeSousa.

The race on Friday brought 6-8 knots of breeze and once again clear sunny skies. Jonathan Bartlett and Alex Stout finally showed us that Annapolis technique by finishing first followed by Fritz Gram and Paul Levinson.

The social side of the week, enhanced by the presence of Fred 'Thirsty' Thurston and the Annapolis 'Die-Hards' was as great as ever. If there was a team award for partying they would have won hands down. Style points winner was Paul Levinson who managed to spend the FIRST night in his boat covers, followed closely by his crew Chuck Bolles. Wednesday the annual Swizzle Inn (swagger out) party led by the inimitable style of Bill Buckles was again conducted. On Friday night, after the usual post race party, a new tradition of ordering pizzas was started. Sixteen of them (large size) were ordered from a pizzeria which requested that next year they get 24 hours notice from us.

Saturday night saw the prizegiving cocktail party at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club followed by the presentation dinner. After dinner the evening's entertainment started as SCIRA Commodore Wayne Soares gave one of his patented speeches while giving keepsakes to all the competitors. Wayne was almost upstaged by 'Doctor Bob' Borer, all the way back from Qatar, as he presented Wayne, Conrad Soares, and Carlos Bosch with authentic Sheik headgear. The sight of the three of them together was enough to make any camel fear for its life.

Once again the race committee provided excellent race courses and the various other committees ensured that all the visitors could spend as much time in the sun as possible.

*Kevin Blee
Bermuda National Secretary*

BERMUDA RACE WEEK

Boat	Skipper	Places	Points	Finish
20369	Jerry Thompson	4-2-8-1-2-4	12.75	1
25761	Jonathan Bartlett	2-3-5-10-6-1	16.75	2
25810	Rob Gorman	1-1-6-3-11-23	21.5	3
24087	Sam Mollett	6-4-2-7-9-8	27	4
24116	Doug Nugent	8-9-7-2-4-6	27	5
18321	Doug DeSousa	11-7-11-4-3-12	36	6
26485	James Jacob	7-6-10-6-18-9	38	7
26299	John Johns	14-8-1-11-10-10	39.75	8
16699	Fritz Gram	13-13-17-14-1-2	42.75	9
25777	Fred Thurston	5-5-21-12-24-7	50	10
26300	Bill Buckles	19-10-4-5-15-30	53	11
24703	Kiki Bosch	15-14-22-18-5-5	57	12
25975	Ron Fox	3-15-16-8-16-24	58	13
25864	Wayne Soares	9-16-13-30-7-15	60	14
26462	Paul Levinson	10-30-15-27-14-3	69	15
25843	Gwen Crook	18-19-12-9-12-20	70	16
24806	Chris Hains	21-20-3-13-13-26	70	17
25393	Conrad Soares	20-11-14-17-30-18	80	18
26064	Stephen Soares	27-12-9-16-25-21	83	19
26092	Brian Dougherty	12-17-19-30-19-16	83	20
19708	Ray Pitman	17-18-20-15-17-19	86	21
24069	Bob Borer	22-22-18-19-23-13	94	22
24077	Ron Barber	16-25-24-20-20-14	94	23
21714	David Kuhn	24-26-25-27-8-11	94	24
23181	Kevin Blee	23-23-27-27-21-17	111	25
25846	Brett Wright	25-24-23-23-26-22	117	26
14888	Carlos Bosch	26-21-26-27-22-25	120	27



SCIRA Commodore Wayne Soares and daughter Beverley leads Bill Buckles (US26300) and Doug DeSousa (US18321) around a mark.



Now they're officially recognized. From left, Wayne Soares, Conrad Soares, 'Dr. Bob' Borer, Rob Borer and Carlos Bosch after 'Dr. Bob' presented them with their just awards.

Bottom, left: Meeting of the 'minds'. Jonathan Bartlett (left) and Doug Nugent (right) enjoy a bit of frivolity at the prizegiving dinner while Kiki Bosch and Kevin Blee toast their luck. Bottom, right: Rob Gorman receives his T-shirt denoting his two firsts on the first day of racing.



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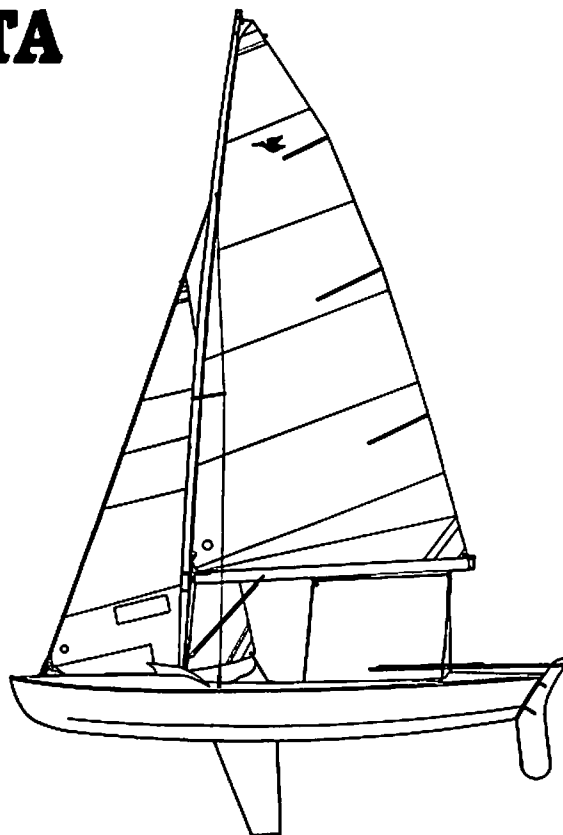
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District IV Champions Bill and Sherry Simons, left, pose with other district winners and their trophies. Dan Williams photo

Bill and Sherry Simons Top District IV at Jax

The five race District IV series was hosted by the Florida Yacht Club in Jacksonville on June 14-15, 1986, and was attended by 38 visiting sailors out of 39 entries — a pretty good turnout considering we don't have a fleet there now (although there is a group interested in reviving the Snipe fleet).

Despite the threatening weather conditions throughout the weekend the race committee managed to get off all of the races by early Sunday afternoon. Frank and Dee Alcorn and the support people from FYC did an excellent job in running the races "by the book," on time, and in a professional manner. The FYC people were very helpful and hospitable during the weekend in opening up the club and providing services.

The Simons' sailed extremely well to win the series by ½ point over David Pritchard and Jim Harmount from LLSC. The "old man" Gonzalo Diaz took a close third over Hal Gilreath from Pensacola who was fourth, and close behind was Tom Lihan of Fort Lauderdale in fifth.

The first race on Saturday started in light air against the current. It was a tough beat with the wind dying, and the second leg downwind was even slower. The RC



watching the building thunderstorm shortened course to finish on a short beat after the third leg. However the squall hit during the third leg and provided quite a finish for everyone with many changes of position, and a wild ride back to the club. The Simons held on for the win.

After the rain the second race was started in late afternoon and was full length — in fact lasting until about 8 p.m. as the wind died. The only local boat in the regatta, Steve and Connie Suddath, won this one with David Pritchard of LLSC in second.

The RC surmised that there would be wind on Sunday morning so there we were 12 hours later back on the starting line. There may have been some groans but it was well worth it to sail in the beautiful

early morning conditions. We got in three back-to-back races in medium winds to close the series, with the last one being hit with a similar squall a leg before the finish. This one gave us about 20 mph winds and provided a mile or two planning reach back to the club. Great stuff! (for most).

The winners of the last three races were Simons, Gilreath and Suddath. The Championship hung on the last beat as Simons led Pritchard by 2½ points but was behind by a boat in the race. Bill and Sherry finished sixth with only one boat between them and David in fourth to take the series by ½ point. The Simons had a record of 1-8-1-4-6 while David Pritchard had a very consistent 6-2-5-3-4 — 19½ points to 20 points.

Frank Pontious
Governor District IV

DISTRICT IV CHAMPIONSHIP (Top 30 of 39 Entries)

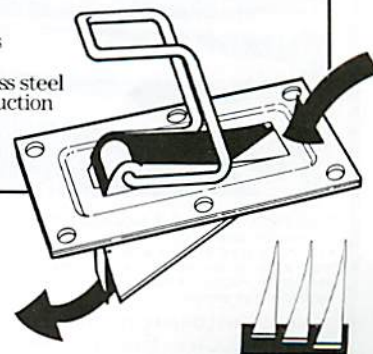
Boat	Skipper/Crew	Club	Places	Points	Finish
25231	Bill Simons	Privateer YC	1-8-1-4-6	19.5	1
25951	David Pritchard	Lake Lanier SC	6-2-5-3-4	20	2
26395	Gonzalo E. Diaz, Sr.	Miami	4-14-2-2-13	35	3
25848	Hal Gilreath	Atlanta YC	5-18-11-1-2	36.75	4
25084	Tom Lihan	Miami	3-13-8-6-9	39	5
25840	Brent McKenzie	Lake Lanier SC	9-7-14-9-3	42	6
24807	Steve Suddath	Jacksonville	20-1-6-19-1	46.5	7
25045	Buzzy Heausler	Clearwater	21-9-7-8-5	50	8
24686	Marc Duvoisin	Titusville, FL	19-3-18-14-8	62	9
21212	Tom Craig	Privateer YC	27-20-4-5-10	66	10
26105	Raymond Burke	Lake Lanier SC	13-15-27-7-7	69	11
24605	Tarasa Davis	Atlanta YC	17-16-10-15-11	69	12
25007	Tommy Smith	Lake Lanier SC	15-10-24-10-17	76	13
26995	Francis Seavy	Clearwater	14-4-28-17-dnf	94	14
24994	Frank Pontious	Atlanta YC	8-31-12-29-15	95	15
25125	Rob Fowler	Privateer YC	30-6-3-21-dns	99	16
24093	Scott Cline	Privateer YC	10-11-20-28-dnf	100	17
25233	Gonzalo A. Diaz, Jr.	Miami	17-12-17-20-dnf	101	18
24264	Means Davis Jr.	Atlanta YC	7-5-15-dnf-dns	102	19
25434	Ed Craig	Privateer YC	2-27-25-13-dns	106	20
26309	Martin Zonnenberg	Lake Lanier SC	31-12-17-20-dnf	111	21
19091	Peter Duvoisin	Privateer YC	12-23-26-26-dnf	118	22
25872	Paul Gillis	Atlanta YC	22-25-23-27-21	118	23
22872	Jules Ivester	Charleston	33-21-34-16-16	120	24
23751	Tom Payne	Lake Lanier SC	11-28-29-34-20	122	25
24680	Bob Dean	Clearwater	34-22-13-24-dnf	124	26
26107	James Howard	Lake Lanier SC	32-19-36-25-14	126	27
24600	Brad McFadden	Atlanta YC	23-26-30-30-18	127	28
24940	Dan Williams	Privateer YC	24-35-9-33-dnf	132	29
26369	Bob Foster	Clearwater	dnf-33-19-23-19	133	30

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Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
26455	Griff Hall/Dina Kowalyszyn	Annapolis	6-2-2-1-4-2	10.75	1
25412	Art and Jennifer Rousmaniere	Winchester	1-6-3-2-1-15	12.5	2
25949	Chris Snow/Cheryl Beck	Annapolis	9-1-4-21-3-8	24.75	3
26289	Jens Hookanson/Marie Brody	Newport, RI	2-4-7-24-8-6	27	4
25003	Sue Tabor/Jan Tabor	Cottage Park	11-10-9-5-5-1	29.75	5
25810	Rob Gorman/Lisa Gorman	Marblehead	3-3-12-4-23-12	34	6
25708	Ron and Anne Sandstrom	Winchester	8-14-1-6-7-19	35.75	7
22285	Harry and Sarah Levinson	Medford	4-18-10-3-2-24	37	8
26174	David Lence/Dave Koepp	Winchester	10-7-14-11-10-3	41	9
24110	David Rogers/Laurie Rogers	Quassapaug	15-9-5-12-14-7	47	10
24998	John Lally/Laura Kelley	Cottage Park	14-17-8-7-6-20	52	11
26004	Lee Griffith/Sandy Barlow	Pine Beach	5-13-20-9-25-11	58	12
25784	Bill Pagels/Jean Pagels	Annapolis	7-12-15-16-9-16	59	13
26337	Lisa Foulke/Ken Campbell	Annapolis	17-16-6-18-21-4	61	14
24997	Bruce and David Patterson	Independent	19-22-11-13-16-5	64	15
22800	Joel Zackin/Rich Cobb	Quassapaug	18-20-19-10-13-10	70	16
26468	Eric Gesner/Alison Lasley	Newport, NY	24-5-16-14-19-21	75	17
25659	Ray Schmit/Teresa Alexander	Independent	16-15-18-8-22-22	79	18
19253	Mike Elser/Andy Fischer	Quassapaug	12-21-17-26-18-13	81	19
24999	Martin Fraser/Tara Nelson	Medford	13-11-23-24-12-nf	83	20
21440	Steve Sprole/Marlina Brackebosch	Cottage Park	21-nf-12-23-11-17	85	21
25167	Skipper Helme/Paul McDowell	Newport, RI	25-19-21-19-20-14	93	22
24005	Rob Hays/Carolyn Honan	Cuba Lake	27-25-26-17-17-18	103	23
9106	Irv Margui/Chris Pease	Quassapaug	23-24-22-22-15-26	106	24
26400	Arne Hansen/Thomas Hansen	Pine Beach	26-23-28-15-24-23	111	25

Close Racing Highlights New England Title

Quassapaug Yacht Club, Fleet 231, hosted the New England Championship in conjunction with the annual Whittemore-St. John Regatta on the weekend of June 21-22. A strong turnout of Snipes from 11 different fleets and seven states were treated to fine weather and winds. The competition was exciting and close throughout the weekend.

Under clear skies, a slowly-fading 10-18 mph breeze set the scene for Saturday's racing. The direction of the wind, north-east, is a rare one for Lake Quassapaug,

effectively negating a "home lake" advantage the Quassapaug sailors might have had.

The day's races featured four different winners — Art Rousmaniere of Winchester, Christopher Snow of Annapolis, Ron Sandstrom of Winchester, and Griff Hall of Annapolis. However, because of Quassapaug's shifting winds, most sailors found consistent finishes a scarce commodity.

The fourth race ended just before the cocktail hour and the sailors were rewarded with plenty of cold refreshments which flowed freely into the night. The clubhouse was also the scene of some spirited dancing and partying.

The following morning, winds were westerly at 5-15 mph and again close racing was the order of the day. A total of six races were staged and a one race drop was allowed.

Griff Hall sailed an extremely consistent series and emerged the winner with a fine score of 10.75. Along with the New England Championship title, he will have use of the handcrafted, scaled-down Snipe model, complete with sails, lines and shackles which is the Whittemore-St. John regatta perpetual trophy.

Art Rousmaniere also sailed a fine series but despite two firsts, was edged by Hall by only 1.75 points. Chris Snow and Jens Hookanson made good use of the race drop to post third and fourth place finishes respectively. Sue Tabor improved over every race in the series culminating with a start to finish first place in Race 6 to move up to fifth overall.

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Winners, L to R: Alan Carscaddon, Scott Cline, Jeanie Collum, Albert Lamar, Brent McKenzie, Sharon McKenzie, Liz Champ-
lin, John McGowan, Ginger Buzhardt, Peter Kahle, James Dorgan, and Sam Feibelman.

Brent McKenzie Takes Redneck Interdistrict Title

The Jackson Yacht Club hosted the 16th Annual Redneck Regatta on May 3-4, 1986. All three races were sailed in ideal conditions — winds 10 to 18, 70 degree temperatures and a cloudless sky.

Lake Lanier's Brent and Sharon McKenzie took top honors and were awarded the Redneck Interdistrict Trophy. John McGowan and Albert Lamar of Jackson were second and third, respectively. Fourth place went to Scott Cline of Privateer. Peter Kahle from New Orleans was fifth, and Sam Feibelman of Mobile was sixth.

McKenzie took an early lead in the first race, covered second place finisher Lamar, and went on to win. Feibelman worked his way to third place at the finish.

The next race saw McGowan the winner when he took what looked like a disastrous long starboard tack only to finish ahead of McKenzie. Lamar was third. At the end of Saturday's racing, McKenzie was in first with a strong lead, and Lamar was second with a one point edge over McGowan.

McKenzie did it again on Sunday with an easy win. McGowan dislodged Lamar by placing second. Cline was third, and John Herlihy of Jackson was fourth.

Adding to everyone's enjoyment was the usual "all you can eat" barbecue feast, and the Beer Barge supplied all of the competitors with refreshments after each race.



Peter Kahle, New Orleans, with crew Ginger Buzhardt, Jackson. Below, Scott Cline and Alan Carscaddon take on provisions from "beer barge."



The winners: Sharon and Brent McKenzie.

REDNECK REGATTA

Boat	Skipper	Club	Places	Points	Finish
23840	Brent McKenzie	Lake Lanier	1-2-1	3.5	1
26075	John McGowan	Jackson YC	5-1-2	7.75	2
25234	Albert Lamar	Jackson YC	2-3-6	11	3
24093	Scott Cline	Privateer	4-6-3	13	4
25074	Peter Kahle	Southern YC	7-4-5	16	5
25072	Sam Feibelman	Mobile YC	3-5-8	16	6
25872	Paul Gillis	Atlanta YC	6-7-7	20	7
21915	John Herlihy	Jackson YC	8-8-4	20	8
20897	Robert Muller	Jackson YC	9-9-9	27	9
22468	Erle Bennett	Delta SC	11-10-10	31	10
22413	Julie Snead	Jackson YC	10-11-13	34	11
16607	Nick Longsworth	Delta SC	12-12-11	35	12
22412	Zeke Downey	Jackson YC	13-13-12	38	13

Intimate Gathering For North/South Regatta

While the turnouts have been on the low side so far on the 1986 California circuit, there was an absolute ebb tide at this year's North/South Regatta on May 3-4 at Lake Yosemite in Merced, CA. Though the quantity was disgracefully low, the quality was typically high as the whopping nine boat fleet prepared for a weekend of puddle sailing.

The fickle winds that Lake Yosemite dished out where foreign to most in attendance, however Craig Leweck seemed comfortable (no doubt due to his two years spent on the Midwest lakes) as he confidently handled the dicey conditions to easily win the event.

The first race was guided throughout the distance by District VII Governor Warren and Mary Lynn Wheaton. His mid-line start and skillful windward sailing up the left side gave him a comfortable lead over newcomer Mike Schmidt with crew Mary Ellen Liles as they got on the first reaching leg. The Keith Dodson/Robin Garrison team made their move on the second reach leg to get by Schmidt (word has it he has a bad tendency to over-strap his boomvang), leaving him in third around the leeward mark with Jim and Lyn Grubbs in fourth and Craig Leweck with Lisa Manzer in fifth.

The wind had glassed off at this point

with a windward leg left in the course and a rain storm hanging on the course. A new puff was seen on the right shore by Leweck, who bolted over there to pass everyone but Wheaton, with Grubbs hanging in there for third, Bill Denhart with Tracy Crew in fourth and Add and Mary Ronelsee in fifth.

The rain that began pouring during the latter half of the first race intensified to a serious downpour, which was then followed by high winds that forced the RC to cancel the racing for the rest of the day.

The group retired back to the motel, where a number of private parties primed the participants for the scheduled Mexican dinner at a local restaurant and then for the traditional bowling tournament. It can be said that the city of Merced is a bowling lane type of town, with a band playing and enough lanes in the house for most of the Snipe sailors to see their balls eventually greet the pins. After the last pair of bowling shoes were turned into the front counter, the night had changed to day as the start of the second race was only a couple cups of coffee away.

Fortunately for many there was only a whisper of wind at the scheduled start time on Sunday morning, but a light, shifty breeze came in to force the fleet out for race number two. The triangle course with a windward finish was posted as the fleet slid off the start line, only to find a becalmed race area.

Jim Grubbs led Denhart into the windward mark from the left side, with Leweck leading the right side group into the mark to claim third. The fleet slipped into another hole, but Leweck and Dodson (after being late for the start) took control of the low road when the new wind filled in from the opposite direction. This allowed them to head the fleet into the finish in that order. Grubbs recovered to get third, Ronelsee was fourth and Packy Davis with Colleen Crew was fifth.

With the course reshifted to take advantage of the new wind, the breeze zephyred out again but the RC was determined to start the race. A severe wind shift to the left made the windward mark a port tack fetch and the start line almost uncrossable on starboard tack. Leweck got off the line best while on port tack at the favored end,

but was soon passed as Grubbs and Dodson took the high port tack road to the mark and received more favorable wind.

As this threesome made it around the windward mark, the leg to the reach mark went from a one sided beat to a dead run as a strong puff came in from the right (about a 90 degree swing) to bring the fleet back together. Dodson still had a nice lead over Grubbs and Leweck as they rounded the reach mark and tightened up their sail trim and aimed for the leeward mark. The wind had continued to clock and strengthen on this reaching leg (to a whopping seven knots), so when Dodson loosely covered Grubbs up the left side of the final beat to the finish, he found himself in trouble with the boats to his right. He was just able to get back right and get in front of Leweck and Davis who had stung it out to that side. The top three finished in that order, with Grubbs slipping to fourth and Denhart grasping fifth.

As the day was concluding the race committee decided to try for one more. The scores at this point had Leweck well ahead with 4.5 pts., Grubbs had 10 pts., Dodson had 10.5 pts., Wheaton had 13.5 pts. and Denhart had 15 pts.

The last race was all Leweck, as he took the lead off the severely favored port line to guide the fleet to the finish. Grubbs missed more than his share of shifts to get seventh in the race, which dropped him to fourth in the standings behind Dodson who got fourth in the race (second overall) and Wheaton, who got a third place finish (third overall). Packy Davis rounded out the overall top five with his second in the last race.

The host fleet from Richmond awarded bottles of sparkling wine to all of the race committee members (better after the races than before) and charming picnic baskets stocked with wines and other accessories to the top finishers.

The North/South Regatta was one of the west coast's rare opportunities to socially gather at one of the state's smaller lakes. Although the conditions were less than ideal for much of the racing, most of the participants kept the weekend in perspective as everyone carefully loaded up their cars with gear and good memories for the drive home.

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NORTH/SOUTH REGATTA (Top 5 Boats)

Skipper/Crew	Places	Points	Finish
Craig Leweck/Lisa Manzer	2-1-2-1	5.5	1
Keith Dodson/Robin Garrison	8-2-1-4	14.75	2
Warren-Mary Lynne Wheaton	1-7-6-3	16.75	3
Jim-Lyn Grubbs	3-3-4-7	17	4
Packy Davis/Colleen Crew	9-5-3-2	19	5

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Wolstenholm Captures Blue Circle International

The combined UK Junior Nationals/Blue Circle International on May 31-June 1 did not bring forth the traditional sunshine that has for over 20 years greeted this annual event. Instead, rain and very little wind was the order of the two days racing.

Fortunately the overcast conditions did not send competitors enthusiasm, or spirits, to a low level. But the continuing 'winter' UK is experiencing in June certainly had an effect on the turnout being low. By the look of concern of John, our National Secretary, some fleet captains will be getting a "ringing telephone ear" after the regatta.

From France's Le Havre fleet junior helm Anne Labat and crew Eric Ernaut were keen able sailors who certainly set the British crews a challenge. Young petite Anne won the hearts of everyone with her ready smile and wide eyes of amazement at the towering size of the Maldon juniors Ian Knight and Simon Evance. Whilst the more serious Eric Ernaut took it all in his stride quietly summing up the opposition.

By the end of the second junior race David Crouch of the home fleet had his win almost assured with a total of '0' points, whilst Broadstairs' Iain Harding and Stewart Waring had a comfortable six points, laying second. Anne Labat lay third. But positions were to change over the last two races. For although David took the final gun with a total of nil points, Anne and Eric had come to grips with the lake conditions and took over from Iain and Stewart by moving into second place overall with 8.7 points.

The Blue Circle Open first race set Paul Mason and Charles Frost out in front with a commanding position. Then on the second windward leg a cry of despair came from the two leaders as they went aground. The shallow bar on the lake was trouble to anyone hugging the south bank. Sylvie LeBour and crew Gilles Boisaubert, representing France, took the straight line coming up close to the bank but were unlucky too, going aground. Unfortunately they became really stuck, needing their getting out to lift 25010 off to get her afloat.

The greatest action took place on the last race — in the lightest of winds — for one tactical error spelt disaster as experienced by John Sewell, Maldon's fleet captain. At the first mark John and crew Ian Sinclair got bulked and could not lay the mark. In returning in such light airs John lost his commanding position and let in his club buddie Peter Ford. Paul Mason also made a silly mistake that let in Charles Frost who

UK SNIPE JUNIOR NATIONALS		
Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Points Finish
David Crouch/Peter Johnson	Blue Circle SC	0 1
Anne Labat/Eric Ernaut	Le Havre, France	8.7 2
Iain Harding/Stewart Waring	Broadstairs SC	11.7 3
Matthew Williams/Sean Cadagan	Blue Circle SC	12 4
Ian Knight/Simon Evance	Maldon YC	19 5

BLUE CIRCLE INTERNATIONAL OPEN (Top 6 of 10 Boats)		
Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Points Finish
Peter Wolstenholm/Steven Roberts	Blue Circle SC	5.7 1
Charles Frost/Peter Frost	Stone BC	6 2
Paul Mason/Elizabeth Crouch	Blue Circle SC	6 3
Sylvie LeBour/Gilles Boisaubert	C.N. Audierne, France	23.7 4
Michael Fish/John Fish	Blue Circle SC	26 5
John Sewell/Ian Sinclair	Maldon YC	27.4 6

inched his Snipe along to take the gun for the final race.

The regatta had been enjoyable and friendly. The French competitors had been warmly received, with appreciation shown for their long journey. It was a great pity there had not been more 'puff' to create more exciting racing. The Saturday night

disco/buffet had been a fun occasion with all proceeds going to The Royal Lifeboat Association.

Fortunately, allowing the prize presentation table to be brought out, the rain held off for prizegiving.

*Keith Harding
UK P.R. Officer*



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SEPTEMBER 20-21, STOCKHOLM OPEN, Tomas Franzen, Skrinvagen 17, S-177 44 Enskede, Sweden.

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SEPTEMBER 27-28, OXFORD INCIDENT/ACCIDENT, Acton Lake Fleet 515, Jay Antenen, 5853 Headgates Rd., Hamilton, OH 45011.

SEPTEMBER 27-28, BATTLE OF ATLANTA, Lake Lanier Fleet 781, James Howard, 3202 Stratford Green Ct., Avondale Estate, GA 30002.

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Eric Eiffert Is District V Champ

Twenty-three Snipes from Canada, Ohio, and New York State competed in the District V Championship regatta during the weekend of June 28-29 at Chautauqua Lake Yacht Club.

Three races were sailed Saturday in early light air with the wind picking up to seven knots in the afternoon. Two races on Sunday experienced winds increasing to 17 knots in fine racing weather.

Eric Eiffert of Newport, NY, won the championship with Steve Callison from the same fleet second. Third place went to Doug Nugent from Royal Canadian Y.C., Toronto; fourth to Sam Mollet, Portage Lakes Y.C., Akron, Ohio; and fifth to Ganny Evans, Hoover Y.C., Columbus, Ohio.

Many of the 23 contestants also planned to sail in the U.S. Nationals



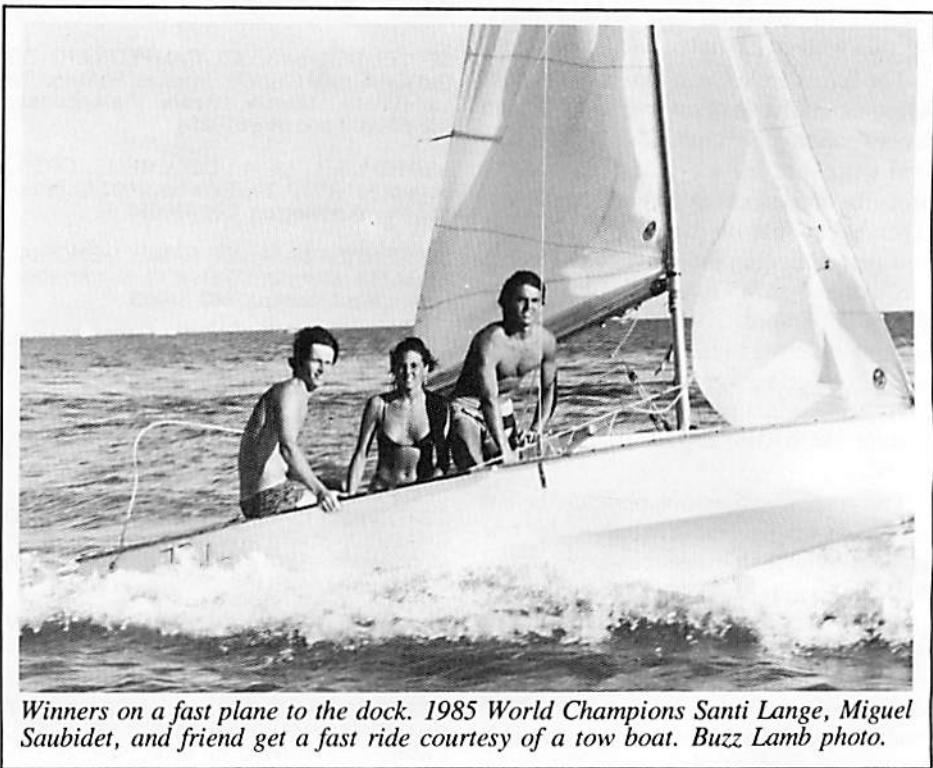
Winners, l to r: Ganny Evans, Sam Mollet, Doug Nugent, Eric Eiffert, and Steve Callison.

Championships to be held in July on Chautauqua Lake.

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Chautauqua Fleet

DISTRICT V CHAMPIONSHIP (Top 15 of 23 Entries)

Boat	Skipper	Club	Places	Points	Finish
25781	Eric Eiffert	Newport YC	6-1-2-5-1	24.7	1
24608	Steve Callison	Newport YC	3-2-3-2-4	25.4	2
24116	Doug Nugent	Royal Canadian	1-5-5-12-2	41	3
24087	Sam Mollet	Portage Lakes	12-6-1-1-8	43.7	4
25888	Ganny Evans	Hoover	5-4-6-7-6	54.4	5
23978	Mark Bryant	Buffalo	2-9-4-8-10	56	6
25127	Chris Klotz	Lorain	11-3-7-4-9	58.7	7
24806	Jack Mitchell	Oakville	7-17-10-6-3	69.4	8
16699	Fritz Gram	Cuba Lake	4-20-15-3-11	77.9	9
26106	Chris Hains	Oakville	10-8-12-9-13	82	10
23397	Jeff Mitchell	Oakville	14-10-13-13-5	84	11
26298	Kevin Haller	Newport	16-7-11-17-12	93	12
25843	Gwen Crook	Oakville	22-12-8-15-17	94	13
26160	George Hock	Newport	13-16-14-10-ns	107	14
26110	Rick Wood	Portage Lakes	8-13-9-ns-ns	108	15



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