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Photos by Gonzalo Diaz of Spanish Yacht Club and Snipe masts.

AROUND THE SNIPE WORLD

FAST -

Kiki Bosch racing his new Swan 46, Shortz, in the Marion-Bermuda race finished first in Class A, second overall, and was third across the line. His crew of nine included five Snipe sailors: Commodore Wayne Soares, Kevin Blee, Bill Buckles, Kiki himself, and Jonathan Bartlett, who also made the sails (delivered the day before the start).

FAR -

From Past Commodore Gonzalo Diaz: "Carmen and I took a tour through Northern Spain and Portugal and OH! What a nice feeling! We saw Snipe fleets all over the place in Santander, Castro Urdiales, Gijon, etc. They sail in the Cantabric Ocean and the Gulf of Vizcaya (Hey! That is where the name of Biscayne Bay came from!).

Photos enclosed. This is the closest I could get. A jealous employee insisted I could not step into the Club grounds. It was Friday, and of course there were no Club members in sight. We saw nothing but very light air on the Cantabric Sea and the Gulf of Vizcaya — nothing in the morning and then 5 to 10 in the late afternoons. I wonder how it was when the Snipe World Championship was held in Santander in the '50s.''

FUN -

"John Johns missed five races (he slept in!) and then won four ... ruined his record, but as everyone knows it's a bad deck that has five aces." From Chris Hains, Oakville, describing the Northshore regatta at Woodstock — to be reported fully later.

FLEETS —

Bantam Lake is back. Fleet 301, Bantam Lake, CT, has reorganized under the leadership of Fleet Captain: Carmine Gugliotti, 177 Dinatali Dr, Waterbury, CT 06705.

Also in District I, the Manhasset Bay Fleet has set a goal of having the fleet established for next summer. Roger Shope writes "I'm really impressed the way the Snipe Class responds to interest in the Class, and the universal enthusiasm in encouraging growth ... I'll be judging a Snipe regatta at Sea Cliff in mid-August, and by then I hope we'll have made more progress on our plans ..."

Roger, whose address is 51 Richards Rd., Port Washington, L.I., NY 11050, reports that they need good used boats.

Also in need of good boats: Tony Rugens, 102 Winthrop St., New Britain, CT 06052. He reports that he and Joel Zakin have found a club and marina in the New Haven area which could accommodate a Snipe fleet. Much interest expressed in a "shoreline" fleet for 1988.

THE COVER

Snipes converge on the downwind mark at the 1986 Western Hemisphere Championship on Sagami Bay. Buzz Lamb photo.

THE SCORE

Eight numbers were issued this month with 5 going to Denmark, 2 to the U.S.A. and 1 to England. This was just enough to put us across another milestone (or maybe it is a kilo.) Our rate is not as rapid as sometimes in the past but we are still growing. No new fleets were chartered for the period.

Numbered SNIPES – 27003 Chartered Fleets – 801

Point Score Forms Mailed September 15

Forms for reporting 1987 fleet scores will be mailed from the SCIRA office to U.S. Fleet captains on September 15. Winners of the Minneford and Reichner Trophies will be reported in the April issue of the *BULLETIN*, and they are due in the office by February 1, 1988. All fleets are eligible to send their fleet scores, which are based on the "old" SCIRA system of 1600 (square of 40) for first place with other scores in descending order (square of 39, etc.). The system is explained beginning on page 79 of the current SCIRA Rule Book.

All National Secretaries are urged to send in scores for their fleets.

Use the forms sent from the office, a copy of the card shown here, or a 3×5 index card.

Dunphy Trophy Missing

District III Governor Ray Sepanski has reported the Dunphy Trophy is missing and could not be presented to the 1987 Winner. This trophy goes to the winner of the consolation series at the District Championship. If you have the trophy in your possession — or know where it is — please return it to Ray at 7781 Wooddale Lane, St. Louis, MO 63121.

1988 SCIRA Directory Changes Are Due

Any changes in listings of officers, national secretaries, district governors, or U.S. fleet captains must be received in the office before December 31, 1987 to be included in the 1988 SCIRA Directory. The Directory will be printed in the February 1988 issue of the Snipe *BULLETIN*.

Forms for these changes will be included in the mailing of point score forms to U.S. Fleet captains.

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



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Ivan Pimentel Captures World Masters Title

CAMPEONATO MUNDIAL MASTERS



Ivan Pimentel and Ricardo Lebreiro are 1987 Masters of the Snipe World having won the title at the second World Masters Championship held May 4-10 at Yacht Club Santo Amaro, Sao Paulo, Brazil. Carlos Wanderley and Mario Barila were second of the 19 Snipes from three continents which competed in the six-race, one throw-out regatta sailed on Lake Guarapiranga.

Bibi Juetz and Christano Pontes were third and Wilson Teixera and Kurt Dimer finished fourth. The first non-Brazilians were Fernando Sanjurjo and Marcos Mugaburu of Argentina in fifth. Defending champions Ken and Bill Simons from the U.S. finished sixth, and Spain's Eugenio Taillefer and Carlos Llamas were seventh.

The mixed-up winds for the series were mostly light and shifty. The usual strong afternoon wind which rises over the mountains from the ocean only came one day. Instead, the wind came across the lake from a direction from which it NEVER blows. "This is an illusion," according to what one of the locals told Ken and Bill Simons.

Bibi Juetz, the only woman skipper, won the first race, but Ivan Pimentel, who won the Western Hemisphere Championship on this same lake in 1978 won the second, and also took the last three first place finishes to dominate the last half of the regatta. Carlos Wanderley, who finished second in the regatta, also won one race.

Contestants were housed at the club, and boats were loaned to skippers from the U.S. and Europe. Entertainment was low key and casual; good food at the club every night was fortified with good Snipe conversation. Eduardo Bomeisel was chairman of the event which was co-sponsored by Volkswagen do Brazil S.A.

Ken Simons, who appreciated the special hospitality of his Brazilian hosts, writes:

"Following the races each day you could find a group of skippers and crews off in a corner beside the bar singing and tapping out samba rhythm on a variety of tamborines, drum sticks, beer cans containing pebbles, etc. Ivan and Carlos, one and two on the race course, were also one and two in the music department.

This article would not be complete without mentioning the rudders. At the awards presentation they had three of the most beautiful hand-made wooden rudders. These were made by a 72-year old local craftsman, who produces about one rudder per month. I can believe that he spends the better part of a month working on one of these rudders. You have to see one to fully appreciate the workmanship. One went to the winner, Ivan Pimentel, One was awarded to Peter Harazin in a drawing of all the Brazilian skippers. The third award was drawn from the hat by Sherry Simons from the four non-Brazilian skippers — and made her father-in-law Ken Simons very, very happy.

The Simons — Ken, Lou, Bill and Sherry — left Brazil with a very warm appreciation of the people in Brazil, all of whom seemed to bend over backward to make our visit a wonderful experience. Their kindness and friendship was far and above the call of duty. Bibi took an extra day off (having missed almost two weeks attending this regatta and the one that preceded it) to escort us around Rio. Aliana Wollner spent the other three days showing us the many wonderful sights of Rio as well as having us to her home for dinner with her whole family.

Is it any wonder that we had such a great time?"

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points 1	Finish	
23042	Ivan Pimentel (47)/Ricardo Lebreiro	Brazil	5-1-1-1	5.7	1	
17484	Carlos Wanderley (56)/Mario Barila	Brazil	1-2-10-2	17	2	
26447	Bibi Juetz (53)/Christiano Pontes	Brazil	12-3-5-4	26.7	23	
23630	Wilson Teixera (58)/Kurt Diemer	Brazil	3-5-4-12	42.4	4	
22204	Fernando Sanjurjo (52)/Mugaburo	Argentina	2-7-6-6	53.4	5	
24742	Ken Simons (62)/Bill Simons	U.Š.A.	8-10-9-5	57	6	
25959	Eugenio Taillefer (55)/C. Llamas	Spain	4-8-11-8	57.7	7	
14414	Paulo Paradeta (48)/Mario Buckup	Brazil	7-6-3-3	61.1	8	
26682	Fernando Tuebner (56)/W. Rezende	Brazil	9-4-7-7	63	9	
22303	Nils Ostergren (46)/Antonio Martins	Brazil	6-9-8-9	67.4	10	
24225	Carlos Wollner (52)/Mario Simoes	Brazil	0-13-2-5	69	11	
23636	Walter Luthold (52)/Leonel Szterling	Brazil	1-17-17-11	93	12	
24720	Eduardo Freire (62)/Antonio Sobral	Brazil	3-11-14-10	98	13	
17475	Mauricio Nacgeli (45)/Jose Blanco	Brazil	8-19-16-16	101	14	
12304	Peter Harazin (47)/Juan Echenique	Brazil	4-15-12-13	104	15	
23007	Reginaldo Kuhlman (60)/Czaschke	Brazil	9-14-15-14	104	16	
22490	Darke de Mattos (56)/Luis Kessler	Brazil	5-16-13-17	105	17	
26277	Marques del Turla (55)/Juan Gaquez	Spain	6-12-df-df	111	18	
23044	Antonio dos Santos (51)/R. Block	Brazil	7-18-18-18	116	19	

LETTERS

"The more things change "

This is a rather pitiful roster for oncemighty Fleet 38, but things are pretty scrambled up around here at present and the immediate prospects don't look too good.

As has happened at quite a few yacht clubs in recent years, the social element has just about taken over the Yacht Club and are attempting to build a \$262,000 bar room. There's a lot of bitterness on both sides and even the sailing faction is split between the "big-boat" sailors and us little fellows.

We had an extremely poor season last summer - it rained constantly all Spring, then in June it stopped raining completely until October - so we had a fierce drought, heat and no wind. Thus, very little interest in sailing along with the squabbling. Then there's a hot-bed of activity over in Monroe now (100 mi. from here) so seven of our older "get-em-started"

boats have gone over there. One more strike!

Fred is Fleet Captain and is attempting to pick up the pieces and get going again. We, Ken, and John, have resigned from the Y.C. and will sail out of our camp this summer or until we can form up a new little sailing club.

There are three other folks I haven't "shook the dues" out of yet; I'll get them in as soon as possible. I've got to get the dates for the regatta so we can get an ad in the BULLETIN. Will get that to you this week.

> Regards, Ray

"... the more they stay the same."

This wasn't a letter to the editor from last week. It was mailed to Birney Mills from Ray Hardey of the Shreveport Yacht Club almost 20 years ago. Problems don't change and the best solutions are still a challenge on all the fronts mentioned in Ray's letter.







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Stone International A Perfect Regatta

The annual Stone International, June 13-14, was organized to the last dot by fleet captain Richard Butter, with the social side arranged by Gareth Davies resulting in a perfect regatta.

With the first race countdown underway, the wind shifted 90 degrees two minutes from the off. To everyone's disappointment the postponement had to be flown. Following a relay of the Olympic course the race got underway with Junior National Champion David Crouch making the perfect start. By the first mark Stone's Charles Frost in 26159 had taken the lead closely followed round by Alex Lewin; Budworth's Don Smith just clipped the mark which lost him his third position, letting in Tony Statham and Maldon's captain John Sewell. With the wind dropping off Alex Lewin, Tony Statham and Don Smith tacked and covered each other up the fnal leg. For the first race the gun went to first Tony, second Alex and third Don.

The second race later that afternoon again had to be postponed. With the off the whole fleet crossed the line within seconds — one of the most perfect starts seen with 20558 Eric Broughton taking the lead. Right through to the gybe mark Eric Broughton, Gary Lewis and Mark Lawrie fought a tight battle. On the final beat Alexander Lewin joined the pack and with skillful sailing plus using experiences gained over many major events was able to claim a second. Gary managed to take first.

Sunday's first race at 10:45 saw Paul

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Sarder 21452 and Alexander Lewin, both Stone boats, take the lead. Maldon's John Hall in 17000 took advantage of the tide and looked set to beat everyone to the mark but at the last moment taken on starboard John had to let in a whole bunch lead by Gary Lewis, Alex Lewin and juniors David/Elizabeth Crouch. The gun went to Stone's Charles Frost with Don Smith claiming second.

Following lunch the fourth and final race started in a rising wind and heavy rain. Before the first mark both David Lewin 24152 and Tony Stratham 24702 had to retire with gear failure. At the windward mark Gary Lewis was laying first with Don Smith, Doug Spooner, Mark Lawrie and Gavin Watkins taking the mark in that order. With wet, miserable racing it took every ounce of concentration to hold one's position to the final gun, resulting in first Gary Lewis, second Mark Lawrie, third Charles Frost and fourth Don Smith. At the last mark it was tragic to see Alex Lewin underestimate the tide and hit the mark, placing him well and truly out of the prime overall result.

Prizes and trophies were awarded for each of the four races, plus other trophies for overall placings. Each visitor was sent away with a momento, and a personal thank you for making the trip by the Stone Commodore, Derek Sandell.



Eric Broughton/Simon Baker get 20558 to lift up her skirt and get going.

True to past tradition the regatta had been well organized with the atmosphere of a warm welcome to all visitors so reknown to Stone.

> Keith Harding Public Relations Officer

> > Finish

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STONE INTERNATIONAL OPEN

BoatSkipper/Crew20246Gary Lewis/Alan Williams26159Charles Frost/James Ingram24153Don Smith/Paul Smith20351Alexahder Lewin/Alison Gray20255Mark Lawrie/Gareth Davies23175John Sewell/Ian Sinclair

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UK Regatta Combines Juniors, Blue Circle Open

The annual combined SCIRA UK National Junior Championship and Blue Circle Snipe Open, May 16-17, had another great English sports attraction to compete with - the English football Cup Final between Tottenham Hotspur and Coventry City. But with a healthy entry of 20 boats there was not much to moan about!

The Juniors raced well with last year's reigning champion David Crouch still holding the title for 1987. Iain Harding competed hard, showing some of the knowledge picked up at the 1986 Junior Worlds and put into practice. Iain did not have his usual crew; instead, brother James took command of the jib. At the age of 12 James was the youngest competing, but was certainly giving his best. Even a capsize did not sap his strength for the Harding brothers claimed a third overall.

Junior results: 1. David Crouch/Elizabeth Crouch, Blue Circle SC; 2. Gary Broad/Clive Bross, Blue Circle SC; 3. Iain Harding/James Harding, Broadstairs SC.

The Blue Circle Open drew crews from every UK Snipe fleet. It was the usual friendly regatta both on and off the water. Four races were organized and wind conditions gave both very light and up to a force five.

Open results: 1. Peter Wolstenholm/Stephen Roberts, Blue Circle SC; 2. Tony Statham/Wendy Wolstenholm, Budworth SC; 3. Paul Mason/Liz Crouch, Blue Circle SC; 4. Charles Frost/Peter Frost, Stone SC; 5. Kevin Harvey/Tim



Vaughn, Blue Circle SC; 6. Alex Lewin/Allison Jones, Stone BC. Oh! The Cup Final result? Coventry City won 3-2.

> John Broughton UK Secretary

Len Miller's Brylan Snipe attracted much interest. He has christened her Jaws, threatening that if he cannot beat the fleet then Jaws will eat her way through the fleet to first place!



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Snipe Hunt winners — Rear L to R: Brent McKenzie, Johnny Sinclair, Tom Payne, Tarasa Davis, Steve Burns. Front: Steve Burke, Carol Nevits, Mike Pendley, Lisa Mawrise.

	C	SNIPE HUNT Top 15 of 25 Boats)			
Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
25840	Brent MeKenzie/Steve Burke	LLSC	2-1-1	3.5	1
26473	Johnny Sinclair/Carol Nevits	LLSC	8-3-2	13	2
26668	Tom Payne/Tom Schroeder	LLSC	10-2-3	15	3
24605	Tarasa Davis/Milo Pendley	AYC	3-8-4	15	4
26105	Raymond Burke/Rob Ostrom	LLSC	7-4-6	17	5
26762	Mike Gable/Sandy Scheda	St. Petersburg	6-7-5	18	6
26737	Tommy Smith/Eric Tidd	LLSC	1-5-13	18.75	7
25750	Don Pettigrew/Susan Pettigrew	AYC	4-6-11	21	8
25071	Don Hackbarth/Brian Hackbarth	AYC	5-12-9	26	9
25373	Kathy Bronaugh/Jim Bronaugh	BFSC	15-9-7	31	10
24699	John Ruff/John Ruff, Jr.	AYC	1-14-8	33	11
24142	Mike Hackbarth/Vicki	AYC	12-15-10	37	12
24634	Knox Rodgers	LLSC	13-13-14	40	13
24632	Flo Lovelace/Elsie Reilly	BFSC	18-10-15	43	14
25070	Bill Lynn/Julie Dean	AYC	16-11-dns	52	15

Brent McKenzie Wins Snipe Hunt at Lake Lanier

Barefoot Snipe Fleet hosted the Snipe Hunt Regatta June 6-7 on Lake Lanier near Atlanta, Ga. Thanks to local support 25 boats sailed and drifted two races Saturday and one race on Sunday.

We were fortunate to have two boats from out of town. The new Snipe fleet 801 in St. Petersburg was represented by Mike Gable and Sandy Scheda. They sailed an excellent series and finished sixth overall. Steve Burns from Charleston was delivering a boat and also sailed it. Steve took home the DL trophy but we were all proud of his perserverance in that he finished all of the races.

Saturday morning was breezy with winds 8 to 10 mph but by racetime the wind was lighter and shifty with a few holes. Brent McKenzie and Tommy Smith battled it out with Tommy winning the first race.

The second race began with a wind shift about two to three minutes before the start. A start was best made at the pin end on a port reach. Brent being the excellent sailor that he is figured this out and jumped to an early lead. Halfway up the "windward" leg the wind actually shifted back and the race course was as it should be.



Saturday night dinner was catered by Sonny's Barbecue with 30 people eating at the pavilion.

On Sunday morning the lake was like glass with Snipes being towed to the starting line. However, a race was started and Brent McKenzie had a beautiful start to take the lead again! The race was shortened to two and a half legs much to everyone's relief! Brent kept his lead from the start and won the third race.

Highlights of the racing were words between Tom Payne and the crew on a cruising boat which was intersecting the race course and Don Hackbarth's capsize on the second leg of the third race.

A good time was had by all and we hope to see you all again next year!

Kathy Bronaugh, Fleet Captain

Chapin/Lindley Win U.S. Pan Am Trials

Dave Chapin and Rob Lindley won the U.S. Pan-Am Trials at Michigan City, May 27-29. Before the regatta Dave and Rob looked like the best team, and to hardly anyone's surprise lived up to the reputation of being among the best small boat sailors in America. Dave jumped to a commanding lead after three races with three straight bullets.

On the first day two races were sailed in varying wind direction and velocity. The stronger southwest wind was continually being fought by the northwest seabreeze. In general, it paid to sail towards the "real" wind which Dave did to perfection. It was a pleasure watching Dave pick his way to weather under those tricky conditions.

Saturday brought light winds and thunderstorms. The first race was started in 2-4 mph and allowed the seabreeze to dominate which resulted in a constant shift to the right. As you might guess Chapin and Lindley were furthest right approaching the first mark. The first race was shortened after one triangle so that a second race could be scheduled. This race started in smooth water and 6-8 mph wind that shifted again to the right hand side of the course. This race, won by Greg Fisher, was also shortened because of an approaching thunderstorm.

Some boats were in tow when the storm hit which resulted in hectic times and a few capsizes. At least five crews rode out the storm on the bottoms of their turtled hulls. Many thanks go the fine organization of the Michigan City Sports Corp. for providing ample rescue teams that assured everyone a safe return to port.

Sunday brought an even bigger clockwise shift on the first weather leg and, combined with a dying breeze, strung out the competitors by unbelievable amounts. This race was shortened by one leg as Chris Raab prevailed with a first. The wind filled later in the day but the regatta was over before the sixth and final race began. due to the long ordeal of the fifth race.

Thirty-two boats competed in the Trials, and except for one boat that weighed in at 540 lbs., was the most competitive group of Snipe sailors recently assembled. The Snipe Class wishes to thank Berkley Duck, Michael McCann, Wendy Lindquist and the rest of the race committee and organizational staff that put on a very professionally run event under trying conditions.

Terry Timm

U.S. PAN-AM SNIPE TRIALS (Top 10 of 32 Entries)

Skipper	Club	Points	Finish
Dave Chapin	Newport Beach	13.00	1
Dave Pritchard	Atlanta	29.40	2
Chris Raab	Sunset Beach, CA	36.00	3
Greg Fisher	Columbus	37.00	4
Jerry Thompson	Long Beach	48.00	5
Craig Leweck	San Diego	52.00	6
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Don't forget to send the Bulletin a complete report and photos on your Snipe regatta. In the overall results be sure to include names of skipper and crew, home club or fleet, places in each race, total points, and standing in fleet.

Scenes from the Western Hemisphere Championship ... by Buzz Lamb



Uscateguis Lead In Columbian Selection Trials

Columbia recently completed a six-race selection series to determine their participation in the Pan American Games in the U.S. in August and the Snipe Worlds in France in September. Ten boats qualified with close racing in the top positions. J.C. and A.M. Uscategui finished with 11.7 points and will represent Columbia at the Pan Am. Gustavo and Rafael Tamayo finished second with 14.4 points and Carlos Ortiz and E. Bernal had 19.7 for third place. The second and third place finishers will compete at La Rochelle.

Skipper/Crew	Club	Places	Points	Finish	
J.C. Uscategui/A.M. Uscategui	CNM	3-1-1-3-2-2	11.7	1	
G. Tamayo/R. Tamayo	CNP	2-nf-3-1-1-3	14.4	2	
C. Ortiz/E. Bernal	CNP	1-2-2-4-3-4	19.7	3	
J. Isaza/P. Silva	CNM	4-3-ns-2-6-1	28.4	4	
R. Deeb/C. Deeb	CNP	6-4-4-6-4-5	45.7	5	
C. Orozco/L. Merchan	CNM	5-7-ns-5-5-ns	60	6	
M. Ortiz/C. Ortiz, Sr.	CNM	7-5-9-9-8-7	65	7	
P. Castillo/J. Abisanbra	CNM	6-8-7-11-9-8	67.7	8	
H. Breslauer/S. Lombana	CNP	ns-ns-6-10-7-6	69.4	9	
F. Bernal/M.P. Bernal	CNP	9-8-8-8-nf-nf	73	10	

Claus Carpelan Is Finland's 1987 National Champion

Our Finnish Nationals of the year 1987 is now part of history, and I think many think it is a pleasant part of it. We had 37 boats here sailing which again means a little growth from last year.

The measurements were held here at my company where all the job could be done under roof. Actually that was necessary only if you don't like much sunshine. The real summer seems really to have come here now with sun and warm and varying winds.

The races started on Friday with 37 boats on the line. The winds were rather strong which caused some trouble for lighter crews. Both races were won by Claus Carpelan with Freddy Wegelius crewing. Claus has been sailing Snipe for about 30 years but never won the Nationals but finished second or third several times. This was a promising start for him.

The second day was on the other hand the day for the light weather freaks almost three hours of waiting for wind, and then sailing in so light winds that only a rising wind during the last beat brought the Snipes to the finishing line in time. This race was won by the Valjus brothers Sampo and Risto from Oulu in the north but who are now studying architecture in Helsinki. The second race scheduled for that day was not sailed.

On Sunday morning there was wind already in the morning which gave Claus and Freddy new hope — they had finished ninth in the light weather race and all the other potential champions had better results. They had, however, no trouble with their nerves and managed to win both races this day again after very good competition with the other top crews. With one race thrown-out they finished with 0 points.

	SNIPE FINNISH NATIONALS						
Boat	Skipper/Crew	Town	Places	Points Finish			
19677	Claus Carpelan/F. Wegelius, HPS	Hamina	1-1-9-1-1	0.0 1			
26646	Jukka Lahti/Juhani Heljo, N	Tampere	2-4-2-2-7	17.0 2			
25040	HakanBjurstrom/R. Bjurstrom, N	Tampere	3-2-4-4-2	19.7 3			
26650	Sampo Valjus/Risto Valjus, HSK	Helsinki	7-3-1-3-5	21.4 4			
26642	Tom Bjorndahl/B. Holmqvist, GSF	Kokkola	6-6-5-5-3	37.4 5			
24312	Juhani Liinamaa/Jussi Kivikoski, N	Tampere	8-5-8-9-6	49.7 6			
23675	Jorma Kinnunen/Jukka Hauru, OM	Oulu	16-8-11-7-8	54.0 7			
21832	Klkka Hallavo/K. Tornroos, VVP	Hameenl.	15-11-10-10-4	57.0 8			
25043	Jyrki Landstedt/Juha Orjala, N	Tampere	9-9-6-21-14	61.7 9			
24325	Jouni Valli/Petri Husa, N	Tampere	11-10-13-6-11	61.7 10			
21446	Markus Holm/K. Akerlund, GSF	Kokkola	12-12-17-8-9	65.0 11			
24323	M. Westerholm/Westerholm, HSK	Helsinki	10-ns-3-13-22	68.7 12			
25138	Jari Aavisto/Ranier Vilkkila, JVS	Jyvaskyla	4-19-14-11-ret	70.0 13			
21660	Timo Jarske/Jussi Jarske, N	Tampere	5-14-18-12-19	72.0 14			
25136	Peter Holm/Per-Ole Holm, GSF	Kokkola	14-13-27-22-10	83.0 15			
23678	Roger Nylund/Per Stenius, ASS	Turku	24-16-15-16-12	83.0 16			
20270	Hannu Vihervuori/Vihervuori, TPS	Turku	19-ret-12-17-13	85.0 17			
26651	Kai Saarhelo/Jouko Saarheo, BSF	Pori	20-7-7-28-dsq	86.0 18			
23828	Kari Kokkonen/Timo Jarvinen, HSK	Helsinki	18-20-16-14-17	89.0 19			
1986	Pauli Vuorinen/Tapio Valimaa, VVP	Hameenl.	22-15-28-23-16	100.0 20			
21753	Jussi Savela/Kari Tuomala, HSK	Helsinki	21-17-20-20-26	102.0 21			
24121	Ari Kansakoski/Ari Jarju, GSF	Kikkola	17-23-19-24-20	103.0 22			
5604	Timo Karlsson/Kari Lehto, VV	Vammala	26-18-23-25-15	105.0 23			
24319	Seppo Karisto/Jorma Lahtinen, VVP	Hameenl.	25-21-31-15-23	108.0 24			
20286	Mikko Valjus/Teija Kaarlela, OPS	Oulu	23-22-21-31-24	114.0 25			
26647	Pertti Hynninen/Jorma Valto, MPS	Mikkeli	29-26-26-19-25	120.0 26			
26643	Juha Virtanen/T. Virtanen, VVK	Helsinki	28-24-24-27-21	120.0 27			
24014	Matti Pehkonen/Petri Allas, OM	Oulu	ret-dns-29-18-18	127.0 28			
26644	Pekka Parhiala/Niko Rukokari, M	Helsinki	13-ret-25-30-dns	130.0 29			
22370	Annika Seppala/M. Hietanen, HSK	Helsinki	31-25-30-26-28	133.0 30			
21842	Jouko Leppanen/J. Leppanen, SSP	Luvia	32-27-34-29-27	139.0 31			
24117	Urpo Nykulla/Jyrki Nykulla, VVP	Hameenl.	33-30-22-35-32	141.0 32			
25472	Tom Haldin/Peter Storbacka, GSF	Kokkola	30-28-35-33-31	146.0 33			
24314	Reijo Jarvinen/Jouko Jaakkola, VVP	Hameenl.	27-29-33-ret-dns	151.0 34			
24322	Karri Kaskimaki/Michelsson, ASS	Turku	ret-dns-32-32-30	153.0 35			
25135	Harri Rajakaltio/Kati Joula, HSK	Helsinki	34-dns-37-34-29	158.0 36			
25474	Jouni van der Meij/Pekka Siren, GSF	Kokkola	ret-dns-36-36-33	167.0 37			

It might interest you to know that their boat is a 1972 Skipper; it doesn't look very good but it is fast and the boys work hard. The last few years they haven't had much possibility to sail together because Freddy is now a veterinarian working in Sweden. Among the other Snipe sailors these guys are very popular champions of the Snipe Class in Finland.

The social program included a steamboat tour on Friday evening with a light dinner and good music played by the Aura River Jazz Band attended by about 100 persons. On Saturday evening I had a garden party at my summer place. The arranging club Airisto Segelsallskap and me personally where very pleased to have SCIRA Rear Commodore Per-Ole Holm taking part in the Nationals crewing in his son Peter's Snipe and attending all the social events.

We also notice that the new fleet (not yet official) in Mikkeli was represented in the Nationals and hope we see more of their sailing in the coming regattas. This winter they have built or bought over 10 Snipes and they plan to sail this year mainly in Mikkeli waters and travel more next year.

Finland will send three Snipes to the Worlds but we have still two qualification regattas and the team will be named not before August 9. I have informed Lamarque about this.

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Boat	Skipper/Crew	Club	Places	Points	Finish	
25708 26174 24998 22800 24110 22285 25165 24633 25659 24683 26743 26743 26743	Ron Sanstrom/Cathy Duffy Dave Lence/Dave Koepp John Lally/Todd St. John Joe Zaklin/Linda Goldsmith Dave Rogers/Laurie Rogers Sarah Levinson/Harry Levinson Pedro Larron/Mike Mitchell Shawn Sullivan/Suzanne Brown Ray Schmit/Teresa Alexander Alvin Bugbee/Randy Schroeder Mike Elser/Jayne Elser Bruce Patterson/David Patterson Curt Spalding/Patrice Milos	Winchester Winchester CPYC QYC Medford Manhasset Bay QYC QYC Medford	1-1-1-2-7 4-2-4-5-1-3 2-9-2-2-9-1 8-4-3-9-4-5 3-7-5-4-7-11 6-13-6-6-6-4 5-8-8-3-5-8 13-6-9-12-3-2 7-3-12-13-10-14 9-15-7-7-15-9 12-12-10-11-8-12 10-11-15-8-16-10 19-5-11-14-20-6	5 13.75 15.75 24 26 28 29 32 45 45 47 53 54 55	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	,
23968 25838	Paul Wood/Kathy Peter Wolcott/Ken Mellor	QYC QYC	11-10-13-15-13-16 15-14-14-10-11-15	62 64	14 15	

Ron Sanstrom Earns Dual Titles at Lake Quassapaug

When you think of Lake Quassapaug, you think of drifters and unpredictable 60 degree windshifts, right? Well, the local "wind gods" are trying to erase that bad impression. For the second straight regatta, strong winds and beautiful sailing conditions prevailed the weekend of June 6-7 for the New England Championship/Whittemore St. John Regatta.

Twenty-three boats were on hand and were able to enjoy four fast races on Saturday in 10-20 mph winds and two more on

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CHUBASCO 19063. White. Cobra mast. 2 suits sails, covers, trailer, \$1,400. Doug Smith, Webster, NY. (716) 872-2899 H, (716) 722-3892 W.

McLAUGHLIN 25677. Kelly green hull, bone top. Two sets of Shore sails. Trailer and top cover included. A fast boat in excellent condition. Boat in Dallas. Call Steve Kindrick at (417) 886-1627. \$3,400.

CHUBASCO 23990. Red hull, white deck, good condition, two suits sails, Cobra mast, trailer, ready-to-race \$1,900. John Brown, Cleveland, OH. H: (216)467-9711; w: (216)248-8680.

Sunday in more moderate 5-15 mph breezes.

Clearly, Ron Sanstrom was happy with the conditions as he made a successful return to Quassapaug (after a couple of years absence) by winning the regatta handily. He posted four sterling firsts on Saturday followed by a second on Sunday for an almost perfect score (his sixth race was purely for fun as there was a throwout allowed).

Dave Lence, also from the talented Winchester fleet, broke up Sanstrom's "perfect game" by winning the first race on Sunday. Sanstrom led through the first four legs but on the downwind leg of the Olymic course was "run down" by Lence who held on for the win. Lence's other consistently good finishes allowed him to finish second overall.

In third, making good use of local knowledge provided by his crew, was John Lally. His series was highlighted by a wire to wire win in the final race, leading by a comfortable margin at the finish. Consistency landed Joel Zackin in fourth place and Dave Rogers was able to salvage some hardware for the home fleet by finishing fifth. The rest of the competitors all enjoyed the weekend as well and the Quassapaug fleet is looking forward to two more home regattas this year with the continued cooperation of the wind and weather.

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