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**The Count:** 14 numbers have been issued since the last issue; Brazil 3; Japan 4, ARG 2, USA 1, ESP 4

**Numbered Snipes:** 31066  
**Chartered Fleets:** 887

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**Cover photo:** Team racing on Lake Ledro in Italy, 2007.

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*With the major Snipe Championships being held in later months this year, this gives everyone a chance to do a little more practicing before the bigger events. The European, WH&O, World Master and Women's Worlds will all begin starting in August going through November. There will be lots of regattas to report in the upcoming Snipe Bulletin or SnipeToday online issue. Keep sending information to keep abreast of your fellow Snipe sailors!*

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**Next Issue deadline:**  
June 1

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## From the Commodore -

As the Snipe sailing season gets going I have had a great deal of correspondence from many sailors and fleets. Here in San Diego (USA) we are lucky enough to sail all year long and we have been very active in rejuvenating our fleet.



As I spoke of last time, I feel the fleet is the heart of Snipe sailing. It is where people interact with each other. While SCIRA and each National Secretary can help with commonalities like rules, major regattas and membership, it is the fleets that have a real effect at keeping small boat racing alive and encouraging new people to join in our races. Yes, I feel the fleet captain and those who organize the fleets have the biggest impact on if Snipes are a success or not.

I've heard of fleets in Italy, Spain, Poland, the US, Brazil and many other countries that all have different challenges at building their fleets. I can tell the your SCIRA Board of Governors are **very** interested in helping countries and fleets in promoting Snipe racing. Please feel free to speak to your National Secretary or reach out to a member or the Board to tell them what works for your fleet or what you think would benefit sailing in your area.

Also, I would like to pass along that the Technical Committee is looking at the rule changes approved in 2011. We look to clarify our rules to be sure that the SCIRA rules are intended to work with the ISAF rules to only change every four years. We need to first get the ISAF rule changes and confirm our rule changes are not in conflict; then we plan to be able to roll them out in 2013 with the new ISAF rules. The Technical Committee is forming the intent of the Board changes from last year into specific rule changes that would be implemented in our rule book. We weigh the balance of improving the boat while not wishing to unduly disrupt those sailing at the local level. We have had great success with gradual rule changes but that is the task of the Technical Committee each four years.

Lastly, please send in your dues as soon as you can. This helps each country to qualify more boats to international regattas as well as help to keep our operations running smoothly. If it was not for SCIRA we would not have a common set of rules to measure and sail by and, well, our boats would certainly be of much lesser value. Thank you for your support.

And, I hope to see you on the water,

-don

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## Remembering Svend Rantil

SCIRA recently learned that Past Commodore Svend Rantil left us. We are trying to find out more. Svend was SCIRA Commodore in 1976 and was instrumental in establishing the Snipe Junior World Championship. Many of us had the pleasure of meeting him at the recent Snipe Worlds held in Landskrona, Sweden, his home country, when he stopped by to wish the competitors fair sailing. *Fair sailing now to you, Svend.*

## SCIRA Long Range Regatta Grid

SCIRA will be looking for venues for upcoming events for the coming years. Based upon the rotation the Class instituted many years ago, if one of the major events falls in your area and you think you'd be interested in hosting, take a look at the bid form, available on the Snipe website, and contact your National Secretary.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Hub Isaacs World Championship</b>		<i>ESP submitted bid: Set for Southern European venue</i>		North America or Japan	
<b>Vieri Lasinio Junior Snipe World Championship</b>		<i>ESP submitted bid: Set for Southern European venue</i>		North America or Japan	
<b>Yamaguchi Women's World Championship</b>	WH/Japan venue		No. European venue		WH/Japan venue
<b>Id Crook World Masters Championship</b>	WH/Japan venue		No. European venue		WH/Japan venue
<b>European Championship</b>	Northern European venue		Southern European venue		Northern European venue
<b>Western Hemis &amp; Orient Championship</b>	North American or Japan venue		South American or Japan venue		South American or Japan venue

## National Secretaries - Welcome

Welcome aboard to the new National Secretaries and thank you to the retiring NS who gave, in some cases, years of service to SCIRA:

**Incoming**  
**Argentina:** Luis Soubie  
**Colombia:** Francisco Castillo  
**Finland:** Juha Lehtinen  
**France:** Jerome Thomas  
**Italy:** Andrea Piazza  
**Japan:** Yoshinori Kurihara  
**Uruguay:** Pablo Defazio

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 Sylvie Le Bour-Boisubert  
 Alberto Perdisa  
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## DBMARINE OFFICIAL PARTECIPATIONS SNIPE 2012

**March 22-25**

**Open Nacional de Espana**  
Santiago de la Ribeira (Spain)

**March 30-31**

**National Trials**  
San Remo (Italy)

**May 18-20**

**Croatian Championship**  
Moscenicka Draga (Croatia)

**May 26-27**

**National Trials**  
Riccione (Italy)

**May 26-28**

**Harboe Cup**  
Espergarrde (Denmark)

**June 1-3**

**German Open/South European  
Championship**  
Caldonazzo (Italy)

**July 6-8**

**Piada Trophy**  
Talamone (Italy)

**August 5-14**

**European Junior and Senior  
Championship**  
Cervia (Italy)

**August 29 - September 2**

**Italian Championship**  
Arco (Italy)

**September 11-16**

**World Master Championship**  
Santiago de la Ribeira (Spain)

**September 18-24**

**Women's World Championship**  
Santiago de la Ribeira (Spain)

**September 22-23**

**National Trials**  
Orta (Italy)



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# Snipe Sailors Go for Gold

Throughout the history of the Class, the Snipe has served as both a beginning point and a cross-trainer for aspiring Olympians and legends in the yachting world. The names Torben Grael, Santiago Lange, Mark Reynolds, Paul Elvstrom are synonymous with the Snipe and Olympic medals. A highly tactical boat with an emphasis on tuning, the Snipe continues to attract sailors wanting to improve their skills and race at a high national and international level.

While it would seem that Snipe sailors would be most attracted to a double-handed boat like the 470, history has demonstrated that the Snipe compliments the performance and training of sailors in almost all of the Olympic disciplines.

The tradition of the Snipe sailors in the Olympic Classes continues today. Over fifty Snipe sailors were a part of the ISAF World Cup circuit in 2011. It was difficult not to run into a Snipe sailor in Weymouth (2012 Olympic sailing venue) or at the ISAF Worlds in Perth during the last year.

The 470 boat park is the most obvious place to find Snipe sailors – with more than twenty competing on the World



Cup circuit in 2011. Snipe sailors represented nine countries in the 470 class. Seventeen-year old North American Snipe Champion, **Raul Rios (PUR)**, 2008 European Youth Champion, **Jordi Triay Pons (ESP)**, and **Benjamin Grez (CHI)** are among the younger skippers from the class, learning that similar to



the Snipe, time in the boat pays. **Tetsuya Matsunaga (JPN)**, **Gabrio Zadona (ITA)**, and **Ferdinand Gerz (GER)** all qualified their countries for the London Games and two former Snipe Jr. World Champions, **Graham Biehl (USA)** and **Lucas Calabrese (ARG)** have again earned their place at the Olympics.



In the women's 470, **Lara Dallman-Weiss and Cara Valvolotis (USA)** made their World Championship debut and Japan's **Yuka Yoshisako and Noriko Okuma** found themselves in an impressive 14<sup>th</sup> place at the finish of the Worlds in Perth.



You don't have to travel to Perth or London to find a talented group of women sailors. You can simply attend a Women's Snipe World Championship. Sailors from every women's Olympic discipline were represented at the 2011 Women's Snipe Worlds – 470, Laser Radial, RSX, & Match Racing. 2009 Snipe Women's World Champion **Marina Gallego** is currently the #2 ranked 470 skipper in Spain. She found herself in good company at



2011 Women's Snipe Worlds, placing 5<sup>th</sup> behind RSX sailor **Kathleen Tocke (USA)**, and 2008 Laser Radial Gold Medalist and current Women's Match Racing World Champion **Anna Tunnicliffe** with crew **Molly Vandermoer (USA)**.

Molly and Anna are not alone on their path to the Games. Brazil's **Julianna Mota and Larissa Juk** find time to race Snipes and compete on the match racing circuit. **Angela Pumariega (ESP)** and former Women's World Champion, **Ekaterina Skudina (RUS)** have both qualified their match racing teams and will be competing in this year's Games.



Two-time Women's World champion, **Andrea Foglia (URU)**, has made the switch to single-handed sailing and is climbing in the results in the Laser Radial class with hope of earning a berth for London. In Perth, she finished one place ahead of former Snipe sailor, **Eugeniya Kunetsova (RUS)**. Other current Snipe sailors competing on the Laser World Cup circuit include Andrea's brother



# Snipe Sailors Go for Gold

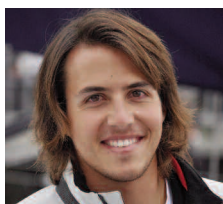


benefits of growing-up sailing Snipes in San Diego and is joined on the World Cup circuit by other former Snipe sailors **Rick Merriman (USA)** and **Julia Labandeira (ARG)**, and 2009 Snipe World champion, **Tomas Hornos (USA)**. Even **Augie Diaz** and **Mark Reynolds**, find time to compete in the Star Class winter circuit in Florida - thirty years after qualifying as a team for the

**Alejandro Foglia (URU), Eduardo Couto**

**(BRA)**, and 2011 Laser Radial World Youth champion, **Giovanni Cocoluto (ITA)**, who placed fourth at the recent Snipe Youth Worlds in Denmark.

Do skills and knowledge from the Snipe transfer to a skiff like the 49er? Two-time Jr. World Snipe champion and seasoned 49er veteran, **Andre Fonseca (BRA)**, is aiming for his 3<sup>rd</sup> Olympics in the class. Former Snipe South American champion, **Santiago Silveira** and former Jr. South American champion, **Philippe Umpierre**, both of Uruguay, have



taken time off from Snipe sailing to focus on their Olympic campaigns. They are also in the company of the **Murrieta brothers** from Mexico, who after winning the 2010 North American Snipe Championship in Puerto Rico, shifted their focus (and weight) to sailing the 49er.

And we cannot forget the Star, the class that not only



attracts sailing's legends, but also Snipe champions. Former Snipe sailors **Robert Scheidt & Bruno Prada (BRA)** (also former Laser & Finn class sailors) are seen atop the Star class results list as well as other Brazilians, **Lars and Torben Grael**. 2009 Star World Champion and multi- Snipe North American Champion, **George Szabo (USA)** has managed to find time to join Snipe class events while campaigning. Star sailor and Laser Olympian, **Andrew Campbell (USA)**, has long been reaping the



Moscow Games in the Flying Dutchman class.

And last but not least- coaches. They share their wealth of experience from the Snipe with so many Olympic Class sailors. Former Snipe Junior World champion, **Luis Chiapparo (URU)**, and USA National Champion,

**Leandro Spina** are kept busy as head coaches for their National Olympic Teams.

World Champion, **Alexandre Paradedo (BRA)** is a frequent coach on the Olympic Circuit. Former Snipe Pan Am Games gold medalist, **Mark Reynolds** is currently coaching the Polish rock-star Mateusz Kusznierewicz in the Star Class.

He is joined by former US Snipe National Champion, **Mark Ivey**, who recently signed on to coach Freddie Loof (SWE) another medal hopeful in the Star Class.

**David Hughes (USA)**, a great snipe crew from the San Diego fleet, is coaching the US 49er team.



Kathleen Tocke





## SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION

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NOTICE OF SCHEDULE  
AVISO DE CALENDARIO

Santiago de la Ribera / Spain, 11th through 16th September 2012  
Santiago de la Ribera, del 11 al 16 de Septiembre de 2012

Registration and measurements: Registro y mediciones:	11 <sup>th</sup> September and 12 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012. 11 y 12 de Septiembre de 2012.
Opening ceremony: Ceremonia de apertura:	12 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012. 12 de Septiembre de 2012.
Racing: Regatas:	3 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012. 13, 14, 15 y 16 de Septiembre de 2012.
Prize giving ceremony: Ceremonia de entrega de trofeos:	16 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012. 16 de Septiembre de 2012.

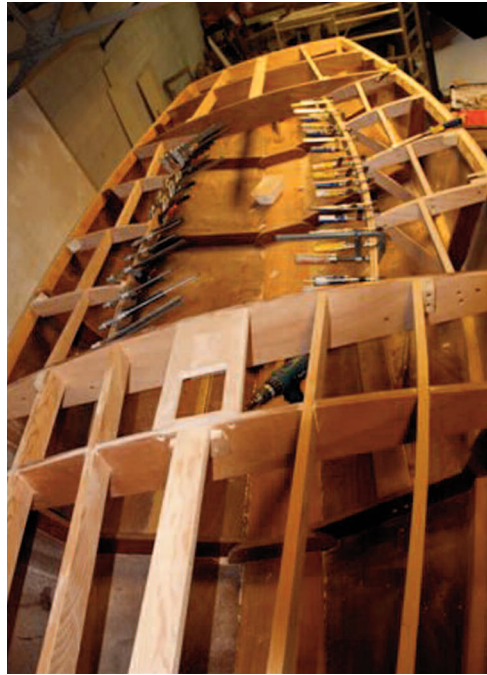
Notice of Race will be communicated soon.  
En breve se comunicará el Anuncio de Regata.





# Belgian Snipe in Progress

Here's another Snipe in progress, this time in Belgium. Renaat Nyckees and son are close to completion and we hope to have photos of it sailing soon!



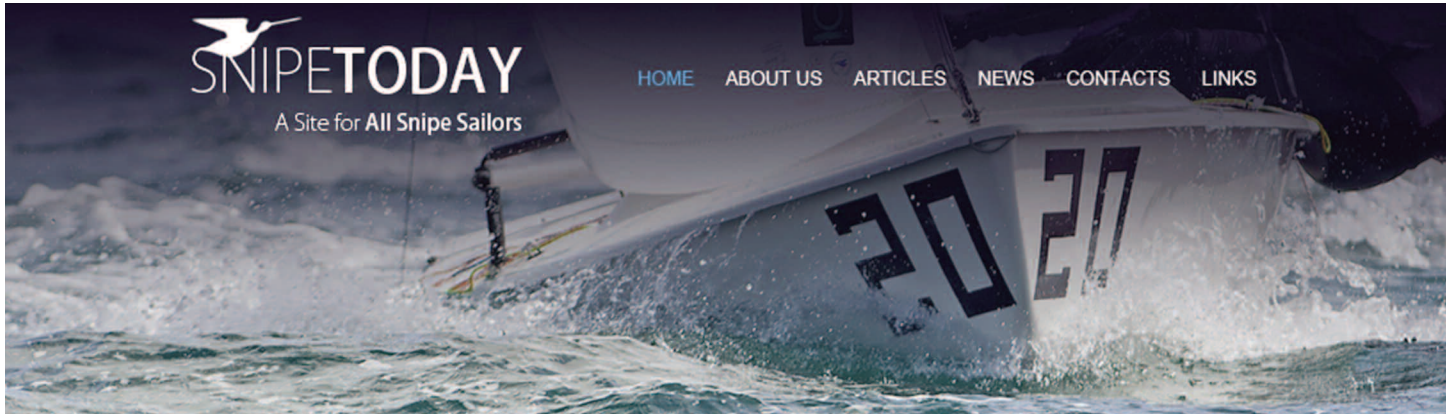
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A site for all Snipe sailors

The Snipe Class is composed of many countries and Snipe sailors of different ages, levels and aspirations. Between countries and between the different fleets, there are quantitative and qualitative differences, traditions and ambitions.

In our opinion it is nice and interesting to know what is happening in other parts of the world. As it is nice and interesting to make known what is happening in our country and in our fleet.

SnipeToday wants to be the point of contact and exchange of information and ideas among all sailors who race a Snipe. This can enrich us and give us ideas for improvement.

This is the purpose of the site: to enrich and improve both sailors and the Snipe Class as a whole.

So send us your stories, comments, photos. It does not matter if you do not know the English or you only know Italian or Spanish or Japanese. We will find someone to translate your words.

So far the site has essentially been a monopoly of the United States, Italy, Poland, Belgium, Portugal ... But there are many sailors in other countries who can join in. This invitation is addressed to everyone, North and South Europe, North and South America, Japan.

Even a small race or a small promotional event in a small fleet can be interesting and be a source of inspiration for another fleet in the other part of the globe. And while it is winter in the North, we like to hear about sailing in the Southern Hemisphere!

The peculiarity of our Class is that there are champions, apprentice champions, sailors who want to improve their skills, sailors who just want to have fun. The same applies to fleets. Everyone should have their voice and express their opinions or suggestions.

Please contribute, even if it's only a comment or question ([editor@snipetoday.org](mailto:editor@snipetoday.org)).

*Pietro Fantoni*

*Carol Cronin*

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# An Open Invitation - Come Sail in Italy!

Dear Snipe sailors,

I would like to welcome you all to sail snipe in Italy. This year we will have a lot of nice regattas in interesting places, all over Italy (on the sea and on the lakes), plus the **European Championship in Cervia** (Adriatic sea) in the dates **August 5<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>**.

All our races are now open to all competitors, so you are all very welcome.

We will have 4 National Regattas (valid for the Italian Ranking List): **March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup> in San Remo**

(Mediterranean Sea), **May 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> in Riccione** (Adriatic

Sea), **June 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> in Bracciano** (Bracciano lake, near Rome), **September 22<sup>nd</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup> in Orta** (Lago Maggiore). The National Championship will be in **Arco di Trento** (Garda Lake, near Riva del Garda) from **August 29<sup>th</sup> to September 2<sup>nd</sup>**; prior to this (August 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>) we will organize the Italian Junior and Ladies Championship, always at the Circolo Vela Arco ([www.circolovelaarco.com](http://www.circolovelaarco.com)).

Above these regattas, we will have the “classical” **German Open- South European Championship** on the lake of **Caldonazzo** from **June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 3<sup>rd</sup>** and the **Piada Trophy** this year in **Talamone (Tuscany)** from **July 6<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup>**, then we will organize again a **Team Racing** championship on the snipe on the lake of **Ledro** in northern Italy (Trentino). The first team racing regattas on snipe took place in 2007 in Ledro, (see photo) and all participants had so much fun, that we have decided to organize again a team racing championship. The local club ([www.avll.it](http://www.avll.it)) has a long experience in organizing team race and match race regattas (up to Grade I Women Match Race regattas).

We will then have the Italian **Master Championship** on the lake of **Molveno**, another wonderful Italian little lake in the **Dolomites, on July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**.

In a word, take note of our regattas and book your holidays in Italy to sail snipe with us. We have regattas for all tastes, from lakes to sea, in traditionally windy and less windy places.

You can find the complete calendar of our regattas on [www.snipe.it](http://www.snipe.it).

Andrea Piazza

Italian National Secretary

Photos by Michele Postingel. Top photo: Regatta in Riva del Garda. Right: Training in Arco.



# 2012 XLIII Annual Comodoro Rasco Snipe Regatta

19 boats registered for this Regatta, but all the way from Rhode Island, Carol Cronin and Kim Couranz came to show us how to do it! and they were the best with LA BOMBA too! Blowing pretty good on Saturday with Easterly winds (15 to 20) and Southeasterly on Sunday (10), I tell you, you can't ask for anything more! Biscayne Bay at its best!



Take a look at the results: Carol and Kim in first, Hal and Amy from Jacksonville in second, Eric Heim from San Diego with Alan Capellin in third. The most improved Snipe Sailors from Palm Beach, Freddie and Dorian Sambolin won the Bill Aicardi Trophy. I love husband and wife sailing together and after the races they kiss each other!! That is true love! And that also shows that Freddie is a gentleman! Two of our best sailors, Ernesto Rodriguez and Brian Kamilar ran into problems, OCS and breakdown respectively.

Kudos to the Coconut Grove Sailing Club Race Committee that ran perfect races with perfect courses, Olympic and Windward/leeward. Super PRO Susan Walcutt with her team: Marvin Schenker, Dottie Rostorfer, Jo Ann Mathieu, Veronic Aghayan, Helene Schenker, Marybeth Pearson, Jaime Ramon, scorer and line spotter (Bad for Ernesto he was caught over the line!!), Captain Bill Braddon. On Mark and Pin boats: George Bradley, Suzanne Roberts, Geoff Sutcliff, Larry Whipple, Kit Temple, Jim Waldron and all the way from Naples, my old friend snipe sailor Dave Lence. What a team!! This has to be one of the best RC's in a long time!!!

All the first three boat team members and Freddie and Dorian drank from La Bomba while we all sang LA BOMBA VA, LA BOMBA VA. But, outstanding was our diva Kim Couranz. Carol, to my surprise, did a very good job singing and drinking LA BOMBA! Now it is going to be a competition between Carol and Kim to see who does the best.

La Bomba is not the only attraction of this Regatta. Carmen's Lasagna is also! And one more time she scored A+ this year. Keep on Carmita!!!

## XLIII ANNUAL TROFEO PERPETUO COMODORO MANUEL RASCO SNIPE REGATTA

### Coconut Grove Sailing Club

Sailed: 5, Discards: 0, To count: 5, Entries: 19, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	SailNo	HelmName	CrewName	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1st	30860	Carol Cronin	Kim Couranz	SSA	1	5	3	3	2	14
2nd	8653/0	Hal Gireath	Amy Benner	FYC	4	3	2	4	6	19
3rd	30337	Eric Heim	Alan Capellin	SDYC	10	2	1	5	8	26
4th	30473	Ernesto Rodriguez	Nikki Bruno	CGSC	20 OCS	1	5	1	1	28
5th	29782	Zack Kelchner	Bryan Stout	CGSC	6	4	9	8	11	38
6th	30089	Andrew Klein	Michelle Morphew	WBC	9	9	12	7	4	41
7th	30288	Kathleen Tocke	Zack Marks	BCC	12	7	10	9	5	43
8th	30439	Brian Kamilar	Scott Ewing	CRYC	2	20 DNC	20 DNC	2	3	47
9th	29778	Roberto Guaragna	Andre Guaragna	USSC	5	12	4	14	13	48
10th	30321	Freddie Sambolin	Dorian Sambolin	CGSC	3	6	7	17	16	49
11th	30571	Sharon Seymore-Johnson	Kara Voss	LYC	7	11	11	12	9	50
12th	30287	Cody Stansky	Pere Puig	CRYC	13	8	6	15	15	57
13th	30942	Don Hackbarth	Merrill Varn	AYC	8	10	8	16	17	59
14th	30336	Gonzalo Diaz Sr.	Bruno Mello	CGSC	11	13	14	11	12	61
15th	29602	Doug C. Broeker	Melanie Broeker	CRYC	20 DNC	20 DNC	13	6	7	66
16th	30362	Jaime Ramon Jr	Jillian Aydelotte	CGSC	14	14	15	18	20 DNC	81
17th	29687	Charlie Bess	Kristen Walker	CRYC	20 DNC	20 DNC	20 DNC	15 CNF	10	85
18th	28810	Roy Howie	Ian Mclene	CRYC	20 DNC	20 DNC	20 DNC	12 CNF	14	86
19th	28702	Johann Lopez	Monica Lopez		20 DNC	20 DNC	20 DNC	20 DNC	20 DNC	100



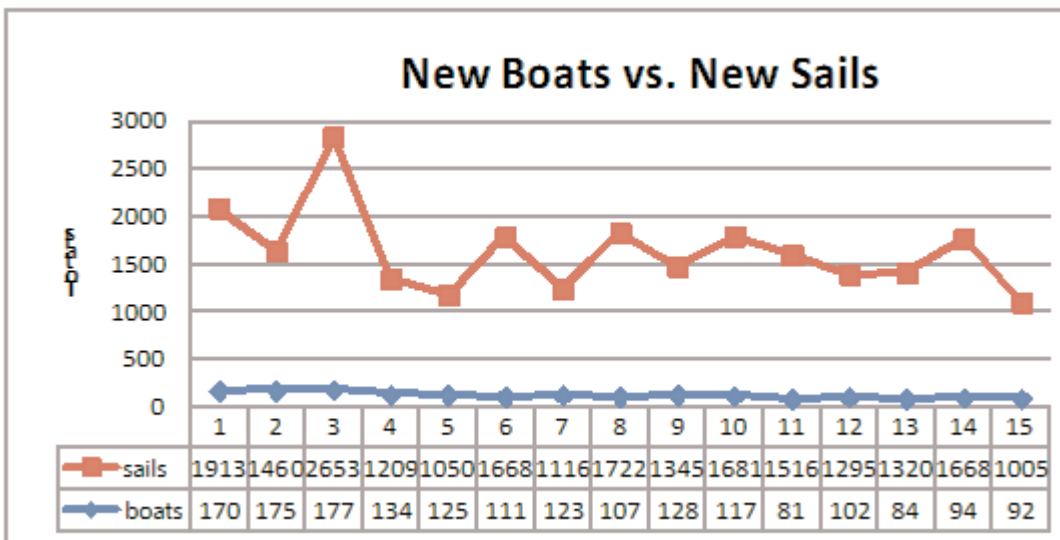
# Class Indicators

	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>Building a Plywood Snipe</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Plans to Build a Snipe</b>				
<i>Original plans</i>	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>
<i>current plans</i>	<b>37</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>12</b>

Determiners of a Class' strengths are the numbers of new hulls and sails purchased over the year. SCIRA tracks these numbers and as indicated by the graph below, we remain healthy. Because we also continue to allow sailors to build their own plywood boats, we also continue to track plans and in addition, the book written by Harold Gilreath in the 1960's (still wildly popular as a sidekick to the blueprints) "How to Build a Plywood Snipe."

Given the current global economy, the Snipe remains a solid investment for discretionary income.

For comparison, [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org) has class reports for all international classes where you can view how many boats have been built each year and the number of countries the boats are sailed.



Note: 1= 1997; 2= 1998; 3= 1999; and so on.



## 2012 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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## September 14-16





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# 2012 Snipe Racing Calender

South Americans	April 1-8	Manta, Ecuador
Spanish Cup	April 28-May 1	Valencia, Spain
UK Santa Cruz Cup	April 28-May 1	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Majsnipen	May 2-5	Goteborg, Sweden
Musto Cup	May 12-13	Oslo, Norway
76 <sup>th</sup> Southwesterns	May 26-27	Dallas, Texas, USA
Palm D'or	May 26-27	Guelph Lake, Canada
Harboe Cup	May 26-28	Espergaerde, Denmark
South Europeans	June 1-3	Trentina, Italy
Shoreham Open	June 3-4	Shoreham, West Sussex, GBR
Linenburg Cup	June 7-9	Criciuma SC, Brazil
Bergen Cup	June 9-10	Bergen, Norway
Snipe Open	June 16-17	Pula, Croatia
*Stone Open	June 16-17	Stone, Essex, GBR
East Brazilians	June 29-July 1	Cabo Frio, Brazil
Helsinki Regatta	June 30-July 1	Helsinki, Finland
East European Cup	June 30-July 2	Gdansk, Poland
Nordics	July 5-7	Motala, Sweden
Piada Trophy+	July 6-8	Talamone, Tuscany, Italy
Kvarner Cup+	July 13-15	Omialj, Croatia
European Championship	August 5-14	Cervia, Italy
VM-Snipen	September 1-2	Stavanger, Norway
South Brazilians	September 5-9	<i>Irai, Curitiba, Brazil</i> TBC
World Masters	September 11-16	Santiago de la Ribera, Spain
North Americans	September 14-16	Toronto, Canada
Women's Worlds	September 18-23	Malaga, Spain
Challenge LeBour*	September 29-30	Platte Taille, Belgium
VikingSnipen	September 29-30	Oslo, Norway
Baerum Hostcup	October 13-14	Oslo, Norway
Semana de Buenos Aires	October 13-14	YC Buenos Aires
North Brazilians	November 15-18	<i>Salvador, Brazil</i> TBC
Western Hemisphere & Orient	November 19-25	Olivos, Buenos Aires, Argentina

+*Summer Circuit*

\**Yves LeBour*

## National Championships

Belgium	August 25-26	Scharendijke, Netherlands
Brazil	January 27-Feb 4	Natal
Colombia	February 25-26	Muña
France	March 31-April 1	Troyes
Croatian Masters	April 21-22	Galeb Kostrena YC
Uruguay	May 12-13, 19-20	Montevideo
Croatian	May 18-20	Orion Moscenicka Dragna
Germany	June 1-3	Lake Caldonazzo, Italy
US Junior	June 16-17	Miami, Florida
US Senior	June 18-22	Miami, Florida
Norway	June 28-30	Oslo
Italian Masters	July 28-29	Molveno
Canada	July 7-8	TBD
UK	August 18-20	Dale, Pembrokeshire, Wales
Finland	August 24-26	Tampere
Poland	August 24-26	Lake Kiekrz, Poznan
Belgium	August 25-26	Scharendijke, Netherlands
Italy Jr & Womens	August 27-28	Arco
Italy	August 29-Sept 2	Arco
Poland Junior	August 27-28	Lake Kiekrz, Poznan
Norway Masters	August 24-26	Asgardstrand
Sweden	August 31-Sept. 2	Lerkil
US Masters	September 21-23	Mission Bay, California
Columbian Youth	September 29-30	Portillo
Argentina	October 5-8	Cordoba
Spain	October 7-17	Los Nietos, Murcia

## 2012 Dues Paid as of March 1, 2012

Country	Boats Paid	Members
Argentina	8	12
Bahamas	10	22
Belgium	0	0
Bermuda	0	0
Brazil	5	3
Canada	6	8
Chile	0	0
Colombia	0	0
Croatia	3	4
Cuba	0	0
Denmark	0	0
Ecuador	0	0
Finland	5	9
France	3	3
Germany	8	10
Italy	0	2
Japan	2	5
Mexico	0	0
Norway	8	6
Paraguay	0	0
Poland	0	0
Portugal	1	1
Puerto Rico	2	2
Russia	0	0
Spain	87	123
Sweden	0	1
US Virgin Islands	0	0
United Kingdom	0	0
United States	50	94
Uruguay	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>307</b>

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