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The Cover: Juliana Duque and Mila Bekarath- 2021 Women's

The Count: 6 new numbers were issued: 2 to Japan, 2 to Brazil, 1 to Spain and 1 to a builder.

**NEXT DEADLINE
April 1**

**Numbered Snipes: 31747
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New web communication platform in planning!

Fluent and timely communication is very important for an active international community like the Snipe Class. Today we have two main web channels, snipe.org and SnipeToday.org, for keeping our members updated. In addition, SnipeToday is also active on Facebook.

Just recently the Snipe Board of Governors approached SnipeToday founders and editors, Pietro Fantoni and Carol Cronin, with a proposal to build a joint web platform for Snipe Class communication. The benefits of a new set-up were noted together and a project for planning and implementation was quickly started.

The objective for the new platform is to improve communication and make information available easier for the class members, potential new Snipe sailors and other stakeholders.

This is achieved by combining the best parts of current SnipeToday.org and snipe.org:

- **SnipeToday** is one of the best-known brands in sailing. SnipeToday.org is the #1 platform for news, articles and discussion with daily updates and dynamic look and friendly user interface.
- **snipe.org** is reliable source for official Class information from boat specs to Class Rules and organization.

The project is currently moving from planning stage to building the first prototypes. The launch of the new web platform is planned to happen during the 3rd quarter of 2021.

Stay tuned and stay healthy!



FROM THE COMMODORE

Hello friends,

A year ago, we were in our first year of a global pandemic with almost 100% of the events canceled and with no immediate prospect of change. 2021 looked uncertain, and in a way, it was a little, but despite everything, as a Class we have been able to return to relative normalcy.

Surely many of you, if you live in countries like mine while reading this, will not agree since most of us have almost not been able to go to the water, but I mean that at least at a Class level we have been able to hold international regattas and there are many countries where we're able to sail with almost no change.

Just as in my last communication 3 months ago I was extremely nervous and dreamed of being able to carry out the upcoming continental regattas that were postponed in 2020. Today I am satisfied and relaxed viewing the photos of those two spectacular events that took place these last two months. In addition to these, last week the Women's Worlds in Brazil was also (and after many years) a tremendous success, which demonstrates the strength of the Class and the good path it has traced in terms of event formats. We have also had several junior and master championships in Europe and although the South American regattas could not be held, the North Americans took place without problems.

All of this didn't happen just because the pandemic allowed it. It happened because there are dozens of people in the clubs, in the organization of the events, in the national Snipe associations, in the national federations and in the SCIRA working for many months to do everything possible not to cancel events. Some of them were very conditioned, yes, and many sailors, including myself, could not compete due to travel restrictions. But despite everything the events had an exceptional quality and a fantastic technical level and were a complete success.

Additionally, (and indeed even more important), it gave me immense satisfaction to receive feedback from many of you to my private email. Both regarding the European in Split and the WH&O in Boston, dozens of you wrote to me highlighting the wonderful time you had and the attention received and making special mention of how much you enjoyed the event as a whole, and not just the regattas. That is our goal at SCIRA, Serious sailing, yes, but serious fun TOO !!!!

In this way, we are ending perhaps the two most difficult

years in the modern history of the Class. We have had setbacks and successes, and we have had to make very difficult decisions several times each year, canceling events or dealing with our own rules, which were neither designed nor prepared for something like what happened. We have always done it thinking about the future and we have had to be firm in situations that did not make us feel comfortable, but that were important as a precedent for the future. Many times, we have had to choose the "lesser" when making a decision.

The election of authorities was one of these cases and it was a legal nightmare and we had to ask the lawyer of the Class how to solve a situation that had no precedent and no rule to be dealt with. I am not going to give a full description of the problem because it is long but to summarize, our rules say that the authorities are elected every 2 years at the meeting in the continental and world championships. But they don't say what to do if the championships are postponed or canceled as they were in 2020. In short, the continental Secretaries have been elected by the National Secretaries this year (and not in 2020) at the events in Split and Boston, and the position of the Commodore, Vice Commodore and Secretary was extended for a year, to be elected in the 2022 Worlds and we will finally return to the normality of replacing half of the Board every 2 years. There were not many options and all of them had some part that went against a part of our Constitution. The other choice was to elect authorities for 1 year, but it was not contemplated in the rules either, so the Nominating Committee proposed and the Board accepted this solution and that means that this was going to be my last post in the Bulletin but now you will have to put up with me for 4 more Snipe Bulletin issues. Sorry about that ...

Finally, the Hall of Fame Committee with Commodore Fantoni as Chairman has chosen the 5 personalities of the year 2021 and they will be presented in the coming days with their respective diplomas. Personally, reading the names chosen for this year, after 15 nominations in past years, I find it incredible that we are still choosing such outstanding personalities of the Class, a sample of the diversity and quality of the sailors and collaborators that preceded us. Looking at the names that didn't "make the cut", I am pretty sure that this will happen for many years in the future.

I say goodbye for now, I hope you have an excellent start 2022

LUIS SOUBIE - ARG 31701
Commodore



BIDS OPEN FOR FUTURE CHAMPIONSHIPS

As we all get back to our “regular” racing calendars, SCIRA is now accepting bids for the following events: SCIRA Bid forms can be found on the Snipe Class website under Regattas>Major Regatta Rotation Grid

Regatta	deadline	Notes
2023 Women's Worlds	June 1, 2022	
2023 World Masters	June 1, 2022	
2023 Europeans	Jan 1, 2022	ITA, POR bids received
2023 Jr Europeans	Jan 1, 2022	
2023 WH&A	Jan 1, 2022	
2022 North Americans	Jan 1, 2022	

RULE CHANGES FOR 2022

The SCIRA Board voted on the following Rules changes which will go into effect January 1, 2022.

Sergio Michel Perpetual - South Europeans

4-6 races shall be sailed with 2 races constituting a regatta.

Changes to the SCIRA Constitution

The majority of the changes are housekeeping rules to clarify official meetings, include Board meetings by video conference and the clarification of amendments. Most rules were not originally written to anticipate a pandemic.

You can read the full text of both rules on the SCIRA website.

SCIRA OFFICIALS FOR 2022

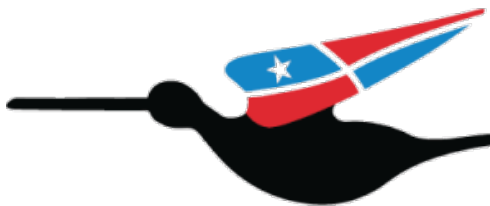
The pandemic affected the election of officers with the cancellation of the World Championship.

After consultation with the SCIRA legal counsel, it was agreed along with the Nominating Committee, to extend the current officers an additional year. Therefore there will be no change in the officers for 2022.



North Sails Snipe North American Championship 2021

**ERNESTO RODRIGUEZ/KATHLEEN
TOCKE TAKE TITLE**



sums it up best – “Very hard, very fun”. Saturday had winds more up and down from the west while Sunday was a strong south-westerly averaging 18-

Jubilee Yacht Club hosted the North Sails Snipe North American Championship 2021 in mid-September and WOW, what a great time we had on the water and on land!

Kudos to the many people who worked tirelessly for months prior to and during the regatta to make this great event happen - the Organizing Committee, PRO and Committee boat folks, Judges, JYC staff, and countless volunteers on the water and land. And a special thanks to the 25 sponsors for their generous support, to North Sails as our title sponsor, and to the Officers and members of JYC.

The fleet of 41 boats included sailors traveling from both coasts and the middle of the US. Border restrictions prevented any of our Central American and Canadian friends from attending. The fleet was very competitive with World Champions, National Champions, Rolex Winners, Olympians, and esteemed College Sailors on the starting line.

We were blessed with three days of mostly sunny skies, temperatures in the low 70s, and above average winds for mid-September on Salem Sound. Day 1 brought northwest winds up and down – gusting to 20, and very shifty. A brief rain shower visited during the second race which added to the weather conditions. Carol Cronin’s comment

20 with gusts to 25. 2 races were completed each day and “serious fun” was had with great food and entertainment after putting away the boats.

The podium was dominated by the Miami Snipe fleet capturing 4 of the top 5 spots. Full results can be found at [SnipeNorthAmericans2021Results](#).

Nearly 40% of the fleet was under the age of 30. Some quick, back of the envelope math revealed that the fleet at the North Americans was a younger average age than at the 2019 Snipe Nationals also hosted by Jubilee. Hopefully, the Snipe organization and Jubilee will continue to support and promote growth in both youth sailing and one-design racing going forward.

Thanks again to all JYC members and the regatta sponsors for your support, and of course those involved with the planning and executing the regatta – without all of you, we could not host such prestigious one-design regattas.

Respectfully,

Paul Earl and Shan McAdoo, Co-Chairs





NORTH SAILS SNIPE NORTH AMERICANS 2021 - JVC, BEVERLY, USA | © MATIAS CAPIZZANO



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Final Results-2021 NAs

	SAILORS	SAIL NUMBER	BOAT NAME	CLUB/ORG	NET	TOTAL	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
1	Ernesto Rodriguez Kathleen Tocke	USA 31337 49	None	Miami Snipe Flett	5	7	1	1	1	[2]	1	1
2	Enrique Quintero Charlie Bass	USA 31144 40	MAQ	Chase Performance / Coral Reef Yacht Club	22	29	5	3	6	[7]	4	4
3	Augie Diaz Barbie Brotons Barbara Brotons	USA 30288 23	Danilu	Coconut Grove Sailing Club	26	45	[19]	14	2	6	2	2
4	Carol Cronin Kim Couranz	USA 31295 25	None	Severn Sailing Association	26	48	4	9	[22]	3	5	5
5	Justin Callahan Enzo Menditto	USA 30281 48	None	Biscayne Bay Yacht Club	30	45	2	[15]	4	1	14	9
6	Arthur Blodgett Grace Howie	USA 30473 13	None	LYC Junior Sailing	32	74	3	5	3	5	[DNS - 42]	16
7	Doug Hart Christina Persson	USA 31297 30	None	Mission Bay Yacht Club	38	55	[17]	6	7	10	9	6
8	Jim Bowers Julia Marsh Rabin	USA 31555 11	None	Winchester Boat Club	45	58	[13]	7	11	12	3	12
9	Trevor Davis Rees Tindall	USA 31391 26	Bad Panda Racing	Tufts/SSA	47	67	14	4	18	[20]	8	3
10	Carter Cameron Chris Schon	USA 29940 22	CheeseBirger in Paradise/Birger A La Mode	Severn Sailing Association/Carolina Yacht Club	53	95	6	[OCS - 42]	19	4	16	8
11	Evan Hoffmann Constanza Seguel	USA 30687 44	Mr. Meeseeks	San Diego Yacht Club	55	76	16	13	5	11	[21]	10
12	Charles Miller Lindsey Kloc	USA 30904 18	Kevin	N/a	57	99	12	[OCS - 42]	8	14	12	11
13	John MacRae Kerry O'Brien (Friday only) Linda Epstein (Saturday & Sunday)	USA 31685 42	None	Fleet 244 - Cottage Park	59	83	7	16	[24]	13	6	17
14	Asher Zittler Noah Zittler	USA 31300 28	None	Lakewood Yacht Club	65	107	10	8	21	[DNF - 42]	13	13
15	Trevor Long Scarlett Koller	USA 30324 14	Out of Phase	244	66	90	18	11	9	9	19	[24]
16	Eric Reinke Alexandra Damley-Strnad	USA 31357 31	None	Severn Sailing Association	70	99	11	27	15	[29]	10	7
17	Robert Ramirez Martin Hermida	USA 31638 17	None	New York Yacht Club	80	122	8	10	12	31	[OCS - 42]	19
18	Alex Pline Lisa Pline	USA 31313 12	Old Folks Boogie	Severn	89	112	22	12	[23]	18	23	14
19	John Tagliamonte Bridget Crenney- Wiatrowski	USA 31013 21	None	Fleet 077 - Winchester	95	137	23	18	16	[UFD - 42]	15	23
20	David Perez Chris Kiener	USA 31442 45	Cristal	Coconut Grove Sailing Club	98	140	28	[DNF - 42]	14	27	11	18
21	Andrew Pimental Megan Place	USA 31727 36	None	Sail Newport	105	147	9	2	10	[UFD - 42]	DNS - 42	DNS - 42



22	Alec Stewart Paige Omura	USA 27733 29	None	Fleet 244 - Cottage Park	109	151	[DNS - 42]	33	29	25	7	15
23	SIMON STRAUSS Laura Muma	USA 31001 39	Purple Bear	Hudson Valley	109	141	[32]	19	30	17	22	21
24	Sarah Alexander Hollis Barth	USA 30928 35	None	Severn Sailing Association	111	145	33	21	[34]	15	20	22
25	Kyle Easton Ethan Anderson Ethan Anderson	USA 29499 19	MSL	Jubilee/ Eastern Yacht Club	114	143	[29]	20	26	26	17	25
26	Julia Fuller Claire Huebner	USA 29727 15	Shakedown Street	Fleet 244 - Cottage Park/Fleet 532 - SSA	120	154	[34]	23	17	30	24	26
27	Christian Filter Emily Gonzalez	USA 30552 16	None	CPYC/SSA	125	167	20	[OCS - 42]	25	UFD - 42	18	20
28	Robert Coyle Gus Wirth	USA 28542 38	None	Fleet 244 - Cottage Park	137	179	27	22	27	19	[DNS - 42]	DNS - 42
29	Lee Griffith Nikki Bruno	USA 31304 24	None	Surf City Yacht Club	138	180	31	17	32	16	[DNS - 42]	DNS - 42
30	Cameron Fraser Liz Fraser	USA 30903 20	None	Fleet 777 - Medford	140	182	15	[DNF - 42]	33	8	DNS - 42	DNS - 42
31	Bob Adam Stephanie Adam	USA 29044 34	WHOA	Sail Newport, Inc	146	188	24	28	31	21	[DNS - 42]	DNS - 42
32	Roberto Guaragna Isabel Guaragna	USA 31338 46	None	Fleet 007 - Miami	148	190	25	29	20	32	[DNS - 42]	DNS - 42
33	Eric Heim Amy Benner	USA 28686 33	Drunken Filly	SDYC	149	191	26	26	13	[DNF - 42]	DNS - 42	DNS - 42
34	Andre Guaragna Logan Brickhouse	USA 30027 27	None	Fleet 007 - Miami	152	194	21	24	[NSC - 42]	23	DNS - 42	DNS - 42



Juliana Duque & Mila Bekarath Take the World

October 2021. Brazil just hosted our first **Snipe Women's Worlds Championship** in São Paulo, Guarapiranga, Yacht Club Paulista.

For me this was a dream coming true in so many levels that I can only try to share with you all the wonders that were achieved.

If I am here writing this feminine story of the 14th Women's Worlds Championship, it is because I stand on the shoulders of giants. At the Snipe Class there are several women that paved the road, I mean sailed the racecourse before us!

Brave Brazilian women like Bibi Juetz that was the only women's only crew at the Brazilian Nationals in 1957. Before her Margrete Schmidt that used to sail with her brother Eric (yes the twin brother of Axel). And many women from all over the world that had the idea and kept the Snipe Women's Worlds going on.

The snipe class started to organize Women's Worlds in 1994 and since then we had 14 editions of the championship in Europe, Asia, North and South America, and these championships always promote Women's Sailing in those regions.

I had the honor to facilitate the process and make it happen this time.

I must confess, the greater accomplishment of this event was in each of the inspiring women that were there!

Can you picture 40 snipes with 80 women sailing the same race course?

In that race course we had such a wide spectrum of formidable women representing so much of the feminine life cycle!

The ones just coming from the optimist, the ones that had already passed to the 420 and the 29er,

and those that were 420 world champions and haven't sailed for 15 years and decided to sail again in this championship,

also sailors from the laser (it was not ILCA at that time...) Pan-American medalists!

one of them just knew that she was pregnant, and another that got the news she was in remission from breast cancer and came all the way from Switzerland to celebrate with us, so many that were not sailing anymore for various reasons...

having kids, raising them...

and the one that came back sailing snipes while still breast feeding, because she wanted to be in this championship.



A lot of women that not even knew they could helm, and this was their first championship handling the tiller! It took a worlds for them to know they could do it!

6 crews were junior, and 7 crews were masters, all by the class rules!

Two grandmas!

If you add the ages of the two women in the boat the lowest outcome was 30 (14+16) and the highest was 111 (54 + 57).

What did we all have in common? The happiness of sailing!

And what do these wonderful women do when they are not sailing? (besides planning the next opportunity to sail...)

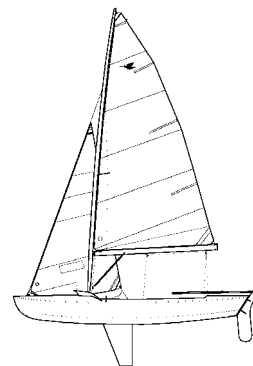
EVERYTHING! A woman that sails can do whatever she wants!

In our non sailing time we are school students, dentists, fashion designers, physical therapists, veterinarians, nutritionists, that pediatric surgeon that is specializing in neurosurgery, and those engineers that are doing their masters and doctorate, a catechist, sailors in an Olympic campaign, artists, women that are changing the world in so many ways! Inspiring our juniors, inspiring other women.

Before gathering at Yacht Club Paulista in October 2021, we already knew it was going to be a once in a lifetime experience.

After this championship we knew that we all will be looking forward the next women's only championship and will measure no efforts to get there!

Paola Prada
SnipeDiva
SCIRA Wester Hemisphere & Asia
General Secretary
Snipe Brazil National Secretary



2021 Women's World - Final Results



OVERALL RESULTS

RANK	BOW	DIV	COUNTRY	SAILNUMBER	CLUB	SKIPPER	CREW	TOTAL	DISC.	NET	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7
1	21		BRA	31678	YCB/MB	Juliana Duque	Mila Beckerath	10	2	8	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
2	38		CRO	31348	CRO/NOR	Marija Andela De Micheli Vitturi	Maj Kristin Hansen Borgen	34	9	25	3	4	9	3	4	4	4
3	2		BRA	29823	ICSC	Martha Rocha	Larissa Juk	46	14	32	6	1	2	7	11	3	2
4	42	JR	BRA	30920	CIC/YCSA	Marina Roma Fonte	Alexia Buck	50	8	42	8	8	7	8	2	8	3
5	29		ARG	29827	YCA / YCR	Mariela Salemo	Florencia Buiatti	63	16	47	11	6	11	4	8	2	16
6	43		BRA	30815	ICSC/MB	Odile Ginaid	Adhara Ginaid	59	10	49	4	10	5	10	6	9	8
7	14		USA	31337	SNBCC	Kathleen Tocke	Jessica Clafin	69	15	54	5	5	15	13	5	6	9
8	27		BRA	31277	YCSA	Isabel Ficker	Laura Zanni	73	17	56	10	12	8	6	17	7	5
9	7		BRA	31276	ICRJ/MB	Gabriela Kidd	Marina Issler	106	41	65	7	3	16	9	13	10	7
10	22		BRA	30523	EVI	Anna Julia Tenorio	Debora Bergamini	85	19	66	1	7	13	12	12	5	19
11	33		BRA	31343	ICSC/EVI	Melissa Paradedda	Mirella Zanelli	92	23	69	23	9	12	2	9	18	15
12	3		BRA	30955	YCP	Maria Hackerott	Victoria Ennsner	96	22	74	16	22	6	11	7	15	10
13	36	JR	BRA	31341	YCB/YCSA	Fernanda Peixoto	Bruna C Patricio	99	16	83	14	16	4	14	16	11	14
14	11		BRA	31661	YCSA	Carolina Sacconi	Mariana Peccicacco	121	17	104	9	17	3	41	10	13	13
15	19	JR	BRA	31136	CCSP/YCSA	Gabriela Bartijotto	Sara Strauss	140	27	113	12	13	24	19	3	22	27
16	24	M	BRA	29822	ICS	Adriana Kostiw	Andrea Ruschmann	154	41	113	13	11	41	17	18	14	18
17	16		BRA	31139	ICSC	Manuella E Moreira	Larissa Siqueira	143	25	118	24	21	18	5	19	25	17
18	41		BRA	30513	YCP	Renata Bellotti	Gisele Choroclejus	166	41	125	19	18	41	16	14	16	21
19	15		USA	30928	SSA	Sarah Alexander	Hollis Barth	164	30	134	20	14	29	22	24	12	30
20	18	M	BRA	30670	YCP	Andrea Soffiati Graef	Daniela Naegeli	162	28	134	17	15	17	15	26	17	28
21	28		BRA	31326	CRG	Viviam Alencastro	Paula Vianna	187	41	146	25	23	23	41	21	19	12
22	25	M	BRA	31126	SPYC	Isabela Malpighi	Marion Schell	189	41	148	22	19	19	21	41	20	29
23	30		CHI	31680	CYA	Cecilia Echenique	Trinidad Prieto	193	35	158	21	35	28	23	15	35	6
24	8		BRA	30421	PG	Rebeca Abreu	Melissa Rodrigues	205	41	164	18	27	25	20	41	21	25
25	17	JR	BRA	27535	CDJ	Valentina Pizzato	Isabela Raymann	208	41	167	28	28	27	41	25	29	11
26	4	M	BRA	31258	RYC/YCSA	Claudia Swan	Monica Scheel	208	41	167	29	26	14	41	29	23	20
27	9	JR	BRA	31368	YCP/EB	Vitoria Pugsley	Lais Farias	208	34	174	31	25	10	27	20	27	34
28	6		BRA	31163	YCP	Beatriz Ferraz	Mariana Groba	218	41	177	27	41	22	29	30	30	22
29	1	M	BRA	31534	YCP	Paola Prada	Georgia Bruder	226	36	190	15	24	34	18	36	32	36
30	35	M	BRA	31236	YCP	Renata Acayaba	Silvana Sansone	237	41	196	26	29	20	41	23	34	31
31	26		BRA	30533	CNP	Michelle Chevrant	Paula Chamaux	243	41	202	34	41	21	25	28	28	37
32	10		BRA	81275	ICB/YCSA	Gabriela Zoboli	Raquel Hora Almone	246	41	205	41	41	41	41	22	24	24
33	37	M	BRA	11123	ICRJ/CCSP	Christina Frediani B	Luciana Kopschitz	248	41	207	41	30	26	31	33	31	32
34	20	JR	BRA	31093	YCP	Gabriela Grego	Joana Camargo	247	36	211	36	34	33	26	27	33	33
35	32		BRA	30742	ICSC	Jacqueline Backk	Stella Vasconcellos	253	41	212	32	20	35	30	35	37	23
36	13		BRA	31193	ICG	Paula N. Choinski	Sarah De Aquino	253	41	212	41	32	32	32	32	26	26
37	39		BRA	31461	EVI	Danielle Cardial	Vitória Corrêa	267	41	226	30	31	30	24	31	41	39
38	34		BRA	30669	CRG	Vivian Machado	Karina Nóbrega	271	41	230	33	33	31	28	34	36	35
39	31		GER	30838	GER	Fernanda Kienitz	Giovanna Santos	292	39	253	37	36	36	34	37	39	38
40	23		BRA	31275	SPYC	Daniela Sanchez	Rafaela Melillo	303	41	262	35	41	37	33	38	38	40

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2021 SNIPE WH&O CHAMPIONSHIP September 21-25 Cottage Park YC, Winthrop, MA USA

September 21-25, 2021

After having this event postponed for a year and attendance effected by COVID, Cottage Park Yacht Club was able to host a very successful, safe event which included exciting racing and numerous fun land activities. The success of the 2021 Snipe Western Hemisphere & Orient Champions was made possible because of the volunteers, many of whom worked very hard before, during and after the event. There were over 80 volunteers, many from the club who helped. The event was organized by chairman Sue Hardy and Art Rousmaniere.

Augie Diaz and Barbie Brotons (USA) were able to sail conservatively to ensure their win at the 2021 WH&O. Going into the final day, they had a 10 point lead over Arthur Blodgett and Grace Howie (USA) who did their best to close the point gap by winning the final race. Matias & Constanza Seguel (CHI) sailed consistently enough to move onto the podium in third overall.

The division wins were: Diaz/Brotons - overall and top masters; Taylor Scheuermann & Charlie Bess (USA) top female team and Miranda Paz & Joaquin Balarezo (PER) as the top junior team.



WH&O Championship photos by Matias Capizzano



2021 Snipe Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship-FINAL results

	SAILORS	SAIL NUMBER	DIVISION	NET	TOTAL	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8
1	Augie Diaz Barbara Brotans	USA 30288 17	Masters	29	45	3	2	5	1	7	5	[16]	2
2	Arthur Blodgett Gracie Howie	USA 30473 13		36	49	1	7	[13]	2	3	9	4	9
3	Matias Seguel Constanza Seguel	CHI 31554 06		48	76	[OCS - 28]	6	16	3	4	2	5	3
4	Ernesto Rodriguez Kathleen Tocke	USA 31337 25	Masters	49	77	4	3	22	13	2	1	1	[UFD - 28]
5	George Szabo Dianna Waterbury	USA 31441 28	Masters	62	90	7	5	1	4	19	[OCS - 28]	12	7
6	Alfonso Garcia Bringas Andre Guaragna	MEX 31129 09		75	103	13	[OCS - 28]	26	8	10	3	2	5
7	John MacRae Linda Epstein	USA 31685 22	Masters	75	93	6	14	3	15	6	[18]	13	12
8	Taylor Scheuermann Charlie Bess	USA 31639 26	Female	76	104	2	19	17	7	12	7	10	[UFD - 28]
9	Carol Cronin Kim Couranz	USA 31295 16	Female	76	101	8	8	8	6	14	16	[25]	6
10	Rodrigo Stephan de Almeida Gustavo Baiano	BRA 31532 01	Masters	79	96	12	10	14	10	1	12	8	[17]
11	Jim Bowers Julia Marsh Rabin	USA 31555 14	Masters	90	118	5	1	24	9	17	8	[DSQ - 28]	1
12	Antonio Poncell Carolina Martinez	CHI 31443 03	Masters	99	127	10	[OCS - 28]	2	20	11	6	6	UFD - 28
13	Jose Daniel Hernandez Josselyn Echeverria	GUA 31567 07	None	108	136	9	15	10	18	5	13	19	[UFD - 28]



14	Diego Silvestre Marisleysis Cedeno	GUA 31564 08	None	110	133	20	11	15	[23]	8	11	9	13
15	Andrew Pimental Megan Place	USA 31727 23	Masters	114	138	17	12	6	14	18	14	22	11
16	Doug Hart Christina Persson	USA 31297 19	Masters	115	143	[OCS - 28]	OCS - 28	11	5	15	17	18	16
17	Evan Hoffmann	USA 30687 20	None	118	146	22	[OCS - 28]	7	12	22	4	11	19
18	Miranda Paz Joaquin Balarezo	PER 31039 12	Female Junior	119	144	16	16	19	16	[25]	20	17	4
19	Alex Pline Lisa Pline	USA 31313 24	Masters	120	148	11	4	9	22	16	23	21	14
20	Matias Poncell Christian Obermoller	CHI 30591 04		122	150	14	20	4	27	13	15	3	[UFD - 28]
21	Juan Sanchez Renata Parodi	CHI 31199 05	None	128	156	[OCS - 28]	13	18	26	9	19	20	8
22	Felipe Fuentes Benjamin Guzman	CHI 30590 02	None	141	169	[OCS - 28]	18	21	11	21	24	7	22
23	Alec Hughes Valeria Breña	PER 31150 30		145	173	[OCS - 28]	9	12	25	DNC - 28	DNC - 28	15	10
24	Rachel Bryer Anna Wiatrowski	USA 31508 15	Female	149	177	19	[OCS - 28]	25	21	20	10	14	18
25	Juan Lyon Valentina Lyon	PER 31084 11	Masters	161	186	18	17	20	24	24	[25]	23	15
26	Jen Lee Mary Buckley	USA 31636 21	Female	164	188	21	21	23	19	23	22	[24]	21
27	Lee Griffith Nikki Bruno	USA 31304 18	Masters	165	193	15	[OCS - 28]	27	17	26	21	26	20



SCIRA Inducts New Hall of Fame members for 2021

The 2021 Snipe Hall of Fame Inductees continue to top the list of who's who in the sailing world. SCIRA is proud to induct these 5 new members to follow the rules (10 in first year, eight for the second year and 5 for the years following).

The 2021 inductees sailors who have not only contributed to the Snipe Class but to the sailing public as well. We honor these sailors:

ALBERTO LINEBURGER TECHNICAL

March 18, 1918- June 22, 1996

Alberto Lineburger was born March 18, 1918, a descendant of Lithuanian immigrants who settled in southern Santa Catarina in the year 1890. His father, Jonas Wilhelm Lineburger, kept up farming and ranching, but made wheels for ox, leading his children to learn early how to handle tools when dealing with wood.

After his marriage in 1947, he moved to the city of Porto Alegre, 320 km away, where the prospect of work and income was most promising. It was a few years of great sacrifice because I already had a small son. Initially, he worked at Walter Wingers Florist in the Sadness Neighborhood, caring for and growing flowers and vegetables.

In the republic he lived he met a gentleman who worked at the Funk Shipyard, which made wooden ocean boats and was a master of shipbuilding. Knowing that he had skill in dealing with wood invited him to work there.

In a short time, Alberto Lineburger became the chief craftsman of this Shipyard.

In 1955, he started to build the first snipe for the sailor Valdemar Bier, named Brocoió, taking the numeral 10.423. The delivery of this first boat took place on September 26, 1955. At the beginning Alberto Lineburger had the very special help of the then Brazilian snipe champion Gabriel Gonzalez, whose pattern of his teachings followed throughout his working life.

His first boats began to emerge in the regattas, and the simple and dedicated manner of his work served the Snipists who sought him with excellence and satisfaction. This dedication and quality of his work led him to be chosen to build the super 20 snipes for the 1959 World Snipe World, whose boats were now called "Famous 12000" and are still sailing or kept as relics. There were numerous international and national titles obtained by sailors of various generations and nationalities, how Paul Elvstrom (1959),



Nelson Piccolo(1967), Torben Grael(1983) e Santiago Lange(1965), world championships,

In short, Alberto Lineburger and his family always at breakfast, lunch and dinner talked about boats and sails, especially of the Snipe Class.

After the death of his father in 1962, Alberto Lineburger returned to Criciúma with his family, and now working with his children, far from sailing clubs, began to build throughout Brazil his snipes, whose requests were made by mail, whose correspondence they make part of our family collection. These were difficult times for sailors to mount a snipe and throw them into the water. Each had to equip their boat and suppliers were rare. An expression always present when receiving your boat "- It has to go to the cabinet". It was a masterpiece its finish.

I know I could write a lot more, but I hope I can gradually register on the page edited by my daughter: <https://www.lineburgerwoodensnipe.com>, memorable pages of the Snipe Class in our lives.

Alberto Lineburger died on June 22, 1996, at the age of 78.

By Enio Lineburger
(Revised 2017)



JAMES EDMUND (JIMMIE) LOWE CONTRIBUTOR

July 13, 1947 – present

Jimmie Lowe began sailing as a child in the 1950's cutting his teeth as a crew win the Star for Bert Kelly and then taking lessons in the Sailfish at Nassau Yacht Club. His first competitive regattas was in 1973 in a Sunfish on Montagu Bay against Pierre Sigenthaler and John Dunkley who had just returned from the Sunfish Worlds, where Jimmie ended up beating both to the finish line.

It wasn't until 1978 that Jimmie first jumped in a Snipe after a few years in the 470 campaigning for the Olympics. His focus on the Snipe would bring him to multiple Pan Am Games (Winnipeg 1991 and Santo Domingo 2003) as well as the CAC Games in Cartagena 2006 and Mayaguez 2010.

His Snipe accolades include 1st and 3rd in the Grand Masters, winning the Bacardi Cup, Dudley Gamblin (twice) and the Zimmerman overall Winter Circuit. Bahamian National Champion numerous times as well as the Kings Cup Jimmie competed in numerous Snipe Worlds, Western Hemisphere, World Master and North American championships all while growing the fleet in Nassau.

Sailing outside the Snipe included 24 World Championship in 6 different sailing classes; Sunfish (3rd), Snipes, Windsurfer (first Worlds in 1977 off Cable Beach, BAH), 5.5 meter, Star and 470. Jimmie also competed at the first World Waterskiing Championship in the 1970s and was a coach at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

In 2005, Jimmie became the first coach of the Bahamas Sailing Association and feels his greatest accomplishment was getting the community youth sailing program off the ground, which allowed



hundreds of Bahamian youth to experience the open water and learn about the sea and their heritage as inhabitants of an island nation. The Optimist Nationals now boasts 80 competitors. The initial year found that youth could not swim, and as a consequence, Jimmie was a leading protagonist in getting swimming into the Bahamas public school with the students then able to learn to sail. Inducted into the Bahamas Sports Hall of Fame, Jimmie stated, "the best part of sailing are the friends that sailing brought me; the places sailing has taken me and the education sailing has provided me." His motto has become "first we came to have a good time and only then, we came to win."



GERALD (JERRY) DENNIS THOMPSON

CONTRIBUTOR

1939-2014

"Serious Sailing, Serious Fun" was definitely Jerry Thompson's motto in life and no one lived it more than JT.

Born in Seattle, Washington on January 30, 1939, his sailing career blossomed early after the Thompson family moved to Long Beach in the 1940s where he sailed a Naples Sabot in Alamitos Bay. In consecutive years 1952 and 1953, he was Junior National Champion of the Naples Sabot class. The Naples Sabot class is the Southern California breeding ground for multiple Olympic and America's Cup sailing champions. In 2005, Jerry came back to claim the Sabot Masters Championship. He also campaigned in the Lido 14 class winning the Class championship trophy in 2012. Jerry was a long-time distinguished member of Alamitos Bay Yacht Club and he served as Commodore of the Club in 1971.

At Long Beach Wilson High School, Jerry was a standout basketball player on the Varsity squad earning all-city and all-coast honors. Following High School, he went into the family business and later became the owner of Bailey Manufacturing, which produces rehabilitation and physical therapy equipment. The business venture took the Thompson family including Jerry, his wife Nancy, daughter Kim and son Brad to Akron, Ohio for several years in the 1970s where he sailed Snipes in the Midwest before returning back to his sailing roots in Long Beach.

Jerry's sailing resume will best be remembered for his time in the International Snipe Class. He arguably has logged more hours at the tiller, sailed more regatta, and owned more Snipes than any sailor in the history of the Class. He sailed his first Snipe in Alamitos Bay as the age of 13 and later qualified for the Western Hemisphere Championship in

Bermuda at age 17 where he placed fourth. Since that time, Jerry sailed in multiple World, Western Hemisphere, North American and US National Championships. In 1975 he was the North American Champion and in 1988 he served as Commodore of SCIRA. His Snipe career extended into the Masters Circuit where he was a seven-time US National Champion. He was a true Corinthian who earned the



PAUL BERT ELVSTRØM

SAILING – CONTRIBUTOR

1928-2016

(1928 – 2016) was one of the most titled, eclectic and long-lived competitors in the history of sailing. He won gold medals at four consecutive Olympic Games and 13 world titles in different classes, including the Snipe Class in 1959. We are honored to induct him into the 2021 Snipe Class Hall of Fame.

Elvstrøm was born in Hellerup, near Copenhagen, and began sailing in the Oresund as a child. Sailing quickly became his obsession.

In his famous book, “Elvstrøm Speaks on Yacht Racing” he wrote: “The only interest I had was in sailing fast.”

After winning a few local regattas, Paul was selected for the 1948 London Olympics in the singlehanded Firefly. After some initial difficulties in early races, he won his first gold medal: he was 20 years old. He won three more gold medals in the Finn Class (Helsinki 1952, Melbourne 1956 and Rome 1960).

Elvstrøm was probably the first professional sailor who devoted himself full time to the sport. He was well-known as an innovator in training and for meticulous preparation of the boat.

He founded the Elvstrøm company, which became famous for its sails, gear and clothing for dinghies. He also invented the famous Elvstrøm self-bailer, now common on all dinghies and still in production under the Andersen brand.

He also designed and built many racing sailboats. In 1961 he and Peer Bruun built one of the first fiberglass Snipes for Jan Persson (a 2019 Snipe Class Hall of Fame inductee), who sailed with Elvstrøm in the Soling.

Elvstrøm and the Snipe Class

“The Snipe is the largest class of boats in the world,” Elvstrøm wrote in his book, “with excellent regattas sailed everywhere. Therefore I had always wanted to win this world championship which is held every two years.”

Elvstrøm finished fifth with Eric “Strit” Johansen at the 1955 Snipe Worlds in Santander, won by Mario Capio and Lorenzo Podestà. “I really wanted to win in this Class!” he said afterward. That sparked his preparation for the 1959 World Championship, which included winning the Cannes ski-yachting regatta and the thirty-boat Danish selections, with Ib Anderson as crew.

The 1959 Snipe Worlds were in Porto Alegre, Brazil,

and some members of the Danish Sports Federation argued that it was not worth sending Paul Elvstrøm and Strit Johansen that far. “I felt that I had to win because everyone expected me to do it and I was terrified of losing even a small race.”

During the World Championship,

he was so nervous that he made incomprehensible mistakes. In the third race, he jibed onto port and luffed up the Duque de Arion (Spain), who was on starboard. Of course he was disqualified: “At the protest hearing I could not say anything else, other than that I was very sorry.”

Elvstrøm used a boat built by Lineburger called “Denmark” (hull #12000). Training before the Worlds, he broke the mast; the replacement was more flexible, and very fast.

Although they could not throw out the disqualification, Elvstrøm and Johansen won the 1959 Worlds with three first places and a second place! Gonzalo Diaz (2019 Snipe Hall of Fame inductee) and his brother Saul finished second.

Elvstrøm also won world championships in the Finn, 505, Flying Dutchman, 5.5 Metre, Star, Soling and Half Ton Cup. A complete sailor; he truly deserves his 2021 entry into the Snipe Class Hall of Fame.



CHAMPION PAUL ELVSTRØM takes a firm grasp on the Isaacks Trophy while Eric Johansen listens



MARK JEFFREY REYNOLDS

SAILING – CONTRIBUTOR – TECHNICAL

November 2, 1955 - present

Double Olympic gold medalist Mark Reynolds first sailed Snipes as a teenager. “Growing up in San Diego, all the good sailors were either Snipe or Star sailors,” he says. “I crewed on a Snipe a few times... and when I was thirteen, another kid and I bought a boat from Jeff Lenhart. We paid six hundred bucks for it, a wood boat in the 13,000 series.”

The two boys did some work on their new ride, which came with two masts: one wood, one aluminum. “But we were too light together, so it didn’t really last too long.”

A few years later, Mark started his first business: building lighter weight rudders for his competitors. “That was actually how I made money, when I was a teenager.”

Mark’s second Snipe partnership is still going strong today (though the boat is long gone). In 1977, Mark and DeAnn Wright (now Reynolds) bought a new Chubasco together—or rather, the hull and deck. “I built out everything else; centerboard, rudder, splash boards, floorboards. And I put wider rails on where you’re hiking; we were probably the first ones to get out to maximum width. Everyone else was using teak, but I used spruce and cedar, which were lighter.”

It all started with a misunderstanding, though. “DeAnn claims our agreement was that we would trade off skippering, which never happened... and she’s probably right,” he admits now, with a wry chuckle. “I never even thought about it! And I do remember getting her a little upset once, when we were turning the boat over in the garage. I told her, ‘If you think you’re going to drop the boat then slide underneath it, so it doesn’t hit the cement.’” (Amazing they’re still married, he agrees.)

Despite the occasional disagreement, Mark says they were a great team. “We got to where we never had to say very much, because DeAnn just knew when I was gonna tack. And we set the boat up a little bit different. At that time, everybody had a little jib sheet cleat on a plastic pad; I put on a turning block and then a ratchet in the front of the cockpit, so she could face forward and see the jib as we tacked. She cleated it on the windward side. We made quite a few changes.”

Their local fleet included Snipe Hall of Famer **Earl Elms**. <https://www.snipe.org/earl-elms> “Earl was one of the big innovators in the Snipe, and I learned a lot from him; he always kept his boats really simple. On one of his boats,

the jib leads were just bolted to the deck! He had some wingnuts underneath so you could change it, but obviously not during a race—maybe not even out on the water.”

When Earl developed a new mast section, the Cobra II, Mark

says it was “a pretty radical change from the big-section Proctors and old Cobras that everybody was using.” Not surprisingly, demand quickly outpaced supply. “When I went to buy a mast, Earl said, ‘I’ll have one for you in about six months.’ I’d thought I was just gonna go down to his shop and give him the money, and he was gonna hand me a mast! But that wasn’t the case.” So Mark dug out an old Proctor he’d saved from his first boat, so he and DeAnn could sail the North Americans in San Diego. “That was our first big regatta, in 1977.”

When they finally got their Cobra II mast, they made a “pretty big speed jump.” But Mark had also stiffened the centerboard trunk, and simplified traveler and mainsheet systems. “At that time, everybody had an adjustable up and down traveler, and then another line that centered it. I went with just a closed loop that rotated, so the height was always the same. And I didn’t have a two to one [mainsheet]. I changed a lot of stuff on the boat.”

So maybe it wasn’t just that new Cobra II that won him and DeAnn the U.S. Nationals, in 1978.

That fall, Mark and DeAnn flew to Brazil for their first international Snipe regatta: the 1978 Western Hemisphere and Orient Championship. “We stopped in Rio on the way, and they confiscated all the sails I was taking down to sell and use. It took us three days to get the sails back again, before we could then go on to Sao Paulo. That was when there was a round robin. But you didn’t do a full round robin, and all the boats weren’t the same... and some boats changed during the regatta! Kinda sketchy. But I think we got third, if I remember right. And it was a lot of fun.” They also won the last race of the series.





Mark also dominated the 1979 Snipe Winter Circuit (he remembers winning most of the races, at three different venues), and qualified for the Pan Am Games in Puerto Rico—where he and Craig Martin won

Chapin and Tim Dixon were first, and DeAnn and I were second.” The only two American teams—and they took the top two spots.

Early in 1980, the U.S. decided to boycott the Summer Olympics. Mark left Miami and headed home to San Diego—but not before winning the DonQ, again. “Miami has always been pretty good to me,” he admits. “It didn’t hurt living with Old Man and Augie, getting all the local information and learning from those guys. I won a lot of regattas there... including the 1992 Olympic Trials.”

When Mike McLaughlin started building Snipes, Mark helped with development. “I had the first Snipe with a bulkhead in front of the mast,” he says, adding that once the rules changed to permit a lower centerboard trunk, the two were no longer naturally tied together. “And I also had a better leading edge on my centerboard. It was a fun boat to work on, in the garage, tweaking and doing stuff like that. That was one of the things I really enjoyed about the Snipe.”

every race. As he remembers, US Sailing didn’t think he should even go, because it might interfere with his Olympic training (crewing for **Augie Diaz** <https://www.snipe.org/augie-diaz> in the Flying Dutchman). He also thinks US Sailing didn’t consider him “skipper material” in those days.

It was a logistical nightmare, he admits, since the Pan Am Games started right after Kiel Week (which he and Augie won). “I flew straight from Kiel and stopped over in Miami; Carmen [Diaz] gave me some clothes at the airport, and then I took the very next flight and arrived the day before the regatta started. Craig had gotten the boat measured and did all the prep, and yeah... we won every race. [Jeff] Lenhart [and Randy Smith] finished second; I think it was the only year they sent two boats from every country.”

Later that summer, the Cobra II masts made another international splash at the 1979 Worlds in Nova Scotia. “The Europeans were all still using Proctors,” Mark explains, “and the South Americans were using Bruders—which were about the same section fore and aft as a Proctor, but smaller sideways. They had really short spreaders; I want to say like fourteen inches long, while ours were seventeen. They bent their masts sideways a lot, while we could control the bend with the spreaders, while still bending our mast fore and aft.” Then he adds, “By the way, we didn’t change the luff curve of the sail.”

Most international teams “hadn’t really seen the speed that we had,” Mark continues, “because the Worlds are only every two years. I remember Felix Gancedo being very confident that he was going to win...and instead [Dave]

In 1982, Mark started his own sail loft. “My first customers were all Snipe sailors,” he remembers, pulling out his original sales list—handwritten, on yellow legal paper—to read off some still-familiar names. Though the Star would eventually take over, in the early days “making Snipe sails is what kept my doors open.” Forty years later, those two classes still make up a significant portion of the loft’s customer base.

Through the 1980s, Mark sailed Snipes with DeAnn in the summer and with heavier crews for the windier winter regattas. “We won the North Americans quite a few times, but never won Nationals again. And I did the winter circuit every year, for close to ten years. I’d put the Snipe on top of the van and tow the Star across the country; I always had it set up so the Star mast would clear the Snipe.”

In the Star, Mark’s achievements are legendary: a silver medal at the 1988 Olympics, and two golds (1992 and 2000). He is the only American sailor to attend four consecutive Games in the same event. He also won two Star World Championships (1995 and 2000), and a Farr 40 Worlds in 2002.

Mark and DeAnn’s most recent Snipe victory was the 1991 North Americans. The regatta report begins with a comment apparently overheard in the boat park; “They may run off and sail some other boat, but sooner or later they come back to the Snipe.”



DUES 2021 as of December 10

	2021	2021	2020	2020
Country	Members	Boats	Members	Boats
Argentina	74	49	61	47
Austria	1	1	2	1
Bahamas	13	10	17	7
Belgium	68	40	76	41
Brazil	267	183	238	179
Canada	8	14	13	15
Chile	71	32	51	24
Colombia	8	5	5	2
Croatia	19	9	7	6
Cuba	0	0	0	0
Denmark	6	5	6	3
Ecuador	0	0	0	0
Finland	71	34	74	34
France	25	21	26	20
Germany	5	4	7	5
Guatemala	5	0	1	3
Italy	222	112	225	109
Japan	975	436	312	206
Lithuania	0	0	0	
Mexico	1	0	0	0
Norway	52	27	27	15
Peru	6	11	4	9
Poland	29	15	30	13
Portugal	72	36	87	45
Puerto Rico	3	4	1	4
Spain	687	288	552	255
Sweden	16	9	15	9
Switzerland	3	2	3	2
United Kingdom	56	28	42	24
United States	505	306	348	307
Uruguay	3	2	17	9
Venezuela	0	0	0	
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Snipe Ranking Guidelines

SCIRA has an agreement with the SSL (Star Sailors League) whereby if we provide regatta results, they will calculate an international ranking system for us. In order to have a great ranking system, we need the cooperation of all regatta organizers and National Secretaries to encompass as many events and sailors as possible.

Read the guidelines to the right to help gather the information. Use this link to download the excel template (save as a csv file) and then send to the SnipeToday editor or the SCIRA office. It's that easy!

[Results Template](#)

Guidelines for sending regatta results for the International Ranking

The purpose of these guidelines is to facilitate the loading of results into the SSL database.

- It is necessary to fill in all fields in the attached file.
- In particular it is important to fill in the "Sailor ID" field.
- Sailor ID means SCIRA memberID number.
- The SCIRA member ID can be found by entering the name of the sailor and checking the corresponding number at this [link](#):
- The SCIRA member ID is used to avoid duplications or errors with the names of sailors (for example: Martin Bermudez or Martin Bermudez de la Puente or Martin Bermudez de la Puente Gallego).
- Using the SCIRA member ID also makes it possible for SCIRA to check that the sailor is a member in good standing.
- Fill in the number of races, correctly indicating the DNC or DNS boats in the individual races.
- Send the file to editor@snipetoday.org
- The file will then be forwarded to the SSL Team, which will upload it to the "machine", a complex excel file, on which the International Ranking regattas are loaded.
- Results in .jpeg format are absolutely to be avoided.

Thanks for your collaboration!

