# -HAYWARD GANO EL CAMPEONATO DE SNIPE-

SANJURJO BROTHERS GET 2nd IN HEMISPHERE RACES - BERMUDA ALSO 3rd



TWO-TIME WESTERN HEMISPHERE CHAMPION "Easter" Hayward stands behind his crew, Jimmy Amos.

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Wetsern Hemisphere Snipe Champion Bernard Hayward of Bermuda still has the Hayward Trophy, and he takes it back home for the second successive time. Entering as the favorite and sailing against p2 teams from 7 countries in a series of the best 6 out of 7 races, Hayward and James Amos convinced everyone of their superiority when they put 3-1-2-2-1-6 together for 8911 points, a margin of 320 over their nearest competitor, Fernando Sanjurjo of Argentina. Eugene Simmons, 1956 winner and also of Bermuda, was 3rd with 8461. Thus the regatta, held every two years, continued to be dominated by the experienced sailors from Bermuda.

The regatta was held Oct. 21-30 under the auspices of the Club Nautico San Isidro, Buenos Aires, Argentina, in conjunction with the Sesquicentennial Celebration of the Revolution of the 25th of May in which Argentina gained her freedom from Spain. Snipe Fleet 274 was the official host for the series.

Entries were national champions and runners-up from each country, plus the defending champion, and this was the sixth Western Hemisphere Championship Regatta. Races were all held on the Rio de Plata directly in front of the club. Thirty-two miles wide at this point and from 3 to 9 feet deep, the river provides excellent sailing conditions with little current and all races were sailed exactly as scheduled over a week's time, a remarkable feat in itself. Olympic courses under IYRU rules were sailed for the first time in major Snipe Class competition and met with universal approval. Weather conditions were generally favorable, with little or no rain. Fresh winds the first part of the week under stormy conditions lightened toward the end and provided a range of from 25 to 5 mph and a true test of



THE RUNNER-UP TEAM - Fernando Sanjurjo (left) and his crew, brother Jorge, of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

all types of sailing.

Hayward sailed consistently under all conditions. The first two races under heavy seas and strong winds saw him in the lead with a 3rd and 1st, and while he had a 10th in the 3rd race (which he subsequently dropped), he bounced back with a 2nd the next whne sailing conditions were the roughest encountered all during the week. He cinched the title with a 2nd and 1st in light airs in the next two races.

Fernando and Jorge Sanjurjo, brothers who competed in the Pan-American Games in Chicago, carried Argentina's hopes for victory and made a grand fight for it right through the series. A 7th place in the 4th race was their worst and "Easter" Hayward simply had to be good to beat their consistency. Hayward made excellent starts, usually on the leeward end of the line, and once he got away with some free wind, he was almost impossible to catch. In several races, he gradually crept up to top positions, improving steadily on each leg. There were no flukes in his performance and very little luck was involved - either good or bad.

While there were some equipment failures when the wind and waves were high which caused some withdrawals, this series was marked by the fact there were no restarts, recalls, or cancellations in 7 races run off a day apart.

The racing schedule started Saturday afternoon with a tuneup won easily by Gabriel Gonzales of Brasil - not unexpected in high winds and rough water, It was like his own river at home. But Bermuda took over from here on and Gonzales did not repeat his performance until the last race of the series after the die was cast.

Under same weather conditions, the Sunday opener saw Kenny Simmons first over the starting line with Sanjurjo and Gonzales right behind him, but at the windward mark, Hayward had moved up to 3rd and that was the race from there on - the leaders never changing positions and finishing in order. It was a rugged race!

In the 2nd race with milder winds of 8-10 mph, Wolcott, Sanjurjo, and Levinson made beautiful starts on the leeward end of the line, but again at the windward mark, Bermuda had moved in and Hayward was 1st, Oatley 2nd. and Levinson 3rd with Wolcott and Sanjurjo dropping back to 4th and 5th. After the 3rd mark, the wind increased to 15-20 mph and many changes took place, and it was Bermuda all the way with Hayward 1st, Oatley 2nd, and Sanjurjo 3rd. Wolcott and Levinson dropped back to 5th and 8th, while Simmons, who overturned his boat to fix a main halyard and was 1 min. 40 sec. back of the entire fleet, made a grand recovery to come in 7th.

Wind and sea conditions abated somewhat on Tuesday and Sanjurjo, Oatley, and Wolcott led the way, but in shifty and dying breezes, Altmayer of Brazil and Levinson took over at the first mark with a substantial lead over the rest of the fleet and were never threatened again. Unfortunately, Altmayer lost his rudder on the last beat and had to abandon the race, and the finish was Levinson, Oatley, and Gonzales (later disqualified). Hayward took a tack by himself in to shore and a 10th for his worst score.

High water, very choppy seas, and winds 18-22 mph greeted the sailors in the 4th race. Victor Pena Pampin of Uruguay led Oatley and Wolcott on a windward start and he got way out in front, but right before the mark, his mast broke and he was through. Oatley led Altmayer around, but then Altmayer sailed away from all the boys to a gratifying first after his DNF of the day before. Hayward, who had been in the middle of the fleet, showed his championship qualities when he started to move on the last two beats to nudge Sanjurjo out of a 2nd place. This comeback put him 113 points ahead of Sanjurjo for overall standing at the end of the 4th race with Levinson and Simmons not far behind.

The 5th event brought almost perfect weather after the cloudy skies of the days before with light winds and no waves. Levinson, Wolcott, and Altmayer got away first, but at the first mark, the two Argentine boats were in front, and there they stayed in a dying wind, followed by the other three around the next two mark the two Argentine boats were in front, and there they stayed in a dying wind followed by the other three around the next two marks. But then the wind picked up and the Bermuda Wonders made their move. Sure enough, they came from way back to get in between Levinson and Wolcott, who had passed the Argentine skippers, and so 2nd went to Hayward and 3rd to Simmons. This was probably the critical turning point, for Sanjurjo got a 7th and Easter was 269 points out in front while Simmons jumped ahead of Levinson.

The last two races were run in perfect weather with clear skies and varying, shifty winds of 6-8 mph. Simmons, Levinson, and Soares got good starts in the 6th race, but from here on Levinson faded away as he had changed to flat sails expecting increasing winds which never came and he finished 11th for his worst race. At the first mark it was Hayward, Cuba, and Simmons. With the order unchanged until the last beat, Cuba dropped back, Simmons moved into 2nd, and Sanjurjo popped up for a 3rd. This victory put Hayward in a commanding position.

Saturday was another beautiful day with winds of 8-12 mph but very choppy waves. The start at the leeward end of the line had Simmons, Sanjurjo, Wolcott, Gonzales, and Levinson bunched together, but then they tacked with Simmons and Sanjurjo going to shore, Gonzales and Levinson to sea, while Wolcott was in the middle. The shore tack proved bad, for Levinson and Gonzales had a nice lead at the mark. Here Gonzales took over and the



THE 1956 WINNER KENNETH SIMMONS (rt.) and his crew, Bobby Soares, came in third.

rest of the way around was a merry chase with Levinson vainly trying to catch him while managing to keep ahead of Simmons and Sanjurjo. It was a close race and they finished in order. Hayward never did get moving in this race; he was 6th at the first mark and 6th at the finish, but that was all he needed to win the title by 320 points over Sanjurjo. It was a well-deserved victory!

Following an impressive coremony Sunday evening during which a large military band played national anthems as each flag was lowered, a large crowd gathered on the veranda of the club house for the presentation of trophies and listen to many speeches. The farewell banquet was that night in the club.

And thus another great SCIRA International regatta became history. It was one of the best in every way. The fine people of the club who acted as hosts had unsurpassed hospitality; the large clubhouse with complete facilities (a uniformed corps of professionals was always present to lend a hand when needed); and excellent sailing waters — all under perfect organization — upheld the reputation of the past for future Western Hemisphere Races. Everyone was glad he had the privilege to come and all left with great regret.

- Birney Mills

## 1960 WESTERN HEMISPHERE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES SAN ISIDRO YACHT CLUB - BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA - Oct. 22-30

SAIL	COUNTRY	SKIPPER	_	OREW	RACES	1	2	5	4	5	6	7	Pts.F	in.
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	Argentina	Fernando Sanjurjo-Jorge Sanjujo					3	4	3	7x	3	4	8591	2
	Bermuda	Eugene Simm	ons-F	Robert Son	ares	1	7x	5	7	3	2	5	8461	3
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	Brazil	Gastao Altm	ayer-	-Paulo Pa	radeda	5	6	DNFx	1	6	4	DNF	7499	7
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	Uruguay	Victor Pena				8	11	8	DNF	x 10			5847	
11750	Uruguay	Alfredo Ros	si -	Orosman	Pingaro	13	13	11	DNF	x 9	10	8	5542	13



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THE BRAZILIAN ENTRIES—(Top) Gabriel Gonzale his crew Nelson Picolo; (Bottom) Gastao Altmayer and Paulo Paradeda.



THE BERMUDA TEAMS with Reggie Tucker and the Western Hemisphere trophies won by them. Left to right: George Brown, Penny Simmons, Jimmy Amos, Tucker, Bernard Hayward, Bobby Soares, and Bobby Oatley. The flags of the competing nations can be seen in the background.



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