

# Turkey Host to European Junior Championship Races

## Izmir Team Takes First—Finland Second—Italy Third



Turkish, Italian, Finnish, Spanish, Belgian, Danish, and Norwegian Teams Participated in the Junior Championship.



OPENING CEREMONY - Norwegian, Turkish, Belgian, and Danish gather around Macit Buluc (and the girls!) at the reception given to all contestants. -Photo by Y. Pakman



CHAMPION TEAM after receiving their trophies. (l. to r.) Macit Buluc, District Secretary; crew Altan Yalman; the Governor; champion skipper Hayri Karabilgin.

Turkish Snipe sailors may long remember the year 1966, for, (1) they organized and conducted their first big international regatta for Snipe sailors; (2) they had the pleasure of seeing a Turkish team win an important international championship in the International Snipe Class for the first time.

Seven different countries sent eleven teams to the 6th European Junior Championship Regatta held September 22-24-25 at Izmir, the home of Fleet 553. Five races were sailed under the direction of District Secretary Macit Buluc, and Hayri Karabilgin, with Altan Yalman as crew, compiled a most consistent score of 2-1-3-2-1 and 7876 to lead his closest competitor, T. Jokinen of Finland ( who got 6-3-2-1-2 for 7311) by 375 points. They had exactly the same scores for 4 races, but the margin was established when Jokinen got a 6th place to put up against a 1st by Karabilgin.

The lads, all 18 or under, had a most favorable impression of their week of sailing. Below are a few comments:

**Finns:** Nowhere have we met such perfect organization. Everything was simply fine. Races were well-conducted; we are glad we came.

**Italians:** Our hosts were wonderful; servicing and transportation fine; organization above all criticism. The sea was good, but choppy whenever there was no wind.

**Belgians:** Races were superb; our hosts did everything possible to make our stay enjoyable. Winds were quite similar to ours.

Ismir is sure a nice place to conduct such a regatta. As Belgian sailors, we express herewith our best wishes.

**Danes:** A good organization with good races. The weather cooperated ( no "Old Joe" around the corner as in Atlanta, as Ted Wells would say!!) Thanks for the hospitality shown. The race committee was very good. We'll be happy to meet the Turks in our country as guests. Again, thanks for everything.

It is evident that this annual regatta is well-established now in SCIRA. The Eastern Europe District will be host for the event in 1967 with country and dates to be announced shortly.

Likewise, since Turkey will be host to the next European Championship in 1968, it forms a good background with assurance of the success of that important event. May Turkey continue to foster Snipes!

### Final results - 6th EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 1966

BOAT	SKIPPER	CREW	COUNTRY	Race	1	2	3	4	5	Pts.	Fin.
15200	H. Karabilgin	A. Yalman	Turkey		2	1	3	2	1	7686	1
11853	T. Jokinen	J. Paatel	Finland		6	3	2	1	2	7311	2
13989	M. Savelli	F. Sellari	Italy		1	2	1	dsq	4	6990	3
15969	R. Sorensen	E. Sorensen	Norway		4	7	6	5	6	6271	4
15983	A. Baydar	A. Baykal	Turkey		8	dsq	4	3	3	6187	5
16514	G. Bayar	B. An	Turkey		9	6	7	4	7	5930	6
12731	A. Ruiz Gilde	J. Vial Quero	Spain		5	9	5	dnf	9	5601	7
13825	A. Boernaert	J. Tollenboom	Belgium		7	5	8	8	10	5591	8
13138	M. Etler	Y. Zaptcioglu	Turkey		11	4	10	6	8	5544	9
15197	B. Pedersen	F. Horsten	Denmark		10	8	9	7	5	5526	10
	R. Yilmaz	E. Sengun	Turkey		3	dnf	-	-	-	2344	11