



Start of the first race. Perry Bass Left: Hall Brothers, of Lake Merritt, in their winning boat. Sawyer

The Snipe Internationals

By BOB RUSKAUFF

A PERSONABLE pair of Oakland, California, brothers, Walter and Bob Hall, displayed two primary sailing virtues, consistency and ability to stay out of trouble and won a well-fought, up-an-down sort of series for the 1939 International Snipe Class Championship, at outer Los Angeles Harbor, August 25, 26 and 27.

Using a borrowed hull (young Fred Schenck, Jr.'s, Grey Goose of Long Beach) and of course their own sails, the lads of Lake Merritt fleet scored a first place, two fifths, a fourth and a third in the five races, to amass 7,078 points and inscription on the Hub E. Isaacks perpetual trophy.

But it might as well be admitted Darby Metcalf of San Marino, who sailed his southland champion Darb of the Los Angeles Harbor fleet, jiggered himself out of an apparent victory when his boat—in third position—struck the leeward marker during the critical fourth race, and was disqualified. Likewise the dismasting of Malicious in the third contest, while in the van, cost a nice potential championship for Roy Hopkins of Santa Monica (and the soon to be organized Redondo Beach fleet, of which Malicious [2097] will be first boat).

Metcalf came back brilliantly to win the finale in a bow-and-bow, two-second, finish over Hopkins in Mali-

cious and thus these two brilliant Southern California helmsmen placed a respective second and third in the Internationals. Emerson O. Heyworth, Jr., of Western Long Island Sound fleet (No. 2685), stayed consistently in the top bracket—managing a second in the third race—to finally take series fourth.

The fleet was smaller than had been hoped but the competition, among the top trio particularly, was tough and go from the onset. Without question the sailing of both Metcalf and Hopkins—whose boat was first of the fourteen that have been turned out by the Douglas Snipe builders of Santa Monica—was impressive. Each scored two first places in series.

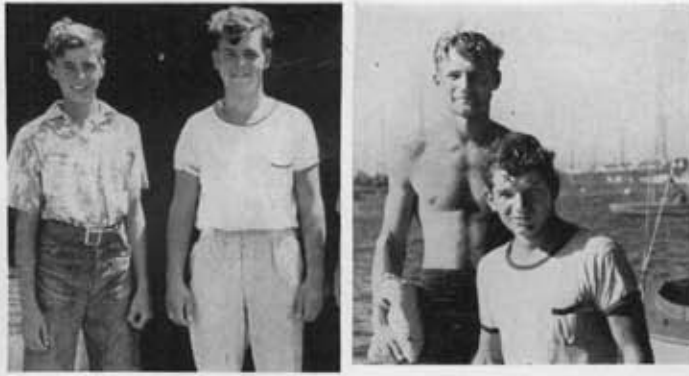
After the series it appeared that fully half the lads who are working on the "streamline production system" of building Snipes out Santa Monica-way, wanted to take the blame for "their stick" breaking. Actually it was just one of those things, in an excusably stiff south-westerly. The leeward mark casualty which cost Darb the title was undoubtedly a result of over-anxiety on the part of a generally seasoned young skipper who knew that "the heat" was on him, gybed a bit too soon and cracked into the mark as fair, and sadly, as you please. Those were the actual dramatic moments of the series. The Hall brothers, including the first-race win, simply sailed their own consistent way and when the final scoring was complete headed the list with 7,078 points, against Darb's 6,931 and 6,917 for Malicious.

While there was general regret that no foreign fleets were represented and that few from other sectors were on deck, there were visitors—notably from the deep south—who were kind enough to oil western vanity by declaring this year's Internationals the best thus far in a meteoric history of the class. If they were, let's go no further before crediting the man most responsible—Darby's and Barbara's dad. He's L. G. Metcalf, general chairman of the local committee, co-chairman of the Small Boat Division of Southern California Yachting Association and Port Captain of Los Angeles Yacht Club, which offered its fullest facilities to all as host club to this year's series.

Ably abetting Metcalf were Paul W. Hiller, who returned after some years to serve as chairman of the operating committee; Jack Leggett, line; Herb Riley, chief timer; C. C. Moore, Jr., on the cones and Emerson O. Heyworth, gun.



"Darb," Darby Metcalf's boat. Second in the Internationals
Ruskauff.



Emerson Heyworth, Jr., right, Melody's crew, Walter and Bob W.L.I.S. fleet skipper, and crew Hall, the winners, from Oakland Sawyer



Barbara Metcalf, winner of National Ladies' Championship Sawyer



L. G. Metcalf, of Los Angeles, general chairman of the series Ruskopf

Although southland helmsmen had perhaps some advantage in sailing home waters it was nullified by the fact that the winds during the series completely reversed themselves from ordinary routine. Breezes piped strong for the morning races and, contrary to precedent, faded to zephyrs for all except one of the afternoon races, the finale.

The first, second and final contests were sailed over a 4.3-mile isosceles triangle; third and fourth races over a four-mile, windward and leeward route, with a 1½-mile beat to the finish line.

While the Internationals naturally held the spotlight, plenty of attention was lavished on two other series—a three-race special for girls and a three-race series to settle the junior national title, for helmsmen under 18 years of age.

The national junior skirmishes, in all points of competition, brought out about as much talent as did the Internationals. Best witness to the fact is that John Salmond, Jr., in tilling Bad News to win for Los Angeles Harbor fleet, earned a second and two firsts to edge out Freddie Schenck with Grey Goose—and Metcalf actually failed to show as outstandingly as in the Internationals, sailing Darb to a first, eighth and third place, for series third. Heyworth, fourth later in the Internationals, wound up eighth in the junior series.

Only five girls were out for their feminine series, in which all races started directly off the yacht club mole and Barbara Metcalf well upheld family honors by sailing Quien Sabe to triumph over Lennie Nooteboom's It, of Santa Monica.

JUNIOR NATIONALS

Order—Boat and Number—Skipper—Fleet	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total Points
1. Bad News (3488)—John Salmond, Jr., Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	2	1	1	..	..	4,721
2. Grey Goose (3456)—Fred Schenck, Jr., Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	3	2	2	..	..	4,486
3. Darb (3222)—Darby Metcalf, Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	1	8	3	..	..	4,133
4. Dipper II (3180)—Phil Greene, Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	4	3	7	..	..	3,969
5. Melody (544)—Bob Hall, Oakland, California	7	4	4	..	..	3,894
6. It (3315)—C. C. Moore, Jr., Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	5	5	5	..	..	3,888
7. Ruff Too (3537)—Charles Kober, Balboa, California	6	9	6	..	..	3,474
8. No. 2685—Emerson Heyworth, Jr., Western Long Island Sound.....	8	6	8	..	..	3,403
9. Bif (3624)—W. L. Stewart III, Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	9	7	9	..	..	3,304
10. Little Spide (3431)—Jane King, Alameda, California	10	d.n.s.	d.n.s.	..	..	961

SPECIAL WOMEN'S SERIES

Order—Boat and Number—Skipper—Fleet	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total Points
1. Quien Sabe (2047)—Barbara Metcalf, Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	2	1	1	..	..	4,721
2. It (3315)—Lennie Nooteboom, Santa Monica, Cal.	1	3	2	..	..	4,615
3. Shearwater (1679)—Dorothy Hallander, Richmond, California.....	3	2	3	..	..	4,409
4. No. 3518—Teresa Kelly, Alhambra, California	5	4	4	..	..	4,034
5. Little Spide (3431)—Jane King, Alameda, California	4	5	5	..	..	3,961

SUMMARY: INTERNATIONAL SNIPE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Order—Boat and Number—Skipper—Fleet	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total Points
1. Melody (544)—Walter Hall, Oakland, California	1	4	4	5	3	7,078
2. Darb (3222)—Darby Metcalf, Los Angeles, California	4	2	1	d.s.q.	1	6,931
3. Malicious (2097)—Roy Hopkins, Redondo Beach, California.....	5	1	d.n.f.	1	2	6,917
4. No. 2685—Emerson O. Heyworth, Jr., Western Long Island Sound.....	3	5	2	6	6	6,711
5. Nina II (3161)—W. G. Green, Tulsa, Oklahoma	2	8	8	2	5	6,516
6. Dipper II (3180)—Phil Greene, Balboa, California	9	3	10	3	4	6,292
7. Stephin Fetchit (3266)—Maurice Martin, Jr., Dallas, Texas.....	8	6	6	4	9	5,932
8. Lady Kay II (3312)—Cai Ronnenberg, Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	6	9	3	9	7	5,873
9. No. 9—Hub E. Isaacs, Fort Worth, Texas	7	7	7	8	11	5,457
10. Roz IV (3573)—Richard Stephens, Stockton, California	11	10	5	7	8	5,402
11. Cotton (1205)—Gordon Miller, Richmond, California	10	11	9	10	10	4,807
12. No. 2132—E. W. Taylor, Jr., Los Angeles Harbor, California.....	d.s.q.	..	..	..	..	..

John Salmond, Jr., in Bad News, winner Junior Championship and Valspar Trophy Sawyer



The Snipe Class International Racing Association

Address all communications to W. F. Crosby, Executive Secretary, 9 Murray Street, New York, New York, U. S. A.

All boats should be registered with the Executive Secretary and have racing numbers assigned. If there is a fleet near, newly registered boat owners will be given the Fleet Captain's name and address. If no fleet exists, but if there are a number of other registered boats nearby, the owners will be put in touch in order to form a fleet. There is no charge for registration, but owners of such boats cannot become members of the Association until after their boats have been measured and dues of \$1.00 a year paid to the Association. Only registered, measured and paid-up boats are eligible to race. Owners of non-measured boats cannot pay dues or join Association. Upon receipt of dues, the Executive Secretary sends each owner a copy of the class rules and a membership card. Owners of non-measured boats may secure the rules book for twenty-five cents.

Total registered boats to date 3,670. Total chartered fleets to date 119.

RACING points accumulated by various fleets for the present season have been arranged in order of points and are listed below. These are only for boats that have points in excess of 1,500.

Points	Name	Owner and Fleet	No. Races
1727	Mary Too	I. R. Wilmot, Norwalk	17
1684	June	E. Pettit, L. Lackawanna	18
1673	Lady Kay II	C. Ronenberg, Los Angeles	17
1663	Rainbow	R. Gintling, Sparrows Pt.	11
1660	Dipper II	P. Greene, Balboa, Cal.	6
1659	Darb	D. Metcalf, L.A.Y.C.	16
1658	Windog II	H. Edwards, Adirondack S.C.	15
1647	Don't Duck	R. Merrow, Winchester, Mass.	18
1638	Mary	S. Wilmot, Norwalk	17
1637	Blue Nose II	D. Cochran, Clearwater, Fla.	7
1636	No. 1515	G. McGown, Jr., Ft. Worth	7
1634 1/2	Zepher	R. Heinzerling, L. Lackawanna	18
1634 1/2	Hoozier Miss	F. Levinson, Wawasee	5
1634 1/5	Melody	Hall Bros, L. Merritt, Cal.	7
1625	Pferdebahn	T. Laub, Jr., Deutscher S.C.	7
1624 6/7	Spanish Dancer	A. Moch, Deutscher S.C.	7
1624 6/7	F. A. H.	A. Levinson, Wawasee	7
1621	Connie	F. Mack, Wet Pans Snipe Club	10
1620	Cotton	G. Miller, Richmond, Cal.	6
1617	Fluff	V. Beasley, Lake Worth, Tex.	14
1611 5/8	Scat	F. J. Moyer, Olcott, N. Y.	8
1611 5/11	No. 3111	J. Hill, Port Jefferson	11
1610	Leilani	E. W. Gard, Jr., Los Angeles Y.C.	16
1603 4/5	No. 3573	R. Stephens, Ionic Sailing Club	5
1603	Grey Goose	F. Schenck, Jr., L.A.Y.C.	5
1602	Nellie	R. Hopkins, Redondo Beach, Cal.	5
1599	Lark II	H. P. Lawhorn, Los Angeles Harbor	18
1594	Ric-Lor	K. Eastman, Wilmette, Ill.	9
1593	Weave-It	D. Simonds, Winchester, Mass.	15
1592	Queen Bee	Burrows-Blake, Oak Orchard, N. Y.	7
1591	Judy Ann	L. H. Roberts, L. Lackawanna	18
1589	It	C. C. Moore, Jr., L.A.Y.C.	11
1585	Ruth	A. H. Atkinson, Pt. Jefferson	17
1583 3/4	Hi-Ho	A. M. Andrews, Wilmette Har.	8
1583 6/15	Mermeran	M. Woodard, Pt. Jefferson	15
1583 7/13	Stuff	H. Cottar, Lake Worth, Tex.	13
1583	No. 9	H. E. Isaacks, Ft. Worth, Tex.	10
1578	Gloriela	R. Herweck, San Antonio, Tex.	5
1569	Do-Do	G. Roberts, Clearwater, Fla.	7
1567	Wild Honey	G. U. Brown, Lake Worth, Tex.	11
1564	Tee Bees	T. E. Burleigh, Winchester	18
1563	Nana II	R. Nichols, Wawasee, Indiana	8
1562	Bubbling Over	C. Z. Crane, San Antonio, Tex.	5
1558	Yankee	R. Hedley, Olcott, N. Y.	8
1557	Porque	Bud Hargraves, Redondo Beach	5
1550	Senta	J. T. Hayward, Tulsa, Okla.	7
1549	Dotty I	W. Workman, L. Lackawanna	18
1543	Wiki-Wiki	W. C. McNeil, Sparrows Pt.	10
1542 5/6	Luv-Bug	S. C. Brown, Santa Monica	6
1542	Nina Too	W. G. Green, Tulsa, Okla.	7
1541	Dawn	R. T. Winter, Ionic S.C.	5
1536	Honey Pot	P. Beasley, L. Worth, Tex.	7
1530 2/3	Erin Isle	R. Allan, Balboa, Cal.	6
1530 2/5	Mogul	M. Mohill, L. A. Harbor	10
1525 1/2	Bar Fly	McGowen-Lester, Ionic	5
1525 1/4	Dalbar	C. B. Miller, Oak Orchard	8
1524	Sille	E. Taylor, Jr., Santa Monica	6
1523	Hold Tight	W. C. Johnson, Jr., L. Worth	10
1519	Jo-Jo	D. G. Johnson, L. A. Harbor	9
1515	Vector	J. L. Finch, Pt. Jefferson	17
1510 3/4	Szyzygy	A. Tucker, Jr., Richmond, Cal.	6
1510 1/3	Aeolus	Rundell-Lockhart, Wilmette	9
1510	No. 1520	W. Clark, Ft. Worth, Tex.	6
1509	Outbound	Whitesides-Magruder, L. Worth	12
1505 1/9	Lyons Cub	R. Lyons, Port Jefferson	9
1505	Queen Sabe	Barbara Metcalf, L.A.Y.C.	16
1503	Ann	H. A. Lehmann, Deutscher S.C.	7

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the story of the Snipe Internationals held at Los Angeles the latter part of August. Reports indicate nothing but praise for the way the races were handled and the Association wishes to thank publicly L. G. Metcalf, who so ably ran the affair. Practically every detail was attended to personally by Mr. Metcalf and the entire series of five races was run off without a single hitch.

On August 26 and 27, the Lake Mohawk Yacht Club of Lake Mohawk, New Jersey, ran the North Atlantic Coast Champion-

ships. Albert Thuerer, Lake Mohawk Junior, was the winner with two first places and a third. Roger Gintling of the Sparrows Point (Maryland) fleet was second with a third, a first and a fifth. "Charlie" Gabor of Lake Mohawk Seniors was third with a second, seventh and fourth. Other finishers in order were: Jack English of Money Island, New Jersey, fourth; M. Woodard of Port Jefferson, fifth; Pete Carlson of Sea Cliff Senior Fleet, sixth; Bill Horton of Awosting, New Jersey, seventh; Bill Dowd, Western Long Island Sound, eighth; Henry Korzniok of Cedar Point, Connecticut, ninth; Fred Smith of Triangle, tenth; P. Freeman, Barnegat Bay, eleventh; Ruth Becker of Sea Cliff Juniors, twelfth; Toni Laub of Deutscher Sports Club, New York, thirteenth. Ralph Hinzerling of Lake Lackawanna, New Jersey, was fourteenth.

On August 9-10 Lake Mohawk Yacht Club held the New Jersey State Championships. "Charlie" Gabor was again the winner with Albert Thuerer, second. Lake Mohawk fleet has been divided into two division, senior and junior.

Point score sheets will be furnished to any fleet free of charge on application to the secretary. Please do not use your own homemade sheets. Please do not write on both sides of the sheet. Please do not send in any sheets for boats that have been unmeasured or whose owners have not paid 1939 Association dues. Please do not send in the race results of boats that have not been in at least five point score races. We ask fleet captains and recorders to observe these simple rules. Hundreds of these sheets are handled at headquarters each year and they must be uniform and accurate or they are useless. Be sure your figures are accurate as no mathematical check is made after they leave your hands.

A considerable number of fleets will be dropped at the end of this season for inactivity. There are now more than 120 listed fleets and more coming in all the time. In order to keep the Association in working trim, deadwood must be dropped off from time to time and before the first of the year the following fleets will be dropped: Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club of Dover, England; Eastbourne Yacht Club of Eastbourne, England; Pine Lake Fleet, LaPorte, Indiana; Squantum Yacht Club, Squantum, Massachusetts; Royal Vancouver Yacht Club, Vancouver, British Columbia; Club Nautico Ligure, Genoa, Italy; Corinthian Yacht Club, Evansville, Indiana; Naples, Italy; Shreveport, Louisiana; Sacramento, California; Rimini, Italy; San Fernando, Trinidad; Palm Beach, Florida; Gulfport, Mississippi; Clear Lake, California; Waloon Lake, Indiana; Maryland Snipe Squadron, Baltimore, Maryland; Brownsville, Texas; Springfield, Illinois, Clontarf, Ireland. This means twenty less fleets, but those remaining will be the active ones. If you are a member of any one of these fleets as listed, better take up the matter with your fleet captain at once to insure good standing.

A Snipe fleet has been formed at Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey, August W. Cronenberg, 1091 Anna Street, Teaneck, New Jersey, is acting as fleet captain. Total boats registered 3,670.

Plans are being considered for the reorganization of Snipe Class International Racing Association. This does not mean changes in rules or restrictions but rather changes in the set-up of officers, etc. The present plan puts a tremendous burden on the New York headquarters and it is hoped that plans can be worked out to divide the country into several sections with a headquarters in each. Just what the final arrangement will be is not settled as yet, but it is more than likely that some scheme whereby each fleet in a section will name a delegate to attend a yearly meeting of that particular section. From the delegates officers would be elected to handle the entire affairs of the section, registration of new boats, payment of dues, issuance of certificates, etc.



HER NAME IS ALSO

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