

# 13th Snipe Junior World Championship

Mar Menor, Spain

September 12-15, 1996

The 13th Junior World Championship opened with completely different conditions than those faced by the Women in the days earlier. Beautiful clear skies, warm temperatures and calm breezes started each day, often with the postponement flag flying waiting for the wind to fill.

The 25 junior teams representing 14 SCIRA nations were ready to sail, having passed measurement and other qualifications. The first race started in 8-10 knots and had the Argentinian team of brothers Javier and Nicolas Ocariz posting the first of their 3 first place finishes. Sailing a lavender Persson, they could do no worse than a 2nd. But close on their heels was the Brazilian team of Andre Fonseca and Pablo Furlan. During the 2nd race,



as tough as the top 3. Pablo Fresneda and Pablo de Villar of Spain held top finishes until a PMS and DSQ brought them down.

Federico and Felipe Vasconcelos of Brazil were tough in the shifty breezes, but were caught over the line early on the last start. Mark Ivey and Elizabeth Potter of the US started a nice lead in the 6th race only to finish 2nd by the shifting conditions. The trash bag incident and PMS kept them out of the top 3.

Local favorites Paco and Marina Sanchez of Spain were consistently in the top 10, but a warning and

then penalty 720 by the jury for Rule 54 infraction slowed down their efforts. Others showing promise were Peter Iversen and Niels Lund of Denmark and Karl Otto Bock and Steina Johannessen of Norway.

It was nice to see several juniors return from the past World Championship in Japan, including Ivey, Iversen, Sanchez, Myhre of Denmark and Svensson of Sweden. The calibre of racing shown by the juniors was exciting, and their sportsmanship on and off the race course was excellent. Committee members were convinced that had the juniors had the conditions the women had, they could have handled the breeze just as well.

Credit must be given to all the Spanish volunteers who ran the regatta from Chairman A. Contreras, Race Committee Chairman Diego Cuena, President of the Urrutia, Hilario Alarcón Pumaréz and the numerous volunteers, registration and organizers who run 2 superb regattas. Bravo!

*Photo below: many of the junior competitors gather inside the champions' celebratory photo above: Stela Johannessen and Karl Otto Bock of Norway with Lisa Harrison of the USA.*



Fonseca/Furlan had passed the Ocariz brothers for first when their outhaul let loose, pushing them back to 5th by the time it was fixed. Consistency by brothers Federico and Francisco Romero of Argentina pulled these top 3 within points of each other throughout the Championship. The Romero brothers used a 9th as their throwout, with nothing worse than a 5th in the other races.

Racing was tight and except for the few mishaps during the regatta; Brazilians broken outhaul, a broken main halyard by US sailor John Warnock and a trash bag acting as anchor on US sailor Mark Ivey's rudder, the remainder of the Championship went smoothly.

With lighter conditions, the Race Committee, headed by Diego Cuena, dealt with shifter conditions than those experienced the week before. The wind direction came from all angles, and the sailors were testing their tactical maneuvers.

The fight for the next tier of sailors was just



## Junior World Results

Skipper/Crew	Country	Sail #	Finishes	Total
1. Andre Fonseca/Pablo Furlan	Brazil	26211	3-4-1-2-1-1-(pms)	11.25
2. Javier/Nicolas Ocanz	Argentina	28617	1-1-2-1-2-12-(pms)	18.25
3. Federico/Francisco Ronero	Argentina	28983	(9)-3-5-4-3-4-3	22
4. Mark Ivey/Elizabeth Potter	United States	25715	6-8-4-(pms)-8-2-7	35
5. Vascencellos/Vascencellos	Brazil	27665	5-6-8-7-4-6-(pms)	36
6. Peter Iversen/Niels Lund	Denmark	29020	14-2-10-3-5-(dsq)-2	36
7. Karl Otto Beck/Stefina Johannessen	Norway	29088	(12)-7-3-13-6-3-5	37
8. Paco/Marina Sanchez	Spain	28764	2-(10)-9-8-10-5-4	38
9. Carlos Miguel/Liaque Borjas	Portugal	28405	7-11-6-6-12-(15)-6	48
10. Pablo Fresneda/Pablu de Villar	Spain	28920	4-5-7-5-(pms)-dsq-1	49
11. John Warmock/Lisa Harisca	United States	28679	8-14-11-10-(dnf)-8-11	62
12. Pablo Defazio/Juan Luis Marabutto	Uruguay	28024	(17)-12-12-9-9-8	66
13. Gustav Carlsson/Emil Svensson	Sweden	29083	11-9-16-(18)-7-13-10	66
14. Diego Massironi/Matien Ferrari	Uruguay	27784	12-13-13-11-(15)-14-12	75
15. Diego Talone/Joao Araujo	Portugal	27387	16-(22)-17-12-11-18-13	87
16. Nicklas Myhr/Nicolas Hetsen	Denmark	28374	10-16-15-9-(dsq)-10-pms	88
17. Andrej Mocilnik/Luka Ricenbon	Italy	28771	15-18-21-(dsq)-18-7-9	88
18. Shingo Seto/Keisuke Teuchiya	Japan	27171	18-(19)-cnf-13-16-11-14	93
19. Peter Aardal/Vivian Rasmussen	Norway	26771	(21)-17-19-14-13-17-20	100
20. Filip Svensson/Joris Ehengren	Sweden	29084	19-21-20-(pms)-14-16-16	106
21. Denial Blayo/Tanguy Leglatin	France	26802	(20)-20-18-17-19-21-22-17	108
22. Diego Cerruti/Marco Fazio	Italy	28773	(24)-15-22-19-21-22-17	116
23. Henrik Sadzik/Alex Francis	Great Britain	24152	23-(24)-24-21-17-20-21	126
24. Yannick Brossard/Clement Metzinger	France	23285	22-(25)-25-cnf-20-21-19	132
25. Robert Bjurstrom/Joonas Djekkma	Finland	26645	25-23-(cnf)-22-22-23-18	133

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