



NOTICE OF RACE
2021 TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SNIPE REGATTA
October 30-31 2021
White Rock Lake, Dallas, Texas
[Revised October 2, 2021]

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:

Corinthian Sailing Club, Dallas, Texas (441 E. Lawther Drive, Dallas, TX, www.ccsailing.org) and Snipe Fleet 001 (www.dalsail.com) in co-operation with the Snipe Class International Racing Association (SCIRA-www.snipeusa.com)

RULES:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), with Appendix T included. The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and Local Regattas will apply. The US Sailing prescriptions will apply. In case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, The Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

ADVERTISING:

Advertising is permitted per Snipe Class rules.

ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY:

This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and SCIRA Member skippers who are in good standing with SCIRA for the current year. No skipper shall be eligible to enter unless they are verified to be a current member of SCIRA. The basis for verification of current membership and boat registration shall be the most current SCIRA-USA Membership and Boat Registration List as posted on the Snipeus.org web site and/or the SCIRA On Line Data Base. SCIRA membership dues for the current year may be paid to Fleet 001 at time of boat registration. Crews need not be members of SCIRA, but the races will not count towards the award of SCIRA's Minneford Trophy unless both skipper and crew are SCIRA members.

PROVISION FOR NEWCOMERS:

All competitors will race together as one fleet for the Championship. Any boat skippered by a competitor who has not yet skippered in any SCIRA sanctioned regatta **may** (but is not required to) register as a “Newcomer” to be eligible for additional “Newcomer” awards.

SCHEDULE: (Refer to Sailing Instructions for Amendments)

<p>SATURDAY October 30, 2021</p>	<p>8:30 a.m.– 9:30 a.m. Registration at North Entrance Gazebo 9:30 a.m. Skippers Meeting at North Entrance Gazebo. 10:30 a.m. First warning gun. After first race, lunch will be served in the main clubhouse. Two races to follow. 5:00 p.m. Latest starting time, except if unusual circumstances require later time. Happy Hour in main clubhouse following racing. 6:30 p.m. Dinner in main clubhouse (unless delayed due to late race). HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY TO FOLLOW!!</p>
<p>SUNDAY October 31, 2021</p>	<p>8:00-9:00 a.m. Coffee and donuts served in at North Entrance Gazebo 9:30 a.m. First warning gun, second race to follow back-to-back. 12:00 noon latest starting time. Lunch will be served in the main clubhouse after racing. Awards will be given out following lunch.</p>

REGISTRATION AND FEES:

All registrations will be submitted, and all fees will be paid, on line at the Dallas Snipe Fleet 001 website. SCIRA fees may also be paid through the Fleet 001 website. The URL for registration and fees is: <https://www.dalsail.com/texas-state-snipe-championship.html>. Anyone experiencing problems using the on line registration form should contact the Regatta Web Page Coordinator, David Foster (email: da.foster25@gmail.com, phone: 951-388-6495)

Regatta fees: Boat registration (includes skipper & crew beverages):\$40
Meals: Saturday and Sunday lunches.....\$5 each per person
Saturday night dinner and costume party \$20 per person

SCIRA fees & dues: Boat and owner.....(\$65)
Skipper registration without ownership.....(\$30)
Crew registration without ownership.....(\$30)
Junior (under 22) registration without ownership.....(\$20)
*Charter insurance premium for regatta(\$40)

*Loaner boat insurance is voluntary and may be purchased with registration. With insurance, the first \$240 of damage is the responsibility of the charterer. Without insurance 100% of any damage is the responsibility of the charterer.

MEASUREMENT:

All boats shall produce a valid measurement certificate or shall have one on file with SCIRA and are subject to measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee. All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed, confirmation through the SCIRA website that boat registration for 2021 has been paid, or payment made at time of regatta registration for 2021 SCIRA registration.

WHITE ROCK LAKE LOCAL REQUIREMENT:

Local lake rules require one personal flotation devise (“life jacket”) for each person in the boat as well as one additional throwable cushion. The cushion can be a third life jacket.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Regatta Sailing Instructions will available after October 4, 2021 on line at www.cscsailing.org, on line at www.dalsail.com, and will be available at the regatta site at time of registration.

COURSES:

The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for National and Local regattas, or approved variants thereof, as published in the current SCIRA Official Rulebook and SCIRA web site and will be described in the Sailing Instructions. Such courses may be modified to take into account local conditions and shall be set so that races take approximately **60-90 minutes** for the first boat to finish All races will be sailed on White Rock Lake, Dallas, Texas.

U and BLACK FLAG:

RRS Rule 30.3 and 30.4 shall not be used in this regatta.

SCORING:

The ISAF scoring system, Appendix A will be used, modified to add TLE (time limit expired). TLE shall be scored as one more than the last boat to finish. Any boat significantly behind the fleet may be directed by a race officer to abandon the race and return to the starting line for the next race. Such boat will be scored points for its position (as determined by the race officer) at the time of such notice.

30% Penalty Score is available under certain circumstances. See the Sailing Instructions.

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NUMBER OF RACES:

One race makes the regatta. The maximum number of races is five.

LOANER BOATS:

Loaner boats are available to members of Dallas Snipe Fleet 001. Please see Gene Soltero for more information. gene-snipe@soltero.org

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

PRIZES:

Prizes shall be awarded to the skipper and crew for the top three (3) places.

The winning skipper and crew shall be awarded temporary custody of the "Ted Wells Memorial Trophy" to be held until the next "Texas State Championship Snipe Regatta." See Appendix A for more details.

Special "Newcomer" prizes shall be awarded to the skipper and crew of the highest placing Newcomer boat.

BOAT LAUNCHING AND BOAT/TRAILER ACCOMODATIONS:

The Corinthian Sailing Club can now accommodate hand launching from light trailers and beach dollies from two floating ramps inside the club facility near the North entrance. The North entrance has a double gate and wide entrance ramp so bring your dolly. Empty trailers should be left at a nearby home as directed by the Regatta Boat Wrangler, Jose Babilonia (email: duropower@yahoo.com, phone: 469-929-5565).

HOUSING ACCOMODATIONS:

Limited housing with fleet members may be available. Please contact Laura O'Leary (laura@the-olearys.us) as early as possible if you seek housing with fleet members.

PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER: Steve Bell

SCIRA REPRESENTATIVE: Gene Soltero

REGATTA CO-CHAIRS: Gene Soltero and Laura O'Leary

NEARBY HOTELS:

Holiday Inn Select 11350 LBJ Freeway Garland Tx 75238 214 341-5400	La Quinta Inn 12721 LBJ Freeway Garland Tx 75041 972 271-7581	La Quinta Inn 10001 N Central Expwy Dallas Tx 75231 214 361-8200
Doubletree Hotel 8250 N Central Expwy Dallas Tx 75206 214 691-8700	Microtel Inn & Suites 1901 Pendleton Dr Garland Tx 75041 972 270 7200	Residence Inn 10333 N. Central Expwy Dallas, Tx 75231 214 750-8220

APPENDIX A: Theodore A. ("Ted") Wells (1907-1991)

Ted Wells was well-known to Snipe sailors in the USA. He began sailing Snipes in 1938 in Wichita Kansas, after early beginnings of racing airplanes around pilons in competition – which his wife Marjorie (Marge) considered too dangerous for him to continue. By that time, Wells was chief engineer and co-founder of Beech Aircraft Company in Wichita. Wells designed several of the top models of airplanes marketed by Beech and before that by another aircraft company.

Because of his technical and college background as an aircraft engineer and pilot, he approached the world of Snipe sailing with a calculated mind to be competitive at the highest level. He started with wooden Snipes and after WW II, he bought a new Snipe #6025 "Good News III" from a top west coast Snipe builder and won many championships, regional and national with that boat [which is now in the collection of the Mystic Seaport at Mystic Connecticut]. Wells victories include the 1947, 1949 and 1952 Snipe US National Championships, the 1947 and 1949 Snipe Worlds Championships, and six-time winner of the Snipe Midwinter Championship in Florida between 1948-1957. Over the years, Wells owned 10 Snipes, all named "Good News" (from I to X), and all with hull numbers ending with "025."

Wells was consultant along with Harold Gilreath, John Rix, and Francis Lofland to build the molds for the first production fiberglass Snipes in 1954 by Lofland in Wichita Kansas.

Wells was SCIRA Commodore in 1954 and for years was Chairman of the SCIRA Rules Committee. He was a regular contributor to a column "Wells Wanderings" in the monthly Snipe Bulletin, and authored a book "Scientific Sailboat Racing" in 1950 which guided many Snipe owners on the latest technical advancements of the time to make a Snipe competitive, as well as a detailed discourse on racing tactics to improve sailor's competitive skills.

In 1952, Wells donated an annual SCIRA trophy for the winner of the "consolation" Wells Division when the fleet became too large to fairly compete in one large group. Typically the Wells Division was used when the competitor fleet was more than about 50 boats. (In 2007, Gene Soltero won this division with crew Mallory McGroaty.)

Wells final Snipe racing competition was at the age of 79, when he competed in the 1986 Snipe Worlds Master Championship. As a final gesture of his love for racing Snipes and generosity to SCIRA, he donated his last Snipe #25025 to the SCIRA Perpetual Fund to be used as a fund raiser for the class.

Wells passed away in Florida in 1991, at the age of 84. A complete and detailed biography of Wells life, both in the aviation field and in sailboat racing, is published in a soft cover book "Master of the Sky and Sea – The Story of Ted Wells", authored by Wichita Snipe sailor and historian James Rix.

Marge donated a number of Ted's trophies to the Wichita Snipe Fleet to be used as the "keeper" trophies for the District 2 Championship (and "Ted Wells Memorial Regatta") hosted by the Wichita Fleet. Gene Soltero is took home the trophy originally awarded to Ted Wells as the "Kansas Sports Personality of 1957" by the Kansas Sport, Boat and Travel Show. Now that the Kansas trophy has been in Texas a number of years and to memorialize Ted on the 30th anniversary of his passing, Gene is donating Ted's trophy to be used as the "Ted Wells Memorial Perpetual Trophy" to be awarded each year to the team that wins the Texas State Championship Snipe Regatta.

