

Ecuador District Championship  
Club Nautico San Pablo - Fleet 447  
Quito, Ecuador  
April 25-30, 2007

Pos	Fl	Sail#	Helm	Crew	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Nett
1	405	14676	Carlos L.Lecaro	Manuel I.Granja, Samuel Herrera	SYC	(3)	3	2	2	1	1	12	9
2	447	14675	Olaf Dyck	Sara Dyck, Ada Cordova	CNSP	1	1	(4)	1	4	4	15	11
3	405	14673	Juan Santos G.	Juan Andrés Santos y Rafael Learo	SYC	2	2	(6)	5	3	3	21	15
4	447	14160	Marcelo León	Sebastián Dalmau,Maria Clara Ordoñez	CNSP	4	4	(5)	4	2	2	21	16
5	405	14541	Cesar Baquerizo	Orlando Rodriguez, Arturo Iturralde	CNSP	6	6	1	3	5	(10.0 DNF)	31	21
6	447	4675	Gustavo Cordovez	Ignacio Cordovez,Paco Dalmau	CNSP	(7)	7	7	6	6	5	38	31
7	447	14558	Ernesto Martinez	Jaime Martinez,Paty Roman	CNSP	5	5	3	(DNC)	DNC	DNC	43	33
8	405	15096	Javier Monge	Gustavo Maenz,Luis A.Baca	SYC	(10.0 DNF)	8	8	7	7	6	46	36
9	447	12661	Juan M. Aguirre	Santiago Aguirre,Juan C.Beltrán	CNSP	8	(10.0 OCS)	9	8	8	7	50	40

Though we sailors didn’t have the chance to shake hands with him, Ecuadorian President Rafael Correa’s visit and the magnificence of “Taita Imbabura” (the father mountain), brought solemnity to our districts.

First day started with winds on the lighter side of the scale, 4 to 6 knots. Nine boats lined up for the start of the first race. Olaf Dyck (14675) with wife Ada and young daughter Sara took the first two races, with clear intentions of bringing the trophy to the locals. Juan Santos (14673) with Rafael Lecaro and son Juan Andres had different plans for the trophy, so they fought fiercely and had two second places. Carlos Luis Lecaro (14676) with the youngsters Sebastian Herrera and Manuel Ignacio Granja, trying to win his first districts, kept the pace for two thirds.



Marcelo Leon (14160, me) had trouble switching from the heavier winds of the recent Circuit, sailing with my wife Maria Clara and Sebastian Dalmau managed to take two fourths. In the last race of the day, things mixed up a little. Cesar “Colo” Baquerizo (14541) with Orlando Rodriguez and Arturo Iturralde, followed by Ernesto Martinez (14558) with brother Jaime and his wife Paty, found a great lift on the left side just after the start, which lead them to the first mark 100 yards in front of the rest. In the end Colo took the race, and Carlos Luis had a great second place finish, which left his possibilities intact. End of day one, Ecuadorian style party, a little rum, lots of karaoke and a great time.



In the bottom part of the chart, fighting for the green fleet trophy, we had Gustavo Cordovez (4675) with wife Paulina and young son Ignacio. They did a great job, even though they haven’t been racing lately. Javier Monge (15096) with Gustavo Maenz and Luis Antonio Baca, who was racing Lightnings for the first time, and our rookie Juan Martin Aguirre (11661) with Santiago Aguirre former skipper and Juan C. Beltran.

On second day we had better breeze, 10 to 15 knots. Almost everything was defined on fourth race, with Olaf taking first place followed by Carlos Luis and Colo.

Fifth and sixth races were fought by the inch on every tack, mark and gybe; lots of coverage and strategy were the tone. At the end, Carlos Luis prevailed taking the last two races and the Districts for the first time! Congratulations Champions! On the last leg of the regatta the wind died, turned around 180°, started blowing again and sent us all planning on 20+ knots to the finish line before a thunderstorm reached us (see picture below).

