

# 2018 South American Championship

Pucon, Chile  
January 3-6, 2019

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**Day 1:** The fleet couldn't manage to finish a race. The winds did not cooperate! On the flip side, it was a beautiful day!

**Day 2:** Tricky conditions - with an eager fleet full of past champions winds from the Northwest ranging from 6-8 knts. The day ended with Javier Conte leading but with Felipe Robles close behind.



**Day 3 - Final Report:** The day started with a 2-hour postponement. The wind finally settled in from the Northwest and once again challenged all teams. Right from the start of the first race Robles led the race with Conte battling his way around the fleet ending the race in 6th place. The final race was going to decide the championship, Robles took the lead at the first windward mark with Conte on his heels. It came down to the last downwind for the final duel, with Conte beating Robles on the finish line, tying the score. Team

Robles had a better tie breaker making them the new South American Champions. This is Robles second South American Championship title.

The regatta turned out to be a great event. Pucon is one of the most beautiful venues for Lightning sailing, especially because it provides a great opportunity for friends to get together in a fun town. Hopefully we can all get back down there for a future world championship!!!

