

RSROA OAKLAND EVENTS BIG

WRSC Set-Up Completed at Annual Meet

Announce New Canuck Group

OAKLAND, Calif., July 12.—Sparked by attendance of foreign representatives, the basis for a permanent set-up of the World's Roller Skating Congress, governing body organized by the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States for international skating contests, was completed during the annual convention of the RSROA here June 30-July 5. This year's meeting was held in conjunction with the first meeting of the WRSC, the RSROA's national contests and the first international contests.

Altho the championships were new here, attendance fell short of expectations. Nevertheless, it was conclusively demonstrated that roller skating has grown into a sporting event of importance.

Foreign Attendance Highlight

Representatives from Canada, New Zealand, Australia, England and India, highlighted the meeting. These

Home-Grown Kids Capture Bulk Of WRSC International Honors

OAKLAND, Calif., July 12.—American roller skaters held all but one title to sweep the field in the first annual world's amateur rolling skating championships held July 7-8 in Oakland Civic Auditorium under auspices of the World Roller Skating Congress. Norman Latin, Brooklyn, won the men's world figure title by beating

included A. T. Powers, New Zealand Roller Skating Association; C. H. Flannigan, Blue Moon Skating Rink, Brisbane, representing the Australian Skating Association; Robert H. Mills, Skateland, New Westminster, B. C.; Harold E. Cornwell, Trianon Roller Rink, Vancouver, B. C.; Jack Jackson, Hamilton, Ont.; Meherwan C. Irani, Bombay (India) Skating Class, and Dr. C. C. Hargraves, Leeds, England.

Only drastic action taken at the convention was the ruling out of Canada from membership in the RSROA and WRSC. The RSROA announced severance with the Canadian contingent, as did the WRSC delegation. The charge was made that Canada engaged in activities jeopardizing the amateur status of Canadian skaters. The motion to expel Canada was introduced by Austin Armstrong, of England, and seconded by A. T. Powers, New Zealand representative. It was voted upon unanimously by India, Great Britain, New Zealand, Australia and the United States.

New Canadian Group

Canada was accused of holding a meet in May of this year without official sanction of the RSROA and using judges not recognized by the association. The Canadian Roller Rink Operators' Association was voted a membership, supplanting the expelled group.

The WRSC also announced plans to hold a world championship in 1949, possibly in England, and thereafter every two years. The North American championships will be held next year, the site yet to be selected. It was also decided to design a challenge plaque and that the host country will award it at the end of the world championships to the nation receiving the most team points. It will be a permanent award.

An innovation at next year's competition will be the holding of a roller hockey event. As the RSROA has no rules covering this type of roller skating sport, the contest will be governed by European rules.

Dr. C. C. Hargraves, Leeds, Eng. (See WRSC SET-UP on page 100)

out J. W. Norcross Jr., Crossley, Colo. Ronald W. Brown, Toronto, was third.

Frank Lamb, London, won the two-mile speed skating championship in the fast time of 6:05 minutes, the only foreign skater to take a first-place trophy home. Americans won nine championships.

Harold Wyant, Dayton, O., shared individual honors with Mary Lou Dauer, Cincinnati. Wyatt won the 440 and 880-yard speed skating events and placed second to Lamb in the two-miler. Miss Dauer won all three women's races, upsetting Betty Hosek, who won the speed titles in the United States championships.

Patricia Carroll, Elmhurst, N. Y., also turned in a form reversal by besting the U. S. figure skating champion, Margaret Wallace, Brooklyn, in the women's finals.

Results: Men's 880-yard speed skating, Harold Wyant, Dayton, O. (1:28.8); Frank Lamb and Geoffrey Sanders, London. (Conway Manahan, Chicago, second, disqualified for crowding).

Women's 220-yard speed skating, Mary Lou Dauer, Cincinnati (0:23.9); Betty Hosek, Seattle, and Jean Gillard, London.

Women's 440-yard speed skating, Mary Lou Dauer, Cincinnati (0:46.8); Betty Hosek, Seattle, and Valerie Burgess, Christchurch, N. Z.

Men's figure skating, Norman Latin, Brooklyn; J. W. Norcross, Greeley, Colo., and Ronald W. Brown, Toronto.

Women's figure skating, Patricia Carroll, Elmhurst, N. Y.; Margaret Wallace, Brooklyn, and Lenore Kern, Toronto.

Men's two-mile speed skating, Frank Lamb, London (6:05) Harold Wyant, Dayton, O., and Conway Manahan, Chicago.

Men's 440-yard speed skating, Harold Wyant, Dayton, O. (0:45); Geoffrey Sanders and Frank Lamb, London.

Women's 880-yard speed skating, Mary Lou Dauer, Cincinnati (1:34); Betty Hosek, Seattle, and Valerie Burgess, Christchurch, N. Z.

Figure Skating (pairs), Margaret Wallace and Norman Latin, Brooklyn; Patricia Carroll and Thomas Lane, Elmhurst, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Allchurch, Christchurch, N. Z.

Titles Traded In Nip & Tuck National Meet

Easterners Win Majority

OAKLAND, Calif., July 12.—Roller skating titles were annexed in the United States amateur championships which concluded Saturday (5) in Civic Auditorium here under auspices of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States.

Harold Wyant, Dayton, O., retained his national senior men's championship by capturing the five-mile final in the time of 15:54.2 to garner overall speed honors with a total of 110 points. Second in the over-all was Conway Manahan, Chicago, with 80 points, and Charles Oppelt, Cleveland, with 60. Manahan and Oppelt finished second and third behind Wyant in the five-mile event.

Joan Westenberg, Wal-Cliffe Dance and Figure Club, Elmont, N. Y., bested the field for the junior girls' (Titles Traded at Nat'l, opp. page)

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WILLIAM T. BROWN, Southgate Rollerdom, Seattle, who was re-elected to his fourth consecutive term as president of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States at the group's annual convention in Oakland, Calif., June 30-July 5.

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