A Photo Story of the

1980 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS of BATON TWIRLING

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Seattle, Washington, USA,

was the site of the FIRST World Championships of baton twirling. Athletes from ten countries of the WORLD FEDERATION competed in the Championships and this photo report is dedicated to those competitors who met in the true spirit of International athletic competition.

WORLD CHAMPION, Bonnie Palacios — USA; 2nd Place, Annetta Lucero — USA; 3rd Place, Teresa Adams — USA; 4th Place, Lucinda McMaster — Canada; 5th Place, Emiko Yamane — Japan; 6th Place; Susan Irwin — Canada.

WORLD CHAMPION, Pam Harris — USA; 2nd Place, Marci Papadopoulos — USA; 3rd Place, Wendy Campbell — USA; 4th Place, Pam Wilson — Canada; 5th Place, Andrea Widdall Canada; 6th Place, Tamiko Ohkoshi — Japan.

WORLD CHAMPION, Michael Cruz — USA; 2nd Place, John Chamberlain — USA; 3rd Place, Glenn Bittenbender — USA; 4th Place, Motoaki Tuschiya — Japan; 5th Place, Pascal Dumas — France (Tie); 5th Place, Takanori Shimomura — Japan (Tie).

Junior

other placings were: 7-Ornella Castellano, Italy; 8-Valerie Perego, France; 9-Satomi Hayakawa, Japan; 10-Yannick Emery, France; 11-Krista Young, Canada; 12-Kikue Itoh, Japan; 13- Elisa Rampinelli, Italy; 14-Paola Cominoli, Italy; 15-Stephanie Moran, England; 16-Cristel Van Herct, Belgium; 17-Laura Donnachy, Scotland; 18-Adele Wallace, England; 19-Claire Porden, England; 20-Georgette Leonard, Belgium; 21-Diane Taylor, Scotland; 22-Monique Marlair, Belgium; 23-Donna McLaughlan, Scotland; 14- Jolanda Van Hermelen, Netherlands; 25- Caronlien Klopenhouwer, Netherlands,

Senior

Men

other placings were: 7-Brenda

Hasenfrantz, Canada; 8-Satomi Ohkoshi, Japan; 9-Lesley Wood, Scotland; 10-Nobue Inamasu, Japan; 11-Alda Bonini, Italy; 12-Brigitte Chenavard, France; 13-Michele Carne, France; 14-Ingrid Testa, France; 15- Giovanna Demani, Italy; 16-Gisella Gelatti, Italy; 17-Jane Wilson, England; 18-Laura McIntyre, Scotland; 19-Karine Bochstaele, Belgium; 20-Mandy James, England; 21-Chantal Cayron, France; 22-Sandra Aithenhead, Scotland; 23-Karine Arts, Belgium; 24-Michael Heath, England; 25-Gerda Cami, Belgium; 26-Marian Van der Kruit, Netherlands; 27-Gaby Nies, ry; 28-Marit Braam-Sijmons, Netherlands; 29-Lia Vissers, Netherlands

other placings were: 7-Philip Gillard, Belgium; 8-Mashiro Saitoh, Japan; 9-Jos De Melker-Worms, Netherlands; 10-Antoine Paauwe, Netherlands

PAM HARRIS of Kettering, Ohio, is eighteen years old and attends the University of Dayton where she majors in computer science. She was the valedictorian of her 1980 high school class. Besides twirling, she jogs, plays tennis and likes to bike. Pam enjoys twirling for the competition, traveling, friends she has made, the challenges it offers, and the self discipline required.



















MICHAEL CRUZ of San Jose, Califronia, is twenty years old and attends San Jose State University where he majors in advertising and graphic arts. Michael is an avid tennis player and lists his idol as Bjorn Borg. He enjoys twirling because of the travel involved and the self-discipline required in the sport.

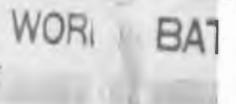




















BONNIE PALACIOS of Benavides, Texas, is ten years old and attends Benavides Primary School where she is in the 5th grade. Bonnie also enjoys gymnastics and skating. She became interested in the sport of twirling because her sister used to twirl.



Other Contestants...

MARCI PAPADOPOULOS, USA, was outstanding — as usual!



GLENN BITTENBENDER, USA wowed the audience with his exciting free style exhibition.

WENDY CAMPBELL, USA, gave a breathtaking performance.



TAMIKO OHKOSHI, Japan, gave a crowd pleasing performance.





JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, USA, had the audience on the edge of their seats during his free style performance.

MOTOAKI TSUCHIYA, Japan, was a fine representative from Japan. ANDREA WIDDALL, Canada, gave an unusual and captivating free style performance.

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TAKANORI SHIMOMURA, Japan, is shown during his free style performance.

PAM WILSON, Canada, was a real credit to the Canadian team.



PASCAL DUMAS, France, performed well and made many friends at the Championships.

and more . . .



The audience was often on its feet applauding the performances of the world competitors.



The judges had a tough job and they did it well. Shown left to right are: Kathy Forsythe, USA; Trudie Overduin, Netherlands; Rita Runschke, Germany; Rita Giamminola, Italy; Aiko Takayama, Japan; and Mariette Deprez, Belgium.



Frances Winkle, USA, takes a break from judging to take her own pictures.





Dale White carries Bonnie Palacios, both from the USA, in the opening ceremonies.

Carolyn and John Kirkendall avidly watch the competition. John was re-elected President of the World Baton Twirling Federation at the meeting in Seattle.



The Board of Directors of the World Federation are shown enjoying the Championships. Pictured left to right are: Mr. DePari of France, Audrey Montgomery of Scotland, Makoto Hara of Japan, Dick Van der Werf of Holland, Juergen Ernst of Germany, Mr. P. Deledeke of France, Ernest Turner, of England, Lynda Bull of Canada, Edgar Poppe of Belgium, Peppino Giamminola of Italy, and Jack Crum of the USA.



Mr. Edgar Poppe attended for Mr. Paul Hofkens of the Belgium Twirling Institute.



The U.S. Team members proudly waved the American flag in their brand new cowboy outfits.



Mr. Makoto Hara and Aiko Takayama lead the Japanese delegation.



Members of the US team saluted during the playing of our National Anthem.



Members of the Belgium team are shown at the rehearsal of the Opening Ceremonies.



Peppino Giamminola, Italy, vice-president of the World Baton Twirling Federation, presents the World Cup to the United States.



Mr. Umberto Nobile and an Italian delegation member are shown with Rita Giamminola, Italian judge and Mr. Piano. The Italian team is also shown.



Mr. Ernest Turner, President of the British Majorette Association, is shown with his daughter, Christine on the right and Pamela Sheldrake, the English judge. Other members of the delegation are behind.



The judges were introduced — shown left to right; Mariette Deprez, Belgium; Ron Kopas, Canada; Pamela Sheldrake, England; Marie-Ange Brillet, France; Rita Runschke, Geramny; Rita Giamminola, Italy; Aiko Takayama, Japan; Trudie Overduin, Netherlands; judge from Scotland and Mrs. Woods from Scotland; Kathy Forsythe and Frances Winkle, USA.



Frances was interviewed by Mike Adamle of ''GAMES PEOPLE PLAY'' - NBC-TV show.



Dick Van der Werf, President of the Holland Institute of Twirling, leads the delegation in the opening ceremonies.



Juergen Ernst, President of the German Majorette Association, waves to the audience at the Championships.



MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES TEAM PROUDLY RAISE THE WORLD CUP - presented to the team that accumulated the most points in the World Championships.