

On Saturday, Oct. 25, 1980 Bowl America held a "Family Fun Day" for members of the press and their families, which included interviews and bowling with two of the top WPBA members, Cindy Coburn and Patty Costello. Cindy was 1979's National Champion here at Bowl America Shirley, last fall.

During the question portion of the day, Cindy and Patty stressed the importance of physical fitness while out competing on the ladies' pro circuit. Cindy jogs and works out in a fitness center as well as the usual 1-2 hour practice sessions every day. Patty plays tennis to supplement her bowling workouts.

When asked about women vs men on a unified tour, the gals disagreed as to how competitive the ladies could be.

Patty has always been an advocate of women competing with men on the professional level. Cindy, however, feels that there aren't too many women who can endure the length of the men's tour, physically.

After the interviews the Pros bowled with those who wished to practice and get tips. The WPBA members and two of the WDCAWBA top-ranked

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bowlers, Debbie Roberts and Yvonne Tison, later competed in a two game exhibition match. The first game paired Cindy and Yvonne against Patty and Debbie. Yvonne (244) and Cindy (211)

defeated Debbie (232) and Patty (197) in the opening match. The second match was far more exciting, Patty and Cindy vs Debbie and Yvonne. The local girls showed that they too were competitive enough to win the match in the 10th frame. Debbie (183) and Yvonne (204) won the match by a meager 3 pins over Cindy (178) and Patty (206).

All in all it was a most enjoyable day. I want to express sincere thanks to those members of the press who did make it: Nat Albright, WINX Radio; Don Cronin, UPI; and Larry Walton, columnist for the Maryland Gazette. It was most unfortunate that more of the press did not attend, as an extreme amount of effort was put out by Bowl America to plan an exciting and fun day.



TOP LEFT: At the press luncheon prior to the 1980 WPBA National Championship are seated WPBA star Patty Costello, Les Goldberg, the president of Bowl America, Cindy Coburn, the 1979 National Champion, and Yvonne Tison, a top WDCAWBA bowler. Standing above are Bob Minter of Bowl America, Debbie Roberts, another ranking WDCAWBA member, Irv Clark, Director of Operations for Bowl America and WDCAWBA Vice-President Nell Horne. **TOP RIGHT:** Debbie Roberts and Patty Costello each get "five" before bowling. **BOTTOM LEFT:** At the tournament awards presentation are Nikki Gianulias, 3rd place finisher, Pat Costello, 2nd place, Aleta Rzepecki, 5th place, Robin Romeo, 4th place, 1980 WPBA National Champion Donna Adamek, Les Goldberg, and Connie Smoot, VP of Sales, Columbia 300. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Pro-Am Winners (below) Alison Smith, Billy Lamont, Robby Talbert, and Betty Johnson; (above) Doris Gambill, Stan Soaper, Shari Brothers, Steve Hill, and William Gray.