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Ellen Cotton weaves wins at SIWBA

By VINIE DUDLEY

Ellen Cotton, a stunning blonde, jumped into the unofficial lead for the All-Island Title of the 21st annual Staten Island Women's Bowling Association Tournament at the Sunset Lanes, when she was the saying goes, "She came out to the lanes to bowl."

And how she did it was the turn of the first 600 series of the tourney, rolled three games of better than 200, came out as unofficial leader of the singles and gross class, and while teaming with Grace Vignitti in the doubles came out on top in that class in the net and the gross also (continually).

In the singles competition, Ellen shot 284, 176, 228 to total 688. In the doubles action, she hit 166, 211, 181 to score 558; last week she totaled 311 with the Kegretites in white action. Her overall net is 1666 and when the handicap is added her overall gross comes to 1855. Which is a good position to be in (noodling of course).

Grace Vignitti fired a 558 set which included a 214 game to team with Ellen and gross 1246 in the doubles net and gross rates.

Gloria Samson rolled a 180 series to come in second in the day in the singles category, and Helen Fisher claimed second place in the gross singles with a 604 outing (580 net plus 126 handicap).

In the doubles action, Louise Czernus and Dorothea Noonan registered with a 1019 total to hit second spot for the day in net and added 185 handicap pins to take second in the gross also with a 1508.

In the team action, the Wan-Deers hit 2407 and the Good Group rolled 2333 to lead in the net spot for the day while Colonial Lanes No. 1 recorded 2987 gross pins (218 net plus 180 handicap) to hit first in the gross and the Mini Minis recorded 2185 (218 net and 500 bonus pins) to come in second in the net.

The results:

SINGLES		
Rank	Name	Score
1	Ellen Cotton	688
2	Gloria Samson	604
3	Helen Fisher	604
4	Louise Czernus	558
5	Dorothea Noonan	558
6	Wan-Deers	558
7	Good Group	558
8	Colonial Lanes No. 1	558
9	Mini Minis	558
10	Wan-Deers	558

DOUBLES		
Rank	Team	Score
1	Ellen Cotton & Grace Vignitti	1246
2	Louise Czernus & Dorothea Noonan	1019
3	Wan-Deers & Good Group	1019
4	Colonial Lanes No. 1 & Mini Minis	1019
5	Wan-Deers & Good Group	1019
6	Colonial Lanes No. 1 & Mini Minis	1019
7	Wan-Deers & Good Group	1019
8	Colonial Lanes No. 1 & Mini Minis	1019
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10	Colonial Lanes No. 1 & Mini Minis	1019

TEAMS		
Rank	Team	Score
1	Wan-Deers	2407
2	Good Group	2333
3	Colonial Lanes No. 1	2987
4	Mini Minis	2185
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The atmosphere is relaxed as four of the competitors compare notes just before the final block of games began. Rab Wilkinson, standing, talks things over with Barbara Shelton, while Frank Scardino makes a point with Irene Montross.

Wilkinson finishes 3rd, gains tournament berth

By TOM VALLEDOLMO

Rab Wilkinson went from ecstasy to agony and back again yesterday as he charged from behind to finish third in the New York City BPAI All-Island title tournament at Bowling on the Green.

The third shot earned the smile. Monday 853 is grand money but more important was the fact that it second him in the net in the National All-Star Tournament in Miami Beach. Jack Clemente and Pat Amerson, the Nos. 1 and 2 in the Colonial Lanes No. 1 recorded 2987 gross pins (218 net plus 180 handicap) to hit first in the gross and the Mini Minis recorded 2185 (218 net and 500 bonus pins) to come in second in the net.

Wilkinson, the lower leader to track the 18-man final round, knocked out a 1218 eight-game block (218 average) and won over of his right hand-to-hand matches. His series was the best of the day as was the 287 he rolled in disposing of Lee Tabby.

He began the day's activities in fifth place—behind Amerson, Clemente, Frank Scardino and Rab Maternus—and got a chance to gain some ground in his very first game.

Scardino, who was 27 pins ahead of him, supplied the opinion and it was in that match that Rab got his first taste of ecstasy.

With another rally and enthusiastic cheering section rooting for every ball, Rab started with a double, converted two strikes and got a four-er in route to a 238 victory.

He moved past Scardino by virtue of the 59 bonus pins awarded for game won, but when the 30th game was rolled, the agony was lurking.

His opponent was Lee Tabby, but his biggest enemy was the pins. They stood up to pairs, with plenty of space between, and when it was all over, the crowd had been put through an emotional wringer watch.

Herb Walker had to be at his best in the contest, Tony Pantone, who was in his own right a top contender, was in the hot seat. Walker rapped 116 and won the fifth game after he had four balls salvaged into the first four. After the one at he was tying into an on-on match, it came out continental 1081 total.

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