Ladies

The Senior Ladies had opened the four days of competition Wednesday morning. It started and ended the same way—Janet Lynn in first. However, from the middle of the compulsory figures until the final free skating, the smiling blonde from Rockford may have given her supporters some worries. Janet nevertheless came through to earn her fifth consecutive Ladies Championship title. In the other Ladies events, Californian skaters took the crowns. Laurie Brandel claimed the Junior Ladies title, after placing second in 1972, and Barbara Smith captured the Novice crown.

A reduction from six to three compulsory figures—in accordance with the new ISU rules for Senior Singles—may have influenced the outcome of this portion of the Ladies Championship. Janet led after the first figure of Group II but was overtaken by 16-year-old Diane Goldstein on



the second. Diane still held the lead after figures.

Nearly everyone expected Janet to take the lead after the new compulsory

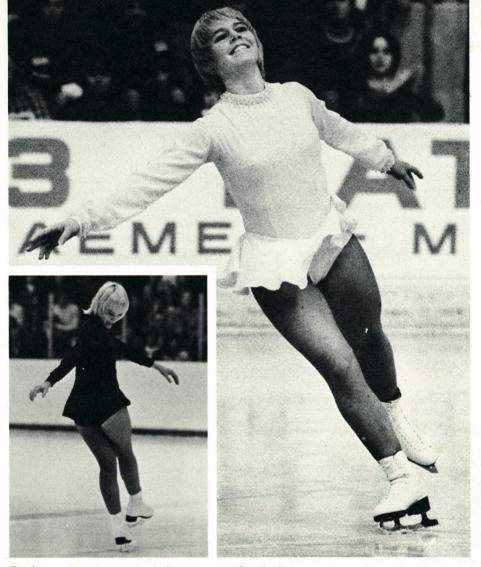
short program Thursday. She did—in the combined results— but the short program alone went to 16-year-old Dorothy Hamill. In her first time with the short program, Janet slid a bit in the middle of her jump combination, a double Axel/double toe loop. Then, almost incredibly, she two-footed her single Axel as she over compensated for her miss in the combination. Dorothy, although faltering a bit on the same jump combination, showed some fine serpentine stepwork and a high, lingering delayed Axel. Diane, ranked sixth in the short program, held onto third entering the free skating.

Skating third in Friday's finals, Janet quickly showed the poise of a defending champion. With lyrical arm movements to the waltz music for part of her program, along with that ever-present smile, she cooly landed jump after jump, including two clean double Axels and a double Lutz. She ended with a different kick-out of the final spin. Janet's three 6.0's for composition and style, the seven 5.9's for technical merit and the standing ovation she received were clearly deserved.

Immediately after Janet came Dorothy Hamill in fire-engine red chiffon. "A tough act to follow," Dorothy said later, but her performance deserved the standing ovation she also received. Dorothy still ends her program with the "Hamill camel," a camel into sitspin.

Diane fell on a double Axel attempt and was caught by Juli McKinstry for the third spot on the World Team. The race for third was very tight, with fifth-placer Wendy Burge, last year's Junior champion, closer than some people realized.

Laurie Brandel led the Junior Ladies in figures and held on for a close win. After an operation in August to repair a tendon problem, she returned to the ice only November 1st. Tiny Linda Fratianne won the free skating, as she did in Regionals and Sectionals. Only 12 years old, Linda had two "grown up" double Axels.



The famous Janet Lynn smile, in figures. . . . and free skating.

Kim McIsaac, last year's Novice champion, made it a clean sweep for Southern California in the Junior event.

Barbara Smith, with a neat double Lutz/double loop combination, led all the way for the Novice Ladies title.

ODDS AND ENDS. . . Janet Lynn first made the Nationals as a nine-year-old Novice competitor in 1963 at Long Beach, California. . . Linda Fratianne, who won't be 13 until August, amazed some veteran coaches with her jumps. . . Dorothy Hamill skates with a gold four-leaf clover on her left shoulder. ...Kim Mc-Isaac is also a national speed skating champion. . . Priscilla Hill became the

youngest Senior Lady since Carol Heiss to make the Nationals at age 11.

LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

JUDGES: A-Mrs. Anne Gram, New York, N.Y.; B-Mrs. Ardelle Sanderson, Lake Placid, N.Y.; C-Mrs. Mary Louise Wright, Belmont, Mass.; D-Mrs. Virginia LeFevre, Troy, Ohio; E-Mrs. Margaret Reed, Tulsa, Okla.; F-Mrs. Dora May Coy, Lakebay, Wash.; G-Mrs. Edith Shoemaker, San Francisco, Calif. REFEREE: Charles Foster, Worcester, Mass. COMPULSORY FIGURES: Group II-20b, 38a, 41b. SHORT PROGRAM: Group C.

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1. (2) (2) Janet Lynn, Wagon Wheel FSC
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2. (3) (1) Dorothy Hamill, SC of New York

2 2 2 2 2 2 7/2 3. (5) (4) Juli McKinstry, Broadmoor SC 3 4 4 5 4 3 3 6/4 TP 185.35

4. (1) (6) Diane Goldstein, Denver FSC

3 6/4 TP 185.14 5. (8) (3) Wendy Burge, Los Angeles FSC 6 5 3 5 5 5 6/5 6. (7) (7) Kath Malmberg, Wagon Wheel FSC 9 6 6 7. (9) (5) Donna Arquilla, St. Moritz ISC 7 9 8 6 6 4/7 8. (4) (12) Suna Murray, SC of New York 8 7 9 8 8 9. (6) (11) Donna Albert, Lakewood WC 9 8 6 8 7 9 4/8 10. (10) (10) Mary Marley, SC of Boston 10 12 10 12 10 10 10 11. (13) (8) Laura Johnson, SC of Wilmington 11 11 11 11 11 12 12 5/11 12. (11) (9) Elizabeth Freeman, SC of Lake Placid 10 12 10 12 11 11 4/11 13. (12) (13) Priscilla Hill, North Shore SC 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 7 JUNIOR LADIES JUDGES: A-Mrs. Claire Ferguson, North Providence, R.I.; B-Mrs. Mary Louise Wright, Belmont, Mass.; C-Mrs. Mabel Graham, Akron, Ohio; D-Matthew Zats, St. Paul, Minn.; E-Raymond Alperth, San Francisco, Calif. REFEREE: Charles Foster, Worcester, Mass.

COMPULSORY FIGURES: Group I-16, 23a,

1. (1) Laurie Brandel, Arctic Blades FSC

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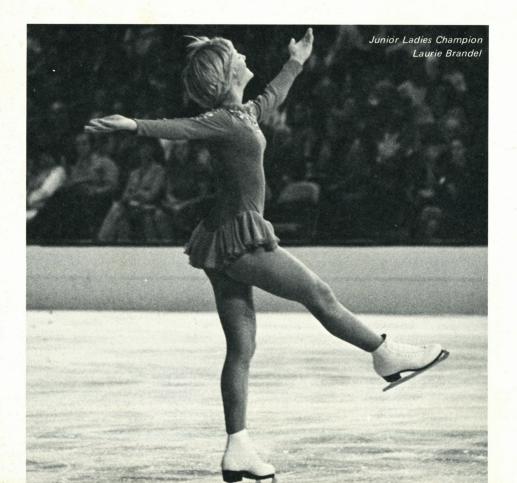
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29b, 20a, 33b.

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2. (2) Linda Fratianne, Los Angeles FSC 2 5 2 2 3/2 3. (9) Kim McIsaac, City of Burbank 3 9 3/3 3 3 4. (3) Karen De Angelo, SC of New York 4 1 4 5/4 5. (4) Barbara Salomon, SC of New York 6 2 6 6 5/6 6. (7) Gail Hamula, Broadmoor SC 9 6 5 5 3/6 7. (8) Betsy Hobson, Braemar-City of Lakes FSC 7 8. (5) Keri Schmer, City of Wilmington 5 8 8 8 5/8 9. (6) Cathy Foulkes, Hayden Recreation Centre FSC 8 10 10 3/9 10. (10) Sherry Kilmer, Cleveland SC 10 10 5/10 10 9 9 NOVICE LADIES JUDGES: A-Mrs. Ardelle Sanderson, Lake Placid, N.Y.; B-Mrs. Virginia LeFevre, Troy, Ohio; C-Mrs. Margaret Reed, Tulsa, Okla.; D-Norman Fuller, Chino, Calif.; E-Mrs. Edith Shoemaker, San Francisco, Calif. REFEREE: Harry Keighley, Evanston III. COMPULSORY FIGURES: Group II-13, 16, 18b, 29a. A В C 1. (1) Barbara Smith, Arctic Blades FSC 1 1 1 1



2. (3) Teresa Foy, Los Angeles FSC 3/3 3 TO 18 3. (2) Tracey Cahill, City of Ardmore, Pa. 3 2 TO 3/3 20

4. (7) Jacqueline Dean, City of Denver 5 4 2 3/4 2 4 TO 21

5. (10) Kathy Gelecinskyj, FSC of Minneapolis 4 3 6 3 7 3/4 3/4 23 ŤΟ

6. (4) Amanda Kohlhas, Philadelphia SC & HS 4 3/4 TOM 11

7. (5) Sandra Starbuck, Arctic Blades FSC 9 8 7 7 5 3/7

8. (8) Sheryl Franks, Hayden Recreation Centre FSC

5 8 8 9. (6) Eva Barton-Dobenin, Broadmoor SC 3/8

8 6 9 10 8 10. (9) Holly Blunt, Lansing SC

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