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#### FREEFORMER dOWNHILL CHAMPIONSHIP Akron, Ohio-July 2,3 1977

The Akron contest will no doubt go down in skateboard history as a monumental event. What started as an uphill battle with city and state officials' fears and resistance, Don E. Branker brought championship skateboarding to Akron, Ohio, and the nation. Using the highly desirable Soap Box Derby track, Derby Downs, the contest drew 13,300 spectators and was filmed by CBS for their Sports Spectacular.

For a city so hesitant about the event and the skaters, by the Monday after the two day event they were convinced! "This bunch here is just like a bunch of Derby kids, only older", an Akron city worker said, "They're really a great bunch of people, just super." Guests at the Awards Banquet include head of the Akron City Council, a State Senator, the Chairman of the Board of Derby Downs and the Akron City Attorney - all applauding the professionalism of the skaters and the sport.

The events were a Giant Slalom, a Stand-Up Speed Run, and an Unlimited Speed Run. Those are the cars. Skate cars! Little, low machines from space. Following in the Signal Hill tradition, these cars were all enclosed vehicles. Top speeds were 47 m.p.h.

The Giant Slalom was a first. Previous professional slalom races were in an arena which limited the slalom course setter to a tight, straight line slalom, But at Derby Downs it was heaven! The 1,050 foot long, 30 foot wide track allowed for a head-to-head Giant Slalom. With 44 cones and spanning 950 feet, the course was long, fast, and graceful.

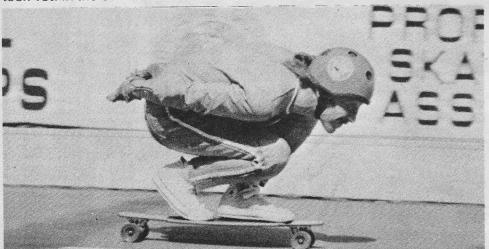
The Stand-Up Speed Run was the show stopper of them all. Imagine \$3,000 especially designed speed boards, fully leathered riders racing head-to-head from the top in a stand up position. A full, push-as-far-asyou-want 1,050 foot hill. Wait til you see that on TV! (The slalom portion of the contest will view on CBS' Sports Spectacular in September - watch your viewing guide. The freestyle show portion of the event aired August

These were a lot of extras: Brian Beardsley jumped an MG in front of a crowd who throught skateboards were still a toy. Ellen O'Neal was her ever shining self as the speechless crowd watched her freestyle routine. And stars. Skateboard legends like Chris Yandall circulating among the crowd talking and signing autographs.

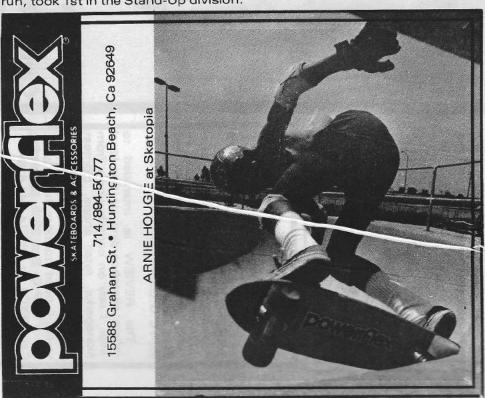
What a glorious two days. Akron will never be the same. I even heard a skateboard park is going in. If you "Ohio-ans" like the idea write or call your Recreation Department.



Powerflex entry, NICK LEONARD, here being started by Don E. Branker took 1st. in the Unlimited class.



JOHN HUTSON, Santa Cruz Skateboards, obviously pleased with this run, took 1st in the Stand-Up division.





The opening of the two day event at Derby Downs started with a show by a local band and corps of majorettes.

# FINAL RESULTS

#### STAND-UP SPEED RUN

- 1. John Hutson
- Mike Williams
   John Krisik
- 4. Mike Goldman 5. Mark Bowden
- 6. Tom Ryan
- 7. Guy Grundy
- 8. Chris Yandall and Garrison Hitchcock
- 9. Bob Skolberg
- 10. Ty Page
- 11. Davey Andrews
- 12. Pat Flanagan
- 13. Steve Schisler
- 14. Chuy Madrigal 15. Dave Dillberg
- 16. Nick Leonard

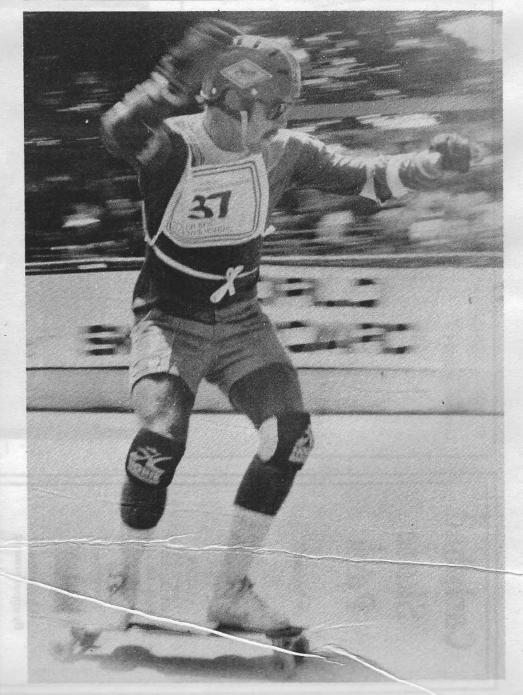
#### Unlimited Speed Run (cars)

- 1. Nick Leonard
- Garrison Hitchcock and Guy Grundy

- 3. Ty Page
- 4. Dave Dillberg and Mark Bowden
- Henry Hester 6. Bob Skoldberg

#### GIANT SLALOM

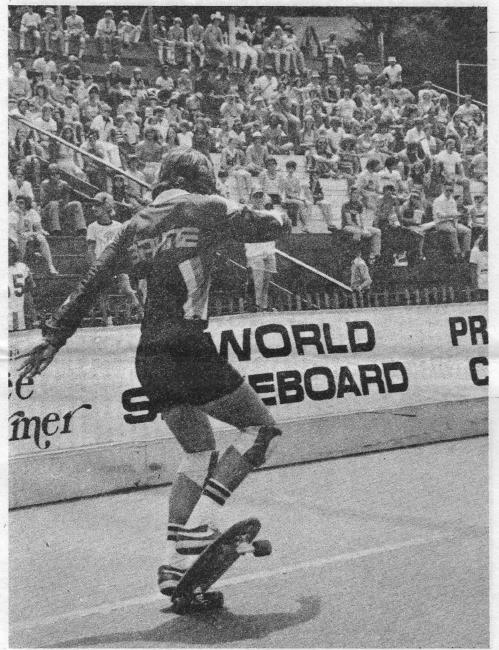
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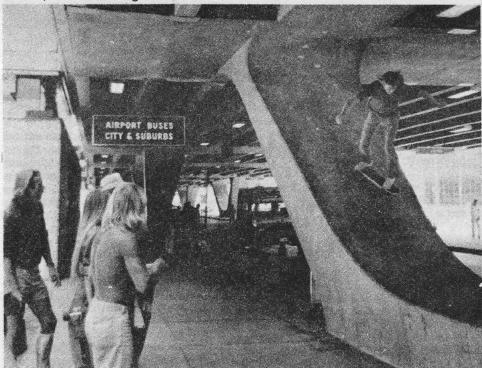
BOB SKOLDBERG, Hobie Team, won the Giant Slalom.



Getting close to legends like CHRIS YANDALL, gave Akron local skaters a chance to get an autograph and some pointers.



The freestyle demos totally stoked the crowd. PAT FLANAGAN, Team Bahne, moves through his routine.



On the way home, the two hour wait at O'Hare Airport was enlivened by the discovery of the parking building's ramp-type structure. Here is MIKE WILLIAMS taking a turn with T.R., CHRIS SMITH, LAURA THORNHILL resting.



Getting secured into the speed cars is a two man job. GUY GRUNDY is already suited up with full leathers and helmet as he gets into the car.



It takes two to lower the lid.



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The final touch is to screw it down. All the riders needed this outside assistance to get in...and out.

#### LET'S HEAR FROM: Breckenridge, Colo .=

It's been two weeks since we last saw the pros in Aspen, and we are back now in Breckenridge. We have expanded Another Roadside Attraction into a regular two day event. Breckenridge '77 Pro-Am was the site for a Giant Slalom, Freestyle/Ballet and Dual Slalom competition. The pros returned from California, New Mexico and Colorado. Some new pros arrived from Arrow Smith country Austin, Texas and Santa Fe, New Mexico, as well. Also, a small contingent from Sacramento, California arrived Sunday in time for the Dual Slalom. Nice to meet you John

Wilson, Jeff Will and Bruce Dwilly, Team California Pro. Saturday competition opened with the Giant Slalom. Four classes competed for merchanside and a cash purse. Junior High School, Senior High School, Adult Amateur and Pros loosened up before the competition began. Amateurs got two chances to make their best run count. The Pros got two chances for the best combined time. Michael Williams of Lightning Bolt/HPG Gullwing held a slight edge over the competition after the first run. However, just as all Champions seem to possess an inner sense of timing, so JOHN HUTSON of TEAM SANTA CRUZ rolled down the course with enough speed to edge out Michael Williams and take another first place, his fifth consecutive first. When in Colorado Ski Country USA, a man begins to take consecutive victories as frequently as John Hutson does, memories quickly flash back to the strength and finesse that World Pro ski racer Henri Duvillard had. Duvillard strung out more consecutive victories and individual triumphs than any other man had done before in Professional ski racing. Now enter John Hutson, Santa Curz Professional skateboard racer.

The competition then moved to a new location for Freestyle/Ballet. Under difficult road conditions, the action began. Newly turned professional Robbie Baker of the Concrete Curl of Denver, upset a field of established pros to win his first major competition. Bernie Thompson of the Pop Tops Team out of Albuquerque, N.M. finished second and Tim Piumarta of Team Santa Cruz places third.

The next day, Sunday, was reserved for Slalom racing. The courses were set for the different classes of racers. The Elementary Class, the Over 30 Geriatrics Division and Ladies Division lead off. Young Hal Woods of Colorado Springs takes first place Elementary: Dave Brown of Lakewood, the current leader in the Geriatrics Division adds another first to his history; and Rebecca "HPG Gullwing" Williams takes the Colorado Ladies Division with some very aggressive skating.

The Junior High School was up next and Russ Enloe surprises the top three leading skaters with a first place; Danny "Mouse" McMillan, current leader in the Jr. High standings finished 3rd. Dave Pirnack, third in overall standings finished 2nd, and Scott Draper, an aspiring, talented racer who is second in the standings behind "Mouse", finished 4th.

The Adult Amateur Class raced on the long, very fast 42 cone course set for the Pros. Chris Smith of Turner Summerski took first place handily over the rest of the field. The Senior High School Class competition came down to two skaters, Jeff Will of Sacramento California Pro Team and Chris Eaton of Boulder Asphalt Wave Team. It was Eaton by .291 seconds over Will for first place and the coveted Turner Summerski.

After watching Chris Eaton and Jeff Will rip the longest and fastest slalom hill Another Roadside Attraction has had for racing this season, the Pros were ready to go even faster. Feeling like he had since he arrived, Tom Ryan knew this was his day. Setting a very fast pace, Ryan



GARY HORNBY, team E.H. Wallboard, placing 5th in Pro Freestyle at



qualified number 1. Not to be outdone, the tenacious John Hutson qualified second fastest. Third, fourth and fifth qualifications went to the fast Colorado Pros, respectively Scott Salonya of Lakewood, Brent Kosick of Boulder and Tad Stout of Ptarmigan Mtn., Silverthorne. Jim Whalen of Boulder qualified sixth and Randy Smith of Ptarmigan Mtn., Silverthorne qualified seventh. The Slalom seeding was made up for the first time this season by more Colorado talent than California.

It was Tommy Ryan and Randy Smith of Turner Summerski/Kryptonics Team, Brent Kosick of E.H. Wallboard Team and John Hutson of the Santa Cruz Team that survived the most intense competition yet this season, to make it into the semi-finals. In the upper bracket, Ryan raced against Smith. Randy Smith beat, on raw times alone, Tommy Ryan in both heats but could not endure the time penalty assessed for one knocked cone over the limit, giving Ryan the advantage by only .389 seconds.

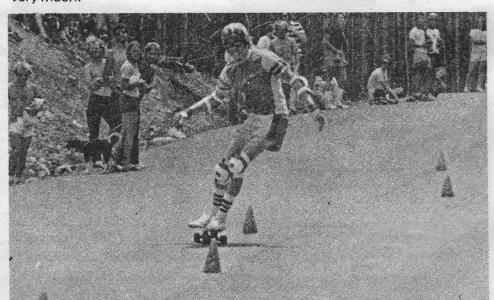
In the lower bracket, young Kosick outraced Hutson in their first heat of the semi-finals by .549 seconds. Not to be outclassed yet, though, Hutson examined the situation with the coolness of a veteran pro and pushed Kosick to the limit, resulting in a disqualification for the young Pro from Boulder. Now it was Ryan versus Hutson in the Finals and Smith versus Kosick for 3rd place.

The consolation round was run first. After some unprecedented events and likewise disqualifications, it was R. Smith who triumphed with the lowest elapsed time. This pushed Smith solidly ahead of the other Colorado Pros chasing him for a chance at an invitation to the California Free Former Championship in Long Beach, September 24-25

The Championship at stake was now between Tommy Ryan and the usually present finalist, John Hutson. At the start of the horn and simultaneously opening horse race doors, Ryan and Hutson were on the course with the fury of the wind. Torquing, gyrating and accelerating all the way down the 100 meter plus course, both were going for what they knew best, a Championship. It was Ryan by .218 seconds. A recount of knocked over cones revealed a disqualification for Hutson. A bad break for John Hutson and a review of rules by the Rules Review Board for Another Roadside Attraction. According to the rules, Ryan merely had to stand up and complete his second run with a recorded time. Anti-climatic as it was, John Hutson raced a superb run only to lose to Tommy Ryan. It was the first defeat in six competitions for this remarkable man. The defeat, however, did not alter the large lead the man from Santa Cruz had built up this season. John Hutson now has 120 points with second place Michael Williams behind at 94 and Tommy Ryan closing fast at 86 points.

The Dillon-Silverthorne Pro-Am is the next scheduled competition. It will be a three day long competition for August 19, 20, & 21st. Ryan and Williams still have a mathematical opportunity for overturning Hutson's lead with the scheduled Downhill, Cross Country/Obstacle race, Toe Tap Dash, Freestyle/Ballet and Dual Slalom competition. So, it is to Dillon-Silverthorne for the Championship.

Another Roadside Attraction would like to thank Powell Industries for the Sims Quicksilver blanks, Santa Cruz, Kryptonics of Boulder, Arrow Smith of Austin, Texas, HPG Gullwing of El Cajon, Calif., Moore Boards of Vail, Colorado, Heavystick of Dillon, Heavy Metal of Dillon, Breckenridge Resort Association, the Town officials of the Kingdom of Breckenridge and the merchants of Breckenridge '77. We thank you all very much.



MIKE WILLIAMS placing 2nd in the Breckenridge Pro Giant Slalom.

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## Morgan Hill, Ca

Co-sponsored by the Recreation Department, spearheaded by David Villar and Darren Ferreira Morgan Hill skateboard club will be entering local competitions as a team. The team will be chosen based on individual competitions sponsored by the club. The top four spots will be filled by the four best scores. The remaining two spots will be filled on a rotating basis of other club members regardless of ability.

The club directors believe choosing members for the team on a rotating basis will increase the interests in the club and interest in the team because everyone will be contributing to the program. David and Darren also teach skateboarding classes which stress safety, skills and fun.

Skateboarding is a funpetitive program in the City of Morgan Hill,

# ASPEN, Colo .=

By Peter Camann

Another Roadside Attraction opened the Aspen Merchants Pro-Am with a Dual Slalom. The Roadside production crew awakened early Saturday morning to assemble all the racing equipment and ready the street for the day's activities. The spectators from Aspen turned out early to see just what this newly organized sport they had been hearing about so frequently, was all about.

The teams from California arrived the day before the competition. Team Santa Cruz was first to get to Aspen. The current leading Pro, John Hutson, freestyle specialist Tim Piumarta, John Krisik and newly signed Henry Hester were present. Next came Team Magnum with Steve Schishler and freestyler Tony Jetton. The Turner Summerski contingent of Tommy Ryan and Chris Smith, and Michael Williams of Lightning Bolt/HPG Gullwing showed up, and all of a sudden the place was wedged! The Pop Tops of Albuquerque, N.M. and E.H. Wallboard drove up, also. By this time, Aspen was the most happening place in Colorado.

Under revised racing format, twenty seven pros were given two chances to qualify. The sixteen professionals with the single, lowest individual time would make the cut. Michael Williams was fastest, earning the number 1 seed. Vail Merchants Slalom Champion John Hutson, earned the number 2 seed. Henry Hester and Tommy Ryan were seeded 3rd and 4th respectively. Randy Smith, the leading Colorado professional qualified 5th. All the racers were hot! The Colorado pros were beginning to show some of the kind of stuff the California pros are made of.

As if predetermined, the top 4 qualifiers met in the semi-finals. Williams versus Hester, and Hutson versus Ryan. It took Hester to produce one of the fastest, total elapsed time combinations to advance against Williams, while Hutson upset Tommy Ryan.

Tommy Ryan then prepared himself for a very consistent Michael Williams challenge. The outcome would give the victor 3rd place points and money. Ryan broke from the start ramp first, holding all the way to the finish, edging Williams, by .018 seconds. With one race left and equal determination from both pros, they reversed courses for the decisive victory. The course was fast, but Tommy Ryan was faster. Ryan beat Williams at the line by .056 seconds taking 3rd. This had to mark the return of Tom Ryan's vitality because he was racing with the health and speed that so delights him and set him originally apart from the rest of the field as a World caliber competitor.

All eyes were now on the center roadside attraction, the finalists Hennry Hester and current Tour leader John Hutson. In the first race, Hester got off the ramp ahead of Hutson, but it was Hutson at the finish, first. With a starting infraction called on Bad H in the first heat, Henry all of a sudden had some work cut out for himself in the final run. Again, Henry broke from the ramp first, this time holding all the way, beating Hutson by enough to make him Champion. Wait a minute: Henry Hester fouled again at the start, incurring another infraction and giving John Hutson his third consecutive Tour victory. John Hutson is rapidly becoming the most valuable commodity on Another Roadside Attraction's Professional Skateboard Tour. Congratulations John Hutson, Santa Cruz/Road Rider, we sure are glad to have you in Colorado!

The following day, a Downhill was run unofficially, not counting for Tour points. John Hutson repeated his unbeaten string of victories with another first place, racing on a Santa Cruz skateboard. Randy Smith finished second racing on a Turner Summerski. Michael Williams finished third on his Sims Quicksilver.

Another Roadside Attraction expresses sincere appreciation to the Manufacturers who helped by contributing merchandise for the winners of the individual amateur classes. Thank you very much Powell Industries for the Sims Quicksilver blanks, HPG Gullwings. Turner Summerski and Kryptonics of Boulder. See you next season Aspen, Colorado... we really enjoyed being there!

### COLORADO CIRCUIT STANDING as of Breckenridge Contest

Total	Total Earnings
Pts	
1. John Hutson/California120	\$725
2. Michael Williams/California94	444
3. Tommy Ryan/California86	500
4. Randy Smith/Colorado57	210
5. Derek Von Briesen/Colorado39	59
6. Gary Hornby/Colorado36	79
7. Henry Hester/California35	200
8. Brent Kosick/Colorado33	70
9. Scott Salonya/Colorado29	94
10. Randy Watson/New Mexico	135
11. Bobby Piercy/California25	250
12. Arlan Moore/Colorado	
13. Tim Piumarta/California20	75
13. Craig Hoffman/Colorado20	
15. Jim Whalen/Colorado17	100
16. Jim Ford/Colorado	
16. Byran Kosick/Colorado15	125
18. Mark Wheeles/Texas	
19. Steve Schishler/California	
20. Ron Ernish/Colorado	
21. Carl Koomoa/New Mexico	15
21. Bernie Thompson/Colorado	50
23. Tony Jetton/California	275
23. Robbie Baker/Colorado	125
25. Steve Sherman/California	10
25. John Krisik/California	10
25. Tad Stout/Colorado	25
28. Bruce Davis/New Mexico	
28. Dennis Shufeldt/California	
30. Mark Holmoe/Colorado5	
30. Marc Pegram/New Mexico 5	
30. Allan Albrecht/Colorado 5	
30. Chip Graham/Colorado	
34. Mike Hayneck/Colorado	
35. Jim Bowden/Colorado	

# **UFO** on Tour

John Hughes and Gunner Huego, the mobile unit of the new U.F.O. (Unlimited Freighting Objects) wheel company are going on tour. Leaving the first week of September they have scheduled twelve demos across the country and will arrange more while they are on the road.

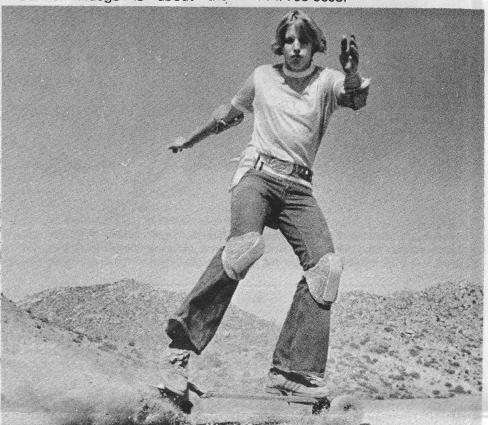
Sporting ramps built by Robert Workman, the UFO wheel, Rector gloves, Tracker Trucks, and their own team, the blue UFO van will stop at pre-arranged skateparks and retail shops. The stop includes showing a film, giving a talk on safety, and letting Gunner rip on the ramps.

Gunner Huego is about the

hottest undisputed "freestyle" pool rider. You may have seen "Skateboarder" magazine's poster of him doing a front-side Christie on blue tile. He can do tricks on the vertical while most pool riders are still trying for height.

John Hughes has worked on this tour idea for three years. Starting as the first downhill knee-boarder, John has been developing the art (?) of jumping. Working with the Rhino Team in the beginning he is now working on ramp-to-ramp jumps.

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# Albuquerque=

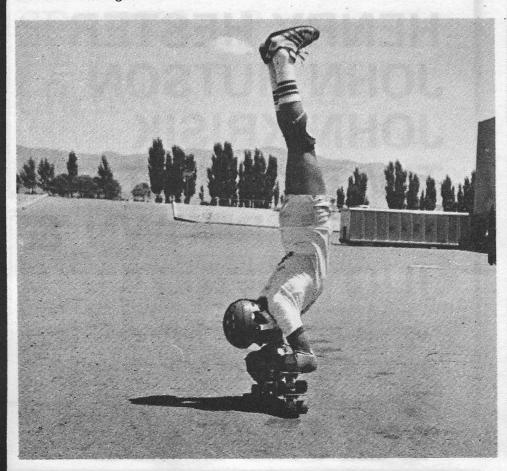


The BLUE SKIES TEAM - standing left to right: Marc Pegram, Bernie Thompson, Guy Watson, Bobby Halton, Duane Kinsley. Sitting left to right: Keith Lovelace, Danny Newcombe, Kim Kinsley, and Randy Watson.

Skating is alive, moving incredibly fast, and getting hotter all the time in Albuquerque. The Blue Skies team is the best representation of New Mexico competion skate that has been found. Starting out as a bunch of screamers at the first State Championships in Santa Fe over a year and a half ago, progressing into a together group of skaters cleaning up in the 77 State Championships, City Championships, and recently on the road in two of Peter Camann's Pro/Am Circuit competitions, one in Vail the other in Aspen, Colo.

The team seems to be constantly changing sponsers and currently skates for Pop Tops a local skate rental store. The team still exists in its original members and with ages from 12-43 they have got the field covered. Everybody goes for competition and not too many people have seen a more enthusiastic team at skateboard meets. The team is tight, members pushing one another beyond what seems to be their limitations and cheering wildly for each other in the heat of competition — a driving force that can't be denied in this group.

Finally, we on the team would like to extend special thanks and appreciation to "Another Roadside Attraction" Gary, Peter, John, "Uno," and the whole crew up there in Colorado including Tommy Ryan, Mike Williams, Steve Schisler and everybody else who helped make the whole scene so outasight.



KEITH LOVELACE - 15

Keith never lets the sports fans down when it comes to all out for it crazyiness. Keith is a superhuman type when it comes to indestructibility. Keith has fun back riding and doing hot slalom but he really turns it on in the freestyle competition. Having more than just a good routine he has personality which comes through in his style and smile. Keith is a strong team spirit and an intense competitor.



MARC PEGRAM

Marc an advocate of super high bank riding while listening to super loud Bob Dylan music. Marc has become involved in skateboarding at every level from competing in pro slalom races to designing superhot skateparks. Marc is solely responsible for getting it all together for the Blue Skies Team. Always doing what is new and radical on the banks Marc is hot and getting hotter. Marc is said to have the fastest ankles in Albuquerque and has done really well in Colo. Marc represents the true skateboarder image of a gonzo out of control wildman, and when Tony Alva recently stayed at his home they seemed to both share a high energy skate level.



BERNIE THOMPSON - 17

Known to name his boards after famous heros, (Bilbo, Gandalf, and other mystical masters) with mastering being a part of his style and leaving people mesmerized, Bernie is definitely a wizard on a skateboard. He leads everyone on footwork and has the balance of a gyroscope. Bernie also introduced the team to biorythm skating — a dynamite awareness for every skater. Bernie's been a steady contender in the Colo Pro Am meets and has been doing super well.



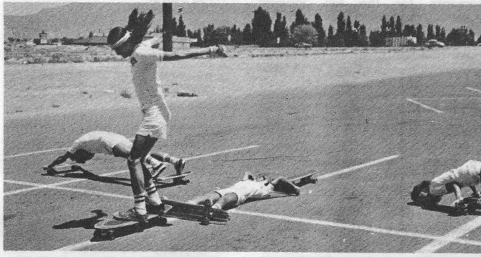
DUANE KINSLEY - 17

The best all round skater in the high school division in Aspen Colo. and a hot competitor always on local city and state meets. Duane enjoys jumping cars and other outrageously high obstacles. Duane excels in freestyle and has gone into the quarter finals against some of the top slalom pros in the country. Duane skates with the force and never backs down always waiting to try something new Duane is super stoked.



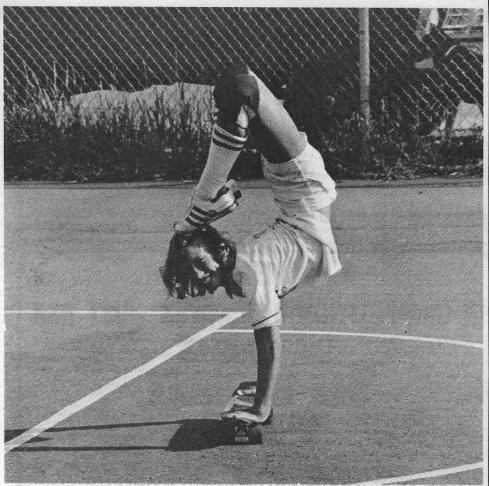
DANNY - Dan the Man - NEWCOMB

At age 12 Danny Newcomb has become the leading force on the team. Danny goes for it all and will be one of the world's greatest when his time comes. Danny's consistency and endless energy keeps the old men working hard to keep up. Danny blows them all away and sees his limit to where he can go. He's had a series of successes that have no end in sight. Dan's favorite places to skate are on university campuses and flood control ditches.



BOBBY HALTON -22 - commonly known as "Grateful Dead Bobby" to his compatriates, Bobby claims listening to the Dead before he skates puts that fire in his eyes, (shades of Bill Walton).

Downhill speed racing, an event of competition which thrills and scares both spectators and competitors is Bobby's favorite event, getting into the high and the intensity of tunnel vision, flowing control, and 50 plus mph. Bobby was also introducing skaters to the fast moving art of Albuquerques own super huge high speed banks year ago. He goes way back to the old days and is a hard core skater. Bobby is the team's captain and can always be counted to fill out team demonstrations with his snapy lines and spectacular tricks. Fast becoming a legendary skater Bobby is the foremost boarder in bringing competition skating what it is today in New Mexico.



KIM KINSLEY — 13 - the only female member and New Mexico's hottest women skater. Kim has a gymnastics-based freestyle routine, that besides its perfect execution has a beautiful grace that is untouchable in competition from Alburquerque to Vail. Kim is an active member of many other types of teams and excells in every one. Kim has had a charmed life in the competition world winning only firsts in freestyle and consistently doing well in slalom despite her young age and light frame. Kim's main objective with her skating is to have fun and get radical.



RANDY WATSON — a fourteen year old kid who is moving up fast to world class pro skating competition is our state champion in New Mexico. Randy, the kid we all push so hard, sometimes goes bananas at meets, butterflies and the works, but he is good, getting outrageously more radical at all times. After making an impressive show and taking a clean first in the Vail, Colo. Pro Freestyle Randy has found himself getting different offers from all over the skating scene. Still he maintains and reserves his place on the team as the number one skater.

#### GUY WATSON - 43

Like son-like father. In Guy Watson's case the success of Randy, his son, has inspired Guy to become involved in competition himself. Guy joined the Blue Skies Team enlisting officially as a downhill racer. Guy digs designing and making custom boards including the 5-foot 15 lb. down hill monster which has proven itself time and again and is due to make an appearance at Signal Hill soon. Guy is also a professor at the University of New Mexico and currently U.N.M.S. Skateboard Club advisor



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#### CANADA=

#### By Pat Klippert

The Calgary Skateboard Association is fairly new on the scene. It was formed in April of this year by interested parties. The first members of the Association were discovered skateboarding in a local park. Together they joined forces and have been actively promoting the sport throughout

The first demonstrations were put on at shopping centres around the city. The membership grew as more and more people became aware of the group. At present they have 3500 applications for membership.

The local media has been extremely helpful in making the public aware of the Association. There have been several write-ups as well as television time.

As well as promoting the sport, the Association has been attempting to interest investors in the building of skateboard parks in the city. Several groups have expressed interest including the City of Calgary Parks and Recreation department which toyed with the idea of leaving swimming pools empty for the use of skateboarders.

In the beginning of June, the C.S.A. helped a local car dealer present a demonstration by Laura Thornhill, Chris Chaput, Dave Chaput and Bobby Boyden. Nearly 5000 people attended the presentation. Five very happy kids went home with brand-new skateboards that they had won in a free raffle sponsored by Maclin

By far the biggest project of the C.S.A. was in conjunction with the University of Calgary Physical Education department. From June 13-18 they presented a Skateboard Clinic which was attended by 130

Throughout the summer the university offers clinics in collegiate their sports, using professional coaches, to the young people of Calgary. Because of the newness of the sport, Brad Logan was asked to be the special head coach for the clinic.

The clinic was divided into two classes according to ability. It featured lectures by Dr. Jack Bullard, an expert in the field of sports medicine, and Constable Greenwood of the Calgary Police Force. In addition there were lectures on maintenance and repair of skateboards. To our knowledge it is the first of its kind ever held.

The C.S.A. is planning tournaments for the fall. Several potential sponsors have shown interest in these Alberta-wide contests.

All this has been accomplished in only three months. With this kind of progress, we can look forward to having some parks completed in time for the fall competitions.

The Association has been fortunate in that it has received full co-operation from the Calgary City Police Force and the City of Calgary itself as well as the local media outlets.

Feel free to write us at 15 Rosevale Drive, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2K IN6.



BOB DEAVER, 13 years old, here working out at school in San Jose, Calif.



COUY BAUMAN - member of the Calgary Skateboard Association.

#### Michigan =

#### By Chris Yandall

On July 20 we held our first major contest in the area. Saginaw's First Annual Contest was well attended by over 300 spectators and 74 contestants. Gordon and Smith provided the prizes and the Stable Sports Store sponsored it along with Saginaw Parks and Recreation. The contest went fairly well. It attracted kids all the way from the Detroit area. The talent amazed me and it won't be long before these riders will be on the California level.

#### RESULTS

FREESTYLE - open age group

1. Rich Leeds (Birmingham-Don

Thomas Sports Laws)

2. Mitch Miller (Grand Blanc independent entry)

3. John Jenuwine (Bay City -

Directors of the Board)

13-15 years -trophies only 1. Pat Barret

2. Jay Gossett

3. Tim Ferris

9-12 years - tropies only

Mike Woodruff

2. Scott Robinson

3. Randy Rice

8 and under trophies only 1. Guy Day

SLALOM - open age group John Jenuwine (Bay City -Directors of the Board)

Fastest time of the day: 14.8 seconds

2. Pat Barrett (Bay City - Directors

of the Board) - 15.9 seconds 3. Pete Ashcraft (Detroit) - 16.5

13-15 years - trophies only

1. Rich Leeds

2. Pat Barrett

3. Craig Jenks 9-12 years -trophies only

1. Tim Redmond and Murdy Ireton

2. Mike Woodruff

8 and under -trophies only

 Omar Sawyer 2. Kevin Rank

3. Lloyd Dembrey

We have three more events planned for July 30, Aug 9 and 28 which will miss the September issue but I will immediately forward results to go in the October NSR.

# ISA MEMBERSHIP

The International Skateboard Association, organized to promote and coordinate information on skateboarding as a recognized, safe, and healthy leisure activity, is the only non-profit service organization of this type in the United States and, as such, has a nationally based mandate to provide these kinds of services to its members and to coordinate and disseminate information on skateboarding to the national media.

Because ISA is a full-time center for the coordination of information and communication on skateboarding and provides a national headquarters for all those seriously interested in the reputation and future of the sport, its most reliable resource, as well as the focus for its services, will always be the membership in the association. Since information and communication are always a "two-way street," it is through the variety of kinds of membership and their need to share in their different kinds of information on skateboarding that ISA is able to be of service.

For this reason there are several forms of membership in the Association, providing different kinds of resources to ISA and different services to the various types of members:

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP for amateur skateboarders and those interested in the sport, for \$10 annually, provides ISA with a source of research on what the average skateboarder needs. These members receive the monthly ISA Newsletter on safety and equipment information, news of events, and current information on the sport in general; the ISA decal for their boards; an ISA T-shirt; an ISA poster; and a membership card.

ISA-PRO MEMBERSHIP (The Professional Riders Organization) is formed as a Commission of ISA with membership open to application from all those professional skateboarders who have been paid or won prizes in excess of \$200. The members of PRO provide ISA with a reliable source of consultants and teachers to the profession in general, determine the criteria for professional events, decide upon standards for judging events, and are available for safety or teaching demonstrations and as technical consultants to manufacturers or skatepark owners and planners. For their \$25 annual membership the ISA-PRO members receive the PRO version of the general membership materials (listed above) and become part of the ISA "job-bank" of professional consultants in skateboarding.

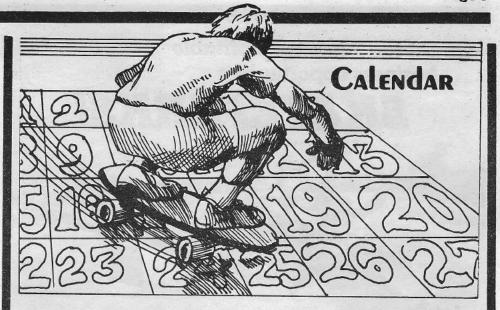
SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP is available for all those involved in the business of skateboarding as distributors or equipment; pro shops; municipalities interested in developing the sport or managing events; and for other sports associations which may be regional, national, or international. This membership at \$100 annually is designed to make Supporting Members a center of information in their own region on skateboarding and ISA. Through these members, ISA is able to remain in touch with the needs of businesses interested in supporting skateboarding and to provide them with such materials as the ISA Newsletter, safety and equipment information, guidelines for even management, ISA T-shirts, and ISA-PRO's as demonstrators or consultants, as well as frequently up-dated information from the PRO Commission, and news of skateboard parks across the country.

SUBSCRIBING MEMBERSHIP is designed to provide informational, coordinating, and consultant services to skateboard park owners, managers, and developers at \$500 per park per year. Through these members, ISA is able to provide its membership with current information on the best places to skate not only nationwide, but, as they develop, in other countries. In addition to making each skatepark member a center for safety, equipment, event, and official ISA information on the sport, Subscribing Members are provided with an ongoing research service on problems and solutions specific to skateboard parks. Information and recommendations are updated periodically on safety, insurance, design and construction, criteria for skateboard park operation, and advice from the ISA-PRO Commission. ISA-PRO Members are made available for consultation, lecture-demonstrations, and event participation. The ISA-PRO criteria for managing and judging competitive events and advice on event management may also be used to promote well-run and safe skateboard events, and ISA judges or ISA management and sanctioning of skateboard events may be applied for. Skatepark owners, designers, and developers may also use ISA as a coordinating office for their communication and information exchange.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP for those directly involved in the development of skateboarding as a recognized, safe, and healthy leisure activity, such as manufacturers of skateboard parts or equipment, or skateboard publications, is available at \$500 annually, with an initiation fee of \$250 at the time of joining. This membership, for those interested in participating in monthly meetings with the ISA Board of Directors and involvement at a direct and ongoing level with ISA headquarters, puts Associate Members in close touch with planning and policy-making for the Association. All membership materials and resources provide other kinds of members are made available to these members. But, more importantly, they maintain a regular contact with the Association, either by attendance at monthly meetings, through mailings or by phone to help ensure that the organization is providing its membership with the most current and useful information and services available, and that they, as Associate Members, have a voice in national planning and policy decisions that may affect the future of the sport.

**SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP** is reserved for quality manufacturers of skateboard equipment who share an interest and willingness to support all the goals of the Association and is made available by invitation of the Board of Directors.





#### SEPTEMBER

17 - Alameda, Ca; "Alameda Skate Park"; contest open only to Calif. residents north of Santa Cruz; freestyle and bowls; \$2.50 per event plus cost of membership; combined novice and amateur events; preregistration only; directed by Jon Malvino; call 415/523-1335 for info 17 - Modesto, Ca; "Heat Wave Skate Park"; pro event paying to the 9th

place; slalom race; \$25 entry; non-invitational; call 209/527-6084 for info

24 - Narrangansett, Rhode Island, in Sprague Park; open competition in freestyle and slalom; contact Pete Pan at 27 Othmar, Narrangansett, Rhode Island, 02882.

24, 25 - 2nd Freeformer World Professional Championships, Long Beach, Calif; pro invitational competition show; slalom, freestyle, hot dog events; produced by Don Branker and PSA;

27, 28 - Hang-Ten World Title POSTPONED

#### **OCTOBER**

8, 9 - Carson, Ca; "Runway Skate Park"; Part 1 California State Championships - freestyle competition; by USSA; \$5 entry includes park fee; call 213/830-4110 for info.

15, 16 - Part 2 of the USSA California State Championships - slalom racing; call 213/830-4110 for info

15, 16 - Catalina Classic, Catalina Island, Ca; invitational slalom and downhill race; freestyle demo; ISA Sanctioned

22 - Glendale, Calif; contest; directed by Di Dootson.

#### DECEMBER

9, 10 - Skate Park Symposium; coordinated by John Seneff; write to P.O. Box 1858, La Jolla, CA, 92038 for info.

#### SUNDAYS

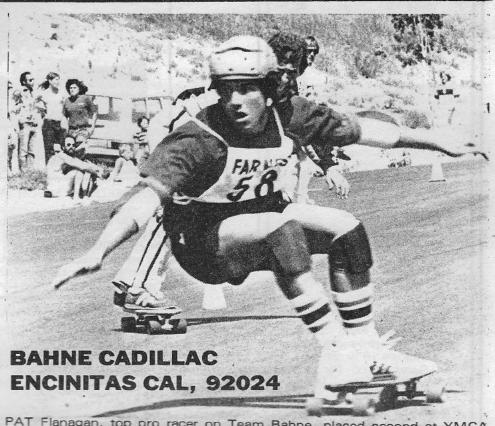
Movin' On Skate Park - competition freestyle, cross country, and a variety of special events; 8-10 am; \$1.50 for two hours skate time including the competition; call 714/263-6671 for info.

#### TUESDAYS

Concrete Wave Skate Park novice contest directed by Russ Howell; 4 pm; free; call 714/956-3101 for info.

#### FRIDAYS

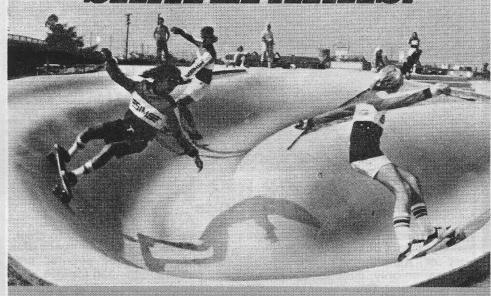
Movin' On Skate Park - girls' skate night; starting at 6 pm; \$1.50 for skate time and equipment; call 714/263-6671 for info.



PAT Flanagan, top pro racer on Team Bahne, placed second at YMCA Race. Photo by Balma.

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#### Skatepark Directory

This list is a quick compilation of parks known to the NSR at this time. It will be updated monthly. More information about each park will be included next month. If you know of some I don't know, write to me!!

#### CALIFORNIA

San Diego County Carlsbad Skate Park - Carlsbad El Cajon - El Cajon Movin' On - Home Ave, San Diego

Skateboard Heaven - Spring Valley

#### Orange/La County

Irvine Community Park - Irvine Concrete Wave - Anaheim Skatepark Montebello - Montebello Runway - City of Carson Skater Cross - Reseda Skatopia - Buena Park

The Pipe - Upland Sidewalk Surfpark - Fountain Vallev

Sacramento County Skateboard Palace - Carmichael

Stanislaus County
Skatepark Modesto - Modesto
Alameda County
Alameda Skate Park - Alameda

#### FLORIDA

Solid Surf - West of Ft. Lauderdale Skateboard USA - between Ft. Lauderdale and Miami

Paved Wave - Cocoa Beach Skateboard City - Port Orange Tomooka Moon Forest - Ormond Beach

Surfer Drome - Sarasota

#### GEORGIA

Concrete Curl - Marietta

Concrete Surf - Atlanta
National Skateboard Park - Lake
City
Odyssey Skateboard Park Columbus
Southeastern Skateboard Park Columbus

#### LOUISIANA

Thunder Board Skate Park - Gretna

#### NEVADA

Flow Motion - Reno

#### MARYLAND

Ocean Bowl - Ocean City

#### MISSOURI

Skate Wave - Harderster

NEW JERSEY Paved Wave - Oakhurst

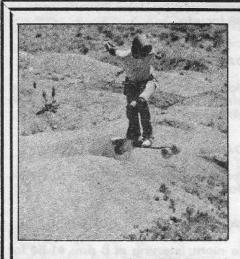
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Yagoo Valley Park

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

Myrtle Beach park - Myrtle Beach

Cosmic Wave - Columbia



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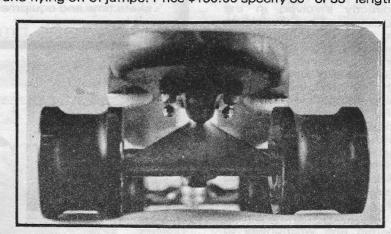


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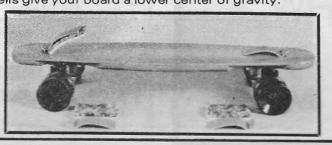
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SQUEAKY (left) and PAT HAYNES, riders for the El Cajon Blvd. Skateboard Team. Photo by William Bible.

#### El Cajon Blvd. Skateboard Team

Skate teams sponsored by local retail shops are an excellent way to promote both the aspiring skateboarder and the marketminded shop manager. The shop needs positive, wide spread, inexpensive (free?) publicity; the novice, hopeful skater needs inexpensive (free?) equipment, direction and transportation.

The El Cajon Bicycle Store is just one shop. Primarily offering bicycle goods, the store manager, Steve Randel, has seen the youngster's desire for skateboard equipment and expanded his inventory. The next step was to make arrangements for a team. He developed the "El Cajon Blvd. Skate Team" made up of thirteen eager, willing, and independent skaters whose ages range from 9 to 17 years.

In the expert division there is Kevin Wixom (17 years; 3rd in freestyle at the Movin'On Skatepark), Chris Hogers (16 years; freestyle specialist), Marvin Sanchez (16 years; 3rd freestyle and slalom in '76 New Mexico

State Championship), Rodney Barns (15 years; freestyle specialist), George Sarantinos (15 years; freestyle specialist), Danny Sherman (14 years; placed in several state and local freestyle contests), Pat Haynes, Jr. (13 years; 1st Overall '77 Crescent Park, Atlanta, Georgia), Clyde "Squeaky" Haynes (9 years; freestyle specialist; 1st freestyle and 2nd Overall at Crescent Park, Georgia).

Novice team skaters include Joe Stagg (15 years), Bryan Lee (15 years), Brian Parlin (15 years), John Maharas (15 years), David Squire (17 years).

The professional manner shown here by Pat and Squeaky Haynes is a good example of the route many novice skaters are taking. They dress well, usually in team jerseys, practice constantly, and are aware of how helpful good relations with the public can be. Nation-wide you can expect to see more and more of the young skaters on their professional way up.

to winners in the novice and

amateur/open divisions.

#### **Sports FEET CONTEST**

Big winner at the SPORTS FEET freestyle contest in Fullerton, CA was 10 year old BUNNY PRICE of Lomita, CA. In addition to taking

first place in her freestyle division, Bunny was selected to be a member of the SIMS PURE JUICE COMPETITION TEAM. RUSS HOWELL was in charge judging and contest announcer. Russ put on a hot freestyle demo that brought the crowd to its feet in applause. Trophies were awarded

Boys Novice - 10 & under 1st Jim Timmons 2nd Danny Hedges-

2nd Mike Franze -3rd Mike Keyzers Boys Amateur/Open - 10 &

under 1st John Garrison Girls Amateur/Open- 10 & under

1st Bunny Price 2nd Bonnie Votau

Boys Novice - 11 & 12 1st Dave Thorton

2nd Ed Limer 3rd Daren Roberts

2nd Ben Rodriquez

3rd Robbie Smith

Boys Amateur/Open - 11 & 12 1st Joe Zamora

2nd Brad Simpson 3rd Steve Zeldin Boys Novice - 13 & 14 1st Mike Beckett

2nd Chris Blackmore—

ticipants in the contest came from as far away as Bakersfield, Santa Barbara and San Diego. The Sims Team, while not participating in the competition, gave freestyle and slalom demos. Fun was had by all, and SPORTS FEET has promised to put on another freestyle and slalom contest in the near future. If you are interested please let Dick or Steve know. Call them at 714-870-8302. Winners were as follows: Boys Amateur/Open - 13 & 14 1st Rickie Carrasco

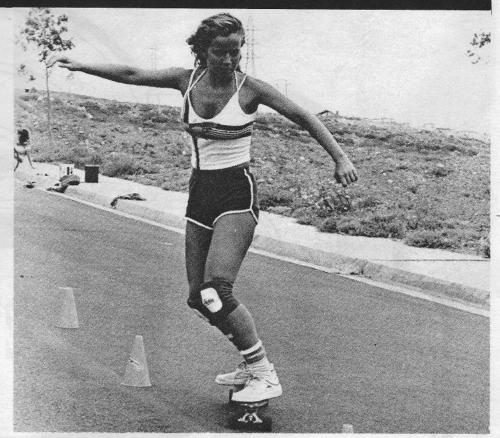
2nd Steve Prohoroff 3rd Tony Shutts

Boys Novice 15 & 16 1st Tim Izykowski 2nd Steve Handy 3rd Lance Holroyd

Boys Amateur/Open 15 & 16 1st Matt Barden 2nd Dave Carrasco 3rd Derek Korenaga

Girls Amateur/Open 15 & 16 1st Kelly Kovac Boys Novice - 17 - up 1st Brian Martin

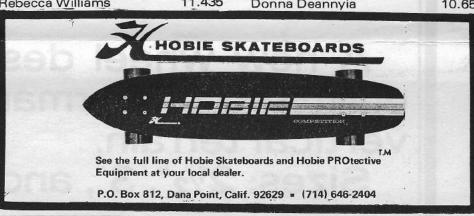
2nd Tony Howlett Boys Amateur/Open - 17 & up 1st Ron Michael 2nd John Strozicick 3rd Rene Carrasco

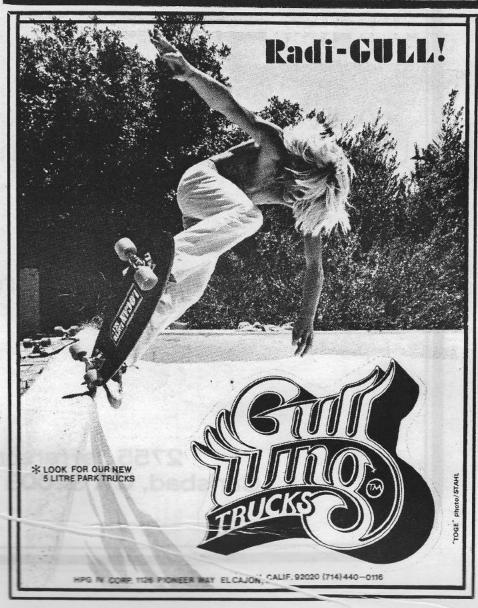


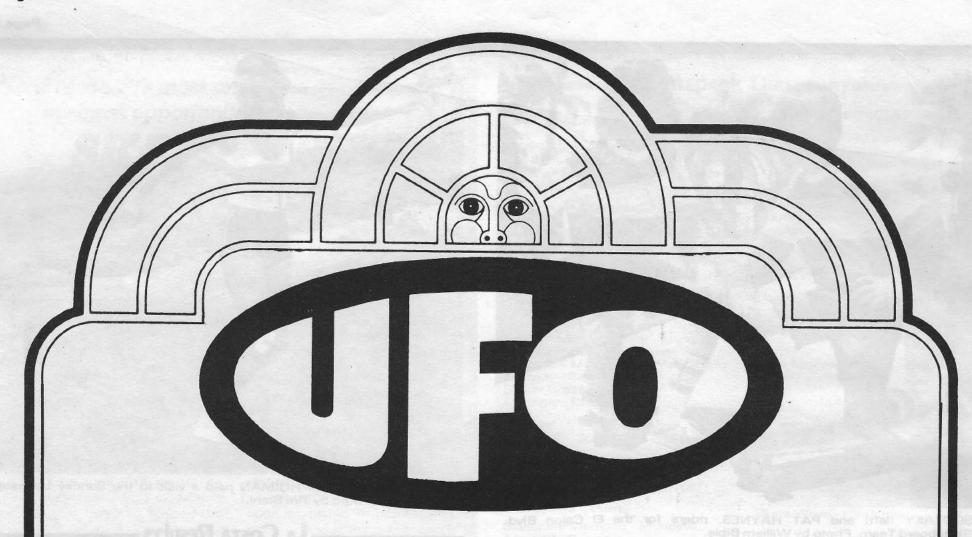
Miss Hobie, VICTORIA HOIMAN paid a visit to the Sunday LaCosta Sunday races. Photo by Tim Stahl.

#### LA COSTA RESULTS

July 24	Tight Slalom	Donna Deannyia	13.966
1. Greg Taie*	6.20	Victoria Hallman	DQ
2. Russ Howell*	6.50	Mike Williams*	DQ
3. Scott Johnson	6.55	August 7	Practice
Other racers:		August 14	Tight Slalom
Steve Olson	6.65	1. Tom Ryan*	7.15
Bob Pettingale	6.65	2. Greg Taie*	7.25
		3. Henry Hester*	7.70
July 31	Tight Slalom	Other racers:	
1. Greg Taie*	8.939	Dave Carrasco	7.70
2. Tom Ryan*	9.211	Chris Smith	8.00
3. Steve Sherman*	9.533	Rene Carrasco	8.20
Other racers:		Pat Ferguson	8.30
Jeff Alexander	10.359	Deanna Calkins	10.25
Rebecca Williams	11.435	Donna Deannyia	10.65







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