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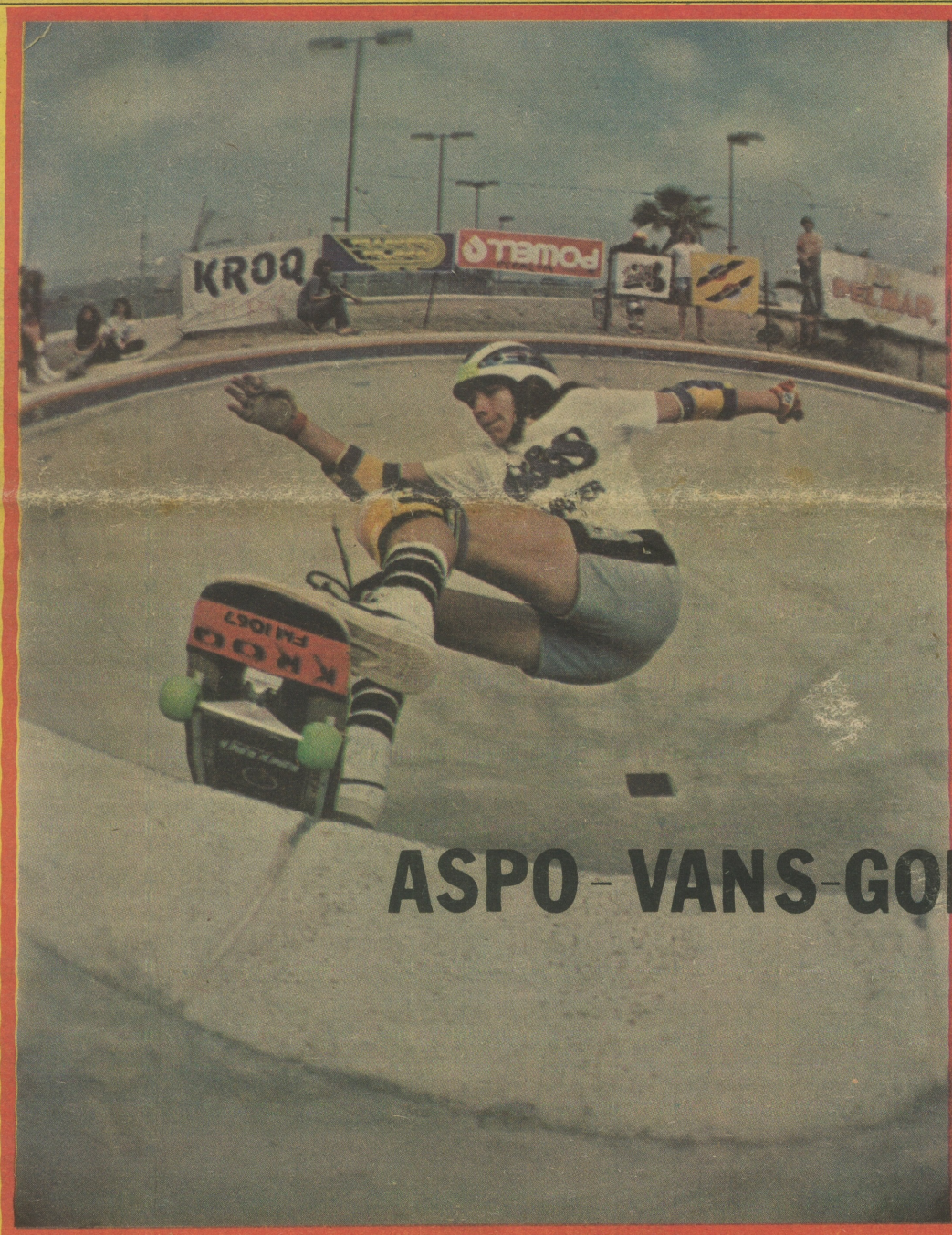
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WEEKLY GRINDERS

BY

ANITA GRIND

ARE WE FLASHING OR ARE WE FLASHING? SAVE THIS PREMIER ISSUE, THE FIRST COLOR ISSUE OF MANY WE HOPE. LET US KNOW HOW YOU LIKE IT AND IF YOU WANT TO SEE MORE OF IT.

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Lot's of activity this past week on the competition scene. The PRO GOLD CUP is shaping up and the ASPO 1980 season is ready to get its start right after the awards ceremonies on June 27, 1980.

Those of you who'd been asking for it, you've now got it. Full on competitions for Amateurs and Pros.

SPEAKING OF CEREMONIES, THE ASPO AWARDS WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 27 AT THE BIG O PARK. IT'S LOCATED IN ORANGE, SO IT'S CLOSE TO EVERYONE, FROM SAN DIEGO AND L.A. \$4.00 PER PERSON AND CHILDREN UNDER SIX ENTER FREE FOR THE BANQUET. ASPO IS PUTTING OUT A NICE SPREAD FOR YOU TO MUNCH ON AND SOFT DRINKS. SORRY DADS, NONE OF THE HARD STUFF THIS TIME AROUND.

GOOD NEWS: Lakewood Skatepark is committed for next season's ASPO. They will join the league and their date is set for January, 1981. It may be the last one of that ASPO season. They are working on putting on a roller rink, but according to Joel Vest, owner, if that doesn't go through in the next few weeks, then they'll be putting in the pool that they've been wanting to put in for some time.

BAD BRAD (B.B.) IS NOW A REPORTER FOR THIS RAG. SEE THE ARTICLE IN THIS ISSUE ACCOUNTING FOR HIS ESCAPADES IN PUERTO RICO RECENTLY. BRAD AND DEANO MEULLER SPENT SOMETIME IN THE GOLDEN ISLE OF THE ATLANTIC, TURNING SOME HEADS BY PERFORMING TO THE MAX ON THEIR LO-

CAL RAMP. WE HEAR THAT THE GIRLS ALSO MADE BRAD PERFORM TO THE MAX.

We hear that the skatepark designed by Wally Holliday in Mobile is half-completed. Reports from Mike Apperson and Steve Byars and Don Muse are that the sneak sessions have been hot so far! The park is scheduled to open late this summer. Get it on!

NEW MAN ON THE LOCAL SO, CAL SCENE HAS RECENTLY TRANSFERRED; RUSTY HARRIS. RUSTY CAME FROM THE EAST COAST, CHERRY HILL COUNTRY, AND NOW WE'VE GOT HIM! HE'LL BE SNAPPING SOME OUTRAGEOUS PICS FOR THIS RAG. TAKE A LOOK AT THE COVER, COURTESY OF MR. HARRIS AT DEL MAR.

We hear that Peddie's Pool, in Tallahassee, Florida is once again open and catering to heavy sessioning. See pics in this issue. Pics courtesy of the Tallahassee Skateboard Club.

NEW MANAGER AT SENSATION BASIN IS BARRY ZARITZKY. HE'S ACTUALLY GENERAL MANAGER AND ALSO JOINING THE STAFF IS TIM SCROGGS.

On the commercial scene and making a few bucks is Peter Andrews, Ed Womble and Bruce Mason. They appear in an OSHKOSH B' Gosh national television commercial. Yeah dudes!

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO WIN A FREE ROUND TRIP FOR TWO TO PUERTO VALLARTA, MEXICO. IF YOU'RE IN THE TOP THREE IN THE ASPO STANDINGS OF EA, CLASS AND AGE GROUP, YOU'VE GOT A CHANCE!

THE DRAWING FOR THE TRIP WILL BE DONE ON THE NIGHT OF THE AWARDS. BE THERE TO MAKE YOUR SELF KNOWN. THERE'LL BE OTHER GREAT PRIZES AWARDED THAT EVENING.

We're happy to hear the great reaction to our new tabloid format. Everybody's stoked and had nice things to say. If you're happy with it, then we're happy. Look for some new venues in the future in this rag. We're working for you.

IF YOU'RE NOT AN EXPLORER SCOUT, YOU'RE MISSING ON

SOME GREAT THINGS. MOST PARKS HAVE THE PROGRAM AVAILABLE FOR A MINIMAL PRICE TAG, WHICH INCLUDES DISCOUNT ON YOUR SESSIONS AND THINGS. BESIDES AS A SCOUT, YOU CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OTHER EXPLORER ACTIVITIES; IE. SURFING, SAILING, FLYING, ETC. LOOK INTO IT AT YOUR NEAREST PARK.

The ESCONDIDO demos and Hi-Ball Tournament scheduled for last Saturday, May 10, was cancelled due to rain. It has been re-scheduled for May 24.

WE WANT TO REMIND YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE FOR THIS RAG OF \$5.00. IT'S LIMITED AND IT'LL SAVE YOU SOME MONEY WHEN YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR IT. WE HEAR THAT ANYONE THAT JOINS ASPO WILL ALSO GET A "SPECIAL" RATE. WITH MONEY BEING SO TIGHT YOU OUGHT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.

Dave Andrecht, SIMS PRO skater, was chosen (voted) to the GOLD CUP SERIES Board of Directors, representing his fellow Pros. We think it's an excellent choice, since he's well articulated and opinionated and a first-class competitor. Any of you Pros or prospective Pros should contact David to let him know what you want out of the Series.

A FEW MONTHS AGO, WE INDICATED IN THIS COLUMN THE POSSIBILITY OF SKAT'N NEWS PUTTING TOGETHER A BUS TRIP TO ALL OF THE SKATEPARKS IN THE U.S. THIS SUMMER. WE'VE RECEIVED LOTS OF INQUIRIES FROM SKATERS ALL OVER. WE STILL HAVE PLANS FOR IT, ALTHOUGH IT HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY MORE DIFFICULT TO HAVE ANY COMPANY COMMIT TO A RATE IN ADVANCE FOR THE BUS. THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THE UNCERTAINTY OF HOW MUCH HIGHER GASOLINE WILL GET THIS SUMMER. OUR CUT-OFF DATE IS MAY 31. IF AT THAT TIME WE'VE NOT SOLVED THE TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM, WE MAY HAVE TO POSTPONE IT FOR A LATER DATE OR POSSIBLY NEXT SUMMER.

On the television scene, keep watching the Ray Allen Show and let him know how you feel about it; if you have cable that is. If you

don't, like we said before, get real friendly with any one who has one. It's worth it. We also heard from Curtis Hesselgrave, re: the Del Mar Pro that CBS filmed last March '79. Apparently the recent CBS showing of the two-year old Runway contest got excellent ratings, so they're encouraged to run another one. This is according to a high source in CBS.

ALSO THE SKATERCROSS PRO/AM WILL SOON BE APPEARING IN THE SO, CAL AREA. THE PBS STATION WILL BE LOOKING AT IT AS WELL AS A COUPLE OF LOCAL COMMERCIAL STATIONS. THERE'S A GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT THE NEW "ALL SPORTS NETWORK" WILL TAKE THE FINALS OF THE EVENT. WE'LL GIVE YOU THE EXACT DATES AS THEY'RE MADE AVAILABLE TO US.

The skateboard industry in So. Cal. has a good friend in the Rock world, thanks to the efforts of Gerry Hurtado and others. KROQ, FM is rapidly becoming the skater's station and from what we hear the top station in the city. If you dig their sounds, call them up and tell them so and tell them you're a skater and that you appreciate their support in skateboarding. One of the gentlemen there who'd love to hear from you is Rick Carroll. Call him at 578-0830. Every little bit helps.

THOSE OF YOU WHO'VE BEEN PLANNING TO RE-VAMP YOUR SKATEPARK OR AD A POOL OR FREESTYLE AREA OR ROLLER RINK, YOU BETTER HURRY UP AND DO IT SOON 'CAUSE WE HEAR THAT THE PRICE OF CONCRETE IS DUE TO DOUBLE IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. STEEL IS ALREADY ON THE UPWARD CLIMB. THIS IS FROM ONE OF THE TOP PEOPLE IN THE CEMENT INDUSTRY.

Wayne Searle was flabbergasted at the sight of skaters and honeys Pogoing at the recent VANS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS at Del Mar Skatepark. The dance was held Saturday of the contest. According to Wayne, the Punk rockers actions took the form of an all out gang war. Several skaters came out of it with bloody noses and bruised

arms, all for the sake of a good time. Maybe we should introduce this dance to the Iranians, so they can knock themselves silly and we can go in and get our people.

THE MARATHON AT SKATERCROSS ON MAY 24-26 IS DRAWING A VAST ENTRY FROM ALL OVER THE U.S. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SEVERAL SKATERS FROM FLORIDA AND KANSAS AND TEXAS HAVE ASKED TO BE SENT ENTRY FORMS. THERE'S OVER \$5,000. IN PRIZES THAT HAVE BEEN DONATED BY MANUFACTURERS TO BE GIVEN AWAY. IT'S A WORLD RECORD EVENT AND LAST YEAR'S WINNER, MIKE KINNEY, DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE ENTERED THIS YEAR. SEEMS THAT HE'S ENTERED A BIGGER ACTIVITY, THE US AIRFORCE AND HE'S CURRENTLY FLYING ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, PROTECTING ALL OF US FROM THE MENACE OF THE WORLD.

That same weekend, COLTON Ranch, will be holding an "all night" skating session. Anyone interested, call the park and get more info. Last year there were several parks that held the "all-nighters" with success and it appears that this summer there'll be more of them.

WINCHESTER SKATEPARK DECLINED TO BE PART OF THE PRO GOLD CUP SERIES, UNLESS THEY COULD USE THEIR OWN JUDGING SYSTEM. AS A RESULT THE NHS GOLD CUP WILL NOT BE HELD THERE.

CORRECTIONS DEPT.; Last issue (May 14,) it seems that there was a mix up in the VAN'S STATE CHAMPIONSHIP final results (May 4 @ Del Mar). In the 2A, 16-19 class; Kent Douglas took 3rd & Mark Brunieck placed 4th (not vice-versa). Also, in the 3A 16-19 class, Niel Blender was omitted from the results altogether. Neil placed 3rd, followed by John Tuisl & Scott Foss respectively, with Geno Tocci taking 6th place.

WE AT SKATN'NEWS WOULD LIKE TO THANK A FEW PEOPLE WHO HELPED US OUT AT THE VAN'S CONTEST...A FEW OF THESE INCLUDE ERIC GRISHAM, STEVE HIRSCH & MIKEY HIRSCH FOR TAKING A FEW PICS FOR US. AND A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO RUSTY HARRIS FOR OUR FRONT COVER, AND OTHER HOT PICS.



DAVE BRINN (ABOVE), FRONT SIDE LAYBACK AND STEVE OTTSON (RIGHT) FRONT SIDE BIO AERIAL DURING G.L.S.A AMATEUR COMPETITION, SERIES GOT UNDER WAY AT THE APPLE SKATEPARK, MAY 3. PHOTO SCHNEIDER.



GREAT LAKES AM. CIRCUIT

FIRST GLSA CONTEST
APPLE SKATEPARK, MAY 3.

THE FIRST CIRCUIT CONTEST WAS HELD ON MAY 3 AT APPLE SKATEPARK IN Columbus, Ohio.

The judging system used was based on 100 points possible per 45sec. run.

Selecting the best of the two runs from a possible 90 points from each judge, was the criteria. All scores were added and then averaged. There was also a possible ten points awarded

by tricks recorded per run. The combined total was then the skaters' official score.

Skaters who had planned routines and performed them as planned, usually took the higher scores.

Those who performed spontaneous routines could only score up to 5 points.

The Michigan crowd made a strong showing as far as the turnout went. Hopefully, ASTRO Skatepark will draw the Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin crowd.

The ASTRO GLSA is planned for May 31 and will be held in the keyhole.

The \$5.00 entry will allow all entrants to compete and skate all day.

The Rollerskating class was small for this contest, but showed great potential and energy.

Judges, Chris Yandall, Ron Dudley and Dave Andrecht and recorder Kevin Tate did an excellent job.

A special thanks to SIMS for Andrecht and Terrebonne for their presence.

And thanks to Gene Goldberg, owner of the APPLE SKATEPARK for putting on a great show.

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PRO SERIES

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PRO GOLD CUP SERIES...A REALITY

MAY 8, 1980- ANAHEIM

FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE WE CAN REMEMBER, A SIZEABLE number of industry representatives attended the PRO SERIES meeting.

It then appeared that with that kind of support, this new PRO GOLD CUP SERIES has the chance to become reality this summer.

Attending the meeting, which was held at VANS headquarters in Anaheim, were the following industry members:

Don Hoffman, Pipeline; Mrs. Hoffman; Barrie Lynn, representing SIMS; Gil & Janet Losi representing VARIFLEX and the COLTON Skateranch; Ray Losi, VARIFLEX; Dan Osterberg, SKATE CITY; Stacy Peralta, POWELL/PERALTA; Faus to Vittialo, NHS/INDY; Dennis Ogden, MARINA; David Morin, SKATEBOARDER; Lou Peralta, SKAT'N NEWS/WALL-PRO/SKATERCROSS/ASPO; John Silver, OASIS Skatepark; Ray Allen, "RAY ALLEN SHOW"; Jerry Hurtado, BIG O; Curtis Hesselgrave, RAX; Lance Smith TRACKER; Steve Cathey, G & S;

Everett Roscrans, VANS; Wayne Searle, DEL MAR Skateranch; Ozzie Oswald, ESCON-DIDO Skatepark.

The series is set to start on June 21-22 at the OASIS Skatepark and it will be billed as the G & S PRO GOLD CUP # 1.

Thereafter the tentative schedule is as follows: July 19-20 SIMS GOLD CUP at BIG O; August 30-31, VARIFLEX GOLD CUP at Colton; SEPTEMBER 27-28, POWELL GOLD CUP at MARINA and the final or championship will be at PIPELINE on Nov. 1-2, 1980.

The series is limited to POOL competition with the look to the future to expand it to all types of skateboarding competitions.

The intent is to launch one successful first-class series and progress from there to other programs.

To show how strong most of the industry feels about this program, four major sponsors of the series, (VARIFLEX, POWELL/PERALTA, G & S and SIMS) brought their \$3,000 checks with them as their commitment to this series.

The program is now funded and it's anticipated that the PRO Purse will total approximately \$ 28,000!

Many other sponsors will be contributing either \$500. to \$1,000. for the circuit.

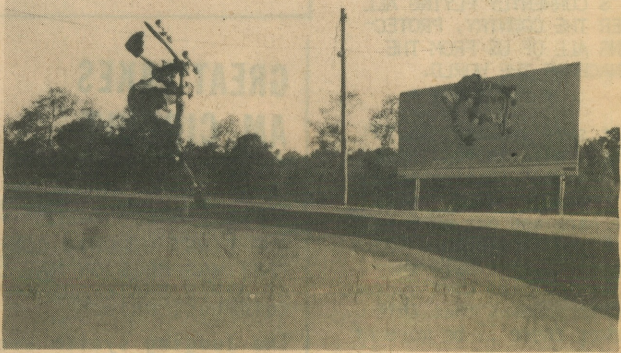
All sponsors of the series will have their banner(s) displayed at every event.

To carry out this entire program a "board of directors" has been elected, they are: Steve Cathey, representing G & S; Gil Losi, VARIFLEX; Paul Sims, SIMS; Stacy Peralta, POWELL/PERALTA; Dave Andrecht, representing the Pro skaters; Lou Peralta and Terry Wolf, representing the Parks; D. David Morin, Skateboarder; and Don Hoffman, Director of Competition.

These gentlemen will make all the major decisions regarding the series and in addition, some will also



RAY DIEZ EXECUTING RAMP ACTION AT THE F.A.S.T. EVENT IN JACKSONVILLE (ABOVE) AND SHAWN PEDDIE AT PEDDIE'S POOL, JUST REOPENED. PHOTO. CHIOCCHIO



serve in various committees carrying out the day to day duties.

What this all boils down to, is that there's going to be a great effort put forth to make this series a great success and to solidify the stature of the "sport".

While ASPO has shown great success with its amateur series, the PRO GOLD CUP Series will attempt to do the same.

At this point the big date is June 21-22, when everyone's efforts will be put to the test. That is the date of the G & S PRO GOLD CUP # 1.

All these people's efforts will only be worth it, if all prospective pros and the current pros support it.

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MEXICO to ASPO WINNER

ASPO AWARDS DATE SET
MAY 8, 1980 WHITTIER

AT TODAY'S MEETING, SOME OF the details were released to SKATN'NEWS concerning the upcoming ASPO awards ceremony.

The date for the event is set for Friday, June 27, '80 from 6pm. to 9pm.

The event will be held at the BIG O SKATEPARK in Orange, Calif. (157 N. Wayfield, Orange, Ca.).

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VANS FINALS at DEL MAR

VAN'S OFF-SHORE STATE FINALS
MAY 3-4, 1980 @ DEL MAR

THIS FINALS COMPETITION BROUGHT OUT THE FINEST SKATERS in the 3A advanced amateur division, and also had a fine group of 2A intermediate skaters that showed how quickly these kids are progressing in their quality & style of skating.

Competition began Saturday afternoon with the young ladies followed by the little shredders, then the geriatric group and then on to the hard-core ages; 16-19, and finishing up with the 14-15 age group.

Pattie Hoffman still showed her dominance in the Girls' 3A division on Saturday, and taking the finals on Sunday, with young Carabeth Burnside of Alva Skates in a close second, followed by Gail Springer from Ocean Pacific.

Danny Jorgensen edged out Eric Berquist and Tim Phillips for the 2A, 10-Under win.

The 3A 10-Under had Ky Lambert of Variflex, taking the lead ahead of the Van's boys, Kele & Beatle Roscrans.

The 2A, 20-Over group saw Barry Fields taking a strong finish over David Weaver, where as in the 3A, 20-Over, Sonny Miller barely edged out Brian Martin for the win.

The 3A 11-13 division was a battle all the way to final rider Kenny Stelmasky, who had an enormous lead on Saturday, then on Sunday saw Paul Molina of Madrid push into the lead followed by Mark Rogowski, Greg Chasen, Christian Hosoi, and Tony Hawk, respectively.

Another head-to-head duel was between Barry Taulbee of Whittier and Tony Magnusson of Sweden, with both of these boys turning in blazing performances in the 16-19, 2A.

A lot of hard skating was also seen in the 16-19 3A division with Freddie DeSota, Mike Siegfried, Neil Blender, John Tuisl, and Scott Foss finishing on top, respectively, with runs that were definitely pro calibre.

The final skaters of the day were the 14-15 3A division, with these riders performing between 10 and 15 maneuvers and no kick turns in a 45 second time limit which, just a year ago, was unheard of!

E. Rosecrans

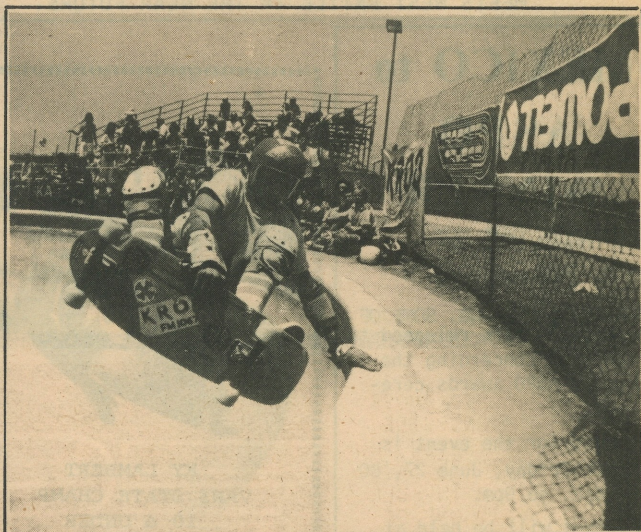
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GIL LOSI WON HIS CLASS IN THE VANS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH OUTSTANDING MANEUVERS (above left) SUCH AS THIS BACKSIDE BIO-AIR. TODD SMOKE, 6TH IN THE 16 TO 19 -2A CLASS. (ABOVE)



STEVE CABALLERO (ABOVE-TOP) ON A FRONT-SIDE ROCK N' ROLL SLIDE TOOK 3RD IN THE 14-15 3A. JOHN SPRINGER IN FULL FORM (ABOVE), ONE OF THE UPCOMING AMATEURS.

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We've been told to emphasize that there will be no skating that night so don't bother to bring your board or gear.

That night will be set aside to honor not only the top skaters of the season, but also all of you that participated in the ASPD league.

There are many prizes and trophies to be awarded and given away and EVERYONE that makes the awards, whose participated this season will have a chance of getting some of the great prizes put together.

The big prize(s) like the trip for two to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico & the surfboard will be drawn among the top three of each class and age group.

The other prizes will be drawn to be given away to those who participated and attend the ceremonies.

It promises to be a great night so don't miss it.

Trophies to be awarded will go to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places.

Medallions will go to the next positions or 30% of the entire class.

GOLD CARDS will be given to the top three in each class.

TEAM Trophy will go to the top team in the League and to the five(5) individuals in the team.

PUERTO RICO

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BOWMAN

SKATEBOARD '80...PUERTO RICCAN STYLE

BY BRAD (BB) BOWMAN

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO was the recent host of Skateboard '80, a series of free exhibitions and clinics.

The purpose of our demonstrations was to show the Puerto Riccan populace the state-of-the-art of Pro skateboarding, summer '80.

Also, we were there to promote our products and such and push the already hot island skaters to their max.

Sponsors of this three day event included, Island Watersports, Taco Maker Restaurant, (the site of the event) SIMS, VAL SURF(sponsors of Deano Mueller), INDY TRUCKS, and GULL WING.

The terrain (furnished by Taco Maker and Island Watersports, who both own the ramp in a partnership) was a wooden half-pipe, 10' high by 8' wide with 1½' of vert.

On the ramp, there's also wooden coping, double-layering of plywood for strength and 12' of flat bottom to create a bionic pump.

An Island amateur team comprised of John Conway, Robert "Boly" Cortez and Eddie Knapp, took part in the event and showed the Puerto Riccan local boys that they're ready for international competition.

In all, it was a good three day event, with crowds of over 2000.

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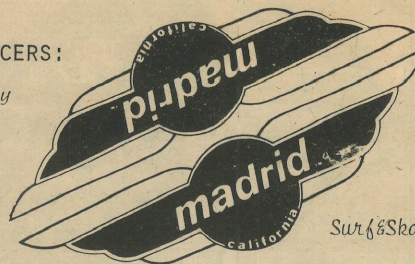
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My last memory of this working vacation is looking out the window of the 727 whisperliner on takeoff and seeing all the skaters still skating and my knowing they were all skating "stoked".

B.B.

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RESULTS

GLSA(GREAT LAKES SKATEBOARD ASSOCIATION)

APRIL 19,80' @ SURFIN' TURF, GREENFIELD, WISC.

TEAM COMPETITION

1. JACK THE RIPPER FLYING CIRCUS:
Todd Pfander
Daryl Chrzan
Scott Lyngaas
Mike Mucha
Phillip Brojanac
Glenn Zadra
Jim Keys
Marty Pietruska
2. G & S TEAM
Steve Ottson
Randy Kelliher
Donld Nelson
Joe Weissman
Marshall Denton
3. MICHIGAN YELLOW TEAM
Bill Monk
Pete Kavochivich
Bill Fergusson
Mike Blauvet
Mark Northrup
4. MICHIGAN BLUE TEAM
Mike Early
Todd Cadieux
"Herod" Ansonge
Mark Carpenter
Shawn Scott
5. THE MAD RATS(SIMS TEAM)
Larry Hitch
Steve Olson
Robin Davis
Woody Shomberg
Bruce Nelson
Gary Peterson
Jim Kading
6. KANOA-POWELL TEAM
Paul Casanova
Dave Brinn
Kieth Klade
Pat Frederick
Mark Bendler
7. MSA TEAM
Billy Phelps
Scott Demesy

Dennis Jenson
Glenn Davis
Arron Warkov
Eric Thompson

8. THE MAROONS
Joe "Rusty" Medrow
Timmy "Bongo" Bierbach
Ramon "Bones" Ajero
Zil Beaudon
Nuck "Gnarly" Pietruszka

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GLSA @ APPLE SKATEPARK
MAY 3, 1980

12 & UNDER

1. Jex Harrison(Endless Summer)
2. Doug Tate(SKATEBOARD USA)

13 - 15

1. Kevin Chinchar(RAMP EAST)
2. Ken Mollica(APPLE)
3. Shawn Scott(RAMP EAST)
4. Mike Blavelt(ENDLS.SUMM)
5. Chris Moore(ENDLS.SUMM.)
6. Whitney Calpin
7. Chris Cameron(END.SUMM.)
8. Casey Morzetti
9. John Weller
10. Nick Ansorage(COSMIC WAVE)
11. Chris Horoshko(SKATE USA)
12. Tim Carpenter
13. Kevin Northup

16 & OVER

1. Bill Ferguson(END.SUMM)
2. Mark Carpenter(SKATE USA)
3. Todd Cadieux(YANDALL STREAKS)
4. Mike Early(COS.WAVE)
5. Mill Munk(END.SUMM.)
6. Mike Grau(APPLE)
7. Charley Shivley(APPLE)
8. Glen Kaz(APPLE)
9. Mike Ohm(APPLE)
10. Joe Omelchuck(APPLE)
11. Rich Schinppel
12. Jim Jones(RAMPS EAST)
13. Jeff Kirby
14. Todd Canganelli
15. Dave Vallee
16. Mike Wilmers

ROLLER SKATING

1. Rob Roskoff(APPLE)
2. Don Kidd(SKT.B.USA)
3. Shawn Scott(RAMPS EAST)

4. Bob Loathe(SKT.B.USA)
5. Ron Couch(SKT.B.USA)

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FAST(FLORIDA AMATEUR SKATEBOARD TOURNAMENTS)
APRIL 29 @ KONA, JACKSONVILLE

FREESTYLE

13 & UNDER SPONSORED

1. Rodney Mullen(WALKER/GULLWING)
2. Jim Boyle(MR.GOODSKATES)
3. Mark Santoli(SENS.BASN.)

13 & UNDER UNSPONSORED

1. Buckley Smith

14-16 SPONSORED

1. John Hodges(SKURF SHOP)
2. Billy Beaugard(RAINBOW WAVE)
3. Chris Baucom

14-16 UNSPONSORED

1. Pat Solomon
2. Bruse Massey
3. Steve Alltop

LADIES UNSPONSORED

1. Peggy Turner

17-19 SPONSORED

1. Tony Geran(MR.GOODSKATES)
2. Frank Cervany(SCHMITT STIKS)
3. Steve Fischer(KRYP./INDY)

20 & OVER SPONSORED

1. Dan Murry(INDY)
2. Tim Schiller

20 & OVER ROLLERSKATE SPONS.

1. Mike Frances(MR.GOODSKATE)
2. Mike Pecin
3. Kevin Smith

DOWN HILL SLALOM

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1. Jim Boyle(MR.GOODSKATE)
2. Mark Santoli(SENS.BASN.)

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1. Buckley Smith

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1. John Hodges(SKURF SHOP)
2. Todd Webb
3. Scott Green(Z-FLEX)

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1. Kenny Heath
2. Paul Schmitt
3. Steve Alltop

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1. Peggy Turner

ROLLERSKATER

1. Joey Hodge

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2. Mike Kaufman(Z-FLEX)
3. Mike Cox(Z-FLEX)

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ROLLER SKATERS

1. Mike Pechin
2. Kevin Smith

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1. Buckley Smith

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1. Ray Diez(INDY)
2. Billy Beaugard(RAINBOW WAVE)
3. John Hodges(SKURF SHOP)

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1. Pat Solomon
2. Randy Stafford
3. Randy Wilber

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1. Mike Cox(Z-FLEX)
2. Steve Fisher(KRYP.INDY)
3. Frank Cervany(SCHMITT STIKS)

20 & OVER

1. Dan Murry(INDY)
2. Tim Schiller

20 & OVER ROLLERSKATES

1. Mike Pechin
2. Kevin Smith

LADIES HALF PIPE

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2. Stacy Ramos

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THEY SAY THAT SUCCESS BREEDS
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The great success that the
ASPO AMATEUR CIRCUIT has
experienced this past six
months, has encouraged and
set a format for other peo-
ple take the lead.

As a result, FAST(Florida)
and GLSA(Notheastern) ama-
teur circuits are now on
full on competition sche-
dules.

In order to maintain success,
changes have to be made to
insure that it continues.

Thus, ASPO, in their last
meeting, set the course
for next season's program.

There are changes which will
make the running of the
league more proficient,
safer, and more equal.

For example, plans are now
to put all results after
each competition into a com-
puter system, for fast and
accurate score keeping.

Therefore, it will be nes-
cessary to assign each and
every skater that joins the
ASPO league a membership
number which will also be
his "COMPETITION" number.

A racing bib will be issued
and it shall be the res-
ponsibility of each skat-
er to be sure to bring it
and use it in every ASPO
event.

In order to skate in any
ASPO event, a skater will be
required to purchase an
ASPO competition membership.
The membership will cost a
one time-season fee of \$10.
and it will include an
ASPO card(note: any skater
with a valid ASPO card will
get a 50¢ discount off thier
sessions at any ASPO park),
ASPO sticker, racing bib
and liability and Medical
insurance for any ASPO
event.

In addition, any ASPO mem-
ber will receive a discount

on a SKAT'N NEWS subscrip-
tion.

This coming season promi-
ses to be bigger than ever.

Many skaters that got into
the circuit late this past
season or felt that it was
too late to start, will be
waiting for this next sea-
son to get on its way.

There's also a change made
in the age groups and clas-
ses for the sake of more
even competitions.

Here are the classes and
age groups:

UNSPONSORED CLASSES age
groupings are 12& Under,
13-14, 15-17 and Open.
This class will have a 1A
and 2A division. The latter
being the skaters with the
better ability.

SPONSORED CLASS is the 3A
class, the age divisions are
the same as the Un-sponsored
class and the PARK TEAM
classes.

ROLLER SKATING MEN will be
an OPEN class with a 1A &
2A division.

ROLLER SKATE WOMEN is an
Open class.

GIRLS SKATEBOARDERS will re-
main the same, 13 & under,
14-16 and Open.

These changes were made as
a result of some of the
experiences learned this
past season. This way,
ASPO feels that the rating
will make the skating more
equal.

As it stands now, those
skaters that competed last
ASPO season will be auto-
matically rated by a com-
mittee formed of skatepark
owners/representatives who
have seen most of the ska-
ters.

Most likely, the top skat-
ers in each class and
age group may wind up in
the 2A, unless they receive
sponsorship, which automa-
tically puts them into a
3A class.

The 1A rating may be only
temporary, as a formula is
devised, so that anyone
that amasses more than 300
points in any four events
(two meets) moves immidia-
tely into a 2A grouping.

This is done to prevent any-
one from "sand-bagging" or
holding back to earn top
points.

The way the system is de-
signed is so that each
skater has the opportunity
to grow in the sport and
compete at his own level.

The progression from a 1A
skater to 2A, 3A(sponsored)
will lead to the ability to
turn Professional.

While there are no set
rules at this time, limit-
ing anyone from turning
Pro, it is anticipated that
following the current PRO
GOLD CUP SERIES, no one
will be able to skate as a
PRO unless they have come
up the ASPO ranks or a
similar organized compe-
tition program.

In other words, no 1A or

2A skater can turn Pro, he
or she must come out of the
3A class.

This sets the ground work
for a National program,
which is hoped to go into
effect in 1981.

ASPO has also devised a
system to encourage all skat-
ers to move up in classes.

For example, this next
season, GOLD CARDS will be
issued, but in this manner:
1A skaters, 1st place will
receive a 3-month GOLD CARD
and 2nd. place will receive
a 2-month GOLD CARD.

On the other hand, the 2A
divisions will receive the
following: 1st. 6-months
GOLD CARD; 2nd. 5-months;
3rd. 4-month and 4th 3-mo.
GOLD CARD.

Anyone wishing more infor-
mation on the next season
schedule or wishing to sign
up and purchase your mem-
bership should contact the
ASPO offices at (213) 345-
7300 or P.O. Box 411,
Woodland Hills, Ca. 91364.



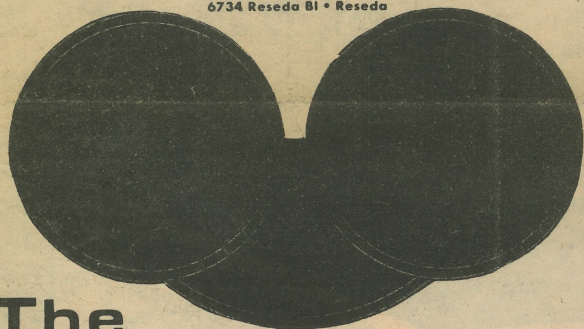
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Pool & Downhill
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- JUN. 29 ASPO AWARDS
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announced.
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- MAY 31 @ ASTRO SPEEDWY
Pool
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- JUN. 14 @ COSMIC WAVES
Pool
(616) 375-4800
- JUL. 12 @ SKATEBOARD USA
Pool
(313) 755-3060
- AUG. 2 @ HIGH ROLLER
Pool
(313) 629-6370
- AUG. 23 @ APPLE SKATPK.
Pool
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- SEP. 13 @ SURF N' TURF
Pool
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F.A.S.T-FLORIDA AM.

- JUN. 7 @ SENSATION BASIN, GAINSVILLE
- JUL. 5 @ RAINBOW WAVE
- AUG. 2 @ KONA SKATPK.
- SEP. 6 @ CLEARWATER
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NEW ASPO 80' AM. CIRCUIT

- JUL. 12 @ ESCONDIDO
- AUG. 2 @ SKATERCROSS
- AUG. 23 @ OASIS
- SEP. 13 @ MARINA
- OCT. 4 @ SKATE CITY
- OCT. 25 @ COLTON
- NOV. 15 @ PIPELINE
- DEC. 6 @ DEL MAR
- DEC. 27 @ BIG O

*Note some dates may
change. There may be one
or two other parks.
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PRO GOLD CUP

- JUN. 7-8 @ DEL MAR
G & S
- JUL. 12-13 @ WINCHESTER
N.H.S.
- AUG. 16-17 @ BIG O
SIMS
- SEP. 20-21 @ COLTON
VARIFLEX
- OCT. 25-26 @ MARINA
POWELL/PERALTA
- DEC. 6-7 CHAMPIONSHIP
AT PIPELINE
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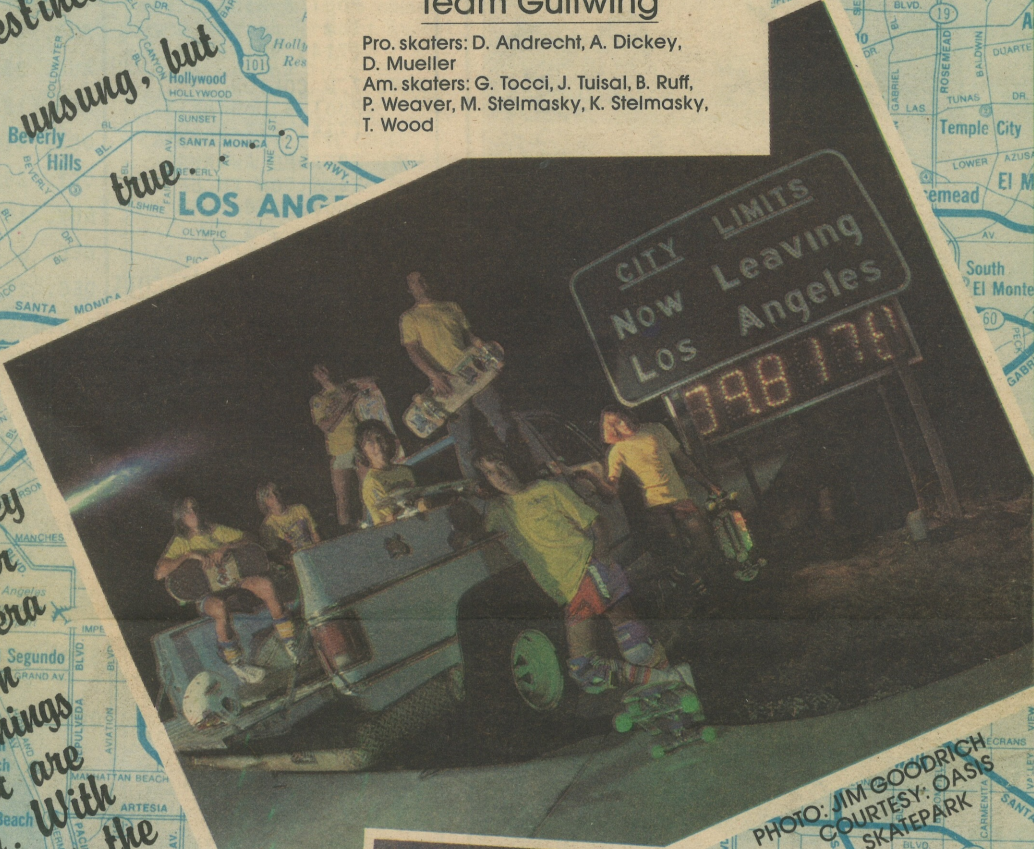


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