

New Jersey BMX

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We got
the best BMX!

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Death To Exploitation



I was talking last year to a trail rider at one of the jams I was at and the conversation flowed to keeping things up and going. I mentioned wouldn't it be cool to have dirt jumps in public parks that kids could just go to and get the hang of riding and learn BMXing at it's roots. He said as good as that sounded he'd rather just leave things unknown so that things don't get exploited. I really understood what he was talking about because I was there when BMX was fully just exploited by every weasely clown out there. Dumb products, events where people didn't get paid, sleazoid promoters. In a way it's very true, nothing is worse for a sport like BMX then exploitation. It breaks the soul of something as raw as BMX.

But there is a flip side to exploiting something and that is getting it some recognition. Being in the woods or in a vacant lot unknown by yourself doing your thing is good, it's core, but without some way to get some recognition of what you are doing it makes it difficult to bring new people in.

Is it possible that an "open" trail riding place in a public park, sort of a "dirt skate park" for BMX only, might be messed up a bit or jacked with? Yea, sure, but the positive aspect of having a place for new kids to test the BMX waters far outweighs the negative. With the older riders that are out there now, it should be possible to have people all over who would be willing to take charge and show people and kids how to take care of "trails" and make stuff newbies and freestylers could use.

It's funny, I look at BMX racing right now and I see exploitation. The sanctions focus only on the people who already race, tons of nationals, beginner national plates, treat the pros with no respect. Where is the thought on how to GROW BMX racing, to get people outside the circle of those already riding? Is anyone selling racing to people outside BMX racing? I don't see it right now. To me, if you just keep sucking the same money out of the same people without giving back and growing something, that is exploitation.

BMX freestyle already learned this lesson, we did our whole, "the organization is dead, we're gonna do what we need to, to keep this going". Racing has been lucky in that it never had the sanctions leave...to an extent. Freestyle was allowed to grow and evolve by the riders. Racing has been held back and stifled by organizations that don't seek to get racing the recognition it deserves.

How many of us are out there selling BMX racing to friends or anyone we meet? We are local, what's on the national scene? Where are the ads in kid's magazines? Where is the marketing to major networks? With the coming of the Olympics in 2008, BMX racing will hopefully be back in the public eye. It will once again be RIPE for exploitation. The only hope it has to continue on and remain true to its roots is to get the people who ride and have ridden COMPLETELY in charge of it. They will be the ones with the love and guidance to steer it past the hands of those who would come along to make a quick buck off of it and leave it once again in the dumpster. It is up to those of you just turning 18, leaving high school, in college, the middle aged riders, all of you, all of us, combined to make the voice of those who risked it all for this sport live on. Exploitation falls to the wayside when the people who are running things truly love what they are doing.

The movement has begun this year in NJ. We have probably the most diverse, intelligent group of BMX men and women in the country, right here. The future of BMX racing is only ours to lose now. WE must seize this moment and show those who would do this sport wrong that the riders are at last ready to stand up and take charge.

I don't know where this road ends, but I look forward to the journey down it with the rest of those who are, like me, TRUE friends of BMX.

To the future! NJ BMX Szine!

Self Effacing Humor Dept.



Who's the cute chick?
(me @ Clayton John's
track circa 1981)

Things of importance in this photo:

1. My killer flood leathers! (some things never change)
2. Is that the leather jacket you see me in during the fall in the background, hello 70's!
3. Can my bars be any more forward?
4. A 2x10 starting gate?

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what's inside...



We got
the best BMX!



State Qualifiers 5 & 6

Back once again to CJBMX and the last
of the 2006 State Qualifiers

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The 2006 NJ BMX State Championship at CJBMX

It all came down to who could bust
loose over the 20' doubles.

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NBL Grands Main Makers

25 to the mains. Small state, big 'tude.
yo mamma!

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What's coming from the minds of NJBMX Szine...

This fall will see the release of the CJBMX promo video. It will have some highlights from the State Qualifiers, Championship and the Score at the Shore. As well as some history of the track, and an interview with the Gleasons, who began CJBMX over 25 years ago. Debuting at the state awards banquet.

A new logo design will be coming from brokenspokes.net for the '07 State Series, that should be revealed by early December.

Look for the jersey devil myth to figure more prominently in the NJ BMX scene. (props to Pete Wolghemuth for the idea!) Logos, slogans and more.

More free stickers, coverage of the Fall Classic, and the Veterans Day race.

2007 will also see the first State Series video series. (good titles are currently being entertained)

and of course...stuff we haven't dreamed of yet...



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Hunterdon County BMX



The Incline Club
Location: 485 Locust St.
Lakewood, NJ 08701
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web: sk8tic.com
Status: Bikes always allowed

Shields Skatepark
Location: 19 Royal Rd.
Flemington, NJ 08822
Phone: 908.788.7168
web: shieldskatepark.com
Status: Bike hours posted on website

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Location: 13 West Route 57
Hackettstown, NJ 07840
Phone: 908.852.8155
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CENTRAL JERSEY



State Qualifiers 5 - 6
25 Years
and
Still Charging!

2006
NEW JERSEY BMX
STATE SERIES



Dulock leaving the inside open

The return of Greg Morgan



Martin skying Behm huggin'



Cheyenne Godino



Austin Padilla



Factory Phil NJ's newest Pro!



For more info on the CJ Qualifiers be sure to hit brokenspokes.net Write ups, more pics, misc. nonsense!



Thanks to all the racers Vinnie, Lisa and the gang! Lenny Hicks track fixer! For another great State Qualifier!

High Flying Hatem

Jamming
James Rempkowski



Billy Wittig

Zarek Justis

Matty Cranmer



& Tommy Gillis

Biff, Bam, Behm





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2006 NEW JERSEY BMX CHAMPIONSHIP

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CJBMX
25th Anniversary



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Dunked baby!

Nicholas Jones



*Taylor Farside
Felt Flyer
Nuts, crazy!
A full spring and
summer of BMX
radicoolness!
Who knows
what is planned
for
2007...*



Mighty Matt Cranmer

*Worrell
that
wascally wabbit*



*BMX Legend
in unrare form*



*Hatem, Vliet, Bestine
Shawn Lloyd, Transue Trucking!*



Dan "ladies man" Smith





35-39 Cruiser dropping



Brandon Dreher



Tyler Warner

*Alana
Carolyn
Ladies in
the house*



Motos are postasized kids!



*Whiley CoBMXracer
super genius...*



*Vliet
miles ahead*

*All the info is at
brokenspokes.net
standings, results
and more pics!*

**Congratulations
to all the 2006
NBL Grand National
Main Makers**

10-11 Open 1st Anthony Derosa

30-39 Ladies Cruiser 1st Susie Levan

9 Under Cruiser 5th Jeremy Smith

11 Cruiser 1st Anthony Derosa

18-21 Cruiser 5th Jimmy Moore

18-21 Cruiser 6th Mike Smith

40-44 Cruiser 2nd Rich Farside <broken ribs...>

45-49 Cruiser 8th James Rempkowski

11 Girls 6th Taylor Farside

15 Girls 6th Shannon Walsh

8 Expert 1st Jeremy Smith

9 Expert 5th Mike Reszkowski

11 Expert 1st Anthony Derosa <triple!>

18-21 Expert 2nd Phil Delizia

8 Novice 6th Lenny Hicks

9 Novice 4th Tyler Warner

10 Novice 4th Austin Padilla

12 Novice 4th Zach McLaughlin

12 Novice 7th David Crofton

17 Novice 8th Kenny Maleta

35 Over Novice 8th Craig Wilson

9 Rookie 3rd Ryan Cohen

11 Rookie 5th Erik Robbins

12 Rookie 3rd Brandon Perez

<broken growth plate in wrist>

13 Rookie 2nd Aaron Davis

25 main makers from a state as
small as NJ.

UNREAL!

Let's look at it like this.

We had about 147 riders at the
State Championship.

25 out of 147 made their main at
the Grands.

That is just about 1 out of every 6
riders in NJ being national caliber.

Like Ant-Dog keeps saying.

We are gonna kick some
a....bootay!

hehe.....



Moore Mulhern Kicked

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One More Time...



Oh my, oh my, it's that
might mini guy, Matty
Cranmer about to go
down...but like the
energizer bunny he keeps
on rocking! SOLID!

'1906 plus 100 years is a done deal.
The plates have been handed out, the
Dew Tour is over, X-Games are
done...It's time for the NE winter nap.
Or is it?

Incline Club, Hackettstown,
Shields...and rumors of an indoor track
in South Jersey abound.

Seems like things are turning on the flip
side of bad and that would bedang
good!

See you out there jumping!

NJ BMX Szine Issue 6 is finished, kaput, done, over pilgrims!
Look for issue 7 after the State Awards, and some late fall skatepark trips!
Sometime around Nov.-Dec. Stay Tuned to brokenspokes.net though!



NJ Pride in effect, the shirt designs you see are available online at
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