

Oly Moley! Those Girls Can Skate!

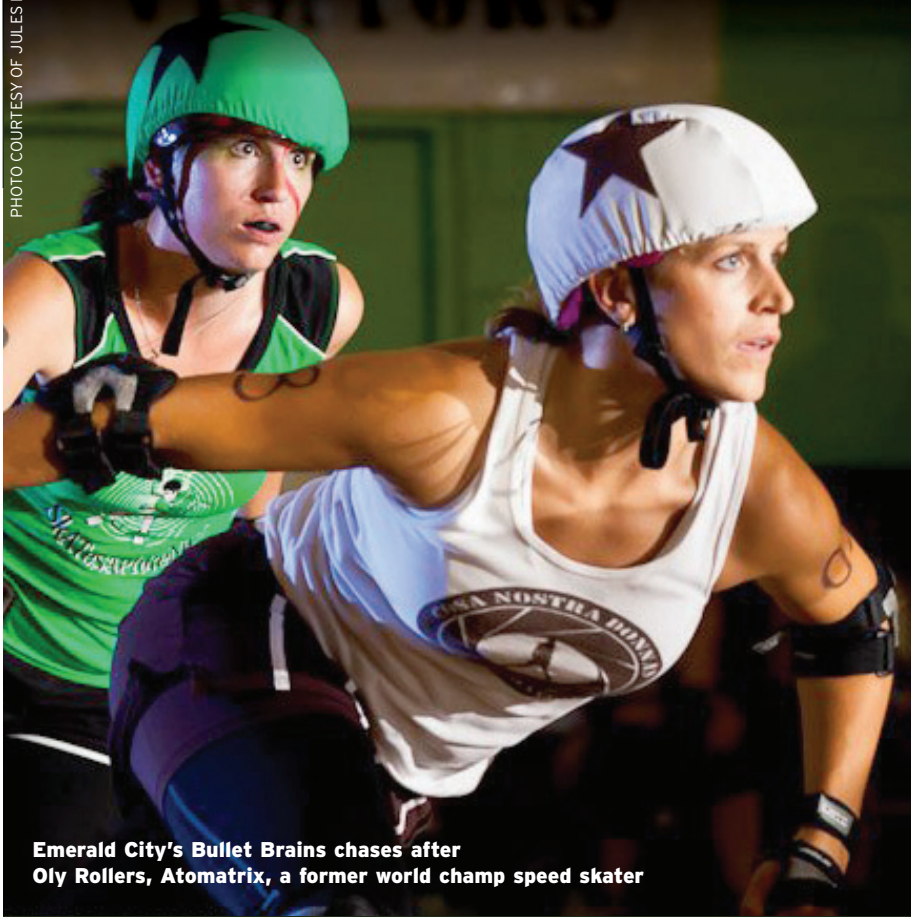
In roller derby, skaters' opinions are more eclectic than if you were to feed all the United Nations delegates, Country Fair regulars and Florida's citizenry a pile of acid and ask them to describe heaven. But, in my travels within the sisterhood, I've found that all have heard of the Oly Rollers, and they all know this team from Olympia, Wash., could destroy them.

Consequently, Oly, currently ranked #1 in the world, has a hard time finding opponents. Enter our Western Region #11-ranked Emerald City Skatesaphrenics. Despite the seemingly insurmountable odds, the Skatesaphrenics agreed to face an opponent sporting three women who will skate for Team USA in this year's roller derby World Cup.

Believe it or not, the Skatesaphrenics pulled off a victory – a moral victory – during the Aug. 27 bout. They lost 268-30, but they were able to achieve small goals. Oly and Team USA blocker Sassy remarked on the Skatesaphrenics' ability to maintain their composure under pressure. Other skaters on the businesslike Oly team expressed jealousy of the Skatesaphrenics' ability to have fun.

The Skatesaphrenics' top blocker for the game was Ophelia Melons, who literally hit the Oly skaters so hard her numbers rubbed off on them. Bullet Brains led the Skatesaphrenics with 16 points. Hard Times topped all Oly scorers with 77. – *James Warmels*

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Emerald City's Bullet Brains chases after Oly Rollers, Atomatrix, a former world champ speed skater

news Briefs

SENECA SEEKS AIR PERMIT

Seneca Sustainable Energy, the Eugene biomass cogeneration plant under fire from social justice and environmental advocates for air pollution and logging issues, has filed for another air contaminant discharge permit with the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency. The new permit claims the biomass facility and the sawmill are a single source of hazardous air pollutants, while another permit with LRAPA for criteria pollutants has the biomass plant and the sawmill as separate facilities.

According to an LRAPA review report, the reason for the new permit is that the agency issued a notice of noncompliance to Seneca Sawmill in April 2011 for failing to submit a timely renewal application for its permit that expired Jan. 25. That notice of noncompliance was one of four noncompliance notices the facility has received. In addition to renewing its permit, Seneca is also applying to add a new dry kiln.

In the LRAPA staff report, the agency says that the biomass plant and the sawmill are a single source for hazardous air pollutants under Title III of the Clean Air Act because the facilities are "contiguous" and "under common ownership or control" and "are therefore are a single source under the definition of 'stationary source' in LRAPA's Title 12."

However, when it comes to criteria pollutants such as particulate matter, the sawmill and the biomass plant are permitted as two separate facilities because they do not share the same two-digit standard industrial classifications (SIC) codes.

The question arises of whether Seneca could be the subject of a citizen lawsuit under the Clean Air Act. Some have speculated that under the act the biomass incinerator is in fact a support facility for the mill, and the combined facilities emit enough particulate matter to trigger a new source review under the Clean Air Act.

If the facilities were considered the same stationary source for particulate matter, it which would put them over the 15 ton increase that would trigger a new source review and significantly stricter standards.

Merlyn Hough of LRAPA says, "The different titles of the federal 1990 Clean Air Act (and subsequent case law and guidance) consider adjacent contiguous sources a single source for purposes of regulating hazardous air pollutants even if they are required to be separate sources for purposes of regulating criteria air pollutants."

He says, "The SIC classification is one of multiple tests for determining if the facilities are two sources for criteria pollutant regulation purposes."

Hough adds that for permitting purposes, the application of the series of tests (including SICs) resulted in a determination that two permits were appropriate.

According to information Oregon Toxics Alliance, which has fought the biomass plant, gleaned from the permits, the plant will release 200,000 tons of carbon dioxide, 185.61 tons of nitrogen oxides, 200.89 tons of carbon monoxide, 1.7 tons of formaldehyde and more than 13 tons each of PM 10 and PM 2.5 (particulate matter) over the course of a year. Seneca is just outside Eugene's city limits and is not subject to the Eugene Toxics Right-to-Know ordinance.

There will be a public hearing on the Seneca permit 5:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 15 at the LRAPA Meeting Room. All written comments must be received by 5 pm on September 16 by email to Colleen Wagstaff at: colleen@lrapa.org or by letter to LRAPA, 1010 Main Street, Springfield, Oregon 97477. For more info go to <http://wkly.ws/13s> — *Camilla Mortensen*

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ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

WASHINGTON JEFFERSON PARK: UO PEDAL POWERED STAGE

- 12:00-1:00 Kingdom County
- 1:30-2:30 Dream Dusters Experience
- 3:00-4:00 Conjugal Visitors
- 1:00-1:30 Alseny Yansane's Won Tan Nara Drum
- 2:30-3:00 & Dance Ensemble featuring Ibrahim Sylla
- 1:40-2:10 African Dance Class
- 3:00-4:00 Susan B. Stack of Fusion Movement Beginning Hoop Class
- 12:00-3:00 Bike Safety Rodeo
- 3:00-3:30 Family Ride
- 3:00-4:00 Bicycle Drag Races
- 12:00-4:00 Slacklining brought to you by REI

CAMPBELL COMMUNITY CENTER: MAIN STAGE

- 12:00-2:00 Riffle
- 2:00-3:00 Line Dancing with a DJ
- 3:00-4:00 DJ Shawn
- 1:00-2:00 Guided History Walk of east Skinner Butte w/ Tyler Burgess
- 1:00-2:00 Free Strong Bones Strong Body! Exercise Class
- 2:00-3:00 Free Yoga
- 3:00-4:00 Free Tai Chi
- 12:00-4:00 Adaptive Recreation Bike Fleet demos – prearranged rentals can pick up their bikes from the Adaptive staff at Campbell. Call 541-682-5311 to arrange a rental.

SKINNER BUTTE PARK: LAMB COTTAGE

- 1:00-2:00 Arthritis Fitness class by City of Eugene Aquatics
- 12:00-4:00 Games & activities for kids, minute to win it