



UP & DOWN NEWSLETTER

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TRAIL THREADS

Lynn Woods: Lynn, MA

Well it's been a very successful year of trail maintenance in Lynn Woods. With 16 completed trail projects in the past 3 years, we are moving closer to our goal of developing a well-defined trail network. From our first trail day on May 01st 2005, to our D-Day Event on June 3rd 2007, each year brings an expanded effort for our club.

Even though trail maintenance is over for this year, we have already begun planning for our 2008 trail series. Next year will feature tons of work on the Ballfield and Overlook Trails along with additional maintenance to the new trails added out by the power lines. Next years maintenance efforts will be a vast undertaking with a few (additional) BIG projects currently on the drawing board. We will be looking for resources from the local community as well from the City of Lynn to execute these plans when approved.

Bigger and better events are also in the works for next year as we kick it off with our second annual D-Day MTB Event slated to be held on June 14, 2008. This is a tentative date at the moment, but once we receive our park permit, "YOU" the mountain bike community will be the first to know.

Lynn Woods is loved by many riders both local to New England and outside this region. We cannot say thanks enough to the individuals that spent there time volunteering for our trails days and or events. Hats off to all that support us and to all that are a part of this growing club. Again, we



2005 Trail Crew— Project #3

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2007 Trail Crew—Project #1



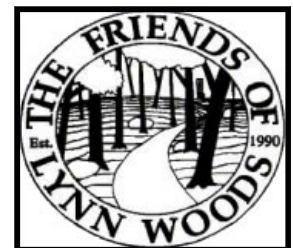
2006 Trail Crew— Project #5

Bruce & Tom's: Gloucester, MA

Many who ride B&T's may have noticed that a few of the technical trail features (TTFs) have been blocked off over the past couple of week. Well they're blocked off for pretty obvious reasons and we will be making an effort this month to get out and conduct some trail work. All trail work will be completed on sections of private land as it relates to the B&T's trail network.

As stated before, the B&T's trail network spans land owned by Essex County Greenbelt and a number of private landowners. We ask that you respect the sensitive of the B&T's trail network.

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Shovels & Picks Report

Lynn Woods –

The Once again with the help of the local biking community, Dieselbikes was able to complete 100% of our fifth and final trail day in Lynn Woods for the 2007 season. Without doubt this trail day was another backbreaking project but the 11 attending volunteers' worked hard accomplishing a few extra trail features.

The section of trail that connects Ridge Run to the beginning of the Ballfield trail (section 5E) just past Mary Ellen Drive was severely eroded with pieces of asphalt and concrete dumped around the trail area. Because of next year's trail plans for the upper Ballfield Trail, the need to create a sustainable section of trail in this area was important. There currently exist two separate trails that lead down to the Ridge Run Trail. One offers a rather rocky, loose and sandy decent, while the other is a more gradually decent on rocky yet sustainable ground. This gradual trail section was the area we complete work on this past month.

We re-routed the top trail section incorporating a number of rock features along with a small roller that adds some technical challenges to this section. The entrance/exit of this trail where it connects to the beginning of the Ballfield Trail was move to ensure better line of site when riding. Now when you approach this trail split, you need not stop and wonder where to go. The direction of flow is more evident and allows you to keep pedaling without stopping.

Once again we at Dieselbikes want to thank all the volunteers who attended to get the job done. Without your help, none of this trail work would have been completed. I look forward to see everyone again on other future trail builds and/or maintenance projects.

Our trail work for 2007 is complete in Lynn Woods. We had a trail make up day scheduled for November 10th, but there is no need. We have completed all projects slated for this trail season. Dieselbikes looks forward to continued trail efforts next year.



Pete Digging Away!



Fellsbiker Riding To Save His Life!





Dungeon Rock Day Lynn Woods

On October 20, the City of Lynn in conjunction with the Friends of Lynn Woods held their 4 annual Dungeon Rock Day. What is Dungeon Rock Day? It celebrates the legend of Captain Thomas Veale, a sea-going pirate who became a Lynn resident to hide his sinister past. Legend has it, Captain Veale came to Lynn Harbor in an effort to hide his treasure and escape the British who were hot on his trail. He was able to find shelter in a cave and hide in relative peace becoming a resident of Lynn, hiding his true identity. During 1658, an earthquake struck the surrounding New England area causing a collapse in the cave Captain Veale was hiding in. Captain Veale was never seen again (no public records) and the assumption was he became entombed in a Dungeon of Rock and perished.



Photo By: Stephen F. Bevacqua

Regardless of the legend, Dungeon Rock Day is a festival that provides a brief reenactment of events that surround Captain Veale's hidden treasure. Portrayed by volunteers who dress-up like pirates, scenes of this legend are acted out for attendees to enjoy with a bit of humor added in. Among the list of volunteers, Dieselbikes was their helping out during this event. This was the first time we volunteered for Dungeon Rock Day and I must say it was a great time. We acted out scene 7 that encompassed a few crafty pirates swindling people (event attendees) out of their money by telling them a great talking rock can tell them where Captain Veale hides. One pirate was dressed as a wizard as the other spoke through a hollow pipe behind the rock. Again, it was a great time making both children and parents laugh with out antics.

The sun was shining, the atmosphere was splendid and everyone involved was fired up to put on the best possible show. Only four (4) years running, this event was free to the public but donations were accepted to help support the park. With over 1000+ people in attendance, this year's event was a huge success and all donations collected will be used to support Lynn Woods.

If you wish to read more about the legend of Captain Thomas Veale and Dungeon Rock please visit The Friends of Lynn Woods.

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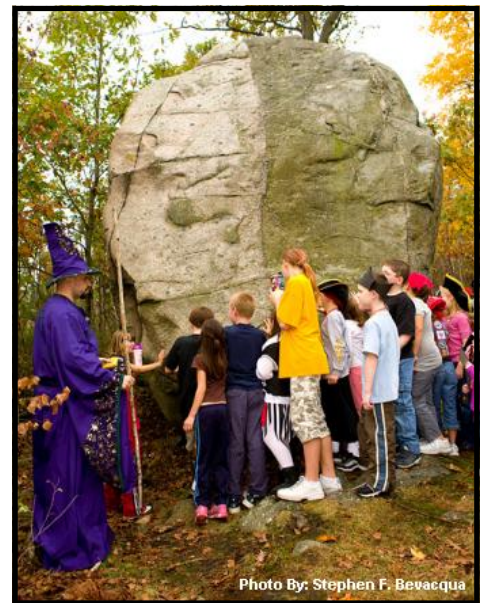


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THE BUZZ

Wheels of Fury "The New Pecking Order"

We are getting ready to release our 2007 local amateur mountain bike movie titled Wheels of Fury "The New Pecking Order". This movie will be a mix of local mountain bikers ripping up some of our favorite trails with the addition of a funny story line that is sure to make you laugh. Featuring music by Drunk's Don't Lie, The Welch Boys, James Nation, 16 Years of Grace, Say When, Canucks and 40M Shorty.

This year's movie contains a woven story line revolving around a secret plot and a super all-powerful magical CHICKEN! Packed with a few funny bonus sections this movie will have a run time of about 60 minutes.

Wheels of Fury "The New Pecking Order" is schedule for release in late November 2007. We have had a lot of inquires about holding a movie premier for this movie release. At this time, Dieselbikes does not have any premier date set, but we are defiantly looking into this possibility. Check out Dieselbikes.com from time to time as we will continually update our web-site with an exact release date and whether or not we may through a premier party.

- [View Movie Trailer](#)



Manufacturer Shout-Out

We at Dieselbikes want to give a shout-out to Fox Suspension Products for helping out one of our group members. Club ride "Big-G" was out riding during a weekend group ride this past August and blew out the rear Coil Fox Shock mounted on his 2002 Specialized "BigHit". Upon inspection of the shock, we found the piston shaft pulled right out of the shock body. Big-G gave a call to Fox and explained the matter even though the shock was 4 years old and out of the warranty period.

Well, after a month in the hands of Fox's, they decided to completely rebuild the shock FREE of charge for Big-G. Sometime it is a pain to get parts fixed and/or warranted by any large scale company. Plus we will be truthful and say other members of Dieselbikes have had difficulty working with Fox; even on warranty matters, but this time they came through. And for that reason, we want to give a shout out for a job well done!

Visit Fox Suspension by [clicking this link](#).



Help Dieselbikes Support Our Local Trails

We are a small group of dedicated mountain bikers who want to make our trails better for all disciplines of trail riding. Whether you cross-county bike, freeride and/or Muni, we believe there is a place for all on our trails. Regardless of our groups dedicated efforts, we can always use the support and volunteer help from the mountain biking community. Whether you purchase our active apparel, local movies and/or donate your time/money to our cause; your help is greatly appreciated.

With that said, we want to say thanks to all who have helped and supported our club this year. From our friends, to our sponsors, to "YOU" the silent majority, we at Dieselbikes thank you and look forward to any continuing support.

Check out Dieselbikes' complete line of [active Mountain Bikers Apparel](#) and help support our trail and sport promotion efforts.





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Who We Are:

We are just a group of riders who started this web-site to quietly get into the mountain bike industry. We do not expect anything big from this venture but to have fun doing what we love, RIDE OUR BIKES!!! Over this past year we have seen a huge following for Dieselbikes and plan on turn this hobby into a business to help support and expand New England mountain biking.

Our Roots:

The roots of Dieselbikes starts in the City of Lynn better know as the "City of Sin." Over the past years we have added riders to our team whom brings their own unique style of riding and personal-ity. Our local (unofficial) freeride park is none other than Lynn Woods. You will find us riding there 3 ~ 4 times a week during the biking season. Whether working our day and/or night jobs, we all find the time to make that blissful ride of downhill descends, jumps, hucks and friendly camaraderie that is only found when we RIDE OUR BIKES!!!

Mission:

Our mission is expand, promote and create a distinct portrait of mountain biking in and around New England. We believe that New England is one of the best places to mountain bike and feel by bringing all mountain bikers together, we will create a VIBE which will help expand this sport!

Whether posting pictures, videos, local trail maps and/or scheduling biking trips, we are starting small and keeping it simple. Someday our secondary goal is to build downhill/freeride bikes and or bike components for anyone who wants bulletproof products tested on FLAT DROPS here in New England.

Group Rides

Our 2007 group rides will begin on April 15th with our 2nd Annual Lynn Woods Opening Day Ride.

Dieselbikes will begin posting weekday and weekend group rides on our web-site. You can view these dates as they become available at the following link below:

DIESELBIKES GROUP RIDES

If you would like to be placed on our group rides list, please feel free to contact us at the following e-mail address:

dbgrouprides@dieselbikes.com

Our group rides have no set pace or rider level. We are just out riding our bikes and having fun. All rider styles and levels are welcome.

