

## Maryhill Freeride '09

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Many skaters have taken a chance to freeride the famous Maryhill Loops Road but it's almost always a poach. After last year's debacle at the Fairgrounds and a loony Mayor with an agenda and the willingness to mislead, the skate community came together here to support Goldendale and you wound up funding repairs to the skatepark in Ekone Park and a BBQ for the volunteers that drove out to work in the rain. Now, you've got a chance to freeride Maryhill with haybales, trucks and safety measures like you'd find at a race...but it's all just a free ride! Check out what the Maryhill Ratz have going...**MARYHILL FREERIDE & DEMO DAYS! March 28 & 29th, 2009** This will be a weekend of riding the most famous longboarding hill in the world. The event is open to the first 90 or so riders who sign up and pay the \$105 (via PayPal). This is not a race and there are no prizes, spectators or camping --just a closed hill with hay bales, EMT's safety workers and shuttles! The first shuttle starts at 9am and goes to 5pm. There will be 6 man heats spaced about a minute apart. We will try and get as many runs as possible each day.

Timeship Racing has stepped up to work with various manufactures to arrange some demo boards to sample throughout the day. This equipment will then be auctioned off with the proceeds going to the City of Goldendale to help with the creation of a concrete skate park. More details on this are to come. There are rumors that Timeship is bringing the Bungee, too!

Leathers and a full face helmet are required. If you are found to be riding ANYWHERE on the property without a helmet you may be asked to leave. There is no smoking of anything on the property. There will be no alcohol consumption by participants in the event. The event organizers and the workers are GOD. Our word is law. Give the Maryhill Ratz grief and you may find yourself escorted off the property without a refund.

That goes for all the rules, you break 'em and you may find yourself being asked to leave and if someone does not want to leave the Sherriff will be called and charges will be filed. This event is open to all skill levels so these rules will be strictly enforced to insure the safety of all involved.

There will be **NO SPECTATORS!!!!** If you are planning on coming with friends, girlfriends, boyfriends or a parent and they want to get onto the property, they must be signed up in advance and they will be put to work as a driver or a course worker. There will be no one allowed on the property that is not on the list. **ANY UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE PROPERTY AND, IF NECESSARY, THEY WILL BE ESCORTED OFF THE PROPERTY BY THE LOCAL SHERRIFF AND CHARGED WITH TRESSAPSSING!**

There is a need for about 14 to 20 course workers. The course workers will not be paid but will be allowed time on the hill throughout the weekend and after hours. A crew of 4 or five will be needed for about 4 hours of work on the Friday before to lay out the hay and on the Monday afterwards to clean up the hay. Again helpers will be the only people to ride the hill on those days.

The attendance is limited to ensure the riders get the maximum amount of time on the hill (we expect between 10 and 15 runs a day) but still cover the large expense of renting the hill, EMT's and everything else it takes to put this event on. If you sign up and pay **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS!** You may be offered a credit for a future event.

If you sign up as a volunteer and do not show up, you will be blacklisted from all future Maryhill Ratz events. The idea is to keep this event small so the riders can get the most runs they can. Any course workers who sign up and do not show up put the whole event at risk so if you sign up please be serious.

Course workers will be required to sign a waiver and those under 18 will have to have a waiver signed by their parent or guardian. Please contact Deano/Mexify at [senor\\_palmer@hotmail.com](mailto:senor_palmer@hotmail.com) for information.

