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Snow Angels indeed.
PHOTOS: Christy Chaloux



Gretchen Bleiler.

SNOW ANGELS INVITATIONAL

GRETCHEN BLEILER HOSTS A NEW KIND OF CONTEST.

Last April, fifteen of snowboarding's leading ladies retreated to Aspen for the Cover Girl Snow Angels Invitational. And although the event was billed as a contest and offered up 20,000 in prize money, it was, for all intents and purposes, a getaway for these girls.

"The idea was to create a contest that felt more like a progressive session," says Bleiler. "So we opened the event up to all photographers for a photo shoot the first and last day, and the contest day was a true jam where every girl got as many runs as they pleased."

Then when the boots came off, the girls were treated to afternoons at the spa, yoga sessions, seminars on being eco-friendlier, and a cooking class. But just because the field of females was being pampered, that isn't to say they weren't putting it down. During the contest Kelly Clark did what could've been one of the biggest frontside airs by a female. And then there were all the backside 900s. Elena Hight, Clair Bidez, Kaitlyn Farrington, and Shiho Nakashima all looked

to have the back nine on lock.

Says Bleiler, "I've never seen so many girls throwing backside nines in one contest. Shiho Nakashima's really stood out, they were big and super smooth. I was so impressed."

By all accounts, all the girls really excelled at this camaraderie-before-competition kind of event. "The riders were the number-one focus of the event," says Kelly Clark. "And at the end of the day that's what it is supposed to be about. I can't wait to go back next year." Check twsnow.com for video and photo galleries from the event.

RESULTS:

- First Place:** Gretchen Bleiler, \$10,000
- Second Place:** Kelly Clark, \$4,500
- Third Place:** Elena Hight, \$2,000
- Best Trick:** Kelly Clark, Frontside 900
- Highest Air:** Kelly Clark
- Most Progressive Riding:** Gretchen Bleiler

SIX-WORD MEMOIR

A LIFE STORY IN SIX WORDS

Brad Kremer
No formal training.
Used the force.

Dave Downing
It's a gift
I don't
deserve

Eddie Wall
Smile, appreciate,
Love: life lasts
seconds.

Harrison Gordon
Move Bitch,
get out the
way.

thirtytwo BOOTCAMP CONTEST

JP WALKER WANTS TO GET YOU BOOTED AND SUITED

Every year ThirtyTwo enlists shreds from more than 120 shops around the country in the ultimate research and development Bootcamp. These lucky bastards get to spend three days "testing" all the new gear and then give their feedback to the open-minded heads at ThirtyTwo. And this year they want you! ThirtyTwo

is offering up two all-expense paid trips for you and a friend to this year's Bootcamp at Tamarack Resort in Idaho. Simon Chamberlain, Joe Sexton, Stian Solberg, and of course JP will all be on hand and handing out all of next years gear. Oh, and JP will unveil his signature line of outerwear, and you'll walk away with that kit, too.

All you have to do is write JP and tell him in 32 words or less why you deserve a chance to be at this year's ThirtyTwo Bootcamp.

Log on to bootcamp.transworld.net for all the details and your chance to win!

jamming. Apparently they're planning on blowing snow whenever they've got a new design to test. And from what we spied while up there, it looks like they've got some pretty revolutionary board designs that'll need testing. A snowboard test center in SoCal just a couple miles from the beach. Who woulda thunk?

Simon Chamberlain is now reppin' Technline binders, and word is he's going to have a pro-model binding to match his Step Child board. Oh, and Ashbury added Zac Marben and Cale Zima to their already-stacked team. Things must look rosey through those goggles.

And now for semi-sensational rundown of the

extracurricular antics of a lot of boarders you've never met, but somehow know so much about.

Shaun White got himself another non-endemic (read: non-snowboard) magazine cover. Mr. White can be seen gracing cover of Nylon guys' magazine, Transworld's own senior photog Kevin Zacher shot the photos. Zacher, who is always one to indulge in the odd and extravagant for a photo, decided to employ a white pony for a prop, which worked out until the equin took a dump on Shaun's carpet. See, even being a celebrity can be shitty.

And coincidentally another Shaun, who also happens to be a former X Games gold medalist, made headlines in South Lake Tahoe about

the same time. Living legend Shaun Palmer was arrested under suspicion of public intoxication, which isn't all that surprising, but wait, there's more. As it turns out Palmer was actually kind of behaving himself, albeit drunkenly, because it was reported that he was actually trying to break up a fight. Maybe it was all just a case of mistaken identity.

Speaking of fighting, Danny Kass was recently deployed to Bagram Air Force Base in Afghanistan. It was merely a peace-keeping mission and Kass ventured into Osama's homeland with a convoy of action-sports athletes to stoke out our troops. He put on a skate demo, oiled some soldiers (true story), fondled a few actual

grenades, taught some local Afghans to skate, scouted some new backcountry spots with the military's helicopters, and generally spread his "make gloves not war" message. Check grenade-goggles.com for the full report.

In TWStaff news, Senior Photographer Andy Wright recently took a heavy slam on his bike and broke his collarbone. Apparently, Andy was being chased down the street by a herd of feral cats when one went all suicide bomber on his ass and pounced in front of him. Unfortunately Andy rides a fixed gear (who doesn't?), so he didn't have any brakes to grab. All he could do was bail and take it on the collar bone. (Insert

Southern Idaho



The Last Hidden Treasure In The West

By Corey McDonald
Photos By Ryan Turner

Little is known to the rest of the snowboard world about the small scene of Southern Idaho. For the most part, the area has been left to its own upbringing and self-sculpting. Not that the snowboard world doesn't show up from time to time with the occasional McCall, Idaho picture in a magazine or the amazing Idaho shots in the beloved *Robot Food* movies ... and now the Grand Prix coming to town every year. Yet the area seems to stay true to its surroundings and beautiful to its creators.

Keep your guard up, because at some point you'll find yourself wrestling with the notion of settling down here. It happens, and that's okay because Boise is amazing and the locals love to show that off.

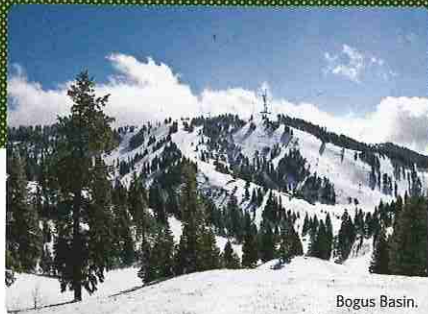


Martin Campbell blasting into the abyss at Brundage.

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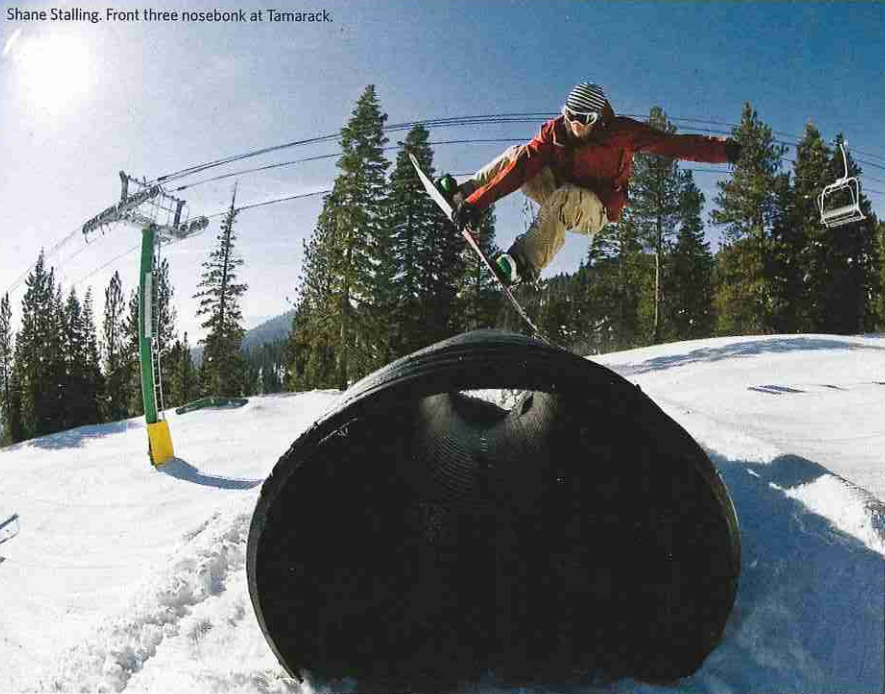


Bogus Basin.



Brundage Mountain.

Shane Stalling. Front three nosebonk at Tamarack.



WHERE TO RIDE:

Bogus Basin is Boise's local hill, but there are three amazing resorts within a three-hour drive from the city that all have a unique quality of their own. From historic Sun Valley with its traditions, to Tamarack and its fresh out-of-the box appeal, to Brundage, which is known simply for lots of snow, Southern Idaho has something for most every type of shred out there.

BOGUS BASIN—Boise's Local Hill

Long days, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., allow the youth here to grow up riding every single day of the winter. The close proximity to the good-size populous of Boise does have its drawbacks, and that manifests on weekends. One Saturday last winter, Bogus had 8,661 visitors in one day. Luckily, Bogus has 2,600 acres of shredding terrain. When it snows, Chair 6 is where you want to be. Bogus also has three little parks that get meticulous attention day and night by the Maiden Boise crew, and it boasts some of the finest rails from Planet Snow.

Distance from Boise: 16 miles

Best for: Parks for all ability levels and fantastic terrain in Boise's backyard

Cost: \$46

Web site: bogusbasin.org

TAMARACK—Your Own Private Shred Hill

Two hours north of Boise is where you'll find Idaho's newest resort. This place is truly amazing and fully behind everything progressive in the snowboard world. The resort is doing everything in its power to cater to the hardcore snowboarder, from building the largest halfpipe on the Grand Prix

tour (22 feet) to building super long and fun park setups. There are plenty of crowd-free zones to enjoy thanks to the 1,100 acres of lift-accessible terrain. If the empty liftlines aren't enough to satisfy you, the backcountry access here is also amazing! A short walk north will get you to some of the most fantastic terrain in the area, and it all funnels back in-bounds to the Wildwood chair.

Distance from Boise: 111 miles

Best for: Uncrowded park and freestyle boardin'

Cost: \$59

Web site: tamarackidaho.com

BRUNDAGE—Snowy Tradition

Brundage Mountain is just outside the small mountain town of McCall, Idaho. If deep snow and no liftlines are your thing, then this is the mountain for you. Also, with over 300 annual inches of snowfall, Brundage consistently gets the best snow in Idaho. The addition of two new chairs increased the lift-accessed acreage to 1,500 acres. Add to that another 1,900 acres of backcountry snowcat-guided terrain and you have a place where powder dreams come true.

The place to experience Brundage on a powder day is Hidden Valley—just a short walk northwest of the resort, it'll get you some really steep lines and drops with just a short traverse back into the resort. Super long runs and fun trees is what this place is all about.

Distance from Boise: 112.5 miles

Best for: Deep snow, tight trees, and no lines

Cost: \$48

Web site: brundage.com

SUN VALLEY—See And Be Seen

Way up in the Woodriver Valley is the town of Ketchum and the famous Sun Valley resort. Known more for movie stars and moguls than epic shred, this mountain has had a reputation of skiing royalty and excellence for many, many years. But get through the old image and you'll find the snowboard scene to be one of the most hardcore out there. The mountain of Baldy is big and steep. Super tight trees and wide-open groomers are the two main choices for this resort, and the majority of the patrons choose the latter, so the trees stay fresh long after a storm. For those who want to put in a little to get the goods, there is Mistletoe off Seattle Ridge and Heaven off of Greyhawk, both steep and amazing on powder days.

Distance from Boise: 173 miles

Best for: Long, wide-open steep groomers with historic luxury

Cost: \$79

Web site: sunvalley.com

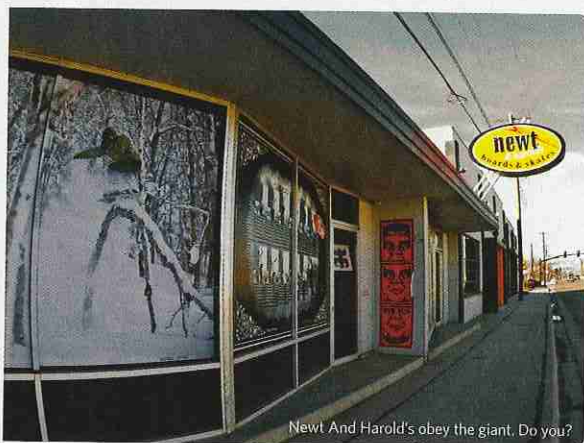


Kerri Padon, Sun Valley.

Southern Idaho



Parker Duke in Tamarack's Superpipe.



Newt And Harold's obey the giant. Do you?

SLEEPING:

If you don't have a friend's house to stay at in McCall, Tamarack, or Sun Valley, you'll be spending a good amount for lodging. But if a two-and-a-half-hour drive doesn't bother you too much, Boise is your place for plenty of reasonably priced hotels.

MODERN HOTEL AND BAR

Think Portland's Doug Fir but smaller—a super dolled-up hotel with a really pleasant bar. Located in downtown Boise's Linen district.

Cost: \$89-200

1314 Grove Street, Boise. (208) 424-8244

BEST WESTERN SAFARI MOTOR INN

Expect all the regular Best Western amenities plus the bonus of being right downtown so you can hit all the restaurants and bars without having to drive. Not to mention it's right on top of Prestige—Idaho's wonderful skate shop.

Cost: \$87 and up

1070 Grove Street, Boise. (208) 344-6556

THE LODGE AT OSPREY MEADOWS

Right at the resort complete with wireless Internet, year-round pool, hot tub, and Morels restaurant downstairs.

Cost: \$279 and up

311 Village Drive, Tamarack. (208) 325-1000

WESTERN MOUNTAIN LODGE

Shred at Tamarack all day with your 45-dollar discount ticket from the hotel, and then hit the indoor pool and Jacuzzi. Hallelujah!

415 N 3rd St, McCall. (208) 634-6300

(802) 824-5533

LOCAL SHOPS:

NEWT AND HAROLD'S

A part of Boise since 1985, Lori and Lori at Newt and Harold's have been a real blessing to the snowboard community by continually supporting local events and riders. With some of the most passionate and knowledgeable staff of any shop around, the crew can get you geared up for any type of shredding ... having three of the most amazing riders in Idaho as employee's doesn't hurt either.

1021 Broadway, Boise. (208) 385-9300, newt-harolds.com

THE BOARD BIN

This is Ketchum, Idaho's only real snowboard shop with everything you need for shredding Baldy or getting some rad up at Galena. Jim and Karina have been doing it right in the Wood River Valley since 1988. Come check out a piece of Idaho snowboard history.

180 4th Street East, Ketchum. (208) 726-1222

PRESTIGE

This is not a snowboard shop—it's a skateboard shop that's actually much, much more. Boise is blessed with snowboard legend Greg Goulet and Paul Whitworth, who both opened Prestige in Boise. Dedicated to bringing a real sense of community to the skate scene, all of Boise benefit from these guys and their hard work. Keeping the people of Boise looking beautiful is a lofty goal, but these two are making it happen one hoodie at a time.

106 South 11th Street, Boise. (208) 424-6824

SIDE EFFECT BOARD SHOP

Boards, boots, bindings—check.

317 East Lake Street, McCall. (208) 634-8255

THE CARSON IANSON QUARTERPIPE CLASSIC

A MEMORIAL, A CONTEST, AND A GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

In the fall of 2002, the snowboard community of Boise lost one of its longtime shred heroes, Carson Ianson, to respiratory failure. As a way to remember him, a group of friends decided to put together a memorial/snowboard weekend in his honor. The first year was a huge success and brought together friends from all over for a weekend of snowboarding and music in the mountains of Idaho. Now in its sixth year, the Classic gathers around 300 snowboarders, friends, and family to ride a natural quarterpipe in the summer sun and remember why we all do this in the first place. The event is held outside of Boise in June. A large quarterpipe is shaped (with the help of a snowcat donated by Tamarack) and rails from Planet are set up for a jam-style "contest" that brings the shred community together for one last ride of the year.

LEGEND AMONG US: GEOFF TULLOCH

Every mountain has its shred hero—the guy who has been doing it the longest, or a legendary pro who is back at the local hill still killing it every day. In Boise, Idaho, up at Bogus Basin, is a rider who is a touch beyond all of that. His age is irrelevant, it's his pure riding and stoke that makes him so legendary in his ways. Since the beginning of snowboarding, Geoff Tulloch has been riding and progressing and making snowboarding better with his presence. From his amazing shots in *Totally Board* that inspired so many in Boise to his groundbreaking first attempt over the Baker Road gap in '88, you would think someone riding at that level for so long would fizzle out. His winning the Carson Classic in '06 would tell you otherwise.

HINSON POWERSPORTS

The backcountry around McCall is no joke, just assume that every movie crew stops through here during the winter. Go to Hinson's for all your snowmobile needs.

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