



## TRAIL THREADS

### Lynn Woods: Lynn, MA

Lynn Woods trail system is probably the best it's been in the last few years. General Electric (GE) Corporation based in Lynn has been stepping up their involvement with trail maintenance and general volunteer park work over the past few years. Their involvement on the southern side has been a key factor in maintaining the park. During the month of May, GE held a huge park clean up day picking up trash, leaves and junk. We want to also thank GE's (along with other volunteers) efforts in their help with restoring the Park Ranger House. This has been an on going effort for the past 5+ years, but the facility is LOOKING GREAT! In a few more years, the facility maybe finished.

The trail system on the north side is beginning to take shape. Our petition to Park Management regarding expanding the trail network is moving forward. Many trails on the north side have been mainly use by mountain bikes for the past decade. Some trails have been around for decades but never made it on the official map. Dieselbikes has been working closely with Park Management in identifying a trail network that is more suited for mountain biking but still encompasses other recreational user group activities. There is still a long road ahead with tons of work, but we feel in the end, the majority of park users will enjoy the final trail network.

If you are interested in other Lynn Woods's activities other than mountain biking, we suggest you visit The Friends of Lynn Woods website ([www.flw.org](http://www.flw.org)). The FLW has been working to maintain Lynn Woods for the past 15+ years. As a non-profit, their organization has the ability to accept park donations by individuals and/or corporations. Their website list a number of on going projects currently happening along with information on how you can help.

### Bruce & Tom's: Gloucester, MA

We just want to restate the following as many in the local mountain bike community know this. Bruce & Tom's trail network spans across both private and conservation land. B&T also abuts land owned and managed by Essex County Greenbelt (ECG) which is formally

known as Tomspson Street Reservation. Many people consider the two locations one in the same and others identify them as two separate riding spots. Regardless of your view point, the majority of land managers who own this land allow mountain biking and want to better the trail system (for all recreational use) providing it is completed through the proper channels.

With that said, Dieselbikes wants to make clear to the local riding community that any trail work we complete as a club will have approval by the respective land manager on the land we are conducting work on. This means we will be working with a number of land managers and other clubs to help promote and better the whole trail network. Dieselbikes will not be the only bike (or non-bike) club involved with B&T's and/or Tomspson Street. We look forward working with ECG who is a major stake holder in this area. The planning process takes time and we will do our best to keep the local community informed as to what is going on. We believe open communication to the local bike community helps everyone understand that a plan is in place for a specific park and/or riding location.

### Tomspson Street Reservation

ECG held its first 2007 trail maintenance day on June 2<sup>nd</sup> in celebration of National Trails Day. Dieselbikes was happy to be involved with this project working side by side with NSNEMBA and Essex County Velo. The trail work was a huge undertaking consisting of three separate work sites. Over 30 volunteers attended this trail day to install a wooden bridge and move stone for trail armoring among a few re-routes. It was a day of hard work, but we were happy to get involved and help out. You can visit ECG ([www.ecga.org](http://www.ecga.org)) or NSNEMBA's ([www.nsnemba.org](http://www.nsnemba.org)) website for more information about this past trail work.

### Website Links:

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D-Day Demo Event  
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## Shovels & Picks Report

### Lynn Woods –

With the help of the local biking community, Dieselbikes was able to complete 100% of our second trail day in Lynn Woods. This was another huge project that was back breaking work but our main goal was accomplished. 8 trail volunteers arrived, working hard to complete a massive rock armoring job to repair a section of trail, making it more stable for all park users.

The section of trail which climbs up from the Wolf Pits Bridge towards Boston Rock was severely eroded. A survey by Park Management left us with no suitable path to cut a new re-route without drastically changing the flow of the current trail. Regardless of the severe erosion, Park Management wanted to keep this section of trail open due to its long historical presents and heavy user traffic.

In record time we were able to bury over 5000lbs of rock to ensure the trail thread will last for years to come. By armoring the trail thread, we will greatly reduce the current erosion problem which is occurring. This section also has been narrowed to create a better line of site for park users and turn this eroded mess back into beautiful single-track.

Dieselbikes will monitor this section for the next few months making any adjustments if required. You can visit Dieselbikes for more pictures and information about this past trail day.

### *Continuing Trail Work*

We still have three (3) more work days left this season for Lynn Woods 2007 Trail Maintenance Series. Below is our trail calendar for these upcoming projects. Also remember that you only have one trail day left to get your free ticket for the JRA Cycles trail raffle on June 24th. Gear up and come on down for this potential prize.

### **2007 Lynn Trail Maintenance Series:**

Sunday June 24th (Trail Day Sponsored by JRA Cycles): New Power Line Trail Phase 2: New trail section from Route 1 near Shark's Tooth Trail.

Saturday September 15th: Overlook Trail Bridge: Build a wooden ladder bridge near section D4-4 on Overlook Trail.

Sunday October 14th: Ballfield Trail Repair: Re-routing and cutting a new trail section on the Ballfield trail near map grid section E5.

Sunday November 10th: Additional trail day if required.



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Putting the Puzzle Together



## JRA Cycles Lynn Woods Sponsorship

Do you have the winning raffle ticket? Well there is only one more Lynn Woods trail day left to get your ticket. We are proud to announce [JRA Cycles](#)' sponsorship of our Lynn Woods Trail Maintenance Series. JRA has graciously donated an Iron Horse Porter mountain bike frame (hardtail) with fork to Dieselbikes for raffle purposes.

Ticket #: Name: Address: E-mail:  JRA Cycles Frame Raffle	Ticket #: 	Ticket Holder Name: <hr/> <b>Raffle Prize:</b> (Valued at \$1,000) Iron Horse Porter Frame (Size 12") Frame S/N: B3012-20209 Includes: - Manitou Sherman Fork - FSA 1.5 Headset - SIC Stem *** Drawing Date: June 24th *** 	Raffle Sponsored By  
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What does this mean? If you attend the Lynn Woods Trail Maintenance Days sponsored by JRA Cycles (April 28, May26, June 24) you will receive a raffle ticket (free) and have your name entered to win this bike. The drawing will be held on June 24 at the completion of this trail day. Come on down and grab your ticket.

## Belmont Wheelworks—New Trail Day Sponsor

Dieselbikes is happy to announce Belmont Wheelworks will be kicking in raffle swag for the June 24 trail day in Lynn Woods. Belmont Wheelwork is located at 480 Trapelo Rd Belmont, MA. With two additional stores; one in Somerville and a second in Belmont, Wheelworks can provide you with all your cycling needs.

We are excited to have Wheelwork help support our trail cause an look forward giving out any swag they provide. On June 24th, once the winner for the Iron Horse Bike frame is selected, were will pick through the remaining trail raffle tickets and pass out the products provided by Wheelworks.

We as you to support them as they support us!



## BREAKING NEWS

Another one bits the bust! During our group rides from time to time, we at Dieselbikes have riders that just....well put their frames to good use.

Steve "The Doctor" was on a casual group ride one lovely Tuesday night in Lynn Woods and his bike just decided to give up as he tried to defy gravity! Steve walked away from this failure of broken metal only to walk into a nightmare of problems trying to get his frame repaired.

We do not have all the details, but we are sure "The Doctor" will let us know the our come.

If you have a broken bike story you would like to share with us, drop us a line and send us a few pictures and we will do our best to get it posted.

You can contact us at: [info@dieselbikes.com](mailto:info@dieselbikes.com)





## D-DAY MTB Event Was a Complete SUCCESS!

Our first ever mountain bike event was a complete success! On Sunday June 3rd, Dieselbikes was proud to host a DEMO day mountain bike event in Lynn Woods (Lynn, MA) titled "D-DAY". This event hosted 14 local bike shops and 5 manufacturer reps showcasing 2007 and some 2006 DEMO bikes for the general public to ride. The weather was not the best with overcast skies, cool temperatures and the threat of heavy rain, but the event went off without a hitch.

With over 60+ DEMO bikes available to test ride, event attendees did not have a limited selection of bikes to choose from. DEMO bikes ranging for light weight XC models to full suspension downhill rigs were on display ready for all to ride. Our sponsoring manufacturer reps lead the charge; bring some of the sweetest bikes along with their technical knowledge of bike setup and riding technique. Attendees were not only able to test ride these bikes, but ask questions and compare different model/manufacturer bikes side by side. In addition, technical information, bike brochures, pricing and model lead-time was available upon request.



There were to forms of group rides held during this event. Throughout the day Dieselbikes lead DEMO bike rides on a pre-determined trail through a small portion of Lynn Woods. This course providing a little climbing, technical rock gardens and a short flowy downhill section to give attendees riding DEMO bikes a good all round feel for the bike they were test riding. They were also three non-DEMO group rides in Lynn Woods for attendees who wanted to explore and/or was their first time visiting Lynn Woods. Our local sponsors stepped up to this challenge leading groups as big as 20+ into the woods. We were told by many people during the event, "We have never seen so many bikers in the woods at one given time".



If you were not there to ride DEMO bikes, you were most likely hung around for the Sinister Jump Jam. Sinister put on a show that was beyond expectation. Back flips, 360 spins and a host of other aerial stunts were on display as the Sinister jump team hit the ramp. After the jump jam show, Sinister had the crowd going wild with tons of free swag ranging from t-shirts to MAXXIS Tires. In addition, Sinister donated a sweet "HOT PINK" Ridge hardtail bike frame as first prize for the Dieselbikes event raffle. We were amazed by there support and efforts with this event, thanks guys!

unknown when someone new approaches the City with a large scale event, but they gave us the green light to proceed. Without their support, this event would have never happened. We look forward working with the City to bring bigger and better mountain bike events to Lynn Woods.

Again, thank you to all and look forward for this event in 2008!

**\*\*\* Visit Dieselbikes for the complete event re-cap including pictures and video clips \*\*\***



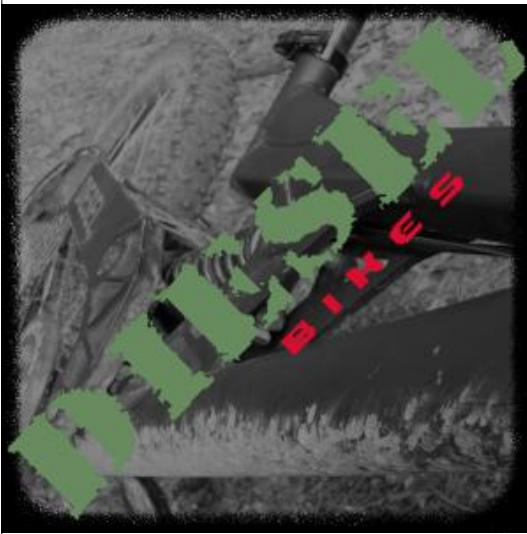
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**Who We Are:**

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 website. 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](mailto: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.

