

UP & DOWN NEWSLETTER

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THE BUZZ

We are gearing up for our second annual D-Day event held in Lynn Woods on June 14, 2008.

What is the D-Day? D-Day is an event that will allow attendees like you to DEMO ride mountain bikes on the trails of Lynn Woods. As an attendee, you will be able to meet a number of local bike shops and New England industry reps that are showcasing the latest 2008 trail bikes. Latest year's event had a huge number of DEMO available ranging from XC to full downhill models.

In addition to riding DEMO bikes and comparing certain performance characteristics, there will be group trail rides, skill clinics, and rider exhibition shows for all to participate. This is going to be a fun family orientated event that will have live music, food and drink. Bring your family, bring your friends and make sure you bring your bike for one of the best events held in Lynn Woods.

Pre-ticket sales will be available for purchase next month. This event will occur rain or shine and all ticket sales will be final upon purchase unless the event is canceled. See our current list of sponsors in this page. Visit www.dieselbikes.com for more information!

Here is the 411:

Date: Saturday June 14th (In the event of sever rain/stormed, make up day is scheduled for the following Sunday June 15th).

Location: Lynn Woods Great Woods Entrance.

Event Time: Begins at 9:30am and runs until 5:00pm.

Event Admission: \$5.00 - Includes 1 Raffle Ticket and Event Insurance.

Live Music: Bands TBA.

Food & Drink: Food Vendors TBA

Sinister Bikes Jump Jam: Sinister will host a Jump Jam Shows

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Event Wavier Forms: All attendees are required to sign event wavier forms prior to entering into this event. Under 18 must be signed/accompanied by a parent with proper photo ID.

USE OF DEMO BIKES: Each sponsor will have requirements for proper photo ID and completing waiver forms before riding any demo bike. Riders under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent with proper photo ID. Availability of demo bike is on a first come first serve basis.

Dieselbikes Group Rides: Group rides will happen throughout the event. Ride leaders and riding levels will be posted during the event.





TRAIL THREADS

Lynn Woods: Lynn, MA

April is finally here and there is only 14 days left before Lynn Woods officially opens to us mountain bikers. We are starting off this season's trail work with a huge project. Last year we were able to cut a new trail running from Sharks Tooth Trail near RT1 that lead up to Deep Woods Trail staying within the tree line. In addition, we were able to change the status of an illegal trail, turning it into a legal trail. Now called El Sweeny Trail, this trail continues from Deep Woods Trail connecting you to Ox Pasture Road. Both these trails were cut/opened to keep you riding in the woods and are packed with lots of fun natural technical challenges.



Now the final installment of moving the old power line trail out from underneath the power lines and onto the property of Lynn Woods will be completed this month. This project encompasses cutting a new section of trail that will lead from the top of Bow Ridge near the power lines and lead you downhill through the woods on a fast flowy trail connection you to the intersection of OX Pasture Road and El Sweeny Trail. There are a few trail cross points that currently exist but are considered illegal trails by the City of Lynn. We may be able to include some portions of these trails turning them into legal sections, but the approved final trail direction allowing us to connect to the El Sweeny Trail will be determined through walk through with park management.

Everything will be ready to go by April 26! Come on down and lend a hand cutting this new trail. The more people we have, the faster the project will be completed and the quicker we can all have fun riding.

Below is a list of each approved trail days including information pertaining to the work that will be completed. As always, we look forward to any and all riders who can volunteer for these upcoming trail days. Without your help we will not be able to complete any trail work.

Saturday April 26 – Bow Ridge Trail work

This project encompasses cutting the final trail section to connect the top of Bow Ridge Trail to the new El Sweeny Trail cut back in 2007. This Trail will serve as part of the parameter Trail system around Lynn Woods. This project encompasses cutting the final trail section to connect the top of Bow Ridge Trail to the new El Sweeny Trail cut back in 2007. This Trail will serve as part of the parameter Trail system around Lynn Woods.

Saturday May 31 – Ridge Run Trail work

This project encompasses re-routing and rock armoring a section of Ridge Run Trail leading from trail markers E5-4 to E5-3. This trail work will make this section more appealing and offer an alternative route down from the Ballfield Trail Network.

Sunday September 14 – Overlook Trail work

This project encompasses re-routing and rock armoring a section of trail that leads from the newly installed bridges last year at marker D4-6 up to Overlook Crag. This will greatly reduce soil erosion and create a more stable trail thread.

Sunday October 12 – Ballfield area trail work

This project encompasses re-routing and rock armoring a section of trail that splits into two different paths leading up to the beginning of the Ballfield Trail. One of these trail sections was completed last year and this year we will complete the other remaining section.

Bruce & Tom's: Gloucester, MA

We have appointed a lead person from our group to work with Greenbelt regarding establishing a few trail days this season. Greenbelt is very receptive to mountain biking and currently allows year round biking on Tompson Street Reservation. We look forward becoming involved on their property and work with other local bike advocacy groups such as NSNEMBA who have shown an interest in preserving this great location.

We will keep the community posted on our meeting and hope that trail dates can be established during this month for publication in our next newsletter issue. For now, please remember the B&T's trail network spans land owned by Essex County Greenbelt and a number of private landowners. Currently mountain biking is allowed year round, but we ask that you use some common sense when riding there during the spring months. The next few months can bring lots of rain making a number of trails soft and not so much fun to ride. During this time, the trail system is at its most sensitive, so again just use common sense when riding.





3rd Annual Lynn Woods Opening Day Ride!

On Saturday April 19th, Dieselbikes will be hosting its 3 annual Lynn Woods Opening Day Ride. This is a gathering of fellow mountain bikers enjoying the first full weekend of riding in Lynn. We encourage anyone who rides a bike to come on down and head out for a wonderful ride in Lynn. We meet at the Ballfield parking lot just off our RT129 starting at 9:30am. Suit up, stretch out those legs and hit the trails at 10:00am. We have no set pace, no set course and no set time to finish. This ride will last most of the day. If you cannot make it at 10:00am, come anytime; we are sure you will come across our group in the woods.

During our ride, we may conduct a little trail work such as clean up and removal of any fallen trees or crap on the trails. Make sure you bring plenty of snacks and water to stay hydrated. We do plan on riding even if the weather is crappy unless it is raining. Other than that, it will be a full day of riding and you are invited to join us. Below is a mapquest link to the Ballfield parking lot for your reference. We look forward to all who can make it!

- [Mapquest link to the Ballfield Parking Lot!](#)



**Please Support These
Local Organizations**

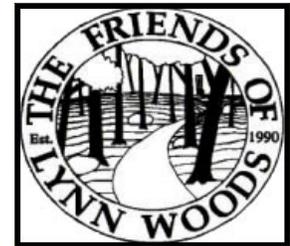
DB Group Rides

Our seasonal group rides will begin this month. What are DB group you may ask? Well they are DB club members going out to ride their bikes for FUN. It's that simple. Having a good time and enjoying all the aspects of mountain biking is the name of our game.

We are out on our bikes at least twice during the week and usually riding both days on the weekend. Our group rides average about 8 riders, but we have managed to have 20+ riders attend our rides. In this case we break the group up into packs based upon what the majority of the group wants to do.

Our rides are slow. We are not out riding for exercise nor do we wish to ride at a fast pace to keep the heart rate up. What we do is ride our bikes because is fun and we get to meet tons of other riders that share this same passion. Every ride with DB is different, but it's an experience that is enjoyed by most all that attend.

Starting April 17th, DB will begin sending out our weekend group rides list. If you ever thought about coming out to ride with us, or would like to, drop us an e-mail at this following address: dbgroupsrides@dieselbikes.com



www.flw.org



www.nemba.org





Dieselbikes Club Support:

We are Throughout the year our club is supported by a number of volunteers who help out during our events and trail days. From time to time, many of these volunteers go above and beyond helping us in additional ways. Because of these efforts, we at Dieselbikes would like to give a shout-out to these individuals for their additional contributions in helping our club achieve our goals.

Gerardo “Big-G” Picariello – Gerardo has been donating scrap wood to our club from contracting jobs he manages. Much of this wood has found it’s way into TTF’s we have build for various trail locations. We want to say thank you for the donations Big-G. If you need any home indoor/outdoor repairs on the north shore. Give “The Handyman” a call at 617-240-1365 and tell them Dieselbikes sent you.

Pete Slabysz & Simon Kopacz – Want to give a big shout-out to these two guys. Not only do they work there butts off attending just about every trail day, but they also volunteer there time behind the scenes help Dieselbikes with audio, video and graphic design requirements. Big thanks guys!

There are tons of people we want to thank and cannot list everyone. Going forward you will see more shout-outs regarding individuals within our volunteer base. Without volunteers as them or such as your self, none of what Dieselbikes completes for the local community would be possible. Again, thanks to all the volunteers that support us!

Support Your Local Trails!

We at Dieselbikes want to stress the importance of supporting your local trail network. Many of us take for granted the trails we ride and the impact as a user group we have on those trails. Regardless you ride locally, or travel to ride other places, the fact remains mountain bike trails do not take care of themselves. Many individuals, groups of people and official organizations throughout New England handle issues, problems and repairs for our trail networks caused by YOU the single rider.

In today’s society, supporting your local trail has become more important then ever. With declining State park budgets, land development contracts and a increased perception of our recreational sports destroying the woods, we as a bike community must band together to support and maintain our beloved trails.

We ask all riders in the community to step up and support your local trail network. This is a rather an easy task to accomplish in two simple ways. First, volunteer for as many local and regional trail days. Second, if you cannot volunteer, donate money to such bike organizations that help maintain our trails. It is that simple! Without your support, our bike trails will disappear forever.

Dieselbikes Community Out Reach!

We are a growing mountain bike club with a solid core of dedicated volunteers. During the past 4 years we have been contacted by riders in New York, given tours in Lynn Woods to a host of riders from Canada and sold our amateur local bike movies as far west as California. This all has been completed by word of mouth. Regardless of our growth, we can only reach out to so many individuals in the community by word of mouth.

With that said we have begun a campaign to convey our mission statement to as many mountain bikers throughout New England. With our growing trail involvement and second year of hosting mountain bike events, we want to ask YOU to help spread the word. Dieselbikes does not have an endless marketing budget and we prefer to use the monies collect through donations, events and product sales for trail maintenance projects and related mountain bike events.

How can you help? The answer to that question is simple! Tell your friends, riding buddies and your local bike shop about Dieselbikes. Help spread the word about our trail work and upcoming mountain bike events. We want to concentrate on trail work, local filming and mountain bike events. Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated and help us make the sport of mountain biking more prevalent in New England.





2008 EVENTS LIST



We are gearing up for another great year of mountain bike events. Dieselbikes has received approval for both of our Lynn Woods events and our premiere "Bash at Attitash". This is going to be a busy season and we are in full planning stages to make these events fun for all riders and their families.

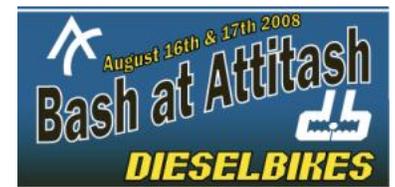
D-Day "The Second Drop" (Lynn Woods, MA) Saturday June 14, 2008 – 9:30am-5:00pm

D-Day "The Second Drop" will be a continuation of our past 2007 D-Day Event. This event will provide the mountain bike community a one-day experience to DEMO ride a ton of mountain bikes from various manufactures in Lynn Woods. This event is for all riding levels and many different bikes will be available for YOU to test ride on singletrack. This will be a large social event for the community, so mark your calendar bring your bike, friends and family members. Everyone is welcomed!



"Bash at Attitash" Mountain Bike Festival (Bartlett, NH) Saturday Aug 16, 2008 & Sunday Aug 17, 2008

This is great news! Attitash Management has approved our premiere event titled "Bash at Attitash". This is a weekend event spanning over two full days of mountain bike fun. "Bash at Attitash" will be similar event to D-Day, however will be geared more towards the downhill/freeride junkie. This will be another large social event for the community, so mark your calendar and get ready for a festival packed with fun for the whole family. We will keep you posted via the website and monthly newsletter. More information will be posted in the coming months on our website and through press releases.



The "Spookbikecular" Halloween Festival (Lynn Woods, MA) Saturday October 25, 2008 – 9:30am-5:00pm

The "Spookbikecular" Halloween Festival is a one-day event that will have something for everyone. Group rides; costume contest and other family geared venues will provide a fun time for all who attend. We are in the beginning phases for this event, so more information will be posted in the coming months. This will be another large social event for the community, so mark your calendar and get ready for a spooky event!

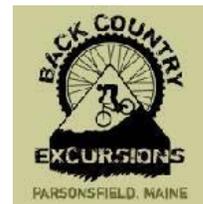


Visit Dieselbikes event page for more information regarding these great mountain bike events by [clicking on this link!](#)



2008 Sponsorship Page

Below is a listing of Dieselbikes 2008 club sponsorship. All of these organizations listed contribute and support Dieselbikes goals to expanding mountain biking throughout New England. We as a group would not be able to expand and/or pull off some great local mountain bike events without the support of such organizations. Because of their support, we ask that you spread the love and support these organizations whenever possible.



If you are an organization and would like to become involved in supporting Dieselbikes, drop us an e-mail at info@dieselbikes.com



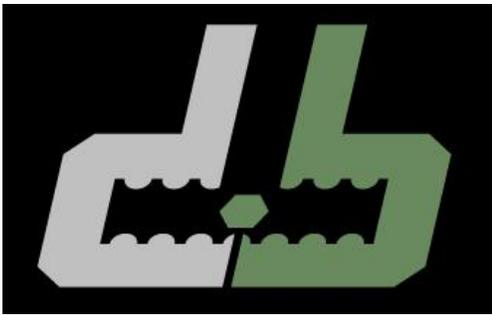
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Who We Are:

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 personality. 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 2008 group rides will begin on April 19th with our 3rd 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.

