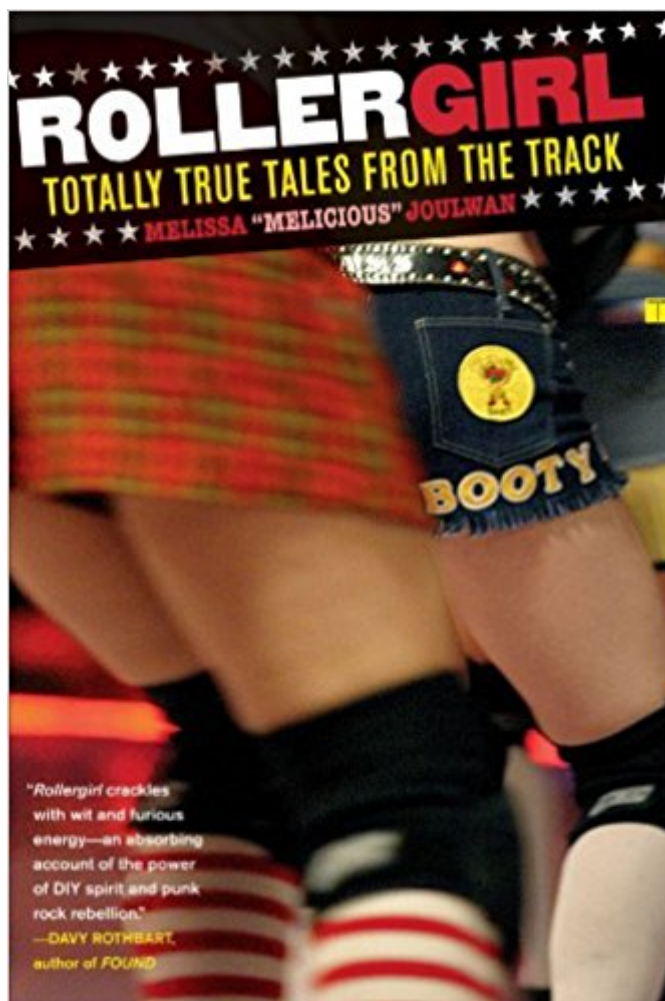


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Rollergirl: Totally True Tales From The Track



Synopsis

The 1950s phenomenon of Roller Derby is back in full force, and it's definitely not your grandma's game anymore. With leagues in more than one hundred cities across the country, a national tournament, and major sponsors, the new wave of the sport has gone mainstream. No one is better qualified to tell the story of Flat Track Derby's astronomic rise than Melissa "Melicious" Joulwan. As a founding member of the Texas Rollergirls -- the league that launched the sport and the reigning national champions -- she has helped redefine what it means to be stylish, sporty, and sexy. With her mouthy, tough-as-nails style, Melicious recounts her best tales from the track: her fierce rivalries with The Wrench and Ivanna S. Pankin, the scene at the annual national tournament, the thrill of a bout, and the infractions that so often bring her to the penalty box. From the minute she first laced up her skates and wrapped herself in her alter ego, Roller Derby has given her a confidence boost, and she shares the positive impact the sport has also had on girls -- young and not-so-young -- who tack posters of her on their bedroom walls and lace up their own skates. Complete with photos and suggestions on how to develop a Rollergirl name and persona, this unprecedented tell-all comes from the woman who's watched the sport evolve from an underground Friday-night event to a bona fide national phenomenon.

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"Rollergirl crackles with wit and furious energy -- an absorbing account of the power of DIY spirit and punk rock rebellion." -- Davy Rothbart, author of Found"... surprisingly inspirational story of four

teams... who started a league of their own and survived to tell the tales." -- Mike Shea, Texas Monthly

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Finding books on the sport of Roller Derby is hard. I was thrilled to read this and could not put it down! I finished it in less than a day. It had a fun section on how to choose a Derby Name (of course I read this right after name submissions) and I learned why so many leagues are "by the skater, for the skater!" I had never considered what it would be like to be in a league where the board wasn't as concerned with our safety as our board is. I appreciate how much hard work went into forming my league and I am so grateful to the girls that paved the way. Thank you so much Melicious! You entertained me and made me learn something at the same time!

What a good story about one of the original roller girls. My friends and I had recently gone to a roller derby match. It was a first for all of us and it was a blast. The author, Melissa, is a very good story teller. Her descriptions are hilarious and it was great matching a face to a photo as the book is loaded with picture.

I picked this up just weeks into learning how to skate on quads in an effort to join my local league. I read it in record time, feeling her passion, experiencing the ups and downs, and celebrating along the way. It really ignited my interest in roller derby and helped me to not give up. I just participated in my first bout, and then I really understood the high and elation expressed in Rollergirl. This easy and interesting read is perfect for anyone who is curious about flat track derby, loves sports, or is a fan or rollergirl.

This book was just what I needed. I just started as freshmeat with the Philly Roller Girls and read this book before I went to tryouts. It gave me an inside look at what I might expect in the derby world. Reading about Melissa's experience coming into her league and starting from scratch was really inspiring. She explains what it takes to be a derby girl, what to expect, how tough it all really is, and how rewarding it and the derby community can be. I definitely recommend this book if you're

at all interested in the most recent derby revolution. It's taking over and it's awesome!

This is not working ! So annoying !

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What a cool lady.

I could not get enough of this book! Melicious has written an perfect description of today's roller derby that mirrors my own experiences. And, she's done it with humor and accurate detail. Even if you are not involved in this sport, I am certain it would still be a fascinating read. Its an entertaining and informative peek into a world not many will experience.

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