

BATTLE On Badger Road

SLED PULLING IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

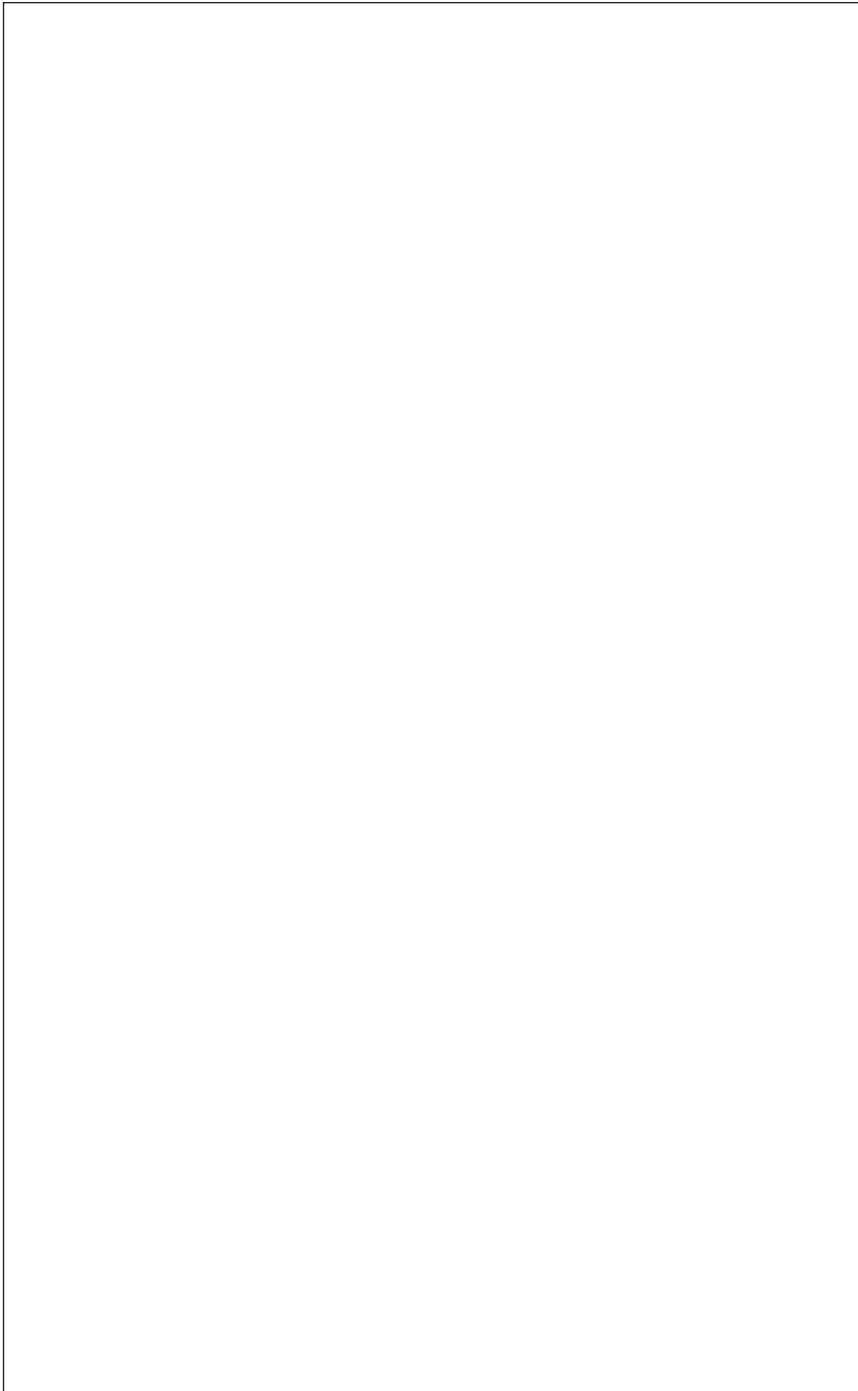
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For the second year in a row, the Battle On Badger Road served as a sled-pulling stomping ground for the Pacific Northwest's diesel community. The event, which is held twice a year, has become one of the premier truck and tractor pull events in the region. In all,

nearly 50 competitors from across the state of Washington and British Columbia descended on the little town of Lynden to grind out the best they had in front of local crowds that cheered them on through clouds of black smoke and dust.



A full field of both gas- and diesel-powered tractors also made the show.



Despite a dreary forecast that promised heavy rain and thunder—and would have turned the finely groomed track into a mud pit—the weather relented, and the opening day of the event turned to bright sun and blue skies. The track itself, like the surrounding park, is overseen by The Puget Sound Antique Tractor and Machinery Association, which partnered with Northwest Truck Pulls to launch the inaugural Battle On Badger Road last year. Taking the lead in promoting the event were the folks at Dynamic Diesel, who did a great job of attracting so many other diesel outfits into the ring, including BD Diesel, Edge, Dx2 and a slew of others.



Who says a drag truck can't compete in sled pulling?

Results:

TWO-WHEEL DRIVE (GAS)

First - Joey Haveman

FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE (GAS)

First - Clint Roorda

Second - Ryan Larkom

Third - Darren VanDalen

TWO-WHEEL DRIVE (DIESEL)

First - Terry Brown

DIESEL STREET STOCK

First - James Jewell

Second - Tricia Burton

Third - Dave Notar

DIESEL STREET MODIFIED

First - Brian Snook

Second - Lorene Hill

Third - Dustin Tekelenburg

DIESEL SUPER MODIFIED

First - Jason Burton

Second - Kevin Weibe

Third - Sean Ehr

PRO MOD TRUCKS 4X4

First - Jason Gish

Second - Ralph Tramp

Third - Steve Jenjum

PRO MOD TRUCKS 2WD

First - Brad Campbell

LIMITED PRO STOCK & TRANSPLANTS

First - Brent VanDalen

Second - Fred Tjoelker

Third - Mick VanDalen

HOT TRACTORS

First - Bob Vanderploeg

Second - Brad Tevelde

Third - Howard Nunnikhoven

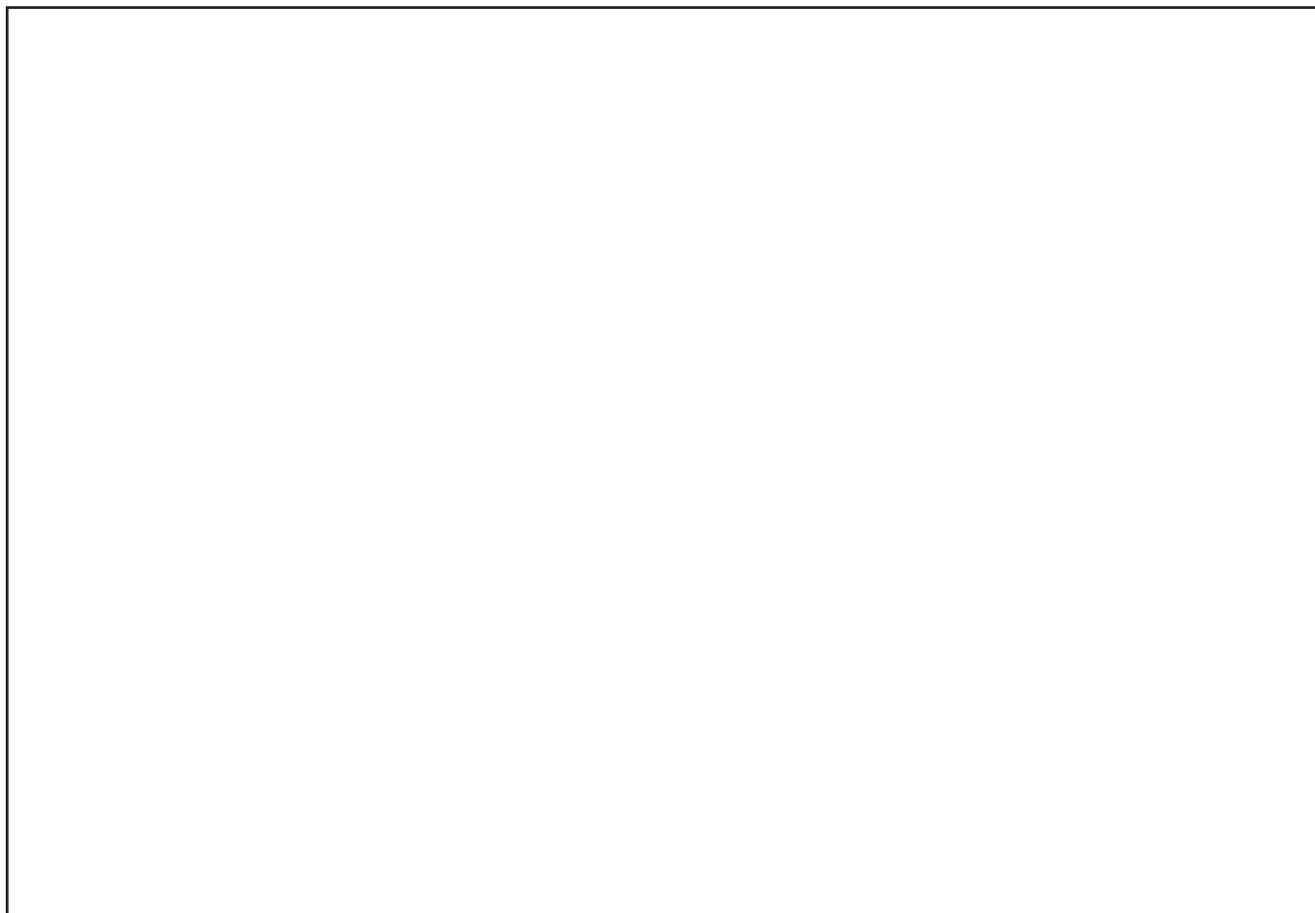
EXHIBITION

First - Ward Pierson

The wide range of vehicles that came out to compete really maintained the level of fun and surprises for the crowd. Naturally, the pro mod trucks, like Jason Gish's '46 International, "Double Ugly," and Brad Campbell's '36 Chevy, "Bad To The Bone," were all-stars and laid down some of the best pulls of the weekend. While the results for the event listed here are for the August event, we included some action shots from the June event just to show you how much fun folks had.

You can experience the fun yourself by attending a Northwest Truck Pull event. For more information on any of their events for 2014 check out their website at www.nwtruckpulls.com. **DW**

"Double Ugly" was a real crowd pleaser. Jason Gish's '46 International took first place in the Pro Mod 4x4 division with a combined score of 933.05 feet. Yes, it's a gasser, but it was too cool not to show you.



Nothing beats having six wheels on the ground during a sled pull.



BD had a strong presence both on and off the track.

