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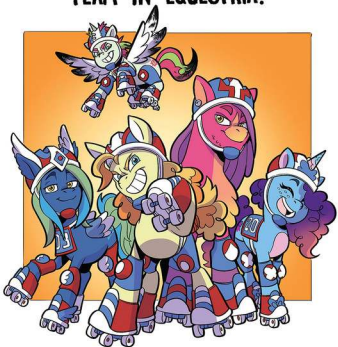
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Do **YOU** have what it takes to be on the most elite

ROLLER DERBY TEAM IN EQUESTRIA?



Tryouts this Saturday.
Safety gear required.

SUNNY STARSCOUT,
YOU HAVE BEEN SKATING
SINCE YOU WERE A FILLY!
THERE IS NOTHING TO BE
NERVOUS ABOUT!

REMEMBER WHAT
DAD TAUGHT YOU? YOU
CAN'T GO FAST RIGHT
AWAY. YOU'VE GOTTA
WORK UP TO IT...

...BUT ONCE
YOU DO? YOU'RE
GOING TO FLY.



LET'S GET LIMBER!



I'VE GOT THIS!



NICE SPEED. #4!



CROSSOVERS ARE AN ESSENTIAL MOVE FOR ANY DERBY SKATER! YOU SHOULD ALL *KNOW* THESE!



GREAT WORK ON THE BEAN DIP, #3! KEEP IT UP!

DIG IN, #4! GOTTA GET LOWER! YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS!



LET'S TAKE TEN!

FTWWWWWEEET!



MY VOTE IS FOR #1, #2, AND #3.

WHAT, YOU DON'T THINK #4 WOULD BE GOOD COMEDIC RELIEF?

SHE WASN'T THAT BAD. JUST NERVOUS.

IF SHE'S NERVOUS NOW, HOW'S SHE GONNA BE IN A REAL BOUT?

PROBABLY TRACK MEAT.



SHE'S STILL TRYING. THAT HAS TO COUNT FOR SOMETHING!

OH, SO YOU WERE ALWAYS GREAT ON YOUR SKATES?

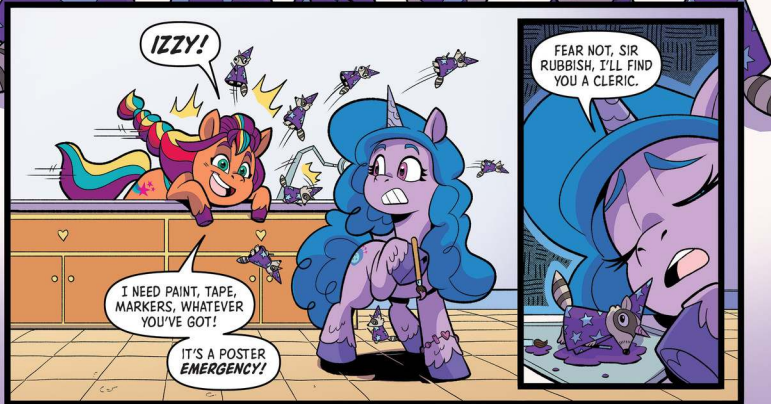
WE'RE A TEAM OF **WINNERS**, MISTY. WINNERS DON'T TRY ANYTHING. THEY JUST **DO IT**.

WHAT CAN I SAY, I'M AN ATHLETIC PRODIGY.

QUIET! WE'VE REACHED OUR DECISION.











IZZY MOONBOW,
YOU REALLY OUTDID
YOURSELF.

POSTERS?
CHECK.

AD PLACED IN
THE MARETIME
BAY BULLETIN?
CHECK.



AND I GOT
ZIPP TO ASK HER
MOM IF WE CAN USE
THE ROYAL ROLLER
RINK FOR PRACTICE. WHO
EVEN KNEW THEY HAD
A ROYAL ROLLER
RINK?!



WHO
WOULD'VE DONE
THAT?

MAYBE IT WAS
SOMEONY WHO'S GOING
TO TRY OUT, AND THEY TOOK
IT HOME AS A REMINDER!
OOOH, I HOPE THERE'S A
GOOD TURNOUT.



SHOULD WE
TEAR DOWN
THE REST?

I'VE GOT
A BETTER
IDEA.



LET'S MAKE
SOME EDITS.



I'M REALLY PROUD OF YOU, SUNNY. YOU THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING THAT WOULD'VE MADE YOUR TRYOUTS BETTER.

I KNOW NOT MAKING THE SLAMMERS WAS A MAJOR BUMMER, BUT I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THE TEAM YOU PUT TOGETHER!

THANKS, PIPP. NOW I GUESS WE JUST WAIT AND SEE WHO SHOWS UP.



LOOK! OUR FIRST CONTENDER!



NAH, THAT'S JUST--



IZZY!



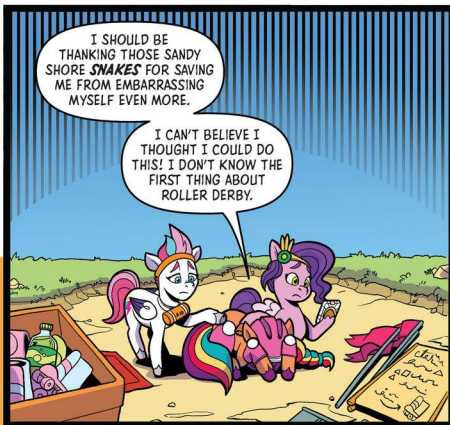
I GOT HERE AS FAST AS I COULD! I WAS ON MY WAY TO THE ART-SUPPLY STORE WHEN I FOUND THIS!



THIS WAS ALL A MISTAKE...

DO YOU LOVE TO SKATE?
WANNA MAKE NEW FRIENDS?
DO YOU LIKE "COMPETITION"?
THEN COME TRY OUT FOR MARETIME BAY'S BRAND
NEW DERBY TEAM!
EVERYCREATURE IS WELCOME!

WHEN: SUNDAY 8^{PM} Friday of that week
WHERE: PEGASUS PARK ???
REAL DERBY TEAM
CONTACT BONNY'S STARBUCK WITH ANY QUESTIONS!





THE MAP SAYS IT'S ABOUT A 15-MINUTE TROT FROM HERE.

SHE REALLY LIVES OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE, HUH?

IT SEEMS LIKE SHE WANTED SOME PRIVACY AFTER, WELL... EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



OH, JUST THE PRESSURE AND DEMANDS OF FAME! SHE WAS THE BIGGEST ROLLER DERBY STAR IN ALL OF EQUESTRIA--THAT IS, UNTIL SHE BECAME CAPTAIN OF HER TEAM.

I COULDN'T FIND ANY INFO ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED, BUT THAT WAS HER LAST YEAR COMPETING. I CAN TELL YOU FIRST HOOF THAT IT'S EXHAUSTING LIVING IN THE PUBLIC EYE, SO MAYBE THAT'S WHY SHE RETIRED.



I WATCHED THOSE CLIPTROT VIDEOS YOU SENT. SOME OF HER SIGNATURE MOVES ARE LEGENDARY.



LIKE HER TAILSPIN TWISTER?



SHE'D GAIN SPEED AND FLIP BACKWARDS AT THE LAST SECOND, DODGING BETWEEN HER OPPONENTS--

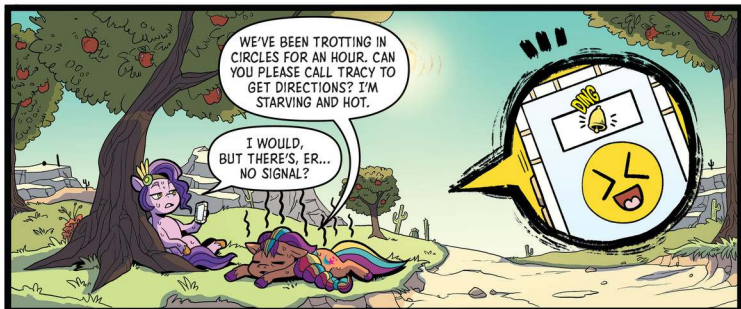


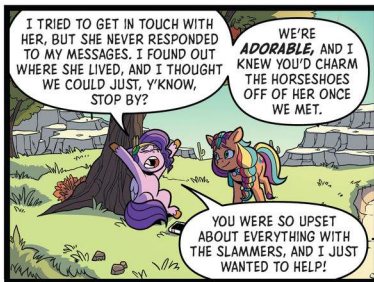
--AND LEAVE THEM TOTALLY TAILSPIN!



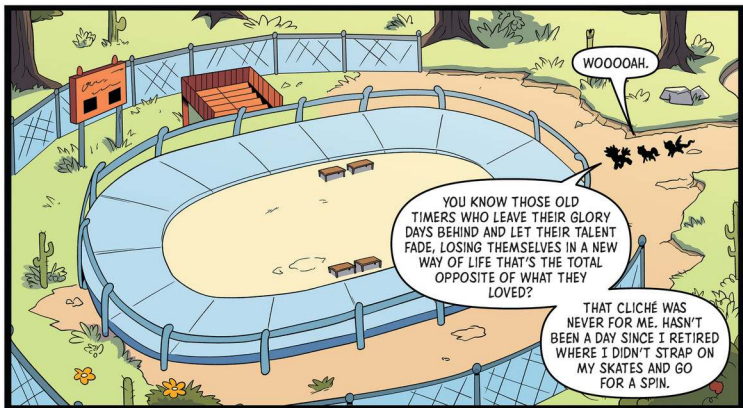
SPEAKING OF BEING SPUN...DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE'RE GOING?

OF COURSE. IT'S, UM... THAT WAY.









WOOOOAH.

YOU KNOW THOSE OLD TIMERS WHO LEAVE THEIR GLORY DAYS BEHIND AND LET THEIR TALENT FADE, LOSING THEMSELVES IN A NEW WAY OF LIFE THAT'S THE TOTAL OPPOSITE OF WHAT THEY LOVED?

THAT CLICHÉ WAS NEVER FOR ME. HASN'T BEEN A DAY SINCE I RETIRED WHERE I DIDN'T STRAP ON MY SKATES AND GO FOR A SPIN.



C'MON, STARS-COUT. LACE UP.

I DIDN'T BRING MINE. I DIDN'T REALIZE--

OH, FOR SADDLE'S SAKE, I'LL GET YOU SOME LOANERS.



I--I'M NOT SURE, TRACY. MAYBE THIS WAS A WASTE OF TIME.



PRINCESS, YOU'RE UP. I'LL SAVE MY BIG MOTIVATIONAL SPEECH FOR LATER.



YOU KNOW WHAT I'M GONNA SAY, RIGHT?

THAT I LOVE SKATING, AND I NEVER QUESTIONED MYSELF UNTIL THOSE MEAN PONIES GOT IN MY HEAD.

THAT I HAVE THIS ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME CHANCE TO LEARN FROM AN EXPERT, AND IT WON'T BE THE SAME WITH HER AS IT WAS WITH THE SLAMMERS.



DEEP BREATH.

AND THAT I SHOULD TRUST MYSELF TO SHOW HER WHAT I'M MADE OF.

COULDN'T HAVE SAID IT BETTER MYSELF.

CROSSING

LIKE THIS, SEE? THIS IS HOW YOU'LL PASS THE BLOCKERS.

YOU GOT IT!

WINDIPS

OKAY, STOP! IT'S TIME WE PIVOT.

YOU'RE WAY TOO IN YOUR OWN HEAD INSTEAD OF BEING HERE ON THE TRACK.

GRAP

NOPE, THAT'S NOT GONNA WORK. YOU'VE GOTTA LET YOUR FEELINGS OUT, NOT PUSH THEM DOWN, STARSCOUT.

WH-WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?

I WANT YOU TO SHOW ME WHAT YOU LOVE ABOUT SKATING.





SHOW HER WHAT I LOVE ABOUT SKATING?

I DON'T EVEN KNOW ANYMORE.

I LOVED IT WHEN DAD CHASED ME. WHEN I COULD RACE HIM AND WIN.

I LOVED HOW IT FELT TO GO FAST.



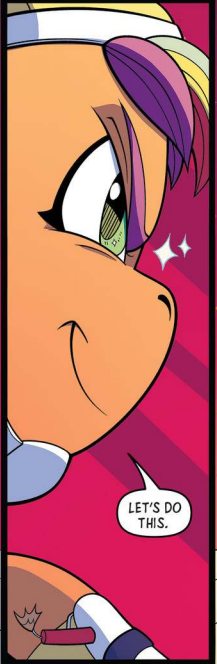
AND I CAN'T DO THAT WITH ALL OF THIS INSECURITY HOLDING ME BACK.

I NEED... I NEED TO IGNITE.



SO WHAT IF I WASN'T RIGHT FOR THE SLAMMERS?

I'M GOING TO BE RIGHT FOR MY TEAM, WHOEVER THEY ARE.



LET'S DO THIS.



SHE'S A JAMMER.







THE NEXT DAY.

I CAN'T DO THIS.
PIPP, CALL TRACY. TELL HER I QUIT.

YOU'RE BEING RUDE.



THESE AREN'T. SKATERS.

REMEMBER HOW IT FELT WHEN SOME PONY SAID THAT ABOUT YOU?



WELCOME, EVERYPON--ER, EVERYCREATURE. SO GLAD YOU COULD ALL MAKE IT.

WE'LL GET STARTED IN A FEW MINUTES, JUST IN CASE ANY OTHERS ARE ON THEIR WAY...



NICE OF YOU TO WAIT, BUT WE AREN'T HERE TO TRY OUT.

YEAH, WE JUST CAME TO WATCH.
AND LAUGH.



TO BE CONTINUED...



NEXT MONTH



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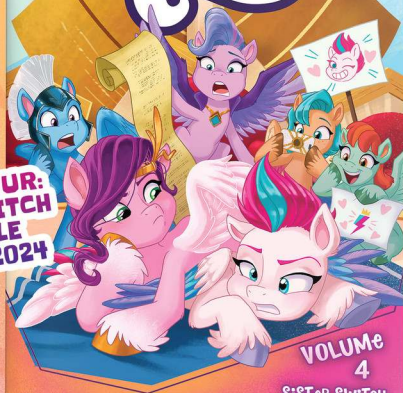
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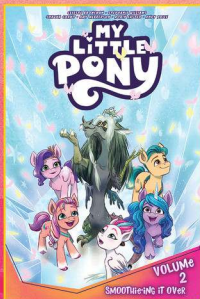
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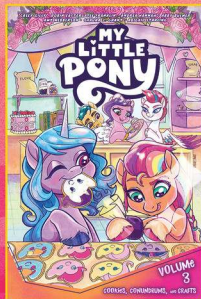
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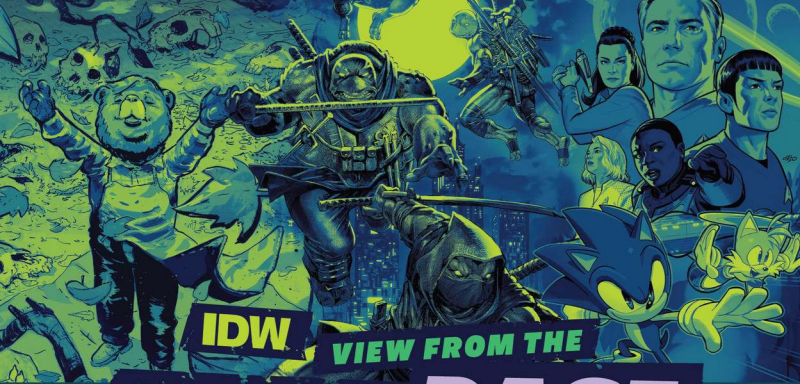
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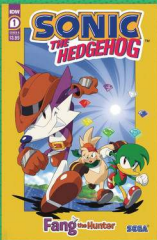
Ellen, please distribute to the staff immediately.



- Talk to some artists about doing some TURTLES comics for the 40th anniversary!
- Same, but for Godzilla. The King of the Monsters is turning 70!!!
- DUNGEONS & DRAGONS is gonna be 50. How about a year of D&D: SATURDAY MORNING ADVENTURES?

ON SALE
01/17/24!

- Get quotes for BENEATH THE TREES WHERE NOBODY SEES plushies!
- Ask Riley about new My Little Pony miniseries concepts
- When is STAR TREK: LOWER DECKS coming back?
- Remind Dumbier about this summer's ROCKETEER. Also ask him to show me some of the art for the next Artist's Editions



- Catch up with Sonic the Hedgehog, he's got a big year ahead. (Knuckles' 30th birthday!)
- Don't forget to tell everyone about GOLGOTHA: MOTOR MOUNTAIN
- Get Staros to write one of these back pages about Top Shelf!

★ THE LAST RONIN II !!!!

- It's never too early to think about SDCC. New ideas, new concepts, new formats?