

1949-50 IRDL

International Roller Derby League cards for ROLLER RUMBLE Roller Derby Game



Here's a really great set of roller derby cards created for ROLLER RUMBLE by roller derby historian Chris Schmidt.

Chris spent many years preparing roller derby telecasts for international distribution, and as such has a huge stockpile of rare, vintage roller derby footage. "I still have 50 DVDs from my 250 strong Roller Derby DVD collection to watch again but none of those cover the earliest years," Chris wrote recently. "Thus, I was able to finish my first new ROLLER RUMBLE card set: the 1949-50 NRDL season."

Backed by Chris' extensive video archive and his meticulous notes, you can be assured that these cards will play just like the real thing. If you've ever wanted to be able to hop into a time machine and punch a ticket for an evening at the roller derby of the mid-20th century, these cards will give you an authentic approximation of what you'd see!















Before you dive in, though, here are a couple of Chris' design notes. The first concerns his ratings vs. the "official" game ratings from the Roller Derby Pioneers cards. The PLAAY Games cards represent a skater's overall career ability, rather than a specific season of action as Chris' cards do. Chris notes, "Where the same skater appears in the Pioneers set I have retained the ratings from the Pioneers set. The other skaters, though, are rated based on their performances in the games from the 1949-50 season."















While Chris' cards include team logos, they're not the actual official team logos from '49-50. "I tried to find logos which are as close as possible to the originals, and I think I succeeded with the Red Devils, Westerners and Chiefs." The team colors presented on the cards are substantially similar to each team's actual 1949-50 colors. "The colors may seem odd compared to subsequent years," Chris says, "but they are correct for the '49-50 season." Chris recalls that the Jolters switched to blue uniforms in later years but in 1949-50 they wore orange and black. Similarly, the Westerners, who are mainly known for their classic red and blue uniform color scheme, actually wore purple and white in '49-50.









Each team was assigned a home city or region, although in reality the league was more of a "traveling road show." For the record, here are the "home" cities for each of the 1949-50 teams: Chiefs(New York); Jets(Washington, DC); Jolters(New Jersey); Panthers(Philadelphia); Red Devils (Brooklyn), Westerners(Chicago).

For the most faithful re-creation of the '49-50 season, you should use the ROLLER RUMBLE Rules Revisions included with the Skate Pioneers cards. For example, any skater could jam, not just the jammers. Thus, you should consider whichever skater scores the match-track point that sends a team into a jam, THAT skater should be considered the jammer. Also, the scoring rules were somewhat different in this era: 1 point was scored for passing one or two opponents; two points was scored for passing three or four opponents; five points was scored for passing all five opponents. If you own the Pioneers card set, it would be a good idea to review all of the modifications. Of course, you can play these cards with later-era rules, and it'll work just fine!















Mostly, it's our hope these cards enable you to experience a little bit of the charm and nostalgia of this fun, quirky and (sadly) now mostly-forgotten relic of American sports history, the banked-track roller derby. If you have any questions, please let us know—we're always happy to help! The e-mail address is info@plaay.com.

<p>Lenny MAURRO 11 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART CHEAT FAST</p>  <p>B</p>	<p>"Slammin" Sammy SKOBEL 14 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE* FAST* SMART STAR*</p>  <p>A</p>	<p>Herbie ECKSTIEN 20 blocker</p> <p>AGILE POWERFUL</p>  <p>C</p>	<p>Ken MONTE 12 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART STAR POWERFUL BIG MEAN*</p>  <p>AA</p>	<p>Harry PERRY 13 blocker</p> <p>BIG</p>  <p>D</p>
<p>Gilbert "Bucky" BUCKHOLTZ 16 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE SMART</p>  <p>A</p>	<p>Ken "Bullett" HANSEN 18 blocker</p> <p>MEAN POWERFUL</p>  <p>C</p>	<p>Vivian JOHNSON 13 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG POWERFUL</p>  <p>B</p>	<p>Gloria HAGER 19 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN POWERFUL* CHEAT FAST</p>  <p>B</p>	<p>Elaine BENOIT 14 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG*</p>  <p>C</p>
<p>Betty BACKUS 18 blocker</p> <p>AGILE</p>  <p>D</p>	<p>Jacqueline DUBETSKI 17 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN SMART</p>  <p>D</p>	<p>Julie "Ace" PATRICK 15 blocker</p> <p>AGILE FAST SMART STAR</p>  <p>B</p>	<p>Annabelle "Slugger" KEALEY 11 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN* POWERFUL* BIG</p>  <p>A</p>	

<p>Howie "Pee Wee" RAINES 4 jammer - blocker FAST* AGILE SMART B</p> 	<p>Jack "Crazy Legs" WALKER 8 jammer - blocker BIG MEAN POWERFUL C</p> 	<p>Bob SATTERFIELD 5 jammer - blocker AGILE POWERFUL C</p> 	<p>Mel SHELTMAN 9 jammer - blocker MEAN D</p> 	<p>Matt DEVLAHOVICH 6 blocker POWERFUL C</p> 
<p>William Marion "Red" SMARTT 3 jammer - blocker AGILE FAST SMART* STAR BIG A</p> 	<p>Bert WALL 7 jammer - blocker AGILE* FAST* SMART STAR* AA</p> 	<p>Joyce BEASLEY 3 jammer - blocker AGILE SMART FAST STAR B</p> 	<p>Annis "Big Red" JENSEN 2 jammer - blocker STAR* SMART* POWERFUL* BIG MEAN AA</p> 	<p>Mary CIOFANI 4 jammer - blocker AGILE FAST SMART* B</p> 
<p>Betty BOYD 5 jammer - blocker FAST C</p> 	<p>Shirley BURGESS 8 blocker MEAN D</p> 	<p>Mary FABIAN 9 blocker AGILE POWERFUL D</p> 	<p>Barbara "Bobbie" MATEER 7 jammer - blocker AGILE* FAST SMART STAR C</p> 	

<p>Don LEWIS 69 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN* </p> <p>D</p>	<p>Joe FUOTI 66 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG </p> <p>D</p>	<p>Herbie PLUMP 64 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST* </p> <p>BIG POWERFUL</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Sid HARNESK 61 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE* </p> <p>STAR BIG SMART</p> <p>A</p>	<p>Buddy COLLINS 62 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST </p> <p>C</p>
<p>Carl "Moose" PAYNE 60 jammer - blocker</p> <p>STAR* </p> <p>POWERFUL* FAST BIG*</p> <p>AA</p>	<p>Johnny KARP 67 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART </p> <p>FAST AGILE* STAR POWERFUL</p> <p>A</p>	<p>Norma ROSNER 65 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART </p> <p>POWERFUL*</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Monta Jean PAYNE 60 jammer - blocker</p> <p>STAR </p> <p>AGILE POWERFUL SMART*</p> <p>A</p>	<p>Renee RANDLE 62 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART </p> <p>BIG</p> <p>D</p>
<p>Millie BRUNO 64 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST* </p> <p>STAR SMART AGILE</p> <p>A</p>	<p>Bobbie BURNS 61 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN </p> <p>POWERFUL* FAST</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Edith BRANUM 67 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG </p> <p>POWERFUL* MEAN CHEAT</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Ann CALVELLO 70 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN </p> <p>SMART* POWERFUL</p> <p>A</p>	

<p>Hank GOLDBERG 30 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE </p> <p>B</p>	<p>Sam MARCHESE 26 blocker</p> <p>MEAN  POWERFUL</p> <p>D</p>	<p>Doug MONTE 28 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG </p> <p>B</p>	<p>Joe KOSMAL 29 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART  BIG</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Billy BOGASH 22 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE*  FAST POWERFUL STAR* SMART AA</p>
<p>Russ MASSRO 23 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  SMART POWERFUL</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Bob LEWIS 24 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE  FAST BIG</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Gerry MURRAY 22 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART*  STAR** POWERFUL AGILE AAA FAST</p>	<p>Gloria BRENDT 24 blocker</p> <p>MEAN </p> <p>B</p>	<p>Virginia RUSHING 26 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  SMART</p> <p>C</p>
<p>Helen GARDNER 29 blocker</p> <p>AGILE  MEAN</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Jacqueline ARVAY 27 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART  AGILE</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Peggy SMALLEY 25 blocker</p> <p>BIG </p> <p>D</p>	<p>Mary Lou PALERMO 30 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  POWERFUL AGILE SMART STAR</p> <p>A</p>	

<p>Elmer "Elbows" ANDERSON 39 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE*  SMART STAR* FAST A</p>	<p>Buddy ATKINSON Sr. 35 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE  SMART** STAR A</p>	<p>Charlie "Specs" SAUNDERS 40 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART*  AGILE* FAST* STAR* AA</p>	<p>Hal JANOWITZ 34 jammer - blocker</p> <p>STAR  SMART AGILE* A</p>	<p>Phil RUFF 37 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG  POWERFUL MEAN D</p>
<p>Bob VENTER 33 blocker</p> <p>BIG*  D</p>	<p>Dick BATTISTA 31 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  AGILE C</p>	<p>Kay VIRVA 37 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG*  POWERFUL C</p>	<p>Gloria MCAULIFF 34 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST*  POWERFUL* BIG* A</p>	<p>Irish AUSBACHER 31 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG  MEAN B</p>
<p>Bobbie JOHNSTONE 35 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE*  POWERFUL FAST SMART A STAR</p>	<p>Geraldine BOROWSKI 38 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN  SMART D</p>	<p>Annie PENDERGHAST 39 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART  POWERFUL D</p>	<p>Teri ANDERSON 32 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  AGILE D</p>	

<p>Paul "Junior" PIERCE 50 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE  SMART</p> <p>C</p>	<p>George VOGT 48 jammer - blocker</p> <p>AGILE  FAST SMART</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Dave FLEISHMANN 49 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN </p> <p>C</p>	<p>Otto BONGO 47 blocker</p> <p>CHEAT  POWERFUL</p> <p>D</p>	<p>Silver RICH 52 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART  AGILE BIG</p> <p>B</p>
<p>Jules ILLES 53 jammer - blocker</p> <p>STAR*  BIG FAST</p> <p>A</p>	<p>Bill LAURINO 46 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG  POWERFUL AGILE</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Irene VAN KIRK 54 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG  AGILE</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Gerri ABBATELLO 50 jammer - blocker</p> <p>SMART  POWERFUL</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Becky THOMAS 48 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  MEAN</p> <p>B</p>
<p>Alice "Fuzzy" BUCHK 52 jammer - blocker</p> <p>BIG  SMART POWERFUL</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Delores FLORIAN 51 jammer - blocker</p> <p>MEAN </p> <p>D</p>	<p>Blonde Bombshell Mary GARDNER 55 jammer - blocker</p> <p>FAST  SMART POWERFUL</p> <p>B</p>	<p>Delores DOSS 53 jammer - blocker</p> <p>STAR  POWERFUL AGILE FAST</p> <p>A</p>	