



Welcome to Vertically Inclined's Rip and Grip Bulletin for February 2007!

Now that we've all made it through the holidays and into the new year, it's time for Rip & Grip again and February means the first session of the Winter Series!

Time to work of the extra pounds from the holidays and keep our New Year's resolutions to stay fit and active and the Rip & Grip provides climbers with a fun, social and dynamic to help meet those goals.

Each month brings a whole new set of problems to work hard on, both at the Rip & Grip events, and afterwards. Problems stay up until the week before the next comp so there's lots of time to work your way up the numbers and prepare for the next event.

Thanks to Scott and Joel for running this event. Scott brings years of Rip & Grip experience to the table and Joel's organizational skills will keep things running smoothly.

If you have any thoughts, comments or would like to submit a photo, drop us a note at climbing@verticallyinclined.com We'd love to hear from you!

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Event Wrap-up - February 2

Sixty-Nine competitors made for a full house for the start of the Rip & Grip Series. By the end of the night, there was lots of chalk in the air and many tired faces. The Routesetters were all truly inspired by seeing climbers try their hearts out on all the problems. The post-competition dynos set by Ryan kept both short and tall competitors focused on the wall while scoring was being tabulated.

Thank you very much routesetters, staff, and members who put valuable time into the planning and running of the event.

Special thanks to our sponsors: Track n' Trail, MEC and Lululemon,; the climbing is great, but thanks to our sponsors there is something exciting to look forward to at the end!

Summary of Winners:

February:

	Women	Men
Novice	Kara Little	Bobby Franklin
Advanced	Nicole Deuchar	Ryan Bombard
Expert	Heather Sawitsky	Geoff Scott

Congratulations to the winners!

Congratulations also go out to everyone who came to play!

Results: February 2nd

Name	Category	Rip & Grip	Big Rocker
Bobby Franklin	M - Novice	9440	0
Peter Karbaliotis	M - Novice	7490	80
Nathan Andrews	M - Novice	7490	90
Shawn Franklin	M - Novice	6490	10
Dave Cloke	M - Novice	5680	0
Andrew Funk	M - Novice	4290	50
Roy Mitten	M - Novice	3580	60
Theodore Brockman	M - Novice	2170	40
Kim Robitaille	M - Novice	1880	10
Isaiah Feldberg	M - Novice	1590	80
Josh Dillabough	M - Novice	1580	0
Anthony Maghaye	M - Novice	0	0
Juan Perez	M - Novice	0	0
Alex Brown	M - Novice	0	0

Name	Category	Rip & Grip	Big Rocker
Kara Little	F - Novice	7390	50
Joyce Mann	F - Novice	6470	0
Neekoo Collett	F - Novice	5620	130
Kat Wood	F - Novice	4750	0
Mary Wood	F - Novice	4670	10
Tylo Buwalda	F - Novice	4010	0
Sarah Kehler	F - Novice	3600	130
Amanda Farquharson	F - Novice	3580	60
Kaylyn Jackson	F - Novice	2780	40
Riley Yager	F - Novice	2300	40
Jacquelynn Buwalda	F - Novice	1770	0
Lestlie Vermeer	F - Novice	1680	30
Kirsten Kirwer	F - Novice	1590	70
Raina Dillabough	F - Novice	1590	0
Vanessa Mansell	F - Novice	580	0

Name	Category	Rip & Grip	Big Rocker
Ryan Bombard	M - Advanced	16420	20
Graham Lynch	M - Advanced	15330	60
Beau Hayward	M - Advanced	14690	0
Scott Whittington	M - Advanced	14510	0
Gary Saskiw	M - Advanced	14470	50
Ryan Eichler	M - Advanced	13950	0
Dan Evans	M - Advanced	13450	100
Matt Amyotte	M - Advanced	10650	50
Robert Hardy	M - Advanced	10600	30
Dallas Kroetsch	M - Advanced	10590	10
Scott Moorhouse	M - Advanced	9810	40
Bruce Keith	M - Advanced	9500	260
Robert Summers	M - Advanced	9340	60
Allan Smoliak	M - Advanced	9150	160
Eric Bellinger	M - Advanced	8880	0
Aaron Postma	M - Advanced	8590	0
Troy Ayers	M - Advanced	8490	50
Nathan Booth	M - Advanced	8480	30
Jordan Hilbrecht	M - Advanced	7900	0
Alex Schlacht	M - Advanced	7890	60
Zak Keith	M - Advanced	7050	20
Peter Toth	M - Advanced	6790	0
Reg Brown	M - Advanced	6670	40
Liam Carroll	M - Advanced	4970	0

Name	Category	Rip & Grip	Big Rocker
Nicole Deuchar	F - Advanced	7760	80
Gail Adamson	F - Advanced	7500	0
Candace Robitaille	F - Advanced	5680	0
Kathy Lin	F - Advanced	4680	0
Vesna Nguyen	F - Advanced	3600	0

Name	Category	Rip & Grip	Big Rocker
Geoff Scott	M - Expert	16450	20
Kris Chichak	M - Expert	16390	60
Jeremy Inman	M - Expert	15570	0
Ian Reynolds	M - Expert	15560	50
Andy Williamson	M - Expert	14680	0
Troy Grinde	M - Expert	14670	0
Che Hynes	M - Expert	12590	20
Miles Adamson	M - Expert	5970	0

Name	Category	Rip & Grip	Big Rocker
Heather Sawitsky	F - Expert	14420	0
Alanna Elias	F - Expert	11580	130
Stephanie Borys	F - Expert	10690	40
Arianne Forbes	F - Expert	9490	40
Jordan Taylor	F - Expert	9460	100
Laura Minard	F - Expert	8600	0
Kristine Mckay	F - Expert	8390	60

Climber Profile

Name: Theo
Occupation: Student in Grade 8
Length of Time Climbing: 3 months
What is your favourite thing about the Rip & Grip?
 New Problems!
What do you do when you are not climbing?
 Nothing!
Which was your favourite problem?
 Number 9

Routesetter Profile

Name: Nigel Pike
Age: 26
Length of Time Setting: 3 years off and on
Hobbies and Interests (other than climbing):
 Swimming, Biking, Running. I like to do triathalons and I'm a big puzzle fan (Jigsaws)
What inspired you when setting problems for this comp?
 Bouldering back home (in Newfoundland) there is this area called Gull Pond where I learned to climb. It's mostly bouldering.
If you could talk with any famous athlete, dead or alive, who would it be?
 I would say Peter Reid. He's one of those athletes who never gets the respect he deserves.



Upcoming Events @ VIRG

Holiday Hours: Open Noon-11pm Family Day February 19th

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- First Friday of March and 2nd Friday of April
- Registration still available for the upcoming events

Wear the Frog!

Check out the full line of VIRG Climb wear in the Culture Shop. We've got military style hats, toques, men's & women's shorts and women's capris!

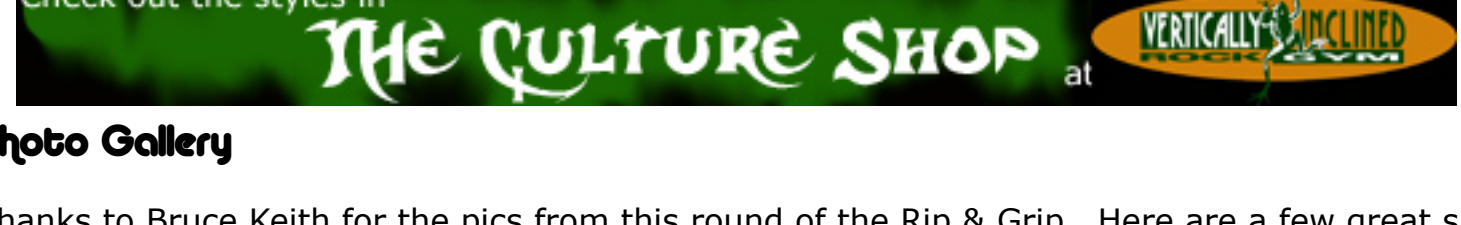


Photo Gallery

Thanks to Bruce Keith for the pics from this round of the Rip & Grip. Here are a few great shots and that's his in the title header too!

If you've got some photos to share, send them to us at climbing@verticallyinclined.com.

