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## WOMEN'S ROLLER DERBY, INDIE CRAFTS TO BE FEATURED AT OHIO STATE FAIR

COLUMBUS, Ohio – July 17, 2009 – Roller derby leagues across Ohio will again converge on the Ohio State Fair Aug. 8 to showcase the fastest growing team sport in the United States. This year, the Ohio Roller Girls is proud to partner with the Columbus Crafty Cotillion in a day of “Crafts and Crashes” of independent and alternative business.

Ohio has proven it has roller derby teams that are a force to be reckoned with against national competition this season and now they will be going head-to-head to put on one-of-a-kind bouts reminiscent of Ohio State Fair history.

Roller derby bouts will be featured at the Show Place Pavilion (near the WCOL Celeste Center) from noon to 9 p.m. with skaters from the Ohio Roller Girls, Cincinnati Rollergirls, Burning River Roller Girls (Cleveland), Gem City Rollergirls (Dayton) and Northeast Ohio Rock ‘n’ Roller Girls (Akron).

Once fair patrons have seen a few bouts of roller derby they can head over to the Family Fun Pavilion to shop for hundreds of fun and unusual handmade goods from more than 30 indie craft vendors of the Columbus Crafty Cotillion. The handmade expo features crafters from What the Rock?, Wholly Craft and Igloo Letterpress among many others with several items to take home a great souvenir from the fair.

The Handmade Expo also will feature a full schedule of performances from Habeeba’s belly dancers, local folk-bluegrass trio Dottie & Clyde, and old-school country crooners Slim White & the Averys.

For more information on the Ohio Roller Girls or any of the vendors in the Columbus Crafty Cotillion visit [www.ohiorollergirls.com](http://www.ohiorollergirls.com) and [www.cbucraftcotillion.blogspot.com](http://www.cbucraftcotillion.blogspot.com).