

Predictions for the Future of Derby

2009 – National Tournament in Philly puts a 2nd crack in the Liberty Bell.

2011 – Girl Scouts introduce a badge for Jr. Derby

2012 – WFTDA ratifies rule set 8.0. Notable change: banned the use of Comic Sans, Papyrus, and Cooper Black in promotional materials for sanctioned bouts.

2014 – Scientists measure friction created by skating on Sport Court, experiment with placing energy collection cells underneath derby track.

2017 – Friction experiments continue; in laboratory experiments, electrical energy generated by derby skaters tops wind power for efficiency of collection and storage.

2018 – Junior Derby becomes more popular than Field Hockey for girls aged 12-18.

2020 – WFTDA becomes WWFTDA, Women's Worldwide Flat Track Derby Association; stipulates that members in the Southern Hemisphere do not have to skate clockwise (but can in non-sanctioned home games, if they wish).

2021 – Plans in place for first WWFTDA international tournament, Derby Without Borders.

2022 – Under-track energy collection cells first used in tournament play. One 3-day tournament generates enough energy to power Bismarck, ND for 2 days.

2023 – TwoEvils name registry purged. 130,924 names deleted from list, 14,218 names retired.

2024 – Skatin' the 'Quator: Claudette Reigns of the Moroccan Marauders decides to circumnavigate the globe – on skates. Not to be outdone, Pear-eater D'anjou begins planning her trip to skate the northern coast

of Siberia, copying the itinerary of her near-namesake Piotr Anjou.

2025 - WWFTDA rule set 21.2 ratified. Notable change: use of performance-enhancing substances (specifically Spice, Vellocet, and GLeeMONEX) prohibited.

2026 – WWFDTA rule set 22.0 ratified. Notable change: Skaters may not use numbers or letters of extraterrestrial origin in their names.

2028 – Innovations in wheel technology: prototypes of "frictionless" wheels, codenamed Infinite Improbability Wheels, tested in secret lab in Denmark.

2030 – Roller derby becomes first Olympic sport to allow participants to use pseudonyms in competition.

2054 – Experiments in Zero-G (weightless) derby prove confusing; derby without a track is compared favorably to Quiddich.

2070 - WWFTDA rule set 35.1 ratified - skaters with genetically modified tentacles must keep them safely wrapped during sanctioned bouts.