



October/November 2008

WINTER HOURS

Starting November 1st

Monday – Friday

7:30 – 4:30

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7:30 – 2:00

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Ramping Up with Quality Materials from Rand Lumber

At first blush, boat building and fine cabinetry don't have much in common with a skateboard park—but as far as Rye Airfield's General Manager Beau Lambert is concerned, it's all about quality craftsmanship and quality materials: No difference at all.

Currently overseeing the remodeling of approximately one-third of the seven-year-old skate park, Lambert notes, "We're now evolving with the sport to make the building a big indoor plaza—like what the kids are skating on in the cities. We'll have stairs, ledges, A-frames, and all kinds of rails. Anyone of any age, from a beginner up, will be able to find something fun to do here."

Peeling away the double sheets of half-inch CDX that covers various park surfaces—features with names like

"Hangar One" and the "Clover Bowl"—it becomes obvious that their construction requires the same high level of craftsmanship and quality provided by fine boat builders and cabinetmakers.

For example, the back of the Airfield's Clover Bowl—a one-of-a-kind, six-foot-deep wooden bowl that's shaped like a three-leaf clover—was hand-built on-site by highly respected skaters who also do finish work and cabinetry on the side.

"These are real craftsmen," notes Lambert. "They spent a total of about 1,000 man hours just building that one bowl. It's all highly skilled, difficult work, with a lot of compound cuts and pieces that require a bevel to make a bowed corner—exactly like when you make a boat. People come from all over the country to skate it."

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Bowed corners of the skateboard park's "bowl" design require multiple compound cuts and beveling of the wood.



One of the pockets in the park's Clover Bowl was built with two bowed corners..

Construction on the ramp was done by Brad Jameson from FunDay? Skateparks, a commercial and residential skatepark builder based in Concord, N.H. Having studied Building Sciences at UNH and apprenticed with a master skatepark builder and designer, Jameson is also a long-time Rye Airfield rider.

"Brad not only builds the ramps but he can ride them at a level comparable to many of the pros that come through the park," says General Manager Beau Lambert. "He's perfect because he can work with the kids and me to get input and ideas, then implement them in ways that we know are going to be great."



Rye Airfield's new Hip-Spine-Roller ramp was built with materials from Rand Lumber.

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He adds that the quality of the materials and finished surface framing provided by Rand Lumber has been crucial to the structural integrity that's required throughout the park. "We need to be able to get that two-by-four that's actually straight, without having to hand-pick through piles of junk," Lambert says. "Plus, it's nice to be able to get the same person on the phone; the customer service out of Rand is great."

For the current remodeling projects, Rand Lumber supplied one-half-inch CDX plywood, spruce framing, masonite, and birch (for the finished

features). During Rye Airfield's original construction, Rand also supplied materials that are unavailable elsewhere, including approximately 1,000 sheets of Baltic Birch for ramps throughout the park.

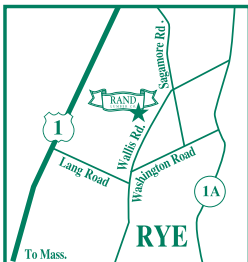
"The key for us is that we recycle everything we possibly can," Lambert concludes, "so when we rip it apart in a few years and go to recycle the materials, we know we'll have a nice, good quality piece that can be used again. Because of Rand, we know we can re-use about 90% of our original lumber—and that's as important to us as providing a safe place for families to have fun."

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