



# Crazy Oaks

12410 Stewart RD.  
Galveston  
409-632-0026

**Open**  
Monday – Saturday  
11am – 2am  
Sunday 12pm – 2am

*Happy Hour*  
Mon – Fri  
11am – 7pm  
domestic buckets  
\$13.50  
imports \$16

## LIVE BANDS

every  
Friday & Saturday  
9pm  
Sunday 4pm

### PARTY TIME:

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
Tuesday Dec 22  
**New Year's Eve Party**  
DJ – buffet – champagne  
No cover  
**Benefit for Cowboy Bobby**  
Saturday Jan 23

Shuffleboard Tournaments Sundays

FREE POOL  
FREE DARTS  
FREE VOLLEYBALL  
FREE HORSESHOES  
FREE SHUFFLEBOARD

\$2 bloody Marys & Screwdrivers

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**Happy Hour**  
Monday – Friday 3pm – 6pm  
\$1.75 domestics



**CHILI COOK OFF**  
Sat Jan 9

Celebrate  
New Year's Eve  
with  
Flashback  
Food – champagne  
Party favors  
No cover



BEER - WINE - SETUPS  
BYOB  
POOL - DARTS - JUKEBOX  
LIVE MUSIC & KARAOKE

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Sunday 12pm – 2am

Super Bowl Party Feb 7

### Events:

**Friday Dec 25** - OPEN with fun,  
love & Christmas Spirit  
**Thursday Dec 31** - New Year's Eve  
party with Flashback - no cover  
**Saturday Jan 9** - Chili cook off  
chef's entry  
**Saturday Jan 16** - Bourbon Street  
**Friday Jan 22** - Ray Williams  
Band  
**Friday Jan 29** - Splash

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# Roller Derby Comes To The Mainland

Roller Derby was already America's fastest growing team sport when the movie "Whip It" hit movie theaters last fall, and huge numbers of young women decided they wanted to be roller girls. The enormous influx of new talent and the increasing popularity of the sport with fans have made expansion a necessity.

When sports leagues expand, there is always a draft held to choose players for the new teams. In the SSRD (Southside) draft which was held last month at Club 21 in Galveston, three new teams took turns selecting players.

Some of the eligible players were veterans who had declared themselves free agents and entered the draft, but most were rookies who have worked hard to meet all of the rigorous physical and training requirements to play for a "real" team, but have never played in an actual game.

The three teams drew straws to decide who would pick first, then started naming players, just like they do in the National Football League. The whole thing was over in less than an hour. When the draft picks were announced, the new Texas Dolls team seemed to have done very well indeed. They ended up with a roster of players that looks better than most of the established squads.

After the draft, the Dolls announced they had obtained these players:

**Queen Bitch** – Team captain, 3rd year, jammer and blocker, high scorer in the SSRD road trip to Corpus Christi last August.

**Rad Racer** – Co-Captain, 3rd year, currently the fastest skater in the league. A top jammer, pivot, and also an excellent blocker.

**Heathen Hooker** – 2nd year, was one of the top rookies last season, kept getting better as the season progressed. Fast and powerful.

**Billy Midol** – 3rd year, played for Houston before joining Southside. An intelligent player with lots of skill and experience.

**Ash Crusher** – 2nd year, already a fearsome power-blocker with excellent skating skills and cool under pressure.

**Bond Bomber** – 1st year, one of only two true "rookies" on the team, Bond showed lots of promise at early drills, then broke her arm. In her absence, the other teams forgot all about her. The Dolls believe Bond Bomber has tremendous potential.

**Texas Slammer** – 1st year, she's not big, but she is certainly tough. A rookie, she has already developed skills many veterans don't have, works hard, and skates fearlessly.

**Dawn E Darko** – 2nd year, strong and versatile, Dawn was a candidate for team captain this fall.

The team will add more players in the Dec. 28th supplemental draft, to fill a roster of 12 players. The eight they have right now are as strong as any team in the league, better than most. They are fully expecting to contend for the prestigious Golden Skate Championship in their first season – unheard of, but the talent is there to make it a goal within reach.

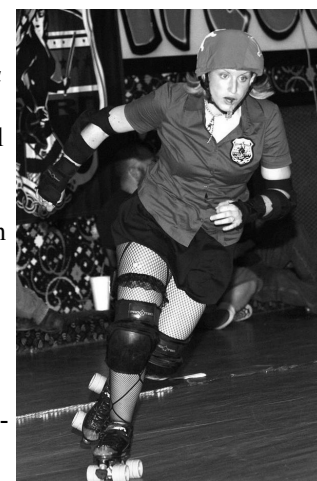
It's as if pro football had an expansion draft, and one of the new teams ended up with Peyton Manning, Adrian Peterson, Shawn Merriman and Mario Williams. The Texas Dolls look like something very rare indeed – an expansion team that actually has an excellent shot at winning all of the marbles.

Not that the competition is going to be easy. The Mob Stars have now won the championship three years in a row. Several other teams are improved from last year, and the other two new teams drafted some excellent players as well. The quality of play has gone up with all of the new competitors. This season, which will begin in January, is expected to be a thriller from start to finish.

Southside founder Brenda Holley (who plays as Dick Tater for the Kung Pow Kitties team) says this will be a very competitive season because the top two teams from last season have lost some key players, while the other teams have become stronger.

Here at the Mainland Press, we have made plans to cover game results, stats and standings in every issue, as we root for our new "home team", the Texas Dolls.

The Texas Dolls open their 2010 season against the Kung Pow Kitties at 7 pm on Sunday, January 31st at the Pearwood Skate Center on FM 518 in Friendswood. At \$10 door admission (\$8 in advance at southsiderollerderby.com) it's a cheap date. Come out and meet the local team and wear red white & blue team colors!



Billy Midol (top) Rad Racer (middle) and Heathen Hooker (bottom) are among the stars who will skate in 2010 for the brand new Texas Dolls Southside Roller Derby team.

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A flashlight is a case for holding dead batteries.