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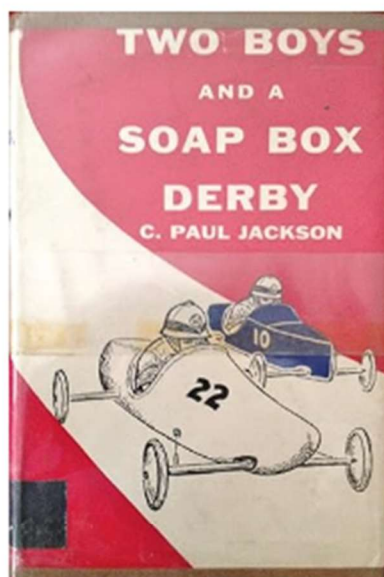
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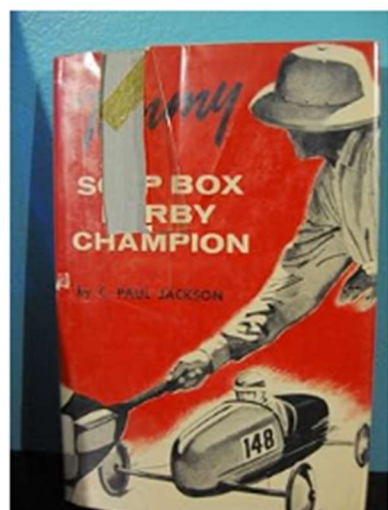


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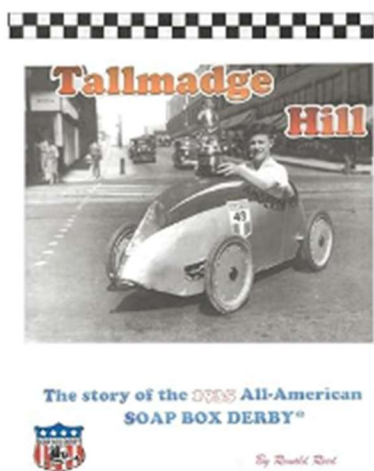


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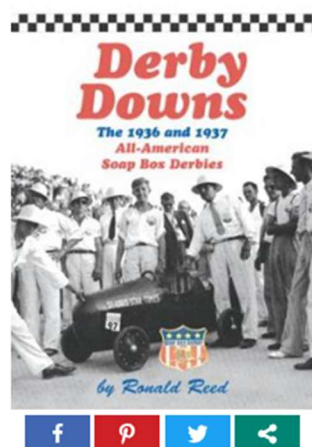


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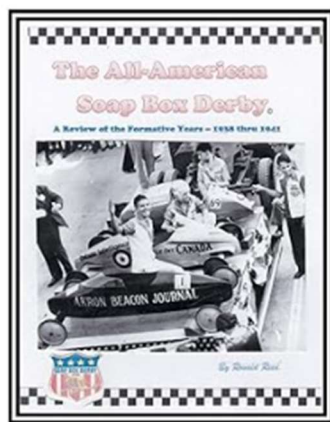
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Ronald Reed was first introduced to the Soap Box Derby in 1949 when the then seven-year-old attended his first race with his uncle and father. As he excitedly watched the Akron champ win his first heat by a large margin, there was no question Reed was hooked. In this second installment of his Soap Box Derby series, Reed covers the events of 1936 and 1937 as the All-American Soap Box Derby became an American tradition and found a permanent home. Reed, who has witnessed sixty-four of the seventy-seven All-American races, begins by chronicling world events in 1936 as a formal rule book for the Soap Box Derby was introduced, tickets and programs were printed, and the Derby found its home in a new racing facility in Akron, Ohio. As Reed details the first race announced by legends Ted Husing, Graham McNamee, and Tom Manning, he expertly captures the excitement through preliminary heats and five rounds until Herbert Muench of St. Louis, Missouri, coasted to a decisive victory. Included is a follow-up history of the winners as well as a chronicling of events of 1937 as a new race began and over one hundred boys anxiously awaited their chance at fame. "Derby Downs" continues the fascinating story of the All-American Soap Box Derby during 1936 and 1937 as it became an American institution. [Read Less](#)

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The All-American Soap Box Derby, the brainchild of Dayton newspaperman Myron Scott, began as a local race in that city in 1933. With some creative promotion, Scott turned it into a national competition the next year. By 1935 it had found a home in Akron. This move was solidified by the construction of Derby Downs. This unique facility, built in 1936, provided a much needed home. National sponsorship was provided by Chevrolet in cooperation with the Akron Beacon Journal and other newspapers across the nation. The All-American was flourishing due, in no small part, to the army of volunteers which enabled it to run smoothly.

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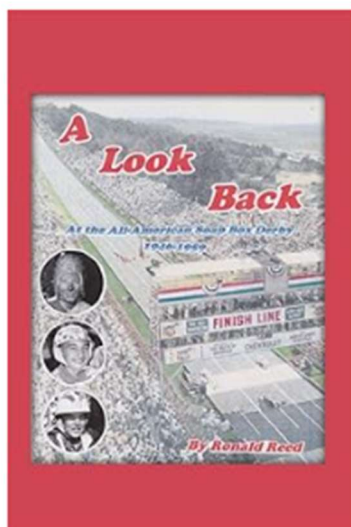
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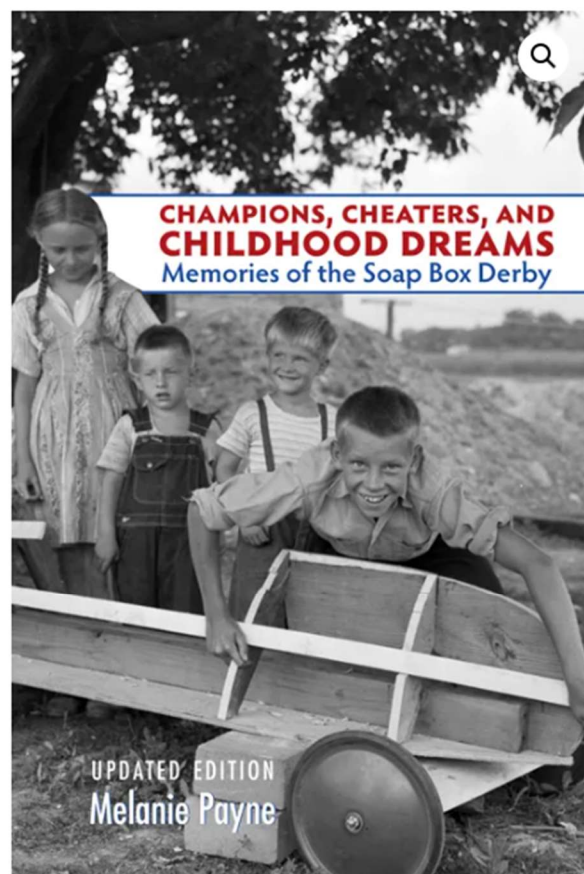


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It started as a city race in Dayton, Ohio, in 1933 and in two short years it became a national competition. Originator Myron Scott, through some creative promotion and the sponsorship of Chevrolet, brought it to national prominence. The first three books of this series covered the move from Dayton to Akron and the construction of Derby Downs followed by six years of prosperity and growth. World War II caused a delay, but we will see in this book it was but a bump in the road. The program resumed and in the years since there have been several hundred thousand participants who have been watched by millions. The Derby has undergone many changes over the years, but the focus has always been to make it safe, fair and fun.



Champions, Cheaters, and Childhood Dreams

Memories of the Soap Box Derby

by Melanie Payne

Pages: 241

Size: 6 x 9

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From the mid-1930s, the All-American Soap Box Derby has enabled thousands of youngsters to use their curiosity, ingenuity, and determination. Through first-person accounts, *Champions, Cheaters, and Childhood Dreams* chronicles a history of the race from a hillside in Dayton to the corporate-sponsored, star-studded event it became in the 1950s and 1960s. The influence of the Great Depression, World War II, Civil Rights, Women's Liberation, Vietnam, and Watergate helped shape and transform the race from a simple amateur event into an American icon. The revised edition has been updated to include a history of the race through 2010 and revised appendices.

Loney Kline, Akron City Champion 1934 and 1935

I always built little cars. I used to get crates that melons came in, put wheels on them and run them around.... We were building crazy things like this even before the derby started.

Gilbert Klecan, 1946 Champion

I primed (my car) and sanded it and tried to get several coats on, but it wasn't the smoothest job because it was a rush job. Then when I got to Akron they put a big number nine on it and that was rough. So Chuck Boswell gave me black graphite to put on it. I'm sweaty, and wiping my face, and I'm slapping the graphite on the car to make it smoother and it got on me.

Stan Howard, 1955 Columbus, Georgia City Champion

My parents had to sign all these releases in case I got hurt or anything. Even back in 1954 you had to satisfy the government.

K. D. Cline, 1967 World Champion

I have seven brothers and sisters, and all of us kids raced in the Soap Box Derby. My dad was regional manager for Northern Natural Gas and we moved around a lot.... We got into building derby cars for about twenty years.

Jim Gronen, Champion for a Day, 1973

That's why the scandal of the Soap Box Derby was really huge. It fit in with something that was happening on a collective level.

About the author

Melanie Payne is an award-winning journalist and writer. Her work has appeared in magazines and newspapers nationwide. She has worked as a staff writer for the *Akron Beacon Journal*, the *Sacramento Bee* newspapers and *The News-Press* in Fort Myers, Florida. A Cleveland, Ohio native, she currently lives in Southwest Florida with her husband, Rodney Williams.



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January 1, 1815

by [Sylvia A. Rosenthal](#) (Author)

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An anecdotal history of soap box car racing, written in cooperation with the All-American Soap Box Derby Association, includes historic photographs, profiles of different entrants over the years, and a full account of the scandal of 1973

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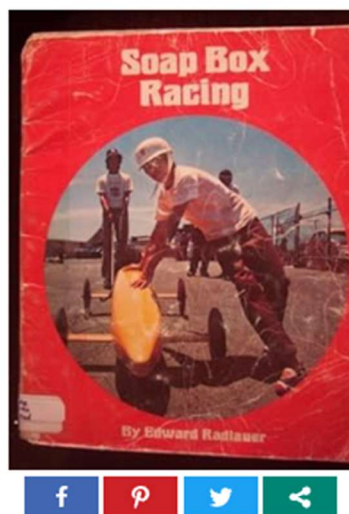


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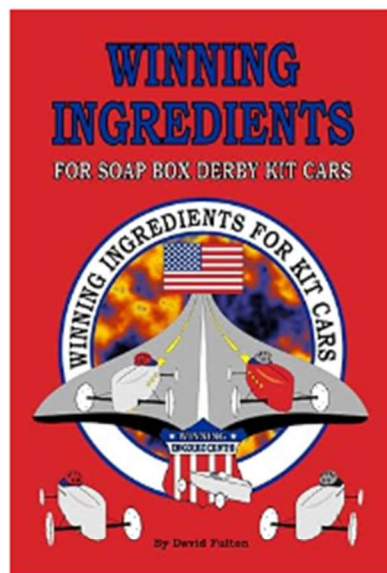


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"Winning Ingredients for Kit Cars" will help you build a winning Soap Box Derby car from your All-American Soap Box Derby kit. Every aspect of building is covered including part inspection, construction techniques and tuning of your racecar. The chapters in "Winning Ingredients for Kit Cars" are: Aerodynamics, Energy, Suspension, Construction, Alignment and Adjustments, Tools, Inspection, Weight Management, Weight & Balance
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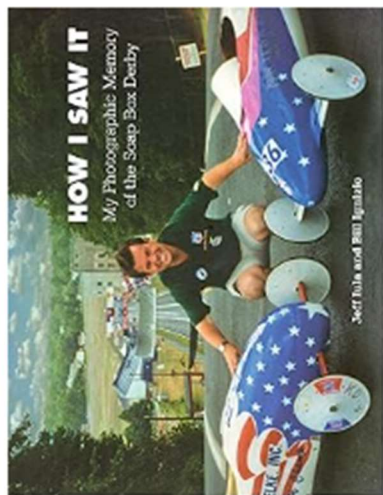
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Jeff Lula grew up around the Soap Box Derby. His memories of the race events over the past forty years are a treasure trove of the history of the gravity race, but also other aspects of the Derby Downs race that are rarely covered. Aided by writer Bill Ignizio, Lula has delved into his collection of Derby memorabilia to identify the most compelling images of cars and contestants, programs and tickets, and celebrities and ceremonies. This collection is unique and informative—a must for Soap Box Derby fans.

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