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Fairbanks Rollergirls Join Women's Flat Track Derby Association

Fairbanks—June 1, 2011— The Women's Flat Track Derby Association (WFTDA) is proud to announce today that the Fairbanks Rollergirls have been accepted as a member of the WFTDA, the national governing body for women's amateur flat track roller derby in the U.S.

As a new member of the WFTDA, the Fairbanks Rollergirls join the ranks of over 75 all-female, skater owned and operated leagues nationwide that have united to lead the growing sport of women's flat track roller derby. WFTDA member leagues engage in sanctioned interleague play, including regional and national tournaments. Fairbanks Rollergirls will be a Class B member in the west region.

The Fairbanks Rollergirls are currently on hiatus for the summer but will be back with some hard hitting derby action this fall, stay tuned.

About the WFTDA

Founded in 2004, the WFTDA promotes and fosters the sport of women's flat track derby by facilitating the development of athletic ability, sportswomanship, and goodwill among member leagues. The governing philosophy is "by the skaters, for the skaters." Women skaters are primary owners, managers, and operators of each member league and of the association. WFTDA's operational tasks include setting standards for rules, seasons and safety, and determining guidelines for the national and international athletic competitions of member leagues. All member leagues have a voice in the decision-making process, and agree to comply with the governing body's policies. For more information, visit www.wftda.com.

About Fairbanks Rollergirls

The Fairbanks Rollergirls are organized as a non-profit organization dedicated to training skaters, raising funds, and promoting roller derby as a viable sport in Fairbanks. We also support our community by performing community service. **We are powerful women - empowering others.** For more information, visit www.fairbanksrollergirls.org

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