

Bossaball: a new sport

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A sport that combines soccer, volleyball, and gymnastics all played on an inflatable court with trampolines? Sounds like something made up. It's not, its called bossaball!

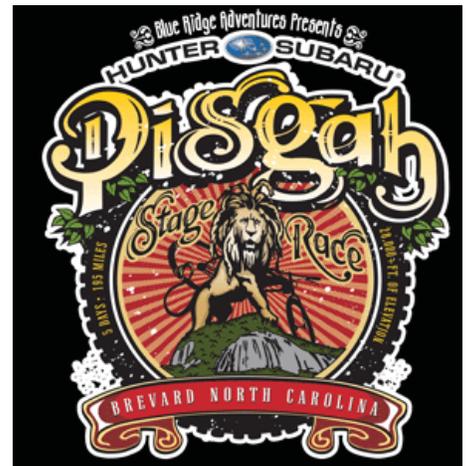
Bossaball is a sport played with two teams of either 3, 4, or 5 players on an inflatable court similar to a volleyball court with two trampolines on either side of the net. The rally begins similarly to that of a volleyball rally, with one player serving the ball. The difference? The server can be as creative as they would like, passing the ball over the net with their feet, hands, or head.

The ball can be in possession of a team up to 6 times before being passed back over the net. A volley with your hands is only allowed for one touch, however with any other part of your body a player can have a double touch. To score, the ball needs to land on the inflatables on opposing team's side of the court. If the ball lands on the gray inflatable that's one point, if it lands on the blue rings

surrounding the trampoline, that is no point and the rally continues. However if the ball lands on the trampoline, that is worth three points. The player who is on the trampoline counts as the goalkeeper of the three point area as well.

The word bossa in Portuguese translates to attitude, flair or style, which is the aim of bossaball to combine sports, music and positive vibes. As a matter of fact, the referee of Bossaball, called the Samba Referee is not only responsible for calling fouls, points, and overseeing the game; they are also the Master of Ceremonies and DJ. Combining good music with an ever changing dynamic game, makes bossaball an epic sport for both its players and its spectators.

Unfortunately, the bossaball hasn't hit the United States yet. It is popular in Brazil, Columbia, Mexico, all over Western Europe and even Thailand! Hopefully, Bossaball will pick up in the United States soon, so if you are into alternative sports, or just want a sport with good vibes and great music, keep your eyes open for Bossaball!



This week Blue Ridge Adventures is hosting the third Pisgah Mountain Bike Stage Race. Athletes come from around the world to race the routes that local trail builder Todd Branham has laid out for them. Branham has been hosting races for more than a decade in the area, and this race in particular is the one getting all the press.

Stage racing is the next big thing in mountain bike racing, and this one is in our backyard. Each day, racers will ride 40+ miles of steep singletrack and gravel roads that climb for miles. The first one back gets to wear the leaders jersey.

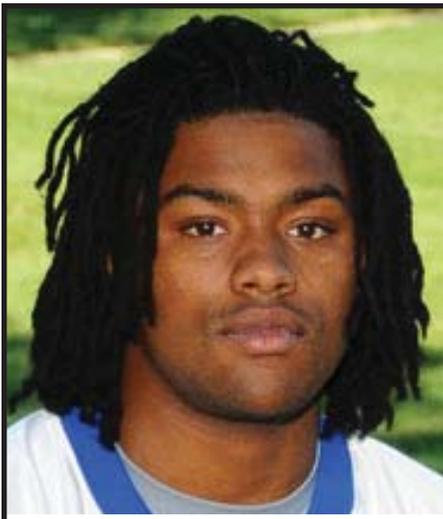
Mars Hill hosts bike race

This weekend the Tornados mountain bike team will race at Alexander Park, which is just north of Asheville. The drive is about an hour, and is the closest venue for students, faculty and staff to come watch our National Championship team in action. Mars Hill college is the hosting school. Support BC Cycling! Scan the barcode for directions or MapQuest Alexander Mountain Bike Park.

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To get directions to the race



Tornado Football keeps fighting

The Brevard College Tornados embarked on the three hour drive to Wingate, NC for a game against the reigning SAC champions, the Bulldogs. Both teams met on the field with a 1-2 season record, and unfortunately Brevard lost 35-31 to the Bulldogs.

Despite their early and strong lead in the first 3 quarters, the Tornados eventually fell to the Bulldogs, when Wingate scored unanswered 21 points in the final quarter.

Senior Eric Watts (left) became the first BC wide receiver to break the 100 yard receiving mark since the 2008 season.

SATURDAY HOME GAMES: October 1, 2011

Volleyball	12pm
M Soccer	2pm
W Soccer	4pm
Football	6pm
M/W Tennis	9am-6pm

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