

AYYA World
Record Testing
starts at 11AM
in Salaon 12 on
Thursday

Lucky's home and
games opens
at 4pm Thursday.
Lucky's BBQ
follows at 6:30pm.



2008

World Yo-Yo Contest

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Welcome to the 2008 World Yo-Yo Contest



It's been 9 years since I first took the roll of Chairman of the World Yo-Yo Contest, and it's been 17 years since I first attended this contest back when Dale Oliver was still competing. I could wax poetic

about what is now almost two decades of play for me. I think I will in Haiku.

Returning to me

Finally nailed the dismount

Victory is sweet.

If you too are inspired to poetry, please feel free to post yours too at the registration desk. The nice folks there will hang them up for all to see (and in my case, correct my spelling).

We have a lot of cool things this year. Shinobu is coming from Japan to battle Eric Wolf in a mod contest. We have world record attempts going on first thing Thursday, and of course we have the Worlds Contests and Lucky's BBQ. People have said that there is too much to do in three days at worlds, and I think that's silly. There is always more to do.

This year's growth of the event is happening behind the scenes more than ever before. André Bouley is co-head judging with National Grand Master Bill Deboisblanc, Nathan Crissey is the Deputy Chairman, and we are a few more steps to building this contest into an institution that can span the test of time and be here not only for us, but for future generations of yo-yo players. Please make sure you thank the sponsors when you see them, both you and they make this event possible.

Gregory Cohen

Chairman 2008 World Yo-Yo Contest



Welcome!
Irashaimasu!
Willkommen!
Benvenuto!
Vítejte!
Foon ying!
Isten hozta!
Bienvenue!
Witajcie!
Bem-vindo!
Welkom!
Bienvenidos!
Willkumm!

My first memory of the World Yo-Yo Contest was trading yo-yos with a kid that I spoke about two words in common with. About all we could do was point to the yo-yos we wanted, point to the yo-yos we had, and say "trade?" or "change?" Yet this interaction didn't seem awkward or strange at all. Being aficionados of one of the oldest toys in the world gave us a common ground that bridged the language barrier.

As Worlds has grown and evolved over the years, I find that the underlying feel that makes the event what it is has remained. We have grown to awarding seven World Titles, one-minute freestyles have replaced compulsories, diabolos and spin tops have been added to the mix, and every year more and more countries are represented here. Yet still, the unique feel of Worlds has remained. Part competition, part convention, and part family reunion. It's what makes people from all 'around the world' (sorry) journey to Orlando each summer.

It's been a great first Nine years of Worlds in Orlando. I'm proud to help make it an even greater event both now and in the future. Welcome once again my friends!

Nathan Crissey

Deputy Chairman 2008 World Yo-Yo Contest

WORKSHOPS

(Workshop schedule subject to change; please check at the registration area for any changes.)
Workshop times are listed on page 6 and 7.

BEGINNING WORKSHOPS

Beginning Yo-Yoing

Don't know how to yo-yo but came to the World Yo-Yo Contest anyway? Need help with Sport Ladder tricks? This workshop with head ladder judge Jimmy Johnson is for you!
THU 1PM & SAT 12:NOON

Beginners 2A

National Grand Master Dale Oliver will help players with the steep learning curve of two hand looping play. **FRI 11AM**

Beginners 3A

Learn the basics of two handed string tricks from 2005 World Champion Paul Yath. **THU 12:NOON**

Beginners 4A

Andrew Bergen and US National 4A Champion Bryan Figueroa teach the basics of offstring play where the yo-yo (as the name suggests) is not attached to the string. **THU 1PM**

Beginners 5A

Learn the basics of counterweight (freehand) tricks from former National Champion Jack Ringca. **SAT 11AM**

Beginning Top Throwing

Learn how to throw a top from Dick Stohr **THU 1PM**

Beginning Diabolo

Wonder what those giant yo-yos with sticks you see people using? Stupendous teaches the basics of diabolo play. **FRI 4PM**

Intro to Juggling

Learn the basics of three ball juggling. Watch as Nathan attempts to write a workshop description about three ball juggling without making an inappropriate joke. **THU 3PM**

MODDING AND BUILDING

Intro to Metal Lathes - Rob Tsou

Learn the basics of working with a metal lathe. **THU 12NOON**

Beginning Metal Turning - Rob Tsou

Learn the basics of working with a metal lathe. **SAT 1PM**

Modding with Kyo- Kyle Weems

Have an expert modder show you his approach to modding yo-yos. **THU 1PM**

Modding with a Wood Lathe - Eric Wolff

Learn how to select, and use a wood lathe for both turning and modding yo-yos. **FRI 1PM**

Modding With a Metal Lathe - Rob Tsou

How to set up and use a metal lathe for modding yo-yos and milling custom parts. **THU 4PM**

Making a Spin Top - Alan Grey

Learn to turn a Wooden Top on a wood lathe. **FRI 12NOON**

Iron Mod Contestants Meeting

Iron Mod contestants meeting. **FRI 1PM**

Intro to Wood Lathes and Turning- Alan Grey

Learn the basics of working with a wood lathe and using it to turn. Learn the skills that will later teach you how to mod and to use lathes safely. **FRI 2PM**

Making a Wooden Yo-Yo- Eric Wolff

Learn to make a one piece wooden yo-yo from start to finish. **SAT 12PM**

Iron Mod Contest: East Meets West

Eric Wolff and Alan Gray vs. Shinobu Konmoto and Yuumi Siga are turned loose on a workshop to mod three yo-yos from a secret ingredient to be announced when the battle begins. Find out whose mod reigns supreme. **SAT 3PM**

THEORETICAL YO-YOING

Performing for Libraries and Scout Groups

Dick Stohr teaches how to put together a program to present to libraries and Scout groups. **FRI 2PM**

Advance and Promote Yo-Yoing

A workshop and open discussion for players and their families to discuss the future of the sport. **THU 3PM**

Shooting Yo-Yo Videos

Mark McBride teaches ways to light and shoot your yo-yo videos in a way to make your footage better than ever. **FRI 3PM**

Making a Good Clip Video

Mark McBride gives you tips that might make your clip video the next viral video hit of the web. **FRI 12:NOON**

Basics of Freestyle Judging

World Yo-Yo Contest Judge Nathan Crissey de-mystifies how yo-yo freestyles at Worlds and other contests are scored. **SAT 12:NOON**

Hosting a Yo-Yo Event

Learn how to host a basic yo-yo contest. **SAT 1PM**

AP Division Discussion

AP Lead Judge Jack Finn leads a discussion on the future of the AP Division.class on freestyle judging. **FRI 11AM**

SKILLS

A Squared

Two yo-yos, one string, thousands of possibilities. John Huber teaches the basics of this exciting new style of yo-yo play. Two side bearing yo-yos recommended. **SAT 3PM**

Spintop Regeneration

Alan Grey teaches how to make a top spin & spin & spin & spi... **SAT 4PM**

Trick Innovation Roundtable

Got an amazing new concept that will dazzle the minds of the world's best players? Come show off your new stuff at this workshop lead by Andrew Bergen. **4PM FRI**

SPECIAL EVENTS

BaliYo Workshops

The BaliYo is a new toy that combines the moves of a butterfly knife with a safe pen. Perfectly balanced and ripe for the development of new skills, these workshops will take you through the basics of this skill toy and hopefully allow you to take it much further. Taught by Spiderco Specialists. **THU 2pm & SAT 2PM**

BREAKOUTS

A breakout is a place to trade tricks and tips. Everyone is the teacher, and everyone is the student.

Fixed Axle Breakout - Miguel Correa
SAT 11AM

1A Breakout - Mark Montgomery
SAT 1PM

2A Breakout
THU 4PM

3A Breakout - Paul Yath
FRI 2PM

4A Breakout - Andrew Bergen and Bryan Figueroa
FRI 1PM

5A Breakout - Jack Ringca
FRI 4PM

Top breakout - Matt Ritter
THU 4PM

Diabolo Breakout - Kyle Weems
FRI 1PM

SPECIAL MEETINGS

Coffee For Yo-Yo Parents and Spouses

Sarah Cohen will host a coffee hour for non-yo-yoing parents and spouses. Ask for directions at the registration booth. **Fri/Sat 10AM**

World yo-yo Associations Meeting

We are hoping to have a round table on the World Yo-Yo Contest with a representative from every recognized contest around the world. **SAT 4PM**

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SAT 3PM

Buddha Sleeper Contest!

This sideways sleeping contest is a test of endurance. Players use an offstring 'ripcord' start to get them underway. The record in competition is 6:30 (using no tools which if you were wondering, are not allowed). It is a test of endurance, a test of nerve and ultimately there can be only 1!

You can use any yo-yo using bearing hubs (Spikefly, L2, G5, FHZ with stack kit, etc.) **SAT 1PM**

Diabolo Ladder

Test your Diabolo skills in the Diabolo Ladder. Lead by Stupendous.

Freestyle SAT 11AM, Ladder THU 12:30PM

Wheel of Penalty

Mark McBride will lead this invitational contest where people have to freestyle to the rules of the wheel. PARENTS, Please supervise your children for this event.

Late Night Thursday

Salvation Army Freestyle

This is an invitational contest where you can bid on players to compete for you. You get the prizes, the Salvation army gets the money raised. **1:30 SAT**

Lucky's 15 Seconds of Fame

Do the best thing you can, the weirdest, the most creative, the one trick you know is yours and win the 15 seconds of fame.

THU 5PM at At Lucky's BBQ

F.A.S.T. Challenge - WIN A CAR

Win a car thanks to YoYoFactory. Enter the fast challenge at their booth during the event. Finals on Saturday night. **At the YYF booth**

Seeded Players for 2008 World Yo-Yo Contest

Australia

1A Kahli Evans

Brazil

1A Martin Tomanik
5A Fernando William

Czech Republic

1A Václav Kroutil

France

1A Hadrien Bennaceur

Germany

1A Dave Geigle
2A Dave Geigle

Hong Kong

1A Yu Pei Liew
4A Kin Lok Lee

Hungary

4A Nándor Gröger
1A Bálint Farkas

Italy

1A Lorenzo Sabatini
4A Lorenzo Sabatini

Japan

1A Hiroyuki Suzuki
2A Hiraku Fujii
3A Kazuma Ohno
4A Naoto Okada
5A Takeshi Matsuura

Mexico

1A Paul Kerbel
5A Paul Kerbel

Singapore

4A Lim Aik Hwee

USA

1A Yuuki Spencer
2A John Ando
3A Kentaro Kimura
4A Bryan Figueroa
5A Tyler Severance

Worlds 2007

1A Yuuki Spencer
2A Shinji Saito
3A Yuki Tanami
4A Eiji Okuyama
5A Tyler Severance

Schedule of Activity

The Salons are on the 2nd floor of the Rosen Plaza Hotel, right above the main hall.

	Main Hall	Salon 12	Salon 13	Salon 14
Thursday				
9:00	Registration Opens	TYJ Meeting		
10:00				
11:00	2A Preliminary Freestyles	AYYA World Record Testing		
11:30	5A Preliminary Freestyles			
12:00			Beginner 3A	Intro to Metal Lathes
12:30	1A Round 1 Preliminary Freestyles			
1:00	Diabolo Ladder	Beginner 4A	Beginning Yo-Yoing	Modding with Kyo
2:00	Beginning Top Throwing		BaliYo	
2:30	Combined Day 1			
3:00		Intro Juggling	Advance and Promote Yo-Yoing	Modding with a wood lathe
4:00		2A Breakout	Top Breakout	Modding with metal lathes
5:00	Lucky's BBQ			

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9:00	Registration Opens			
10:00	Coffee for Parents and Spouses *			
11:00	4A Prelims	Beginner 2A	AP Division Discussion	Modding with a wood lathe
12:00	Combined Day 2		Beginning Yo-Yoing	Making a Spin Top
12:30	3A Prelims/Yo-Yo Ladders			
1:00	1A Round 2	4A Breakout	Diabolo Breakout	Iron Chef Contestant Meeting
2:00		3A Breakout	Performing for Libraries and Scout Groups	Intro to wood lathes and turning
3:00		5A Breakout	Shooting Yo-Yo Videos	
4:00		Beginners Diabolo	Trick Innovation Roundtable	
5:00	Final call for 2A, 4A and 5A Freestyle Music			
7:00	Finals (2A, 4A, 5A)			

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11:00	Diabolo Freestyles	Beginner 5A	Fixed Axle Breakout	Making Wooden Yo-Yos
11:30				
12:00	Spintop Ladder	Beginning Yo-Yoing	Basics of Freestyle Judging	Yo-Yo Painting
12:30	Spintop Freestyles			
1:00	Buddha Sleeper	1A Breakout	Hosting a Yo-Yo Event	Beginning Metal Turning
	Salvation Army			
1:30	Invitational			
2:00		BaliYo	Meeting of National Yo-Yo Contests	
3:00		A Squared	Iron Chef of Modding	Iron Chef of Modding
4:00		Spintop Regeneration		
5:00	Final call for 2A, 4A and 5A Freestyle Music			
7:00	Finals (AP, 3A, FAST Challenge, 1A, Combined)			

IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

1. Music is due on CD-R by 10 AM on Thursday for Thursday preliminaries (2A, 5A, 1A round 1 and Combined Day 1). We plan to start collecting it on Wednesday night if you are available.
2. Music is due in by 4pm On Thursday for Friday freestyles.
3. Lucky's BBQ starts at 4PM with his contests starting at 5pm
4. If you have any questions about the Rules, track down Bill Deboisblanc or André Bouley.
5. Yo-Yo Mod entries are due in at the Registration Desk.

WORLDS BOOSTERS

We are starting a worlds boosters organization for people to help the World Yo-Yo Contest and to promote yo-yoing the year around. This meeting will take place on Saturday at 10am at the coffee for parents and spouses. If you are interested, please attend.

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Mark your calendars - We'll see you next year!



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