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## **"Road Rash" Provincial Champions**

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Going to the Worlds for the second consecutive year

## Cutting First Aid Prevention

What is the cost? Andrew Blaine

Should the WCB eliminate first aid examiners and privatize first aid prevention due to theCampbell Government cutbacks? At first, I assumed the worst consequences imaginable of the WCB eliminating examiners—substandard first aid training and bogus first aid training and bogus first aid examination practices. But when I listened to our first aid industry's representatives at the public hearing on April 30th addressing their concerns to the panel, my

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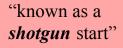


Tabiatha Meyer - winner, OFAAA award best individual performance



Road Rash - Lower Mainland Zone winners and Provincial champions L. to R. Marcel Moran, Deneen Sawchuk, Duke Greenstein, Mark Whyte

**Surrey, June 15, 2002.** The seven zone first aid champions from across our province met at the 45<sup>th.</sup> Annual



Provincial First Aid Competition today in friendly competition to decide who will represent British Columbia at the World competition this fall.

This year, all teams started at the same time [no waiting in lock-up] in what is known as a *shotgun* start. Each team started at a different scenario, rotating through each of seven locations during the morning allowing every team to be observed and judged handling each of the different scenarios. By all accounts, this type of competition start was favoured by both spectators and competitors alike. There was no time for spectators to become bored with seven locations active [one for each competing team].

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