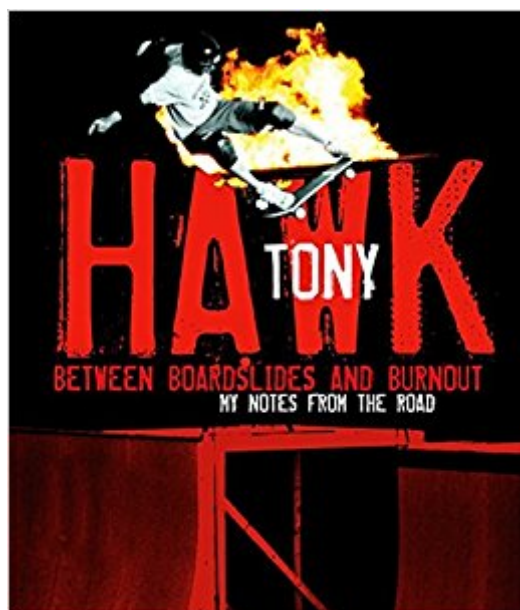


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# Between Boardslides And Burnout: My Notes From The Road



## Synopsis

With this all-access pass, Tony Hawk shares the joy, the exhaustion, the adrenaline, and the pain of life on the road. *Between Boardslides and Burnout* puts you right on the edge of the ramp and on the road with him -- from competitions to demos, to store openings, to autograph signings, to movie sets, and back home. Never before has a professional skateboarder offered such a complete look into his life -- and mind.

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## Customer Reviews

Beneath a scrim of grungy, distressed-looking design motifs, skateboarding superstar Hawk presents a tour diary of his most recent trips around the world, from the X-Games to the Fox Teen Choice Awards and back again. Written in the dopey drawl of the diehard extreme sportsman, Hawk's diary extols a lifestyle of predictable thrill-seeking (donut fights in the RV, singing along to gangsta rap), in the end painting a portrait of a nice guy with not very much to say. With less-than-gripping sentences such as "The course looked fun, so I decided to skate a little," and "The crowd was huge as we walked in, and the street demo was exciting," the diary is largely an excuse for splashy graphics and photography, neither of which are delivered to much effect. Many of the photos are merely headshots of Hawk in far-flung locales, and the design looks like *Raygun* magazine circa 1996 at best. In the wake of the recent skateboarding documentary *Dogtown and Z Boys*, however, which turned self-promotion into an extreme sport of its own, this volume may well find an audience in the desperately-sought-after youth market of wannabes. Copyright 2002 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Tony Hawk is the bestselling author of *Hawk: Occupation: Skateboarder*. In the 1999 X Games, Tony landed the first 900 degree arial turn in skateboarding history. A stunt he had been working on for years. He has released three video games for playstation: *Tony Hawk's Pro Skater*, *Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 2*, and *Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 3*. He lives in Carlsbad, California, with his wife and three children.

Skateboarding can sometime get a bit rough and crude - but this book is AOK family material. Great pictures.

I chose to read this particular book because I had read it when I was in elementary school and now that I am much older and have a better understanding of concepts stricter and other literacy subjects I wanted to test my knowledge and see if I what I could not have seen when I was elementary school. I basically wanted a different perspective on this book. I find that this book shows us the true stories and feelings of being on the road most of your life and touring around like a band essentially. The theme I found in this book was Life on the road has its ups and downs. I found textual evidence here "I did not know who pink was until I got there." This shows that life on the road has its ups and downs because you never know whom you are going to meet and the story that comes with them. In summary of it all the book goes deep into the life of Tony Hawk on the road and that he had his up and down for the entire trip but it was fun and would not trade his job for anything else. I also saw some new terms such as sketchy " ... he had one recovery from a sketchy landing ...", he used the word sketchy because it is a commonly used work in youth and others of a younger age and it means a bad or very hard to recover from looked scary. Then in reading some of the reviews I had to agree with one of them it was " I am personally a Tony Hawk fan and loves this book because it gives a real understanding of the person under the skate boarding star." I found this to be real because when you look at the book the author is tony hawk and he has all these side notes and pictures that you could only get from him, and I thought that was pretty cool. So in conclusion if you like Tony Hawk then this is the book for you I would recommend this to any Tony Hawk fan. TJHS 12th grade student

This book is a diary about Tony Hawk's world in the year 2000-2001. The brutal life of being on the road, non-stop commitments while performing, touring, entering events and competitions, filming movies and TV shows. He takes you on a visual tour to the X-games, his store grand opening, the

Gigantic Skatepark Tour, Ocean Beaches skatepark Design, getting his Lifetime Achievement Award and many more appearances! I am a young girl and I thought it was a little hard to read because of all the skateboard terms that I was not aware of. I found it interesting and quickly learned what a 360 flip to fakie was, a varial heelflip melon to fakie, stalefish 540, and a kickflip varial indy 360, with some of them named after his favorite stars. (Madonna & Sean Penn). I would recommend this book to any avid skateboarder that is aware of skateboard tricks and the names of them. I gave this book 4 stars because I love Tony Hawk and his inspiration that he gives others. He is an example of being a true friend, co-worker, father and husband. He is very grateful for all that he has and knows that it is his fans that have got him where he is today. This book is full of great photo's and awesome tricks! A must read for any Tony Hawk Fan!

Finally, a behind the scenes look at my favorite extreme sport figure. Not only do my kids love Tony BUT I LOVE TONY. He makes it all look so easy, but reading his tour diary gave me a real sense of what its like to be one of the top skateboarders. All those trips and award shows and broken bones and screaming mobs-- and the proud and loving father of his own kids, while bringing so much fun to everyone elses life. Maybe I shouldn't say this, but I remember Tony from when I was a kid. I used to skate around on my little yellow banana board. Thanks Tony for so many years of great fun, cool tricks and for the glimpse into your life. Keep it up! And GREAT PHOTOS!!! Sure to please your favorite skateboard fan!

this book is really great. i bought it because it has many pictures, it is very detailed, and it shows how difficult one day could be for the great Tony Hawk. Tony is a big inspiration to many people including me. So, if your child wants to read something that shows how much work they should put into a day, they should read this book and see how much Tony works for people every day. Anyone who likes skateboarding should buy this book.

The setting of this book is everywhere in the United States like California, Arizona, New York City, and Connecticut. But the setting is probably in California because thats the state that mostly appears in the pages. The conflick of the story is that Tony hardly gets to see his family because he is a professional skateboarder and he is also famous. He is always traveling around the world. Sometimes when he has some extra time in his schedual he can visit his faily for a couple of days. The plot of the story is that it first talked about Tony Hawk's 6 grade teacher. Next he filmed for the movie The New Guy. Tony had to do a stunt on a ramp. Last he went to the ESPN Action Sports

and Music Awards where he won an award.

This book displayed an exuberant amount of beauty and color about skateboarding as it is. He has been my idol since I first learned to walk and after reading this book it has brought up my hopes of being a carnie. I believe whoever reads this book will have the same opinion. It has changed my life's perspective on how tennis players are so awesome!!...oh by the way, Paige, you're hot

I just bought this book. It's got really cool pictures and Tony tells you all the things he does. He's really busy but gets to have fun riding a skateboard and meeting cool people. I was stoked on his first book and am very happy he did another one. If you are a real Hawk fan you should buy it.

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