

Powell Pro Rodney Jones

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You have been pretty busy, how are things going?

It is going great! Summers are always really busy. I travel alot. Plane rides are like car rides anymore. I work with good people who keep me really busy.

I know you enter alot of contests. Most recently the Mountain Dew contests, how did that go?

I missed the Dew Tour last year, and everyone let me know I was fucking up by not being there. They have alot of money up for grabs. i got 5th on the first stop and that qualified me for all six stops. It also paid \$4500. The next stop I blew it and came in 20th place and still got \$1100. They also have it set up so you get a bonus check for your overall ranking. Right now I am in 10th place.

Who are your current sponsors?

My sponsors are Powell Skateboards, Bones Wheels, Bones Bearings, Bill A Bong Clothing, Venture Trucks, Randoms Hardware, Dakine Backpacks, Anthem Footwear and Sun Diego board shop.

Are you stoked Bones has been building such a strong team, with the addition of Sheckler and all those guys?

Oh I love it. They are riding their own wheel promoting so you know what's up. Even if I didn't ride for Bones I would still skate their wheels, they are the best. Every shape and hardness you could want.

You just filmed a segment for Fuel TV, with Chris Pastras from Stereo, how was that?

Having a whole episode on me was just amazing. Also I had one of my idols interviewing me. Crazy. They picked me up in a town car. Powdered me up and it was on!

In all your travels, what's the craziest thing you've seen?

Everywhere I have traveled. I am so lucky I never thought I would see any of this. The craziest, is just how people live outside the United States. All the different cultures out there. I'll tell you this in the United States we have it made. Your worst day here is someone's best day ever in some of these places!

Any plans for the future?

I just turned in footage for the new Sun Diego vid. I am also filming for the new

Powell vid. We are starting a 3 week tour this Thursday. One week in Philly, on week at Woodward, and another week in N.Y.C. I'll also hop off the tour for a few days and do another Dew contest in Portland. Like I said summers get busy!

Good luck with all that. Any thank yous?

Thanks to everyone who helps me do what I love. Thanks to my parents. Thanks to you (Jason Chapman) for taking me under your wing when I was young. Most of all thanks to all the kids that support skateboarding!

