

## Product Reviews

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### Aggronautix

Tesco Vee Throblehead

[Aggronautix.com/Tescovee.com](http://Aggronautix.com/Tescovee.com)

The folks at Aggronautix have taken on the task of making bobblehead figures of punk rock's crudest characters. One of their first attempts is this 7" likeness of Meatmen frontman and Touch and Go Records founder Tesco Vee. Limited to just 1000 throbleheads (their word, not mine), this figure bears a striking resemblance to the Dutch Hercules. Dressed in ABBA clogs, white ABBA pants, a fur coat and a gold-trimmed, inverted pentagram t-shirt, little Tesco looks exactly how he does in real life. He's even flipping you off with one hand and gesturing toward his cock with the other. Classy. The only thing that would make this action figure more authentic would be if it came with a tiny microphone to insert into its tiny ass (or if it came with a miniature pink matador cap and a feather boa). It's perfect for your dashboard, but probably not safe for your work desk. And this is just the tip of the iceberg: Aggronautix is also selling a GG Allin throblehead, limited to 2000 shit-covered copies, and are planning to release a pair of Dwarves figures later this summer, which makes me wonder who they'll fabricate next. Brannon? Springa? Negative Approach fans should start sending in letters right now. Oh! And the head bobbles! Brilliant!

—James Bennett

### The Green Element

Organic Pirate Ship T-Shirt and Anchor Pantie

[Greenelementclothing.com](http://Greenelementclothing.com)

The Green Element makes a quality product and is doing something most entrepreneurs can't or won't in this economic slowdown. Their incorporation of water-based inks on 100 percent organic cotton should be acknowledged and given its place in the pantheon of really creative local businesses. Their shirts are very comfy—maybe that's due to the "feel good about your purchase" quality it embodies or because it actually is very comfortable. The print on the shirt SLUG received is probably outdated for most readers, though, considering that old-school piratetry boomed and busted in the late 18th Century and should be left there (you are not Johnny Depp in a shitty Disney movie, people). The logo and placement are really well done, it should be noted. The panties (as I experienced them) are very comfortable, too, but that is another subject entirely, and one more suited for an "adult" magazine. —JP

### Powell

Pro Ligament Deck

[Powellskateboards.com](http://Powellskateboards.com)

This deck is a phenom in the world of skateboarding. Right out of the package, you could already tell it was charged with some awesome powers. I was amazed at how much different it rode than any other previous deck I have ever feet. Inside every third layer of the deck is a ligament of polymer (although I am convinced it's some sort of super spider silk) that keeps the pop to the max over weeks and weeks, and it's almost completely water resistant. I couldn't believe it either, but figured give it the total shit treatment and throw it in any lingering puddle, crack it on purpose, and ride it through any sprinkler spray off in the street and the thing still could pop like a motha after all that suffering. On top of those miraculous features, the K-12 concave mold, allows any and all flip tricks to just manifest perfectly without the slightest of effort. This thing is fuckin' rad 'nuff said. — Adam Dorobiala

### Crucible Skateboards

8.75 Vert Deck

[Myspace.com/crucibleskateboards](http://Myspace.com/crucibleskateboards)

Coming straight out of So Cal to Salt Lake City is a product that I had only been dreaming about—time for my dream to be crushed. I always thought wider is better, but really when it came to flipping this beast, I definitely had some problems. Then again, the deck is made for VERT skating and I don't really get horizontal, if ya know what I mean. I am sure that Jeb and Park (local pool shredders and more) would love this deck! The wood is

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amazing and the shape is ridiculously perfect for that type of skating. It is just too big for my size—11 peds. But for those local shops out here that kill it with bigger decks, think about getting these in. Despite the graphic, this deck is perfect. They have two sizes to offer and not much else. Maybe one day they'll beef up the program and have more sizes, but we'll see. – Hehshun

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