

This is the winter to give it a shot. Omni-boarders Tom Sims getting a better feel of things.

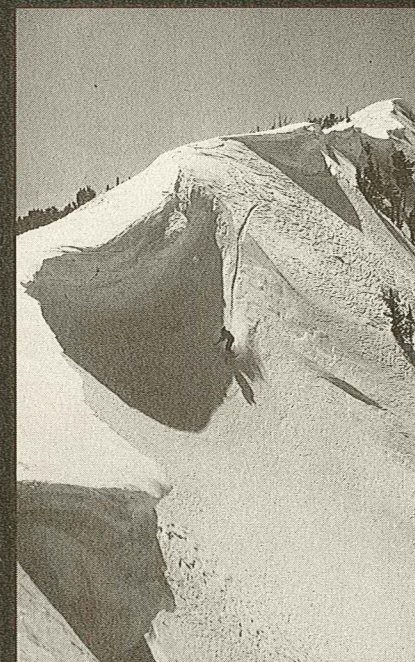
"The real fools are those too scared to look foolish."

"Sure you can ski . . . but can you do anything else to tap the snow's unlimited juice?" Terry Pearson quenching on acquired thirst.

STICK IT

Get on board!

by D. David Morin



"Getting discouraged is your head's fault, not your body's. Anyone can learn if you open your mind." Richard Palmer dropping in from behind the peak goes under the lip on a new free stick.

Decide. Either go for it this winter or miss out. Tune in or drop out. Drop in or tune out. Get it on or get it off. Try it or blow it. Experience it or look back with regret. Do it or skip it. You can only blame yourself.

Snowboarding is happening. Are you? Hot dog skiers are a dime a dozen. Thrashing the bumps is tired already. Two skis, two poles and two heavy, stiff boots is too much. Where's the freedom? Extra appendages equals loss of touch, even reality. Sure you can ski . . . but can you do anything else to tap the snow's unlimited juice? Think about it.

Learning to walk isn't easy. Balance, momentum, and footing is acquired

by trial and error. Same with snowboarding. It takes time to stay on your feet. Both are freeing. Both take practice. Doing only what you already have wired can lead to a life on all fours. Being a venturer is required to get the most out of life. When you're a kid it's easy to be patient. You know you're too old when you're too hip to try something new for shame's sake. "Too cool to fall" status is crippling. The real fools are those too scared to look foolish.

Snowboarding is not an easy sport. Neither is skiing. Neither is skating. Neither is surfing. But all have unreal rewards for those open enough to attempt. It's hot to be good at

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"Doing only what you already have wired can lead to a life on all fours." Jake Carpenter, a master who had to crawl before he could jam.

something, but it's cooler to try something new. This winter the snowboard awaits to be tapped. Gravity is gravity. Utilization comes through experimentation. Experimentation comes through the bravery to try and the humility to error. A kook isn't a guy who falls. The real geek is the guy who won't try at all. Learning is as fun as you want to make it. Getting discouraged is your head's fault, not your body's. Anyone can learn if you open your mind. Use your mistakes, don't waste them.

If you relate to flow sports and going with it, snowboarding is you. All board sports are related, as one influences another. (e.g., surfing influences skating, now skating

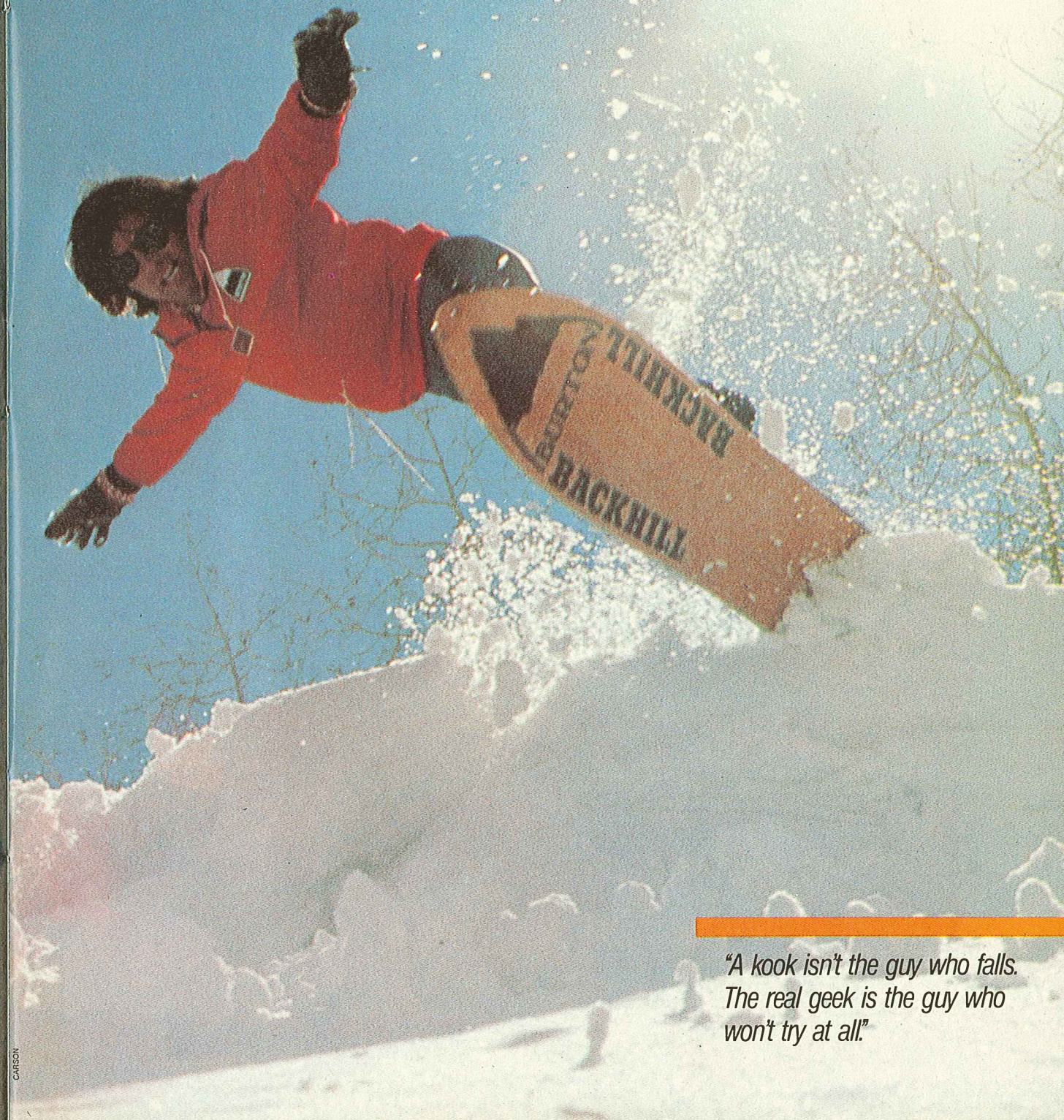
influences surfing.) Snowboarding entails the balance used in all board sports and puts it on a fresh medium, snow. Skiers and boarders alike can indulge in winter's most freeing sport. Snowboards are way cheaper than ski gear and offer funner transport. Only the underground have it mastered already, the rest of us must learn to walk. But this is the winter to try it. This is the year to take physical notes. Universal board principles are to be applied to the playgrounds of snow. You may not have caught up, but are you at least catching on? Before this winter is over, get on board. Stick it! And if at first you're forced to bail, stick it out. You gotta learn to walk before you can wail. *IN*

"You may not have caught up, but are you at least catching on?" Multi-boarder David Carson surfs a fresh terrain.




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"Experience it or look back with regret." Jake Carpenter riding on the new attitudes of this decade: It's cooler to try something new. Heavy thrashage a la snowboard.



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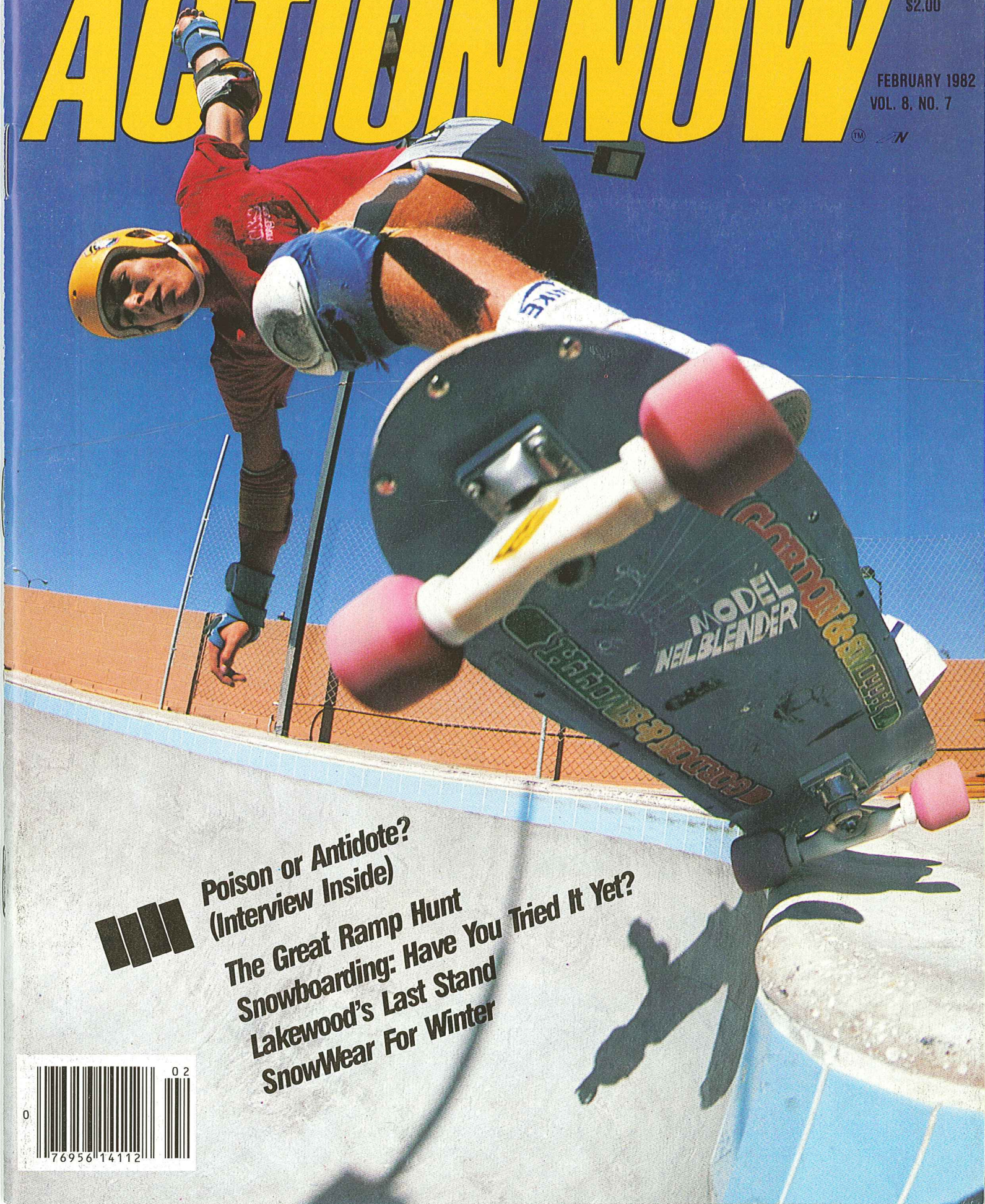
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