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SC. 1 - EXT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - DAY

PUSH IN on the Cutie Mark Crusaders club house as we hear <A GAVEL BANG>...

SC. 2 - INT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - SAME

At the podium up front, SCOOTALOO bangs her gavel. A large poster of RAINBOW DASH hangs on the wall behind her.

220 221

1 SCOOTALOO
Order, order everypony! I hereby
call to order this meeting of the
Rainbow Dash Fan Club!

The room of FANS quiets down.

ANGLE FROM OUTSIDE THROUGH THE WINDOW: it's RAINBOW DASH herself, spying on them through the open clubhouse window, enjoying the attention as always.

2 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
First order of business:
(run-on, quickly)
Let's-celebrate-the-one-and-only-
Rainbow Dash-"Yay"-she's-amazing-
now-if-there's-nothing-else-that-
concludes-this-meeting-of-the-
Rainbow-Dash-Fan-Club-thank-you-all-
for-coming-any-questions?

<GAVEL BANGS>. REVERSE: The RD fans stare at her, confused.

3 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
Meeting adjourned!

OUTSIDE: Rainbow Dash is SUPER-confused.

INSIDE: Scootaloo PUSHES the confused crowd out the door, then goes back to the podium. She takes a DEEP BREATH, then hangs up a NEW POSTER right on top of Rainbow Dash's poster! (To be later identified, but design note: it's the WASHOUTS POSTER).

Scootaloo <BANGS THE GAVEL>, then stares up at the new poster with reverence.

224 225

4 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
Now I'd like to call to order the
FIRST EVER meeting of the newest
and most exciting club... of which
I am the president, founding, and
only member... THE WASHOUTS FAN
CLUB!

226 227

Off Rainbow Dash's jaw dropping--

END TEASER

MAIN TITLESACT ONE

SC. 3 - INT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - DAY

Picking up where we left off, Rainbow Dash bursts in...

73 74

5 RAINBOW DASH
Oh, hey Scootaloo, I was just in
the neighborhood and, oh, what's
this? Did I interrupt your fan club
meeting?

Scoot tries to hide the poster, taking it down ASAP and
hiding it behind the podium.

228 229

6 SCOOTALOO
Heeeey...! What are you doing here?

230 231

73 74

7 RAINBOW DASH
(accusatory)
I could ask you the same question!

229

8 SCOOTALOO
(fumfering)
Oh, you know... Stuff... Definitely
not starting a new fan club or
anything.

231

73 74

9 RAINBOW DASH
HA! It's no use pretending. I heard
everything when I was outside
eavesdropping like I do for every
meeting!

79

229

10 SCOOTALOO
You eavesdrop on every meeting?
That's... weird.

231

234 235

73 74
↓ ↓

11 RAINBOW DASH
Well, sure it *sounds* weird when you say it out loud. And I probably shouldn't because eavesdropping is wrong-- but still... Why are you starting a new fan club?!

77 78
↓ ↓

Scoot tries to soften the blow but it sounds like she's breaking up...

229 231
↓ ↓

12 SCOOTALOO
I just think maybe it's time for me to explore... other fan clubs.

Rainbow Dash gets behind the podium and unfurls Scootaloo's poster. She makes a confused face looking at it.

THE POSTER: a fiery-uniformed pony wearing two fireworks strapped to her back like a JETPACK, soaring through a ring of flames.

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73 74
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229 231
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73 74
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229 231
↓ ↓

13 RAINBOW DASH
What is a-- "The Washouts?"

14 SCOOTALOO
Only the newest and greatest and ONLY stunt troupe in Equestria!

15 RAINBOW DASH
Stunt troupe!?

16 SCOOTALOO
How can I explain it...? Like the Wonderbolts, just TWENTY BAJILLION PERCENT COOLER.

17 RAINBOW DASH
Twenty bajillion?!

18 SCOOTALOO
They do all sorts of extreme stunts that focus on daredevilry and sheer guts, rather than boring old flight-and-formation junk.

19 RAINBOW DASH
Boring old flight and formation junk!?

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↓

20 SCOOTALOO
Are you just repeating everything I say?

232 233
↓ ↓

73 74 75
 229 231

21 RAINBOW DASH
 Only because my brain feels like
 it's strapped to one of those
 rockets about to explode.

22 SCOOTALOO
 Heck yeah-- so you do get it!
 Aren't they awesome?

Off Rainbow Dash's stunned reaction...

SC. 4 - EXT. PONYVILLE - DAY

Rainbow Dash walks with the Mane 6 through Ponyville.

80 81 83

23 RAINBOW DASH
 Can you believe she actually said
 that!?

24 PINKIE PIE
 Well, yeah, eavesdropping on every
 meeting is kinda weird...

3AB 4AB 5

80 81 83

25 RAINBOW DASH
 I mean she basically said that the
 Wonderbolts aren't cool!
 (trying to downplay it)
 And it kinda sounded like she
 didn't think I was cool either, but
 psh, we all know that's crazy. I
 mean, I am definitely not worried
 about her looking up to somepony
 else. Nope. Not. At. ALL.

85

26 APPLEJACK
 Well I'd understand if you were.
 It'd be like if Apple Bloom started
 lovin' bananas more than apples!
 Hahaha!

<WHIP-CRACK> and punch in on Applejack.

27 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
 Y'all tell me if that ever happens,
 you hear?

Meanwhile, Rarity tries to sound as mature as possible...

6 7 8 9 10
 | | | | |
 ↓
 28 RARITY
 The little ones grow up so fast...
 I'll never forget the first time
 Sweetie Belle said she didn't like
 one of my designs-- although the
 hat was a tri-folded sheer pillbox
 with a silk sash cross-over, so she
 was wrong and I corrected her.

Rainbow Dash's bravado bubble pops and she starts sulking...

82 83
 ↓ ↓
 29 RAINBOW DASH
 But what could the Washouts
 possibly have that I don't?!

Pinkie Pie pops up holding a WASHOUTS SHOW POSTER:

↓ ↓
 30 PINKIE PIE
 Why don't you find out??

They all inspect THE POSTER: A helmeted/goggled pony in
 bright red/orange flamed uniform getting into a cannon.

82 83
 | |
 31 RAINBOW DASH
 They're doing a show in Ponyville
 this weekend!?

293 294
 | |
 32 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
 Wow... they do look pretty amazing--
 (off RD's glare) --ly unamazing...
 Trying so hard to look amazing, is
 what I mean.

102 33
 | |
 33 PINKIE PIE
 (sotto "whisper" that
 everypony can obviously hear)
 NICE SAVE, TWILIGHT!

<WASHOUTS ANTHEM> plays as we PUSH IN on the POSTER and...

DISSOLVE TO:

SC. 5 - EXT. A FIELD OUTSIDE OF PONYVILLE - DAY

...A GIANT WASHOUTS FLAG, blowing in the wind above a field
 (maybe re-use the venue from MLP607, "Newbie Dash.") The
 stands are packed.

The Mane 6 make their way up the bleachers, with Scootaloo
 coming with Rainbow Dash. They're looking for seats, but it's
 crowded. The top row has empties...

236 237

34 SCOOTALOO
I knew we should have lined up last night.

239 (240)

12 (13)

35 PINKIE PIE
I'm sorry for making us late-- who would have guessed X-TREME CHOCOLATE AIR SHOW CUPCAKES would take an... x-tremely long time to bake?

35A

Pinkie scarfs down a chocolate cupcake with flame-shaped frosting.

80 (88)

36 RAINBOW DASH
Look at this-- it's a total Wonderbolts rip-off!

237 (3)

37 SCOOTALOO
What do you mean-- the show hasn't even started yet!

(238)

85 (88)

38 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah but look at what we're sitting on.

38A

They all look at her confused. Finally...

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39 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Helllllllooo! The Wonderbolts have bleachers too. We practically invented sitting on bleachers.

39A

Rarity and Applejack exchange an eye roll.

40 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
And look at that-- popcorn and cotton candy? RIP-OFFFFFFF!

The ponies in front of them (Lyra/Bon-Bon?) give Rainbow Dash a look, then go back to sharing their popcorn. Then everypony's attention turns to the field as <ROCK INTRO MUSIC> begins. Scootaloo goes NUTS, causing Rainbow Dash to react, covering her ears.

40A

ANGLE ON SPEAKERS:

15 16 (17)

41 ANNOUNCER PONY (V.O.)
(echoing)
This is the time. This is the place. This is the team...

87 88

42 RAINBOW DASH
(imitating)
"This is the..."
(trying to come up with a
good burn but fails)
...lame.

18 19 20

43 ANNOUNCER PONY (V.O.)
THIS IS... THE WASHOUTS!

ON THE FIELD, CONFETTI CANNONS <BOOM>. Pinkie nods,
impressed...

21 AB 22

44 PINKIE PIE
Quality confetti cannon work.

FLAMING HOOPS light up around the ground. Gears turn,
activating an obstacle-course-like series of SMASHING
PLATFORMS.

87 88

45 RAINBOW DASH
Whoa...

24 2 AB

46 SCOOTALOO
Oh yeah.

243

Two FIREWORK FOUNTAINS explode as A PAIR OF GOGGLED,
UNIFORMED WASHOUTS gallop onto the field. The crowd goes
wild.

24 AB 25

47 ANNOUNCER PONY (V.O.)
Say it with me now, the Washout's
official motto...

Announcer

26 27 28

48 SCOOTALOO / EVERYPONY / ANNOUNCER
"LEAP BEFORE YOU LOOK!"

244 245

295

Dash rolls her eyes. A THIRD UNIFORMED (and HELMETED - we
will later reveal this is LIGHTNING DUST) WASHOUT appears and
hops into a giant sling shot (think: Roadrunner style).

As Dash stares in shock, the first two pull the third back in
the slingshot and let go-- SPROING!

The Helmeted Washout tucks her wings, leaning her body
through the air like a missile, then lands on a TRAMPOLINE,
that sends her back toward the other two - now on SEESAWS
angled toward each other. The third Washout lands and propels
them upward, through a series of flaming hoops.

At the top of their arcs the pair sail over a FLAMING OLYMPIC-
STYLE TORCH and each light a SPARKLER after which they flip
onto a platform behind a HUGE CANNON - using their sparklers
to LIGHT THE FUSE!

48B

48C

48D

51A

51B

29ABC 216
[GASPS] from the crowd.

92ABC
Rainbow Dash's jaw drops. Twilight Sparkles notices, amused, and closes it for her. It falls back open.

THE CANNON FIRES! Sending the Helmeted Washout BLASTING out. She does a flip in the air and angles back to the ground, where she tucks and SOARS right above the grassy field... heading into the CRUSHER COURSE. Giant spiked platforms POUND the ground in asynchronous rhythm... as the Helmeted Washout heads right toward them.

93ABC
PUSH IN ON RAINBOW DASH... Amazed.

The Washout SOARS through the crusher course, barely dodging the crushing platforms. Dash finds herself nodding...

49 RAINBOW DASH
Come on... come on.....!

FLAME CANNONS fire-- but the Washout dodges them.

50 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
I don't believe it!!!

One last spiked platform-- the biggest of all-- closing... inching shut as The Washout approaches... but it's closing...

Rainbow Dash grabs Scootaloo...

51 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
She's not gonna make it....!

The platforms SLAMS SHUT! The whole audience (including Dash)
<GASP>!

But THE WASHOUT BLASTS OUT AT THE LAST SECOND! Dash jumps onto Scootaloo's shoulders and pumps her hoof in the air---

52 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
THAT WAS INSANE!!! WOOWOO!

53 SCOOTALOO
I TOLD YOU!

54 RAINBOW DASH
(quickly composing herself)
I mean... it was pretty cool.
(then to herself)
Who are these guys...?

SC. 6 - EXT. A FIELD OUTSIDE OF PONYVILLE - AFTER THE SHOW

Down on the field, two exhausted Washouts, ROLLING THUNDER and SHORT FUSE, meet up and take off their helmets/goggles. Rolling Thunder ices her leg--on an actual block of ice.

IN THE STANDS, ponies head for the exits. Except for Rainbow Dash, who leads Scootaloo through the crowd toward the Washouts.

55 SCOOTALOO
I can't just go up and TALK to them!

56 RAINBOW DASH
You can if you're with me. After all, one of the reasons there's a Rainbow Dash fan club is because I'm fearless... when it comes to flying and social awkwardness. Observe.

Rainbow Dash approaches the Washouts.

57 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Heyyyyyyy!

The Washouts turn and stare at Rainbow Dash. <AWKWARD COUGH>.

58 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Ah... so... as a fellow aerobatic professional, I really enjoyed your show. Heh, actually, you might recognize me since I am...
(sotto)
"pause for dramatic effect..."
(then)
A Wonderbolt.

The Washouts <LAUGH>.

59 ROLLING THUNDER
Join the club!

Dash looks to Scootaloo like: ??? She just smiles as Rolling Thunder begins rolling a bandage around her leg.

60 RAINBOW DASH
Okayyyyyyyy...

A tense moment. Then Scootaloo leans into frame by Dash.

252 253 71 SCOOTALOO 291 (255)
Scootaloo-- I'm Scootaloo. Hi. |
71A 101A 102A 103A Rainbow Dash's eyes narrow... <ACT OUT MUSIC> and FADE OUT.

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 7 - EXT. A FIELD OUTSIDE OF PONYVILLE - RESUME

Scootaloo watches with rapt attention as Rainbow Dash talks to Lightning Dust.

103 104 72 RAINBOW DASH
Lightning Dust... I should have
known you were the brains behind a
crazy idea like the Washouts. Or
should I say "lack of brains."

296 257 73 SCOOTALOO
You two really know each other!?

73A 168A 169A 170A Lightning Dust glares at Dash and nods.

74 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
OH MY GOSH THIS IS SO COOL!

158 159 75 LIGHTNING DUST
Your friend got me kicked out of
the Wonderbolts.

256 257 76 SCOOTALOO (258)
Oh-- that's-- less cool-- um--

Scootaloo's eyes widen as Lightning Dust steps up to Rainbow Dash, maybe looking for a fight. Dash raises her chin, not backing down. They're eye to eye... but then Lightning Dust cracks a huge grin and embraces Dash in a tight hug.

158 159 160 77 LIGHTNING DUST
And it was the best thing that ever
happened to me! Great to see you,
"Wing Pony!" I heard you're a full-
fledged Bolt now!

103 104 78 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, well, I'm still--

158 160 161

79 LIGHTNING DUST
Mad at me? Look-- was it wrong of me to endanger the lives of your friends? Yes. But hey-- now I only endanger these knuckleheads!

(163)

<CHUCKLES> from Rolling Thunder and Short Fuse.

80 LIGHTNING DUST (CONT'D)
Come on, you know you miss me...
(to Scootaloo)
Me and her? We blew everypony out of the sky.

259A

81 SCOOTALOO
Really?!

82 LIGHTNING DUST
Actually yeah, really-- all that wind was totally dangerous-- but we had fun, right? Two fastest times on the Dizzitron...

162 (163)

103 (104)

83 RAINBOW DASH
If I remember correctly, I had you beat by half a second...

84 LIGHTNING DUST
Only because when I went, I cranked up the dizziness factor!

162 163 169 170 171

They share a <LAUGH> at the memory.

103 104

85 RAINBOW DASH
Well, I'm glad it all worked out-- your show was pretty dynamite.

Lightning Dust approaches Scootaloo, who looks amazed to be talking to her (new) hero...

86 LIGHTNING DUST
Wanna know the secret? We basically ignore everything the Wonderbolts ever taught us about safety.

162 163 164

Dash follows suit so they're on either side of Scootaloo-- fighting over her... *METAPHORICALLY SPEAKING!!!!!!*

103 104

87 RAINBOW DASH
Welllll, we do have safety rules for a reason...

164 166

88 LIGHTNING DUST
Don't listen to her, kid. All their "rules" were just ways of keeping their little club exclusive so they could feel good about themselves.

103 104

89 RAINBOW DASH
It's not about making anypony feel bad-- it's about finding the best flyers. The best of the best.

109

Dash misses the sad look on Scootaloo's face on hearing that, or the way Scootaloo's eyes filled with hope on hearing Lightning Dust's rebuttal...

164 166

90 LIGHTNING DUST
I started the Washouts because I believe anypony can be the best of the best.

Scootaloo's eyes sparkle in awe. Lightning Dust considers Rolling Thunder massaging his bandaged leg...

165 166

91 LIGHTNING DUST (CONT'D)
You know... Rolling Thunder is gonna be out for a while...

92 ROLLING THUNDER
During the finale, I caught the ol' hind leg in the Crushinator Jaws of Smash-a-lot, patent pending.

46 47 48

93 LIGHTNING DUST
There's a spot on the team if you want to join up.

167 168

93A Scootaloo <GASPS>!

103 104 105 106

94 RAINBOW DASH
I appreciate the offer, but I'm already a Wonderbolt.

108

260 261

95 SCOOTALOO
(then, excited)
I'll do it! Can I do it?!

103 105

96 RAINBOW DASH
Lemme think: no?

260 261

97 SCOOTALOO
I wasn't asking you.

262 263

172 173
 103 105
 260 263
 174 AB 175 AC
 100A
 Lightning Dust laughs, but Rainbow Dash is horrified.
 103 105
 260
 103 105
 176 AB
 107
 264
 265
 106

98 LIGHTNING DUST
 You're cute. But technically, you haven't "washed out" of the Bolts, which is kinda... our thing.

99 RAINBOW DASH
 And also... "NooooOOoOoo!?"

100 SCOOTALOO
 What if I joined and dropped out super-quick!?

101 RAINBOW DASH
 That's it. You're coming with me...
 Rainbow Dash tugs Scootaloo away.

102 SCOOTALOO
 Ow ow ow ow! Where are we going!?

103 RAINBOW DASH
 To hear what the actual Wonderbolts think about you joining just to drop out for the Washouts.

Lightning Dust calls after them with a grin:

104 LIGHTNING DUST
 Say hi to Spitfire for me!

CUT TO:

SC. 8 - EXT. WONDERBOLT ACADEMY - LATER

BLUE SKY AND CLOUDS. A tight formation of Wonderbolts RIPS through an impossible-seeming series of twists and turns in the air, punching holes through clouds, leaving trails across the blue sky.

They land one by one, skidding to a stop inches from Scootaloo, who watches the whole thing, kinda bored.

110 111 112
 266 267

105 RAINBOW DASH
 Ever seen two simultaneous inverse displacement rolls before?

106 SCOOTALOO
 Woulda been cooler through a Crushinator Jaws of Smash-a-lot, patent pending.

111 112
 107 RAINBOW DASH
 You... What?!...
 (to Spitfire)
 This is what I was telling you
 about...!?

49 50
 108 SPITFIRE
 I got this.

After a WINK to Rainbow Dash, Scootaloo is nervous to see
 Spitfire step toward her, her shadow moving across her face.

109 SPITFIRE (CONT'D)
 You know what happens when
 something goes wrong with the
 Crushinator Jaws of Smash-a-lot?

111 112
 110 RAINBOW DASH
 (a la Spitfire, adding...)
 "...Patent pending?"

49 50
 111 SPITFIRE
 (right in Scootaloo's face)
You end up in a full-body-wing-and-
hoof cast drinkin' through a straw!

268 269
 11A
 Scootaloo <GULPS>. RD looks to Spitfire. She wasn't expecting
 this much intensity.

268 269
 112 SCOOTALOO
 But with enough practice...

Rainbow Dash shakes her head-- no, just stop talking! But--

49 50 51
 113 SPITFIRE
Practice!? Well la-dee-doodle-da!
 Let me give you a different
 scenario. You're probably saying to
 yourself, "I'm young, I'm strong--
 I'm gonna go out there and "stunt"
 some "tricks" with my new friend
 Lightning Dust. Well, I'm here to
 tell you if you play that game,
 you're gonna find out it's pretty
 hard to stunt tricks in a full-body-
wing-and-hoof cast drinkin' through
a straw.

112
 114 RAINBOW DASH
 I think she gets the point--

49 50
 115 SPITFIRE
 --I'M NOT FINISHED!
 (gentle, inviting)
 (MORE)

49 (50)
↓
270 (271)
↓
495 (50)

SPITFIRE (CONT'D)
Listen, I get it, kid. I used to be just like you. Tellin' myself: "I'm gonna touch the sky!"

116 SCOOTALOO
I don't-- I don't say that--

117 SPITFIRE
Well WHOOP-DEE-DOODLE-DOO! You think you got it made in the shade?! Well, things are gonna be pretty shady indeed when you can't go out in the sun cause you're in a full-body-wing-and-hoof cast drinkin' through a straw. DO I MAKE MYSELF CLEAR?!

(54)

Sounds like "pretty shitty" edit from take (50)

117A [272 273 (274)] Scootaloo nods super-quickly. Rainbow Dash encourages her to nod faster and she does.

118 SPITFIRE (CONT'D)
Excellent. Have a hat.

She puts an ill-fitting Wonderbolts cap on Scootaloo's head.

SC. 9 - EXT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - LATER

IN THE SKY, we find Rainbow Dash with Scootaloo on her back.

114 (112)
↓
275 (276)

119 RAINBOW DASH
Sorry. That was a little... intense.

120 SCOOTALOO
(still shaken up)
A little?

ANGLE ON: the ground below the club house, as dust begins to blow around, heralding the landing of Rainbow Dash. As Scootaloo gets off and dusts herself off...

114 (112)
↓
275 276

121 RAINBOW DASH
I just want to make sure you don't get hurt. That way you can follow in my hoofsteps. Everypony's dream, right?

122 SCOOTALOO
(kind of annoyed, sarcastic)
More like "follow your wing-flaps."

(277) (5)

123 RAINBOW DASH
Same difference.

275 (276)

124 SCOOTALOO
(even more sarcastic)
Thanks, "super-talented flyer," for
clearing up what I should do.

111 112
111 112

125 RAINBOW DASH
(oblivious)
Hey, clearing things up is one of
my specialties. Now come on, let's
go rip up all your Washouts posters
into tiny pieces and throw 'em off
a cliff.

(115)

Rainbow Dash heads up into the CMC clubhouse.

SC. 10 - INT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - DAY

Rainbow Dash enters the club house, gathering up the Washouts
paraphernalia as she talks, not realizing she's all alone...

116 118
116 118

126 RAINBOW DASH
You know? I just thought of a great
way to raise awareness for your
original fan club-- the one about
me. How about a silent auction
where every item is just a picture
of yours truly? Haha, nahhh, I'm
just kidding-- that makes me seem
too egotistical, doesn't it? OH,
but maybe if they're framed it's
like, wow, she is so humble, you
think?

Rainbow Dash looks up to see... there's no one with her.

SC. 11 - EXT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - DAY

Rainbow Dash pokes her head out the door to see no sign of...

127 RAINBOW DASH
Scootaloo...?

CUT TO:

SC. 12 - EXT. PONYVILLE - LATER

Ponies strolling the streets duck as Rainbow Dash zooms past,
flying low and fast, calling out and looking around.

119 120
119 120

128 RAINBOW DASH
Scootaloo!? Anypony seen Scootaloo!?

128A

She's so busy looking left and right that she flies right into Twilight Sparkle, who was flying the other way--

119 120⁹

129 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
My fault, my fault-- sorry, I--
Twilight!

299 300

130 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Sorry, I was just... um-- it's not
what it looks like.

301

Rainbow Dash looks down to see Twilight gathering up WASHOUTS
SWAG, including a SIGNED POSTER!

119 120

131 RAINBOW DASH
Please tell me you got that stuff
so you could rip it up and throw it
off a cliff.

299 300

132 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
They were doing an autograph
session before practice...

302

119 120⁹

133 RAINBOW DASH
(rolls her eyes)
Seriously? Ugh. You haven't seen
Scoot, have you?

299 300

134 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Actually...

Off Twilight's hesitant look, wishing she didn't have to
tell...

SC. 13 - EXT. SKY - DAY

Dash and Twilight fly together toward the show field.

122⁹ 123⁹

135 RAINBOW DASH
I can't believe Scootaloo ditched me
to watch them practice! Why can't she
see how dangerous they are!?

126

303

136 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's kind of the whole draw. It's
exciting.

304

122⁹ 123

137 RAINBOW DASH
But it's like the harder I try to
convince Scoot they're dangerous,
the more she likes them.

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 303
 138 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
 You can't control her actions, only yours. Teach her what's safe and what isn't, like a good role model, then hope she makes the right decisions.

122 123
 139 RAINBOW DASH
 But what if she chooses them over me? She's going to get hurt.

PUSH IN ON TWILIGHT, being as sympathetic to RD as she can...

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 140 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
 I think I know somepony else who might get hurt if that happens...

Dash looks to Twilight and her expression drops, realizing.

122 123
 141 RAINBOW DASH
 You're right. But this isn't about me. I'm just worried about Scoot.

SC. 14 - EXT. FIELD OUTSIDE OF PONYVILLE - DAY

Washouts practice! Lightning Dust is planning a stunt on a coach's whiteboard with little X's and O's. Short Fuse comes over, eating a sandwich...

55 56
 142 SHORT FUSE
 Wow, you're really working hard on this new stunt.
 (after taking a bite)
 WHAT KIND OF SORRY EXCUSE FOR A TOMATO SANDWICH IS THIS!???

They look up, hearing the <ROAR> of... Rainbow Dash, soaring above them. She skids to a landing, looking around, craning her neck, etc. Twilight following behind.

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 143 LIGHTNING DUST
 Sorry Dash-- autograph session's over. Unless you want to buy Short Fuse's limited-edition half-eaten tomato sandwich.

55 56
 144 SHORT FUSE
 I'M NOT SIGNING THAT ABOMINATION!!!

127 130
 145 RAINBOW DASH
 I'll pass anyway. You haven't seen Scootaloo have you?

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146 LIGHTNING DUST
(enjoying this, pretending
to think really hard)
Isn't she that pony who used to
respect you...?

182 (183)

Twilight gives RD a shake of the head-- don't take the bait.

127 128 128b

147 RAINBOW DASH
(fighting to stay calm)
I'd appreciate you helping me find
her... so I can apologize for
trying to make her quit liking you.

(129)

184 (185)

148 LIGHTNING DUST
(chuckles)
Oh, I'm pretty sure she still likes
us.

148A The Washouts all <LAUGH> Rainbow Dash is confused. Lightning
Dust gestures over to one of the Washouts in full uniform,
goggles, and helmet. She takes off her helmet to reveal...

IT'S SCOOTALOO AND SHE'S A WASHOUT!

Off Dash's look of horror we...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 15 - EXT. FIELD OUTSIDE OF PONYVILLE - RESUME

Dash stares at Scootaloo in shock.

132b (133)

149 RAINBOW DASH
Lightning Dust, I know we go way
back, but I can't let her do this.

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150 SCOOTALOO
I don't need you standing up for
me.

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151 RAINBOW DASH
Obviously you do, because you can't
see how dangerous this is. Do you
not remember what Spitfire said?

(135)

186 187 (188)

152 LIGHTNING DUST
Ugh, lemme guess (doing her best
Spitfire) "You'll be in a full-body-
wing-and-hoof cast drinkin' through
a straw!"

282AB

152A

Scootaloo <LAUGHS>

132 133⁴

153 RAINBOW DASH
That doesn't even sound like Spitfire.
(putting Scootaloo on her back)
That's it, we're leaving--

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Scootaloo surprises Dash by jumping off...
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154 SCOOTALOO
Just because I look up to you doesn't mean I have to be you!

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155 RAINBOW DASH
I never said that--!

156 SCOOTALOO
--but based on your definition of what makes somepony great, I have bad news: I'll NEVER be the "best of the best", or a Wonderbolt because I CAN'T FLY. Is that what you wanted to hear?

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Rainbow Dash feels the sting of what she says.

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157 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
...But not being able to fly doesn't mean I can't do something awesome, like strapping my scooter to a multi-stage liquid-fuel rocket and jumping twenty wagons lined up in front of a roaring crowd...

305AB

158 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That was awfully specific.

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159 LIGHTNING DUST
...that's cause it's what she'll be doing in the show tonight.
(a wink to Twilight)
Half-off for Princesses-- bring your friends.

Twilight ignores that, stepping up.

160 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Scootaloo, are you sure that's what you really want to do?

307AB

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161 SCOOTALOO
Absolutely.
(to Dash)
(MORE)

29 (2926) SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
 And there's nothing you can do to stop me!
 Hurt, Rainbow Dash casts a look to Twilight. Then...

132 (1333) 162 RAINBOW DASH
 You're right. I can't stop you.
 You're your own foal and you have to make your own decisions.

29 (292) 163 SCOOTALOO
 Good. Because I already have.

Lightning Dust literally takes Scootaloo under her wing, guiding her away from Rainbow Dash, who watches sadly. Lightning Dust glances back with a smirk and WINKS, which only makes Rainbow Dash shake her head, defeated. OFF HER DEFEATED FACE...

SC. 16 - EXT. FIELD OUTSIDE OF PONYVILLE - DAY OF THE SHOW

Crowds begin filling the stands. The Mane 6 (minus Rainbow Dash) look for seats, a la the first show, going to the top.

60 (61) 164 PINKIE PIE
 I'm sorry for making us late again-- who would have guessed Scootaloo's Super-Difficult-Stunt-Special Cupcakes would have been so super-difficult to bake?

AB Pinkie scarfs down a cupcake with frosting-- in the shape of Scootaloo's scooter.

137 (138) 165 APPLEJACK
 Looks like all of Ponyville's here... except for Rainbow Dash.

We see Twilight's reaction-- a sad sigh. <ROCK INTRO MUSIC>.

62 (63) 166 ANNOUNCER PONY (V.O.)
 (echoing)
 This is the time. This is the place. This is the team. THIS IS THE WASHOUTS! And here to introduce the most dangerous stunt we've ever performed, it's your fearless captain... Lightning Dust!

Lightning Dust charges onto the field through a shower of firework sparks.

191 192 193
 167 LIGHTNING DUST
 First things first-- just a reminder from our lawyers... do not try this at home!

309 167A 65AB 38AB
 <LAUGHTER> Before everypony's eyes, the last of 20 WAGONS are wheeled into place with a GIANT RAMP at either end.

168 LIGHTNING DUST (CONT'D)
 In just a moment, the newest member of the Washouts will be ROCKET-SLEDDING down that hill, up that ramp, and over all twenty wagons, to land on the other side... in one piece...

(sly smile)
 ...if she's lucky. Put your hooves together for HALF-PINT DYNAMITE!

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 <CHEERS> AJ leans to Rarity, yelling over the cheers--

140 AB
 169 APPLEJACK
 I wonder what kind of nut they found to crack a stunt like that!

SC. 17 - EXT. TOP OF THE HILL - SAME

Scootaloo on her scooter at the top of the giant hill overlooking the crowd, as Lightning Dust lands nearby.

196 197
 170 SCOOTALOO
 Lightning Dust? I have to tell you, I actually started Equestria's first Washouts Fan Club-- as far as I know-- so this is a real honor, ma'am, umm, do I call you ma'am?

171 LIGHTNING DUST
 You land this jump, you can call me whatever you want.

172 SCOOTALOO
 I'm ready.

Lightning Dust opens a case and reveals a GIANT CARTOONEY ROCKET. Scootaloo's eyes widen as Lightning Dust straps it on her scooter.

173 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
 Wow, that sure is...

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 167A-1
 Why is everyone laughing?
 Lawyers are important!

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174 LIGHTNING DUST
Dangerous? Nahh. Well-- maybe a little.

175 SCOOTALOO
Has anypony tested it before?

176 LIGHTNING DUST
Tested it? Where's the fun in that?

176A Scootaloo <GULPS> Then her eyes bug out at seeing Lightning Dust open TWO ADDITIONAL CASES, revealing TWO EVEN BIGGER STAGES TO THE ROCKET, which she begins attaching.

177 SCOOTALOO
There's MORE!?

178 LIGHTNING DUST
Hey, you're not thinking of backing out, are you?

179 SCOOTALOO
I'm not backing out... (half to herself) I'm just thinking about drinking through straws.

180 LIGHTNING DUST
Are you the president of my fan club, or not?

181 SCOOTALOO
Of course, it's just...

182 LIGHTNING DUST
You wouldn't want to get impeached for dishonoring my wishes, would you?

183 SCOOTALOO
I-- is that even-- Is that a thing?

Lightning Dust yells down to the other Washouts:

184 LIGHTNING DUST
Light it up!

FWOOSH! The wagons burst into flames making the jump even scarier...

185 SCOOTALOO
Okay, now I am thinking about backing out!

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186 LIGHTNING DUST
Too late!

Lightning Dust grins, pulling out a RED-BUTTONED DETONATOR.

Before Scootaloo can protest, the fuse is lit and the rocket scooter BLASTS OFF DOWN THE HILL!

The crowd GASPS!

Scootaloo closes her eyes as she tears up the ramp and into the air and everypony realizes... SHE'S NOT GONNA MAKE IT!

But at the last second, A STREAK OF BLUE swoops along the top of the hill, past Lightning Dust, down the hill, up the ramp, and catches up to Scootaloo...

Who is suddenly CAUGHT/SAVED by RAINBOW DASH!

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187 RAINBOW DASH
I know I was supposed to let you make your own decisions, but that doesn't mean I can't swoop in and save you from time to time.

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Dash carries them both to safety. From the top of the ramp, Lightning Dust sneers down at them--

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188 LIGHTNING DUST
Geez! If I'd known you were gonna bail, I'd have done the trick myself!

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189 RAINBOW DASH
Great! So you won't mind how that rope's about to coil around your hoof!

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Lightning Dust glances down to see... around her front hoof is a RAPIDLY UNSPOOLING loop of rope... attached to the ROCKET SCOOTER that is still blasting away to the horizon.

<GULP>

Rainbow Dash winks.

190 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
"Leap before you look."

Suddenly the rope goes TAUT. Lightning Dust is YANKED out of frame. As she flies by Rainbow Dash--

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191 LIGHTNING DUST
Rivals for LIFE!

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146AB 192 RAINBOW DASH
Wouldn't have it any other way.

192A 69AB
As Lightning Dust is carried OVER THE HORIZON everypony
<CHEERS>! ANOTHER ANGLE: The Mane Six rush up to Rainbow Dash
and Scoot as they land.

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193 SCOOTALOO
I'm sorry for joining the
Washouts... Lightning Dust wasn't
who I thought she was. There's
awesome... and then there's big-
time koo-koo bananas.

194 RAINBOW DASH
I'm the one who should be
apologizing... for not acting like
somepony who deserves a fan club.
I've been lucky to have somepony
who thinks I'm the coolest, but
there's nothing cool about making
you feel like you'll never be as
awesome as me.

Twilight gives Rainbow Dash a knowing smile.

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195 SCOOTALOO
Awww....

196 RAINBOW DASH
I think we should cancel the
Washouts Fan Club, because I know a
fan club that could use some new
members.

Scootaloo grins:

212 213
197 SCOOTALOO
The Rainbow Dash Fan Club!

152ABC
197A
But Dash shakes her head - that's not what she means. Off
Scootaloo's confusion...

SC. 18 - INT. CMC CLUBHOUSE - DAY

Rainbow Dash BANGS the gavel and calls a meeting to order:

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198 RAINBOW DASH
Welcome to the first ever meeting
of a newest fan club for the
awesomest, previously UNDER-
appreciated pony in Ponyville...
(MORE)

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RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
with founding member and president
Rainbow Dash presiding... it's the
Scootaloo Fan Club!

REVEAL: the CMC Clubhouse is packed. Everypony cheers.

ANGLE FROM OUTSIDE THROUGH THE WINDOW: Where Twilight flies
Scootaloo up so that she can spy on the meeting through the
open clubhouse window a la Rainbow Dash. Scoot glances up at
Twilight, pleased.

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199 SCOOTALOO
You know, Rainbow Dash was right.
Eavesdropping on your own fan club
isn't weird at all.

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Off Twilight's eye roll we... FADE OUT

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