

SILVER STRIKERS

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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Bush has asked that we continue with our lives as much as we can. Although September 11th will haunt us for years to come we cannot dwell upon that day and let terror take over. To me it means going on as before with a few real differences, such as more consideration for my fellow man, a helping hand whenever possible and an appreciation of each new day.

Many of the Silver Strikers are looking forward to the first Silver Strike Tournament that is being put on by O'Shea's in Las Vegas, December 1st and 2nd. This is something new and it behooves all of us to wait and see how well it goes. Right now we are checking to see if we can get a hospitality room so that some silver strike trading could be done Friday night November 30th. My husband and I have signed up, after hanging on the phone for ages before we got an operator to take our names.

There are still some problems with the Silver Strike bulletin board. Greg Susong is working with us to do as much as he can so that we will have a board we can be proud of. I am mystified that there are people out there who have nothing better to do than spread their type of poison and all the time hiding behind an alias. It would seem if they were so adamant in their beliefs they would let everyone know who they actually are. I consider it cowardly to name call, disparage other collectors and in general act rude and inconsiderate of others. I ask that if any more of these tiresome rantings slip through that no one respond to them as that seems to make them think they have worth in what they say.

I received an email from Jim Fredrickson (R-5180) of the Northwest Chip and Memorabilia Show being held on March 9 and 10, 2002, at Chinook Winds Casino and Convention Center in Lincoln City, OR. He has a room that may be utilized Friday evening, March 8th and all day and evening Saturday, March 9th for trading sessions. For more information E mail Jim at cen94171@centuryinter.net. See you at O'Shea's.....

Your President,
Mary Lou Waterbury

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WEB SITES

There are a number of our members who have some great WEB SITES. They have lists, general information and many have strikes for trade/sale. Here's the deal! Put a blurb about the Silver Strikers Chapter on your web page and send us your web address and it will be listed in all future issues of this newsletter. This can help us get new members.

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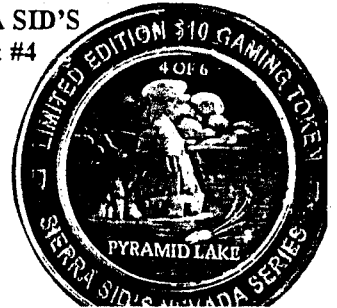
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CAESARS TAHOE HAS SILVER STRIKES AGAIN

In July, Caesars at Lake Tahoe put back into play their silver strike machines with an enthusiastic attitude. The machine is different from other silver strike machines found in northern Nevada, offering many more ways to "be a winner". You can even win a quarter back by getting "nothing" on a single line. Of course, it's the strikes in the glass display on the top that really creates the desire to play. The machines take up to \$100 at one time so in no time you're ready to put your set together. The hoppers contain all available strikes and are well mixed, so high expectations to complete the set abound as each strike falls from the hopper. Hit 3 white bars and collect 3 new strikes, a great way to build the collection on the "fast track" method.

A series of four strikes are found in these machines. During July and August a bonus strike, especially created celebrating "Hot August Nights", a BIG event in northern Nevada, focused on the 1950's era. A specific license had to be purchased allowing the official use of the events logo. Only 1000 of these strikes were produced and only 10 were found in each fill. With a "no trade" policy, it takes some effort to put a set together. Nice looking strikes with pictures representing: Zeus, Cleopatra, The Empire, a Chariot and of course, a Cadillac convertible from the 50's.

The new "special strike" will be in play as you read this article. It has miniatures of the four original and current strikes pictured on the obverse. The special strike is limited to "777" which of course represents what must show on the pay line in order to win a silver strike. Don't forget to get your slot card as chances are you'll get a cash rebate and enough credits to have lunch on Caesars. Machines are fairly generous with the tokens.

2nd Vice President, Jack Haddock

OUR GOAL IS 105 NEW MEMBERS

We are off to a great start! Our goal is higher than last year but what a terrific job you are doing. **Your participation is exactly what is needed.** our membership is growing nicely. **At present we have 392 active members.** In case you have forgotten here are the guidelines for the membership drive:

For **six** members you sign up you will receive a "Nevada Club, Reno, NV" \$10 silver strike for your collection.

For **twelve** members you sign up you will receive a "Nevada Club, Reno, NV" \$10 silver strike plus one year free membership.

For **twenty** members you sign up you will receive a Silver Strikers T-Shirt plus two years free membership. In our Newsletter we will place a **SILVER STRIKERS** application for you to pass on to prospective members. **Be sure to put your name on the application.** As a reminder, our **annual membership fee is \$10.00 per member.**

Evelyn Grosklous, Treasurer and Membership Officer

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THE PRIZE



YOUR HOMETOWN SILVER STRIKE SERIES

Yet another new silver strike program to grab the interest of collectors as well as the souvenir seeker has been initiated. The casual and serious collector will be after these! Where is the "HOMETOWN" and why that identification? Because the 4 tokens in the series spell out "R"-*"E"*-*"N"*-*"O"*. The "R" stands for *Reno*; the "E" for *entertainment*; the "N" for *Nevada* and the "O" for *outdoors*. The artwork depicts various activities found in northern Nevada. Each design is numbered "1 of 4," "2 of 4" etc. Attractive and a fresh idea for the silver strike collector. Ok! Ok! You want to know where to go and win your set. The strikes are being introduced in the four machines at the Reno/Tahoe International Airport, an IGT slot concession. All the prior strikes will be retired-better set back a few of those. There is one machine on each concourse, which only ticketed passengers can access and two machines on the main floor for everyone's easy access. Specific artwork depicting the various designs will adorn the top of the machines.

This new series carries with it the message of a bright future for the silver strike hobby. The Airport has been participating in silver strikes since 1994 when the highly sought after \$10 "Pitts S-2A" and "P-51" were put into play. Strikes featuring six of the Reno area tourist attractions were issued in 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999. A single strike was issued in 2001 featuring the "Landing On The Moon" design. In addition a \$40 strike in honor of a bowling tournament was issued in 1995. The Airport has provided collectors with 34 strikes over the past seven years. Without including the "copper" rims, the Reno/Tahoe Airport has issued more strikes than any casino in northern Nevada during this period.

For the serious collector, there is a second "R"-*"E"*-*"N"*-*"O"* set of four. This set will depict the famous RENO arch located in the center of downtown. This strike is going to stand out to the casual silver strike slot player since when it is won, \$20 will be paid instead of the standard \$10. That's right, the strikes state "special 2 for 1 exchange". That's exciting enough, but there's more. Each of these four strikes will be limited to a mintage of only "777" and that is stated on the silver strike. Of course, "777" is a special number to slot players and is why it was chosen for this new series. Each of these strikes is encapsulated in a color capsule so a token winner will know that it is something that requires further attention. Naturally, there will be a limited number in each fill but it will be possible to win the entire series of eight strikes from one fill. The airport change people will maintain the long standing "no trade policy". The 777 silver strikes should satisfy the appetite of the serious strike collector but there will be some competition with the tourists who will take them out of the machines while waiting for their plane to leave. This exciting strike program is scheduled to go into play in early November. All eight of the new strikes are dated "2002" and are scheduled to be in play throughout the year.

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FIRST EVER SILVER STRIKE SLOT TOURNAMENT

A meeting room on Saturday night between 7 and 10, has been provided for those who want to get together and exchange information, stories, trade strikes or look at rare silver strike. Apparently, there will be some finger food plus wine and beer will available. It should be a lot of fun.

The first round of Tournament play is scheduled to start at 12:00 noon Saturday.

Strikes that will be put in play on this weekend: (see code letter for artwork)

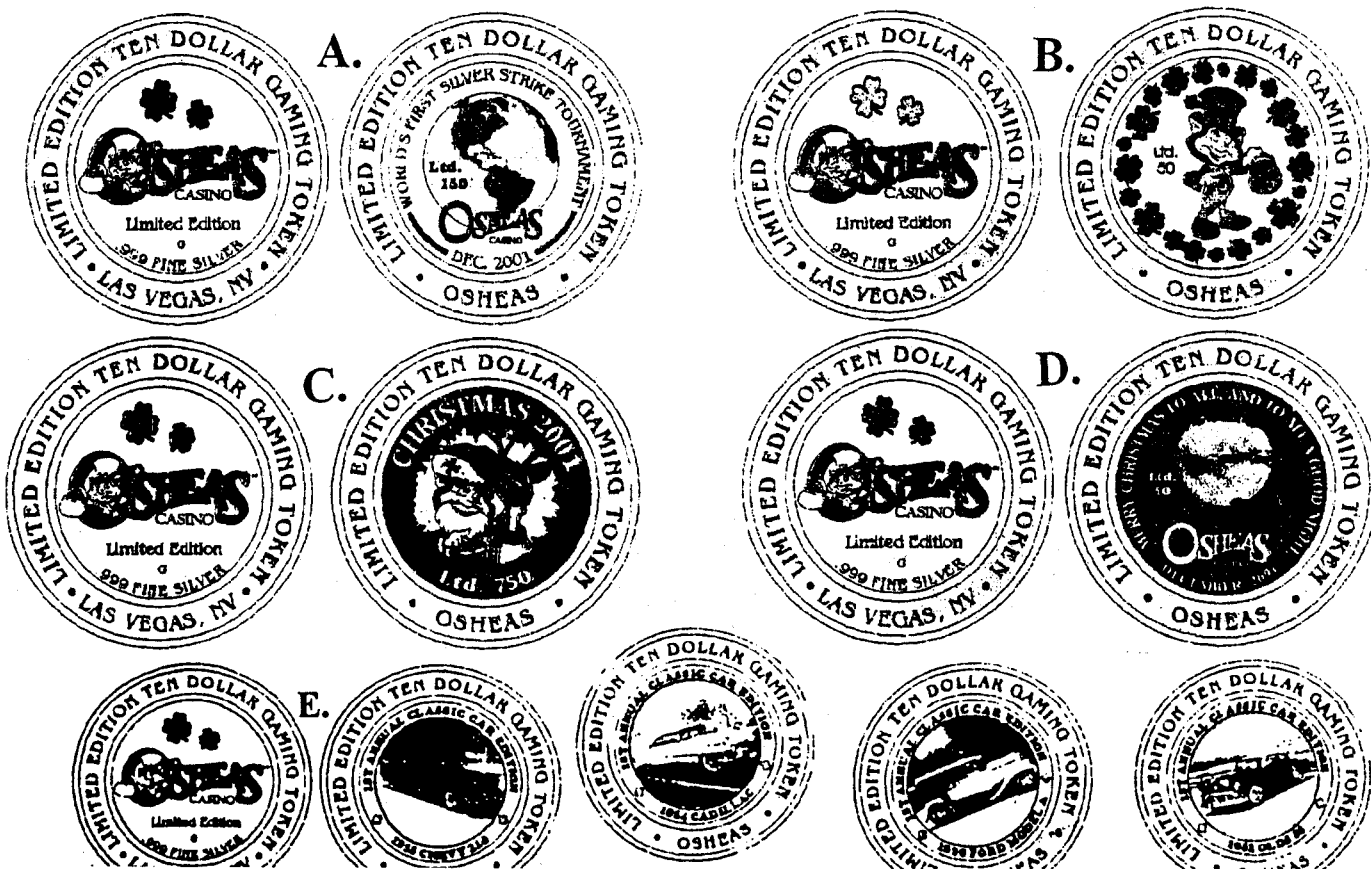
- A. Participants will receive 1 of 150 special silver strike indicating the "Worlds first slot tournament."
- B. The 50 with the highest scores will receive a gold plated leprechaun silver strike numbered 1 to 50, depending on placement in the tournament.
- C. \$10 Christmas strike at O'Sheas (limited edition of 750). Mixed in with regular fill.
- D. \$10 Special strike for Hand Paid Jackpots at O'Sheas', (limited edition of 50) on any slot machine will qualify for the special strike. The hand pay must be due to a jackpot and not just cashing out. The strikes will be numbered 1 through 50.
- E. O'Sheas should have a new set of four in play depicting classic cars.

The O'Sheas' \$200.00 Strike will be available at O'Sheas'.

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E-BAY RESULTS

Casino Issuing Strike	Description	High bid
\$10 STRIKES		
Bally's, Las Vegas	Running 777	\$721
Golden Nugget, Laughlin	Elephant	\$99
Reno Cannon Airport	1994 Pitts S2-A	\$90
Riverboat, Reno	Sylvan Dell	\$92
Eldorado, Reno	Pavarotti	\$39
Red Wing, MN	Treasure Island	\$105
San Reno, Las Vegas	Millennium error (.999 on rim)	\$465
O'sheas Casino, Las Vegas	CC>CC (ltd. 500)	\$86

DID YOU HEAR ??

- * The El Dorado, Reno, is discontinuing the production of \$200 silver strikes.
- * Harvey's, Lake Tahoe, has not made a decision as to whether to issue the other new strikes that were approved before the Harrah's purchase.
- * Flamingo, Las Vegas, will have a set of 12 strikes with a limited production of 1750 each.
- * Flamingo, Reno, has closed and all strikes to be destroyed.
- * Hard Rock, Las Vegas, is pulling their strike machines.
- * Treasure Island, Las Vegas, will have a new strike soon.
- * Sierra Sid's, Sparks, will have #5 and #6 out before the end of the year. These represent the Carson City Mint and Virginia City. The one pounder depicting the Pony Express will be out in early December.
- * Fortune Bay, Tower, Minnesota, has put into play a set of 4 strikes depicting fishermen.
- * The Orleans, Las Vegas, is working on 5 new designs.
- * Several other casinos are looking into the silver strike program currently.

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