

Division Offices Closed

All three Division of Gaming offices will be closed on Friday, Nov. 27 for a mandatory furlough day for State employees, a day after being closed for Thanksgiving.

Commission Action

At its meeting on Oct. 15 in Central City, the Gaming Commission:

- Renewed the retail licenses of Easy Street Casino, The Famous Bonanza Casino, Fitzgeralds Casino, Red Dolly Casino, and Riviera Black Hawk Casino
- Renewed the manufacturer/distributor licenses of NRT Technology Corp. and Vista Gaming Corp.
- Renewed the operate licenses of Barden Colorado Gaming, LLC, and Luna Gaming - Red Dolly, LLC
- Issued a new retail license to Davis Gaming, LLC, dba Papone's Palace Casino, 118 Main St., Central City



***Happy Thanksgiving
from the
Division of Gaming***

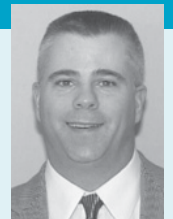
September Revenues Increase

Revenues at Colorado casinos were buoyed for the third month by additional games, limits and hours. Casinos statewide reported \$63.4 million in AGP in September, up nearly 7.0 percent from \$59.3 million in September 2008, but down 8.9 percent from \$69.6 million in August. For the first three months following the implementation of Amendment 50, casino revenues are up 8.3 percent from the same period in 2008.

Black Hawk's 18 casinos totaled \$44.9 million in AGP in September, up 9.1 percent from \$41.1 million in September 2008, but down 9.5 percent from \$49.6 million in August. Cripple Creek's 16 casinos produced \$12.8 million in AGP in September, up slightly from nearly \$12.8 million the previous September, but down 7.5 percent from \$13.9 million in August. Central City's six casinos generated \$5.7 million in AGP in September, up 6.2 percent from \$5.3 million in September 2008, but down 6.5 percent from \$6.6 million the previous month.

Casinos statewide paid \$7.4 million in gaming tax proceeds in September, up from \$6.4 million in August, as casinos progressed through a graduated tax structure that started July 1.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Where were you when people in the state of Colorado, around the country and around the world became riveted to television and internet coverage of a foil-covered helium balloon hurtling through the Colorado sky with a six-year-old child purported to be on board?

I was with Larimer County Sheriff Jim Alderden at the time. I do not mention this to be a name dropper, but to illustrate that the five members of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission also have day jobs. Because at the time that the "Balloon Boy" fiasco started, Sheriff Jim Alderden was Gaming Commissioner Jim Alderden, attending the monthly Commission meeting in the Division of Gaming's Central City office.

Gaming commissioners in Colorado do not serve full-time as some of their counterparts in other states. That doesn't mean that what they do is not as important nor that they are less qualified. No other gaming commission in the country is responsible for establishing the gaming tax rate under which casinos operate, let alone having to do so on an annual basis. Gaming commissioners also need considerable experience in their area of expertise on the Commission. That means they are recognized leaders in their field.

What it also means is that they are underpaid for the measly \$100 a meeting that they receive in compensation. That "salary" has been frozen in statute since 1991. Maybe that's another reason that commissioners have to be highly successful in their day jobs, because they couldn't make a living as a Gaming commissioner. We are very thankful that they do both.

—Ron Kammerzell

COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS

| | September 2009 | August 2009 | September 2008 | Tax Year to Date |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1¢ SLOTS | 7,709 | 7,723 | 7,941 | 23,241 |
| COINS IN | 305,872,663.77 | 334,702,196.70 | 292,040,992.49 | 1,000,876,394.17 |
| AGP | 28,164,363.79 | 30,750,241.43 | 27,073,832.24 | 92,385,429.60 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 121.78 | 128.44 | 113.65 | 129.69 |
| HOLD % | 9.21% | 9.19% | 9.27% | 9.23% |
| 25¢ SLOTS | 1,920 | 1,955 | 2,275 | 5,865 |
| COINS IN | 97,874,926.72 | 110,469,384.60 | 118,489,597.75 | 329,078,188.60 |
| AGP | 5,499,198.08 | 6,441,769.61 | 6,612,246.32 | 18,896,525.80 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 95.47 | 106.29 | 96.88 | 105.12 |
| HOLD % | 5.62% | 5.83% | 5.58% | 5.74% |
| \$1 SLOTS | 2,036 | 2,067 | 2,483 | 6,195 |
| COINS IN | 163,445,273.94 | 193,681,199.06 | 203,162,838.19 | 566,816,814.55 |
| AGP | 8,936,379.56 | 9,995,863.23 | 10,124,684.15 | 29,670,543.78 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 146.31 | 156.00 | 135.92 | 156.26 |
| HOLD % | 5.47% | 5.16% | 4.98% | 5.23% |
| MULTI-DENOM | 2,174 | 2,171 | 2,135 | 6,451 |
| COINS IN | 184,248,588.38 | 203,602,597.23 | 129,948,962.96 | 601,757,174.98 |
| AGP | 8,545,373.00 | 9,455,291.11 | 6,771,780.30 | 27,920,041.24 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 131.02 | 140.49 | 105.73 | 141.21 |
| HOLD % | 4.64% | 4.64% | 5.21% | 4.64% |
| OTHER SLOTS | 1,740 | 1,757 | 1,947 | 5,266 |
| COINS IN | 97,239,083.23 | 110,831,595.17 | 103,465,298.76 | 325,822,760.54 |
| AGP | 6,033,237.93 | 5,992,830.31 | 5,623,995.39 | 19,146,657.21 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 115.58 | 110.03 | 96.28 | 118.63 |
| HOLD % | 6.20% | 5.41% | 5.44% | 5.88% |
| BJ TABLES | 138 | 133 | 71 | 396 |
| BJ DROP | 14,718,608.97 | 15,857,435.01 | 2,869,971.25 | 47,093,163.10 |
| AGP | 2,008,786.47 | 2,201,757.51 | 572,177.00 | 6,458,700.05 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 485.21 | 534.02 | 268.63 | 532.13 |
| HOLD % | 13.65% | 13.88% | 19.94% | 13.71% |
| CRAPS TABLES | 30 | 27 | 0 | 84 |
| CRAPS DROP | 6,210,079.90 | 7,515,187.50 | 0.00 | 22,276,367.20 |
| AGP | 1,210,319.15 | 1,307,796.25 | 0.00 | 4,033,851.95 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 1,344.80 | 1,562.48 | 0.00 | 1,566.79 |
| HOLD % | 19.49% | 17.40% | 0.00% | 18.11% |
| POKER TABLES | 148 | 154 | 160 | 457 |
| POKER DROP | 3,619,622.56 | 4,429,799.74 | 2,550,348.05 | 13,097,354.46 |
| AGP | 2,401,289.64 | 2,834,272.97 | 2,076,357.55 | 8,763,331.52 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 540.83 | 593.69 | 432.57 | 625.64 |
| HOLD % | 23.38% | 22.39% | 23.29% | 23.60% |
| ROULETTE TABLES | 27 | 26 | 0 | 78 |
| ROULETTE DROP | 2,655,546.66 | 2,963,068.50 | 0.00 | 8,946,467.01 |
| AGP | 645,275.91 | 682,448.75 | 0.00 | 1,993,008.51 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 796.64 | 846.71 | 0.00 | 833.65 |
| HOLD % | 24.30% | 23.03% | 0.00% | 22.28% |
| TOTAL AGP | 63,444,223.53 | 69,662,270.77 | 59,321,458.38 | 209,268,089.26 |
| GAMING TAXES | 7,418,713.30 | 6,494,361.37 | 6,421,543.39 | 15,984,756.17 |
| # OF CASINOS | 40 | 40 | 41 | 40 |

CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS

| | September 2009 | August 2009 | September 2008 | Tax Year to Date |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1¢ SLOTS | 2,028 | 2,003 | 2,146 | 6,036 |
| COINS IN | 67,327,568.83 | 72,517,870.96 | 64,809,732.51 | 219,391,438.23 |
| AGP | 5,690,335.04 | 6,122,129.74 | 5,263,444.54 | 18,482,064.63 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 93.53 | 98.60 | 81.76 | 99.84 |
| HOLD % | 8.45% | 844.22% | 8.12% | 8.42% |
| 25¢ SLOTS | 748 | 748 | 801 | 2,251 |
| COINS IN | 31,569,465.84 | 34,939,190.73 | 36,050,731.50 | 104,259,478.62 |
| AGP | 1,519,275.59 | 1,692,377.89 | 1,884,076.13 | 5,003,443.29 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 67.70 | 72.99 | 78.41 | 72.47 |
| HOLD % | 4.81% | 484.38% | 5.23% | 4.80% |
| \$1 SLOTS | 759 | 751 | 876 | 2,273 |
| COINS IN | 45,220,896.79 | 49,471,624.85 | 53,618,676.99 | 149,269,656.27 |
| AGP | 2,279,194.00 | 2,331,553.23 | 2,639,459.72 | 7,201,317.44 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 100.10 | 100.15 | 100.44 | 103.30 |
| HOLD % | 5.04% | 471.29% | 4.92% | 4.82% |
| MULTI-DENOM | 507 | 501 | 698 | 1,528 |
| COINS IN | 25,995,935.45 | 27,775,738.53 | 25,597,740.16 | 83,826,144.99 |
| AGP | 1,198,948.26 | 1,294,033.37 | 1,332,149.13 | 3,929,484.61 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 78.83 | 83.32 | 63.62 | 83.85 |
| HOLD % | 4.61% | 465.89% | 5.20% | 4.69% |
| OTHER SLOTS | 546 | 544 | 559 | 1,636 |
| COINS IN | 21,215,246.63 | 23,955,931.71 | 22,614,271.25 | 71,505,757.45 |
| AGP | 1,192,129.90 | 1,436,602.17 | 1,353,594.27 | 4,098,838.71 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 72.78 | 85.19 | 80.72 | 81.69 |
| HOLD % | 5.62% | 6.00% | 5.99% | 5.73% |
| BJ TABLES | 33 | 32 | 20 | 97 |
| BJ DROP | 2,494,785.35 | 2,790,033.00 | 503,565.25 | 7,866,718.10 |
| AGP | 355,748.35 | 357,403.50 | 84,739.25 | 1,026,677.10 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 359.34 | 360.29 | 141.23 | 345.10 |
| HOLD % | 14.26% | 12.81% | 16.83% | 13.05% |
| CRAPS TABLES | 10 | 9 | 0 | 28 |
| CRAPS DROP | 1,014,230.25 | 1,256,652.75 | 0.00 | 3,735,634.75 |
| AGP | 188,563.00 | 214,428.50 | 0.00 | 657,519.00 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 628.54 | 768.56 | 0.00 | 765.66 |
| HOLD % | 18.59% | 17.06% | 0.00% | 17.60% |
| POKER TABLES | 39 | 37 | 35 | 113 |
| POKER DROP | 548,126.55 | 785,733.25 | 343,006.50 | 2,088,046.16 |
| AGP | 315,950.59 | 378,476.67 | 237,585.49 | 1,120,146.02 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 270.04 | 329.97 | 226.27 | 323.21 |
| HOLD % | 22.29% | 14.87% | 15.36% | 17.93% |
| ROULETTE TABLES | 9 | 9 | 0 | 27 |
| ROULETTE DROP | 344,291.00 | 456,450.25 | 0.00 | 1,393,130.25 |
| AGP | 91,626.00 | 117,932.25 | 0.00 | 326,801.50 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 339.36 | 422.70 | 0.00 | 394.64 |
| HOLD % | 26.61% | 25.84% | 0.00% | 23.46% |
| TOTAL AGP | 12,831,770.73 | 13,944,937.32 | 12,795,048.53 | 41,846,292.30 |
| GAMING TAXES | 330,382.45 | 138,996.54 | 254,252.39 | 513,598.56 |
| # OF CASINOS | 16 | 16 | 17 | 16 |

BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS

| | September 2009 | August 2009 | September 2008 | Tax Year to Date |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1¢ SLOTS | 4,672 | 4,703 | 4,780 | 14,163 |
| COINS IN | 207,808,113.04 | 228,321,468.93 | 197,594,754.26 | 682,105,087.27 |
| AGP | 19,585,122.69 | 21,576,761.36 | 19,174,004.99 | 64,725,833.38 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 139.73 | 148.00 | 133.71 | 149.10 |
| HOLD % | 9.42% | 945.02% | 9.70% | 9.49% |
| 25¢ SLOTS | 898 | 930 | 1,159 | 2,784 |
| COINS IN | 57,983,125.13 | 65,868,348.12 | 70,822,141.75 | 197,441,548.73 |
| AGP | 3,477,607.74 | 4,199,027.20 | 4,100,042.64 | 12,272,814.09 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 129.09 | 145.65 | 117.92 | 143.83 |
| HOLD % | 6.00% | 637.49% | 5.79% | 6.22% |
| \$1 SLOTS | 1,034 | 1,075 | 1,352 | 3,196 |
| COINS IN | 111,420,262.15 | 126,231,065.21 | 131,460,740.20 | 374,470,349.28 |
| AGP | 5,986,570.27 | 6,891,861.39 | 6,592,507.20 | 20,258,395.69 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 192.99 | 206.81 | 162.54 | 206.81 |
| HOLD % | 5.37% | 545.97% | 5.01% | 5.41% |
| MULTI-DENOM | 1,380 | 1,375 | 1,180 | 4,048 |
| COINS IN | 137,798,212.18 | 153,625,044.94 | 89,100,391.42 | 452,351,966.63 |
| AGP | 6,552,033.89 | 7,214,966.80 | 4,823,944.87 | 21,162,057.46 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 158.26 | 169.27 | 136.27 | 170.56 |
| HOLD % | 4.75% | 469.65% | 5.41% | 4.68% |
| OTHER SLOTS | 959 | 977 | 1,122 | 2,920 |
| COINS IN | 70,135,862.75 | 80,655,427.46 | 74,449,394.56 | 235,991,330.59 |
| AGP | 4,490,217.69 | 4,255,207.86 | 3,851,638.41 | 14,009,619.79 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 156.07 | 140.50 | 114.43 | 156.54 |
| HOLD % | 6.40% | 5.28% | 5.17% | 5.94% |
| BJ TABLES | 86 | 83 | 42 | 244 |
| BJ DROP | 11,533,637.57 | 12,342,671.50 | 2,152,065.75 | 36,925,076.44 |
| AGP | 1,575,225.07 | 1,772,194.00 | 443,933.50 | 5,133,329.39 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 610.55 | 688.77 | 352.33 | 686.40 |
| HOLD % | 13.66% | 14.36% | 20.63% | 13.90% |
| CRAPS TABLES | 17 | 15 | 0 | 47 |
| CRAPS DROP | 4,553,737.60 | 5,448,045.75 | 0.00 | 16,230,063.90 |
| AGP | 860,793.10 | 938,911.75 | 0.00 | 2,941,522.40 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 1,687.83 | 2,019.17 | 0.00 | 2,041.94 |
| HOLD % | 18.90% | 17.23% | 0.00% | 18.12% |
| POKER TABLES | 93 | 96 | 104 | 286 |
| POKER DROP | 2,570,901.75 | 2,995,250.75 | 1,905,824.50 | 9,136,277.30 |
| AGP | 1,909,966.29 | 2,251,343.06 | 1,688,336.00 | 7,002,002.75 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 684.58 | 756.50 | 541.13 | 798.78 |
| HOLD % | 24.35% | 25.05% | 24.79% | 25.55% |
| ROULETTE TABLES | 13 | 12 | 0 | 36 |
| ROULETTE DROP | 2,030,276.36 | 2,227,834.00 | 0.00 | 6,651,504.16 |
| AGP | 458,033.36 | 503,079.50 | 0.00 | 1,442,269.16 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 1,174.44 | 1,352.36 | 0.00 | 1,307.11 |
| HOLD % | 22.56% | 22.58% | 0.00% | 21.68% |
| TOTAL AGP | 44,895,570.10 | 49,603,352.92 | 41,140,793.04 | 148,947,844.11 |
| GAMING TAXES | 6,704,102.21 | 6,101,086.72 | 5,846,713.20 | 14,784,655.44 |
| # OF CASINOS | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 |

CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS

| | September 2009 | August 2009 | September 2008 | Tax Year to Date |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1¢ SLOTS | 1,009 | 1,017 | 1,015 | 3,042 |
| COINS IN | 30,736,981.90 | 33,862,856.81 | 29,636,505.72 | 99,379,868.67 |
| AGP | 2,888,906.06 | 3,051,350.33 | 2,636,382.71 | 9,177,531.59 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 95.44 | 96.79 | 86.58 | 98.50 |
| HOLD % | 9.40% | 901.09% | 8.90% | 9.23% |
| 25¢ SLOTS | 274 | 277 | 315 | 830 |
| COINS IN | 8,322,335.75 | 9,661,845.75 | 11,616,724.50 | 27,377,161.25 |
| AGP | 502,314.75 | 550,364.52 | 628,127.55 | 1,620,268.42 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 61.11 | 64.09 | 66.47 | 63.73 |
| HOLD % | 6.04% | 569.63% | 5.41% | 5.92% |
| \$1 SLOTS | 243 | 241 | 255 | 726 |
| COINS IN | 6,804,115.00 | 17,978,509.00 | 18,083,421.00 | 43,076,809.00 |
| AGP | 670,615.29 | 772,448.61 | 892,717.23 | 2,210,830.65 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 91.99 | 103.39 | 116.70 | 99.42 |
| HOLD % | 9.86% | 429.65% | 4.94% | 5.13% |
| MULTI-DENOM | 287 | 295 | 257 | 875 |
| COINS IN | 20,454,440.75 | 22,201,813.76 | 15,250,831.38 | 65,579,063.36 |
| AGP | 794,390.85 | 946,290.94 | 615,686.30 | 2,828,499.17 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 92.26 | 103.48 | 79.86 | 105.54 |
| HOLD % | 3.88% | 426.22% | 4.04% | 4.31% |
| OTHER SLOTS | 235 | 236 | 266 | 710 |
| COINS IN | 5,887,973.85 | 6,220,236.00 | 6,401,632.95 | 18,325,672.50 |
| AGP | 350,890.34 | 301,020.28 | 418,762.71 | 1,038,198.71 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 49.77 | 41.15 | 52.48 | 47.74 |
| HOLD % | 5.96% | 4.84% | 6.54% | 5.67% |
| BJ TABLES | 19 | 18 | 9 | 55 |
| BJ DROP | 690,186.05 | 724,730.51 | 214,340.25 | 2,301,368.56 |
| AGP | 77,813.05 | 72,160.01 | 43,504.25 | 298,693.56 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 136.51 | 129.32 | 161.13 | 177.30 |
| HOLD % | 11.27% | 9.96% | 20.30% | 12.98% |
| CRAPS TABLES | 3 | 3 | 0 | 9 |
| CRAPS DROP | 642,112.05 | 810,489.00 | 0.00 | 2,310,668.55 |
| AGP | 160,963.05 | 154,456.00 | 0.00 | 434,810.55 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 1,788.48 | 1,660.82 | 0.00 | 1,577.29 |
| HOLD % | 25.07% | 19.06% | 0.00% | 18.82% |
| POKER TABLES | 16 | 21 | 21 | 58 |
| POKER DROP | 500,594.26 | 648,815.74 | 301,517.05 | 1,873,031.00 |
| AGP | 175,372.76 | 204,453.24 | 150,436.06 | 641,182.75 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 365.36 | 314.06 | 238.79 | 360.92 |
| HOLD % | 19.59% | 19.23% | 22.89% | 20.37% |
| ROULETTE TABLES | 5 | 5 | 0 | 15 |
| ROULETTE DROP | 280,979.30 | 278,784.25 | 0.00 | 901,832.60 |
| AGP | 95,616.55 | 61,437.00 | 0.00 | 223,937.85 |
| AVG DAILY AGP | 637.44 | 396.37 | 0.00 | 487.40 |
| HOLD % | 34.03% | 22.04% | 0.00% | 24.83% |
| TOTAL AGP | 5,716,882.70 | 6,113,980.53 | 5,385,616.81 | 18,473,952.85 |
| GAMING TAXES | 384,228.64 | 254,278.11 | 320,577.80 | 686,502.17 |
| # OF CASINOS | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |

SEPTEMBER AGP BY DEVICE

Statewide

| Device | Number | AGP | Avg. Daily AGP/Device | Hold % |
|--------|--------|--------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Slots | 15,579 | \$57,178,552 | \$122.34 | 6.74% |
| Tables | 343 | \$6,265,671 | \$608.91 | 17.32% |
| TOTAL | 15,922 | \$63,444,224 | \$132.82 | 7.07% |

Cripple Creek

| Device | Number | AGP | Avg. Daily AGP/Device | Hold % |
|--------|--------|--------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Slots | 4,588 | \$11,879,883 | \$86.31 | 6.21% |
| Tables | 91 | \$951,888 | \$348.68 | 17.22% |
| TOTAL | 4,679 | \$12,831,771 | \$91.41 | 6.46% |

Black Hawk

| Device | Number | AGP | Avg. Daily AGP/Device | Hold % |
|--------|--------|--------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Slots | 8,943 | \$40,091,552 | \$149.43 | 6.85% |
| Tables | 209 | \$4,804,018 | \$766.19 | 17.02% |
| TOTAL | 9,152 | \$44,895,570 | \$163.52 | 7.20% |

Central City

| Device | Number | AGP | Avg. Daily AGP/Device | Hold % |
|--------|--------|-------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Slots | 2,048 | \$5,207,117 | \$84.75 | 7.21% |
| Tables | 43 | \$509,765 | \$395.17 | 20.46% |
| TOTAL | 2,091 | \$5,716,883 | \$91.13 | 7.59% |

Average daily AGP per device is calculated by dividing the total AGP by the number of devices, further divided by the average number of days open for all establishments open in September. Hold percentage does not include player-banked poker tables.

GAMING ♦ UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ November 16 • October gaming tax returns due
- ✓ November 19 • Gaming Commission meeting, Lakewood, 9:15 a.m.
- ✓ November 26 • Thanksgiving Day, Division offices closed
- ✓ November 27 • State furlough day, Division offices closed

NOVEMBER 2009

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