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## ICO Meetings Set for Early November

The Division of Gaming will be conducting Internal Compliance Officer (ICO) meetings on Wednesday, Nov. 3 at the Wildwood Casino at Cripple Creek and on Thursday, Nov. 4 at the Isle of Capri in Black Hawk. Both meetings start at 10 a.m.

## Meeting Room Details

For those planning to attend Gaming Commission meetings at the Division's new Golden office, the Commission meeting room is located at Entrance B at the northwest end of the Division offices at 17301 W. Colfax Ave.

### **Commission Action**

At its meeting on Oct. 21 in Central City, the Colorado Gaming Commission:

- Renewed the manufacturer/ distributor license of Vista Gaming Corp.
- Approved a change of ownership for Johnny Z's Casino

## **Unexpected Rise In Revenues**

Revenues at Colorado casinos rose unexpectedly in September. Casinos statewide reported \$65.6 million in AGP in September, up 3.4 percent from \$63.4 million in September 2009, but down 2.4 percent from \$67.2 million in AGP in August.

Black Hawk's 18 casinos totaled \$47.6 million in AGP in September, up 6.1 percent from \$44.9 million in September 2009, but down 1.4 percent from \$48.3 million in August. Cripple Creek's 15 casinos generated \$12.0 million in AGP in September, down 6.0 percent from \$12.8 million the previous September and down 6.2 percent from nearly \$12.9 million in August. Central City's seven casinos produced \$5.9 million in AGP in September, up 3.2 percent from \$5.7 million in September 2009, but down 2.5 percent from \$6.0 million the previous month.

Casinos statewide paid \$7.7 million in gaming tax proceeds in September, up from \$6.1 million in August.

## MESSAGE FROM THE DIVISION

(Editor's Note: Division of Gaming Director Ron Kammerzell was unavailable to provide this month's Message from the Director.)

- You never realize how dependent you are upon technology until you are forced to try to live without it. On Friday, Oct. 22 and Monday, Oct. 25, the Division's new Golden office was without computer service because of network issues. The Division was able to issue gaming licenses because staff in the Central City office performed the necessary computer checks and administrative functions. The same issues affected the Department of Revenue's Colorado Springs Regional Service Center, which houses a full-service driver's license office and taxpaver services offices.
- The rulemaking hearing on proposed changes to Rule 24 was continued until the next Commission meeting on Nov. 18 in Golden. The Division is proposing a new regulation that defines "gaming revenues" in the context of the constitutional and statutory provisions which dictate that original limited gaming funds shall be distributed to the gaming cities and counties "in proportion to the gaming revenues generated" in each respective city and county. In the Division's proposal, "gaming revenues" is defined as "the aggregate adjusted gross proceeds generated...by licensees operating in each county and city." The Division has used this definition in determining the annual distribution of limited gaming funds to the cities and counties since the inception of gaming in 1991. Gilpin County is proposing alternative language that would define "gaming revenues" as meaning "total gaming tax revenues." By statute, the Commission has 180 days in which to reach a decision on the proposed rule changes.
- Government employees don't have off every "holiday." Division offices will be open the day after Thanksgiving, which has been the case for every year except for last, when the offices were closed as part of mandatory furlough days.

COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS					CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS					
	September 2010 August 2010 September 2009		Tax Year To Date	September 2010		August 2010 September 2009		Tax Year To Date		
1¢ SLOTS	7,925	7,901		23,686	1¢ SLOTS	2,037	2,055	2,028	6,125	
COINS IN	343,153,004.82	348,697,168.43		1,048,151,745.80	COINS IN	71,585,666.05	74,291,489.47	67,327,568.83	221,152,082.19	
AGP	31,711,978.03	31,934,022.05		96,905,660.77	AGP	5,917,526.25	6,002,942.30	5,690,335.04	18,175,000.21	
AVG DAILY AGP	133.38	130.38		133.41	AVG DAILY AGP	96.83	94.23	93.53	96.76	
HOLD %	9.24%	9.16%		9.25%	HOLD %	8.27%	8.08%	8.45%	8.22%	
25¢ SLOTS	1,669	1,698	1,920	5,118	25¢ SLOTS	619	644	748	1,907	
COINS IN	82,701,821.74	87,489,661.75	97,874,926.72	263,910,299.28	COINS IN	26,502,515.99	28,131,420.75	31,569,465.84	84,552,027.03	
AGP	4,779,714.55	5,080,706.50	5,499,198.08	15,289,924.11	AGP	1,199,468.79	1,398,691.41	1,519,275.59	4,061,610.00	
AVG DAILY AGP	95.46	96.52	95.47	97.42	AVG DAILY AGP	64.59	70.06	67.70	69.45	
HOLD %	5.78%	5.81%	5.62%	5.79%	HOLD %	4.53%	4.97%	4.81%	4.80%	
COINS IN	1,820	1,832	2,036	5,510	\$1 SLOTS	675	694	759	2,073	
	148,442,763.73	159,891,853.37	163,445,273.94	475,587,204.78	COINS IN	37,610,843.99	40,308,503.98	45,220,896.79	122,122,526.97	
	8,078,318.33	8,450,475.50	8,936,379.56	25,391,374.60	AGP	1,894,564.21	2,058,371.76	2,279,194.00	6,172,223.17	
	147.95	148.80	146.31	150.27	AVG DAILY AGP	93.56	95.68	100.10	97.09	
	5.44%	5.29%	5.47%	5.34%	HOLD %	5.04%	5.11%	5.04%	5.05%	
MULTI-DENOM	2,251	2,232	2,174	6,733	MULTI-DENOM	511	514	507	1,530	
COINS IN	198,378,829.07	214,967,696.96	184,248,588.38	626,088,092.66	COINS IN	26,592,636.15	27,960,785.63	25,995,935.45	83,024,986.17	
AGP	9,494,529.94	9,631,132.26	8,545,373.00	29,143,038.87	AGP	1,273,353.33	1,297,503.94	1,198,948.26	3,848,234.85	
AVG DAILY AGP	140.60	139.19	131.02	141.14	AVG DAILY AGP	83.06	81.43	78.83	82.02	
HOLD %	4.79%	4.48%	4.64%	4.65%	HOLD %	4.79%	4.64%	4.61%	4.64%	
OTHER SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,524 87,211,177.53 5,574,378.71 121.92 6.39%	1,519 89,178,038.44 5,451,793.29 115.78 6.11%	1,740 97,239,083.23 6,033,237.93 115.58 6.20%	4,548 271,256,613.66 16,942,351.33 121.47 6.25%	OTHER SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	438 18,126,763.66 1,045,387.30 79.56 5.77%	431 18,258,505.39 1,119,214.57 83.77 6.13%	546 21,215,246.63 1,192,129.90 72.78 5.62%	1,314 56,252,918.79 3,337,019.90 82.81 5.93%	
	129	129	138	389	BJ TABLES	30	30	33	94	
	14,569,138.53	14,993,534.70	14,718,608.97	45,317,824.71	BJ DROP	1,916,690.50	2,014,864.50	2,494,785.35	6,106,781.25	
	2,024,241.78	2,464,883.20	2,008,786.47	6,794,798.71	AGP	246,605.50	371,189.50	355,748.35	928,388.25	
	523.06	616.37	485.21	569.59	AVG DAILY AGP	274.01	399.13	359.34	322.06	
	13.89%	16.44%	13.65%	14.99%	HOLD %	12.87%	18.42%	14.26%	15.20%	
CRAPS TABLES CRAPS DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	28	28	30	84	CRAPS TABLES	8	8	10	24	
	5,866,943.25	6,007,599.41	6,210,079.90	18,534,844.91	CRAPS DROP	774,635.00	854,623.50	1,014,230.25	2,604,991.75	
	1,036,777.50	1,325,443.66	1,210,319.15	3,767,641.41	AGP	186,380.50	254,238.75	188,563.00	697,467.75	
	1,234.26	1,527.01	0.00	1,462.59	AVG DAILY AGP	776.59	1,025.16	628.54	947.65	
	17.67%	22.06%	0.00%	20.33%	HOLD %	24.06%	29.75%	18.59%	26.77%	
POKER TABLES POKER DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	124 3,622,233.30 2,389,235.85 642.27 23.33%	124 3,759,450.40 2,267,430.86 589.86 23.15%	148 3,619,622.56 2,401,289.64 540.83 23.38%	371 11,326,602.85 7,002,140.82 615.45 23.00%		34 435,904.25 247,351.46 242.50 20.06%	34 527,152.50 304,961.22 289.34 22.83%	39 548,126.55 315,950.59 270.04 22.29%	101 1,457,353.00 884,769.55 285.66 22.19%	
ROULETTE TABLE	24	25	27	74	ROULETTE TABLES ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	\$ 8	8	9	24	
ROULETTE DROP	2,168,938.75	2,246,343.80	2,655,546.66	6,759,290.00		237,948.25	263,321.50	344,291.00	795,861.95	
AGP	529,339.25	632,310.05	645,275.91	1,674,009.25		59,502.75	62,643.25	91,626.00	194,203.70	
AVG DAILY AGP	735.19	815.88	0.00	737.67		247.93	252.59	339.36	263.86	
HOLD %	24.41%	28.15%	0.00%	24.77%		25.01%	23.79%	26.61%	24.40%	
TOTAL AGP	65,618,513.94	67,238,197.37	63,444,223.53	202,910,939.87	TOTAL AGP	12,070,140.09	12,869,756.70	12,831,770.73	38,298,917.38	
GAMING TAXES	7,733,509.79	6,122,466.99	7,418,713.30	15,861,495.14	GAMING TAXES	265,683.82	121,619.86	330,382.45	424,172.69	
# OF CASINOS	40	40	40	40	# OF CASINOS	15	15	16	15	

BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS					CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS					
	September 2010	August 2010 September 2009		Tax Year To Date	September 2010		August 2010 September 2009		Tax Year To Date	
1¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	22,335,287.65 156.38 9.67%	4,729 233,478,446.18 22,529,505.52 153.68 9.65%	19,585,122.69 139.73 9.42%	14,208 703,051,652.24 68,184,519.12 156.49 9.70%	AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,127 40,515,210.34 3,459,164.13 102.31 8.54%	3,401,574.23 98.23 8.31%	1,009 30,736,981.90 2,888,906.06 95.44 9.40%	3,353 123,948,011.37 10,546,141.44 102.56 8.51%	
25¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	773 48,231,169.25 3,103,340.21 133.82 6.43%	779 51,067,744.75 3,202,817.38 132.63 6.27%	898 57,983,125.13 3,477,607.74 129.09 6.00%	2,382 154,451,775.75 9,807,686.67 134.26 6.35%	25¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	277 7,968,136.50 476,905.55 57.39 5.99%	275 8,290,496.25 479,197.71 56.21 5.78%	274 8,322,335.75 502,314.75 61.11 6.04%	829 24,906,496.50 1,420,627.44 55.88 5.70%	
	903 97,319,747.24 5,661,966.19 209.01 5.82%	897 105,119,590.39 5,801,718.04 208.64 5.52%	1,034 111,420,262.15 5,986,570.27 192.99 5.37%	2,709 309,668,908.31 17,433,832.47 209.85 5.63%	COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	242 13,512,172.50 521,787.93 71.87 3.86%	590,385.70 79.02 4.08%	243 6,804,115.00 670,615.29 91.99 9.86%	728 43,795,769.50 1,785,318.96 79.97 4.08%	
MULTI-DENOM COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,453 153,145,492.39 7,457,728.11 171.09 4.87%	1,437 166,866,407.91 7,521,490.52 168.84 4.51%	1,380 137,798,212.18 6,552,033.89 158.26 475.48%	4,353 483,476,230.87 22,913,269.65 171.65 4.74%	COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	18,640,700.53 763,448.50 88.67 4.10%	20,140,503.42 812,137.80 93.23 4.03%	287 20,454,440.75 794,390.85 92.26 3.88%	850 59,586,875.62 2,381,534.37 91.36 4.00%	
COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	63,444,408.22 4,163,981.65 161.58 6.56%	864 65,423,067.00 3,995,744.27 149.18 6.11%		2,580 198,805,328.42 12,590,868.61 159.14 6.33%	AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	365,009.76 53.60 6.47%	336,834.45 48.51 6.13%	235 5,887,973.85 350,890.34 49.77 5.96%	654 16,198,366.45 1,014,462.82 50.58 6.26%	
BJ TABLES BJ DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	81 11,687,575.52 1,714,087.02 705.39 14.67%	81 12,014,557.20 1,981,933.70 789.30 16.50%	86 11,533,637.57 1,575,225.07 610.55 13.66%	241 36,192,361.70 5,569,864.70 753.63 15.39%	BJ DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	6.59%	18 964,113.00 111,760.00 200.29 11.59%	19 690,186.05 77,813.05 136.51 11.27%	54 3,018,681.76 296,545.76 179.07 9.82%	
CRAPS TABLES CRAPS DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	17 4,548,675.25 773,605.00 1,516.87 17.01%	17 4,561,523.41 940,371.41 1,784.39 20.62%	17 4,553,737.60 860,793.10 1,687.83 18.90%	51 14,190,323.16 2,769,130.66 1,770.54 19.51%	CRAPS TABLES CRAPS DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	3 543,633.00 76,792.00 853.24 14.13%	3 591,452.50 130,833.50 1,406.81 22.12%	3 642,112.05 160,963.05 1,788.48 25.07%	9 1,739,530.00 301,043.00 1,090.74 17.31%	
POKER TABLES POKER DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	75 2,753,286.55 1,989,455.64 884.20 24.59%	75 2,815,546.40 1,818,090.64 781.97 23.94%	93 2,570,901.75 1,909,966.29 684.58 24.35%	225 8,545,086.85 5,647,548.52 818.49 23.75%	POKER TABLES POKER DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	15 433,042.50 152,428.75 338.73 18.59%	15 416,751.50 144,379.00 310.49 18.18%	16 500,594.26 175,372.76 365.36 19.59%	45 1,324,163.00 469,822.75 340.45 19.05%	
ROULETTE TABLE ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	13 1,822,008.25 447,074.75 1,146.35 24.54%	13 1,849,030.30 522,827.30 1,297.34 28.28%	13 2,030,276.36 458,033.36 1,174.44 22.56%	39 5,555,412.80 1,386,317.30 1,159.13 24.95%	ROULETTE TABLES ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	3 108,982.25 22,761.75 252.91 20.89%	4 133,992.00 46,839.50 377.74 34.96%	5 280,979.30 95,616.55 637.44 34.03%	11 408,015.25 93,488.25 277.14 22.91%	
TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS	47,646,526.22 7,183,159.36 18	48,314,498.78 5,888,158.89 18	44,895,570.10 6,704,102.21 18	146,303,037.70 15,011,193.98 18	TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS	5,901,847.63 284,666.61 7	6,053,941.89 112,688.24 7	5,716,882.70 384,228.64 6	18,308,984.79 426,128.47 7	

## SEPTEMBER AGP BY DEVICE

	State	wide	Cripple Creek										
	<u>Device</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>AGP</u>	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %	<u>Device</u>	Number	<u>AGP</u>	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %			
	Slots	15,189	\$59,638,920	\$130.88	6.94%	Slots	4,280	\$11,330,300	\$88.24	6.28%			
	Tables	305	\$5,979,594	\$653.51	16.91%	Tables	80	\$739,840	\$308.27	17.23%			
	TOTAL	15,494	\$65,618,514	\$141.17	7.23%	TOTAL	4,360	\$12,070,140	\$92.28	6.48%			
Black Hawk							Central City						
	<u>Device</u>	Number	<u>AGP</u>	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %	<u>Device</u>	Number	<u>AGP</u>	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %			
	Slots	8 749	\$42 722 304	\$162.77	7 20%	Slots	2.160	\$5 586 316	\$86.21	6 47%			

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.

Tables

TOTAL

39

2.199

\$315,532

\$5,901,848

\$269.69

\$89.46

11.88%

6.60%

17.35%

7.55%

## **GAMING\*UPDATE**

### DATES TO REMEMBER

\$4,924,222

\$47,646,526

✓ November 11 • Veteran's Day, Division offices closed

\$882.48

\$177.75

- ✓ November 15 October gaming tax returns due
- ✓ November 18 Gaming Commission meeting, Golden
- ✓ November 25 Thanksgiving Day, Division offices closed

**NOVEMBER 2010** 

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Tables

TOTAL

186

8,935