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BALLY 809



COLLECTIBLE ELECTROS
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Date set for Royal Bell, Ltd's annual Open House.

IGBE has a key individual from the hobby who has a marvelous exhibit. Is he paying our dues?

"They're Still There, But You've Got To Look Harder" an article from Dick Bueschel which gives some insight into finding those elusive machines.

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Best,
Roland Bond



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Cheers!
The Editor

WHAT WE WANT

Dear Editor,

We want to see a lot of articles on everything in Coin-op from soup to nuts. Are you going to have articles on jukeboxes, scales, barber chaires, toys, pedal cars, vogue records, orchestrions, old advertising, pinballs, arcade machines, slot machines peanut and gumball machines, punch boards, vintage radios, neon signs, movie collectibles, slot figures, vintage cash registers, poker chips, coca-cola and pepsi memorabilia, gas pumps, soda parlor memborabilia and artifacts, carousel animals, saloon items, victorian artifacts - basicallyanything for the nostalgic collectors for their rec room? If you are going to have articles and ads on these things, we're interested in subscribing.

Mr. & Mrs. America
Our Town, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. & Mrs America,

You hit the nail on the head. We have determined to do our best to provide not only really interesting articles on all of the items you mentioned, but also provide advertising from people world wide who have those items. It's a big step to try to incorporate everything for the rec room in one format, but it can be done. Many years ago (well maybe not so many) when we published "The Coin Slot" we did just that. But the marvelous thing now is that there are a lot more items included in the collectible areas and there are many more talented and knowledgeable people who can write about those items. The bottom line is, you tell us what you want to see and read. We'll do our very level best to provide it to you.

Cheers!
The Editor

SHALL I WRITE?

Dear Editor,

I'm not very good at writing, but I'd like to give it a shot. I restored a BONUS HORSEAD that was a basket case when I got it. My wife and I even took step by step pictures. What do you say, should I attempt it?

Mr. Fix-It
Downtown, America

Dear Mr. Fix-It,

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Cheers!
The Editor

TOYS?

Dear Editor,

We've been collecting toys and books for years and have had great pleasure in finding them. There's a lot of history surrounding these collectibles. Any interest in photos and a story?

GI Joe and Barbie
Glitterville, U.S.A.

Dear Joe and Barbie,

Wow! It sounds like something we'd all like to learn more about. It will take us back to those memorable years when the most important thing on our minds was, "When can I go out and play." Don't delay, get us the material. Our readers are waiting.

Cheers!
The Editor

A SCHEDULE?

Dear Editor,

We read or heard that you're you're going to mail "Coin Drop International" on the 10th of every other month. Does that mean yhou'll stick to that schedule or is it an empty promise?

Mr. & Mrs. On Time
Right Here, NOW

Dear Mr. & Mrs. On Time,

When we decided to publish " Coin Drop International" we set an absolute mail by date. We did this because it's extremely important that the ads included in the tabloid reach people in a timely fashion. The answer to your question is yes, we will mail on the 10th of every other month or the nearest working day prior to the 10th. This is what we did with our previous publication and our readers got very accustomed to receiving it within a certain time. That's our goal now with "Coin Drop International." No empty promises!

Cheers!
The Editor

Can Someone Help Us?

Dear Editor,

The thought has occurred to us that some of your people or some of your readers may be able to help us identify some of the machines which we get on occasion in our antique shop. Because of the area we're in, we get a variety of vending machines including slot machines, what you call trade stimulators, coin operated music, an occasional jukebox, some arcade pieces and so on. It's not that the books don't help us, but some of the things are rather unusual and don't seem to follow what we see pictured. Is this a possibility?

Mr. We Need To Know
Some Town, TC

Dear We Need To Know,

You have no idea what a great opportunity you have given us. You're asking for a lot of the same things that we hope to cover in our articles and features. No matter how we cover the material you will get answers to your questions. We really have a great compliment of contributing authors who can probably answer nearly every question we receive. In addition we will have a super contingent of readers who can go farther if need be in giving us information on the more unusual pieces.

Thanks for bringing up the subject which gives us a chance to request anyone who has a desire to write to call us and talk with us about our writer program. It's a chance to put something back into this hobby for those of us who have been fortunate enough over the years to get a lot from it. For the new collectors it gives them a chance to become more aware of the variety of machines that are available and still being found.

Cheers!
The Editor

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YOU CAN LEARN A LOT AT COIN-OP SHOWS!

BY DICK BUESCHEL

The people who collect vintage coin machines, whatever kind, more often than not regard themselves as antique collectors. The definition may be a little broad, but then, so is collecting. Just where would you classify someone that collects early computer software, or proudly displays the first Apple Macintosh? Antiquers, right? Or just plain collectors, with their computers and software regarded as collectibles? That is not to say that the title collectibles is demeaning, but just that the antique assignation sounds better, and comes closer to the respect and awe we award someone who has the wit and knowledge to get into something significant. Vintage cars aren't collectibles! If you have a garage full of great vehicles you have an assemblage of antique cars, not automotive collectibles. The same respect should be accorded any major piece that has a history, either ancient or just close to current , and that includes coin machines. The most logical area to include coin machines from old to fairly new is : antiques. Only that's not the way people think about collections of mechanical devices and systems, be they cars, computers or coin machines. That's because we haven't yet addressed the fact that antique collecting need not be restricted to assemblages of something old or vintage. So we have vintage car collectors, vintage computer collectors and coin machine collectors, with their holdings regarded as "antiques" rather than collectibles. It's a fine line, and one that has been broached in other areas. If you collect salt and pepper shaker, are you an antiquer? Or are they collectibles? It depends on the pieces, doesn't it? So flip a coin for that one. On the other hand, are well-to-do patrons of the arts regarded as antique collectors? Nope! They are art collectors. And no one would accuse their paintings or sculptures of being collectibles. Lots of gray areas here.

So if that's the case why can't we just regard coin machine collectors as coin machine collectors? Probably because of their sources of supply. Nowadays, if you want to make the lucky find of an old vending machine or a slot, maybe even a pinball game, you better be looking in antique shops and malls. Same for the salt and pepper shaker collectors; these collectors hardly have any other place to go (although teapot collecting is



Alan Sax and his lovely wife Pam are proud to exhibit their beautiful machines at a recent Chicagoland show.

really taking off, and you get the pots –new– at tea and coffee shops) and so are usually regarded as antique collectors, searching for collectibles.

There are valid reasons for these questions of terminology. Who else would risk the capital of investing in an old machine that works by a coin than an antique dealer? With all the primitives spoken for and the good banks and dolls and buttons and marbles and glassware in collections, and the source or quality antiques in this country drying up (and who wants more stuff from London!) something has to fill the shops,as well as fill the need for the dealer to find things that will be important to customers. In effect, this shift to indigenous American working machines tends to make the antique market look more and more like an expensive junk shop. Who'd buy that stuff? Yet there is always a market for a coke machine if it is priced right, or any form of chance taking coin machine from a slot payout to a trade stimulator that lets you pick out two cigars for the price of one. It is vanishing Americana, and there's no better place for it to be visible and sell than in an antique shop, at a show or in a mall. So dedicated vintage coin-op enthusiasts will always be there to see what somebody found in a barn or a basement. In fact, they are getting so good at it that it is not uncommon for antique coin machine collectors to run into each other, "Find anything here,?" only to be tremendously disappointed (and wish they had come earlier) when the other guy produces a machine that was picked up at a reasonable price.

If you're into coin-ops, you'd better be in the antique shows and malls that just might carry such things. Major finds have been made that way, and very recently.

Having said that, I will now take us into the exclusive realm of the vintage coin machine collector, and the shows dedicated to the hobby. There aren't as many vintage coin machine shows as there are antique shows (although with the proliferation of the genre, it seems like there soon might be) for the simple reason that people are willing to travel farther to get them. For instance, it is still illegal to collect slot machines in half a dozen states or more, and there's no way that a coin-op show will be held within theirs borders. So if you live in Alabama, Connecticut, Hawaii, Indiana, Nebraska, South Carolina, or Tennessee you'll probably find a lot of antique shows to go to, but you won't find any for vintage coin machines. So the coin machine collectors in those states (and there are some in every state!) get the thrill of their lives when they go to Chicago, Hackensack or Pasadena to see the real thing. Same for the locals where the shows take place, and the marketing universe surrounding each major show.

It is a tremendous understatement to say that you can learn a lot at some of the national and major regional vintage coin machine shows. At one location, in





These photos are from the Coin-Op Super Show held in Pasadena, California last January.

L.A. Slots' Steve Sato appears to be having a deep discussion with possible customers. Larry Zeidman confers with others in the background about the 25 year law.

Linda Yount and Dick Spevacek, Joe Blue Horse Antiques, are talking with fellow exhibitor, Michael Reynolds.

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THE EDITOR'S DESK



It's been some years since I last wrote an editor's statement. In reviewing that final editor's statement in April, 1983, we see that a lot of changes have occurred. The hobby has matured and many more people have become interested and involved. Some concerns and questions are nearly the same as in 1983. Where can I buy what I want? How do I know I'm treated fairly? Where do I go to learn more about collectible coin machines?

The answer to where I can buy what I want , is as close as your home town. Today many more dealers can ship virtually any coin-op machine around the world or down the street.

Answer number 2, how do I know I'm being treated fairly, education. It's self education for the most part; it's being responsible for yourself. But today there is a vast amount of information available, far more than 10 years ago. There are excellent books, magazines, catalogs and articles in other related publications. Never stop learning. Never stop asking questions.

Finally number 3 is answered, by attending as many shows as possible during the year. Actually attending the shows can serve to answer all three. Don't confine yourself to just one show if at all possible. It's like reading only one newspaper when you have several in your vicinity. You get a slanted view of things. Not every dealer can afford, has time or wants to do every show. It follows if you attend several different shows in different locales, you'll have a much broader appreciation and understanding of coin-op machines and related items and those who sell them.

In this transition issue of Coin Drop International you'll find a very good article from Dick Bueschel on what you can learn about coin-op collectibles by attending the shows. Don't miss this article as it will give you some good insights from someone who has been around longer than most of us can or want to remember.

We're going to try to keep our readers informed about the shows and auctions or just plain get togethers Join us and our advertisers as we travel around the country to different coin-op shows!

Rosanna Harris

The Collectible Electros!







BALLY 809

7...7...7... YES!!!

By Jason Stage

If only I would have put in all five quarters I would have hit the big jackpot! How many times have you wished that you would have put in that extra coin? How many times have you been scolded by a friend or loved one for not inserting the maximum number of coins on the slot machine you were playing? Especially now with ever growing jackpots on progressive linked machines enticing you with hundreds, thousands, and even millions of dollars it seems foolish not to gamble that extra coin.

This idea of enticing play of the maximum coins on a slot machine by offering a bigger jackpot on the last coin was a innovation of the Bally Manufacturing company of Chicago with the innovation of the model 809 "Five coin multiplier" in 1967.

When the introduction of the Bally 808 "Double up" in 1966 was such a success Bally realized that there was a increasing interest in multiple coin games in the growing casino industry. The idea of multiplying the payouts of a slot machine with each extra coin multiplying the pay by one was a feature of many of the bally console model slot machines of the 1940's era. This was also a feature used on some mechanical machines that were ingeniously retrofitted with a solenoid to reset the payout slides.

At the time nearly all of the machines in casinos were strictly mechanical machines and most were of the bell fruit variety of games, something that had not changed since shortly after the turn of the century. Because of the limitations of a mechanical slot machine the games were single coin play and the payouts were limited to a maximum of 20 coins plus the jackpot on the front of the machine or a hand paid jackpot. This limited the earning potential of slot machines by keeping away the "serious" gambler because of the small jackpots offered. This also steered away new players of slots with all of the games being the same in play. The cliche "you tried one and you tried them all" was especially true in the case of slot machines before 1967.

All that changed with the Bally 809 "Five coin multiplier" models. These machines were the next models introduced by bally to capitalize on the technologically stagnant slot machine industry. The 809 models were the first series to have the games and features that are inherent in most every slot machine today.

The 809 Bally offered the player the opportunity of playing one to five coins with each coin multiplying the payout of a traditional fruit game with the addition of the triple bar, double bar and any bar pays. A game feature that is almost a standard on every new slot machine. So now where before a cherry would only pay 2 coins it would now pay 4 with two coins in, 6 with three coins in, 8 with four coins in and 10 with the five coin maximum bet played. This continued for every pay on the award glass except in the case of the jackpot. The pay table on the jackpot was set so that one coin paid 200 coins, two coins paid 400 coins, three coins paid 600 coins, four coins paid 800 coins and five coins paid a incredible 2000 coins! A bonus of 1000 coins was offered if you played the fifth coin. This was the first time anyone used this method of alluring play of the machine with a big jackpot on the last coin. Every slot machine made today uses this effective way of stimulating play of the maximum coins. The machine would pay 200 coins on any pay over 400 coins and the rest would be hand paid by a attendant helping the casino keep track of the number of jackpots per machine. A set of electromechanical counters inside the machine also kept track of the machine earnings and payouts.

Bally didn't stop there, and followed up with a new type of game. The Model 809N "lightning" was the first all jackpots slot machine using bars and sevens as the game theme. Bally found by eliminating the lower payouts on the machines pay table you could increase the frequency of the larger payouts and not change the overall payout percentage of the machine. The overall hit frequency of the machine was lowered but when you hit boy did it pay! Very often emptying the hopper when on a winning streak. Serious slot players soon realized that the machines could pay like "lightning" and casino owners soon gathered that not only did the 809's multiply the winnings but it also multiplied the machine profits as well.

The eye catching lighted glass and chrome machines with the black fluorescent reel strips made for a very attractive game. This modern look attracted players when not in use. A clever feature on many of the 809N machines was that the jackpot bell was wired straight into the reel wiper boards and handle release switch so the jackpot bell would continue to ring until the next coin was inserted into the machine. This created a lot of excitement as the machines were played and drew attention and new players to the machines.

All these features were not possible without the use of the electromechanical technology of the Bally slot machine. The ingenuity of the design of the 809 is really quite remarkable. In the next issue we will take a peek under the hood of the 809 and find out what makes it tick.

So always play that last coin and remember the machine that really brought slot machines into the modern age, the spectacular Bally 809!

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A PULL OUT CATALOG OF SLOT MACHINES & ACCESSORIES

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This is Royal Bell, Ltd.'s pull out section. This can be used as a catalog of sorts of the merchandise which is available from Royal Bell either by stopping by our showroom or ordered from us by telephone, fax or mail.

Royal Bell, Ltd. has been around under a few other names for a total of 22 years. Bill Harris founded the company when in 1972 he found his first slot machine in Black Hawk, Colorado. While at the library Bill read an article in an old newspaper about a woman in Black Hawk who refused to surrender her slot machine. She was subsequently locked up in the local jail after she hid the machine. She was allowed to go to church on Sunday while accompanied by the local sheriff. It only took a few weeks of this to "bring her to her senses" and she gave up the contraband. Bill wondered what had happened to the infamous machine. On a weekend visit to Black Hawk not long after he found out that the confiscated machine was in a garage and could be purchased. He bought the Mills ROMAN HEAD, disassembled it and cleaned it and was hooked. On many weekends following that he scoured the area looking for more machines. He must have found a few more because today Royal Bell, Ltd. is one of the largest suppliers of home use slot machines.

BALLY SLOT MACHINES

THE FASTEST GROWING COLLECTIBLE

The Bally slot machine is by far the fastest growing collectible slot machine. Nothing brightens up your game room more than the lights and flash of a Bally. It will fill your game room with the exciting sounds of the bell ringing when a jackpot is hit.

Multiple coin and multiple line action will thrill you and your family again and again. Collectors love the reliability and ingenuity of the electro-mechanical technology. The classic feel of a mechanical mechanism combined with the ability of the electrical circuitry provide each model a distinct feature which makes every Bally slot machine a fun piece or an essential part of a collection.

Each model of the Bally machines are unique, but the games on most of the models are designed along similar lines. The machines are either multiple line games or multiplier games. Multi-line games such as the 831 three line pay and the 873 five line pay allow the player to win more frequently by using all of the symbols showing in the payout window not just the symbols on the center line. Multiplier games are the most common and the models which are most familiar are the 808 two coin multiplier, 809 five coin multiplier and the 1090 3 coin multiplier with the added left to right / right to left pay feature. The multiplier game allows the player to increase his bet on each game played with each extra coin multiplying the payout. Not only did the player win more but the casino earnings also multiplied which increased the machines' popularity to players and casino owners alike.

All of the Ballys from Royal Bell, Ltd. are fully shopped and since we hand pick the machines from the beginning, we are able to give our customer what we feel is the best machine for the game room.

The Bally model 873 which was introduced in 1970 was immediately a successful game in the casinos. Today it is a very popular model for collectors.

Perhaps the most available of the early Ballys is the model 809 in both the fruit version and the the JPO version.



Model 873
5 line criss cross



Model 847
Continental



Model 1088
Buy Your Pay



Model 1090
3 coin multiplier



Model 809
Lightning



Model 1088 Double Up

If your state is a 25 year state, the machine you purchase must be manufactured prior to 1970. The Bally model number has to be lower than 855.

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If your state is a 15 year state, the machine you purchase must be manufactured prior to 1979. The Bally model number has to be lower than 1202.

In Colorado the machine model must have been introduced prior to 1984 which as a rule of thumb means that any electro-mechanical model is legal.

If your state is an Any Machine Legal state, you may choose whatever you like best.

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Inv #	Model #	DNM	Description	Circa	Amount
102	922-A	5¢	5 line Bar, 5Bar, 7's Prog.	1972	$1495.00
104	831-ZE	5¢	3 line Bar, Wat, 7's	1968	$1395.00
105	809-N	5¢	5 coin Mult Bar, 5 Bar 7's	1967	$1395.00
107	889-C	5¢	3 line Fruit	1970	$1595.00
108	831	5¢	3 line Bar, Wat, 7's	1968	$1395.00
109	809-N	5¢	5 coin Mult Bar, $2.50 Wat 7's	1967	$1395.00
110	831	5¢	3 line Bar, Wat, 7's	1968	$1395.00
111	785	5¢	1 coin 1 line Fruit Prog	1964	$1495.00

The list continues on the next page.

Inv #	Model #	DNM	Description	Circa	Amount
113	831	5¢	3 coin Mult Fruit, Dice 7s Prog	1968	$1495.00
114	847	5¢	6 coin Mult Fruit	1969	$1595.00
115	785R	5¢	3 coin Mult Fruit, Dice 7s Prog	1968*	Call
117	742AM	10¢	5 coin Mult Fruit Prog	1964	$1495.00
118	809-N	5¢	5 coin Mult Bar, 5Bar, 7s	1967	$1395.00
119	809	10¢	5 coin Mult 10¢ in $ out SPCL	1968*	Call
120	922-A	5¢	5 line Bar, 5Bar 7s	1972	$1395.00
121	1088	$	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
122	1005	5¢	3 line & 5 coin Mult Fruit	1974	$1995.00
The above machine is a very unusual machine and is a real collectible Bally.					
124	1088	$	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
125	1088	$	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
126	1090	$	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
127	1096	$	3 coin Buy A Pay Fruit	1976	$ 995.00
128	1088	$	3 coin Buy A Pay Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
129	1088	25¢	3 coin Mult Fruit	1975	$1495.00
130	1088	25¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
131	1088	25¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
134	1088	25¢	3 coin Buy A Pay Fruit	1975	$1395.00
135	1088	25¢	3 coin Buy A Pay Fruit	1975	$1395.00
136	1088	25¢	3 coin Buy A Pay Fruit	1975	$1395.00
137	1088	25¢	3 coin Buy A Pay Fruit	1975	$1395.00
138	1088	25¢	3 coin Buy A Pay Fruit	1975	$1395.00
139	1090	25¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
140	1090	$	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
141	1090	$	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
142	1088	$	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
145	1098	25¢	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1976	$1295.00
146	1088	25¢	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
150	1090	5¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
160	1034	5¢	6 coin Mult Lucky Sevens Fruit	1975	$1595.00
166	1091	$	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
167	1088	25¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
169	1088	5¢	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
170	1041	5¢	4 coin Mult Gold Bars	1975	$1395.00
172	809	25¢	5 coin Mult Fruit	1967	$1595.00
174	1090	25¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
175	847	5¢	6 coin Mult Continental Fruit	1969	$1595.00
176	1090	$	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$ 995.00
177	1088	25¢	2 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
179	1090	5¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00
181	1090	25¢	3 coin Mult Magic 7. Bar 7s	1975	$1395.00
182	1090	25¢	3 coin Mult Bar & 7s	1975	$1295.00

* These machines are unique and are either one of a kind or have minor imperfections. Call for more information and prices.

The Bally slot machine has entered the collectible generation of machines. If you can't find your favorite machine, please speak to one of our helpful sales staff. The machine may in fact be in our inventory, just not listed at this time.All of the Ballys are cleaned, relubricated and completely coin tested before being shipped.

Please add $25.00 for packing. The machines are shipped F.O.B. Denver.

BALLY
LUCKY SEVENS

The Bally Lucky Sevens was a special 6 coin multplier developed for the casinos. Because of the multitude of pay combinations the top glass and cabinet was heightened to accomodate the display of the pays.

5¢ LUCKY SEVENS $1495.00

Please add $25.00 for packing. The machine is shipped F.O.B. Denver, CO.

THERE ARE MORE SPECIALS ON BALLY $ SLOTS AND BALLY TWENTY-ONE ON PAGE 11.

DON'T MISS THE JUKEBOXES ON PAGE 11 AS WELL.



7 7 7 SPECIAL

OAK CASINO STANDS

Royal Bell, Ltd. has designed an oak stand for use with the Bally, Universal and IGT slot machines and video poker. The stands have a built-in electrical connection providing an outlet for the machine which can then be turned off and on by flipping a toggle switch on the back of the stand. The stands have a locking door and there is a pull out drawer which can be used for coin overflow from the machines if you want to drill the overflow hole in the top of the stand. There are 3 styles of glass from which to choose. A red background is highlighted by the words Golden Nugget; a green background is highlighted by kettle of gold and the word Jackpot; a red background provides the setting for the Lady Luck (same design as the glass used in our standard stands).



Dimensions of the stands are approximately:
H 28" x W 23" x D 18"

PRICE REDUCTION TO THIS AMAZING PRICE: $225.00 Please add $20.00 for the Lady Luck glass.

IF A STAND IS ORDERED WITH A SLOT MACHINE YOU MAY DEDUCT $25.00 FROM THE PRICE OF THE OAK CASINO STAND.

USED CASINO STANDS



There is also a very nice selection of "used" casino stands. These stands are pressed wood with formica exteriors. They have been drilled for coin drop and also for electrical hook ups. The holes may or may not match the model of your machine, but in most cases the stands work with any machine although the machine may be slightly off center of the stand.

Dimensions are nearly the same as the oak stands above.

PRICED AT $75.00

There is a $15.00 packing charge on all casino stands. They can be shipped via U.P.S. for $30.00. They can also be shipped F.O.B. Denver with a machine.

IGT VIDEO POKER

Video Poker has become one of the most fascinating types of machines on the casino floor. It has made its way into the home game room in many forms, even on home PCs. Many small hand held games can be purchased from mail order houses and specialty catalogs. None meet the real play on an actual Video Poker machine.

The IGT Fortune I machine was the forerunner of the popular machines of today. These machines have the early game of draw poker which started the craze. The Fortune I machines from Royal Bell, Ltd. come in either a fully shopped version or a completely remanufactured version. The difference lies in a new monitor, new formica and new glass when needed in the remanufactured model. The shopped version has a rebuilt monitor. Either model has been completely cleaned and tested by our technical staff. Both 5¢ and 25¢ models are available.

Remanufactured IGT $2195.00
Shopped IGT $1795.00
Please add $25.00 for packing. The machine is shipped F.O.B. Denver, CO.



KENO

Keno is a very popular game in the casinos both in live play and in the video style machines. The Bally V5000 Keno from Royal Bell, Ltd. is a source of great amusement in the home game room. This is the same type of Keno played in the casinos. Use your lucky numbers and practice Keno in your own home.

Bally KENO.....$1895.00

Please add $25.00 for packing. Machine is shipped F.O.B. Denver, CO.



DON'T FORGET TO CHECK THE STATUS OF THE STATES ON PAGE 12 TO MAKE SURE YOU CAN OWN ONE OF THESE MORE MODERN MACHINES.

3 JACKS

The "JACKS" machines have a very interesting history which goes back to a machine produced in 1893. It was a small wooden cabinet machine played by a nickel which would drop the jackpot when a nickel dropped in the right hole.

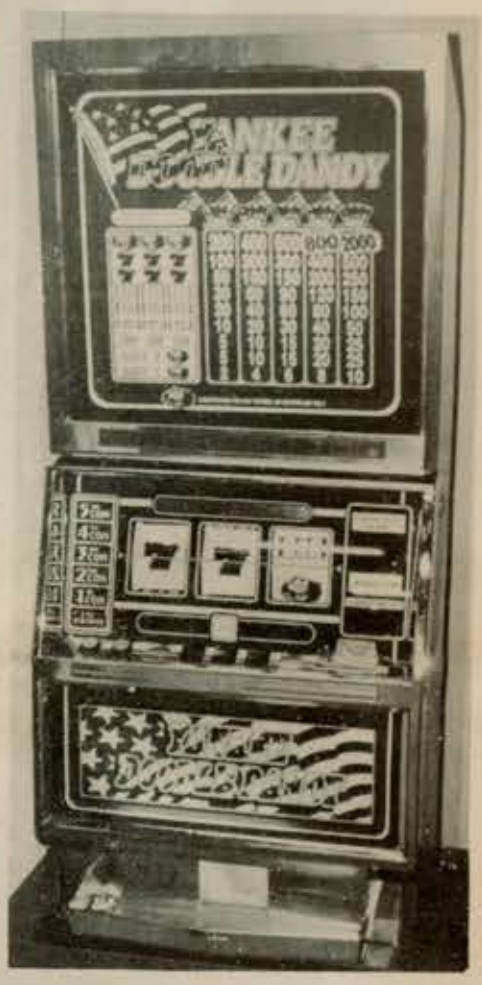
The "3 Jacks" was a revamped model of the earlier machine and came out in 1930. This clever model was played on a penny and people didn't know whether to judge it as a game of chance or a game of skill. The object of play is to tap the coin into the playing field (a series of pegs on a back board) and hope that the coin finds its way into one of the openings above the 3 jackpot pockets. If the player is lucky or skillful and gets the coin in the pocket, he/she can turn the handle on the side and receive the jackpot showing in that window.

The 3 JACKS from Royal Bell, Ltd. is completely remanufactured and is on 10¢ play. The front is cast aluminum which is polished and painted; the sides and base are oak.

3 JACKS $425.00



THE ULTIMATE RED, WHITE & BLUE HOME USE SLOT MACHINE



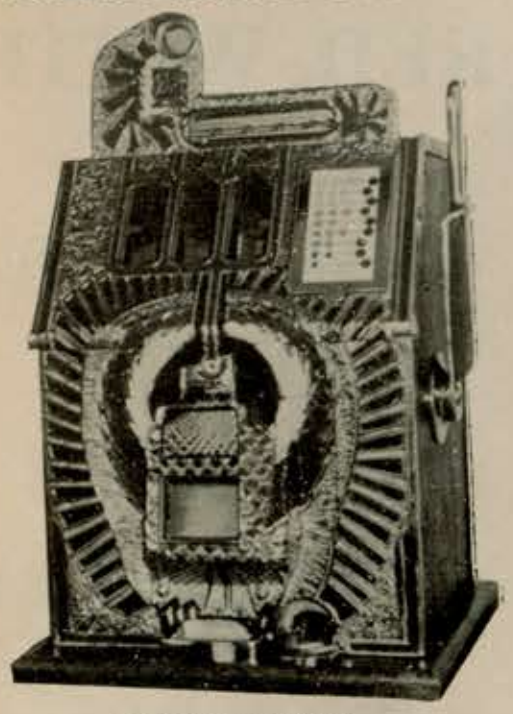
The Yankee Doodle Dandy is a Pacific Universal which has been completely remanufactured by the technical staff at Royal Bell, Ltd. It has been rebuilt on 25¢ play which is the most universal coin used in vending machines across the United States. The very popular red, white and blue theme has been utilized in the new glass which was designed specifically for this machine. Many multiplier game machines of the recent years have used the extremely popular jackpot theme of bars, sevens and special theme jackpot symbol. The jackpot theme on this machine is "Yankee Doodle Dandy".

This is a casino style machine and uses the very fast play appeal of a fire button to spin the reels. It also has the credit play feature which has become the accepted standard on casino machines. This is a fast action machine which will give the home player the fast action play of the casino.

YANKEE DOODLE DANDY.....$1395.00
This is a very special price while supplies of the incredible machine last. Please add $25.00 for packing.
This machine is shipped F.O. B. Denver, CO.

PLEASE USE ORDER FORM ON PAGE 10.

MILLS CLASSICS



GOLDEN EAGLE



CASTLE FRONT

The Mills Classics from Royal Bell, Ltd. are completely remanufactured to "as new" condition. This requires that the machine be stripped down, cleaned, replated and worn parts replaced with old "new" parts or with newly remanufactured parts or with newly remanufactured parts. The oak cabinet sides and base are newly crafted and hand finished in a medium/dark stain. The new castings are nickel or gold plated and finished in either imeron or another type of automotive paint.

All of the machines come standard on 25¢ play with full escalators and an automatic jackpot. If you another coin denomination is wanted, please speak to one of our sales representatives.

The **Castle Front** is nickel plated and painted with a blue background highlighting a shield which features a castle in the upper left hand corner.

The **War Eagle** come in nickel plated castings painted with a beautiful yellow background. The eagle front is highlighted in red and black.

The **Golden Nugget Lady** is gloss black or antique white. Gold plated nuggets and ladies adorn the front.

The **Extrabelle** is plated in gold and then painted burgundy, antique white or black. The Extrabelle is the most ornate of the vintage machines.

The **Roman Head** is plated in gold. The gold head in the center is beautifully highlighted by a background painted in Burgundy or two shades of blue.

The **Hightop** which is an art deco style of machine comes in a choice of Blue, Red or Black. The accents on the machine are in nickel.

The **Golden Eagle** is a War Eagle plated in gold. The background is left unpainted; there is a touch of blue, yellow and red to highlight the gold plating.

The **Bursting Cherry** is nickel plated. The blue background beautifully highlights the yellow starburst and the multi faceted nickel cherry plate in the center.

Castle Front	**$1925.00**
War Eagle	**$1925.00**
Golden Nugget Lady	**$1950.00**
Extrabelle	**$2195.00**
Roman Head	**$2195.00**
Hightop	**$1925.00**
Golden Eagle	**$1950.00**
Bursting Cherry	**$1925.00**

Please add $25.00 for packing. The machines are shipped F.O. B. Denver, CO.



GOLDEN NUGGET



WAR EAGLE



ROMAN HEAD



EXTRABELLE



BURSTING CHERRY

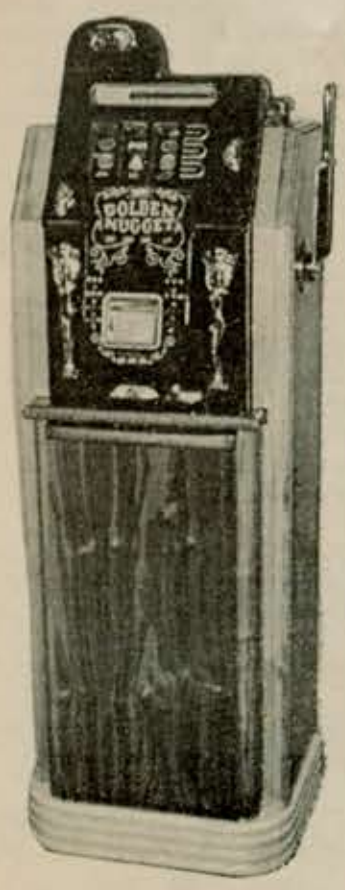


HIGHTOP

TO ORDER, PLEASE CALL
(303) 431-9266
OR FAX (303) 431-6978

MILLS REGAL

A VERY SPECIAL CABINET FOR A VERY SPECIAL SLOT MACHINE!

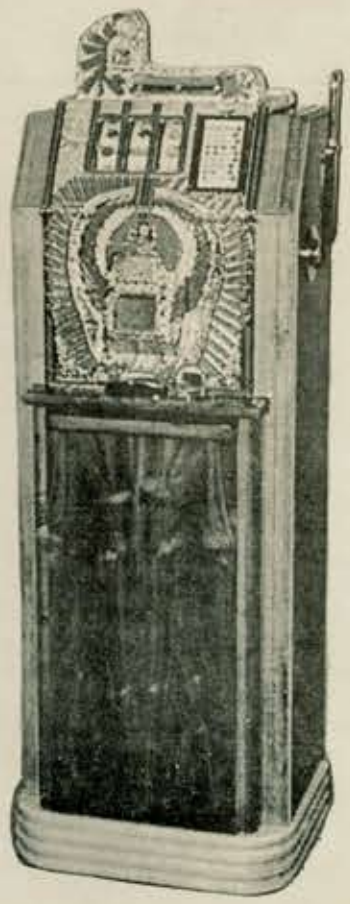


MILLS REGAL / GOLDEN NUGGET

The Mills Regal was a cabinet developed by the Mills Novelty Co. for the club trade. The cabinet from Royal Bell, Ltd. was built with the same type of wood which was used originally. Any of the Mills' classic machines can be fit into the cabinet. The walnut, birch and maple woods combine to add a real touch of class to the slot machines. In addition there is a lovely utility shelf which pulls out just below the machine. It's just the right configuration to hold a beverage and extra coins.

Mills Regal / War Eagle	**$2495.00**
Mills Regal/Golden Eagle	**$2549.00**
Mills Regal/Castle Front	**$2495.00**
Mills Regal/Bursting Cherry	**$2495.00**
Mills Regal/Hightop	**$2495.00**
Mills Regal/Roman Head	**$2549.00**
Mills Regal/Extrabelle	**$2549.00**
Mills Regal/Golden Nugget Lady	**$2495.00**
Mills Regal/cabinet only	**$595.00**

Please add $25.00 for packing. The machine/cabinet is shipped F.O.B. Denver, CO.



MILLS REGAL / GOLDEN EAGLE

ARISTOCRAT & JUBILEE



The Aristocrats look similar to this machine. The top of the machine might be slightly different. The glass carries the theme of the machine which gives it the name such as "Mad Melon", "Deci-King", etc.



The Jubilees look similar to this machine. Like the Aristocrats, the theme of the machine is carried out in the glass and reel strips of the Jubilee.

Royal Bell, Ltd. has the only fully rebuilt slot machine for $895.00 and a second model for $995.00. These machines are the very popular and reliable Aristocrat Grosvenor and the Jubilee International. The machines were originally built for arcade use in the British Isles where they would get substantial play during the summer months. The machines have been fully rebuilt as follows:

Mechanisms cleaned and relubricated.

Coin handling changed to 25¢ play, including new quarter slides. The slides are the most important part of the coin handling in the mechanical slot machines.

Cabinet cleaned and repainted.

Select from the following models:

ARISTOCRAT	Deci King, Mad Melon, Tic Tac Toe, Gold Star, Sweet 'n' Sour, Wild Aces
JUBILEE	International, Tic Tac Toe, Riviera

There are possibly other models available in each kind of machine. Please ask our sales staff for current listing. The name of the game signifies the type of jackpot symbols used on the reel strips and the art used in the glass.

A light kit can be added to either the Aristocrat or the Jubilee to backlight the glass and the reels. Please add $50.00 for the installation of the light kit.

Aristocrat Grosvenor $995.00
Jubilee $895.00
Please add $25.00 for packing. The machines are shipped F.O.B. Denver.

JUBILEE CAL-NEVA



This machine is a Jubilee International which has been remanufactured with new glass, black painted castings and a beautiful oak cabinet. A 110v florescent light kit is added to backlight the glass and reel strips. Sharp lines combine with the classic look, play and reliability of this fully mechanical slot machine to make it a sure winner.

Jubilee Cal-Neva. $1295.00
Please add $25.00 for packing. The machines are shipped F.O.B. Denver.

ARISTOCRAT CLUB CABINET



SPECIAL

The Aristocrat Club Model is a full size machine in a floor model cabinet. The sides and front are formica and make an attractive unit addition to any game room. The front glass which has the game theme play silkscreened on it backlights to add just a touch more of excitement.

Models which are currently available:
Fiesta, Golden Nugget, 4 Reel Special
Gold Medal (pictured), Deci-King,
Gold Award, Gold-A-Go-Go, and
Tic-Tac-Toe

Other models may be available when you order; please check current list from our helpful sales staff.

ARISTOCRAT CLUB MODEL.....$1395.00
Please add $25.00 for packing. The machine is shipped F.O.B. Denver, CO.

COLLECTORS' CORNER





The machines shown and listed here are in very good to excellent original condition. The inventory changes constantly and this is only a partial list of the original machines available. If you do not see the machine that is your favorite or the one you need to complete or add to your collection, please ask our helpful sales person about current availability of machines. We will also be happy to put your special wants on our list, "Machines Wanted By Collectors".

25¢ Mills ROMAN HEAD Gold Award	$2395.00
5¢ Mills BONUS*	$1595.00
5¢ MIlls BURSTING CHERRY	$1595.00
5¢ Pace ALL STAR COMET	$1695.00
5¢ Mills DIAMOND FRONT	$1795.00
10¢ BDR	$1295.00
10¢ Jennings STANDARD CHIEF	$1695.00
5¢ Mills BONUS HORSEHEAD	$2395.00
25¢ Buckley CRISS CROSS	$1695.00
50¢ Mills DIAMOND FRONT	$1695.00
10¢ Pace COMET	$1695.00
5¢ Mills POINSETTIA Front Vender	$1695.00
1¢ Jennings LITTLE DUKE	$2195.00

* The bonus mechanism has been removed by the operator from this machine. However, it functions perfectly as a Hightop. This is an excellent machine and the bonus mechanism could be added to it if an original became available.

Please add $25.00 for packing. The machines are shipped F.O. B. Denver, CO.

OAK STANDS

These Oak Stands are hand crafted to compliment not only the Mills Classics with matching oak cabinets, but also any mechanical slot machine. The stands come equipped with a shelf which can be placed in 3 different levels and a locking front door. The selection of fronts is stained glass overlay, silk screened glass or a solid oak raised panel.

Order the stand with your vintage machine and save $30.00 on the price of the stand.

Prices listed are for stands with polished aluminum feet; for polished brass feet please add $10.00. A light kit is also available for an additional $15.00.

The dimensions are: H 34" x W 17" x D 17"





RAISED OAK PANEL: The raised oak panel give the stand the finish of a fine piece of oak furniture. This stand absolutely compliments any machine. **$285.00**

INDIAN: Stained glass overlay using the Indian head profile shown on the Jennings Standard Chief. The colors used are a yellow background surrounding a blue oval. Within the oval is a bronze Indian head. **$275.00**

BUTTERFLY: Stained glass overlay using a butterfly as the focal point. The colors used are a bronze outline surrounding a yellow area with a white and yellow butterly in the center. **$275.00**



LADY LUCK: Silscreened glass of Lady Luck surrounded by or wearing nearly every conceivable good luck charm and lucky number combination. **$300.00**



CAILLE LADY: The ethereal figure from the Caille Superior Operators Bell was the basis for the stained glass overlay for this stand. The colors are basically the same as the Bursting Cherry glass with the lady framed by a red oval. **$275.00**



NEW ADDITION: We are now offering a solid brass Indian Head which can be attached to the solid panel door. This is an additional $25.00 to the cost of the stand.

CASINO GLASS: This glass was designed to look like the three pieces of glass in an electromechanical slot machine, i.e. casino name glass, reel glass and award glass. The glass is silkscreened in either basic blue or red colors. **$275.00**



ROSE: Stained glass overlay using a single red rose as the focal point. The colors used are a red background, white oval with gold border and a red rose in the center. The other option is a yellow background, red oval with gold border and a white rose in the center. **$275.00**



BURSTING CHERRY: Stained glass overlay using the central multi facet design from the Mills Busting Cherry slot machine. The colors used are basically a blue outline, white interior and red highlights. **$275.00**



The stands are shipped via U.P.S. Please include $30.00 for U.P.S. shipping. If the stand is shipped with a machine, it will be shipped F.O.B. Denver.

ORDER FORM

5815 W. 52ND AVE. • DENVER, CO 80212 • TO ORDER CALL 303-431-9266 OR FAX 303-431-6978

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE - DAYS (___) _____ EVENING (___) _____

Make Checks payable to : ROYAL BELL, LTD ANY RETURN MUST BE PRE-APPROVED!!**

DESCRIPTION	QTY.	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE

Pay total amount (Colorado residents add 4.3% tax.) Send check w/ phone #. We also accept VISA or MasterCard (expiration date and signature required. **All prices subject to change.**

UPS/ FREIGHT _____
CRATING CHARGE _____
TOTAL _____

Visa / Master Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

PLEASE SEND SLOT VERIFICATION WITH YOUR ORDER!

When purchasing a slot machine, you must sign below and provide us with your drivers license or social security number.

I am a legal resident of the state of _____ and understand that the slot machine I'm receiving can only be used for home recreation and amusement. I also understand that using a slot machine for profit or gambling purposes is illegal and could subject me to severe penalties.

Drivers License # _____ or SS# _____

Signature _____

ORDERING, PACKING, SHIPPING, AND SATISFACTION

Ordering: After selecting merchandise to be purchased, please fill out the order form found on this page. We are required to have a copy of the signed order on file and it is imperative that the slot verification form is completed and sent to us for each slot machine purchase.

Packing: Each item is carefully packed in conformance with UPS and common carrier standards. In all cases **new** boxes and packing materials are used. There is a minimum $25.00 packing charge per machine (except 3 jacks).

Shipping: All shipments under 70 lbs. and within certain girth requirements are shipped via UPS. All other shipments are given to a freight broker who arranges the most direct and cost effective means of transportation - air and/or ground door to door delivery. All shipments are F.O.B. Denver and are fully insured. Once the shipment is picked up from our dock liability transfers to the customer. Please inspect the carton for any signs of mishandling before signing for them.

Satisfaction: All attempts is taken to provide the best merchandise available. If for some reason you are not completely satisfied, please contact our customer relations at (303) 431-0799 for instructions on exchange of the merchandise or method of return and return authorization #.

Merchandise being returned must be received undamaged and return freight paid for before exchange or refund is issued!

BLACKJACK TABLES



The perfect addition to the game room is the live action Blackjack Table. These tables were constructed to casino standards and used very little in a classroom setting to teach dealers. Select from either a finished dark stained wood or finished non stained wood.

BLACKJACK TABLE.....$395.00
Price is available on quantities in house and this is a cash and carry price. Stools are also available at $10.00 each.

TO ORDER, PLEASE CALL (303) 431-9266 OR FAX (303) 431-6978

PLEASE BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE SLOT VERIFICATION FORM

BILL HARRIS WESTERN FIGURES



ONE ARMED BANDIT BLACK BART RENO

The Bill Harris Western Figure Collection was originally developed in 1978 and the figures can be found worldwide. Each statue is carved from basswood and hand finished so that no two are identical. The figures stand approximately 6 feet and weigh 200 pounds. Each figure is fitted with a Mills HIGHTOP which is completely remanufactured for carefree home play.

In the mid 1980s another line of statues was added to the collection. These figures were made of poly resin and the find detailing could be carved into the figures after they were molded. The dimensions and weight remained relatively the same as for the wooden statues. However, the Aristocrat Arcadian was utilized in the body of the statue.

The two statues pictured here are the One Armed Bandit which is carved from basswood and Black Bart Reno which is a poly resin figure. In addition to the statues pictured, the following are also available:

WOODEN: One Armed Cowboy
Plains Indian
Mexican Bandito
Miner

POLY RESIN: Indian Scout
Prospector
Bandito

ONE ARMED BANDIT $4200.00
ONE ARMED COWBOY $4200.00
MINER $4300.00
MEXICAN BANDITO $4600.00
PLAINS INDIAN $4600.00

RESIN STATUES $2195.00

Please add $25.00 for packing. The statues are shipped F.O.B. Denver.

JPO DOLLAR MACHINE BLOWOUT!!!!!! $995.00



The exciting Bars and 7s dollar slot machines come in many game styles and models. Call our sales representative for models currently available.

Please add $25.00 for packing. The machines are shipped F.O.B. Denver.

VIDEO TWENTY ONE



This is the casino style Twenty-One. Models may vary; please ask about current models which are available.

Prices start at $1895.00. Please add $25.00 for packing. The machine is shipped F.O.B. Denver.

WURLITZER JUKEBOX



The ◆ Real ◆ Wurlitzer
One More Time

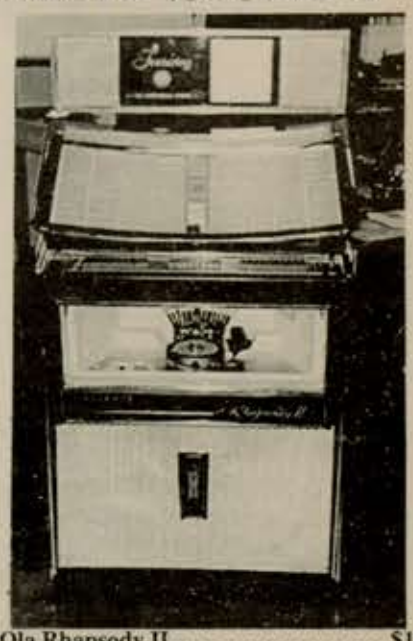
The Wurlitzer ONE MORE TIME combines the design of the classical 1015 with today's technology. Its stereo transistorized amplifier with automatic level-control and electronic overload-protection supplies 200 Watts of music power. 6 speakers in a 3 way stereo system offer best hifi quality.

The ONE MORE TIME has 100 selections (50 records) and plays them all on a high quality shure magnetic pick-up cartridge.

Internally illuminated rotating color cylinders together with the Bubble Tubes - illuminated glass tubes with continuously rising bubbles - create a unique lighting effect.

Wurlitzer 45 ..... $5495.00
Wurlitzer CD $6495.00
Please add $50.00 to crate. Shipping is F.O.B. Denver.

ROCK-OLA RHAPSODY II



Rock-Ola Rhapsody II $1200.00
Please add $50.00 to crate. Shipping is F.O.B. Denver.

STATUS OF THE STATES



LEGEND

= NOT LEGAL

= HOME OWNERSHIP LEGAL

STATUS OF THE STATES

ALABAMA .....Any Machine Prohibited
ALASKA .....Any Machine Legal
ARIZONA .....Any Machine Legal
ARKANSAS.....Any Machine Legal
CALIFORNIA .....25 Years or Older
COLORADO .....Introduced pre-1984
CONNECTICUT.....Any Machine Prohibited
DELAWARE .....25 Years or Older
FLORIDA .....20 Years or Older
GEORGIA.....Pre-January 1, 1950
HAWAII.....Any Machine Prohibited
IDAHO Pre-1950
ILLINOIS.....25 Years or Older
INDIANA .....Any Machine Prohibited
IOWA .....25 Years or Older
KANSAS.....Pre-1950
KENTUCKY.....Any Machine Legal
LOUISIANA .....25 Years or Older
MAINE .....Any Machine Legal
MARYLAND .....25 Years or Older
MASSACHUSETTS.....30 Years or Older
MICHIGAN .....25 Years or Older
MINNESOTA .....Any Machine Legal
MISSISSIPPI .....25 Years or Older
MISSOURI.....30 Years or Older
MONTANA.....25 Years or Older
NEBRASKA.....???????????????
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....25 Years or Older
NEW JERSEY .....30 Years or Older
NEW MEXICO .....Any Machine Legal
NEW YORK Pre-1941
NEVADA.....Any Machine Legal
NORTH CAROLINA .....25 Years or Older
NORTH DAKOTA.....25 Years or Older
OHIO.....Any Machine Legal
OKLAHOMA .....25 Years or Older
OREGON.....Pre-1968
PENNSYLVANIA Pre-1941
RHODE ISLAND.....25 Years or Older*
SOUTH CAROLINA.....Any Machine Prohibited
SOUTH DAKOTA Pre-1941
TENNESSEE .....Any Machine Prohibited
UTAH .....Any Machine Legal
VERMONT Pre-1954
VIRGINIA.....Any Machine Legal
WASHINGTON .....25 Years or Older
WASHINGTON D.C.....Pre-1952
WEST VIRGINIA.....Any Machine Legal
WISCONSIN.....25 Years or Older
WYOMING.....25 Years or Older

The information listed for each state refers to the manufacture date of the machine.

Nebraska is listed with ??? because the law is unclear and it is interpreted by the Attorney General. That position has a change of personnel and the interpretation may change with the new attorney general.

ONLY 6 STATES

In 1978 the map showed 30 states where it was not legal to privately own slot machines. Now the map shows that there are only 6 states where it is not legal to privately own slot machines. The map has changed significantly in a short 16 years.

The most recent change was in the state of Colorado where Bill and Rosanna Harris successfully had a law introduced by their state representative, Michelle Lawrence. Under Michelle's guidance the bill passed the House and Senate and was signed by Governor Romer on March 2 this year. Other states which have recently changed their laws are: California - 25 years or older, Oregon - Pre-1968 and Rhode Island - 25 years or older. In each of these cases, the law has been changed by a single individual or a husband and wife who have taken the time to actively work on the bill and testify before the committees hearing the bill.

We here at Coin Drop International will give anyone our help in effecting a change in their state law. We'd like to make the first year of Coin Drop's publication a banner year for change. It would be terrific if the last 6 states could join the other 44 and bring our map to 100%! It can be done, but it will only be done with the time and effort of someone in Alabama, Connecticut, Hawaii, Indiana, South Carolina and Tennessee. Just for good measure, let's throw in Nebraska as well. How about it? Shall we go for it?

*We have received verbal information that the law in Rhode Island has been changed. However, we do not have a copy of the NEW law in our files. We would appreciate receiving a copy from a resident of Rhode Island or anyone else who might have a copy. Thank You!

WANTED!

WANTED INFORMATION REGARDING THE LEAGL STATUS IN THE CANADIAN PROVINCES AND OTHER COUNTRIES. WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO OUR READERS THE MOST ACCURATE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE LEGAL STATUS OF PRIVATE OWNERSHIP WHERE EVER THE TABLOID IS RECEIVED. ANY HELPWILL BE APPRECIATED BY US , THE STAFF, AND EVEN MORE BY OUR READERS.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION FROM OUR READERS ON ANY LAW REGARDING PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF SLOT MACHINES. WE WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE FILE ON THE LAWS SO THAT WE CAN ASSIST ANYONE WHO MAY HAVE A QUESTION OR A PROBLEM.

HOW CAN SOMEONE CHANGE A LAW?

The answer to that question can be found in the article "The Law That Ought To Be!" on page 13. Working on changing the law is not hard, but it does take some time and requires a lot of preliminary work in order to be ready to answer questions from the legislators who initially hear the reading of the bill. Believe me it can be done. The voice of experience is that we have worked with the legislature twice in the past six years to change the law in Colorado.

The Law That Ought To Be

By Rosanna Harris

What? Why? How? These are questions that were asked about the new Colorado law for private ownership of slot machines, the law that ought to be the standard other than an "anything at all" law. What? The law states that a vintage slot machine is defined as any machine the model of which was introduced on the market prior to 1984. Because this year is 1994 the Colorado law is sometimes misreferenced as a 10 year law, but it is not. The model machines which are legal this year will not change in coming years.



Michelle Lawrence , the sponsor of HB 94-1105, along with Rosanna and Bill Harris are all smiles as Governor Roy Romer signs the new home use slot machine bill into law on March 2, 1994.

The answer to why flows from the confusion that abounds from the 25, 20 and 15 year laws. A model of a slot machine was often produced for a decade or more. The early vintage machines were hard to date because the year of manufacture was not stamped into the machine or attached to the cabinet in some way. But with the advent of electro-mechanical machines the dates of production were more accurately kept and actual dates were stamped into the tags attached to the machines. An example of early machines is the Mills HIGHTOP which was produced from 1947 through 1963.[1] The machine (mechanism) was essentially the same during the 16 year production. The cabinet was the same except for minor variations of the front accessories. During the early years of collecting, a Hightop was dated as 1947 rather than trying to determine it's actual point of production in the 16 year span. However, when the Bally MONEY HONEY came on the collecting scene, there were those who became scrupulous about actual date of production.

Following the MONEY HONEY was the extremely popular 5 coin multiplier, 809 which was . It had a production life reflective of the Mills HIGHTOP. The HIGHTOP was accepted as having begun its life in 1947, but the 809 in some places and during the early days of a new 25 year law was judged by the tag on its side. This obvious difference of judging the age of a machine didn't seem to follow rational thinking. If the game was the same, no new technology was involved, no major changes made what made an 809 built on 1-1-69 different from an 809 built on 1-1-79? Only the tag made the difference. Swap tags and the machines switch places as far as dating is concerned.

With this in mind, at Royal Bell we set about rethinking how our home use law was written. The most sensible way to define the machines is by dates of technological change. After research it was determined that the first stepper model computer driven machines were introduced in the U.S. in 1985.[2] This was the third major technological change. The second was the electro-mechanical hopper payout Bally introduced in 1964. Steppers were extremely revolutionary and just as unmistakable as the 1964 change. When reviewing all of the machines from 1964 through 1984, they are basically the same but in different cabinets. All of the machines work on the principle that when the reels stop, the machine by way of reader boards determine a non pay or pay combination. In 1985 that process was reversed when the random number generator stopped by the first coin played determined the reel combination before the reels spun. This being the case, all machines using the previous technology are essentially the same and therefore if some are accepted as legal for home use, all should be accepted as legal for home use.

Now the final question of how the law was changed. In Colorado a bill to change, amend or add something to Colorado law can be introduced by either a state representative or a state senator. State Representative, Michelle Lawrence agreed to help with the revision of the 25 year law. With her help and that of a legal consultant in the state capitol who writes the bills, we proposed and wrote the law. Specifically we changed the term "antique" to "vintage" and the date of manufacture from 25 years old or older to models introduced prior to 1984. By using 1984 we left a clear gap between one technology and another.

The bill was passed unanimously in the House committee hearing after Bill and I testified and answered questions. It went to the floor of the House and passed with one dissenting vote (a friend of Michelle's who chided her about getting 100% her way). The bill then went to the Senate committee and passed unanimously. On to the Senate floor and passed with a 100% vote. Governor Romer signed the bill at 8:31 a.m. with the sponsor, Michelle Lawrence and Bill and Rosanna Harris looking on.

This is the second time in 6 years that we at Royal Bell have directly worked on and changed our state law. As in the past, we would be happy, actually thrilled and we will provide you with actual working documents to help anyone desiring to change their state law. Contact us in care of the Coin Drop International.

1. *Slots I by Dick Bueschel*
2. *Slot Machines by Marshall Fey*

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CONCERNING REGULATION OF VINTAGE SLOT MACHINES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 18-10-102, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1986 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

18-10-102. Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

(10) "VINTAGE SLOT MACHINE" MEANS ANY MODEL SLOT MACHINE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-47.1-103 (26), C.R.S., THAT WAS INTRODUCED ON THE MARKET PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1984.

SECTION 2. 18-10-104 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1986 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

18-10-104. Gambling devices - gambling records - gambling proceeds. (2) If a gambling device is ~~an antique gambling device~~ A VINTAGE SLOT MACHINE and is not operated for gambling purposes for profit or for business purposes, it shall not be confiscated or destroyed pursuant to subsection (1) of this section. If a gambling device is confiscated and the owner shows that such gambling device is ~~an antique gambling device~~ A VINTAGE SLOT MACHINE and is not used for gambling purposes, the court acquiring jurisdiction shall order such ~~gambling device~~ VINTAGE SLOT MACHINE returned to the person from whom it was confiscated. ~~For the purpose of this section, "antique gambling device" means a gambling device which was manufactured twenty-five years ago or earlier.~~

SECTION 3. 12-47.1-103 (26), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1991 Repl. Vol., is amended to read:

12-47.1-103. Definitions. (26) "Slot machine" means any mechanical, electrical, video, electronic, or other device, contrivance, or machine which, after insertion of a coin, token, or similar object, or upon payment of any required consideration whatsoever by a player, is available to be played or operated, and which, whether by reason of the skill of the player or application of the element of chance, or both, may deliver or entitle the player operating the machine to receive cash premiums, merchandise, tokens, or redeemable game credits, or any other thing of value other than unredeemable free games, whether the payoff is made automatically from the machines or in any other manner. As used in this article, "slot machine" does not include ~~antique gambling devices manufactured twenty-five years ago or earlier~~ VINTAGE SLOT MACHINE MODELS WHICH WERE INTRODUCED ON THE MARKET PRIOR TO 1984 and ARE not used for gambling purposes or in connection with limited gaming.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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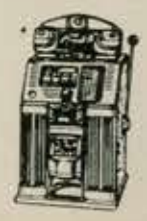
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STATUS OF THE STATES

For many years a listing called "Status of the States" has been kept in the our office. The list also includes a map which shows which states are legal for private ownership of slot machines. The list and map can be found in this issue on page 12. Please refer to the map and list to make sure of the legality of your state.

A word of caution may be in order with the expansion of gaming in the United States. Don't assume that you can own a slot machine if casino style gaming has become part of your state. The laws which have recently been enacted for gaming are generally in a different section than laws which refer to home use slot machines. Another note of caution is also in order. When laws are written for gaming they can sometimes be so strict that the law will in effect negate a previous law which allowed private ownership of slots. Be advised to do some research when your state proposes gaming and check the statutes so that your law doesn't disappear. It nearly happened in Colorado when the law was written for limited gaming in the three mountain towns. It is an easy thing to fix while the law is being written; it is more time consuming and harder to undo after the fact.

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There are a lot of vintage coin-op shows around the country that will have jukeboxes, slots, counter games, pinball games, arcade pieces, scales and vending machines on display, with everything for sale. If there is a show in your area, and you have even the slightest interest in these machines, by all means go. See for yourself what an exciting collectible vintage coin-ops can be. Also become a subscriber to at least one of the dedicated fanzines (which we will cover in a future column) and try and get to know the collectors in your area.

The next move up are the national shows. In the case of the spring and fall Chicagoland Shows, make that international. There are far more Europeans and Pacific Rim and North, South and Central American visitors to this show than there are Americans at any of their shows (which are very few and far between), which leads to a polyglot crowd. The show is twice a year, usually in April and November, at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois, a western suburb of Chicago. For information about show dates, call Steve Gronowski at 708-381-1234.

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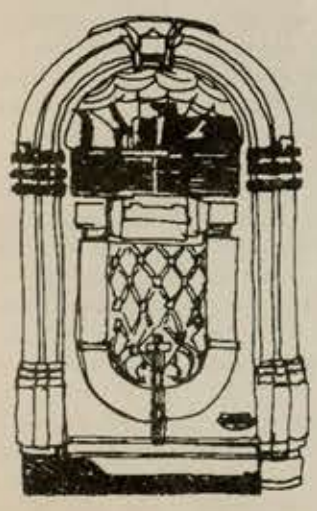
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