

# **Caribbean Casino Collectors Club Quarterly Newsletter**

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# Caribbean Casino News

## Casino Openings and Closings and new Chip Issues

### Caribbean Region

#### Aruba

- **The Casino at the Radisson's 5th Annual World Cup of Poker**  
30 December 2008, [www.yellowpages-aruba.com](http://www.yellowpages-aruba.com)

PALM BEACH - The one and only World Cup of Poker, held at the Casino at the Radisson annually between Christmas and New Years has become an annual tradition, well known to poker players visiting the island during the holidays. This year it was held on Saturday, December 27th at 5:30 pm.

#### Bahamas

- **HARRAH'S SUED OVER FAILED BAHAMAS PROJECT**  
12/1/2008, International Gaming and Wagering Business

A lawsuit filed in New York Supreme Court accuses Harrah's Entertainment of fraud in ending their deal to build a resort in the Bahamas. As reported by Reuters, resort operator Baha Mar Resorts Ltd. alleged that prior to publicly affirming their commitment to the project, Caesars Bahamas and Harrah's were "secretly and improperly plotting to delay or pull out of the project and ... avoid contributing their US\$ 212 million share of equity."

In March 2008, Caesars Bahamas, a unit of Harrah's, sent a letter to Baha Mar saying delays in the project meant there was "considerable doubt" about whether it could be financed, given the deteriorating debt markets, according to the report. Baha Mar argues it should be awarded money damages in an amount to be determined at trial "for the harm they have suffered as a result of the ... fraudulent misrepresentations." The suit was in originally filed in June but was kept under seal until November 21.

- **Prohibition Casinos in the Bahamas**  
"Deviant Behavior: Readings in the Sociology of Norm Violations" By Clifton D. Bryant, Chapter 20

There were two illegal casinos in the Bahamas including one opened by American Frank Reid for private membership in 1920. By 1923, Reid's club was joined by another called the Bahamian Club, run by a gambler known as Honest John Kelly. Over the course of the Prohibition Era the Bahamian Club was managed first by Kelly, then Herbert McGuire, and then purchased by Willard McKenzie and Frank Dineen. Like all Bahamian tourist supported establishments, it was only open during the three winter months when the wealthy arrived to escape the the seasonal rigors. At least one other casino was opened during Prohibition. On a privately owned island close by the Bahamian fishing resort of Bimini, New Yorker Louis Wasey opened a private membership casino called The Cat Cay Club.

Thanks to Von McKenzie for the reference to this information. Does anyone know the name of Frank Reid's casino?

- **Foxwoods partners with Royal Oasis in Freeport**  
February 25, 2008, Press Release

The new 30-year agreement between Foxwoods, North America's largest casino operator, and **Royal Oasis** owners Harcourt Development could mean a complete renovation of the former resort before it reopens, hopefully in a couple of years. Foxwoods, the company owned and operated by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation in Connecticut, has been tapped to manage the resort, marks a welcome addition to Grand

Bahama business community, according to Tourism Minister Neko Grant, who congratulated Harcourt on inking the deal with the Foxwood Development Company.

“We are confident that Foxwoods’ reputation as high quality resort, casino, entertainment and retail operators will be a strong compliment to the re-launching of Grand Bahama Island as a major Bahamas destination,” the minister said. A Harcourt press release asserts that both Harcourt and Foxwood are eager to begin work, with plans already afoot. “Once the property is expanded and renovated, the resort will be home to more than 650 hotel rooms and suites, a casino, convention/meeting facilities, spa, fitness center, restaurants, retail shops, recreation facilities and a host of other amenities,” the release said. “The two on-site golf courses will be restored to their former glory.” The Royal Oasis Resort has been closed since it was damaged in Hurricane Frances in 2004. More than 1,000 Bahamians lost their jobs.

- **Pinnacle seeking to close Emerald Bay, Exuma January 2, 2009**  
By VERNON CLEMENT JONES, Nassau Guardian Business Editor

The Gaming Board secretary is suggesting Exuma casino operator Pinnacle Entertainment is now looking to close up shop on January 2, 2009, and not the end-of-the-month retreat it had initially indicated. "It has not been confirmed yet," Bernard Bonamy told Guardian Business Wednesday, "but they have indicated to the Bahamas Hotel Corporation that that is the date they are looking at; not the August 31, date. "That's predicated, however, on a number of conditions."

It was earlier this month when Las Vegas-based Pinnacle told shareholders and financial analysts alike it had decided to discontinue operations at the casino attached to the **Four Season** resort. It also dropped a considerably bigger bombshell; namely a second quarter loss of \$18.1 million, compared to the profit of \$9.9 million recorded for the year-ago period. Results for the latest quarter also include an impairment charge. While revenue for the Las Vegas-based casino operator rose to \$266.6 million from \$232.9 million a year earlier, its two-year-old operation in Exuma, on the other hand, continues to bleed money.

The Four Season, like its smaller counterparts across the chain of islands has been particularly hard-hit by the "recession" now gripping the U.S. and its drag on tourist growth. Possibly another contributing factor to Pinnacle's move to jump ship is the continuing uncertainty attached to the Four Seasons itself given a lingering receivership, initiated last year by a creditor of then-owner **Emerald Bay**. An immediate turnaround to either negative wasn't on anyone's radar screen when Pinnacle announced it would cease managing the Family Island gaming house, the only one outside of Nassau and Freeport. It is unclear whether the government, the resort or Pinnacle is behind the move to delay its departure by another four months. What does seem increasingly unavoidable is the loss of another revenue-generating property for the government, given little indication another casino operator is prepared to pick up where Pinnacle will likely leave off in January.

Pinnacle, which owns and operates casinos in Nevada, Louisiana, Indiana, Missouri, and Argentina, could not be reached for comment Wednesday. Still earlier this month, a company spokesperson said Pinnacle would like to see the property transferred to a local operator. Bonamy said that transition hasn't yet been confirmed.

## **Belize**

### **Bermuda**

- **Gambling of Sorts is Rife in Bermuda**  
Fred Barritt, Bermuda Sun Columnist, 11/7/2008

So tourism is down, casino gambling is back on the table and Church leaders are against the idea. What were the odds on that trifecta coming in? The "Church Police" say gambling is a vice - well in my experience most fun things are! They can preach to their congregations about the evils of fun all they like, but they don't have the right to subject me to their narrow-minded dogma. And for people who claim to be against all gambling they sure host a lot of bingo games. Of course they'll claim these are fundraisers for a worthy cause, but if you pay money to enter a game of chance for the opportunity of winning a big prize that's called "gambling". Just

because the proceeds go to good works and not to Tony Soprano doesn't change that reality.

And I've got more news for them - every raffle ticket you ever bought or sold was a lottery ticket - pure and simple. But these "Holier than Thou" Hypocrites have no problem with these games as long as they're the ones profiting. Of course they're not the only ones guilty of a double standard: gambling is illegal in Bermuda, but I can go to a Government licensed betting shop and place a wager on virtually any sporting event in the world.

Then there's the Stock Market. No not the Crown and Anchor tent, although that's an obvious example of officially sanctioned illegal gambling. I'm talking about the billion dollar bookies on Wall Street. You put money into the Market hoping to get more money out, but you have no control over the outcome. That's gambling - just ask anyone with AIG or XL shares. And not only is this form of gambling legal it's REQUIRED by Government for your private pension plan.

In fact the whole sub-prime mortgage mess we're stuck in now was only possible because there is more regulation on a slot machine in Reno than there was on the banking industry. What they did might have been unethical, but it wasn't actually illegal...now where have I heard that before? The point is Casino gambling is regulated, taxed and fun - what's the problem?

**Nanny state.** And what's up with these people who are fine with casinos as long as Bermudians are excluded? Do they think we need a "Nanny State" to look after us? Gambling is okay for tourists (and presumably expats) but Bermudians are too stupid or lacking in self-control to be trusted with our own money? Or are they just xenophobic parasites who have so little regard for foreigners that they just want to suck 'em dry and send them home? Either way they're wrong.

Now I'm not a gambler, but when my wife and I are on one of our frequent cruises we like to stop by the casino of an evening and have a flutter. Strict daily limits are enforced so we have a little entertainment and "heaven forbid" maybe even a little excitement - no harm done. I've seen the people feeding money into a slot machine for hours on end and I don't get it. But then I spend hundreds of dollars in the spa to have attractive young women rub oil on my naked body - with no prospect of a "happy conclusion". Who's really throwing their money away?

But is casino gambling the answer for Bermuda's tourism woes? It's not like casinos are rare these days: everyone knows about Las Vegas or as I like to call it "Area 51 Double D". Scientists looking for silicon based life forms need look no further than "Sin City". Everything in Vegas is fake - only the fake stuff is real. Nowadays almost every U.S. State has a local tribe with its own casino, there are Mississippi River boats and even Niagara Falls has a casino. No one is going to come to Bermuda just to gamble, but it will give them (and us) something to do while they're here.

**Quality entertainment.** But as I see it, the big potential for a casino is that it might generate enough cash so that we can actually get quality entertainment performing nightly - so that even if you're not a gambler you can still get dinner and a show. Who knows, maybe there will be enough income to give local entertainers the chance to actually earn a living year round. They could put it in the old Casemates Prison or even at Club Med (there's no way any thing else is going to get built there now) and run free fast ferries and buses around the clock. To keep the riff raff out we'd need to enforce a dress code, but insisting that men have to wear socks will discourage a big majority of the undesirables and excluding all MPs and Senators will eliminate most of the rest.

## **Bonaire**

## **Costa Rica**

- **ALSART EXPANDS OPERATIONS IN CENTRAL AMERICA**

February 9, 2009, International Gaming and Wagering Business

Moscow-based games developer Alsart is expanding its operation borders with the announcement of a joint installation of slot machines in Costa Rica. In the capital of San Jose, Alsart already has set 200 slot machines for joint operations with Casino Europa, which is the partner of the company, located in the Radisson Europa Hotel, Royal Dutch Casino, Casino Europa, Hotel Europa and Casino Tropical. By the end of 2009, the company said it plans to install more than 1,500 slot machines.

“This project is very important for us today when the Russian gambling market is practically closed. The market of Central America is a great opportunity for us, first of all, to sell off gambling equipment from Russia; secondly, to diversify our business in Russia dislocating part of the operating to other countries; thirdly, to expand our influence and presence in the markets of Central America,” said company Chairman Lyubov Loginova.

## **Cuba**

### **Curacao**

- **Curacao Plaza Hotel & Casino**

By John Glanfield

Closed on 12/06/08 for operating with invalid permits.

- **Renaissance Curacao Resort and Casino Grand Opening**

4 February 2009, [www.yellowpages-aruba.com](http://www.yellowpages-aruba.com)

Oranjestad - The Renaissance Curacao Resort & Casino is officially open! This week, the resort started receiving guests formally. For the past few days, guests were allowed to check in, but they were part of the trial run. For those that don't know it, Renaissance Curacao Resort & Casino was constructed and will be operated by MetaCorp Aruba. This project carried a price tag of more than US\$ 90.000.000 and it has become a magnificent Renaissance that forms part of the World-Renowned Marriott chain. The Curacao branch of the hotel, offers a total of 240 rooms and very elegant, spacious and luxurious suites.

If you are going to Curacao, we need scans of the chips and other collectibles from this casino.

## Dominican Republic

- New Chips at the Casino Diamante

By John Genualdi, 11/23/2008

The attached scan is of chips from the Casino Diamante in the Dominican Republic. They have introduced some new chips that are used with their older chips.



- Empresas EE - Casino Operator in the Dominican Republic

By Charles Kaplan, December 16, 2008

While researching some Dominican Republic casinos, I came across a reference to Empresas EE, a land based casino operator, and visited their website, [www.empresas-ee.com](http://www.empresas-ee.com). The company operates casinos, bars and discotheques, amusement parks and sporting venues in the Dominican Republic. The casinos they operate are: Diamante Melia, Maunaloa, Hamaca, Diamante Matum, Punta Cana Grand, and Diamante Marien (under constuction). For some of these casinos, the known chips are very old or non-existent. I am wondering if they use the same chips (pictured above) in all their casinos?

- El Embajador Casino Closed Under Reconstuction

By Luis Alvarez

Embajador Casino is closed for recnstruction to be managed by a new company. Hopefully they will come out with new chips.

## Guyana

## Haiti

## **Jamaica**

- **Updated list of Jamaican Slot Casinos**  
Thanks to Jim Noll for links to this info.

### Falmouth

Starfish Trelawny Beach Resort

### Kingston

Acropolis Gaming & Entertainment Centre  
Jamaica Pegasus and Derby Rooms  
Terra Nova Hotel - Monte Carlo Gaming

### Montego Bay

Caribbean Treasures  
Coral Cliff Entertainment Resort  
Hillshire  
Holiday Inn Sun Spree Resort

### Negril

Grand Lido Resort and Spa  
Hedonism II Resort

### Ocho Rios

Hedonism III Resort  
Renaissance Jamaica Grande Resort  
Treasure Hunt Ocho Rios

- **As Casino Interest Grows, Licence Delay Irks Palmyra**  
Published: Monday, December 15, 2008, Janet Silvera, Senior Gleaner Writer

Two of the world's largest casino operators, Harrah's and MGM, are showing keen interest in partnering with the US\$1.8-billion (J\$143 billion) 'Celebration Jamaica' resort development touted to add gold to Montego Bay's 'Elegant Corridor', Rose Hall, The Gleaner has learnt. However, Dennis Constanzo, president of local developers, Palmyra Resort and Spa, said he has been frustrated by delays in receiving his resort's casino licence. Prime Minister Bruce Golding had announced the award of licences to two groups, Harmonisation Limited and the Palmyra, earlier this year. The mega project, set to become the island's first casino hotel, will form the cornerstone of a multilayered development that will celebrate Jamaica through an array of premier attractions, the developers said.

### Winter season begins

Constanzo's call comes on the eve of the winter tourist season which officially starts today and runs until April 15, 2009. Elated by news of Harrah's and MGM's interest, Tourism Minister Edmund Bartlett told The Gleaner that Cabinet had already approved the policy outline of the licence and technocrats were working to complete legislation for parliamentary approval. "This is the process in order to ensure prudence," he said, hardly able to contain his excitement about the casino players' interest. "This is a strong indication that Destination Jamaica remains top of mind. MGM looking to Jamaica as one of two countries, when there is a downtown in Las Vegas, is a powerful statement of confidence."

### Redefining moment

Bartlett cautioned, though, that the impact of the global economy would redefine the tourism industry in Jamaica and the Caribbean. He said critical and strategic repositioning must be done in the areas of marketing, product development and operational management. "New business models must emerge to drive greater efficiencies in operations and visitor experience even as we market smarter and try to stay on the cutting edge of technology." He reiterated his comments in a winter tourist season message to the nation yesterday, adding that potential threats to the sector could be grave. "We must all commit to smarter, closer, dedicated

partnerships, striving to mitigate the potential threats to our tourism industry and to even achieve a small level of growth," he urged.

## Mexico

### Panama

- **WATG Designs Panama City Center, New Contemporary Two Tower Design Unveiled**  
Press Release

Irvine, October 2008 - Destination design firm WATG has unveiled the design for Panama City Center in Panama City, Panama. The contemporary, mixed-use project consists of two towers that emerge from a dynamic podium structure. This structure contains a conference center, casino, spa, fitness center with pool, retail, and multiple food and beverage units. Of the two towers, one houses a 397-room hotel with 22 condominium units while the other is an office building.

"We are thrilled to design such a contemporary and innovative mixed-use project," said Bryan Algeo, vice president of WATG. "It's rewarding working on an urban site with so many components."

Panama City is densely populated and is located at the Pacific entrance of the Panama Canal. Tremendous growth is currently taking place in the city, with more than 100 skyscrapers currently under construction. The design takes advantage of the dramatic urban views as well as distant ocean vistas. A nightclub with a VIP terrace lounge is strategically placed at the top of the office tower, while a fine-dining restaurant and lounge are at the top of the hotel tower. A triangular-shaped blade connects both towers at the roof, and the structure has a thin cascade of water running down its façade. At night, a spotlight highlights the water feature, creating a dynamic light pattern on the building. The roof-top restaurant and bar will become a beacon at night creating a landmark destination in this metropolitan city.

WATG was hired for the concept architecture and full-service interiors for the Panama City Center. The project is scheduled to open in 2010.

### Puerto Rico

- **San Juan Resort Re-Opens in Partnership with Marriott Hotels as the Newest Luxury Caribbean Vacation Hot-Spot in Puerto Rico**  
PRWeb, March 18, 2008

*La Concha, a luxurious San Juan resort, has re-opened in partnership with the Marriott Hotels Renaissance brand. The premier Caribbean vacation destination has been completely modernized for the 21st century.*

The luxurious San Juan resort, La Concha, has just re-opened in partnership with the Marriott Hotels Renaissance brand. Considered the hottest Caribbean vacation destination in the Condado area of San Juan, the new resort is where the rich and famous play, celebrities mingle and the beautiful people indulge their passions and celebrate life.

Indeed, La Concha has undergone a renaissance. Newly re-opened after a complete renovation, the resort maintains the original architectural elements that made it San Juan's premier resort 50 years ago, while completely modernizing it for the 21st century with decidedly upscale elements for the ultimate in style, class and comfort. La Concha truly sets the trend for a new breed of modern luxury, unmatched by any other San Juan resort. The structure itself is the crowning achievement of architects Toro & Ferrer, the creators of this masterpiece, and Marvell & Marchand and Jorge Rossello, who have brought it back to life. They have created a sleek, modern space where the hip and haute meet and mingle, and where hot Latin rhythms are juxtaposed with cool serenity for an unforgettable experience.

La Concha Resort's open-air lobbies allow the warm Caribbean breeze and intoxicating tropical fragrance to add to its natural ambiance. La Concha's signature seashell restaurant created by renowned architect Mario

Salvatori, has been called "a marvel of engineering and architecture" and "one of the high-water marks of Puerto Rico's national architecture." Beyond the lobbies and restaurants, La Concha's spectacular ocean-front rooms and exclusive pool cabanas offer a truly exceptional world-class Caribbean vacation experience. And the amenities: La Concha offers 248 spacious, state-of-the-art guest habitats featuring premier upscale furnishings, luxurious king- and queen-size beds and spectacular ocean and pool views from private balconies.

In-room features include:

- 37-inch LCD flat screen TVs with cable service
- Digital on-demand entertainment with interactive program guides
- FM/MP3/CD player with cable, connect to any portable music device
- Individually controlled air conditioning
- Property-wide high-speed Internet access
- Fully-equipped work-desks

When it comes to dining, La Concha delivers. At Solera enjoy a Latino-style sandwich by day, tapas at night; Level 25 serves breakfast and dinner, offering Pan-Pacific delights and prime cuts of beef; Aroma, in the lobby is a great place for coffee and pastries in the early hours. Soon to open: Perla, in the signature seashell. About La Concha La Concha is a luxury San Juan resort located in the Condado area of Puerto Rico. Newly renovated in partnership with the Marriott Hotels Renaissance brand, the resort is considered one of the hottest Caribbean vacation destinations today. For more information, please visit: [www.marriott.com/sjubr](http://www.marriott.com/sjubr).

- **La Concha Resort Opens Casino**  
by Caribbean Business Online Staff

La Concha Resort opened its Casino del Mar Monday where Tourism Co. Executive Director Terestella González Denton pointed out that just during the past year the island's 21 casinos injected \$314 million into the island economy.

"In addition to providing these funds," she said in a short speech prior to the ribbon cutting to open the new facility, "casinos this year generated a total of 2,590 direct employees and some 4,261 indirect jobs for a total of 6,951, a 2.02% increase over the prior year.

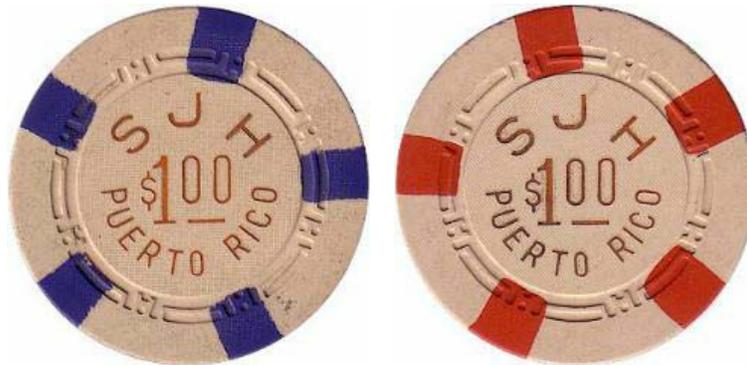
The Tourism director further noted that the gaming industry is a main source of income for the Tourism Development Fund as well as directly benefiting the University of Puerto Rico and the Treasury Department.





- **New Discovery of Some Old Puerto Rico \$1 Chips**  
From Luke Rapley

Are these chips from the San Juan Hotel? Or possibly the San Jeronimo Hilton?



- **A Previously Unknown Chip from the Casino Camuy**  
From John Genualdi

This is the first chip I have seen from the Casino Camuy. John Genualdi provides this information about its authenticity. "I bought the chip from Albert Rollins, Sr. and he said it was from the Casino Camuy in P.R. It is pictured in the "Catalog Numismatico De Puerto Rico" by Efrain Archilla-Diaz on page 215 item #092." Gene Trimble mentioned that the same "CC" logo was used on chips ordered in 1938 for the Chesterfield Club out of Kansas City. I wonder what the connection is?



## St. Kitts

- **St. Kitts Casino Installs Poker Tables**

By Grant Nelson, Thursday, November 27, 2008

PokerTek adds automated card game tables to casino in Caribbean. PokerTek has expanded its presence in the Caribbean gaming market by installing two of its tables at a casino in St Kitts. The North Carolina-based company has added two of its automated poker tables to the gaming floor at the **St Kitts Marriott Resort & Royal Beach Casino**, it announced today (November 27th). Robert Perry, vice president of sales at PokerTek, said the firm was "excited to be in St Kitts". He added: "PokerPro continues to expand around the world thanks to its great appeal for players and its economic benefits for operators."

Meanwhile, slots director at the Royal Beach Casino Pete Page said the venue was pleased to offer its visitors "something innovative and unique in addition to the existing variety of table games and slot machines we currently provide". Earlier this month, PokerTek installed seven PokerPro terminals at the Monte Carlo Budapest casino. The firm also provides automated poker tables to casinos in major US gaming destinations such as Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

- **Newest tourist attraction will elevate St Kitts-Nevis as a preferred destination, says PM**

Published on Friday, November 28, 2008, Caribbean Net News

BASSETERRE, St Kitts (CUOPM): St. Kitts and Nevis Prime Minister Dr Denzil Douglas said the newly-opened Mapau St. Kitts Experience will increase the twin-island Federation as a preferred tourism destination. Speaking at the official opening of the EC\$11 million full entertainment facility on Port Zante, Prime Minister Douglas, who is also Minister of Tourism, said it was important to sharpen the tourism product.

"Herein lies one of the keys to success as a destination. Our heritage and culture can be used in so many ways, outside the traditional and obvious options. Our nationals must be creative and combine that with good business plans and help move the Federation to new heights in the tourism industry," said Dr Douglas to the audience which included Governor General, Dr Sir Cuthbert Sebastian, Governor General's Deputy, Edmund Lawrence; Deputy Prime Minister Sam Condor and other Ministers of Government; Speaker of the National Assembly and other members of the lawmaking body and representatives of the business community.

Pointing out that St. Kitts and Nevis rates well among visitors, Prime Minister Douglas said it was important that the tourism product be sharpened in a variety of ways. "These may range from a better presentation of our heritage sites, such as Independence Square, to the broader section of things to do while visiting," said Douglas. He expressed delight that the core of the concept at the Mapau St. Kitts Experience utilises local culture – something that we have been blessed with in St. Kitts and Nevis.

The top floor of the complex with its Caribbean themed décor comprises Sweet Lime Restaurant, Night Club and a Bar and features a twice daily live show for cruise ship passengers showcasing the flamboyant culture of the people of St. Kitts. Patrons are treated to a weekly dinner theatre including a buffet and a 45-minute show. The Asian-themed downstairs houses an additional bar; **Mapau Casino with slots and roulette tables** as well as gift shop.

## St. Lucia

## St. Maarten

- **New Chip Find Royale Casino**  
by Charles Kaplan

This chip recently sold on eBay for \$111.00. I emailed the seller who could only tell me that he acquired the chip with a bunch of other chips and nothing else. I emailed the casino with a scan of the chips, but so far have not heard back from them. The chip is unusual in that this is the only known RTP mold chip I have seen from this casino and that usually high denomination chips are much more elaborate with hard to duplicate security features. My best guess would be that this was a tournament chip, but was not a live table chip.



## Suriname

### Trinidad and Tobago

### Turks and Caicos

- **The Player's Club - New \$1 Chip**  
From Kevin Behrens



## U. S. Virgin Islands

- **St. Thomas Holiday Inn Winward Passage**  
By Charles Kaplan

A second slots only casino opened on St. Thomas. The **Holiday Inn Winward Passage** joins the **Wyndham Sugar Bay** as the only two “Gaming Centers” on St. Thomas. There are Video Lottery Terminals scattered around the island in bars and lounges. The only casino in the U. S. Virgin Islands is the **Divi Carina Bay** on St. Croix.



**Holiday Inn Winward Passage**

## **Caribbean TITOs**

By: Jim Noll CCCC R-017

No TITO report this issue.

## Caribbean Casino Chip Hordes

Knowledge of the quantities of available casino chips will help collectors to determine values. Please send additions and modifications for this list to: [chas@ckaplan.com](mailto:chas@ckaplan.com)

### Aruba

- Americana - Bud Jones brass and silver inlay racks, most denoms (Nevada Jacks)
- Aruba Caribbean - Bud Jones rack, most denoms (Nevada Jacks)
- Aruba Palm Beach, H&C rack, most denoms except \$1 (Nevada Jacks)
- Arusino, H&C rack, all denoms except \$1
- Concorde, chips with hot stamp overlays
- King International, H&C rack, all denoms
- Palace, Chipco \$5, \$20 and \$25 chips (Nevada Jacks)
- Palm, Bud Jones \$5, \$25 and \$100 chips (Nevada Jacks)

### Cuba

- Casino de Capri - SMKEY rack never reached casino before it closed

### Panama

- Casino Nacionales de Panama, H&C rack, \$1 and \$5 (Spinetti's)
- Club Asia Colon, \$10 (Spinetti's)
- Club Las Asiaticos, \$10 and \$50 (Spinetti's)
- Club Mundial De Panama \$10 (Spinetti's)
- El Panama, H&C rack, \$1 and \$5 (Spinetti's)
- Holiday Inn, H&C rack, \$1 and \$5 (Spinetti's)

### Puerto Rico

- Ambassador Plaza, H&C rack, most denoms (Nevada Jacks)
- Caribe Inn - Bud Jones and HCE racks, most denoms
- Cerromar Beach - Bud Jones, HCE and LGKEY rack, most denoms (Nevada Jacks)
- Condado Beach - Bud Jones and H&C rack, all denoms
- Dorado Beach - Bud Jones, HCE and HHR racks, not all denoms (Nevada Jacks)
- Dutch Inn - Bud Jones rack, all denoms
- Flamboyant Hotel - rumored that a Florida collector has most of the chips
- Palm Hotel - casino never opened, all chips available
- Ponce de Leon - SMKEY rack, all denoms (Spinetti's)
- Quality Inn - Bud Jones rack, all denoms
- Ramada - Bud Jones rack, all denoms
- Ritz Carlton - H&C rack, most denoms

### St.. Marteen

- Mullett Bay - Bud Jones rack, all denoms

## The Caribbean ChipGuide

Here are some recent additions:



## **Caribbean Casino Collectors Club News**

The Caribbean Casino Collectors Club's annual meeting will take place at the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collector's Club convention at the South Point Casino in Las Vegas. The meeting will be held on Thursday June 25th at 3 pm., immediately following Ralph Pollack's seminar in the Sonoma A room.

So that's it for now, happy chipping.

*Charles Kaplan*

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