



Minnesota Gambling Control Board

GAMING NEWS

April/May/June 2017

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Monthly Board meetings
are open to the public
and are held at:

**Gambling Control Board
Suite 300 South
1711 W. County Road B
Roseville, MN**

Meetings start at 10:00 a.m.

Upcoming meetings:
Monday, June 19, 2017

Tentative upcoming dates:
Monday, July 17, 2017
Monday, August 21, 2017
Monday, September 18, 2017

Meetings are subject to change.
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agenda go to www.mn.gov/gcb.

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Director's Column

Tom Barrett, Executive Director

Sales Continue to Rise!

Initial fiscal year 2017 numbers from July 2016 through March 2017 show incredible growth; gross receipts for March 2017 were over \$166 million, an increase of 17.4% from March 2016!

Electronic Sales Also Continue to Rise

Electronic game sales have also seen large increases. Month-over-month electronic game gross receipts more than doubled from \$10.5 million in April 2016 to \$21.3 million in April 2017.

The 103% growth in monthly electronic pull-tab gross receipts from April 2016 to April 2017 is the result of both an increased number of sites offering electronic games and an increase in the average gross receipts per site. In April 2016, there were 403 active sites with reported average monthly gross receipts of \$26,100. One year later, the number of sites increased to 700 with average monthly gross receipts of \$31,000.

Organizations' Bottom Line is Growing!

Licensed organizations' bottom line (net receipts less allowable expenses less taxes and fees) for the first ten months of FY17 is up 6.75% over the first ten months of FY16. Nearly \$4 million more is available to lawful gambling organizations for charitable and other lawful purposes than at this point last year.

1st ten months of FY16 = \$58,461,435

1st ten months of FY17 = \$62,410,243

Protecting Your Organization's Cash

Central to your organization's success is keeping your cash secure, from starting cash bank to deposit. Successful lawful gambling operations implement strong internal controls to protect cash. See page 3 for tips on reducing cash exposure and keeping your lawful gambling funds safe.

We are the Real Deal....

On a similar note, there have been a couple of instances where individuals try to pass themselves off as Gambling Control Board staff and thus gain access to games or game information, and/or other organization assets. Be sure your employees know that Gambling Control Board personnel will always show their ID/credentials when entering a premises on official business. Do not hesitate to ask for ID if credentials are not voluntarily produced.

Notify local law enforcement and the Minnesota Gambling Control Board (651-539-1900) if you suspect anyone is impersonating Board staff.

"Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."

—John F. Kennedy

2017 Continuing Education Classes

June Topic:**Lawful Gambling Expenditures**

Is that expenditure a charitable contribution or an allowable expense? Can we pay the entire trash hauling invoice with gambling funds? Can we donate to an adult baseball field? Learn the difference between allowable expenses and lawful purpose expenditures, and the proper way to approve and pay both.

- 6/12/2017 **Hibbing**
6:00 pm Hibbing Memorial Building
Dining Room
400 East 23rd Street
- 6/13/2017 **Roseville**
6:00 pm Gambling Control Board
1711 W. County Road B, Suite 300 So.
- 6/14/2017 **North Mankato**
6:00 pm South Central College
Conference Center A
1920 Lee Boulevard
- 6/14/2017 **St. Cloud**
6:00 pm Best Western Kelly Inn
Congress/Senate Room
100 4th Avenue South
- 6/14/2017 **Thief River Falls**
6:00 pm Quality Inn, Room A
1060 Hwy. 32 South

September and October Topic:**Lawful Gambling Fund Reconciliation and Organization Annual Report**

Do the income and expenditure amounts reported on your monthly reports match the transactions shown in your gambling account? If not, your organization has a profit carryover variance. This class will help you identify and resolve common causes of profit carryover variances such as inaccurate reporting of merchandise prizes, deposit of receipts from games still in play, and reporting games with negative net receipts.

- 9/18/2017 **Baxter**
2:00 pm Country Inn & Suites, Meeting Room
15058 Dellwood Drive
- 9/19/2017 **Winona**
6:00 pm The Plaza Hotel & Suites
Rosewood II Room
1025 Hwy 61 East
- 9/20/2017 **Fergus Falls**
6:00 pm AmericInn Lodge & Suites
Fergus Falls Room
526 Western Avenue
- 9/20/2017 **North Mankato**
6:00 pm South Central College
Conference Center A
1920 Lee Boulevard
- 9/21/2017 **Roseville**
6:00 pm Gambling Control Board
Suite 300 South
1711 W. County Road B
- 10/10/2017 ... **Duluth**
2:00 pm Country Inn & Suites Duluth North
Meeting Room
4257 Haines Rd. (Hwy. 53/Haines Rd.)
- 10/11/2017 ... **Marshall**
2:00 pm Lyon County Government Center
Room TBD
607 West Main
- 10/11/2017 ... **Thief River Falls**
2:00 pm Quality Inn, Room A
1060 Hwy 32 South
- 10/17/2017 ... **St. Cloud**
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Meeting Minutes Refresher

As a follow-up to our spring continuing education class "Membership Oversight" we want to address what gambling-related material is required for your organization's meeting minutes. Organizations are required to bring at least one copy of all of the information listed on the LG1004 to their monthly meeting. The LG1004 is the Board-recommended form which contains a list of all items required to be reported monthly to the membership, and using this form will help ensure compliance with this requirement. Additionally, the gambling manager is required to provide a copy of that information to their organization's secretary (or equivalent) to be included in, or stored with, the organization's meeting minutes.

The purpose is to make sure that as a means of internal controls, your membership has access to the gambling records without gambling manager involvement. Another added benefit to making a copy is that should the gambling manager's originals be destroyed somehow (fire, flood, etc.), a full copy is still retained for the organization's records.

The LG1004 is available at www.mn.gov/gcb under the Forms tab. If you have any questions regarding record retention, please contact your Compliance Specialist.

Handling and Securing Your Organization's Cash

A vital part of your organization's lawful gambling operation is keeping your cash secure. From starting cash bank to deposit, securing your cash is essential. And if you have a fund loss and your internal controls were not sufficient, the missing money comes out of your organization's pocket.

Starting Cash Banks/Cash Drawers

A starting cash bank is gambling money placed in a cash drawer prior to the beginning of a game and is used to make change and pay prizes.

When gambling funds (and equipment for that matter) are not under an employee's direct control, they must be in a secure, locked location. Employees and volunteers should never turn their backs to cash!

Cash will always be an attractive target for thieves. Never keep large sums of cash on the premises, or allow money to build up in the cash drawers or pull-tab dispensing devices, especially during the evening and late at night. Reduce cash in the cash banks or dispensing devices at frequent intervals, at irregular times, and not in front of customers. Regularly remove high-value bills and store in a safe.

Securing Your Funds

To help secure your organization's lawful gambling funds, the following is helpful advice:

- Advise staff to never turn away from an open cash drawer. Cash should never be out of sight or left unattended.
- Count cash out of view of customers and as far away from entrances/exits or public areas as possible.
- Check that the office and/or storeroom has a suitable lock.
- Cash should be stored securely in a safe until deposited.
- Use a safe to keep cash secure. Heavy (not easily carried) safes offer the best protection. Many organizations bolt the safe to the floor.
- Keep the safe locked at all times—do not leave the safe open or unattended.
- Change the combination, password, or PIN frequently, and when there is a change in responsible person.
- Never post the safe combination, password, or PIN.
- Keep track of keys. Do not leave keys hanging nearby where anybody can grab them.
- Do not hide money in an unsecured container on the premises. Funds must be kept secure at all times.
- Do not leave funds in the locked pull-tab drawers overnight. The locks can be easily defeated.
- Restrict access to cash. Limit the number of people with access to keys and the safe, and be sure that keys are not left on the premises.
- Get receipts when cash changes hands (for example, between lessor and gambling manager).

Also....

- Waiting until the end of the day at closing to move the money can leave you vulnerable especially when closing alone.
- If a security alarm is used, instruct employees on the proper procedures.
- Ensure that all employees/volunteers understand your organization's security procedures.
- Fund loss requests will be denied because of a lack of acceptable security. If denied, the gambling account must be reimbursed from non-gambling funds.
- You may want to consider purchasing insurance to cover cash and asset losses.
- Some organizations perform background checks of their potential employees. Gambling managers may use this link when doing gambling employee background checks:
dps.mn.gov/divisions/bca/pages/criminal-history-search.aspx

Implementing and maintaining solid internal control procedures will help protect your organization's funds.

For more information or if you have questions, see Chapter 10 (Internal Operations and Oversight) of the Lawful Gambling Manual, available at mn.gov/gcb, or contact your Compliance Specialist.

Your Compliance and Licensing Specialists by County

County	Compliance	Licensing	County	Compliance	Licensing
Aitkin	Jessica Whitney	Kim Larsson	Marshall	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Anoka	Jill Perron	Kim Larsson	Martin	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Becker	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson	McLeod	Pete Wilson	Deb Hagen
Beltrami	Jessica Whitney	Kim Larsson	Meeker	Pete Wilson	Deb Hagen
Benton	Warren Walberg	Kim Larsson	Mille Lacs	Mike Rauscher	Kim Larsson
Big Stone	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson	Morrison	Jill Perron	Kim Larsson
Blue Earth	David Pherson	Deb Hagen	Mower	Pete Wilson	Deb Hagen
Brown	Nichole Engeswick	Deb Hagen	Murray	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Carlton	Jessica Whitney	Kim Larsson	Nicollet	Nichole Engeswick	Deb Hagen
Carver	Rita Neely	Deb Hagen	Nobles	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Cass	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson	Norman	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson
Chippewa	Deb Lewis	Kim Larsson	Olmsted	Kristine Koesling	Deb Hagen
Chisago	Mike Rauscher	Kim Larsson	Otter Tail	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson
Clay	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson	Pennington	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Clearwater	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson	Pine	Mike Rauscher	Kim Larsson
Cook	Jessica Whitney	Kim Larsson	Pipestone	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Cottonwood	David Pherson	Deb Hagen	Polk	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Crow Wing	Jessica Whitney	Kim Larsson	Pope	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Dakota	Mike Rauscher	Deb Hagen	Ramsey	Warren Walberg	Deb Hagen
Dodge	Brian Holcomb	Deb Hagen	Red Lake	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Douglas	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson	Redwood	Nichole Engeswick	Deb Hagen
Faribault	David Pherson	Deb Hagen	Renville	Jill Perron	Kim Larsson
Fillmore	Pete Wilson	Deb Hagen	Rice	Laura Wade	Deb Hagen
Freeborn	Laura Wade	Deb Hagen	Rock	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Goodhue	Rita Neely	Deb Hagen	Roseau	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson
Grant	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson	Scott	Laura Wade	Deb Hagen
Hennepin	Brian Holcomb	Kim Larsson	Sherburne	Pete Wilson	Kim Larsson
Houston	Pete Wilson	Deb Hagen	Sibley	Nichole Engeswick	Deb Hagen
Hubbard	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson	St. Louis	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson
Isanti	Warren Walberg	Kim Larsson	Stearns	Deb Lewis	Deb Hagen
Itasca	Jessica Whitney	Kim Larsson	Steele	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Jackson	David Pherson	Deb Hagen	Stevens	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson
Kanabec	Jill Perron	Kim Larsson	Swift	Mike Rauscher	Kim Larsson
Kandiyohi	Deb Lewis	Deb Hagen	Todd	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson
Kittson	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson	Traverse	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson
Koochiching	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson	Wabasha	Kristine Koesling	Deb Hagen
Lac qui Parle	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson	Wadena	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Lake	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson	Waseca	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Lake of the Woods	Gary Simonson	Kim Larsson	Washington	Warren Walberg	Deb Hagen
Le Sueur	Nichole Engeswick	Deb Hagen	Watonwan	David Pherson	Deb Hagen
Lincoln	David Pherson	Deb Hagen	Wilkin	Virginia Cote	Kim Larsson
Lyon	Nichole Engeswick	Deb Hagen	Winona	Kristine Koesling	Deb Hagen
Mahnomen	Judy Adamec	Kim Larsson	Wright	Kristine Koesling	Deb Hagen
			Yellow Medicine	Nichole Engeswick	Kim Larsson

Staff (alphabetical by first name):

Compliance Specialists

Adam Fussy 651-539-1927
 Brett McKeever 651-539-1929
 Brian Holcomb 651-539-1928
 David Pherson 507-931-5112
 Deb Lewis 651-539-1923
 Gary Simonson 218-262-7301
 Jessica Whitney 218-262-7301
 Jill Perron 651-539-1931
 Judy Adamec 218-739-7402

Kristine Koesling 651-539-1924
 Laura Wade 651-539-1922
 Michael Rauscher 651-539-1926
 Nichole Engeswick 507-931-5112
 Pete Wilson 651-539-1921
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 Chris Mau, Supervisor .. 651-539-1920

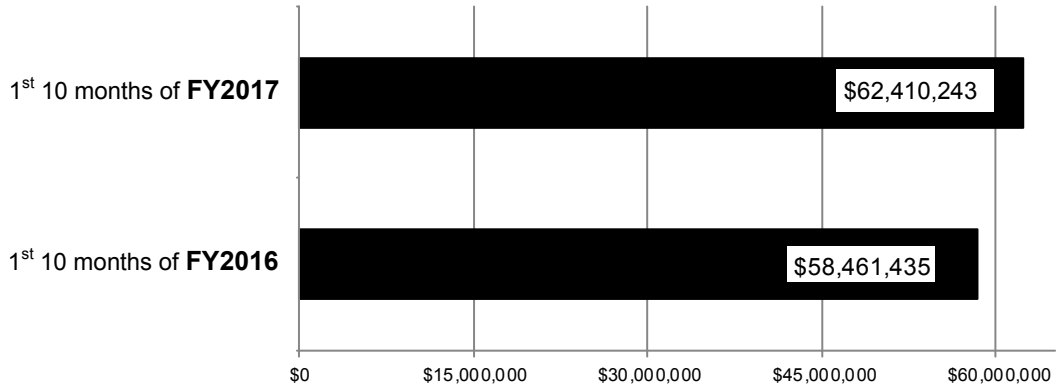
Licensing Specialists

Deb Hagen 651-539-1912
 Kim Larsson 651-539-1913
 Roxie Rolph 651-539-1914
 Steve Pedersen,
 Supervisor 651-539-1910

To email staff, use this format:
firstname.lastname@gcb.state.mn.us

Money Available for Charitable and Other LPE up 6.7%

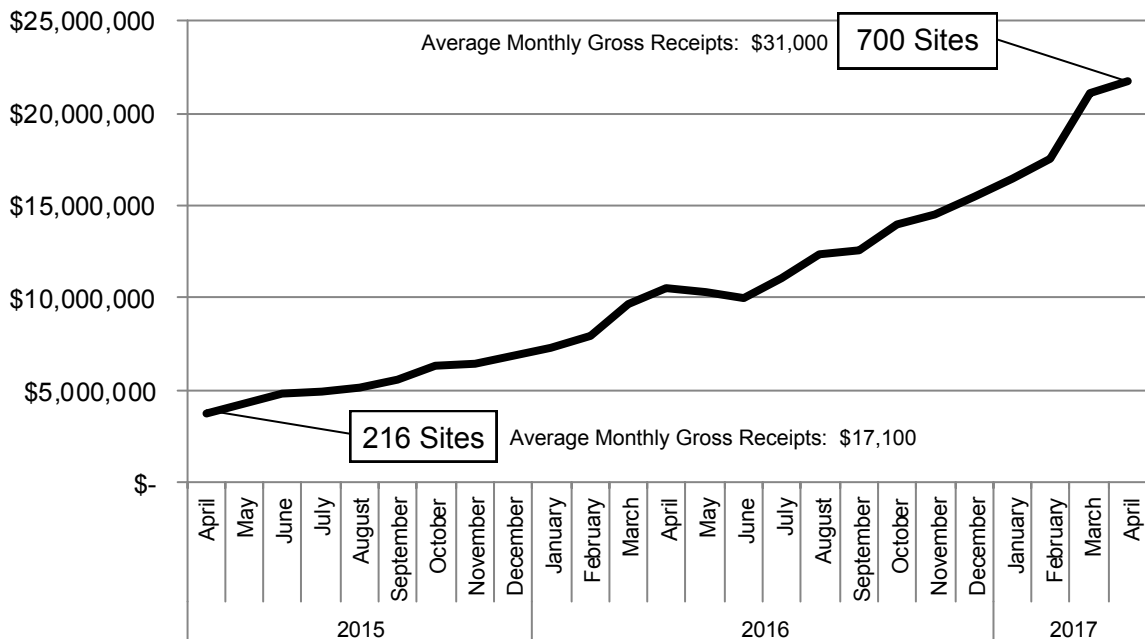
More money is getting to the bottom line after prizes, taxes, and expenses have been paid:



Top Ten Grossing Electronic Pull-Tab Sites for May 2017

Site	Organization	Monthly Gross
Friar Tuck's Pub, Forest Lake	Forest Lake Lions Club	\$289,298.50
Neisen's Sports Bar & Grill, Savage	German Days, Inc.	\$278,947.50
Recreation Lanes, Rochester	Community Charities of MN	\$272,330.50
HR Pesty's Saloon, Waite Park	St. Cloud Youth Hockey Association	\$259,210.00
MTs on 8th, St. Cloud	St. Cloud Youth Hockey Association	\$256,692.50
Shenanigan's Cheer & Chow, Fairmont	Fairmont Fire Relief Association	\$218,905.00
Mully's on Madison, Mankato	Prairie Ecology Bus Center	\$213,145.50
Country Lounge, Gem Lake	Merrick, Inc.	\$209,042.25
Skarda's Liquors, St. Paul	St. Paul Firefighters Local 21	\$196,978.25
Friend's Bar, Waite Park	Granite City Lumberjacks	\$189,124.50

**Electronic Pull-Tabs, Monthly Gross Receipts
Two-Year Comparison—4/15 to 4/17**



Compliance Review Group (CRG) Report

The CRG, a committee of the Gambling Control Board, meets with licensees to conduct informal inquiries into alleged violations of lawful gambling statutes/rules. This information is a condensed report of recently completed CRG conferences. Penalties imposed are based on specific and unique information reviewed for each licensee.

VFW Post 1720, Grand Rapids, License 00356
National Exchange Club of Little Falls, License 00976
Brooten Commercial Club, License 03575
Irish Football Boosters, Rosemount, License 93224
VFW Post 2735, Isanti, License 00291

The above organizations failed to complete and file an annual audit or financial reviews and failed to correct violations for which a fine was previously imposed.

Consent Order Requirement:

- \$250 civil penalty.

West St. Paul Commercial Club, Eagan, License 01042

The organization failed to complete and file an annual audit, and correct violations for which a fine was previously imposed.

Consent Order Requirements:

- \$500 civil penalty.
- File required audit.

VFW Post 8508, Akeley, License 01308

The organization filed inaccurate information with the Gambling Control Board; failed to accurately complete LG100F forms; and failed to reconcile its profit carryover with its cash balance on hand.

Consent Order Requirements:

- Civil penalty \$500.
- File a Corrective Action Plan.
- Focused Compliance Review.

Zumbro Falls Fire Relief Association, License 02850

The organization conducted a raffle without the required off-site permit.

Consent Order Requirements:

- 30-day license suspension.
- No same/similar within two years.

AMVETS, Hibbing, License 32537

The organization failed to maintain internal controls sufficient to protect the integrity of its lawful gambling; failed to report changes in its internal controls ten days within the effective date of the change; failed to maintain complete, accurate, and legible records on its raffle activities; and conducted lawful gambling without the sufficient supervision of a licensed gambling manager.

Consent Order Requirements:

- \$1,000 civil penalty.
- File a Corrective Action Plan.
- Focused Compliance Review.

Darby Sater, Gambling Manager, AMVETS, Hibbing, License GM-32537

Gambling manager failed to maintain internal controls sufficient to protect the integrity of lawful gambling, and conducted lawful gambling without the sufficient supervision of a licensed gambling manager.

Consent Order Requirement:

- Relinquish gambling manager's license for a period of two years.

Pilot Gaming, St. Paul, License MA0648

Manufactured a game not in compliance as approved by the Board.

Consent Order Requirements:

- \$2,000 civil penalty.
- File a Corrective Action Plan.
- No same/similar for 18 months.

The following organizations' gambling managers failed to attend a continuing education class during calendar year 2016 and were issued citations:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Falls Lions Club, License 02989. \$250 citation. • Hallock Fire Relief, License 93682. \$250 citation. • Northwest Area Jaycees, Maple Grove, License 02463. \$250 citation. • American Legion Post 318, Fulda, License 00755. \$250 citation. • American Legion Post 304, Gonvick, License 01162. \$250 citation. • Ely Winton Rod and Gun Club, License 04828. \$250 citation. • American Legion Post 241, Aurora, License 00130. \$250 citation. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Legion Post 132, New Ulm, License 00417. \$250 citation. • VFW Post 1656 Madison, License 00477. \$250 citation. • VFW Post 5247, Dawson, License 00973. \$250 citation. • Eagles Aerie 3486, Karlstad, License 01585. \$250 citation. • Eagles Aerie 3208 Richfield-Bloomington, License 00757. \$250 citation. • Cook Fire Relief Association, License 03754. \$250 citation. • American Legion Post 353, Argyle, License 00302. \$250 citation. |
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Citation Report

Citation amounts for similar violations may vary depending on unique circumstances and information, and are issued on a case-by-case basis.

- **Duluth Softball Players Association**, License 02794, failed to meet minimum lawful purpose expenditure percentage for two consecutive fiscal years. \$1,000 citation.
- **Walnut Grove Area Loggers**, License 36713, failed to comply with Board requests for documentation. \$750 citation.
- **Prosperity Heights Playground Booster Club, St. Paul**, License 00651, failed to meet minimum lawful purpose expenditure percentage for two consecutive fiscal years. \$450 citation.
- **Freeborn County Humane Society, Albert Lea**, License 04538, failed to comply with Board requests for documentation. \$350 citation.
- **Elgin Fire Relief Association**, License 05658, conducted raffle in a manner that did not comply with statutes and rules. \$350 citation.
- **Mazeppa Fire Relief Association**, License 03057, filed inaccurate LG100F reports with the Board. \$350 citation.
- **New Ulm Youth Wrestling Association**, License 07195, allowed employee to participate in electronic linked bingo. \$300 citation.
- **Little Canada Recreation Association**, License 34510, allowed employee to participate in electronic linked bingo. \$300 citation.
- **St. Cloud Youth Hockey Association**, License 04196, allowed employee to participate in electronic linked bingo. \$300 citation.
- **North Country Trail Busters, Fort Ripley**, License 02974, failed to meet minimum lawful purpose expenditure percentage for two consecutive fiscal years. \$300 citation.
- **Plato Fire Relief Association**, License 04624, failed to meet minimum lawful purpose expenditure percentage for two consecutive fiscal years. \$300 citation.
- **Farmington Fire Relief Association**, License 04609, prize receipts not completed correctly and winning tickets not defaced. \$200 citation.
- **Merrick Inc., Vadnais Hts.**, License 00264, failed to retain required paddlewheel video coverage. \$150 citation.
- **Victoria Lions Club**, License 04246, changes in application information not submitted to the Board within 10 days. Repeat violation. \$150 citation.
- **Anoka Area Ice Arena Association**, License 02926, failed to retain required paddlewheel video coverage. \$150 citation.
- **Melrose Lions Club**, License 02396, changes in application information not submitted to the Board within 10 days. Repeat violation. \$150 citation.
- **River Bend Nature Center, Faribault**, License 02715, operated pull-tab game in a manner that tends to deceive the public. \$150 citation.
- **Minneapolis Northeast Lions Club**, License 02677, failed to retain required paddlewheel video coverage. \$150 citation.
- **Irish Football Boosters, Rosemount**, License 93224, failed to file annual audit with Department of Revenue. \$100 citation.
- **CC Riders Snowmobile Club, Canyon**, License 05531, failed to timely file annual audit with Department of Revenue. \$100 citation.
- **Two Harbors Youth Hockey Association**, License 05594, failed to timely file annual audit with Department of Revenue. \$100 citation.
- **Hill City Fire Relief Association**, License 01157, failed to file annual audit with the Department of Revenue. \$100 citation.
- **Montevideo Lions Club**, License 04018, failed to comply with Board requests for information. \$100 citation.
- **American Legion Post 167, Willmar**, License 00586, erroneously deposited non-gambling funds into the gambling account. \$50 citation.

The following organizations failed to file lawful gambling reports LG100A, LG100C, and LG100F with the Board and were issued citations:

- **Amboy Fire Relief Association**, License 02035 (March-May 2016). \$300 citation.
- **American Legion Post 315, Lake Bronson**, License 00462 (October-November 2016). Repeat violation. \$250 citation.
- **New Prague Fire Relief Association**, License 02426 (November 2016). Repeat violation. \$200 citation.
- **American Legion Post 54, Red Wing**, License 00236 (November 2016). Repeat violation. \$200 citation.
- **Annandale Fire Relief Association**, License 02746 (November 2016). \$100 citation.
- **American Legion Post 36, Fairmont**, License 00351 (November 2016). \$100 citation.
- **Boxers Workout Gym dba St. Cloud Boxing and Wrestling Club**, License 05223 (November 2016). \$100 citation.
- **Henderson Fire Relief Association**, License 02409 (September 2016). \$100 citation.
- **Big Falls Lions Club**, License 02989 (August 2016). \$100 citation.
- **American Legion Post 54, Red Wing**, License 00236 (September 2016). \$100 citation.
- **Owatonna Youth Hockey Association**, License 74008 (August 2016). \$100 citation.
- **Crookston Firefighters Association**, License 34918 (October 2016). \$100 citation.

In Other News

Making Changes to Your Organization's Information

If you are making changes to any organization information, whether a change in CEO or treasurer, premises permit information, gambling manager information, or lease terms, you must inform the Gambling Control Board **within 10 days** of the change (Minnesota Rules, part 7861.0220, subpart 5). This is particularly important when it comes to officer changes, but applies to any change in the organization's original application. It is essential to keep your organization's information current with the Board, especially for times when there is a licensing or compliance issue, or when the Board needs to contact a licensee with important information or notices.

Currently, if the Board receives updated information more than 10 days after a change, we send a letter reminding the organization of the requirement and

that future failure to comply could lead to sanctions and/or a fine. Citations have been issued to organizations failing to report changes to the Board within 10 days after a change.

The Board's website contains the following forms to help you notify the Board of changes:

- LG200B, Organization Officers Affidavit (for officer changes)
- LG215, Lease for Lawful Gambling Activity (for lease changes)
- LG1015, Reporting Organization Information Changes
- LG1016, Reporting Gambling Manager Information Changes
- LG1017, Reporting Premises Permit Changes

Visit www.mn.gov/gcb or contact your Licensing Specialist at 651-539-1900 with questions.

Sellers Providing Game Information Is Not Okay!

Gambling managers, be sure that your sellers know that they may not assist players by indicating which games or boxes are hot or are good ones to play.

This is prohibited Minnesota Statutes, Section 349.2127, subdivision 5, and may result in sanctions against your organization and criminal charges against the individual involved.

Rules Update

The Board is working on draft rules addressing mainly electronics issues that have arisen since initial implementation, and a couple of non-electronic provisions. We have held two Public Advisory Committee (PAC) meetings on the draft proposed rules. A copy of the latest draft can be found at mn.gov/gcb under the "Rules" tab. The official process is expected to begin sometime this summer. Comments may still be submitted in writing to peggy.mancuso@gcb.state.mn.us.

State offices will be closed on July 4 and September 4, 2017.

Trends in Lawful Gambling Gross Receipts

NOTE: Figures for the current calendar year are subject to change due to amended, corrected, or late tax returns.

	Calendar Year 2017	% Change from 2016	Calendar Year 2016	% Change from 2015	Calendar Year 2015
January	\$140,443,056	11.9%	\$125,537,447	11.5%	\$112,620,188
February	\$143,192,081	10.6%	\$129,478,837	16.3%	\$111,330,121
March	\$166,561,544	17.4%	\$141,830,069	11.4%	\$127,305,824
April	\$154,774,894	10.4%	\$140,231,173	16.4%	\$120,470,829
May			\$134,197,267	10.1%	\$121,832,038
June			\$125,731,516	12.3%	\$111,947,518
July			\$132,992,822	14.1%	\$116,533,354
August			\$133,904,818	10.4%	\$121,273,112
September			\$134,249,085	14.2%	\$117,577,868
October			\$141,609,880	10.5%	\$128,203,766
November			\$136,134,757	10.3%	\$123,387,565
December			\$141,097,540	10.6%	\$127,559,552
YTD Total			\$1,613,347,453	12.0%	\$1,440,037,318

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