



2019 EDITORIAL CALENDAR

MONTHLY COLUMNS & DEPARTMENTS

Editor's Letter

Strictly Slots' editor J. Phillip Vogel tackles some of this month's gaming topics and addresses some of the latest news in the gaming industry.

Readers Talk Back

Readers from across the U.S. submit their questions for the *Strictly Slots'* experts to answer.

Upfront

Our coast-to-coast roundup of the hottest news in the gaming industry.

Scobe's Slant

Frank Scoble, America's #1 best-selling gaming author, provides his humorous take on the gaming experience—while giving expert analysis of the games we love to play, and the best strategies for winning and having fun along the way.

Video Poker Insider

Veteran gaming writer Henry Tamburin talks video poker strategy: the correct way to play your favorite machines, and the odds and mathematics that smart players want to know about, giving our readers a clear picture of which games they should wager on—and how to maximize their trips to the casino.

Top 25: The Most Slots

Looking for great games and casinos with a HUGE variety? In every issue of 2019, we detail the hottest casinos with the best selection of slots.

Executive Decisions

Slot makers know what gets players excited. Top executives from some of the most innovative gaming companies share their expertise, offering an insider's look at what it takes to bring a hot new game to life.

Player's Club Spotlight

Each month, we profile a casino players club that is going the extra mile to attract new players and reward loyal customers. This promises to be one of our most popular departments in 2019, as casinos across the country are implementing bold new ideas—and technologies—to make their clubs and promotions more exciting and imaginative than ever. This is information players always want to know about.

Casino Club Spotlight

Our experts profile a leading casino from the perspective of a new player—what the property offers, why they're worth a visit, and how they surpass their local rivals.

Player's Edge

Gaming columnist John Grochowski provides expert commentary on casino games ranging from popular favorites to new arrivals.

Slot Spotlights

A showcase of the hottest slot games that are new on casino floors (or due to arrive soon). This information is useful to slot enthusiasts, as well as slot operations managers who are interested in acquiring the latest, hottest titles.

Promotion Picks

Our selections for the best promotions or special events for the month.

Coming Soon!

From planned properties to newly opened resorts, we detail the hottest new casinos and expansions from coast to coast

Spinning Reels

Slot specialist and gaming expert Sean Chaffin take us on a tour of the latest news and trends in the sometimes quirky, always exciting world of slot machines and slot players.

Skill Gaming

From fighting zombies to arcade throwbacks we detail the hottest new skill games to the market.

Winners

Lucky players who have won jackpots in casinos nationwide.

Slot Payout Percentages

Tracking the casinos with the highest paybacks.

Perfectly Frank

Frank Legato's highly popular, long-running op-ed column in which he muses on his life as a slot player, and shares observations and anecdotes about the games—and the industry—that our readers find hilarious, as well as informative.

FEATURES

JANUARY

Best Bets:

Our experts countdown their picks for the top casinos in Michigan

Cashing In On Video Poker

Expert strategy, common blunders, misplayed hands and answers to player's FAQ's

Planning Ahead

Tips to making 2019 your luckiest year yet

Destination: Southern California

FEBRUARY

Hot Slot debut**Hottest New Games In 2019**

The latest, greatest, and most anticipated slots and video poker games coming this year

Gaming On A Budget

A little short on cash, but still looking for some great casino fun? These budget friendly casinos are worth a trip!

Jackpot Seekers

Big winners cashing in on the Gulf Coast

MARCH

Best of Racino Awards Ballot Issue**Bingo Anyone?**

Casinos offering the best bingo events and tournaments. Get your dauber ready!

The Go-To Games

Determining which video poker game is for you

New York State of Mind

New casinos and thousands of new games have turned the Empire State into a slot player's paradise

Tribal Gaming: Southwest

A look at the top tribal properties in the region

APRIL

Best of Racino Awards Ballot Issue**Cover Feature:****Loosest Slots in America**

Our annual Loosest Slots Awards issue. Think you know where the loosest slots are? Think again!

Maryland Mania

Where to stay and play at the hottest casinos in Maryland

Racino Watch

Our round-up of the best racinos in the country

Bottom Line

When to bet the max on slots

Destination: Southwest

MAY

Games Of Skill

The latest video game gambling machines and other skill games taking over the casino floor

Tribal Gaming: Midwest

A look at the top tribal properties in the region

Bonus Mania

Strictly Slots experts and readers reveal their picks for the best slot bonus rounds

Players Club Upgrade

Staying aware of your players club status can entitle you to extra freebies

Best Bets: Slots in the Northwest

Destination: Michigan

JUNE

Best of Slots Awards Ballot**Cover Feature:****Best of Racino Awards****East Coast Gaming**

Travel up and down the East coast in search of the region's hottest—and hidden—casino destinations

Destination: Native Midwest

JULY

Best of Slots Awards Ballot

Cover Feature: Hot Slot debut

Saluting Seniors

Casinos across the U.S. are rolling out the red carpet for players of a certain age

Summer at the Shore

Take a tour of Atlantic City's best casinos for pools, beach bars, spas, gaming, summer events and more!

Reward Roundup

The experts at *Strictly Slots* review all of the major players clubs to see who offers players the best comps for their bankroll

Tribal Gaming: Northeast

A look at the top tribal properties in the region

Playing Big in Oklahoma

The Sooner State's casinos offer surprising player benefits and great odds

AUGUST

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Northern Exposure

Take a tour of the best casinos and resorts the North has to offer

Boardwalk Bets

Atlantic City's sizzling summer events are sure to please crowds

Bonus Mania

Strictly Slots experts and readers reveal their picks for the best slot bonus rounds

Best Bets: Slots in New England

Destination: Maryland

SEPTEMBER

Great Slots Hangouts

Check out these hidden gems and slot hangouts hiding in plain sight

Sizing Up Your Bankroll

How much cash should you bring to the casino?

Tribal Gaming: West

A look at the top tribal casinos in the region

Best Bets: Slots in Mississippi

OCTOBER

Cover: G2E Show issue

A sneak peak on what's in store on the slot floor in 2020

Tribal Gaming: South

A look at the top tribal properties in the region

Slot Zombie

10 tips to keep you alert and playing at your best

Road Warriors

Casino hopping across America

Destination: Mid Atlantic Casinos

NOVEMBER

Cover Feature:**The Best of Slots Awards****Cruisin' To...**

Planning a trip out to sea? We review some of the best cruises for slot players

The Basics of Money Management

Tips on staying in control of your bankroll

Reaping the Rewards

Slot players are at the center of casino profits—and perks

Lucky Numbers

How to win at video keno

DECEMBER

Holiday Happenings

Planning a special trip for the holidays? Parades, light displays, festive celebrations and cold hard cash make these casinos very merry, indeed!

Best Bets: Nevada

Tribal Gaming: South

A look at the top tribal properties in the region

Destination: Reno