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SIERRA NEVADA CLASSIC III



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Gentlemen,

The third annual Sierra Nevada Classic is upon us. The committee hopes all of you worked hard in the off season to be at the top of your game. Due to an overwhelming response by viewer turnout, a new team has been added to the league this year. Major networks are bidding for television rights as we speak.

There will be a few changes to the tournament this year.

Changes are as follows:

- 1) Expansion team "Let it ride" joins the league.
- 2) The Basketball sight will be moved to the Carson City High School.
- 3) Wiffleball will aslo be moved the the Carson City High School.
- 4) If need be, darts will be played at the Old Globe Saloon to determine the champion.
- 5) The Carson Station Casino Shuttle Van will be used to transport league members to and from lunch at the Country Club and to and from the bowling alley at the Pinon Plaza.
- 6) New members Sean "The Big Hurt" Hagar, Dave "The Stormin' Mormon" Dodson and Rob "The Mayor" Roode are selected to the leauge.
- 7) Johnny "Iron Mike" Borda returns from the Guam Independent League.

Remember Gentlemen, this is a league of professionals. While participating in this tournament you are expected to hold yourselves to the up most standards and sportsmanship. Anything less will cause serious consideration by the committee for the return to next years tournament. May the best team win.

Point Shavers

Team Members:

Rodney "Spider Man" Keinath
Roger "The Hammer" Borda
Mike "The Silent Assassin" Borda

Outlook:

As predicted by the commission in last years preseason poll, the Point Shavers took first place. Their average play in the morning events set the stage for an afternoon of dominance. Look for the same this year. The Point Savers key for success is no secret, "Veterans who can drink". The Shavers are led by team MVP Rodney Keinath. Rodney shinned in all events last year. His domination in Bowling was the main reason his team took the title. Rod will be an even stronger player this year. Just imagine what this guy could have done had he not be on the table at until 6:00am with a Vodka rocks and a beer by his side. Rodney's curfew will be closely watched by team members this year. Roger Borda, although not in the lime light is the unsung hero of the Shavers. He as well as Keinath, was dominate

in the 2nd half. Rog has spent the off season in the gym. He is said to have been shooting between 2000 and 3000 jumbers a day. Look for his new shooting style to be tickling the twine all morning long. Mike Borda would most like to forget about the morning events from last years tourney. He was given a clinic by his younger brother Bill in hoops and still is somewhat injured from the head fake that sent him to the ceiling. He spent the off season working on his defense. His afternoon performance mirrored that of his teammates.

Prediction: 1st Place. They will win at least one of the morning events and again dominate the afternoon.

The Penetrators

Team Members:

Darin "Pistol Pete" Fain
Kip "Greezy" Perry
Bill "Da Whala" Isaman

Outlook:

There are no doubts that this team will be in the mix. If they win the wiffle ball game last year, they most likely would have taken the title. There is really no weak event for these guys. Rookie of the Year for the 1997 Classic, Bill Isaman aims to repeat with his domination. This guy was solid in all events. He has been compared to Randy Johnson on the nipple. Not only are league members uneasy with this guys wicked ass pitches, his own catcher is a bit gun shy. Bill has stated that he will settle for nothing less than a 1st place in every event. Kip Perry took control on the hoop court last year. Look for that same performance. His off season dental work from Isaman's 5 foot slider turned out well also. He will bring a catchers mask for this years tourney. This veteran player will have his best year of his career at this years classic. Darin Fain is working with a off season knee injury that could hamper his performance this year. He is just a pitchers mound away from taking his team to the title. His two home run blasts last year were evidence of his off season training. This year league officials have a new process for monitoring pecan consumption and will make sure Fain drinks his limit.

Prediction: 2nd Place. They have a shot to win every event but basketball.

Fistfull of \$\$\$

Team Members:

Bill "String Bean" Borda

Rob "The Worm" Turner

Dave "The Stormin' Mormon" Dodson

Outlook:

This team is already being compared to the Buffalo Bills teams of the early 90's. They are like a pace horse at the track. Fast out of the gate and last at the finish line. Could this maybe be the year they actually can perform in the 2nd half. Only time will tell. Fistful now has another concern on their minds. During the off-season, John "Senior Smoke" Woods traded in his gear for a law book. He felt he accomplished all in needed in his sports career and is looking forward to pursuing another line of work. With the loss of Woods, Fistful stepped up and went after Salt Lake League player of the year Dave Dodson. This acquisition could possibly take them to the title. This guy may be the best athlete in the tourney. He has a 40 inch vertical, with baseball skills that will terrorize opposing pitchers. He has been compared to Earl Anothey on the bowling circuit and Robin Hood on the dart board. Bill Borda had an outstanding basketball performance last year. He rolled over anyone who was in his way. He is said to be the leading candidate for the role in "RainMan II". Did this guy miss a shot last year. Bill knows what he needs to work on to lead his team to the title. And that is stamina. Look for this 135 pound stick of dynamite to go all the way this year. Rob Turner displayed another solid performance in the morning events. He overall wiffleball stats are overwhelming. 0.00 ERA along with 0 hits. With some new bats in the league this year, this record may be snapped. The monkey on his back is said to weight up in the area of 250 pounds. Look for him to possibly go the distance this year as well.

Prediction: 3rd Place. It may be difficult to gel with another team member this year. Look for them to drop a morning event and again go south in the 2nd half.

Let It Ride

Team Members:

Johnny "Iron Mike" Tyson
Rob "The Mayor" Roode
Sean "The Big Hurt" Hagar

Outlook:

These guys are far from your typical expansion team. They will immediately step in and compete for the title. Vegas odds have been getting tighter for "Let It Ride" to take the whole thing. The team will be lead by veteran Johnny Borda who left the Classic last year for bigger stakes in the Guam Independent league. The Owners of "Let I Ride" made it their first priority to get a franchise player who could carry a team to the title. This kid is a force to be reckoned with. He will be a major contributor in the morning events. He has a never say die attitude and will due whatever it takes to win. Bowling may be the only thing this veteran has trouble with. Sean Hagar makes his debut in the Classic this year. Not much is known about this guy. But one thing for sure is that he has the physical capabilities to due some damage. As with most rookies the drinking during half time of the classic will be the determining factor. If he can hold down the Pecans, he may be an ace in the hole for his team. And then there is Rob Roode. There will be no doubt about this guys half time performance. He has petitioned league officials to move the pecan limit to 9 for the stop at the Country Club. He definitely has the power to take the ball out of the yard in wiffleball. In the early 90's Roode blasted 49 home runs at Fenway. He will be a major contributor to his team in basketball as well. Like his teammate Borda, they may suffer in the bowling category.

Prediction: 4th place. Despite the capabilities of this team, it is difficult to gel as a team in such a short time. However, look for them to upset a few of the favorites this year in morning events.

Stage Fright

Team Members:

Sean "Dr. Love" McDermitt

Kris "Skeets" Kelly

Lance "The Ultimate Experience" Hammons

Outlook:

This team needs no introductions. Look for these guys to improve from their last place performance a year ago. With one year and an offseason to work with, Stage Fright plans to get it done. Kris Kelly is player/coach of this team and likes their chances to move out of the cellar. Kris displayed a solid performance last year, minus the wiffle ball of course. He currently holds the Classic record for 75 straight balls. His bowling performance was all pro, if his teammates can match his lane domination, they could take the Bowling title. Kris is said to be a strained terms with the official association and will need to watch his temper this year. Sean McDermitt displayed some moves on both the basketball court and wiffle ball field that were text book. His shooting was clinic like along with his jump shot swing in wiffle ball. Like last year, he won't let his team down at the country club. He will need to improve his bowling performance to keep his team from heading to the loser bracket. Lance Hammons came to play in the basketball last year and will follow that same track this year. The country club stop for him led to a declining performance in bowling. He should respond with a bit more stamina this year due to what he calls Sierra Nevada Classic training at its finest. Basketball once a month, wiffleball once every 3 months, bowling every 6 months and pecans every 4 hours.

Prediction: 5th place. Not much will change for these guys. Hey, but they are fun to watch.

**Sierra Nevada Classic
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Head Official**

John "Brute" Borda

John Borda was again chosen by league officials to keep law in order. He is a no nonsense official and this year is begging for someone to challenge his authority. He will be quick to issue fines and ejection's at this years Classic. If any new league members would like to challenge this veteran official, please ask Kris "Skeets" Kelly before doing so. Borda wishes all members luck and will keep a close eye on those who deviate from the sportsmanship the tourney is known for.

Gentlemen,

In attempting to keep the Sierra Nevada Classic a top Invitational, a fee of \$90. will be required. Please give your money to John Borda Sr. upon your arrival at the tournament.

Your fee will pay for the following:

- Two night stay at the Carson Station Casino
- Breakfast Saturday morning at the Carson Station Casino
- Bowling at the Pinon Plaza Resort Casino
- The shuttle van and driver
- Lunch and Drinks at the Basque Country Club
- Sierra Nevada T-Shirt
- Free drink tokens for the Carson Station Casino