

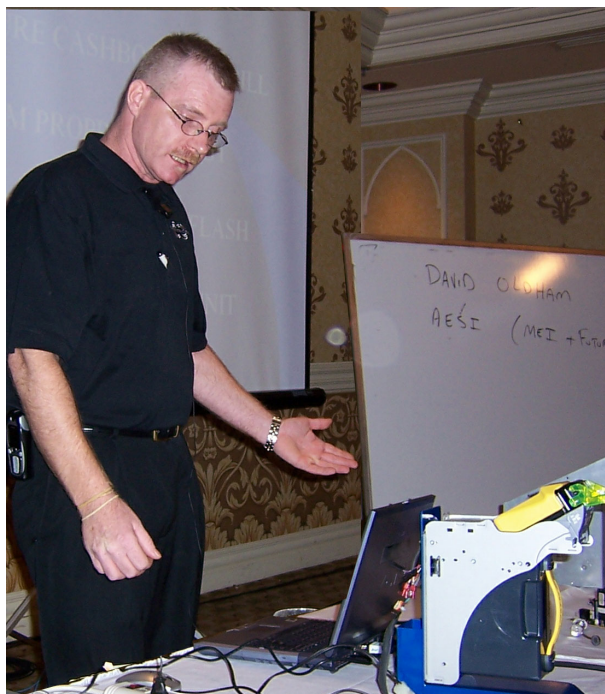
# Record Number of Presentations at TechFest 10

## This was a technical presentation.

The TechFest is geared for working slot techs and technical managers who are looking for a way to make a dramatic improvement in their understanding of video slot monitors, touchscreens, bill validators, hoppers and more with no-nonsense technical presentations from:

**3M Touch Systems (MicroTouch)**  
**Asahi Seiko - Coin Validators and hoppers**  
**Coin Mechanisms, Inc.- Coin Validators**  
**JCM - Bill Validators**  
**MEI - Bill Validators**  
**Money Controls - Coin Validators and hoppers**  
**FutureLogic (Sieko) - Printers**  
**IDX - Coin Validators**  
**Sencore - Test Equipment**  
**ICS Gaming - Slot Math and PAR Sheets**  
**Transact Technologies - Ithaca Printers**

**WMS Gaming - Slot Machines**



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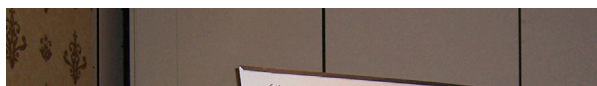
TechFest 10 was held at Excalibur Casino and Hotel on November 30 - December 2, 2004

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A record number of slot techs (86) from 33 different properties attended TechFest 10.



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David Oldham of Advanced Electronic Systems, Inc. addressed the group as the first guest presenter at TechFest 10, held at the Excalibur Casino and Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. David presented a technical look at MEI's Cashflow SC66 bill validator and the FutureLogic printer.



Slot Tech Magazine's resident slot math guru, John Wilson lead the class through the construction of a simulated slot machine, complete with PAR sheets and a payoff for "Three Wild Randys." A representative of Bally Gaming was on hand to evaluate the seminar. He gave Mr. Wilson a big thumbs up for an outstanding performance.

Transact Technologies' Denny Salmela demonstrated the operating components of their Ithaca brand thermal printers.

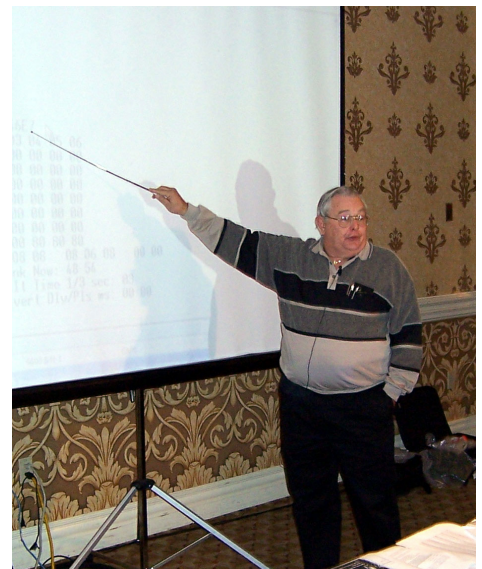


Mark Roberts (l) and Ken Miller, from 3M Touchsystems, Inc., presented a look at touchscreen technology. Everyone attending their session received a valuable package of technical information and a free, slot tech T shirt.

The company also presented an "extreme" demonstration of their DSP touchscreen that proved without doubt that this new touch technology (slated for market introduction in Q3 2005) provides a perfect touch, regardless of scratches on the surface. Below you see a 3M Touch monitor being "vandalized" by Thomas Kesterson of the Fiesta Henderson Casino & Hotel. Tom is using a Mohs 9 hardness stylus (just under Diamond in hardness) to cut a horrible, serpentine scratch into the surface of the monitor. In the bottom panel you see that he has been able to trace a perfect "X" onto the screen with his finger, crossing the scratch a dozen times without any skipping or displacement effects whatsoever.



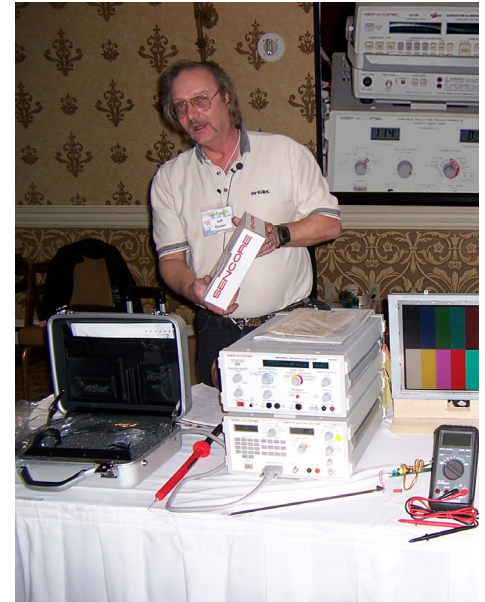
Coin Mechanisms' Mike Harris discusses programming of their stable of Coin Mechanisms.



James Halsey of IDX discusses coin mechanisms.



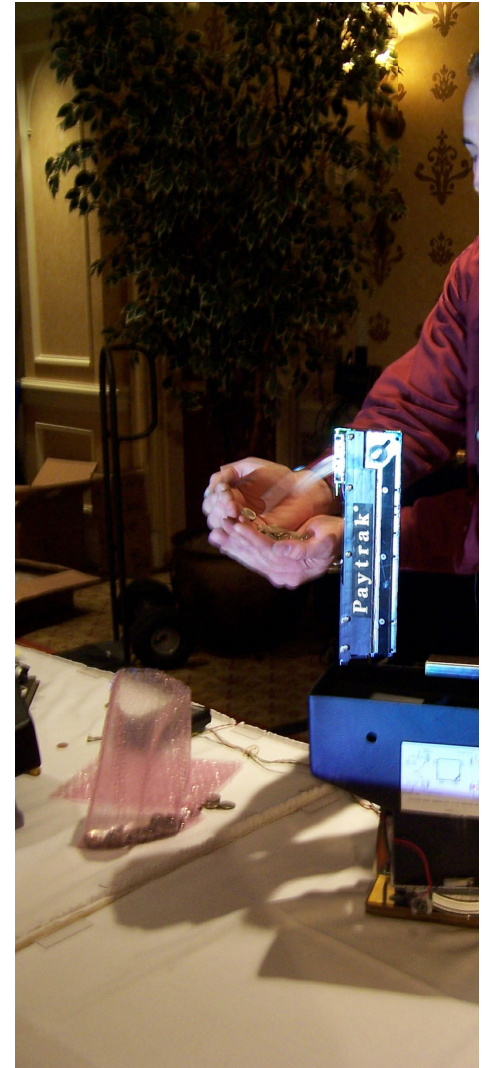
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Ron Parido from WMS presented technical information on their new Bluebird system. If you ever have a chance to train with Ron, take advantage of the opportunity. His presentation is dynamic and fast-paced in addition to being very complete and well-organized.



Money Controls' Cesar Neira provided a coin validator and their Paytrak coin hopper. He spent time presenting at TechFest. A bit nervous at first, he found his groove and went on to give a great presentation. Good job.



Tommy Talbot of AstroSystems, Inc. discussed the new MicroCoin unit. He discussed the operation of the unit and calibration (none required) as well as programming.



TechFest 9 anchor presentation of JCM. As usual, this dynamic presentation covered cleaning and calibration procedures, validators as well as repair issues. The introduction of JCM Bill Validator) to most of the technicians at the event.