

January 2006 - Issue # 34 The Quarterly Laser Storm Membership Newsletter

WHAT'S GOING ON'

New members galore! This last quarter we've signed up over 30 new members. It's amazing how being able to go to the next level of play attracts so may people. Several of these members are already well on their way to becoming tournament level players. This means they have the skill, and the intelligence needed to compete in a regional tournament. The best place to gain this experience is to sign up for leagues! It's too late to sign up for this season, because all 20 slots were filled in less than 3 weeks! There's always next season.

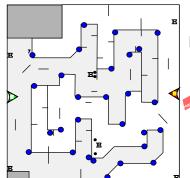
Regional tournaments have started up again, and this season there is no "dominant" team. So far, out of 4 regional tournaments, 3 different teams have taken first.

Soul Calibur 3 has been released on the Playstation 2, and since we have one of those in our lobby, we now have it! Come on down and try out the new characters, and see if you can master the new moves of your favorite old characters.

Don't forget, the 2006 National Tournament will be held here in July, and is open to any and all players. However it is highly recommended that you play leagues, and perhaps a regional tournament before attempting. This is the biggest Laser Storm event of the year, with the best players in the country! It's definitely not a challenge your average member will be able to meet without getting schooled by some of these 10-year veterans.

NEW ARENA

We've done it again! Just as you got used to the arena setup we just HAD to go and move it all around! The only way for you to know what it looks like beyond the map below is to come down and check it out for yourself. Thanks to all the members that helped out!



Psycho Guy **Dominator** Creeper **Pancakes** Suspect Zero Lil John Hamster Spartacus **Stroodles** The Lorelai

The Phantom

Zoidberg

Llama

Packed Full Of Discounts Present this Coupon to Receive your Storm Card

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REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

So much has happened since our last publication, let's hope we have enough room to put it all in here!

The regional opener for the 2005-2006 season was held here in Pittsburgh on Septenber 17th, with 6 teams in attendance. The arena was brand new, so this was anybody's tournament. The newly formed team "Dump Truck" (PGH) claimed an undefeated victory over 2nd place team "IPECAC Challenge" (OH), and 3rd place "Juggernaut" (PGH).

The next regional tournament was in October at Jester's Court in Warren, Ohio. One thing about Jester's Court is

that they have an arena that is slightly larger than half of ours, and almost as many bariers crammed into that small space. "IPECAC Challenge" won this tournament, tying Pittsburgh for first in the region. Then "Juggernaut", under different names every month, won the November tournament in Pittsburgh and the December tournament in Ohio to put them on top in regional standings.

Next tournament will be in Austintown, Ohio, date is January 28th. Call us for details. All teams are welcome. All you need is 5 players, and the drive to compete!

LASER STORM NEW YEAR'S EVE

2005

Last To Check In: Stroodles Last Red Base: Red Dog

Last Green Base: Miza

2006

First Energize Red: Hamster First Energize Green: Gohan

First Red Base: Hamster First Green Base: Cloud

MEMBERSHIPS INCLUDE

- 4 Passes: (Free Laser Tag Game with the purchase of one game)
- Player Identification Smartcard
 Computer Recorded Player Data
- Progressive Skill Levels
- Quarterly Newsletter
- Personalized Alias-nickname
- Exclusive Laser Tag Events
- Members Only Game Scenarios
- Discount Storm Card

Membership Cost

First Year Fee \$20.00 Renewal Fee \$10.00 Replacement Card \$ 7.25

STORM CARD DISCOUNTS

- 4 Passes: (Free Laser Tag Game with the purchase of one game)
- 2 Coupons: \$2 off Fire 'Til You Tire
- 4 Coupons: 50 Tokens for only \$10 (\$2.50 Free in tokens)
- 4 Coupons: Free Extra Hour for Midnight Madness
- 4 Coupons: Free Extra Hour for Fire 'Til You Tire
- 1 Free Laser Tag Game
- 1 Free Rock Climb
- 3 Coupons: \$2 off Storm Gear
- 3 Coupons: \$1 off Pizza
- 4 Coupons: Half Pizza & Small drink only \$3.50
- 4 Coupons: Small Nacho & Med Drink only \$2.50

(Special selection subject to change)

LEAGUES

The fall league season has come to an end. Once again, our random draw system produced 4 very well rounded teams, who all had a good chance to come out on top. Just like last season almost every playoff night had to have a tie breaker game to determine the winner. In the end "Team Junk" and "Whackpappy" had to play 6 games to finish the season. In the end, "Whackpappy" succeeded in achieving victory.

Whack Pappy
Red Dog
Dominator
Rave
Llama
Froggy

Necros

Team Junk
Centipede
Miza
Dancer
Masl
Amazon Princess
Robman

Zalgax
Kirby
Nomad
eBay
Gohan
Ihop

Sunflower Babies
Phoenix
Flint
Flash
Cloud
lcy
The Lorelei

MORE LEAGUES

The 2006 Winter League has been formed and is underway as you read this! The sign-up sheet filled up in what seemed like record time (less than 3 weeks) and now our 4 teams of 5 players are ready to go! Unlike the previous 2 seasons these teams were actually selected by captains as opposed to random draw. It should be an interesting comparison once we have the final season standings. So far it seems like we have 1 very strong team and 3 decent teams. This doesn't necessarily mean anything because we've seen the worst of upsets in the past.

If you missed the sign-up for this season, don't worry. League seasons come and go so quickly that we barely even notice anymore. As soon as the playoffs are over on March 27th, 2006, there will be yet another sign-up sheet on the front counter. Don't miss your chance next time!

All league games will be played on the standard National Tournament configuration (1 shield, 16 second base cycle) and are held on Monday nights. Exceptions made for holidays.

<u>Frumple</u>	The Bakery	Exploding Giraffe	Krispy Kreme
Red Dog	Dom inator	Zalgax	Miza
Dancer	The Phantom	Llama	Rave
Gohan	C lo ud	Am azon Princess	Flash
Psycho Guy	Ham ster	Masl	Ice
eBay/Pycho Mantis	Stroodles	Pancakes	Necros