

# Storm Informer

The Quarterly Laser Storm Membership Newsletter

## WHAT'S GOING ON?

Hello summer! Laser Storm is booming with members just like you who are getting monthly passes so they can come more often! For an entire month, enjoy the freedom of being able to play every day, all day! Ask about it!

Or members event was a total success, and you have yourselves to thank for that! To everyone who attended, we're glad you finally had the opportunity to see what it's like not having to put up with non-members restricting us from letting you play the members-only game configurations. If this is something you all enjoyed, or would like to see happen again, please let us know!

The Regional Season is over, with Pittsburgh taking #1 yet again at finals. Now all we have to wait for is the National Tournament, which will be held this year in Austintown, Ohio. Maybe this year someone might actually stand a chance against our top players, who dominated 1st place, 2nd place, and every sub-category there was to win last year. Anyone interested in participating, please ask us for more information.

Many of you have been asking about Leagues! Well, the season will be over around the beginning of August. Last time the sign-up sheet filled up in a week, so be alert! You'll miss your chance before you even know it.

## new members!

We're signing up so many new members we can hardly keep track! All this means is that Laser Storm is still just as exciting as it was 10 years ago. And if this trend keeps up, we'll have more league and regional players than we can handle! (Not really, we can handle anything!)

Meatman	Mortified	Tyetye	Chalupa
Sergeant	Penguin	Farley	December
Taghag	Sir. Viper	Henika	The Doc
Ace of Base	Nepher	Silver Wolf	Clueless
Hybrid Theory	Dr. Phil	Silver Phoenix	Tummy Swabs
Thunderstruck	Mercenary	Flare	Hellrazer
Choatik	Fatal Dawn	Owned	Killy Monjaro
Soul Reaver	Covert Ops	Zeman 53	Frozen Blade
Scorpion	Jamoker	Umpa Lumpa	Hell boy
Jabberwock	Tyetye	Gladiator	Massacre

## coupon

Get your

STORM  
CARD

Packed Full Of Discounts  
Present this Coupon to Receive your Storm Card  
Current membership status required

Members Monday

5:00 - 10:00 PM

Laser Tag Games

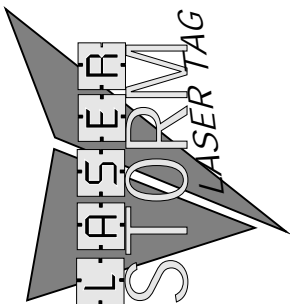
\$3

LASER  
STORM

Pittsburgh

PRSRT STD  
US POSTAGE  
PAID  
PITTSBURGH PA  
PERMIT NO. 4834

LASER STORM PITTSBURGH  
7715 McKnight Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
www.laserstorm.org



# Regional tournaments

Our May tournament was finally in a new arena! Holland, Michigan was our destination. It's been 10 years since any Pittsburgh players have been up that way. In fact, out of the 15 players who made the 800+ mile round-trip, only ONE of them had ever been to Michigan before to play laser tag. They still have the old 3.1 system, but they have one of the most amazing double-level arenas we've ever seen. Needless to say, "Dump Truck" wasn't even up to par this tournament. We left with 2nd place, and a really fun road trip experience. They ran one of the most efficient tournaments any of us could have asked for.

The month of June was the Regional Finals, and after re-scheduling the tournament around everyone else to make sure they could make it, it finally went down June 9th. Ohio sent 3 teams, and one broke down on the way here so they were unable to participate. Pittsburgh had 6 teams, 2 of which were brand new. It was a long night, with Ohio running late (we couldn't start without the #2 team in the region!!) and the lack of ONE player to complete a roster for the 8th team. We managed to draft a player for that team, and got started some time around 1 a.m.

Ohio's secondary team, "Hypnotic Invasion", consisted of 4 girls and one guy, and they all had their own custom made glow-in-the-dark painted shirts. Every game they played was interesting and fun. Two new teams were formed out of the newest batch of members,

and we even had some old school players stop by last minute and throw a team together.

The battle for 3rd place was won easily by "Conspiracy Theory", who then had to move on and play the former national champions, "Oblivion". These guys are from Ohio and they are tough! After their match, "Oblivion" emerged victorious and thus had to move on and face the undefeated "Dump Truck" for a second time. Odds against them, "Oblivion" was so close for so many minutes.. And then it was over.. "Oblivion"- 127, "Dump Truck"- 151. Congratulations to our 2-time Regional Champs!



1st  
Dump Truck



2nd  
Oblivion  
3rd  
Conspiracy Theory

# Leagues

This league season we've had more interest than ever. Instead of our usual 4 team roster, we've expanded to 6 teams for the first time since 2001. We've also taken a chance and let 4 new captains try and make the best team they can. Of course since the beginning of the season there have been several lineup changes, but that is to be expected. This round of playoffs is going to be way different than what we've done in the past. Several teams may have to play multiple times in one day as we try to accommodate so many player's vacation schedules.

Also, the more you play, the more likely you can be nominated to be a league captain. This means you would participate in the draft and create your team from the available players using our draft process. To enhance your ability as a leader, or your strategic thinking, this is the most effective way!

## Regular season standings

#3	#4	#1	#2	#4	#3
<b>War Machine</b>	<b>Push for Cheese</b>	<b>Heroes for Hire</b>	<b>5 Foot Fury</b>	<b>Beef Sticks</b>	<b>Team Poland</b>
Haze	Bio-Hazard	Rave	Cloud	Gohan	Pancakes
Red-Dog	Zalgax	Dominator	Dancer	Miza	Kirby
Shadow Dancer	No Life	Shade	Silent Killer	Lil Jon	Llama
Cassiopeia	Apollyon	Coconutz	Dark Wolf	Sad Panda	Bloodmut
Swamp Fox	Vash the Stampede	Chief Pepsi	Clueless	Ronin Jin	The Wretch

## Exclusive member event

Just a few weeks ago on June 16th we had our first Member's Event in years! It's basically an All-Night Outing (midnight till 5:30) where members bought tickets for \$25. This included all laser tag, pizza, drinks, and tokens for everyone.

Imagine what it's like to have the facility all to yourselves with NO interference from walk-in newbs. We were able to play every single members-only game scenario until the sun came up! We played Super Stealth, War Games, Civil War, and even had a random draw tournament. One of the most interesting events was the Highlander game, where everyone gets 10 shields, and 255 shots, and that's it. You run out, you're done. "THERE CAN BE ONLY ONE!", As the quote from the movie says. In the end, Llama and Dominator thought they were the only ones left and had themselves a battle in the lobby where Llama came out on top. But he didn't know that Bloodmut was hiding behind the door, and was taken completely by surprise! Bloodmut had several more shields than Llama, and after an amazing 1 on 1 battle in the lobby, Bloodmut became "Highlander" for the evening..

Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, and we did sell ALL our tickets that we needed to. If this is any indication of a trend, the next member event will be taking place very soon. Flyers will be posted all around the Laser Storm, so keep your eyes open!