

WPMA News Magazine Summer 2018 – NPM&CSA

NEVADA BIG DOGS 2018

Marketers and suppliers enjoyed the 2018 edition of “Big Dogs,” the Nevada Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Owners Association annual membership event, which included two new features: NETWORK BOWLING and a PAC SILENT AUCTION. This year’s Big Dogs wrapped up the first week of May in Las Vegas.

The Red Rock Casino Hotel hosted a Thursday night team bowling and networking event followed by the Friday morning golf outing at TCP Las Vegas. A bunch of thanks to our sponsors: **Federated Insurance – Premier**, and **Pro Petroleum – Platinum**. **Gold Sponsors** included Alpha Analytical, Chevron Products Co., Flyers Energy, HollyFrontier Refining & Marketing, McGinley & Associates, Morton’s Trucks Stops, Pilot Thomas Logistics and Sinclair. **Silver Sponsors** were Altria and Terrible Herbst, and **Bronze Sponsors** were Overland Petroleum, Phillips 66, SC Fuels and Valero. Special thanks to **Kristi Cotrell, Morton’s Truck Stops**, our event chairperson and **Brett Bottenberg, McGinley & Associates**, our golf chairman.

The bowling extravaganza was emceed by Judith White, WPMA Hall of Fame recipient and friend to all. Fellowship, great food, drinks and lots of gutter balls with a few successful pickups on the 7-10 and 4-6 splits that led to cash pay outs, provided an evening that won’t soon be forgotten. At the end of the evening our high score bowler was Brett Bruneel of Offen Petroleum. Congrats Brett!

“Early morning golf at TCP Las Vegas saw 76 golfers take to the course on a perfect day for networking and inking out business deals,” said golf chairman Brett Bottenberg. A big thanks to Michael Davis – NACS Vice President of Membership, who sponsored all the course beverages. Eighteen hole sponsors helped to make the golf outing an outstanding event. With the help of mulligans, a foot wedge and “the throw” the winners were determined. **First-place team:** Bob Prary – Flyers Energy, Greg Wheeler – Phillips 66, Jeff Skoll – Wells Fargo Advisors, Lourdes Long – Chevron Products. The **second lowest scorers** were: Al Dixon – Pilot Thomas Logistics, Rich McGoldrick – Pilot Thomas Logistics, Karl Rogers – Pilot Thomas Logistics and Jamal Lomax – Federated Insurance. **Woman’s longest drive** winner: Melinda Farias – Valero. **Men’s long drive** winner: Brett Bottenberg – McGinley & Associates. **Closest to the pin** winners were: Al Dixon – Pilot Thomas Logistics, Karl Rogers – Pilot Thomas Logistics and Jeff Skoll – Wells Fargo Advisors.

With the 2018 “Big Dogs” in the can, NPM&CSA has already begun planning for 2019, and from feedback already received, the same format is planned. On behalf of all the members of the Board of Directors, thank you to all who attended and the sponsors who planned and executed this year’s “Big Dogs.”