

THE SPIRIT TRUMPET

IBM Ring 96' Newsletter



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June Meeting Round-up

On June 20th, Shawn Farguhar came to lecture to Ring 96 via zoom. What an incredible lecture he gave. Shawn is a highly decorated magician, having fooled Penn and Teller twice and won FISM among his other awards and successes. This is a man who has not let success run to his head. He remains strong in his commitment to the idea that magic is for entertainment, and he is not afraid to "give back" to the community. I highly recommend his lecture for other clubs, whether live or by zoom, just have a good block of time, he does tend to run a bit long, as he has

so much great material to share.

The first effect he showed us is called RSVP or (Re Sealed Verified Pack) A new deck, in "New Deck Order" is shuffled twice, and still presents in new deck order. Shuffled twice more and is still in new deck order. The deck is slop shuffled, some cards face up and some face down. The deck is organized with all the red cards on the bottom and all the black cards on top. After some more shuffling, ideally some by a volunteer, the deck is placed in a box where after the box is signed. the deck has been resealed and is back in new deck order.

Shawn demonstrated Vernon's depth illusion and

and showed off the "Omni Deck," a block of Lexan plastic.

The next effect was called "The Jealous King." Here a royal flush in hearts is used. The ten is removed, and the other cards each have their faces dissolve leaving only their indices and frame. Finally all the four, Ace-Jack appear on one card. A brilliant piece of magic.

A question was asked, how do you stop people from grabbing, or asking to see your cards? Shawn was very clear that he is not trying to fool people; that would be a challenge to them to try and ferret out the secrets of an effect. Instead offer to entertain them, and tell them that you will be as astonished as they are. With them on your side, they are less likely to try to grab.

Next he spoke of, or demoed several tricks that were

Next meeting
July 18th
"David Jonathan Lecture"
North Community Center
3333 Saint Cloud Drive,
Seal Beach CA, 90740

Coming Soon to Ring 96



July 18th

Virtual? Close up Competition!

Aug 15th

Who the hell knows?

Sept 19th

several tricks that were not his. Toxic, the cell phone effect, Inject, the cell phone effects, A Rubik's Cube effect that is under his ownership, and Paul Harris' Screwed Deck. This was followed by a nice conversation on the uses of cell phone and technology in magic.

Shawn's effect "Net Trix," which has never been published, causes a blank DVD in a case to magically become a DVD of a randomly selected movie.

"Fly to the 3rd" is Shawn's answer to 3-fly. He uses three poker chips to move back and forth between his two hands. This wonderful effect uses poker chips instead of coins in an effort to be more visible to the audience. On zoom that worked very well.

"Extended Stay," is an effect that uses three hotel key cards, or gift cards to stores. In this one card is sandwiched between two others, and then stretches to a longer size. This effect is shown in several ways, before being restored to normal. A bonus effect here is that a "baby" version of the car can also be produced.

Shawn showed us 1,089, a mathematical trick done on a calculator or a cell phone. The answer will always be 1,089.

Shawn showed us another effect that he has never published which he calls "Oh s---. " This would work fine in person, but was even better on line. Shawn fanned a deck of cards, and had a volunteer fan a deck of cards. When they found a card in common showing, they each covered up the common card with a randomly chosen card. The randomly chosen cards matched each other. This is a brilliant piece of misdirection and worked amazingly well.

"HG" is an effect that allows three different findings of a named card, in three different ways.

Shawn showed us "Special Delivery." This effect takes a flat sheet of paper, that is shaped like the letter "T" and has it folded into an envelope. A card (Or other object as needed) is) is produced from this empty envelope. This effect was published and can be found for free via search in the Linking Ring data base.

Shawn's effect "Peek" was the third non-published bit he showed us. This is a clever craft project allowing the spectators to "peek" inside a supposedly marked card.

"Torn to the Third" has a card torn into quarters and then restored one step at a time. This led well into his "Last" effect which was a torn and restored photograph. The brilliance of this is that the photo is signed before being torn up, and is restored in a mismatched fashion. He explained that he performed this for Ellen DeGeneres on her TV show, and she was amazed and wanted to keep the picture. He told her he would keep it for the value of her autograph.

After the lecture Shawn stayed online another 45 minutes or so, answering questions, discussing magic history and trivia, and just a general fun conversation that might have happened in a diner had we not been on quarantine.

With about half of the members having logged off the zoom session at some point in the discussion. Shawn suddenly announced, "Who wants to see one more?" The half of us remaining would never say no to that. He showed us "Bar None." A volunteer picks a card by saying stop. The card is showed to the camera, and then lost in the deck. Shawn not only tells the volunteer what position the card is in, but names each card on the way as he turns them over to reach the chosen card. A brilliant effect and a great way to close the lecture.

Learning the secret of flight from a bird, is a good deal like learning the secret of magic from a magician.

-Orville Wright

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MEETING LOG IN INFORMATION

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