

**NEVADA** is in the Western Mountain region of the U.S.A. with a population in excess of 2.7 million residents. This is largely a desert and semiarid environment. The greatest claim to fame is the gambling industry located primarily in Las Vegas and Reno. It was admitted to the Union in 1864 with the capital being established in Carson City. The first Lions club chartered in the state was the **Reno (Host) Lions Club** in 1920.







In 1969 and 1971 Nevada was a part of MD 4 and the then District Governor in Nevada in each of those years had these pins made. They are actually personal pins bearing the District Governors name but they were the only pins from Nevada at the time and were traded as their state pin. They are considered by most pin traders as the first and Third Nevada pins. They were shown as such in the State Pin Pictorial Guide, which was the first color catalog of state pins. They continues to bring high prices at sales and auctions. Although the 1970 pin does not show the District Governors name, it too was made and traded as their state pin. In 1972, although still a sub-district of MD 4, they started issuing a separate pin for the state of Nevada and most of these pins have 4N on them. In 2007 they became a separate District and were no longer a part of MD 4.



The original Nevada train had a combination of smooth and waffle backs, as explained below.

The authorized reissue and the counterfeit sets all have waffle backs, as explained below.

NOTE: Arguably, the Nevada Train Set is the most "famous" of all the train sets that have been made over the years. When the original set was issued, the first three cars of the train had a smooth back and the latter three a waffle back. All of these pins have a small head nail with the nail being only slightly larger than the shaft. An authorized reissue of the set produced an all-waffle backs with small head nails that were only slightly larger than the shaft. Later, a counterfeit set was made by a Lion who is now deceased and that set produced all waffle backs with the nail heads three times as wide as the shaft.





1979



1980











1985

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1986



1987



1988



1989

There were numerous painted pins issued in

1991. Either someone went to a lot of work to paint many of them or a certain number were

painted at the factory. In any event, they are found in most

collections, and we are showing one as a

variation.

1990





1991

1991 V



1997 P











1999











2000

NV - 6



2001



2002



2003



2004

2004 V

2005

2006

2004 Nevada Variation. We understand that this was the original pin and as soon as it was issued they stopped giving them out because someone complained about the black face. They then ordered the blue face as the regular issue.



2006-1



2006 Special This pin was given to attendees at the Charter Night for the newly formed District 46 (Nevada), which heretofore had been part of MD-4.

NOTE: All of the pins shown in this catalog from 1969 thru 2006 were issued for Nevada as a District within MD-4, which included all of the clubs in California. Beginning in 2007, Nevada became designated as District 46.



2015

2016





2018

2018 Special





2020

HAROLDS CLUB

NEVADA

**DIST, 46** 

2020

2024



2023



2021



# **Miscellaneous Pins**



1985 Origin unknown