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THE SMOKING GUN

The Smoking Gun has a "Sonic the Hedgehog" air hockey table.

SAN DIEGO'S TOP 'BARCADES'

ENTERTAIN YOURSELF AND FRIENDS AT THESE BARS THAT
FEATURE CLASSIC VIDEO GAMES, PINBALL, BOWLING AND MORE

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Arcade classics like "Pac-Man" or "Street Fighter II" are just as fun to play now as they were when they came out. And they are still available to play at various locations in San Diego County, including local bars with arcades.

For those feeling nostalgic for games and wanting to test their skills in public, here are nine "barcades" around the county offering a variety of arcade games, along with drinks and food.

The Smoking Gun

This bar and restaurant has about two dozen arcade and table games, like "Pac-Man Battle Royal," a "Black Knight" pinball machine and a "Sonic the Hedgehog" air hockey table. The Smoking Gun also has happy hour specials during the week from 3 to 7 p.m. that include half-off arcade games Monday through Thursday. It has a full food and drink menu, plus all-you-can-eat wings on Wednesdays from 3 to 9:30 p.m. for \$21.99, and this venue is open to all ages. *555 Market St., San Diego. (619) 233-3836, thesmokinggunsd.com*

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