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"OUTLAW VOLLEYBALL: SPIKE OR DIE" TO MAKE ITS DEBUT ON XBOX IN WINTER 2002

LOS ANGELES, E3 EXPO BOOTH F7, May 22, 2002 – Simon & Schuster Interactive announced today the Company is publishing a second title in their popular "Outlaw" series of sports games exclusively for Microsoft's Xbox™ video game system. Developed by Hypnotix Inc., "Outlaw Volleyball: Spike or Die" (Rated: "RP" by the ESRB, Available: Winter 2002) will feature all the characters from "Outlaw Golf," and several new ones who will do battle on 16 different courts.

GAMEPLAY

It's spike or die as players choose their team and head out to one of the 16 different volleyball courts. OUTLAW VOLLEYBALL will draw on the Xbox graphic capabilities to provide extremely well-rendered and fun environments with dynamic elements. From the beach house beach to the big house, the courts will feature such graphic treats as deformable sand, dynamic backgrounds and highly detailed crowds. The game will also make use of the Xbox's ability to incorporate music tracks that were ripped to the console's hard drive making Outlaw Volleyball into a very personalized experience.

With two person teams facing off against each other, the game will feature unique gameplay dynamics. For example, players will improve by swapping up for better teammates as they develop their characters' skills. Jettisoned teammates will automatically improve in skill and will play extra hard against jilted teammates, unless, of course, they re-team.

Some of the featured players include

- Summer -- Hailing from the Big Apple, she splits her time between PHD studies in molecular biology at Columbia University, and entertaining foreign businessmen in the champagne room of the Pink Flamingo. Remember after the game Summer is available for autographs... and lap dances.
- Trixie -- Trixie has been playing ever since she was a wee little snob. She hails from quote-unquote "none of your business, USA."
- Mistress Suki A diva whose game is all about discipline, Mistress Suki inflicts maximum punishment on every ball she hits. Watching her is an excruciatingly exciting experience.

AVAILABLITY

OUTLAW VOLLEYBALL: SPIKE OR DIE will be available for Xbox in Winter 2002.

ESRB Rating

OUTLAW VOLLEYBALL: SPIKE OR DIE will be rated by Entertainment Software Rating Board (ESRB). All advertising and promotional materials currently carry a "RP" or "Rating Pending" logo. More information on the ESRB and its rating system can be found at www.esrb.org.

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Xbox (http://www.xbox.com) is Microsoft's future-generation video game system that delivers new and unforeseen gameplay experiences. With more than three times the graphics performance of the newest generation of game systems, Xbox unleashes game designers' creativity to produce games that are challenging, exhilarating, surprising, and fun.

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