

**No. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring**

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Paul Stone is from Liverpool, England, a former trade show magician, currently an event planner and the sole distributor of Ken Brooke magic products. Paul is a magician who claims he does only two, no, make that three moves. He believes that when performing, it is entertainment first. Paul used technically simple effects that, when presented properly, can achieve maximum positive audience response. He started with an item called Mumbo Jumbo where a selected card reveals itself as a jumbo card in a regular deck. Next he performed a chop cup routine. What made this special was that Paul had an interesting approach to the final loads. He then performed Alan Shaxon's routine for Confabulation, which is an impromptu triple prediction effect. He then demonstrated an item called Overboard where the magician gets multiple changes from a two-sided board. Again, what made this special was that Paul altered the construction of the prop to make it totally adaptable for any specific performance. He then performed a number of effects using the Ken Brooke products such as Nemo 1500, which is a version of Koran's Five Star Prediction, Sidewalk Shuffle, Card to Wallet and Kaps Combination Wallet. He closed with Nemo Jumbo Rising Cards, which is self-explanatory except for the last card where the spectator (in this case, top children's magician, Magic-Al Garber) holds the container as an envelope rises, the flap opens and the card rises from inside the envelope. As this was happening, Magic-Al exclaimed, "Wow! You got me"!

Paul Stone had a lot of practical information to pass along and if you did not get anything out of this lecture, you were either sleeping or not paying attention.

Bill Krupskas, O.M.