



Dear readers,

This is the last edition of Newscan for 2008. I hope you've enjoyed your year of reading. All the best for a joyous holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year.

See you in 2009!

~ Nadine

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#### Recent News

[Survey: Free online gambling puts teens at risk](#)

December 17, 2008. Statesman Journal.

[Sports betting company Bwin extends safe gambling study](#)

December 16, 2008. Online Gambling Paper.

[Gambler loses bid to sue bookies](#)

December 17, 2008. Evening Chronicle.

[Gambling scars remote Aborigines: study](#)

December 16, 2008. The West Australian.

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#### Featured Research

[Cashless and card-based technologies in gambling: A review of the literature](#)

Parke, J., Rigbye, J., & Parke, A. (2008).

The aim of this report is to provide the Gambling Commission and its stakeholders with an overview of empirical evidence and other relevant literature by which to better understand the arguments for and against the introduction of cashless and card-based technologies including cashless and card-based responsible gambling features (CCRGF) to reduce problem gambling and promote responsible gambling. This report also identifies current and emerging cashless and card-based technologies, considers various approaches to regulation in other jurisdictions and identifies ongoing and planned research.

## Call for Papers, Grant Proposals, RFPs, and Nominations

### [Call for Papers: 14th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking](#)

The Institute for the Study of Gambling and Commercial Gaming, College of Business, at the University of Nevada, Reno is sponsoring the 14th International Conference on Gambling and Risk-Taking. The conference will take place May 25-29, 2009, at Harrah's Lake Tahoe in Stateline, Nevada.

The primary objectives of the conference are to contribute to the base of scientific knowledge about gambling in all its dimensions, to stimulate further research, and to facilitate discussion and dialogue about gambling and commercial gaming as it has developed and continues to evolve throughout the world.

Individuals and organizations are invited to submit papers for presentation at the Conference. Submissions are invited on any topics related to gambling as well as industry studies covering casinos, lotteries, horse racing, Internet gambling, pari-mutuel wagering, etc. For specific topic categories, please see the Institute's website at [www.unr.edu/gaming](http://www.unr.edu/gaming)

Deadline for submissions is January 15th, 2009.

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### [Call for Posters: Banff Conference on Internet Gambling](#)

A poster session will be held during the conference. Researchers should email a 150-200 word abstract to Dr. Robert Williams at [robert.williams@uleth.ca](mailto:robert.williams@uleth.ca). Abstracts should include: title of research, names of author(s) with the presenting author underlined, author affiliation, and contact information. The poster can address any area of gambling, although research on online gambling is especially encouraged.

Deadline for submissions is January 30th, 2009.

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### [Call for Papers: National Council On Problem Gambling 2009 Research Awards](#)

The National Council on Problem Gambling invites nominations for its 2009 Outstanding Master's and Doctoral Dissertation Awards, and its 2009 Research Award. Award recipients will receive a complimentary registration to the 23rd National Conference on Problem Gambling, and are invited to present a paper at the conference (June 25-27, 2009 in Indianapolis, IN), based upon their thesis, dissertation or research. The Outstanding Thesis Award recipient will also receive a \$200 cash prize and the Outstanding Dissertation Award recipient will receive a \$400 cash prize.

Submissions must be sent via e-mail (MSWord or PDF Formats) to

dmcneill@unmc.edu

Deadline for submissions is February 1st, 2009.

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### [Call for Papers: Durand Jacobs Award](#)

The International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University invites submissions to the 2008 Durand Jacobs Award competition, to be awarded to the best graduate student paper related to the psychology of addictive behaviors. This annual award is dedicated to Dr. Durand Jacobs' lifelong efforts to help mentor students. Published and/or publishable papers will be considered by the selection committee, comprised of an international panel of experts in the field. The recipient will receive an award plaque and their work will be featured in the Youth Gambling International newsletter.

Please submit all entries electronically to [alissa.sklar@mcgill.ca](mailto:alissa.sklar@mcgill.ca). If you have any questions, please direct them to Dr. Alissa Sklar by email, or telephone: 514-398-2470.

Deadline for submissions is February 27th, 2009.

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### **Call for Nominations: Tibor I. Barsony Bursaries**

The Responsible Gambling Council is inviting nominations for the Tibor I. Barsony Bursaries to be awarded at the Discovery 2009 conference.

The awards are designed to support mainly full-time students who undertake a noteworthy project or study related to the prevention of problem gambling. A maximum of three \$1,000 bursaries will be awarded to students attending post-secondary institutions in Ontario.

To nominate a student, write a letter of not more than one page outlining the reasons for proposing the individual for the award and his/her contributions to the field.

Correspondence must be received by April 3, 2009:

Tibor I. Barsony Bursary Committee

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#### Upcoming Events

[Banff Conference on Internet Gambling](#)

March 27 - 28, 2009 - Banff, Alberta, Canada

[Responsible Gambling Council Discovery 2009 Conference](#)

April 19 - 22, 2009 - Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada

[2009 Massachusetts Conference on Gambling Problems](#)

May 12, 2009 - Worcester, Massachusetts, USA

[14th International Conference on Gambling and Risk Taking](#)

May 25 - 29, 2009 - Stateline, Nevada, USA

[2009 Annual Conference North American Gambling Regulators Association](#)

June 2 - 5, 2009 - Washington, D.C., USA

[23rd National Conference on Problem Gambling Prevention, Treatment, Responsible Gaming, Research and Recovery](#)

June 25 - 27, 2009 - Indianapolis, Indiana, USA

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Hope you've enjoyed this edition of Newscan. We'll see you again next week!

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