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Recent News

[Couple started casino cheating system that netted millions. Gang hit more than a dozen casinos in U.S., Canada](#)

September 17, 2008. National Post.

[Britain's first gambling clinic opens in Westminster](#)

September 18, 2008. London Informer.

[No. of gambling addicts rises five-fold](#)

September 13, 2008. The Dong-A Ilbo .

[Guam Gaming Act advocates propose "Visitor only" casino; Travel documents required for access.](#)

September 15, 2008. Pacific News Center.

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Featured Research

[Characteristics of problem gamblers 56 years of age or older: a statewide study of casino self-excluders](#)

Nower, L., & Blaszczynski, A. (2008)

Gambling among older adults appears to be increasing, though little is known about the characteristics of older adult problem gamblers. The purpose of this study was to compare older adults to younger and middle-aged adults in a cohort of problem gamblers participating in a state-administered casino self exclusion program. Self-reported problem gamblers (N = 1,601) who voluntarily banned themselves from Missouri casinos from 2001 to 2003 were categorized by age as younger adults (ages 21 to 35; n = 490), middle-aged adults (ages 36 to 55; n = 950), and older adults (ages 56 to 79; n = 161), and were compared with respect to demographic variables, gambling participation, and reasons for self-exclusion. Older adult self-excluders typically began gambling in midlife, experienced gambling problems around age 60, reported preferences for nonstrategic forms of gambling, and identified fear of suicide as the primary reason for self-excluding. Implications for intervention, prevention and treatment are discussed.

Call for Papers, Grant Proposals, RFPs, and Nominations

[Call for Applications: Institute for Research on Pathological Gambling and Related Disorders](#)

The Institute for Research on Pathological Gambling and Related Disorders is pleased to announce the availability of Incentive Grants of up to \$25,000 per year for two years in support of new investigators focused on research on gambling and gambling-related problems. Investigators who have a terminal degree (e.g., Ph.D., M.D., M.P.H., J.D.) and who have no more than 10 years of post-graduate research training experience at the time of the application receipt date are eligible to apply for an Incentive Grant.

Deadline for applications is November 3rd, 2008.

[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

Deadline for submissions is January 15th, 2009.

[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. 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.

Upcoming Events

[Pennsylvania Statewide Problem Gambling Conference](#)

September 30 - October 3, 2008 - Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, USA

[Nova Scotia's Responsible Gambling Conference](#)

October 6 - 7, 2008 - Nova Scotia, Canada

[Connecticut Council on Problem Gambling Annual Conference](#)

October 23, 2008 - Haddam, Connecticut, USA

[9th Annual NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction](#)

November 16 - 18, 2008 - Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

[National Association for Gambling Studies 18th Annual Conference](#)

December 3 - 5, 2008 - Adelaide, Australia

[Banff Conference on Internet Gambling](#)

March 27 - 28, 2008 - Banff, Alberta, Canada

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

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