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Christmas

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** NEWSFLASH **

I have just been told that our compulsory NSW Lotteries 'refit' is being done next Wednesday, 3 December.

I am taking the opportunity to change the whole front counter area as well as the computer system. This will involve:

- Some disruptions on Wednesday as the work is carried out, including an outage of lottery sales for a short time during the morning
- A change to how your statements will look
- I am expecting a big improvement in the reliability and efficiency of the new system

We will be open for business as usual on Wednesday, though somewhat disrupted.

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Christmas is fast Approaching

Christmas is less than a month away and we have all your needs covered.

You should have received our catalogue in the mail last week that has all our latest Christmas specials. If you didn't drop in and pick one up.

New Product Update

Most of you would have seen our new range of Darrell Lea chocolates. These make great Christmas gifts for a friend, relative, family member or just a treat for yourself.



The range has certainly tempted many of our regular and visiting customers.

A small stand near the front of the shop has a range of Christmas 'goodies' with a larger selection up the back.

Keep an eye out for regular specials, especially on their signature liquorice range. Currently Original Liquorice is 3 bags for \$10—what great value.



Many of you would have read or heard about the NSW Government 'selling' off lotteries. Our information is that this would not happen for a long time, if at all. Selling an asset that generates significant income for the government does not make good financial sense. Then again that may be enough reason! The

experience in other states has also not been a positive one, so lets hope.

Lotteries also jumps on the back of the seasons promotions and is offering a bonus \$1 scratchie with each \$5 scratchie sold and 2 bonus \$1 scratchies for each \$10 scratchie sold. This will up the value of your gift packs without costing you any more.

The new promotions manager, whom I completed my training with, is also working hard. This last week we have had the bonus 3x\$2 Lottery tickets for each Mega-Pick sold in Oz Lotto and Powerball. Keep an eye out for these promotions and take advantage of them.

Herald Sun and Sunday

THE  AGE

Unfortunately for all Canberra residents the Age and the Herald Sun have decided to no longer fly these papers into the ACT. They will now be road freighted up and will not arrive until between 7:30 and 9:30am each day.

This obviously means that we can no longer home deliver these papers on the day of their publication. This will take effect from Monday 1 December. I circulated a notice to all delivery customers several times since Thursday, when we were notified, and have already continued next page...



had a lot of feedback and people are making decisions based on their individual circumstances.

We are more than happy to continue delivering these papers the following day.

I find this decision a major issue for the ACT that has so many expat Victorians. (How can we keep an update appraisal of Collingwood's 2009 season performance 24 hours later??? - ed) I am in the process of

discussing the issue with the Australian Newsagency Federation to see if they are able to exert any influence. AT this stage I have had no satisfactory answer.

I will continue to push the barrow on behalf of my customers. However, if any individual wishes to express their concern directly to Fairfax Ltd (The Age) or News Limited (Herald Sun) then please feel free to do so.

Some alternatives that come to mind are:

1. Send the data electronically to Sydney and have the ACT papers printed there.
2. Print the papers at the Canberra Times—a Fairfax paper.

I will keep you informed of any updates on this situation

Alan Macdonald (Macka)

NEW Product Release!

Introducing the Datastrap ...

Perfect for the younger generation of USB users

2 GIG Soft Plastic USB Wrist Bracelet



Current Price: \$20.50

Christmas Special: Bring in a copy of this Newsletter and pay only \$17.00



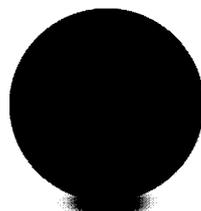
The **ACT Men's Intellectually Disabled Basketball Team** is our current charity to support. This team will be competing in the Australian National Championships in Townsville in February 2009.

With the kind support of Hendersons

Greetings we have been able to offer a small cash donation to the team. We are also calling on the support of the Inner South by dropping a coin or two in the charity tin on the front counter. The team thanks you for your support. They are the only state or territory team to compete in every national championship. We wish them well.



**Henderson
Greetings**



Don't forget to check the Newpower Christmas Catalogue enclosed. If we don't have it we will endeavour to get it for you

** Heaps of great stocking fillers.**