

An ideal solution for worry free events that do not wish to use cumbersome cash payments for goods and services

Rhythm & Vines Festival - GISBORNE

Cash mandated as not acceptable method of payment for goods & services

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• Two systems of payment considered

• Funny [dubs] money

Smartcard

Suggested Card Composition



Card cannot be copied

Revenue from Branding

Card cannot be skimmed

Souvenir of event

The technology has been proven by MyIP Group Ltd

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EDITOR'S CHOICE

A weak Pulse

It seems like a good idea - good enough for about 100 investors to stump up over \$4 million. So will Pulse Utilities manage to convince electricity companies of its value before it's too late? 5

Smart alecs

Get ready for the backlash from the privacy weenles; smart-card shopping is already here. Find out how 5000 people spent up large over the holidays and completely avoided the banking system 6

False fallout

A widely feted piece of research on the cost of war, said to mount up to a \$1.7 trillion bill, would be really useful if it were actually correct. Sure, war is bad but it can also be really good



lunior unions

If there has been one thing holding back the union movement of late, and no, it's not the Labour government, it has been its ability to attract younger, more militant members. Until now, that is. Meet the new face of the union movement, albeit with a couple of old organisers

Top service

With the country's increasing focus on harnessing high-end tourists, it's about time someone stepped up to ensure they get the appropriate treatment. Enter former stock exchange boss Eion Edgar, who makes one hell of a doorman 60





WHEN CASH IS NOT KING: Darren Whitaker-Barnett with an 'Eventcash' card

Smart card first for My IP

about the service since.

money handling," he said.

Wellington-based directors,

Mr Whitaker-Barnett and Ted

Woodley, who have spent the

past year setting up their busi-

tion Systems (GIS). GIS acts as

GIS has been in business

ince 1985. Among other

manufactures the London

Underground "Oyster Card"

transport pass. And a second

They have a partnership

My IP consists of two

Kate McLaughlin

A Wellington company has completed what it believes is the first contact-less chip smart card e-payment system in New Zealand.

At a two-day New Year event in Gisborne, My IP Group managed more than 20,000 transactions for some 5000 people using its specially developed "Eventcash." Rhythm & Vines concert-

goers loaded money on to the smart cards and used them with UK-based smart card instead of cash. Each transaccompany, General Information bypassed the standard banking system, avoiding My IP's development shop in merchant or cardholder fees, return for licence fees. with a transaction time of less than a second things, it has developed and

My IP designed and built the solution within an eightweek time frame set down by the organisers.

My IP director Darren GIS partner company in Brazil interest in resurrecting Project Aqua. It would have met New Zealand's

electricity growth needs and while Meridian considers "Son of Aqua" would be a "very good hydro propos-

Whitaker-Barnett said he has develops smart cards for the fielded a number of inquiries Brazilian government.

"It's a big event. They hanof GIS's existing systems and dle a lot of cash and they're at intellectual property while a size now where they needed adding its own. to add more structure around

flexible. We can develop turnkey solutions in a very short period of time, yet we have one of the leading development teams in the world in the UK," Mr Whitaker-Barnett said

"We don't just do the cards. We do the software development and terminal development, get the terminals built by contractors, do all the reporting and if need be we run the system on behalf of customers."

Mr Whitaker-Barnett said My IP is developing a number of new smart card applications, including loyalty cards and education applications.

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Average Joe seeks safety in gold

February 17, 2006 RETAIL SB.50

But most of the easy money has been made, broker says

Amy Patterson

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energy ?

New Zealand's only specialist precious metals broker is attracting hordes of Mum and Dad investors wanting to diversify their portfolios ahead of a possible recession.

Commonwealth Precious Metals Group buys and sells gold, silver, platinum and palladium for investors.

Director Carlton Brown, who founded the Auckland-based company in 2002, said there had been a significant upswing of investor interest in precious metal commodities since October when the price of gold was tipped to increase from \$U\$473.65 an ounce to \$U\$500 an ounce.

That forecast proved correct, with gold continuing to trade above that mark at \$US545.50/oz this week.

Investors were also looking to diversify after Reserve Bank governor Alan Bollard raised the official cash rate

Mr Brown, who wouldn't be specific about numbers but said his retail clientele was "in the thousands." said when other markets levelled off. investors looked for alternatives.

"The precious metals market has taken on a totally new outlook for investors. It's a safe haven in times of crisis," Mr Brown said.

"The average investor now is looking to this market. It's no longer just ig net wealth individuals.'

ABN Amro Craigs research analyst Brett Orsler said the mining boom in Australia over the past three years has raised the profile of the industry as an investment. New Zealand is undergoing a gold mining boom of its own, as reported in last week's National Business Review (Feb 10).

"The Mum and Dad investors have been attracted to the metals and mining sector," Mr Orsler said.

• 21.000 transactions over five days with NO transaction fees

 Robust technology - performed flawlessly through out the entire festival over five davs

 Average age of oarty goers - 21 years [mainly post graduate students] Ideal for persons to 'test' the system

· Early card loads were small \$2.50, \$3.75. By end of first day typical card oads were at maximum of \$200

• Within 15 minutes on completion of festival eventcash terminals reported turnover for the event [other systems took 14 days to reconcile1

· So successful, that next years event has mandated **ONLY smartcard. All** other forms of payment/psuedo currency will be outlawed

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Terminal Report

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• Within 1 hour of completion, terminals can give breakdown of revenue and stock control

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• Analytical report can be made available at a later date - currently we are also working on a web based report

Card Report

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Terminal Versatility



- Can be used as a CREDIT terminal
- Can be used as a DEBIT terminal
- Can be used as a REFUND terminal
- Will work on 240volt AC or 7-40 volt DC



- Funny money requires manual double handling, and has potential for inefficiencies
- Funny money has associated problems and costs with printing & reconciliation of delivery

Some lessons learnt from Gisborne

- Dual payment system confused the patrons
- Funny [dubs] money slowed down the delivery of service
- Additional staff required to actually manually count the money [one vendor was heard to complain that he had paid his staff to serve goods, not count money]
- Event organiser unable to 'track' revenues where funny money was used

Pre Registration

 To speed up registration process it is recommended that the card be pre loaded with value via ticketing system

Increase in cash flow for event organisation

Recommendation for future events at Gisborne

 Smartcard has been mandated as the proven technology for future events



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Ted has been involved with smart cards for nearly 12 years, in that time he has been:-First in the world to receive cash transactions across the internet [TCP/IP] using a smartcard from a site in the UK to NZ First in Australasia to interface a photocopier using a smartcard First in Australasia to interface a building access module using a smartcard

