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COLLABORATION OF THE NGB & ECGB IN THE NELSON MANDELA BAY FOR OUTREACHES ON ILLEGAL/ONLINE GAMBLING & RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING

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The National Gambling Board (NGB), in partnership with the Eastern Cape Gambling Board (ECGB), will be conducting a week-long series of community outreach engagements across the Nelson Mandela Bay region from Monday, 13 October to Friday, 17 October 2025.

These outreach activities aim to educate the public about the dangers of illegal and online gambling, while promoting responsible gambling practices in line with the NGB's commitment to ensuring a fair, safe, and regulated gambling environment in South Africa.


The outreach schedule is as follows:


- **Monday:** Boardwalk Casino
- **Tuesday:** Brickfield TVET Campus
- **Wednesday:** Missionvale Care Centre
- **Thursday:** Charles Goodyear TVET College Campus
- **Friday:** Nelson Mandela University

All sessions will run from 10h00 to 14h00, offering interactive information sessions, educational materials, and opportunities for community members to engage directly with NGB and ECGB representatives.

The NGB encourages students, community leaders, and the public to attend and learn more about how to identify and report illegal gambling activities and how to gamble responsibly.

If you or a loved one is battling gambling addiction and require treatment and counselling:

 Call: 0800 006 008

 WhatsApp: 076 675 0710

To report illegal gambling:

 info@ngb.org.za

 010 003 3475

ABOUT THE NATIONAL GAMBLING BOARD

The National Gambling Board (NGB), an agency of the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (dtic), was established in terms of the National Gambling Act, Act No 33 of 1996 which was repealed on 01 November 2004 by the National Gambling Act, 2004, (Act No 7 of 2004) ('the Act'). The Act makes provision for the oversight of matters relating to casinos, bingo, betting and wagering and Limited Payout Machines (LPMs), and promotes uniform norms and standards in relation to gambling throughout South Africa.

The strength of the NGB is informed by multiple decades of regulating a gambling industry which was fragmented with low credibility from the pre-1994 era. Its performance outcome is an effectively regulated and continuously supervised gambling industry, which is a significant economic sector that upholds national and internationally recognised standards of compliance and consequently national and international industry reputation.

The NGB is a regulator with concurrent competencies with the provincial gambling regulators. Its work is to ensure harmonisation and consistency with the National Gambling Act and its statutes. The NGB provides a stable environment within which the gambling industry can grow its operations for the benefit of all.

Additionally, the NGB prioritises broad-based public education around illegal gambling and responsible gambling in the best interest of the South African public, balancing a capable state, with the economic growth of the industry and social cohesion.

Vision

To position South Africa as the pre-eminent jurisdiction with an exemplary and effectively regulated gambling industry.

Mission

Lead the regulation of the gambling industry in the fulfilment of the National Gambling Act, 2004, through an effectively regulated and supervised gambling industry that upholds domestic, continental and internationally recognised standards of compliance.

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