

COMPULSIVE GAMBLER.

I first entered a gambling establishment to gamble when I was 15 years old. That was one of Australia's biggest Casinos at the time. The legal age was 18. I was not asked for ID and was allowed to gamble without worry.

Not much I am sure has changed since then. Casinos and other gambling establishments do not have the man power to monitor who is gambling.

I became a compulsive gambler and continued gambling throughout my whole life. My family suffered from constant loans. My daughter suffered as I was unable to raise her. Properly. My relationships were lost.

The constant lying to friends and family about wins but mainly losses made it very difficult to live a normal life.

Gambling machines for those that do not know are particularly designed to have flashing lights, music and even the free spin features are designed particularly for Compulsive gamblers. Or to even create new compulsive gamblers.

One compulsive gambler in a community can be extremely disturbing. Some compulsive gamblers steal from work, family, friends. Lie and teach others to lie and become a burden on many people.

It is extremely important that the government takes steps to stop Gambling Venue predators from encouraging Compulsive Gamblers to venues.

The Gambling venues are all full and I mean full of compulsive gamblers that work there! That's right the staff are often compulsive gamblers. With thousands in credit card debt also. So how can they effectively monitor other Compulsive Gamblers??

It doesn't make sense to have the blind leading the blind.

Perhaps an enquiry or a survey into the staff at the gambling venues would show that most if not all are compulsive gamblers. Which means any of your courses regarding Gambling is a waste of everyone's time. AS they will allow gamblers to gamble.

The staff also never give notes of 50s to players. Only 20s so they can go straight back in.

Anyway just a few thoughts am happy to answer any questions at the enquiry.