

Deaths

AITKEN, Des — The THA (AHA) State Council, members and staff are saddened to hear of the passing of a long time member of our industry. Condolences to the family on behalf of all in the hospitality industry in Tasmania.

Single bills

I STRONGLY disagree with the policy in restaurants of one bill per table.

After a pleasant evening of food and wine, usually in a dimly lit area, comes the task of sorting out who had what and remembering that extra drink or coffee.

Surely in this technological age it would be possible to devise an easier way of paying handwritten bills which are often indecipherable.

This practice belongs in the past.

One Chinese restaurant has the forethought to number each client individually and total the account accordingly.

Please restaurants, move on.

— MARIE DAVIDSON, Launceston.

EXAMINER

Cards for gamblers

FINGERPRINT and other invasive identification technology has been ruled out of a national system to curb problem gambling. Gamblers will instead have to carry cards that will allow gambling limits to be set under the pre-commitment scheme the Gillard Government wants agreed to by May. Families Minister Jenny Macklin says cards are the most "simple and effective way to do business".

Eat-and-run arrest

A MAN was arrested and charged in Hobart last night after allegedly having a \$114 meal at a Thai restaurant and refusing to pay. Police are investigating whether the alleged offender is linked with a spate of eat-and-runs reported by Tasmanian restaurateurs in recent weeks.