

Enterprise briefs

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Insurance cover online

AAMI has launched a website for business owners who want to buy cover online. According to AAMI data, 40 per cent of business insurance policies sold online are bought outside normal business hours. It takes less than three minutes on average to get a quote for business insurance.

Jetts Fitness expands

Four-year-old Jetts Fitness chain will open its 100th gym, at Laurimar in Victoria, this weekend. The franchise, which offers gyms open around the clock and does not depend on contracts, plans to open 40 more clubs this year.

Bureaucracy warning

Managing director of online reporting agency CreditorWatch, Colin Porter, warns the National Dispute Resolution Service flagged in the federal government's discussion paper on small business disputes must be fast and effective if it is to have a positive impact. "Small companies just don't have the time or capacity to work with a high-bureaucracy agency," he said.

Crossing state lines

Staples.com.au will expand its online business into Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania following the recent expansion into NSW and the Australian Capital Territory.

Deals for travellers

Livingsocial.com has launched Livingsocial Escapes for online travel shoppers. Initially, travel deals will be predominantly on Australia's eastern seaboard, with expansions planned across Australia and New Zealand.

Unpaid fees increase

Debt collection agency Prushka claims that the total value of unpaid fees to childcare centres increased by about 15 per cent in the last year. Prushka is acting on behalf of 172 childcare centres across Australia, accounting for around 750 outstanding debts.

Group buying site

BizzBuzz.com.au has launched a group buying site dedicated to small business deals.

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