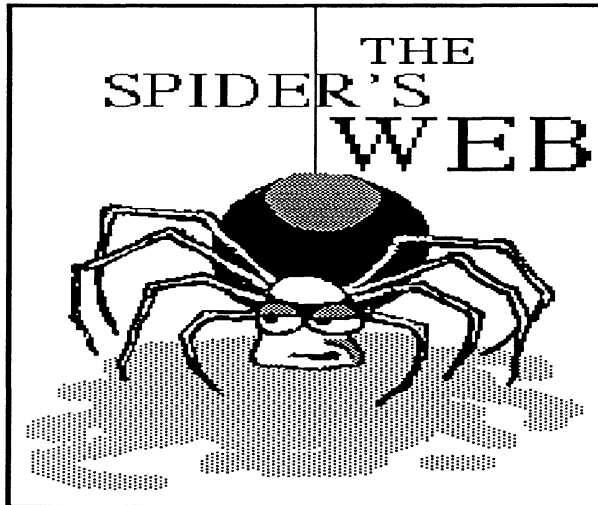


## NEW YEAR BASH

Sean Stewart's entry to 1992 wasn't a happy one. He was attacked on New Year's eve and spent the first two weeks of the year in the ICU at Alice Springs and Adelaide hospitals.



hardly likely. The same establishment quoted \$2000 for food only for a wedding reception for 60 -- no cake, no drinks, no free room for the night, etc. Other establishments want the business and offer a great deal more for a great deal less.

## NO SUCH LUCK

Another practitioner was far more lucky. He was partner in a \$70,000+ win on the pokies just before Christmas at the Darwin casino. He's sucking lemons to get the grin off his face.

## LIM-ETTE

Tanya Fong Lim showed up for hockey dressed in anything but hockey gear. Offered her teammates a novel excuse: she's having a baby.

## DON'T TEST THE BOSS

*Redback* understands that following a seriously liquid staff Christmas lunch, a secretary decided to give her boss an ultimatum -- at 11.00pm. She said if her conditions were not met she would leave in February. "Uh-uh. You'll leave now," was the un-

equivocal response. There's a moral in that...

## START 'EM YOUNG

"The alternative would be, for example, that a three weeks old baby...could conduct an appeal from its crib placed near the Bar Table. Perhaps its arguments would not be less persuasive than some that are heard in this place."

Wallace v Health Commission of Victoria, 17/12/84.

## TOUGH TIMES

Who said there was a recession and business was tough? One of the larger establishments in Darwin, upon hearing they'd been outbid by another for the Opening of the Legal Year luncheon, responded thus: "Okay. Call us when you have your next function." *Redback* thinks it's

## SNAPPY DRESSER

Red suspenders with white polka dots worn with a white bow tie are out of order in Alice Springs Courthouse. A partner in an Alice Springs firm was reprimanded for doing just that by the presiding magistrate. And *Redback* knows who you are, Lurky.

## SOLD, SOLD, SOLD

Very dodgy practices being carried out by a high profile Darwin real estate firm. Among them are advertising properties after offers have been accepted and parking the rep's car in front of the opposition firm's sign bearing a massive "SOLD" sticker to obscure it during a post-acceptance open inspection.

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