



### **Internet@home report to be released**

The ABA will launch the findings of its Internet@home research on 18 December 2001, providing a detailed picture of Internet usage in Australian homes.

The Commissioner for Children and Young People in NSW, Ms Gillian Calvert, will launch the report with ABA Chairman, Professor David Flint. The launch is to be held at Tempe High School, with children from Tempe Public School also participating.

The ABA will also launch its updated family web site – [www.cybersmartkids.com.au](http://www.cybersmartkids.com.au).

Extensively revised to ensure it provides advice that can best assist parents and carers of children, the site is now more attractive to children. While the best aspects of the original site have been retained, the *cybersmartkids* site features an interactive quiz for children, designed to test their knowledge of smart Internet use. There is also a drawing activity which allows children to post pictures to the site.

The ABA has drawn on the findings of the Internet@home research in its redesign of the web site. This research, conducted in 2000, provides a detailed picture of Internet usage in Australian homes, particularly in homes with children. It also provides insight into the information needs of Australian families using the Internet.

Look out for the Internet@home report on the ABA web site at [www.aba.gov.au](http://www.aba.gov.au) in early 2002.

### **New Perth commercial radio licence**

The ABA has invited applications for a new commercial radio licence for Perth. The proposed service will operate on 93.7 MHz on the FM band

The licence will be allocated in accordance with the price-based allocation system set out in the Determination made pursuant to section 36 of the *Broadcasting Services Act*. Subject to the requirements of the Determination and the Act being satisfied, the licence will be allocated to the highest bidder at an auction-style licence allocation exercise. The reserve price for the licence is \$1 million.

The application period will close at midnight on Thursday 20 December 2001. Companies interested in applying for the licence must purchase an information package titled *Price-based Allocation of Commercial Broadcasting Licence* from the ABA. The cost of the package is \$50.00 (inclusive of GST).

An information package explains how to apply for a licence, provides technical specifications about the service for which the licence is available, and contains copies of the forms to be completed by intending applicants. The package also contains details of the price-based system determined by the ABA, the conditions that apply to commercial broadcasting licences and other information relating to the licence area of the licence being offered for allocation.

#### **Applications**

The application period closes at midnight on Thursday 20 December 2001.

To purchase a copy of the Information Package please call Deb Farina on (02) 9334 7878.

