

THREE TIME WINNER

TELSTRA Women in **Business winner Rosemary** Vilgan (right) stayed well on message during her three (yes, three) award speeches at the Hilton on Tuesday night. The OSuper boss was awarded Business Woman of the Year as well as the Community and Government and Business Innovation gongs in front of about 500 guests (most of whom appeared to be on QSuper tables). While many winners gushed with an excitable "you can do it" message, Rosemary preferred to stick to her knowledge base, suggesting guests keep an eye on their super balance, make voluntary contributions and plan smarter for retirement. Hear hear. Guest speaker,

surfing champion Layne Beachley, apologised for being particularly tanned, adding that at least it was real.

MOVING SOUTH

WHAT are they on? This may be a touchy subject in the AFL in light of the ongoing supplements saga but in the world of property, supercharged growth has always been a badge of honour. Brisbane's Sentinel Property Group has a real pep in its step this week having settled its largest acquisition, a retail centre in Menai in Sydney's south for \$31.5m. This is the third NSW property secured by Warren Ebert's Sentinel so far this year and the fastgrowing syndicator has its eyes set on further southern expansion, including into the

AFL heartland of Melbourne. With former Lions CEO Michael Bowers now helping to steer the Sentinel ship in a GM role, the super-sizing of Sentinel's \$330m property portfolio shows no signs of slowing. Perhaps it is fellow Sentinel GM Michael Sherlock of Brumby's fame providing the ingredients to fuel the group's rising fortunes. It must be more than flour, yeast and water.

MINER CUTS STAFF

BHP has been running the cleaners through its Brisbane HQ, sacking at least a half-dozen staff on Tuesday from its CSG and coal divisions. Staff were understandably devastated given the mining giant gave no warning at all. So much for loyalty.