



A COOL PC... REALLY!

Watch your back, Mac

Dragging PCs out of the past, HP's TouchSmart is a first of its kind: a space-aged touch-screen PC that capitalises on the new Vista operating system. The TouchSmart PC fits perfectly into the kitchen or living room, and the touch-screen interface gives instant access to TV, music, movies, photos and the latest news and entertainment on the glossy 19-inch wide LCD screen. Worth every cent of its \$3699 price tag. **Get it: 1800 695 548**



BLOCK ROCKIN' BEATS

Eat your heart out Phil Collins

Roland's V-Drums are the most popular electronic drums in the world because they offer the most realistic experience. The TD-3KW, retailing at \$1595, features Roland's new PDX-8 10" mesh snare V-pad and also the new CY-5 12" hi-hat cymbal pad. So clever it even provides rhythm coaching! Got no rhythm? Join Human Nature. **Get it: rolandcorp.com.au**

ALLURING LURES

Outsmart the cleverest of fish

A near fool-proof lure for bream fishing. Finally! The Stiffy Minnow is a 60mm long, mid-depth plug equipped with size 10 Owner hooks, split rings, and a welded wire frame (not just screw-in eyelets). The Stiffy Minnow has a streamlined design which means it casts like a bullet and will dive to a metre. It's ideal for bass, estuary perch, tailor, salmon, and the alpine lakes on rainbow and brown trout. The most useful stiffy you'll ever have. **Get it: shimanofish.com.au**



TRIPPY VODKA

Bored with drunkenness? Try hallucinating at the same time!

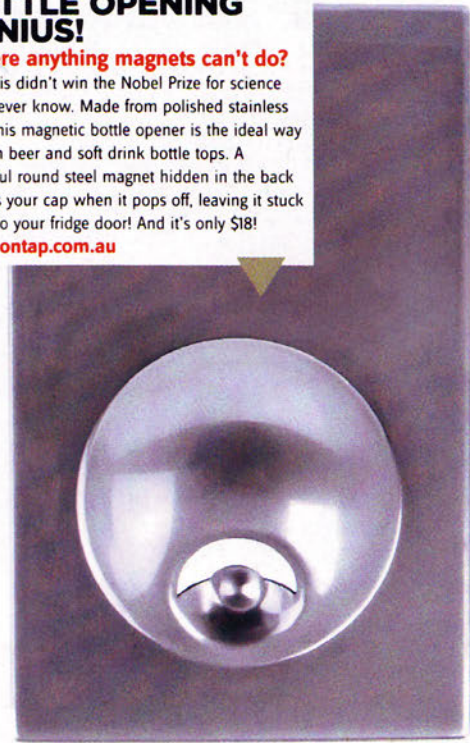
Absinthe and its hallucinogenic properties have long been popular with insane arty types and backpackers in Eastern Europe. Now, two clever Sydney boys have produced Babicka, a Vodka made with wormwood, the active ingredient in absinthe. "It's a premium Vodka that will f_k you up like absinthe," enthuses co-creator Alex Russell. Interestingly, six years ago this product would have been illegal in Australia. It's still banned in the US. **Get it: 02 9922 2816**



BOTTLE OPENING GENIUS!

Is there anything magnets can't do?

Why this didn't win the Nobel Prize for science we'll never know. Made from polished stainless steel, this magnetic bottle opener is the ideal way to open beer and soft drink bottle tops. A powerful round steel magnet hidden in the back catches your cap when it pops off, leaving it stuck firmly to your fridge door! And it's only \$18! **Get it: ontap.com.au**



SAY GOODBYE TO PASH RASH

New cream from Clarins makes your face less cheese grater-y

This is going to make your girlfriend happier than that time you caved in and let her buy a frilly valance for your bed. Clarins Men Skin Difference has two separate formulas in separate bottles that combine in pump action. One softens the hair and slows down regrowth, the other moisturises the skin. Whack in on at night, be irresistible by morning. **Get it: 02 9315 9406**



LIMITED EDITION PUMAS

Leaping lizards! The new Clyde is more reptilian than a Steve Irwin box set

Puma has teamed up with sneaker aficionados Soulbox to pimp the shit out of the iconic Clyde. Taking the original Clyde's black suede upper, they've added a lizard skin-embossed stripe and a touch of gold on the lining. There will only be 24 pairs in Australia and they're all at Hype DC in Sydney's Pitt St Mall, for \$179.95. **Get it: 1800 811 511**