Jellybean a jump ahead

Helping people to chat their way through the Internet's myriad collection of online chat sites has led Brisbane software company Jellybean to considerable success for its software product, as well as recognition in this year's Internet awards.

The people who devised the Jellybean concept and software – pictured above, from left, Dee McGrath, Richard Pearson, Yvette Nielsen and John Koutsoukos – were last night acknowledged as the best Australian site in the

http://www.sofcom.com.au/TV/
3. AUSTLII.
http://www.austlii.edu.au
4. APC MAG.com.
http://www.apcmag.com
5. Sausage Software.
http://www.sausage.com.au
(The organisers of the award said

Internet Software category. The judges in *The Australian Financial Review*/ Telstra Internet Awards said the Jellybean program was "well-tailored to IRC beginners" as well as being an effective use of the Java programming language.

"A stylish design and interface makes connecting to channels simple and fun, enhancing use of this Internet facility, albeit at the sacrifice of some IRC features such as opening multiple channels," the judges said.

votes from the same Internet address were not counted more than one time).

A full list of winners and coverage of last night's awards ceremony is online at:
http://www.webawards.info.au