

# Local businessman humbled by national brokering award

**Bairnsdale businessman Robert Trewin has been crowned as one of the best in his industry, with the local mortgage broker last Friday night receiving the gong for the Australian Mortgage Association Insurance Broker of the Year.**

Up against mortgage brokers from across the country, the managing director of Robert Trewin Mortgage Broking said he was very humbled to be nominated and announced as a final-

ist in the awards, let alone win.

"It was unexpected I can assure you," Mr Trewin said.

"I did not dream of actually winning and I am very proud of receiving recognition in what is simply looking after my clients."

The award ceremony was held at the Sydney Town Hall with music industry and television and radio personality Ian 'Dicko' Dickson as master of ceremonies. Over 600 people were in atten-

dance and on receiving his award Robert certainly put East Gippsland on the map. Instead of making the long walk around the stage to receive his award, he jumped straight up on stage like a rock star.

Mr Trewin has operated his business for nine years in Bairnsdale and it was the first time he has been nominated for the award against some of the nation's leading brokers from the major cities.

Ali Group nominated Robert Trewin Mortgage Broking for the award.

"For me it was just nice to be nominated. I was very humbled to be nominated, even more so to

be a finalist," Mr Trewin said of his first national award.

"How I look after my clients, service, ensuring my clients' needs are met; that was the real point of difference and the reason as to why I won."

The Broker of the Year (Insurance) is awarded in recognition of extraordinary performance in 2011/2012, recognising mortgage brokers who have excelled at providing loan protection and life insurance as part of their overall offering.

As a winner of this category, Mr Trewin also became a finalist for the Australian Broker of the Year.



**Robert Trewin with his Australian Mortgage Association Insurance Broker of the Year award in Sydney last Friday night. (PS)**