# Cranny sells for a mayor \$7

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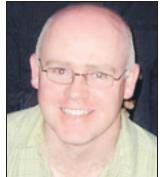
MEET the "virtual mayor" of Cranbourne.

Sydneysider Ray Doyle "bought" the town last November for the paltry sum of \$7 online at Weblo.com

Mr Doyle said Cranbourne was one of 95 cities he now owned around the world as part of the virtual real estate game, which uses real money to buy virtual cities. properties celebrities.

33-year-old Cranbourne caught his eye while he was browsing the lations director Colin website as a good investment property.

it as an investment in the property up for sale. hope it goes up in value," he



"So far I have only made a had few cents from it. I haven't received any offers as yet."

Weblo.com media re-Trethewey described the game as "Monopoly on ster-"I don't know much about oids", with a virtual ver-Cranbourne. I only bought sion of every city, state and

Mr Trethewey said of more than 9000 cities that there's one born every day.

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RAY DOYLE, virtual mayor of Cranbourne (pictured)

been sold so far, had Cranbourne cheap.

"England is on auction and Australians are among those bidding for the right to own England and become virtual king or queen. The current high \$US10,650," he said.

All of which goes to show

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# **Eumemmerring spells trouble**

EUMEMMERRING has topped a poll of the most misspelt locations in Victoria.

And the consonant-heavy suburb was ranked the third most misspelt in Australia, deemed even tricker than the likes of Leichhardt and Woolloomooloo, NSW.

Sensis senior product manager David Egan said the common blunder was revealed during a \$3 million upgrade of its

vellowpages.com.au service feedback from users and data from 180 million searches.

Mr Egan said the upgrade would make it easier for people to find businesses in the hard-to-spell suburb, with the website now capable of automatically correcting misspellings. The top two misspelt places were Woolloongabba, Qld, and Karrakatta, WA.



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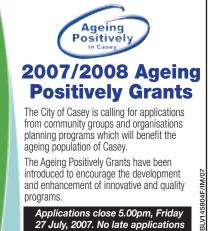
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