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■ Cool gear ... Fiona Ledden, right, with Leanne McPherson and Toni Kelly show off the unique range of gym clothing at Gym Funky, North Lakes.

Funky in the gym

BORED with traditional women's work out gear, self-confessed gym junkie Fiona Ledden decide to spice things up with a Brazilian touch.

Mrs Ledden, who owns North Lakes exercise clothing store Gym Funky, has become the sole Australian supplier of a range of gym wear products.

"With such a limited selection available (locally) it was mostly boring, old and

much the same," she said.

"I decided to go outside my comfort zone and went offshore to the world's sexiest country - Brazil."

Mrs Ledden found three designers - Nina Bucci, Fitness Fit and Bia Brazil - making funky, high-quality gym wear in a range of styles and colours.

Gym Funky is the only distributor of Nina Bucci in Australia.

Previously a full-time

mother, Mrs Ledden became a gym junkie six years ago and hasn't looked back.

She has lived with her husband and Gym Funky co-owner Chris in North Lakes since the opening of the planned community.

"I love it, we've been here for 6 ½ years, built our second home here and now we have our own business - that's how much we believe in North Lakes," she said.