



Pioneering timber build for heritage fire station



HUTCHIES has started work on Australia's first mass timber fire station for the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service (QFES) in Maryborough, on the Fraser Coast.

A new engineered timber complex will replace an existing fire station while retaining and restoring the original's heritage facade.

The \$12.1 million QFES project is due for completion in the second half of 2022.

Hutchies is partnering with another long-serving family company, Hyne Timber, established in 1882.

Chairman Scott Hutchinson said the Maryborough fire station was Hutchies' first mass timber project in Queensland.

"What better way to deliver a sustainable and contemporary building than with two historic Queensland companies coming together, supported by a project

The heritage exterior of the Maryborough fire station will be retained in its rebuild.

team of experts, including another Queensland icon, the University of Queensland," said Scott.

"The Maryborough fire station is an innovative project by the UQ's Centre for Future Timber Structures (CFTS) which carried out a full 3D scan of the existing structure and worked with the design team.

"The building is not only a highly specialised design to meet the operational needs of the fire and emergency service personnel, but also a demonstration of the local capability and products sourced from renewable plantation forests."

Hyne Timber's Katie Fowden said everyone involved in the project had been passionate about creating a sustainable building from the day a mass timber fire station was first mooted during an innovation forum in Maryborough.

"Many local Queenslanders have had a

hand in this project, including the seedling nursery many years ago, the mature pine plantation, the sawmills and glue laminating plant," she said.

"It is exciting to highlight the innovative solutions of the cross laminated timber experts at XLam who have showcased Australian mass timber designs and the fire performance credentials of mass engineered timber

buildings.

"Hyne Timber thanks the Queensland Government teams who supported us, including State Development, local MLA Bruce Saunders, the market-led proposal team and the QFES."

The Hyne Group includes both Hyne Timber and XLam for glue laminated and cross laminated design solutions and supply security.

Plans for 110th celebrations



Village at Palm Beach on the Gold Coast was one of the first sites to unveil Hutchies' new 110 years celebration branding which is being rolled out across the network.

PLANS are underway to celebrate Hutchies' 110th anniversary next year.

The new 110 years – 1912 to 2022 – branding is being phased in and the hope is that real, rather than virtual, celebrations will be held in offices through-

out Australia, with easing of COVID restrictions.

As part of the easing of restrictions and due to popular request, it is planned for *Hutchies' Truth* to revert to its quarterly cycle. (See story on Page 5).



Hutchies' QFES team members, Oliver Macklin (left) and James Bellas, get acquainted with Mary Poppins in Maryborough, the birthplace in 1899 of P.L. Travers (born Helen Lyndon Goff), the creator of the famous nanny.



AT the beginning of last year when COVID first presented itself, the uncertainty of what lay ahead made it an uneasy time.

However, as the year unfolded, we adjusted to the new way of life on our projects and also on the home front.

It would be unfair to include our Melbourne colleagues in this statement because they had to endure lockdown after lockdown throughout 2020.

Nevertheless, the building industry, generally, and Hutchies came through 2020 rather well considering.

However, 2021 and the new Delta variant has created a different and difficult environment.

There is real and measurable COVID pain flowing into our projects in various forms including:

- Reduced productivity
- Program delays
- Delay costs at every level
- Material shortages
- Authority approval delays
- Service provider delays

Interestingly, it is not just the direct impact of the more virulent Delta strain.

The industry is suffering massive disruption in the supply chain due to international freight logistics and disruption to the manufacturing chain as a result of COVID in 2020.

This has been compounded by stimulus

packages implemented around the globe, including in Australia, creating overwhelming demand for, in our case, construction products.

All of this has resulted in massive price increases and more pressure on construction programs in an already plagued industry. A combination of all of these factors has created a real mess – “a perfect storm” – and there will be fall-out down the track.

This is dangerous territory in which we are operating for all stakeholders, including principals, developers, builders, subbies, suppliers and financiers.

Uncontrollable delays and rising costs on existing projects and significantly reduced capacity to lock in prices on future projects with any degree of certainty has created an extremely difficult situation for all in the contractual chain ... and there is no end in sight.

COVID has created an ugly environment and not one of our doing, but, nevertheless, one we have to confront.

Hutchies' main aim is to navigate our way through to the other side. We have found the best way to do this is through collaboration.

Working with clients, financiers, subbies, consultants and suppliers on both existing and future projects and endeavouring to share and allocate the risk between all of the stakeholders, with a view to eliminating

unmanageable risk if possible, is the only way forward as we see it.

This requires a transparent and open approach to dealings at all levels. It is an approach Hutchies has always adopted, but not to the degree required in the current world.

On a brighter side, often in difficult times, Hutchies experiences a “flight to certainty” from stakeholders at all levels in the contractual chain which I believe is due to:

- Our strong and dominant financial strength – \$368M debt-free balance sheet;
- Our reputation for doing the right and fair thing in all circumstances including paying on time, every time; and
- Our longevity – Hutchies celebrates its 110th year in 2022.

Of course, on the other side of the ledger, Hutchies is also conscious of not taking on more than it can handle.

We have 31 construction teams around the country – each of them with different levels of capacity – and we don't intend recruiting new and unknown people just to service the potential project delivery demand.

On the whole, we are going to work within the confines of our existing tried and proven people.

– Greg Quinn (COTY 2007)

Sydney working on a cold case mystery of missing surfboarder



SYDNEY team is doing detective work on a cold case – searching for the missing owner of a 20-year-old surfboard that washed up on a beach in Botany Bay.

The finder contacted the Rosebery office after clues on the surfboard pointed to Hutchies.

Clues included a message “welcome one and all to Hutchies' 90th birthday celebrations” and a large image of a woman wearing nothing but a Hutchies' 90th anniversary G-string.

The abandoned surfboard has been rehomed temporarily in reception at Rosebery where it has been popular with visitors keen to identify the mysterious female model who would be 20 years older today.

Lead investigator, Karen Dunham, marketing and tender coordinator, described the woman on the surfboard as “a modern day version of Lady Godiva on her horse”.

The abandoned woman is waiting patiently for her forever home, so if anyone can help ID her, or the owner of the surfboard, please contact Sydney reception on 02 8344 2400.

LEFT: Sydney forensic team members, (from left) Andrew Rowland, Chris Stevenson (COTY 2016) and Maurice Nguyen, work to identify the mystery woman on the surfboard, modelling a Hutchies' G-string and sporting two yellow post-it notes for modesty.



Above: Paradise Centre as it was.

Left: Paradise Centre as it will be.

Face-lift for a beachfront beauty

SURFERS Paradise's beachfront is having a face-lift and Hutchies' Cooly team is doing some of the heavy lifting with redevelopment of the eastern precinct of the famous Paradise Centre.

The early Paradise Centre featured Grundy's waterslide which opened in 1981 by entertainment entrepreneur, Reg Grundy.

A redevelopment project has been in the planning phase for many years and will provide a much-needed update to the amenity and function of the iconic Surfers Paradise esplanade.

The project will provide eight new alfresco restaurants to the beachside precinct as well as a rejuvenated public space off Cavill Mall.

It will include the creation of an open-air dining precinct over two levels, with

family-friendly restaurants and new public amenities.

As part of the redevelopment there will be a

1,000 square metre public plaza to provide a connection between Cavill Mall and The Esplanade.

Hutchies alive and well in Victoria

A COMPANY that had been trading as Hutchinson Builders Victoria went bankrupt recently causing a flurry of phone calls to Hutchies from concerned friends.

Chairman Scott Hutchinson said the people involved had absolutely nothing to do with Hutchies, but their unfortunate situation had been causing confusion, especially in Melbourne.

"Our Hutchies (J Hutchinson Pty Ltd) is one

single entity that trades as Hutchinson Builders throughout Australia," said Scott.

"We don't break the company up into separate companies in each state like other builders do.

"J Hutchinson Pty Ltd has been trading for almost 110 years and has a strong balance sheet, with equity exceeding \$360 million, and we have no debt."

Cairns eco-tourism project delivers Indigenous employment opportunity



The newly completed arrivals and reception centre for the Mandingalbay Yidinji Aboriginal Corporation's (MYAC) eco-tourism venture in FNQ is designed in the shape of a stingray.

THE \$40-million Mandingalbay Yidinji Aboriginal Corporation's (MYAC) eco-tourism venture is taking shape with Hutchies' help at East Trinity, a 10-minute boat ride from Cairns in Far North Queensland.

Hutchies recently completed stage one of the project which is the arrivals and reception centre designed in the shape of a stingray.

The project is intended to capture the growing nature-tourism market and build skills training and job opportunities for the local Indigenous community.

As well as providing work opportunities for the future, Hutchies' involvement is currently giving construction work experience for Indigenous trainees.

The bold tourism project includes the construction of three observation towers, linked by a 1.1 kilometre boardwalk, with cultural, environmental, hospitality, entertainment, accommodation and education attractions.

The boardwalk will offer crocodile-viewing areas and provide access for people with impaired mobility.

For the more energetic, there will be rock climbing facilities, a zipline activity above and a sleeping-with-the-crocs experience at ground level.

MYAC's eco-tourism venture was recognised by the Planning Institute of Australia in its Excellence Awards in 2019 and 2020.

Key stakeholders in the project include MYAC, Indigenous Employment Agency, Australian Training Works and Phillip Follent Architects.

Historical society solves the riddle of Hutchies' 100-year-old mystery man

THE Wynnum Manly Historical Society has rewritten history after its detective work cleared up a 100-year-old mystery involving Hutchies' founder, John (Jack) Hutchinson I.

The mystery was solved during the historical society's research for the recent centenary celebrations of the Wynnum Bridge in Brisbane's bayside suburb of Wynnum Manly.

An original brass plaque unveiled during the official opening of the bridge in 1921 was stolen and replaced in 1990.

For 30 years, the replacement plaque incorrectly listed W. Hutchinson as one of the local aldermen.

But, in fact, it was J. Hutchinson, Scott's great-grandfather, who was doing his civic duty at the time.

Further research for the proposed new 2021 celebratory plaque discovered that a 1920 roll of honour in the old council chambers also had mistakenly named "W. Hutchinson" as a local alderman – an error made more than a century ago and perpetuated over the years.

However, the latest plaque on the Wynnum Bridge to celebrate its centenary in July has restored Jack I to his rightful place in history and lists "J. Hutchinson" as the alderman at the time.

The historical society celebrates Jack Hutchinson as a major contributor to the fledgling Wynnum Manly district after he, his wife Ellen, and sons Eric and John II, settled in the area after arriving from England in April 1911.

It acknowledges that over the years Jack made enormous contributions to the Wynnum Manly community.

The society said it was fitting that the historic Wynnum Bridge plaque be corrected "to pay due respect to a gentleman who certainly earned and

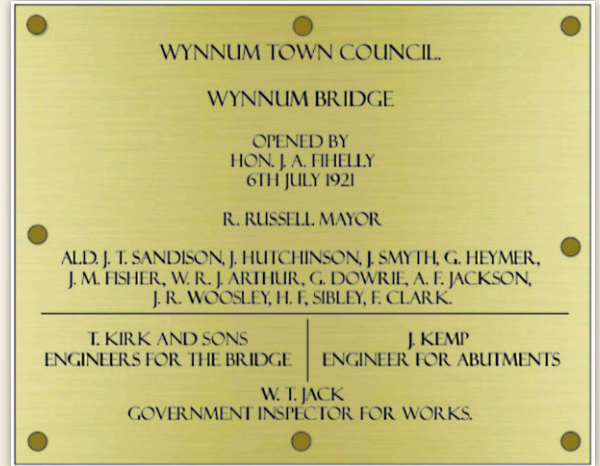


John (Jack) Hutchinson I.

deserves public recognition."

The society lists his civic achievements as including:

- Elected member of the Manly Progress Committee in 1912;
- Elected to Wynnum Town Council as an alderman in 1918;
- Organiser of the Queensland Women's Electoral League euchre party and dance held at the School of Arts in 1918;
- Secretary of the National Democratic Council in 1921;
- Treasurer for the Rugby Football Club (formed in 1921);
- Member of the School of Arts committee, as well as its sub-committee formed to enlarge the building in 1925, and treasurer in 1927;



New Wynnum Bridge centenary plaque, correctly recording J. Hutchinson as alderman at the 1921 official opening.

- President of the Wynnum Football Club, the soccer club that continues today as the Wynnum Wolves; and,
- Vice-president of the Wynnum Bowls Club in 1931.

The society said that, behind the scenes, Scott Hutchinson had been generous giving his time in support of the society's research and activities.

Sandy Liddle, WMHS president, extended a vote of appreciation to Hutchies for providing the society with information, as well as copies of historic documents, to help build its history collection.

"It is heartening that such a large company still has its feet firmly on the ground and has never forgotten its Wynnum Manly origins," she said.

Border beers and cheers for Cooly



Cost planner, Ryan O'Connor, and Paul Hart (right) share a coldie across the border.



Hutchies has expanded the company fleet to avoid traffic congestion on the Queensland/New South Wales border. Scott and Paul head to a site inspection.

HUTCHIES' Coolangatta office is 100 metres from the New South Wales Tweed Heads border and, with nearly 30 team members at times unable to cross the state line, life goes on with hand deliveries across the barriers of everything, including computers, uniforms and purchase orders.

The top of the barrier is also an ideal surface to rest a cold beer at the end of the day.

"We don't let border closures stop us having a good time at the Cooly office," said team leader, Paul Hart (COTY 2005).



The vision for the new high performance training and administration centre for the Brisbane Lions.

Brighton Homes Arena a new asset for Brisbane Lions and Springfield locals

THE Brisbane Lions Football Club is working with Hutchies on the construction of its new AFL training and playing facility in thriving Springfield.

The new facility will be ready for the 2023 AFL women's season and its completion will be a celebration of 166 years of Aussie rules in Queensland.

To be known as Brighton Homes Arena, the precinct will be the new home of the AFLW team and include a new high performance

training and administration centre for both men's and women's teams.

The specially designed facilities will provide players with a state-of-the-art indoor training field, recovery pools and large gymnasium to accommodate all athletes.

Spectators will watch matches from an arena with capacity for up to 10,000 and grandstand seating for 1,000.

Locals will enjoy all year round access to a range of public recreational facilities forming

part of the open community hub.

The facility will have live broadcasting of major events through the latest technical media infrastructure.

Designed by globally acclaimed sports architects and long-term Hutchies' consultants, Populous, Brighton Homes Arena will be a world-class home and training centre for the Brisbane Lions as well as a community asset for Springfield locals.

• More details in Jobs Update – P 16 & 17.

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Farewell to Mary Rose Malouf

HUTCHIES' has conveyed its deepest sympathy to the Malouf family on the passing of Mary Rose Malouf.

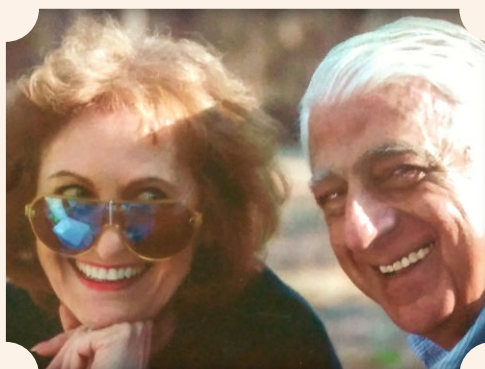
Chairman Scott Hutchinson said the Maloufs had been close family friends and business clients for more than 70 years.

"Dad and Mary's husband, Cal, rowed together in the 1950s and they have remained friends and have done business together ever since then," said Scott.

"Hutchies built the Calile Hotel in James Street, Fortitude Valley, for the Maloufs and both our families share an interest in the Fortitude Valley precinct, with both owning extensive property in the area."

Scott said praise contained in the celebration of life from her memorial service summed up Mary Rose.

It read in parts: "Stylish, full of fun, joy, mischief and grace ... Mary Rose touched us



Mary Rose and Cal Malouf

all with her grit, vivacity, acerbic wit, but most of all her loving and ever generous nature ... She was incredibly chic and ahead of her time. She brought such sophistication to Brissy. She was able to sprinkle some magic in the air of whichever room she walked into ... Mary Rose was beautiful, loving, kind and had the most genuine smile which would instantly warm your heart."

Truth ready to party with 110th milestone

LIKE all aspects of life during COVID-19, Hutchies' Truth had to adapt over the past two years.

To minimise personal contact and material handling, Truth was reduced to two editions per year instead of its usual quarterly production and moved to an electronic form for its major distribution.

But, Truth is set to return in full force next year ... just in time to help record Hutchies' milestone celebrations of 110 years in business.

A printed edition continues to be available for those readers who prefer hard copy.

If you prefer to receive your copy of Hutchies' Truth in printed form simply call (07) 3335 5000 or 1300 HUTCHIES or submit your request via Hutchies' website link.

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Dawn by Mosaic luxury apartments, Mermaid Beach.



Brighton Homes Arena, Brisbane

Shovel ready a s

THE number of cranes on the skyline has long been regarded as a popular measurement for how well the construction industry is doing.

But, for Hutchies, sod-turning ceremonies have become the gauge for the jobs and work that lie ahead.

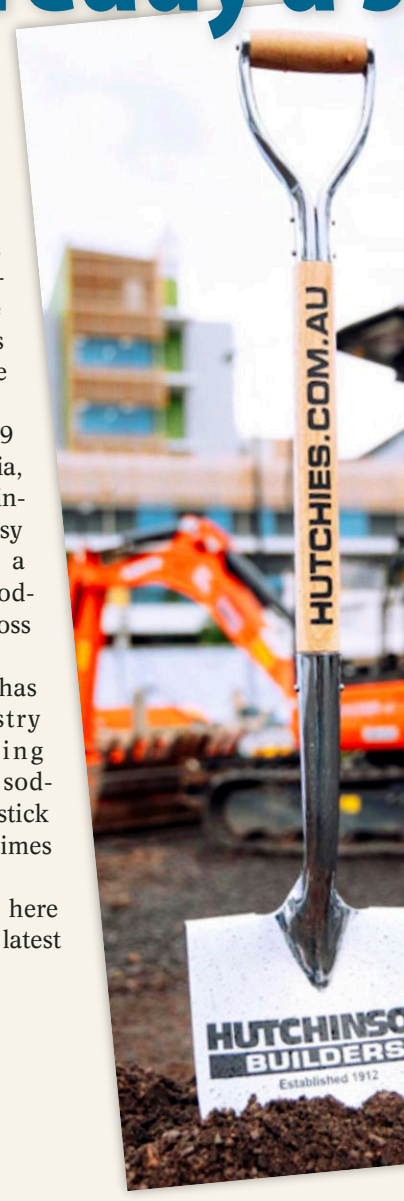
Despite COVID-19 restrictions in Australia, chairman Scott Hutchinson has been kept busy with the shovel in a hectic schedule of sod-turning ceremonies across Queensland.

“Although COVID has caused some industry uncertainty during 2020/21, Hutchies’ sod-turning ceremony yardstick indicates healthy times ahead,” said Scott.

The photos shown here are a snap-shot of his latest sod-turning duties.



Wishlist Centre, a \$14 million residential facility for hospital patients on the Sunshine Coast.





Lions Training Centre, Brisbane.

ign of the times



Ron Gersekowski and James McDougall deputised for Scott at the new Oporto store at Harristown, Toowoomba.



Queensland Fire and Emergency Service station, Maryborough.



National Cricket Campus, Brisbane.



The Green, apartments and independent living units at Tarragindi Bowls Club.

Build to Rent concept a prelude to affordable inner-city housing

FRASERS Property Australia's first build-to-rent project will be undertaken by Hutchies in Fortitude Valley, Brisbane, with residents set to move in during 2024.

The project is part of the state government's Build-to-Rent (BTR) pilot project which aims to cement BTR as a viable asset class and deliver affordable housing options to the inner-city.

On completion, Frasers Property Australia will own and operate the development at market value rentals, with the Queensland Government subsidising the rent of a number of apartments as affordable housing.

To be known as Brunswick & Co – a nod to its iconic location on Fortitude Valley's famous Brunswick Street – the 25-storey building will contain 366 apartments in a mix of studio, one-bedroom and two-bedrooms.

It will include a rooftop pool, dog park, outdoor terraces, community library, cinema/karaoke room, cocktail bar, dining and entertainment areas, residents-only co-working office areas, fitness centre and treatment room.

A ground floor retail, cafe and bar area will add a new dimension to Brunswick Street, complementing the precinct's revitalisation which includes the \$500 million Valley Metro.

Brunswick & Co's design mirrors surrounding heritage-listed buildings such as nearby



Brunswick & Co will mirror its surrounding heritage-listed buildings in the Fortitude Valley precinct.

McWhirters in Brunswick Street.

Fraser's Property Australia's Scott Ullman said Hutchies was the ideal project partner, with the experience to understand the high

quality, lifestyle-focused new way of renting envisaged at Brunswick & Co.

The building will operate as carbon neutral once complete.

Jacob's act of kindness restores family's faith in human nature

A GOOD Samaritan act by Hutchies' team member, Jacob Baldacchino, has brought a happy ending for a family during a difficult and distressing time.

Jacob was walking to the local Corner Store Cafe and talking with a subbie on the phone, when he noticed an elderly couple looking lost and distressed.

When he inquired if they were OK, he discovered they were lost and running late on the way to a funeral.

They also had no mobile phone and could not recall the place or street name of where they were going.

"They mentioned 'a physio' and a street in St Lucia, which on the GPS appeared a close possible location to where they wanted to be," said Jacob.

"They were already lost, late and anxious and totally reminded me of

my grandparents, so I just asked if they would mind if I jumped in and drove them there.

"Fortunately, we saw their family along the way, anxiously waiting by their cars and they waved us down.

"They were pretty happy but obviously stressed being late and offered me money for a cab.

"But I just enjoyed the satisfaction of helping them and said don't be silly, get going or you'll be late."

Jacob called his mate, Soletti, who dropped everything and did a pickup.

That was the end of it for Jacob, but his action set off a frantic online search by the family who wanted to find and thank their Good Samaritan.

They found him and said a grateful thankyou.

Read the thankyou in *Feedback* on Page 25.



Good Samaritan, Hutchies' Jacob Baldacchino, outside the Corner Store Cafe where he came to the rescue of a distressed elderly couple.



The big reveal impresses

THE facade of the heritage-listed Porter House has been revealed as part of Sydney's Castle Residences project. Twenty-five levels of the mixed-use development, bringing together high-end apartments and five-star hotel services and amenities, will be cantilevered over the 142-year-old heritage building.



Senator Paul Scarr, LNP senator for Queensland, addresses the Senate in Canberra on the "inspiring work" done by Hutchies to involve First Nations people in the construction industry.

Senator's praise for Indigenous inclusion in construction industry

QUEENSLAND Senator Paul Scarr has praised Hutchies for its work in Indigenous affairs.

Senator Scarr wrote to chairman Scott Hutchinson telling him the work Hutchies was doing was "inspiring".

"I was impressed with the attitude and perspective of your staff at the Hymba Yumba School," said Senator Scarr.

"I have a background in the mining industry and the company I worked for built two mines in one of the poorest countries in the world (Laos) and we provided so many opportunities for local people.

"It is an issue I care deeply about and to see the work Hutchies is doing in this area is inspiring.

"You can be very proud of the contribution and impact your company is having on communi-

ties in Queensland. It is a real legacy," said Senator Scarr.

Speaking in the Senate, Senator Scarr paid tribute to Hutchies for its work at the Hymba Yumba Independent School STEM building.

"It was quite inspiring to have representatives there from Hutchinson Builders, a great Queensland company, established in 1912," said Senator Scarr.

"Hutchies, as we call it in Queensland, weren't just constructing a building, they were taking the opportunity to show the Indigenous kids opportunity.

"They were broadening their horizons. It was quite outstanding."

Senator Scarr told the Senate that Hutchies was a great Queensland company that sought to involve First Nations people in its construction activities.

Hutchies is building a new Bunnings store in outback Mount Isa.





Guests and crew at the topping out ceremony of The Landmark in Sydney enjoyed stunning harbour and North Shore views.

New land mark for Sydney

THE New Hope Group has celebrated topping out The Landmark project, a 52-storey residential tower in St Leonards, Sydney, giving crew and guests stunning views across to Sydney Harbour, Middle Harbour and the North Shore.

A mix of 429 studio, one, two and three-bedroom apartments and sky homes of three and four bedrooms ensured the tower was well-received with a stage one sales release selling out in less than a day.

The Landmark, designed by local architect Tony Leung from A+ Design Group in collaboration with Warren Mahoney, will set a new standard in quality and become a benchmark in the area for future developments.

At ground level, The Landmark has a curved podium surrounded by retail and landscaped open space.

Below is a six-level basement carpark with 492 spaces.

The 43-level tower above includes five floors of mixed commercial and residential at the base, 35 residential floors and two-level sky homes at the top.

The facade features waves and shifting angles inspired by the curves of Sydney Harbour.

It is destined to be one of the

tallest buildings on that side of Sydney.

The building will feature a range of five-star amenities for occupants, including Club 500 – a suite of resort-style services, pool and spa area, virtual golf room, discovery playground, private cinema, music rehearsal space, library, dining and lounge areas.

Remedial work prescribed for forensic and scientific centre

QUEENSLAND Health engaged Hutchies on a third cladding remedial project after its successful completion of similar projects at the Princess Alexandra Hospital and the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital.

Hutchies' latest cladding replacement project was at the Forensic and Scientific Services (FSS) campus at Coopers Plains, where one of its most important current tasks is COVID-19 genomic tracing.

Despite not being responsible for the initial cladding on the building, Hutchies' scope for remedial work involved the removal of all existing polyethylene (PE) aluminium composite panelling (ACP) and the design and construction of a fully compliant replacement cladding system.

Although slightly smaller than the previous projects, the FSS project came with workplace limitations, including working within a highly secure, fully operational, multi-discipline campus.

FSS's work is complex, critical and, at times, sensitive, including: performing coronial autopsy and death investigations; providing assistance to the QPS for cold cases, missing



Hutchies' third remedial cladding project for Queensland Health was at Forensic and Scientific Services (FSS) campus at Coopers Plains.

persons and victims of disaster cases; analysing physical evidence from alleged crime scenes and emergency and disaster incidents; identifying new and emerging drugs and drug trends; analysing chemical residues for clandestine laboratory remediation; inorganic and organic chemistry; radiation and nuclear

sciences; and microbiology and virology.

For Hutchies' team it was not the consideration of the delicate work being completed within the facility that posed the greatest hurdle, but rather the difficulty of accessing the external facade, as it is with most cladding replacement projects.

Hutchies worked closely with subcontractors and access equipment providers to deliver the most suitable and least disruptive methods on a zone-by-zone basis, including mobile scaffold, scissor lifts, knuckle and stick booms.

At all three Queensland Health locations, Hutchies' knowledge of working within critical workplaces ensured the cladding replacement work did not impact on day-to-day activities or compromise the comfort of patients and staff.

Special consideration also was given so that building work did not interfere with the facilities' deliveries or that vibrations did not interrupt specialist laboratory equipment in the facility.

All three projects were carried out by the Cy Milburn (COTY 2014) team.

Monument to honey bees

HUTCHIES' honey bees can be out of sight and out of mind in their rooftop hives but Brisbane has a mini-monument to the nation's tireless workers in its reception area.

Hutchies' Sydney sourced an old Aristocrat Honey Bee pokie machine and sent it to Brisbane where it now complements the honey bee Indigenous artwork by rugby league legend, Preston Campbell.

Preston's impressive and eye-catching artwork on the foyer wall above tells the story of Hutchies' honey bees and the connection to the Turrbal and Yugara people, the traditional owners of the land where Hutchies' Toowong office is located.

The office sits at the base of what is now known as Mount Coot-tha – originally known as Ku-Ta – meaning “honey” in the local language.

Toowong in Yugara means “place of plenty”.

The dual display will be a constant reminder of Hutchies' efforts to maintain a chain of honey bee hives throughout the national network to revive Australia's dwindling honey bee population.

Honey Bee pokie machines (slots or one-armed bandits as they were known) were popular during the 1970s.

RIGHT: Brooke Wilson checks out the Honey Bee pokie machine in Toowong reception with baby, Aurora Rose. Brooke reminded parents not to leave children in the car park while they play the slots.



Stars shine brightly at Doomadgee

THE generosity of many Hutchies' team members made the Doomadgee Under the Stars NAIDOC week ball a night to remember for many young people and their families.

A community request for unused formalwear for the Under the Stars event resulted in a large range of clothing, shoes, accessories and make-up being donated and sent to outback Doomadgee.

This wonderful initiative aimed at healing country was instigated by Empowering Women Empowering Communities (EWEC) to support the remote Indigenous community on a night to remember.

LEFT: Hutchies' Mark Kucks and Scott Hutchinson check out some of the garments destined for the Doomadgee Under the Stars NAIDOC week ball.





Alex is shown at work in the pitched roofing workshop.

Alex at home in the building game

NAMJOO (Alex) Gim has successfully completed his apprenticeship. Alex has made himself at home in Hutchies and, after working on the Bela apartments with site manager, Wayne Syrch, Alex has been promoted to a finishing foreman working in Paul Hart's (COTY 2005) team.



From left, gardening guru, Costa Georgiadis, Hutchies' Cameron McAndrew and Noosa Mayor Clare Stewart at the Australia Institute of Horticulture Awards in Noosa.

Horticultural honour for Noosa Boardwalk

THE ABC's Gardening Australia host, Costa Georgiadis, was guest of honour at the Australia Institute of Horticulture Awards in Noosa where Hutchies was a recipient for its work on the Noosa Boardwalk.

Cameron McAndrew, Sunshine Coast team safety manager, said it was an honour to accept the Greenspace award on behalf of Hutchies. "The positive feedback and kind words received on the night was overwhelming and appreciated," said Cameron.

"The boardwalk project and the Noosa Biosphere Reserve is special to me not only professionally but also in a personal sense.

"Having been a Noosa local since 1983 and having worked on the boardwalk, it was great to see this project and area given such high accolades and recognition," he said.

Concrete future in construction

HUTCHIES' apprentice development team has extended a big thankyou to Hanson Concrete for its continued interest in young people in the construction industry.

Trent Cowie, Hutchies' apprentice development coordinator/trainer/assessor, thanked Peter Smith from Hanson Concrete for kindly donating the necessary materials for the apprentice training concreting workshops.

"Hanson's continued support has helped a new generation of apprentices in the construction industry," said Trent.

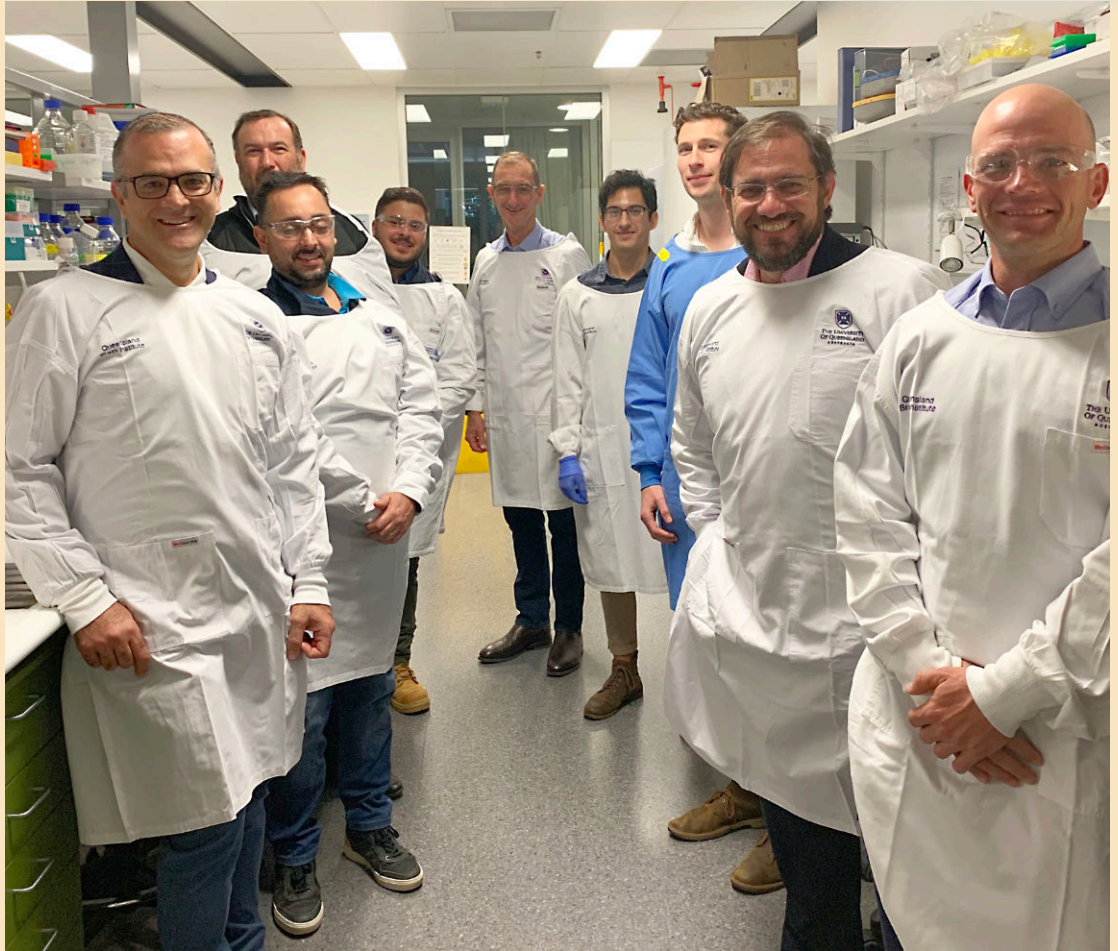
The workshops teach apprentices how to excavate, slab prep, tie steel and pour, screed, finish and cure concrete.

Trent also thanked the team at Queen Street Village site including Frank Caione (site manager), Glen Ginnane (site foreman), Benn Holt (HSE officer) and Kerry McKenzie (carpentry apprentice) and the many others who have helped apprentices learn vital skills throughout their training.



Hanson Concrete – a major contributor to Hutchies' apprentice training concreting workshops.

Parking lot an avenue for dementia research



Hutchies' team members with researchers during a visit to the Queensland Brain Institute.

HUTCHIES' Herston Quarter team members recently visited the Queensland Brain Institute (QBI) to deliver a \$20,000 cheque and for a guided tour of the facility's work.

Over the past 12 months, the team allocated unused land at their Herston job site as a carpark and charged \$5 a day for parking, with the proceeds being earmarked for medical research.

The team presented a cheque to QBI director, Professor Pankaj Sah, and Clem Jones Centre for Ageing Dementia Research (CJCADR) director, Professor Jürgen Götz, and visited the laboratories of researchers, Dr Andrew Kneynsburg and Dr Esteban Cruz Gonzales.

Professor Sah thanked Hutchies for its fundraising efforts over the past year.

"We are very grateful for this community initiative and the donation will make a huge difference to the work of QBI researchers," he said.

Team leader, Eddie Gangemi, said it had been a great opportunity to visit the QBI laboratory.

"It was a truly humbling experience to see first hand all

the good work that is done and, in many instances, unnoticed at the institute," said Eddie.

"It opened my eyes to see how complex their work is and how much dedication and commit-

ment the research team has working patiently on so many fronts to make our lives better."

Artificial intelligence a new frontier for Hutchies and building industry

ASSOCIATE director, Jack Hutchinson Jnr, has predicted that artificial intelligence will soon merge with the natural intelligence of Hutchies' team members.

In an interview with Ellen Phiddian, science journalist for The Royal Institution of Australia's *Cosmos* magazine, Jack described artificial intelligence (AI) as a new frontier for Hutchies and the construction industry.

Jack Jnr said Hutchies was currently looking to use two possible AI tools, both predictive – one which estimates the costs of large projects as they progress and one which predicts the time they will take.

"We'd be inserting a hoard of historical data about construction programs – so timelines – and having the machine learn from that and predict accurately where they think there will be time blow-outs," explained Jack.

"The cost prediction would work in a similar manner.



"Essentially, the managing director would have a dashboard of all the projects. At the start of each project, when we've been awarded the contract, we input the data into that cost prediction tool."

Jack views these tools as "a second set of eyes" for managers in the company.

According to Jack, at the moment, putting AI directly on the construction sites is beyond the scope of Hutchies.

"There definitely will be further advancements in technologies on site," he said.

"But, I think many of these things are still in their infancy and they still need to be proven.

"Construction is just not the same as manufacturing.

"There's physical context to the site as well. A site in Bondi is different to a site in Brunswick ... everything is tailored to the environment that it's in," he said.

"Construction has been stagnant from a productivity standpoint for decades, whereas manufacturers continue to get more and more productive, because they've been able to automate processes that humans used to do."

Jack sees the industry beginning to change, for instance, with increasing amounts of offsite fabrication.

"For example, we've done module bathrooms, where we construct the whole shell of the bathroom off site and then crane it down and drop it into a high-rise building," he said.

"The benefits are that you can treat it more like an assembly line in manufacturing and you can

automate a few more things in the factory environment.

"I think there'll be more of that (in the future) and it's been heading that way for a while."

However, Jack agrees that the central purpose of construction – building things in a specific place – prevents it from becoming too automated.

"You can't produce every architecturally designed high-rise building in a factory," said Jack.

"It takes craftsmanship; it takes onsite labour."

For that reason, Jack doesn't think the fear of job replacement is much of a concern in construction as AI is brought into the industry.

"It's being used to support decisions, rather than supersede them.

"I can't see that changing anytime soon," he said.

Virtual ceremony for training awards

Watch the video via this link



<https://l.hutchi.es/trainingawards21>

THE 2021 Hutchies' Training Awards had a virtual announcement ceremony thanks to COVID restrictions.

The winners and runners-up of Apprentice of the Year, Cadet of the Year and Future Leader of the Year are:

- Apprentice of the Year – **Jacob DeJong**; runner-up – **Harrison Kolovos**.
- Cadet of the Year – **Oliver Macklin**; runner-up – **Nellie Cousins**.
- Future Leader of the Year – **Briar Blackmore**; runner-up – **Ryan Neal**.

To see the virtual presentation video of winners and runners-up click the link above.

Transitioning to a new life after professional cricket

CHAIRMAN Scott Hutchinson teamed up with Daniel Doran, associate director CBRE, to attend a Queensland Cricket career transition workshop to address the Queensland Bulls about life after cricket.

In this context, transition was about preparation for an inevitable exit from professional sport and into what comes next.

Scott's task was to talk about transition in construction – from project to project, market to market and generation to generation.

As a reward for his presentation, Scott had the pleasure of facing some spinners and fast bowlers in the nets, but was well protected for the occasion.



Hutchies' Andy Bickel gave a well-padded Scott moral support for his baptism of fire with the Queensland Bulls in the practice nets.

Birthday wish from Betoota Advocate



AS an avid reader of *The Betoota Advocate*, a satirical news company that puts a comedic spin on any topic, Scott Hutchinson was delighted to receive an anonymous hard-bound version of "The Betoota" for his birthday.

The book was produced as an unofficial and unauthorised tribute to *The Betoota*, mimicking its high calibre of journalism and creative flair, while containing stories on Hutchies and the building industry in general.

The publication is X-rated and carries such insightful articles as:

"Construction site morale boosted by heroic local foreman performing menial task".

"South Sydney Rabbitohs more likely to make it to October than most South Sydney high-rises".

"Majority of Brisbane architects found to be legally blind".

"Sparky cleans up after himself".

"Majority of Australian worksite accidents found to be she'll-be-right related".

A copy is available for reading in Hutchies' reception at Toowong.



Some of Hutchies' plumbing team who recently carried out a live connection to a 300mm water main at Wacol correctional facility. It was a big job which risked water supply to hundreds of homes, but the work went off without a hitch.



Ken Fennell, a plumber who worked with Hutchies for 50 years.

Plumbers carry on "old school" trade tradition

IT is unusual for a large modern construction company to have directly employed trade skills, as more often they employ managers and sub-contract all the trades.

However, Hutchies is old school in this regard and has a policy of remaining trade capable.

Hutchies has always maintained a plumbing

gang and, today, it is based in Toowoomba under Sean Lees.

Sometimes Hutchies' plumbers work with its construction crews, but often they do plumbing work directly for clients.

Scott Hutchinson said the most memorable plumber was Ken Fennell who worked with Hutchies for 50 years from 1946 to 1996.

Ken died on January 10, 2014, aged 82 years. "Ken worked with my great-grandfather, grandfather, father and me," Scott said.

"We have a street in the Toowong Office named after him and a picture of him, his apprentice certificate and one of his grey/green shirts – a colour he insisted on wearing his whole working life."

Jack Jnr to maintain family link with Wynnum Wolves

ASSOCIATE director, Jack Jnr, has promised to maintain the close link established by his great-great-grandfather in the 1920s with the Wynnum Wolves Football Club.

Jack I was president of the club after he arrived from England in 1911 and settled with his family in the Brisbane bayside suburb.

Earlier this year, Jack Jnr was guest of honour at the launch of the Wynnum Wolves Football Club's centenary held at Queensland's Parliament House.

The event was the first in a number of significant functions to be held during the club's centenary year, including publication of a centenary book.

Wynnum Wolves president, Rabieh Krayem, said the Hutchinson family was embedded into the origins of the club and the link would be recognised on the front cover of the book and in its opening pages.

"The club is moving forward in the right direction and laying the foundations for the next 100 years and we want to ensure the Hutchinson name continues to be part of the fabric of this great community club," said Mr Krayem.

The club is gifting Hutchies the number one copy of the centenary book which features Jack I and the original team members on the front cover.

Jack Jnr said he looked forward to being more involved with the club, given its history and his own interest in football.



Wynnum Wolves president, Rabieh Krayem, presents Jack Jnr with a memento of the football club and its 100-year-old link to his great-great-grandfather, Jack I.

Port Melbourne Secondary College

Job Value: \$56.05M

Job Description: A new state-of-the-art, vertical secondary school in Port Melbourne.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Bernie Nolan
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Nick Peters
 Hutchies' Administrator:John Atkinson
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Matt Munro
 Architect Firm:Billard Lee Partnerships
 Structural & Civil Engineering:WSP
 Client:Victorian School Building Authority

895 Ann Street, Brisbane

Job Value: \$110.37M

Job Description: A 16-storey commercial office tower development.

Hutchies' Team Leader:John Berlese (COTY 2006)
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Francois Pousson
 Hutchies' Administrator:Will Slater
 Hutchies' Site Manager:John Smith
 Architect Firm:John Wardle Architects
 Structural & Civil Engineering:ADG Engineers
 Client:Consolidated Properties Group

Yarrabilba Hoppy's & Ultra Tune

Job Value: \$1.46M

Job Description: Construction of a carwash and auto service centre.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Michael White
 Hutchies' Administrator:Paul Kruger
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Rohan Howard
 Architect Firm:I2C
 Structural Engineering:FARR Engineers
 Civil Engineering Consultant:MDE
 Client:Marble Head

Rio Tinto Australia Yarwun

Job Value: \$6.88M

Job Description: New central workshop including office, welding bays, general work areas and installation of gantry cranes.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Nick Colthup
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Nimal Agampodige
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Stephen Tobin
 Hutchies' Estimator/Cost Planner: Chaminda Suraweera
 Client:RTA Yarwun

Links Drive Dog Pound, Cairns

Job Value: \$5.76M

Job Description: A new expanded animal management facility in Woree.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Kyle Hare
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Chris Hedley

Hutchies' Site Manager:Jason Carter
 Architect Firm:Therian
 Structural & Civil Engineering:GHD
 Client:Cairns Regional Council

Herston Quarter Heritage Precinct

Job Value: \$87.92M

Job Description: Extensive redevelopment over 5.5 hectares within the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital/University of Queensland medical precinct.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Jamie Washington
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Nathan Byrne
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Steve Williams
 Architect Firm:Nettleontribe/Elevation
 Structural Engineering:ADG Engineers
 Civil Engineering:ACOR
 Client:Australian Unity

CocoBrew Express, Rockhampton

Job Value: \$790,618

Job Description: Construction of a new express coffee drive-thru on a brownfield site.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Nick Colthup
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Reilly Bergan
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Greg Smith
 Architect Firm:Design & Architecture
 Structural Engineering:McMurtrie Consulting Engineers
 Civil Engineering:McMurtrie Consulting Engineers
 Client:Kele Property Group (Qld)

Bunnings, Mt Isa

Job Value: \$10.72M

Job Description: Design and construction of a new hardware superstore.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Cy Milburn (COTY 2014)
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Marcus Hoddinott
 Hutchies' Administrator:Ethan Reay
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Blair Tozer
 Architect Firm:Group4 Architects
 Structural Engineering:ADG
 Civil Engineering:ACOR
 Client:Bunnings Group

Brighton Homes Arena, Springfield

Job Value: \$58.3M

Job Description: Creation of a major AFL



Hutchies' team on the \$87.92 million redevelopment project within the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital/University of Queensland medical precinct.

sporting precinct and new home for Brisbane Lions Football Club.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Michael White
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Tom Quinn

Hutchies' Administrator:Richard Boyes/Matt Mulcahy
 Architect Firm:Populous
 Structural Engineering:Northrop
 Civil Engineering:Cardno/BMD
 Client:Brisbane Lions Football Club

Supercheap Auto Gympie

Job Value: \$2.4M

Job Description: Construction of a new SCA store.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Rob Diamond
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Aaron Weigel
 Hutchies' Administrator:Jarrad Cartmill/Zach Hinchliffe
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Rick Murphy
 Architect Firm:V Architecture
 Structural Engineering:Calibre Consulting
 Civil Engineering:Northrop
 Client:Djorde

Cathedral of Praise, North Rockhampton

Job Value: \$1.66M

Job Description: Proposed church entry alterations and extensions (stage 2) and associated external services.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Nick Colthup
 Hutchies' Project Manager:Reilly Bergan
 Hutchies' Site Manager:Matt Tamassy
 Architect Firm:BEAT Architects
 Structural Engineering:JS Structures
 Civil Engineering:Calibre
 Client:Cathedral of Praise

Benevolent Living, Rockhampton

Job Value: \$39.56M

Job Description: Rhythm of Life development is a two-stage expansion and refurbishment within a seniors' community.



Artist's impression of the Rhythm of Life development – a two-stage expansion and refurbishment underway within Benevolent Living's community precinct.



The new Hutchies-built Port Melbourne Secondary College (formerly Fishermans Bend Secondary School) is due to be completed for the start of the 2022 school year.

Hutchies' Team Leader: Sean Lees
 Hutchies' Project Manager: Nick Linnan
 Hutchies' Administrator: Richard Hansen
 Hutchies' Site Manager: Damian Mills
 Architect Firm: Deicke Richards
 Structural Engineering: Edge Consulting Engineers
 Civil Engineering: MPN Consulting
 Client: Benevolent Living

Hutchies' Administrator: Thomas Burton
 Hutchies' Site Manager: Gordon Manson
 Architect Firm: Verbasis Architects
 Structural Engineering: Tungsten Structures
 Civil Engineering: ADG Engineers
 Client: RDO Australia

Civil Engineering: OSKA Engineering
 Client: Andrews Projects

RDO John Deere, Launceston

Job Value: \$5.5M

Job Description: Design and construction of new facilities including offices, showroom, workshop and washbay.

Hutchies' Team Leader: Rob Diamond
 Hutchies' Project Manager: Aaron Weigel

Dune, Main Beach

Job Value: \$2.85M

Job Description: Early works for a 13-apartment beachside development.

Hutchies' Team Leader: Paul Hart/Levi Corby
 Hutchies' Project Manager: Brad Doherty
 Hutchies' Administrator: Adam Francis
 Hutchies' Site Manager: Richie Ainsworth
 Architect Firm: Rothelownman Architects
 Structural Engineering: ADG Engineers

Whistler Street, Manly

Job Value: \$26M

Job Description: A 10-storey residential building within Sydney's Northern Beaches area.

Hutchies' Team Leader: Fernando Uribe
 Hutchies' Project Manager: Guy Hickson
 Hutchies' Administrator: Mick Johnson
 Hutchies' Site Manager: Thomas White
 Architect Firm: Gardner Wetherill & Platform Architects
 Structural & Civil Engineering: Stantec Australia
 Client: DA Properties

Thornton, Kangaroo Point

Job Value: \$42.42M

Job Description: A 15-level residential tower with 13 full-floor residences and retail spaces.

Hutchies' Team Leader: Otis Towill
 Hutchies' Project Manager: Craig Core
 Hutchies' Administrator: Helen Dahl/Ryan Alwi
 Architect Firm: Bureau Proberts/Conrad Gargett (heritage)
 Structural Engineering: Odyssey Consulting Group
 Civil Engineering: OSKA
 Client: JGL Properties



All 13 of the full-floor residences in Thornton at Kangaroo Point will enjoy commanding views up and down the river to the Brisbane CBD.

**TRAVELLING
UNDIES
& BUDGIES**



After a team building activity which included a tough 42km trail ride from Tasmania's Blue Tier Forest Reserve to the Bay of Fires, the boys donned some comfortable attire to relax. From left, Anthony Stevens, Will Slater, Patrick Campbell and Ashley Palmer.



The Kokoda Challenge is notorious for sorting out the men from the boys. Hutchies' Josh Fuimaono, site foreman for modular, showed what he was made of when he decided to tackle the course decked out in Hutchies' budgies.



LEFT: John Beetham (known as JB), from the Rocky team, found his Hutchies' budgies the perfect clobber for island life during works on tropical Heron Island. Hutchies undertook a 12-week maintenance program on the island as part of a package of about 50 projects for the University of Queensland.



Shooters, Dick Howard (hunting guide) and Hutchies' Michael White, flushed out budgies among other game during a hunting safari near Kilcoy.



After having to postpone their wedding last year due to COVID, scaffold's Waisea Nakalevu Jnr finally married Tianna Atkins in June. The Bowen Hills team helped celebrate the couple's big day (from left) Trinity Wharehinga, Gordon Raroa, Waisea and Tianna, Jarrod Taylor and Dylan Schneider.



Hutchies' James Hollanby, design coordinator in Mitch Grimmer's team, married Caitlin O'Rourke in August.

HATCHED



Nava Gholami, a daughter for proud dad, Sam Farkoosh, and his wife, Nazanin Azimipناه.



Bowie Ray Morgan, a son for Elle and Jayson Morgan. Elle worked in Hutchies' accounts team with Owen Valmadre.



Due to COVID restrictions, Hutchies' Ron Haylock had to wait until Easter for first cuddles with new grand-daughter, Amelia Rainey.



LEFT: Daisy Lulu Baumgart, daughter for Pete and Anna Baumgart. Pete is from the Sydney team.



RIGHT: Roman Robert Punch, son for Jessica and Gary Punch. Jess works with Cy Milburn (COTY 2014).



Tim O'Connor has finally popped the question to Ashleigh Bliss. Tim explained, "After exhausting every delay tactic for the five years we were dating (holidaying overseas, buying an apartment together and then a dog) and her recruiting the entire Hutchies' finance team as allies, I knew time was running out." But Tim admits his proposal was a great decision.

MATCHED



One of Brisbane's most eligible bachelors is officially off the market with the announcement of Jack Jnr's engagement to Fatya Junissa Azlika. The two met in 2018 while studying for their MBAs at the London Business School. Fatya was sponsored to study in the UK by the Indonesian Ministry of Finance's Endowment Fund for Education and, although the Indonesian Government is no doubt sorry to lose her, it is Hutchies' gain.



Michael White team members with their High Commendation for National Cricket Campus.



Rob Diamond with the High Commendation for Darra Industrial Sheds.



Paul Hart (COTY 2005) with the High Commendation for O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat campground.



Four awards for Central Qld team

ROCKY team members were elated to collect four awards at the Central Queensland Master Builders Awards night at the Frenchville Sports Club this year.

They were recognised for their work on Rockhampton Zoo, the restoration of Mount Morgan Bridge, the Riverside amenities (best toilet in CQ!) and the renovation of Glencoe Street.

LEFT: Celebrating the event (L-R) Kasey Taylor, Motiata Hooper, Patrick Taylor, Reilly Bergan, Kris Bulman, Nick Colthup, Briannah De Joux and Damien Grosse.



LEFT: Mitch Grimmer team members with their Professional Excellence award for Fortitude Valley State Secondary College.

Winning streak continues at awards night

AT the annual Australian Institute of Building Awards, Hutchies was recognised for its hard work and outstanding projects, winning four Professional Excellence Awards and five High Commendations.

The Coolangatta team, led by Paul Hart (COTY 2005) and Levi Corby received Professional Excellence awards for 77 Jefferson and Vue Terrace Homes, both in the residential space.

Jefferson, won residential construction between \$2-\$25 million, reaching nine levels high on a beachfront position.

Vue Terrace Homes won residential construction above \$60 million, with 262 townhouses located on the largest concrete podium in the Southern Hemisphere.

Brisbane team, led by Mitch Grimmer, received the commercial construction \$60 million plus Professional Excellence award for exceptional work delivering stage one of Fortitude Valley State Secondary College – the first new inner-city state high school in Brisbane to be built in more than 50 years.

The school was constructed over 88 weeks

and is considered a flagship, future-focused educational facility, architecturally designed to integrate with its inner urban surrounds.

Team Robert Diamond was awarded the Professional Excellence award for its great work creating an interactive learning hub, Modwest, at the University of Queensland in St Lucia.

The project was constructed in response to feedback received from the school and

faculty asking for more large scale, dynamic learning spaces.

High Commendations were received for Darra Industrial Sheds, National Cricket Campus, O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat, Nettleontribe Architectural Studio and Yeerongpilly Green sales office.

Hutchies continues with its long track record of being recognised at the AIB Professional Excellence Awards.

Toowoomba team winners

THE Master Builders Awards (Downs & Western) recognised the Toowoomba team's efforts with a handful of wins this year.

They included health facilities up to \$20 million for SVPHT Emergency Department, community service facilities for Toowoomba Private Mental Health, and residential building up to \$20 million (high-rise over three storeys) for Inspire South Central.



From left, winning team members are (rear) Nick Linnan, Megan McGuinness, Rohan Cox, Gary Ramm, Rian Cherry and (front) Chris Luhrs, Corey Weston and Tom Hagan.

In the news

SOME have suggested that Jack Jnr is shaping up to be a media tart like his father.

Jack receives many media requests for comment and is willing to oblige whenever possible.

One of his recent appearances was on Channel Nine News answering questions about the construction boom in Queensland.

Jack was able to highlight employment and training opportunities for young people in the building trade.



Chairman's advice on career acceleration passion based

CHAIRMAN Scott Hutchinson was keynote speaker at the University of Queensland's 2021 Accelerate Your Career Program to MBA students and alumni.

The keynote address had a focus on sharing how he grew a successful business and how he transitioned his passions for music into buying music venues to preserve the Brisbane live music scene.

His talk addressed MBA global skill sets including leadership, problem solving and entrepreneurship.

Held in the UQ's Queen Street city auditorium, the live event was streamed via Zoom.

Scott's keynote address which was followed by networking with students and alumni over drinks was part of a three-week blended learning program.



Questions for Scott from University of Queensland MBA students and alumni on how to accelerate a career.



Hutchies' team members joined Coterie's talented line-up for a fun night out.

Culture vultures on the prowl

TEAM members interested in art and culture were shouted to a night out at Coterie in Fortitude Valley, billed as a cheeky, irreverent and hilarious celebration of sex, kink and BDSM.

Many hands went up for this one!

Organisers promised the spectacle would combine elements of cabaret, burlesque, cirque, commercial dance, comedy and live music ... and it didn't disappoint.

Hutchies' team went along to support client, Mark Stockwell, whose daughter, Emily Stockwell, was the creator of the show and one of its star performers.



The old gym at Seventeen Mile Rocks is repurposed as an artist's studio.



ROB Henderson (Birringa) is a renowned Indigenous artist who was in need of a local studio to continue his work.

When Hutchies heard of Rob's plight, the unused gymnasium at the old Seventeen Mile Rocks headquarters was volunteered, stripped out and prepared as an artist's workspace.

The old gym is once again active – this time pumping out Indigenous artwork.

LEFT: Hutchies' "artist-in-residence", Rob Henderson (Birringa).

Art action in the old gym

Meet and greet for Toowoomba team a winner

BECAUSE some of the women in the Toowoomba team work out of town, it was unusual to have all seven together at once, with some meeting for the first time ... and they made the most of it with a Friday afternoon out.

It started with lunch at Muller Bros, with all-you-can-eat Brazilian meats, followed by a pub crawl to the Sip Studio.

The team decided on painting a sunflower with free artistic choice of colour, size and shape.

One of the girls took artistic licence to the extreme.

The arvo was filled with plenty of drinks, tunes and laughs and the girls partied into the night.



Before their night out, Toowoomba team girls showed off their artistic ability, from left, (rear) Jodie Kelly, Lauren Cockburn, Amy Ward, Ishbel Macaulay, Megan McGuinness, (front) Rebecca Sutton and Grace Hamblin.

Birthday bull for James



JAMES Bellas issued a public invitation to one and all team members to swing by his desk and give him their best wishes for his birthday.

The response was minimal but the Red Bull van made a coincidental visit and James took it as a personal gesture by Red Bull and a massive toast to his special day.



NAIDOC Week celebrations included team members enjoying an art workshop by artist-in-residence for the day, Birrungga.

NAIDOC fundraiser boost for Indigenous education

TO celebrate NAIDOC Week, Hutchies invited team members to wear their loudest outfits for the fundraiser barbecue lunch on the terrace at Toowong.

The \$6000 raised went towards the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation (QATSIF) to improve educational opportunities for Indigenous young people.

Preston Campbell Foundation provided catering and Wiradyuri man, Birrungga, from Birrungga Gallery and Dining, ran a facilitated art workshop focused on the importance of place.

This year's NAIDOC Week theme, Heal Country, meant embracing First Nation's cultural knowledge and understanding of country as part of Australia's national heritage.

Mark Kucks, Hutchies' national Indigenous and social responsibility manager, thanked team members for participating.

"Preston's kangaroo spring rolls seemed to be the hit of the day and Birrungga wanted me to pass on his thanks for those who participated in the artistic experience," said Mark.

Virtual games really are real fun



John Koumoukelis's children, Angelica, Panos and Theo, enjoyed the game ... and the donuts.

HUTCHIES has been busy hosting virtual social events for teams in lockdown so members, families and friends can continue to enjoy social interaction during this difficult time.

Entrants from New South Wales who signed up for a recent virtual trivia game all received a box of Hutchies' donuts as a participation prize.



High praise for Skytower

BUDDING young builder, Will Klip, has a fascination for Brisbane Skytower, one of Hutchies' most prestigious projects, and has a collection relating to the high-rise building.

When Hutchies received an enquiry from Will about Brisbane Skytower, a box was sent to him with photos, information and merchandise.

His mother, Maria Prosser, said that, when Will received the box addressed to him, he was ecstatic.

"You have made one young man very happy," said Maria.

IT would be great if you could acknowledge Jacob Baldacchino in your staff newsletter.

My 90-year-old Dad and his girlfriend (we lost my Mum in 2010) were trying to get to my physio practice for me to take them to my uncle's funeral but despite numerous instructions and him being here many times in the past, they managed to get hopelessly lost.

They pulled up and Jacob happened to be walking to get a coffee.

Talk about a knight in shining armour who went absolutely above and beyond to help an elderly couple in significant distress who do not have mobile phones or the ability to use technology.

He drove them to my practice and would not accept any remuneration for his help or even us ringing for a cab to get him back to work.

I was very worried by this stage as my Dad is never late.

Upon arrival with Jacob, my Dad was flustered and Joy broke into tears.

We managed to get to the funeral and it was a great tribute to my uncle.

Thank you Jacob from the bottom of my heart for helping this elderly couple on a very difficult day for us all.

People like you restore our faith in the goodness of humans.

Regards,

Delinda Dawson

PLEASE allow me to sincerely thank Hutchinson Builders and Sean Lees for their process and support in the building of the MRI Project which is now incorporated at "Thrive Medical Centre", 170 Crystal Street, Broken Hill.

May I also make reference to the extra, over and above efforts and contribution by yourself and Steve Anderson and especially yourself, thank you.

The contributions by the both of you guys brought the project to completion ahead of schedule and under budget, thank you and well done.

Thrive Medical was officially opened last Thursday evening by the Hon Mark Coulton MP along with Heather Pearce and myself.

I spoke last Thursday night and make reference to the Hutchies' team and more so that Hutchies is now a corporate citizen of the Broken Hill community and that makes me proud and most grateful



of Hutchies' contribution to our community.

I would only be too honoured to give reference for or about Hutchies and their capabilities, should it ever be requested by anyone.

In closing, thank you Nick and a special thanks Steve and your team.

If there is anything I can do for you or the Hutchies' team in the future, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,
Steve Radford OAM,
Managing Director,
Consolidated Mining & Civil

I WRITE to thank you for your donation towards a room in



Wishlist CEO, Lisa Rowe, thanked Hutchies for its assistance in development of stage one of the Wishlist Centre on the Sunshine Coast.

Wishlist Centre on behalf of your family.

I proposed that we direct your gift to the multi-purpose space to be used for a range of initiatives that support our guests in the Centre and patients and staff of our hospitals.

One of our heavily supported programs, to be expanded in the Centre, will be music therapy.

More specifically, we're working to incorporate music therapy in our suite of support services offered within the Centre to young adults and their siblings experiencing mental illness.

The adolescent mental health team is looking to grow a "green prescription" program that currently features music workshops, and our Centre will be the ideal location once open next year.

We're working to soundproof the space a little better as a result.

Your love of music and Wishlist's significant investment in the power of music therapy in healing and wellness will help shine a light on yet another aspect of the Centre.

There are many facets to our Centre and we need the community to understand that it means much more than affordable accommodation to local families.

Thanks for your support and for all Hutchies is doing for our Centre.

Regards,

Lisa Rowe
Chief Executive Officer, Wishlist
Sunshine Coast University
Hospital.

SVHA team in resolving issues and challenges throughout the build and have delivered a quality building that I think we can all be very proud of.

There are some special touches that were suggested and delivered by the Hutchinson team – such as recycling the trees that were removed to make way for the building and used as a feature ceiling in the new Emergency department – that truly make this a unique build.

The entire Hutchinson team that worked both on site and behind the scenes should be acknowledged for a job well done, but we make special mention of Kane Keefe, Geoff Kamph and Russell Gillam who really delivered the results on site.

We look forward to continuing our relationship in the future.

Yours sincerely,

David Swan
CEO
Private Hospital Division
St Vincent's Health Australia

JUST a quick email to express my sentiments on how impressed I was with the construction team that worked on the 6 Timor Avenue, Loganholme Project.

Adam Stiff and Jarrod Coleman showed a level of professionalism that has been sadly lost within the construction industry of late.

They were respectful, courteous and always happy to assist which I truly appreciated.

Works completed on my property totally surpassed my expectations – not to mention the project seemed to fly along.

I cannot speak highly enough of both Adam and Jarrod – they truly are both a huge asset to the Hutchies' family.

Kindest Regards

Neighbour, Timor Avenue

I WALKED through the (all but finished) Epiq Sports Amenities Building this morning.

Congratulations on a first-class job.

The change rooms are definitely a bit flasher than the 1974 Lismore Rugby ones I used to enjoy.

The kitchen is first-rate and the complex will be a significant sporting facilities boost for the Lennox and broader communities.

Thank you, and well done!

Cheers,

Paul Rippon
General Manager
Clarence Property

Crazies take on Kokoda

HUTCHIES' teams fielded a few crazies who volunteered for the 2021 Kokoda Challenges.

Southport had starters in both the 48km and 96km hikes, both of which are enormous physical and mental challenges through the rugged terrain of the Gold Coast hinterland.

Southport team participants included Adam Stiff, Anthony Cuic, Ben Green, Brody Mandla, Craimer Bransgrove, Josh Fuimaono, Jules Turner, Luke Sullivan, Mark Hawkings, Matt Rowe, Scott Cracknell and Todd Alexander.



Townsville team members took on their local Kokoda Challenge ... pictured here rugged up for the tropics.



Southport starters in the Kokoda Challenge.

HUTCHIES' Scratch-its has been an integral part of *Hutchies' Truth* for more than 22 years.

To keep up with modern times and save on printing, this popular feature has switched to a new electronic version.

A simple lottery-style system has been set up on Hutchies' website (where you may be reading *Hutchies' Truth* right now).

The way it works is simple:

1. Every time a new *Hutchies' Truth* comes out, subscribers will get an email with a link to the latest edition, plus a unique lucky number.
2. Simply check your lucky number against the winning numbers announced on the website to see if you've won a prize.

Digital era for popular Scratch-its

3. If you are one of the lucky winners, you can claim your prize via Hutchies' website or by email: TheTruth@hutchinsonbuilders.com.au.

Scratch-its first appeared in June 1998 as the 'Scratch My Back' competition which was the brainchild of Jack Hutchinson Snr as a way of promoting team spirit.

When the competition was announced as front page news it read:

"Scratch My Back has been designed as another way Hutchies can show its appreciation for the help and co-operation it receives from all those

people who, together, create the building industry in which we work.

"The old saying 'You scratch my back and I'll scratch yours' seems a pretty good way of everybody helping each other achieve a common goal."

A year after its launch, the popular competition became known simply as 'Scratch-its' and over the years has given away literally thousands of prizes.

Visit <https://www.hutchinsonbuilders.com.au/the-feed/the-truth> to see the latest edition of *Hutchies' Truth* or to check if you're a lucky winner!



Chelsea supporter, Jack Jnr, celebrates his team's win and commiserates with Simon McGilvray on Manchester City's loss in the UEFA Champions League final played in Portugal.

Chelsea the Champions of Europe

HUTCHIES' soccer fans were invited to a special viewing of the 2021 UEFA Champions League final between Chelsea and Manchester City.

The Toowong boardroom was thrown open so team members, families and friends could watch the match live from Portugal on the big screen and enjoy a barbecue breakfast.

An early breakfast time was the drawback for some – but local and hardy fans turned out for the 5am match kick-off.

Manchester City fan and event organiser, Simon McGilvray, senior cost planner at Toowong, promised tissues for Chelsea supporters.

Instead, the tissues came in handy for Man City fans when The Blues became Champions of Europe.

Speed dating with small business offers hook-up

ESTIMATOR, Shannon Liddy, (left) and team leader, Kyle Hare, represented Hutchies at the Cairns Regional Council Meet the Buyer function.

Meet the Buyer was an opportunity for Cairns small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to connect via one-on-one discussions with local large organisations across numerous sectors who regularly procure goods and services.

The meet and greets were split into five-minute speed networking blocks, where Hutchies was able to outline its procurement and outsourcing needs and small businesses were able to pitch to Hutchies or ask questions about its internal processes.



Splendour in the Grass went virtual this year.

Splendour in the Grass bold virtual world tour

SPLENDOUR XR was a bold world-first extended virtual edition of Australia's favourite festival, Splendour in the Grass, available on mobile, tablet, browser, desktop and VR.

In July, Splendour XR hit viewers' screen of choice operating globally on a single time-zone, 2pm to 2am Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST).

Owner of Splendour in the Grass, Paul Piticco, invited Hutchies' team members to join in the virtual Splendour world.

As a way of bringing the national team together, Hutchies provided tickets to those who were interested.

Chairman Scott Hutchinson said that, as soon as the COVID nightmare ended, he

wanted to do a Hutchies' festival function at each office location.

"In the meantime, virtual Splendour is the best we could do," said Scott.

Live Nation/Splendour are Hutchies' tenants at Fortitude Hall, Triffid and The Outpost.



Annual ladies' weekend away was a three-day stay at Peppers in Noosa.

River cruise for ladies in white

THE Brisbane social club's annual ladies' weekend involved a three-day stay at Peppers Noosa Resorts and Villas.

The weekend included a themed cruise on the Noosa River with all guests being ladies in white.

Among other events the weekend included a full range of pamper treatments.



Shown at the lunch are (from left) Hutchies' design manager, Bryce Tippins; rugby league legend, Darren Lockyer; and Hutchies' team leader, Sean Lees.

Sportsman's lunch raises funds

FOR a social outing, Toowoomba took team members and clients to the Darren Lockyer sportsman's lunch and bought a jersey to help raise money for the Steve Waugh Foundation.



Rocky team members on their Push-up challenge are (from top) Kristy Azzopardi, Briannah De Joux, Damien Grosse, Reilly Bergan and Nick Colthup.

Push-up challenge in Rocky

HUTCHIES' Rocky team joined the 2021 Push-Up Challenge to help raise awareness and funds for mental health.

The team decided to get fit, have fun and learn about mental health by taking part in the challenge to support The Push For Better Foundation, Headspace and Lifeline.

Hutchies' crew raised \$5,758 with their effort of 108,385 push-ups.



Pinball players serious about winning.

HUTCHIES recently sponsored the biggest pinball competition in the Southern Hemisphere with supporters hoping for pinball to be included in the 2032 Olympics.

At one point, Jack Jnr's pinball rating was seventh in Australia and there are rumours that he could be coaxed back into serious training to be an Olympian in front of a home crowd in Brisbane in 11 years.

Pinhead champs

Brisbane Pinball and Arcade Collective is a group based in Brisbane with the sole purpose of promoting competitive pinball, arcades and classic gaming.

The group was formed in 2019 and includes representatives from the local

pinball and arcade venues, Netherworld, Pincadia, Pinball Haus and 1 Up Freeplay Arcade.

Its goals include promotion of competitive pinball, arcade and classic gaming competitions throughout Australia, adhering to the International Flipper and Pinball Association (IFPA) formats, guides and rules.



Friday afternoons in Dave Warner's Melbourne site office are always a bit of a session, but the pace has quickened with the addition of a Led Zeppelin pinball machine.

MORE than 70 pinball machines are active in Hutchies' offices throughout Australia and now the craze is spreading into site offices.

One of the latest site offices to install a machine (Led Zeppelin) is the Prospect Street site in Melbourne.

Site manager, Dave Warner (COTY 2011), described Fridays in the site office as "always a bit of a session".

Pinballs a hit at site offices

"But, now with Led Zeppelin in here, it has brought more of the boys together, including subbies," he said.

"Once this state is clean again, we would

love to see Brisbane's two pinball wizards down here to meet our 30 form workers and show us how it's all done.

"We really appreciate the machine."



The Cooly boys are not afraid to have some fun ... at the expense of good taste.

Wrestlers tap the mat in Sawtell

THE Coolangatta annual boys' dress-up trip away this year had a "wrestler" theme which unleashed a few alter egos.

It also unleashed some awful sights and experiences for the normally peaceful seaside town of Sawtell.

A few wrestlers went down for the count before they made their way home after a long weekend.

LEFT: Cooly wrestlers, Sam Dogan (left) and Jonathan Samuels.



Tasmanian devils at MONA

HUTCHIES' social club members made a colourful addition to Tasmania's MONA, their lunch destination after a Hobart ferry ride.

Team members are shown at Source Restaurant before getting up to some afternoon mischief.

MONA's self description "a museum, or something. In Tasmania or somewhere. Catch the ferry. Drink beer. Eat cheese. Talk crap about art. You'll love it." makes it an ideal location for some devilment.

Yowie country hunt



KILCOY, near Somerset Dam in south-east Queensland, is best known as Yowie country ... but it also hosts large herds of red deer.

David Sharpe, of Mavid Property, recently discovered that the red deer population outnumbered the Yowies during a hunting trip with mates in the high country around the lake.

After the visit by David's hunting party, the red deer population was down, but the supply of prime venison in his fridge was up.

Tattersall's Cup celebration



Hutchies' members looked fashionable at Tattersall's Club Tiara meeting. Among the race day team were (from left) Grace Power, Michelle Hopkins, Sarah Kachyckyj, Chris Hopkins, Adam Kachyckyj, Josh Mazoletti, Will Slater and Caitlin Slater.

BRISBANE'S social club had its annual race day at Tattersall's Tiara meeting at Eagle Farm racecourse.

It was hours of food, drinks and racing, with private bar and premium viewing of all the action as part of the 2021 winter racing carnival.

The Tattersall's Club Tiara Race Day marked the 156th anniversary of the first Tattersall's Cup which was run on August 16, 1865.

Winter racing fashion was at its peak with the Tattersall's Club Wintergarden fashions on the field.



Team leader, Sean Lees, (second from left) with top shooters Megan McGuinness (1st), Tom Hagan (3rd) and Ben McNalty (2nd).

Clay shooters on target

THE Toowoomba team had its annual clay target shooting and mid-year drinks at the Toowoomba Clay Target Club in June on one of the coldest days of the year.

But the shooting was red hot with a large turn-out including Morgan Carrol, Jimmy Franssen, Sean Lees, Chandana Kuruppu, Ryan Hunter, Richard Hansen, Ben McNalty, Jack Carter, Stephen Wyatt, Gavin Taylor, Brett Washington, Ishbel Macaulay, Tom Hagan, Megan McGuinness, Bryce Tippins, Gary Ramm, Josh Lee, Barry Davidson and Shane Percy.

Golfers driving student dreams



Members of one of the Hutchies-sponsored teams at the BLA golf day in Cairns were Mark Duffin, CA Architects; Shannon Liddy, Hutchies' estimator; Gary Watkinson, Hutchies' site manager; and Robert Donnan, ARUP associate principal.

AS long-time sponsors of the Cairns Business Liaison Association (BLA), Hutchies' Cairns team recently played in the BLA Drive Fore Dreams Golf Day at the Cairns Golf Club.

Lauren Constable, Hutchies' office manager, said the BLA provided industry programs, events, competitions and scholarships to benefit students in the Far North Queensland region.

Lauren said more than 12,500 students a year benefit from the variety of BLA events.

"Drive Fore Dreams Golf Day was developed to further assist in fundraising efforts to offer more help to students in 2022," said Lauren.



Blair prepares to deliver a lightning left in the boxing ring.

Two ring show at Mount Isa Rodeo

HUTCHIES performed in two rings at the recent Mount Isa Rodeo ... as a show sponsor and with site foreman, Blair Tozer, stepping up as a fight contender in the Fred Brophy boxing troupe.

Blair swapped his RM Williams rodeo boots for bare feet to dance in the ring where he delivered a polished performance.

Between rodeos, Blair's team works on Hutchies' Bunnings Mount Isa project.



Hutchies flies the flag in the rodeo ring.

Penalty shoot-out win



The winning team, from left, is (rear) Alex Knights, Ogi Latinovic, Ibrahim Kasumba, Tiarny Strachan, Natalia Wilkinson, Lily Robson, Grant Richardson, and (front) Ryan Alwi, Andrew DiMichele, James Bellas and Richard Boyes.

HUTCHIES brought home a soccer win in Queensland Corporate Games 2021 with a penalty shoot-out after six games and five hours of football.

Ogi Latinovic was the legend who scored to win, but the whole team put in a great effort, with Hutchies proud of its football heroes.

Big thankyou from Bilinga Nippers

NIPPERS from the Bilinga Surf Lifesaving Club thanked Hutchies' Coolangatta team and, in particular, the crew from the Bela apartment site for their ongoing sponsorship and support.

Site manager, Wayne Syrch, said a plaque of appreciation to Hutchies would be mounted as a permanent reminder in the clubhouse.

