

HUTCHIES' TRUTH



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MONA'S TUNNEL OF LOVE

The tunnel walkway carved through Triassic sandstone leads directly to the underground heart of the museum.

HUTCHIES built an underground tunnel for lovers of art to enter the world-famous Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) in Hobart, Tasmania.

MONA is privately owned and funded by Tasmanian, David Walsh, who describes it as a "subversive adult Disneyland," focused on two central themes of sex and death.

Walsh's pet project has supercharged the Tasmanian tourism and hospitality industry by doing for Hobart what the Guggenheim Museum did for Bilbao, Spain – bringing an influx of tourists to the city each year.

Hutchies' jetty tunnel, a \$5.9 million subterranean walkway connecting the Derwent River ferry terminal directly to the underground heart of the museum, gives visitors an alternative to climbing 99 steps from the river waterfront to the main entrance.

Hutchies delivered the project without disruption to the operation of the museum,



The MONA jetty tunnel provides access from a jetty terminal on the Derwent River.

while providing safety for workers undertaking high-risk activities.

Methods included using a river barge for construction access and full-body personal protection equipment (PPE) and extraction systems to eliminate exposure to silica dust during boring operations in the Triassic sandstone.

A height-adjustable cage for the installation

of rock anchors used modified digging equipment which tunnelled six metres at a time and allowed plant operators to work safely outside of the unsupported zone.

Designed by Nonda Katsalidis Architects, the tunnel won Hutchies both the Work Health & Safety Award and Civil Construction Award from Master Builders Tasmania.

Museum founder, David Walsh, originally opened a small, private gallery on the same site in 2001 called the Moorilla Museum of Antiquities.

He then spent years excavating into the sandstone cliff on the Derwent River to build a museum of old and new art, in a sprawling, subterranean labyrinth of galleries, which officially opened in 2011 as MONA – the largest privately funded museum in the Southern Hemisphere.

Hutchies is continuing its relationship with MONA with ongoing expansion projects.

Images: Supplied by MONA, Photo: Jesse Huntford

Hutchies' annual Training Awards ~ See full round-up Pages 12, 13



AS we move through the changeover to a new financial year, the industry feels like it's pausing to repair after the damage many felt through the worst of the post-COVID boom.

The scars are still raw and the lessons clear, with a reminder of the volatile world in which we operate now coming in the form of oil shortages resulting from supply disruption in the Middle East.

With significant underlying demand for housing, significant infrastructure plans in most states, and the Olympic building in Queensland to get through, the overwhelming view is that inflationary pressures will return shortly and impact all parts of the construction process.

It's a better problem to have than the alternative one, and so we will focus on what we *can* control, that is, what projects we take on, with whom and for whom.

This is driving heavy investment into our workforce development team, in order to

support our philosophy of building from within.

Hutchies has been a registered training organisation (RTO) for more than 20 years, graduating more than 500 apprentices and 1000 cadets in that time alone.

We continue to grow the pathways and link the stepping stones for more of the diverse roles that make up Hutchies to take people sustainably from wherever or whenever they choose to come here.

To celebrate all the great work our people do to build their knowledge to better service our clients, we recently held our annual Training Awards at the Officer's Mess in New Farm.

Congratulations to all of those who qualified for nomination this year, in particular our Toowoomba team, who not only produced a high number of award recipients, but also won our Training Initiative award for their own cadetship program – organically developed to suit the needs of their growing region.

Also this year, we acknowledged those who have been instrumental as mentors to our people as they develop their skills and gain guided experience in their chosen career path.

On a sad note, this month we have experienced the passing of two stalwarts of Hutchies over the past five decades.

Charlie Wilson, who came to Hutchies in 1990 as a carpenter and never really left, and Ron Niven, one of our great craftsmen and second-ever winner of our Constructor of the Year award back in 1989.

Both men have been enormous in their impact on our company for a very long time, and our condolences, love and support go out to the Wilson and Niven families from all of us who have called Hutchies home.

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– **Russell Fryer (COTY 2010)**

Team focus on supply diversity awards

HUTCHIES is a finalist for two awards in Supply Nation's 2026 Supply Diversity Awards to be announced this month.

Hutchies is a finalist for Corporate Member of the Year, alongside heavy-hitters, BHP and Sodexo Australia.

Hutchies' national Indigenous and social procurement manager, Mark Kucks, is a finalist for Supplier Diversity Advocate of the Year.

For more than a decade, Mark has embedded First Nations' engagement, training, employment and procurement into Hutchies' culture.

The Statim Yaga initiative has supported more than 850 Indigenous people into construction careers and partnered with

hundreds of Indigenous businesses across projects.

That work led to more than \$160 million in procurement with Indigenous-owned suppliers.

Under Mark's leadership, Statim Yaga supports project teams and suppliers by creating fair access, matching opportunities to capability and location, and helping navigate new requirements.

The winners for the national 2026 Supply Diversity Awards will be announced on August 12 during a gala awards dinner at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

RIGHT: Hutchies' national Indigenous and social procurement manager, Mark Kucks, is a finalist for Supplier Diversity Advocate of the Year.



Varroa destroys Toowong hives

HUTCHIES' thriving honey bees' hives at Toowong have been destroyed by an infestation of *Varroa destructor*.

The Varroa mite is an external parasitic mite that attacks and feeds on honey bees, leading to the death and collapse of the entire bee colony.

It is one of the most damaging honey bee pests in the world and currently a deadly threat to bees Australia-wide.

Chairman Scott Hutchinson said Hutchies would "do whatever we have to do to get our hives back in order and to protect our bees".

Scott set up Hutchinson Honey Bees in 2013 as a simple, practical way to support the urban bees

movement, and the trend spread to other Hutchies' offices.

Jack Stone, director of Bee One Third, who works with Hutchies' honey bees said he was genuinely heartbroken about the loss of the bees at Hutchies.

Jack said Toowong had been the strongest bee site in the area, and it was also the last site in the area to fall to the Varroa mite.

"We are seeing this right across Brisbane and we have now lost more than 120 beehives across our network," Jack said.

On Scott's instructions, Jack has started planning to rebuild the Toowong colony.

Hutchies' honey has been in popular demand since 2013.

New tower and power for inner-city tight sites

HUTCHIES Cranes and Hoists has welcomed a new star from Italy to its team of high performers – a Moritsch tower crane partnered with new-generation battery technology.

The new arrival is right at home installed at the Halō project in South Brisbane for client Kiō on its Cordelia Street build-to-rent development.

European-built Moritsch tower cranes have a reputation for strong performance in dense, urban environments, making them ideal for tight inner-city projects like Halō.

The newly erected Moritsch RTL325A-20 will add strong capability on future Hutchies' projects, operating on single and double fall and with a lifting capability of 20 tonnes.

Its design supports complex lifts in tight conditions, where space and access are limited.

The new Moritsch tower crane is being trialled with new eGen battery technology in partnership with JP Energy, a company working on next-generation battery power systems designed to replace diesel across a range of industries.

The P300 energy storage system (ESS) reduces reliance on traditional power sources and supports quieter operation and lower emissions, which is important on



The Moritsch RTL325A-20 operating on the Halō site in South Brisbane.

metropolitan projects.

As cities become denser and temporary site power becomes limited, this technology reduces demand on utilities and minimises

disruption to surrounding communities.

Moritsch Cranes is a family-founded Italian company specialising in tower cranes since 1962.

New May Hendry fund to progress women's careers in construction

THE May Hendry Developing Women Fund is a new initiative to support the learning, development and career progression of women across Hutchies.

Announced during Hutchies' Training Awards night, its establishment honours the long-standing contribution to Hutchies by former team member, the late Elizabeth 'May' Hendry.

May Hendry joined Hutchies in 1945 under John (Jack) Hutchinson II.

She worked at Hutchies' yard in Montague Road, South Brisbane and later alongside Jack Hutchinson Snr at the Paddington Plaza Theatre office – staying with the company for more than 30 years.

In the early years, May was the only woman at Hutchies and, when things got tough in the early 1960s, she was one of only two people remaining working in the office.

May taught herself to type on a manual typewriter with faulty keys, and she sat on a timber chair with no padding, made from scrap by one of the carpenters.

She was renowned for being able to calculate the weekly wages entirely in her head, and those on site knew that, if May had



May Hendry as pictured in the 1995 issue of Hutchies Truth which was reporting on her 80th birthday.

done the sums, the wages were right.

Jack Hutchinson Snr recalled his father saying that, if Hutchies had not had May, it would have taken three people to replace her.

After playing a major role in Hutchies' survival through some lean and turbulent

years, May retired in 1977, but, as with many veterans, Hutchies never really left her.

She read every edition of *Hutchies' Truth* cover to cover, and proudly showed it to visitors, saying, "this is where I used to work".

May passed away in 2004 at age 87.

She represented a mindset that runs deep at Hutchies – that of dedication, grit, loyalty, and a quiet, unwavering commitment to doing what it takes.

Director, Penny Hoolihan, said Hutchies named the fund after May because it reflected its history and recognised the role women played in shaping the company.

"However, it's not just about recognising the past," she said.

"It's about investing in the future in a way that's practical, real and aligned with who we are."

Access to the May Hendry Developing Women Fund is not limited to formal courses or structured training.

Funding can be used for a short course, certification, leadership program, TAFE or university subjects, industry events, conferences, site visits or networking opportunities.

MONARCH Residences, built by Hutchies at inner-city Toowong in Brisbane, has been a complete sell-out for \$450 million, with the final apartment selling at auction in May for \$4.1 million.

Developer, Consolidated Properties Group (CPG), delivered the 15-storey twin towers – River One and River Two – with 224 residences on the Brisbane River, three kilometres from the CBD.

Consolidated Properties Group CEO and chairman, Don O'Rorke, said Monarch Residences was announced in 2021 and had been one of the most strongly received residential projects in Consolidated's 45-year history.

"All government agencies played a significant hand in achieving a fast-tracked outcome for Monarch Residences with Brisbane City Council, Urban Utilities, Energex, and Titles Queensland assisting to remove hurdles to achieve settlements," he said.

"Brisbane City Council and Titles Queensland also played a huge role in getting residents into their homes early through the pilot programs they ran to speed up the approval processes.

"They understand the challenges of the housing industry and are doing something about it."

The site has been transformed from a derelict block of land into a thriving residential precinct at a time of housing shortages.

With Monarch Residences now complete, CPG has launched River Living, an on-site property management service that will sup-



Pictured at the ribbon-cutting ceremony (from left) Jack Hutchinson Jnr; Brisbane City Councillor, Penny Wolff; Consolidated Properties Group CEO and chairman, Don O'Rorke; and CPG's head of residential, James MacGinley.

Monarch Residences record sell out for Consolidated Properties

port all future CPG residential projects, including the recently announced Gloriette in Yeerongpilly and Castile in Newstead.

The completion also marks the reopening of heritage-listed Middenbury House, built in 1865 and carefully restored as a centrepiece on the site.

Monarch Residences was designed in collaboration with Melbourne-based architect Wardle Studio, alongside leading national practice Cottee Parker.

Hutchies and Consolidated Properties Group have more than 30 years' experience working together.



Monarch Residences' twin towers are in a prime riverside position in the inner-city suburb of Toowong.

Research institute build at Currumbin Wildlife Hospital



At the milestone turning of the sod for the new Currumbin Wildlife Institute (from left) senior veterinarian and head of veterinary sciences and research at the Currumbin Wildlife Hospital, Dr Michael Pyne; Member for Currumbin, Laura Gerber; and Qld Minister for Environment and Tourism, Andrew Powell.

CONSTRUCTION by Hutchies is underway on the Currumbin Wildlife Institute, a new research and education facility at Currumbin Wildlife Hospital on the Gold Coast.

Hutchies' team has planned construction for minimal impact on the hospital, which is expected to be finished next year, ensuring animals continue to receive care throughout the build.

Currumbin is one of the busiest wildlife hospitals in the world and not only supports wildlife care in Queensland, but also contributes to broader national and international research efforts.

By bringing treatment, research and education together in one place, the new facility will help shorten the gap between discovery and care, as well as improve outcomes for wildlife, strengthen research capability and educational opportunities.

Every year, 15,000 wildlife patients pass through the hospital's doors from micro bats to wedge-tailed eagles, with koalas having a constant presence.

The new institute will give veterinary scientists, carers and volunteers the space they need to treat animals, advance research and share knowledge.

One of the hospital's most remarkable resources is its extensive feather library where flight feathers from dead birds are carefully preserved.

These feathers are later implanted into injured birds, allowing them to regain function and return to the wild.

Building starts to flood-proof Richmond River High Campus

HUTCHIES' project is underway to rebuild The Rivers Secondary College's Richmond River High Campus to provide new flood-proof permanent learning spaces and give Northern Rivers students the latest educational facilities.

The New South Wales government is committed to rebuilding flood-impacted schools in the Northern Rivers region.

Funding for the school project has been provided by the Infrastructure Betterment Fund, jointly backed by the Australian and NSW governments through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

The new flood-resilient Richmond River High Campus will feature 36 modern classrooms, support classrooms, specialist learning spaces, science labs, library, multi-purpose hall, performance spaces, facilities for agriculture, metal, construction and food technology, as well as sports fields and sports courts.



RIGHT: The flood-proof site of The Rivers Secondary College's Richmond River High Campus in northern New South Wales.

Topping out for 50 Quay Street



Roof top celebrations for 50 Quay Street.

THE 50 Quay Street team celebrated topping out with a ceremony marking a major milestone for the project.

This Build-to-Rent residential project is a 32-storey, 475-apartment development overlooking the Brisbane River and CBD.

A continuous high-quality team effort brought topping out well ahead of the program.

Rapid rate of delivery for regional homes

QUEENSLAND Government, through QBuild and the Department of Housing and Public Works, is partnering with Hutchies to deliver quality homes to regional Queensland at a rapid rate.

QBuild's Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) program builds social housing and essential worker homes across Queensland.

A recent delivery from Hutchies' modular yard at Yatala consisted of eight dwellings, comprised of 16 modules, for new social housing in the rural north Queensland town of Ingham.

Modules were lifted into place by crane upon arrival from the yard, allowing a new home to take shape in a matter of hours rather than weeks.



Modules from Hutchies' yard at Yatala are craned into place to create new homes for regional communities faster than conventional builds.

As Australia's most experienced modular builder, Hutchies supports QBuild's MMC program.

Its dedicated modular facilities can deliver housing rapidly and efficiently across Queensland,

getting quality homes to regional communities faster than conventional builds.



Hutchies has completed Browne Park's Western Grandstand redevelopment (now Aurizon Stadium), replacing the old 750-seat Jack Crow Stand.

BROWNE Park, a rugby league venue in central Queensland's Rockhampton, with a 130-year history, is one step closer to the next chapter in its entertainment career as a modern, multi-use community asset for sport, concerts and community events.

Hutchies has completed Browne Park's Western Grandstand redevelopment (recently rebranded as Aurizon Stadium) that replaced the ageing 750-seat Jack Crow Stand.

The stadium, incorporating the new Jack Crow Stand, is a state-of-the-art, three-level facility with undercover seating for more than 3,200 patrons, modern dressing rooms, corporate spaces and broadcast facilities.

Completion of this stage one of the sporting venue sets the foundation for a long-term

Historic rugby league venue set for multi-entertainment future

master plan that will significantly expand the facility's capacity and capability.

Once all stages are complete, Browne Park will accommodate up to 10,000 spectators for sporting events, with the flexibility to host up to 18,000 people for concerts and major events.

The project was completed as a joint venture between Hutchies' Coolangatta and Rockhampton teams.

The venue includes new administration

offices for the Central Queensland Capras, Queensland Rugby League and the Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Designed by Cox Architecture, in collaboration with local partner Design+Architecture, Hutchies delivered the project in partnership with the Queensland Government.

Hutchies' relationship with Central Queensland dates back to the construction of the original Rockhampton Town Hall in 1939.

Skin cancer checks at Toowong

HUTCHIES has hosted a mobile skin check clinic at the Toowong yard.

Following the success of last year's Yatala yard visit, the Australian Skin Cancer Foundation's (ASCF) mobile clinic parked up for three days in the Toowong carpark.

From 121 skin checks, medical staff identified: 17 suspicious spots, six atypical naevi (moles), five suspected melanomas, one suspected squamous cell carcinoma (SCC), three suspected basal cell carcinomas (BCC), and three solar keratoses (actinic keratoses).

ASCF's mobile clinic now has Australia's most advanced scanning technology, including a full-body 3D scanning machine with more than 90 cameras.

Its 3D 360-degree scanner in a mobile setting is a world first.

The scanner can capture a detailed image of the body in just a few seconds – mapping every mole and freckle – and highlighting any new or changing spots.

In the next step, clinicians in private consultation rooms complete a full skin check and physical assessment of the scanner's findings and provide a detailed report.

It's fast, thorough and accessible – all from a mobile clinic parked onsite.

Hutchies is working with ASCF to deliver more mobile clinics to Hutchies' sites, making it easier for team members to detect any skin cancers early.



Hutchies' receptionist, Karen Cope, awaits her turn at the mobile skin check clinic.



Jack Snr on his visit to Hutchies Joinery with (from left) Raymond Vanis, Adam Roberts and Gary Turner.

Jack Snr joins in Joinery's 3rd birthday celebrations

AS part of its third birthday celebrations, Jack Hutchinson Snr visited Hutchies Joinery to check out what's new in the trade.

Hutchies Joinery operates out of a dedicated facility in Murarrie as a specialised, in-house division of Hutchies supplying custom cabinetry, shopfitting, and architectural joinery components for projects nationwide.

Jack enjoyed meeting the team and inspecting the latest technology in joinery machinery.

Managing director, Russell Fryer (COTY 2010), thanked the Hutchies Joinery team for hosting the visit.

"Jack was blown away by the team and particularly the modern joinery techniques," said Russell.

Hutchies Joinery now has 91 workers, including seven apprentices and five female workers.

In the last financial year, the team completed more than 100 projects.

Current projects include Exhibition Quarter, 41 George Street, 50 Quay Street, Calista, 185 Wharf Street, Logan schools, East Brisbane social housing, Royale and Seaglass.

For pricing on tenders or projects, contact the Hutchies Joinery team.

Hungry Jack's Aspley completed



The Toowoomba team has completed its fourth Hungry Jack's restaurant, continuing a strong partnership with a valued repeat client, Belo Developments. Pictured is Contracts administrator, Luke Taynton, who was checking out the new Hungry Jack's at Aspley.

NAWIC Awards launched



As well as Scott Hutchinson, speakers on the night included Hutchies' foreman in Brisbane, Erin Richardson (left), and Hutchies' Townsville contracts administrator, Stacy Jacobsen.

HUTCHIES is a sponsor of the annual National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Awards for Excellence, and each year the Queensland awards launch is held at Hutchies' Toowong.



Lesson learnt.

Deliveries are part of everyday construction work, but when people and moving plant aren't properly separated, things can change in seconds. This animation shares lessons learned from a real delivery incident and highlights the importance of:

- exclusion zones
- delivery planning
- site access controls
- keeping people clear of moving plant

because on busy sites, practical controls matter.

This animation is based on a workplace incident. While it does not depict graphic injury, some scenes may be confronting or distressing. Viewer discretion is advised.



Developed as part of the enforceable undertaking with @WorkSafe Victoria, this animation aims to support industry learning and help prevent serious harm.

Work starts on marine and tourism hub at Shellharbour

SHELLHARBOUR City Council has broken ground on the Shellharbour Boathouse, marking the start of construction by Hutchies on a landmark marine and tourism facility at the Shell Cove Waterfront.

Jointly funded by Council and the New South Wales government, the project will build on Shellharbour's growing marine industry and regional tourism.

The Boathouse will be a purpose-built marine services hub supporting both recreational and commercial boating.

Located at the entry to the Shell Cove Marina, the project includes dry boat storage, a boat maintenance hardstand, a combined workshop and retail building, office spaces and a dedicated car park.

It is planned that the new facility will open to the public mid-2027.



A team of VIPs helped with the heavy lifting to start construction of the Shellharbour Boathouse on the mid-New South Wales coast. From left, Hutchies' team leader, John Koumoukelis; Shellharbour City Mayor, Chris Homer; Minister for Regional NSW, Tara Moriarty MLC; and Member for Shellharbour, Anna Watson.

Another step forward for Aveo Carindale

JACK Hutchinson Jnr was among the invitees to attend the sod-turning for stage four of Aveo Parkside Carindale Retirement Village due to be completed in 2028.

Stage four is the fourth of seven stages within a master-planned redevelopment of the existing operational village.

The project is a seniors' living development

comprising 94 independent retirement living apartments designed to high-quality standards, ensuring comfort, accessibility, and sustainability for future residents.



The official party at the sod-turning for stage four of Aveo Parkside Carindale Retirement Village are (from left) Geoff Robinson, Jack Hutchinson Jnr, Tony Randello, Mike Tucker, and Justine Hughes (COO for Seniors Living).

Raising the steaks with quality work at Logan Reserve



Happy winners from one of the raffles show off the quality of their prizes.

LOGAN Reserve schools project has been running monthly meat tray raffles on site, with proceeds of \$1,500 a month from the raffles donated to charity.

The impressive meat trays are by Rode Meats, which was awarded Queensland's Best Butcher in the 2026 Queensland Day awards. Hutchies is building a new high school and

special school in the rural residential area of Logan, south of Brisbane, with the high school on track to be open in time for the start of the 2027 school year.



Aerial view of the Logan Reserve schools project.



Scott with master of ceremony, Tim Cox, at the Civic Leaders Summit.

Civic leaders at summit

CHAIRMAN Scott Hutchinson was an invited speaker at the Local Government Association of Queensland's Civic Leaders Summit 2026.

The annual forum brings together mayors, councillors, CEOs and senior local government leaders from across Queensland in a closed-door setting.

The Summit is designed to foster open, candid discussion on leadership, productivity, advocacy and impact in local government.

Scott spoke on Building for Productivity – explaining how the corporate sector is tackling productivity challenges, addressing urban growth, and shaping Queensland.

The session explored how large-scale organisations like Hutchies maintain productivity amid workforce pressures, regulatory complexity, and rapid urban growth, and what lessons might translate to councils delivering infrastructure, large-scale development, and community outcomes across Queensland.



LEFT: Christopher 'Lano' Lanigan (third from left) was named Hutchies' 2026 Design Manager of the Year (DMOTY), shown here with (from left) Michael Lawlor, Ogi Latinovic, Jamie Coe, Russell Fryer (COTY 2010) and Jack Hutchinson Jnr.

National design managers plan for the future

CHRISTOPHER 'Lano' Lanigan was named Hutchies' 2026 Design Manager of the Year (DMOTY) at the recent Design Managers' Conference.

Lano has been part of Hutchies since 2005 and was one of the original design managers.

Over the past 20 years, he has worked with multiple teams and built strong relationships across the network.

Lano's experience spans many sectors and disciplines, including modular and

insitu for health, residential, community and commercial.

The DMOTY award recognises the role design managers play in bringing projects together from concept through to delivery and reflects the growing importance of the discipline as projects become more complex and technically demanding.

This year's conference brought team members from all over Australia to share ideas, lessons and practical experience.

The conference theme centred on collaboration, digital tools, market challenges and opportunities that highlight the critical role design management plays in construction.

It kicked off with an afternoon of outdoor team activities, axe throwing, laser clay shooting, and archery, before an evening get-together of drinks and dinner.

Special thanks to guest speaker, Dr Dominik Holzer, who shared insights on how AI and digital tools are shaping construction.



Delegates at 2026 Design Managers' Conference.

Major milestone reached for Vantage Lilywood



CONTINUING Hutchies' partnership with AVID Property Group, director Jack Hutchinson Jnr and the Sunshine Coast team were on site for the sod-turning of AVID's Vantage Lilywood community clubhouse – a major milestone for a project that will become a vibrant hub for residents.

The \$17 million clubhouse will feature a resort-style pool and spa, heated lap pool, sauna, gym, tennis and pickleball courts, a bowling green, workshop and art studio, yoga area, and an off-leash dog park.

Inside, there will be a private cinema, golf simulator, library,

games room, residents' kitchen, bar and lounge, barbecue area, private dining rooms and alfresco dining.

On completion next year, Vantage Lilywood, near Caboolture, which began construction late 2025, will deliver 296 homes for the over-50s.

Lilywood is the third Vantage clubhouse Hutchies has been involved in since AVID launched the brand.

The Vantage Bloomdale clubhouse in Victoria has already celebrated its grand opening, and the Vantage Hervey Bay facility is expected to open soon.

LEFT: At the sod-turning for AVID's Vantage Lilywood community clubhouse (L-R) Hutchies' team leader, Robert Morrison, Jack Hutchinson Jnr, AVID's CEO, Anthony Demiris, and senior design manager, Nathan Taylor.

Training awards a salute to

THE Hutchies' Training Awards celebrate the people and programs shaping the future of Hutchies and the construction industry and those who demonstrate Hutchies' culture through their commitment, attitude and capability.

Since 2004, Hutchies' Training Awards have recognised practical, on-the-job learning as the foundation of long-term careers and, this year, three new categories were added to the awards, acknowledging the broader network that supports training at Hutchies.

The new categories are **Training Partners** (recognising apprentices from other builders undertaking training with Hutchies), **Workforce Initiative of the Year**, and **Mentor of the Year**.

These extra categories reflect the growing scale of Hutchies Training and the important role its partners, mentors and regional teams play in developing capability across the network and the wider construction industry.

As an enterprise-based registered training organisation, Hutchies continues to invest in hands-on development

that builds confidence, responsibility and future leaders, and this year's nominations reflected the strength and maturity of Hutchies' training pathways.

From first-year apprentices finding their feet to emerging leaders taking on greater responsibility, nominees consistently demonstrated reliability, initiative, teamwork and pride in their work.

Sean Cummiskey, Hutchies' workforce development manager, said 86 apprentices were currently engaged with Hutchies and the training team, including carpenters, cabinet makers, plastering apprentices and one "sparky" with the crane team at Yatala.

"That number is up from 63 this time last year, and includes the apprentices we train for our employer partners and subbies," said Sean.

"Apprentices remain the lifeblood of our pathway to site leadership, with five graduates from last year's program moving straight into frontline leadership roles in the business."

Special thanks to the event sponsors Milwaukee Tool, Busy At Work, and Total Tools Australia.



Chairman Scott Hutchinson with the 2025 Apprentice of the Year, Finlay Ross.

Award winners for 2025 are...

Apprentice of the Year

Finlay Ross

"Finlay completed his apprenticeship in 2025 and is already running his first project independently. He is highly respected by his team and the subcontractors he works with. Fin consistently considers stakeholder needs and actively supports other apprentices to succeed. Accepted into the Hutchies' site leadership pathway pilot, he shows the capability and character to lead teams in the future." – Ash Blake, Brisbane.

4th Year Apprentice

Oliver Hartwig

"Ollie brings a strong work ethic and positive attitude to site every day. He listens to feedback, applies it safely, and takes pride in his trade. Ollie regularly goes above and beyond, showing outstanding commitment and reliability. His steady development and teamwork make him a valued asset to the project team." – Murray Emmerson (COTY 2025), Coolangatta.

3rd Year Apprentice

Bailey Caplick

"Bailey is a standout apprentice with a consistently high work rate. He takes ownership of his work and shows exceptional reliability. Bailey demonstrates maturity beyond his experience and has stepped into informal leadership. His attitude, initiative and accountability mark him as a future Hutchies' leader." – John Berlese (COTY 2006), Brisbane.

2nd Year Apprentice

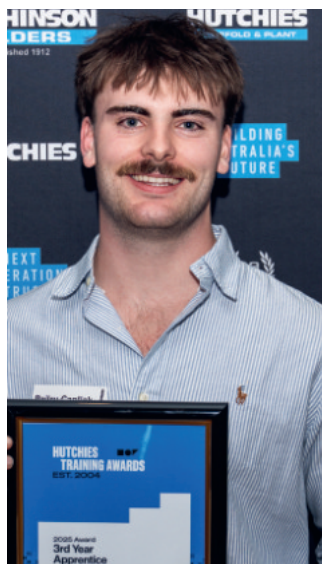
Drew Summers

"Drew is a reliable team member who is always willing to help. He works confidently on his own and within the team. Drew actively seeks new challenges and is committed to developing his skills further. His motivation and work ethic set a strong example." – Jye Bailey, Southport.

1st Year Apprentice

Jake Ryan

"Jake consistently delivers work to a high standard and always arrives prepared. He shows emerging leadership, strong professionalism and a genuine willingness to learn. Jake regularly puts his hand up for extra tasks and brings a get-it-done attitude to site. Nothing is ever too difficult – he gets in and gets the job done." – Greg Crittall, Brisbane.



Bailey Caplick – 3rd Year Apprentice Award winner.



Drew Summers – 2nd Year Apprentice Award winner.



Jake Ryan – 1st Year Apprentice Award winner.

Training Partners Apprentice of the Year

Charlotte Fray (Livit Constructions)

Charlotte has shown exceptional dedication, skill and professionalism throughout her apprenticeship. She consistently exceeds expectations through her work ethic and ability to learn. Charlotte demonstrates strong technical growth alongside emerging leadership qualities. Her enthusiasm and positive attitude make her an outstanding representative of the industry.

Runner-Up

Jedd Thompson (Pro Builder)

Jedd has developed into a confident and capable tradesman through commitment and support. He consistently delivers high-quality work with a strong focus on safety. Jedd shows initiative, reliability and a willingness to support his team. His growth and humility make him a deserving award recipient and role model.

Cadet of the Year

Bailee Ward

"Bailee is driven, committed and confident. She asks thoughtful questions, takes ownership of her work and consistently exceeds expectations. She has stepped into senior contract administrator responsibilities across multiple projects." – Sean Lees, Toowoomba.

Cadet Runner-Up

Nick Clegg

"Nick is organised, reliable and detail-focused. He communicates well, supports his project team and shows strong commercial



From left, Hutchies' national commercial manager, Harry White (COTY 2004), and national cadet and future leaders coordinator, Warren Belford, with cadet finalist, Pat Dallimore, 2025 Cadet of the Year winner, Bailee Ward, and cadet runner-up, Nick Clegg.

awareness. His colleagues see clear potential for future project leadership." – Greg Crittall, Brisbane.

Cadet Finalist

Pat Dallimore

"Pat brings energy and positivity to his team. He is respectful, welcoming and mentors newer cadets. Pat has shown strong growth in accountability, confidence and resilience."

– Jamie Washington, Brisbane.

Workforce Initiative of the Year

Hutchies' Toowoomba Cadetship Program

"This new category recognises workforce development initiatives that operate across the business and make a meaningful contribution to developing our people. The Hutchies' Toowoomba Cadetship Program stood out for its strong local focus and practical approach to learning. The program supports early-career company members by

combining structured guidance with hands-on project experience. Cadets build confidence through responsibility and learn directly from experienced leaders. The program strengthens regional capability and creates clear pathways into long-term careers at Hutchies. The Toowoomba Cadetship Program reflects our commitment to investing in people, supporting regional teams and building future leaders from within the business." – Sean Lees, Toowoomba.

Mentor of the Year

Luke Hinds (COTY 2024)

"In a continued display of excellence in his work at Hutchies, Luke Hinds was presented with the award for Mentor of the Year. Luke has been a bastion in site management for many years and is currently working with the John Berlese team. He was awarded Hutchies' Constructor of the Year (COTY) award in 2024." – John Berlese (COTY 2006), Brisbane.



Training partner awards went to Charlotte Fray, from Livit Constructions (Apprentice of the Year), and Jedd Thompson, from Pro Builder (Runner-Up).



Luke Hinds (COTY 2024) celebrates his 2025 Mentor of the Year award with managing director, Russell Fryer (COTY 2010).

Scott and George star at Paniyiri Festival



Scott prepares the replica of Rock 'n' Roll George's FX Holden for public display at Paniyiri Festival.



MC Tom Drakopoulos and Scott in a Q+A session on Hutchies' involvement with the West End Greek community.

HUTCHIES made a double appearance at the Paniyiri Greek Festival in South Brisbane, the largest of its kind in Australia.

Chairman Scott Hutchinson was invited as a VIP guest, and Hutchies' replica of Rock 'n' Roll George's 1952 FX Holden made an appearance on the streets.

Scott wore a purple suit similar to the one worn by George Kiprios, known as Rock 'n' Roll George, a local West End identity who drove around the streets of Brisbane city from the 1950s to the 1980s playing rock and roll music on the car radio of his Holden.

Scott was a guest of honour at the festival and appeared on stage with MC, Thomas Drakopoulos, to talk about Hutchies' early involvement with the Greek community through construction in 1958 of the Greek Orthodox Church of St George next to the Greek Club.

The two also spoke about Hutchies' purchase of George's original car and putting it on permanent display in the Toowong office foyer, and how a working replica of George's car came to be created for charity work.

Scott explained that George and his famous car were important contributions to Brisbane's social history and needed to be preserved.



Sign of goodwill from Signature

PAINTING subbie, Signature Painters, hosted a food truck on site at the Woody Point Special School project, which the entire crew thought was an excellent way to end the week.

Hutchies is delivering stage two of the Woody Point Special School's staged expansion with the construction of a two-storey general learning centre and specialty spaces to meet growing local enrolment demands.

Others who contributed to the day included TAFE Queensland, Cbus Super, Q Leave, Trade Tools and MEGT.

Start time for Thyme Rothwell



At the sod-turning (from left) Hutchies' Brenton Lawrence, Matt Nicolas and Glynn Kidney; Serenitas' Michael Karlovic and Greg Paul; Deputy Mayor for City of Moreton Bay, Cr Jodie Shipway; Huxley Baberowski; and Serenitas' Blair Britton.

HUTCHIES has started work on Thyme Lifestyle Resort Rothwell's clubhouse that will be the hub for the over-50s community.

The clubhouse will include a range of facilities, including a swimming pool and spa, bowling green, pickleball court, cinema,

hobby shed, community garden, gym and fitness studio, as well as multiple dining and social spaces. Thyme Rothwell is emerging as

a sought-after lifestyle destination for over-50s, due to its prime location near the Moreton Bay coastline and Redcliffe Peninsula.

Cadet Summer School is open for business

APPLICATIONS are now open for Hutchies' 2026/27 Cadet Summer School that offers participants a head start in construction.

Summer School, which will run from November to February, offers a 14-week hands-on accelerated learning program for students studying construction management, quantity surveying or similar disciplines.

Successful applicants will learn from real construction people, hear from 35 industry leaders, visit 30 active job sites, and build practical skills across all aspects of construction.

Hutchies' Summer School is a genuine pathway into a cadet-ship for suitable participants to secure a rewarding career.

Find out more and apply via <https://lnkd.in/gNTEcGe> or contact Hutchies' Katrina Stack.

On-the-ground lessons in surveying



A day of hands-on learning about surveying in the field for Tassie diploma students.

HUTCHIES' national future leaders and cadet coordinator, Warren Belford, headed down to Tasmania to deliver a field-based surveying practical unit for the Hobart diploma students.

The day was filled with hands-on learning as the

students rotated through key surveying skills, from operating a dumpy level, total station to contour drafting, to setting out profiles and string lines.

Participants were Amelia Sutton, Claire Tucker, Henry Johnstone and Myles Castley.



The new multi-purpose sports hall of the Craigslea State High School's Volleyball Centre of Excellence in Chermside West.

Sport and learning at new volleyball complex

HUTCHIES has delivered the new Craigslea State High School's Volleyball Centre of Excellence in Chermside West.

This \$18 million project was a collaboration between QBuild and Queensland Department of Housing and Public Works, Department of Education, and Department of Sport, Racing, Olympic and Paralympic Games to provide a purpose-built facility to support high-performance

school sport and everyday learning.

The new multi-purpose sports hall includes indoor courts, spectator viewing mezzanine, entry foyers, storage rooms, change rooms, amenities, and staff and teaching spaces.

New walkways connect the hall to existing school buildings.

The project also includes car parking, terraced seating, and landscaped outdoor areas.



Top dog in Rocky

MJ O'Donnell from Hutchies' Rockhampton is besotted with her pup, Madden, who is a regular visitor to work.

Of course, when on site, Madden abides by WHS rules.

"Madden is so happy to wear a Hutchies' hard hat that he even looks like he is smiling," said MJ.

"I reckon he could be put on as site foreman here in Rocky, except he looks far too handsome."

Brewery fundraiser for Reeve



ONE of Hobart's contract administrators, Calvin Bellette, organised a fundraiser for 10-year-old Tassie girl, Reeve, and her family as she battles Rhabdomyosarcoma – a rare aggressive cancer.

Calvin is a former workmate of Reeve's stepdad, Justin, and the two have been close mates for more than 16 years.

The fundraiser and raffle held at Mountain Culture Brewery in Hobart achieved an outstanding result, raising \$18,819 through ticket sales, generous donations, a "karma keg," and the auction of two signed Hawthorn guernseys.

Every dollar went directly to supporting Reeve and her family, helping cover extensive ongoing medical and travel expenses as they deal with her treatment journey.

Special shout-out to Hutchies' Joey McAuley for emceeing and helping with the venue.

Visit the website...
www.gofundme.com/f/help-reeve-fight-rhabdomyosarcoma

LEFT: Joey McAuley draws the raffle at Calvin Bellette's fundraiser for Reeve.



Hutchies' site HSEQ advisor, Warren Banks, got a special shout-out on Beacon's socials for not only showing the students around but for sharing some encouraging insights into his own journey within the construction industry.

Warren shines in Beacon socials

THROUGH the Beacon Foundation's Local Futures Project, high school students toured Hutchies' Hobart Airport construction site as part of their behind-the-scenes look at overall airport operations.

Hutchies in Tasmania partners with and sponsors the Beacon Foundation, which is a not-for-profit organisation that works with schools and industry, delivering career readiness programs and services across Australia.

Founded in 1988, it concentrates its efforts in communities with high youth disengagement and unemployment.



Turning out in support of SunnyKids (from left) Luke Menzel, Steve Hodgins, Lochlan Johnson, Shahtia North Cunningham, Tara Thelwall, Cooper Bessell, Isaac Whittington, Ruby Starr, Helen Dahl and Jack Connors.

Sunny Coast go to races for SunnyKids scholarship program

HUTCHIES' Sunshine Coast team sponsored a table at the Tilers Trade Centre Race Night, supporting SunnyKids as it launched Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month.

Thanks to the generosity in the room, \$15,000 was raised for SunnyKids' Altitude

Scholarships Program, helping 10 more children access support to build brighter futures.

Two of Hutchies' team members, Shahtia North Cunningham and Steve Hodgins, won 'Best Dressed' on the night.



Hobart's gym gets a work-out

HUTCHIES' crew in Hobart reckon they have the hottest in-house gym in the city.

In mid-2024, the team began with weekly after-work classes in the office gym with local trainer, Robert Talbot, from SPR Conditioning.

Those popular sessions have increased to two nights a week with classes comprising Hutchies' team members, family and friends.

Trainer, Robert, said that exercise should be a part of everyone's life but it was often a challenge to find the time and place.

"Hutchies has removed this barrier by providing a space at its workplace, and cultivating an environment where exercise is encouraged and supported," he said.

"It is paving the way forward for all big businesses to provide this opportunity for their staff.

"I have enjoyed every single session I have taken here, with some amazing success for people who previously wouldn't have considered themselves capable of being able to enjoy the benefits of exercise."

Office manager, Kerri Sharman, said the gym also gets plenty of use from crew members on cold winter mornings in Hobart.

Toowoomba trio celebrate

TOOWOOMBA has celebrated with three talented cadets who have officially completed their Hutchies' cadetships and degrees after three years of hard work, dedication and commitment.

Each of the cadets spent nine months on site, gaining real-world experience on active job sites, plus rotations through every department in the office, including estimating, design, safety, quality and contract administration – all while working and studying full-time.

Over the past three years, each of the women was recognised as a Hutchies' Toowoomba Cadet of



Graduates, from left, Gina Meeve, Brianna Charlesworth and Gabriella Behr.

the Year (Gina Meeve 2023, Gabriella Behr 2024 and Brianna Charlesworth 2025).

Chairman Scott Hutchinson presented the women with their completion certificates and con-

gratulated them personally on this significant milestone in their careers.

Back to school to encourage construction industry career

HUTCHIES has been out and about in schools, talking to students about careers in construction and the many pathways into the industry.

At Nudgee College, old boys, Patrick Dallimore and Roland Johnson, returned to share their experiences since leaving school and building their careers with Hutchies.

At Churchie, Harry Fagan spoke with Year 10 students about university, cadetships, and his journey through the Hutchies' Summer School program.

Gregory Terrace welcomed back Oliver Macklin, who shared his experience working on major projects, progressing his career in contract administration, and being Hutchies' inaugural Global Building Exchange Program recipient to work in the UK.

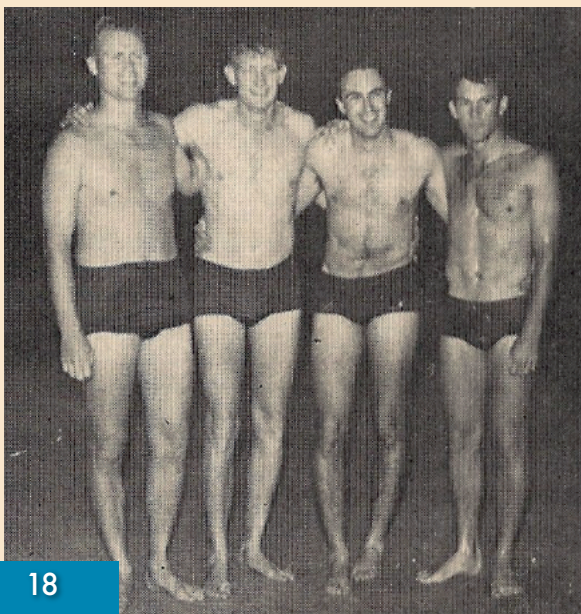
Meanwhile, at Stuartholme, Monique Hamilton helped showcase the opportunities available to young women considering a future in construction.

Katrina Stack, people support manager, said that one thing that stood out at every event was how much students enjoyed hearing from people who have recently walked the same path.

"Whether they are current cadets, apprentices or young professionals, those personal stories made a real impact," said Katrina.



St Joey's old boy, Oliver Macklin, went back to school at Gregory Terrace, accompanied by Hutchies' people support administrator, Bridget Mulvenna.



Jack a flash in the pool

A REPORT on the 1964 swimming championships of the State Government's estimating branch indicates Jack Hutchinson Snr was no slouch in the pool.

The report said Jack's quantity surveyor team had once again proved too good for the opposition in the annual contest.

"Despite extreme fatigue from previous races, they did a Dawn Fraser by winning the blue ribbon event, the relay championship, for the third year in succession.

The QS team of McPherson, Butler,

Costigan and Hutchinson turned off the opposition, with Jack Hutchinson finishing three yards ahead of his nearest rival after a leisurely swim over the final 25 yards.

In a subsequent interview, the boys attributed their success to the goldfish pond in the office and the hours of concentrated observation watching their movement.

It would seem that the Quantity Surveyors should retain this event for several years to come."



Group celebrates a job well done by the apprentices.

Concreting workshop and BBQ at the Rocks

PARTICIPANTS in a concreting workshop at Hutchies' Seventeen Miles Rocks depot celebrated a job well done with a barbecue lunch.

As a project, apprentices were supervised to upgrade the parking area with a five cubic metre pour.

Concrete was donated by Heidelberg Materials (formerly Hanson), with their business development manager, Jimmy O'Brien, on hand on the day.



Carpark expansion underway.

Hayden's apprenticeship full circle



Hayden Willis (centre) with Rob Gee (left) and Andy Becconsall.

HAYDEN Willis has completed his carpentry apprenticeship after starting four years ago on the Caboolture satellite hospital project, working alongside project manager, Rob Gee.

Fast forward, and Hayden completed his training on site with Rob at the Youi expansion project.

Hayden has been a valuable addition to the Sunshine Coast team with the support of Hutchies' trainer/assessor, Andy Becconsall.

Smokin' hot on the PICAC site



HUTCHIES hosted an all-on-site barbecue to celebrate completion of the enabling works package for the Plumbing Industry Climate Action Centre (PICAC) project, in Glenwood, New South Wales.

The huge Middle Eastern inspired barbecue was a big hit and was enjoyed by subcontractors, students, and staff.

Keen students queue up for Try'a Skill

HUTCHIES welcomed more than 40 school students as part of the Construction Skills Queensland (CSQ) Try'a Skill program – giving students an insight into what a career in construction can look like beyond the tools.

Throughout the day, students engaged with the team and heard from guest speakers who shared their experiences, career journeys, and the diverse work that



Andrew Goller (left) and Paul David during the CSQ's Try'a Skill day hosted by Hutchies.

goes into delivering a construction project.

From understanding how a job site operates to seeing the variety of roles involved, the program helped bring construction to life

for the students and showcased the pathways available within the industry.

Thank you to everyone involved in making the day a success, from the program team, Jess Hite

and Juliana Keane, and guest speakers, Paul David, Jimmy Andersen, Owen Lyden, Josh Chau, Bridget Mulvenna and Bree Hoek, with support from CSQ's Rylah Taylor.



Greetings from guess where?

DEAN Tyler-Battaglia and fiancée, Chelsea Bath, went sightseeing in London and posed with one of the UK capital's must-see attractions, the Palace of Westminster and Elizabeth Tower, colloquially known as the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben.

Dean is based with Wates in London as part of the Global Building Exchange Program and is currently working as a section manager on the HMP Welland Oaks Gartree prison project, under construction in Market Harborough, near Leicester.

Biggest Morning Tea bake off

TEAM members at Toowong filled the boardroom for the Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea and Hutchies' hotly contested 'Battle Royale Bake Off' competition.

The doors opened at 10.30, and the packed room was free to sample and taste-test treats from each competing team's table.

Proving Hutchies' team members' talents extend beyond construction, there were some stand-out entries, including impressive croquembouches from Team Milburn and Team White's eye-catching crane-themed cake.

All judging was done by people power, with voting tokens deciding the crowd favourite – Team Pereira.

Importantly, the day raised more than \$22,000 for the Cancer Council's annual fundraiser.

Congratulations to everyone who baked, donated, voted, and helped make the day a success.

The subbies who left their names on the



Special thanks to Leiha Lenehan (left) and Danica Taylor for organising Hutchies' Biggest Morning Tea and Battle Royale Bake Off.



donations are: EMW Electrical, Superior Plumbing Brisbane, Axis Plumbing QLD, Corporate Plumbing, Plumbing Design & Drafting, Group 4 Commercial, Keybuild, SS

Irrigation, Carseldine Air Conditioning, Sparc, PKF QLD, Molan Phillips, SFG, Energypro, TC, TKM Construction Group, Ausreo – Wacol.

Size does not matter in architecture awards

THE 2026 Queensland Architecture Awards were announced recently with Hutchies' work across the state excelling both large and small.

Hosted by the Queensland chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects, the awards demonstrated that Hutchies takes on projects of all sizes in all sorts of places.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Queensland Medallion to 205 North Quay (Hassell, REX and Richards & Spence).

The project was also recognised with The Beatrice Hutton Award for Commercial Architecture, and the Art & Architecture Prize, making it one of the most celebrated projects of the night.



Cow Bay Primary Health Centre.

443 Queen Street (WOHA/Architectus/Kris Kowalski Architects) won the Job and Froud Award that recognises excellence in Residential Architecture – Multiple Housing, celebrat-

ing developments that balance community living, sustainability, and innovative design.

Both 443 Queen Street and 205 North Quay had earlier been awarded Lord Mayor's Brisbane Buildings That Breathe Architecture Prizes.

At the other end of the scale and state, Cow Bay Primary Health Care Clinic (Clarke and Prince Architects), Far North Queensland's Regional Project of the Year, won an award for Public Architecture and was recognised with a Social Impact Prize, highlighting the role architecture can play in improving access to essential services in regional communities.

The Cow Bay facility provides essential healthcare in a remote Daintree community, entirely off-grid.

Delivered by Hutchies with Queensland Health and the Department of Housing and Public Works, alongside Clarke and Prince Architects.



205 North Quay.

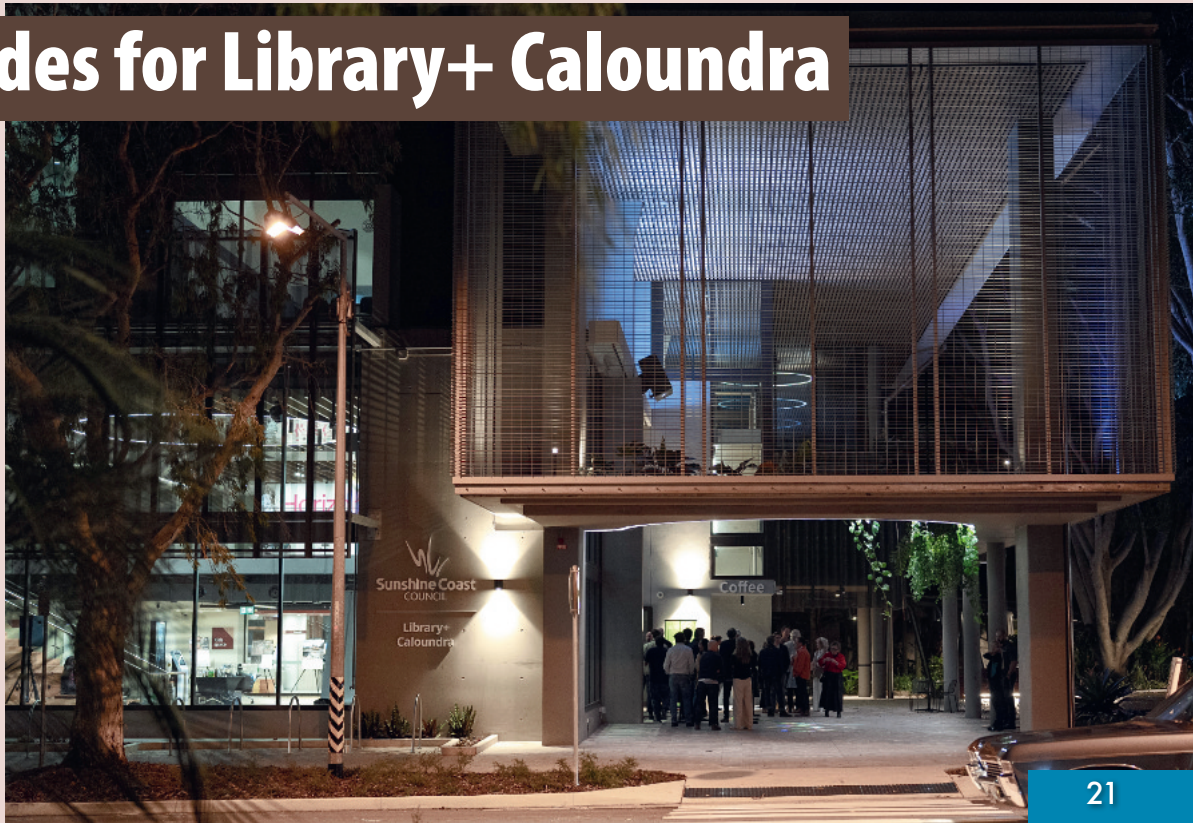
Two accolades for Library+ Caloundra

THE Australian Institute of Architects' Sunshine Coast regional awards were held at the Library+ Caloundra building that Hutchies delivered last year for the Sunshine Coast Council.

Lochlan Johnson, estimating manager, attended on the team's behalf.

On the night, the Library+ Caloundra (Wilson Architects with Robinson Architects) received a Commendation for Public Architecture.

Library+ Caloundra was also recognised with a commendation at the biannual Australian Library Design Awards held in May this year.





Lots of fun and little fishing



THIS year marked the 40th anniversary of the social club's annual men's weekend away, held traditionally over the Labour Day long weekend.

As usual, there was a mix of first-timers, plenty of regulars and a strong veterans' contingent who made it across to North Stradbroke Island (Minjerribah) – some of whom arrived in style aboard Jack Snr's *Margaritaville*.

Hutchies' flannos were the order of the day except for Sunday night when the 'Circus' theme sent in the clowns and a few wild animals.

Included in the weekend performance were two then-

apprentices from 1987, both still putting in the hard yards for Hutchies.

Matt Hutton (COTY 1997) was continuous for 39 years, starting

in January 1987, and Mick De Jong started in March 1987.

It was the first time Matt and Mick had caught up since 1997, so they had plenty to talk about.



Praise for team members at work and play

MY name is Nathan Rodwell, and I am a long-term friend of Dean White.

After his recent hernia surgery, I gave him a hand to help get things sorted and packed for the Hutchinson Builders' men's social club annual fishing trip.

He kindly asked if I would like to attend – and I quickly snapped up the offer.

The weekend was an amazing experience – well organised and great fun all round.

The main reason for this email is to congratulate you all on the amazing team culture you have created at Hutchinson Builders,

or "Hutchies" as everyone calls you.

I have never witnessed a group of employees from all different sections of a business come together so incredibly well, from scaffolders to IT guys, and everyone in between, both past and present, all enjoying each other's company – many of whom would never deal with one another in day-to-day working life.

But by far the best part, and I believe to be "Hutchies' culture" in its purest form, was witnessing everyone watching out and caring for former employee, Al Gundy.

Young men and old men all

took the time to go and sit and have a quiet chat, help him to his seat, or make sure he got to bed safely.

It was like they were looking out for their uncle, not an ex-employee, some of whom I am sure would have never worked with or met Al before.

It actually brought a tear to my eye. It was truly awesome to see.

So hats off to the whole Hutchies' family and well done.

Maybe one day there might be a role at Hutchies I can apply for and contribute to the Hutchies' culture myself.

Regards, Nathan Rodwell





on 40th men's weekend away





From left, Matt Waldron, Ben Sutton, Jack Prosser, Matt Gemmell, and Corey Dwyer.

Family of League lunch gathering

TEAM members from Toowoomba headed to the local Federal Hotel to help celebrate 20 years of the Family of League.

The Family of League (formerly Men of League) is a grassroots charity supporting the rugby league community, which has provided more than \$10 million in financial and practical assistance and tens of thousands of hours of volunteer care services over its 20-plus year history.

The event included a two-course lunch and an afternoon hearing stories from special guest speakers, former Brisbane Broncos players, Jharal Yow Yeh and Jack Reed, along with Maroons legend, Chris "Choppy" Close.

Jimmy gets his slab of XXXX Gold for his 40th

WHEN Hutchies national health and safety manager, Jimmy Andersen's fortieth birthday was looming, he let everyone know that all he wanted to do was celebrate with a XXXX Gold or two.

His wish was granted when Leiha Lenehan, Shannon Scott and Matilda Fowke (COTY 2018) took him at his word and gave him a slab of XXXX Gold ... a slab **cake** of XXXX Gold!

While Leiha and Tilly baked the chocolate cakes and whipped up

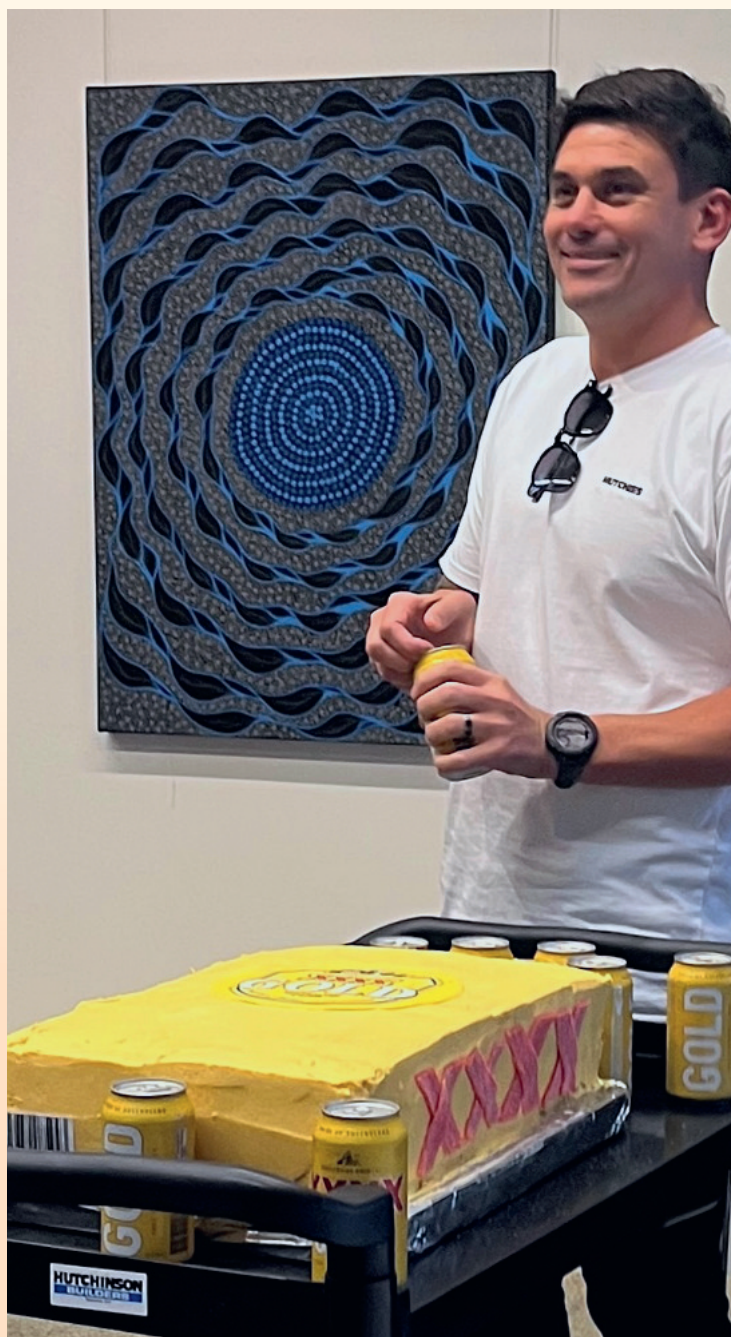
the icing, Shannon, a non-baker, took over the decorating and discovered she had a hidden talent for the job.

She reckons that icing a cake is not dissimilar to levelling concrete.

For the bakers out there, the stats are that three kilograms of butter and about three kilograms of icing sugar went into the icing, the XXXX Gold logo was an edible print, and the four Xs were sour straps.



Shannon Scott reckons icing a cake is not dissimilar to levelling concrete.



Jimmy Andersen with his slab of XXXX Gold cake.

Toowoomba welcomes its next generation

THE Toowoomba office welcomed some special little visitors representing the team's next generation of Hutchies. From left, contracts administrator, Cody Lugg, and August Sutton; commercial manager, Bridget Noble, and Stella Noble; and Nick Linnan's wife, Brooke, and Lenny Linnan.



Indie a team member on Mossman social housing



Indie on site in her Hutchies' gear.

MEET Indie, a neighbour at Hutchies' social housing project in Mossman.

Indie has been a fascinated observer since construction started.

Site manager, Chris Hull, has been teaching Indie about the building process, and she was

excited to be invited to sit in the trucks delivering the Yatala modules to site.

Because of her enthusiasm, the team gave Indie her own Hutchies' gear.

Indie's curious mind indicates she could be a future builder.



Scott Hutchinson on stage to present the Lifetime Achievement Award to 4ZZZ.

Gold Coast the new host Queensland Music Awards

FOR the first time in their 20-year history, the Queensland Music Awards were held on the Gold Coast at the creative precinct of Miami Marketta.

Hutchies is a gold partner for the Queensland Music Awards and chairman Scott Hutchinson was there on the night to present the Lifetime Achievement Award to 4ZZZ.



Hutchies' Warren Belford recently toured Europe with his brothers, with the highlight a farm stay at famous Fattoria Poggio Alloro near San Gimignano in Tuscany. From left, Warren, wife Susan, Alan Belford, and Rita and Ian Belford. The spare Undies were a tribute to Alan's wife, Naples-born Filomena, who passed away 18 months ago.

TRAVELLING UNDIES & BUDGIES

Hutchies' Luke Reynolds flew down to Hobart to compete in the Hutchies' half marathon. After posting a decent time of 1:52:11, he treated himself to a big stack of pancakes and a recovery dip in the spa at his cliffside villa. What better time to crack out the Hutchies' Budgies.



Escaping a chilly winter, Paola Lorena Cabrera was seen wearing Hutchies' merch poolside in Spain.



MID-WINTER chills have caused a sudden drop-off in the number of contributions for Hutchies' Travelling Undies & Budgies. Don't forget Scott's offer of a bottle of tequila for every photo published.

Townsville's top dog, Aaron Ohl, flashed his Hutchies' Budgies during his own version of a downward dog at a Hot Pilates team workout.





ABOVE: Hobart site manager, Myles Castely, and Ellie Sheridan married earlier this year at historic Valleyfield in New Norfolk on the banks of the Derwent River.

RIGHT: Townsville senior contracts administrator, Andrew Fergus, and Allison Byrnes from Ayr, travelled south to be married in the Holy Spirit church on Villiers Street, New Farm, and celebrated at The Warehouse in Fortitude Valley. The couple's dog, Murphy, was in the official wedding party.



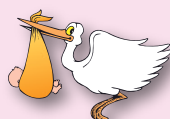
ABOVE: Toowoomba construction cadet, Caylan Siddell, and Sarah Holloway chose the alpine region of Switzerland as the stunning backdrop to tie the knot.

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HATCHED

Evie Xia daughter for Ivy Xia, from Hutchies' payroll, and Yun Mao.



FEEDBACK



THE City Cyclones are incredibly grateful to once again partner with long-term sponsor, Hutchinson Builders, whose support since 2020 has helped lay the groundwork for the growth of women's rugby league within the QPS.

Much like the incredible projects Hutchies delivers across the community, your support has helped build a strong foundation for our team.

You could say Hutchies completes us ... brick by brick.

The best part about hammering out a few construction puns is that even when they're a bit screw-y, you can still nail it.

And don't worry – we promise the partnership is far more solid than our jokes!

In all seriousness, Hutchinson Builders' backing means the world to us.

Your support continues to provide opportunities for our players and ensures the City Cyclones keep building momentum, year after year.

From everyone at the Queensland Police Women's Rugby League City Cyclones – thank you, Hutchinson Builders, for standing alongside us and helping us keep building something great.

Kirsten Everett

**Plain Clothes Senior Constable
Domestic, Family Violence and
Vulnerable Persons Unit
Investigations Team, Gold Coast
District**

CONGRATULATIONS to the whole Hutchies' team who were involved in the Lagoon Project in Cronin Avenue (Gold Coast) with a special thanks to your traffic team, especially Brendan.

He and the other wardens were so respectful and while doing a challenging role were able to

communicate fully with all the residents and always offered a smile.

Thank you for delivering what I consider to be the most amazing building in Main Beach.

Regards

Yvonne Gentle

YOUR crews are amazing to watch and are very productive.

I am from the USA and sell foundation drilling equipment around the world, so I have seen a lot of construction sites.

For the last two months I have been staying in an Airbnb in Brisbane on Merivale Street where I get to see one of your projects daily.

Your crews have been awesome to watch from our balcony.

They are very productive, professional and keep a clean, safe work environment.

Even through the rain lately, they did a great job staying busy.

Just wanted to give your crew an "atta boy"!

Bob Beamis

I WANTED to send you guys a note following Against The Grain on the weekend.

It was such an amazing day of community, music and art, and we are so stoked on how everything went.

Felt like a really special day for Brisbane; I hope some of your team got down and had a great time too!

Really want to say an enormous thank you to Hutchies for getting behind this event.

It was not an easy feat to pull it all together, and your help was just so

incredibly valued and appreciated. Thank you.

Following the response from the festival, we're thinking about the potential to bring it back next year.

We'll see how things feel once the dust has settled!

**Chris Langenberg (he/him)
Senior Artist Booker
Event Programmer**

THANK you for taking time out to participate in our Paniyiri Greek Festival cultural program.

Very much appreciated.

With kindest regards

**Thomas P Drakopoulos
Special Counsel
Milner Lawyers**

I HAVE just returned from a meeting with our village committee chairs and Village managers.

The Village manager, the Village chair and Joshua all spoke very highly of your efforts during the floor replacement.

I wanted to personally reach out and let you know that all involved thought you were excellent and to thank you.

**Gary Kordic
Chief Property Officer
Levande**

I WOULD like to acknowledge the help I received in March this year from your project/site supervisors at the building site on George/Margaret Streets in Brisbane city.

After I was knocked over on the footpath on Margaret Street by two e-scooters, Jack Pembroke and Oliver Macklin came to see what

had happened, led me to the edge of the work site, sat me down, put ice packs on my bruises and gave me cold bottled water to drink.

They eventually called an Uber to make sure I got home safely after I had calmed down and felt less agitated.

I was very lucky to have only suffered a broken thumb from the accident.

I would like to extend a very sincere thank you to those two very kind gentlemen!

I will always be grateful to Jack and Oliver for their assistance.

Yours sincerely

Catherine Pegolo

MASSIVE thank you for your time on Tuesday night at our client function.

We received great feedback from our clients.

They loved your honest feedback and commentary.

Kind regards

**Simon Beirne
State Chief Executive
Queensland
Colliers**

ON behalf of UDIA Queensland, I just wanted to say thank you for your time and participation in our Housing Affordability Solutions Summit event last week.

The feedback that we have received has been fantastic, so thank you so much.

Please feel free to contact me if I can assist with anything further at all, otherwise, I look forward to working with you all again soon.

Have a great day!

**Warm regards,
Jane Rohdman
Events Coordinator
UDIA Queensland**



The eye-catching new photo mural in Sunny Coast's reception area.

Talented artwork on display

THE Sunshine Coast's Maroochydore office has an eye-catching new feature in the reception area thanks to the talents of its team members – a huge photo mural of an aerial view of the Sunshine Coast.

The team came up with an overall

design idea for the mural's installation, and the dramatic photograph was taken by project manager, Brandon Tonkin, with his personal drone.

"It's a bird's-eye view of the place we're proud to call home," team members said.

"It's meant as a daily reminder of our connection to the Sunshine Coast and our commitment to building for this community.

"From the coastline to the city centre, this is where we work, live, and contribute."

OBITUARIES

Ron Niven

10/05/1941 – 25/06/2026

SADLY, much-respected Hutchies' veteran, Ron Niven (COTY 1989), passed away on June 25 at the age of 85.

Ron began working at Hutchies in 1981 and quickly made his mark, being named the company's second Constructor of the Year in 1989.

That recognition reflected the respect he earned across Hutchies and the impact Ron had on the projects and people around him.

Over that time, he built a strong reputation as a capable and highly regarded site manager, known for his straightforward approach and commitment to getting the job done.

He retired in 2006 after 25 years' service, but maintained a keen interest in Hutchies and kept up strong ties with former workmates.

Ron was among a core group of veterans who continued to attend Hutchies' events, and was a regular face at break-up days at the Toowong yard.

Director Paul Hart (COTY 2005) remembers Ron, not only as one of the great site managers, recognised for his dedicated work running smaller, fast-paced commercial refurbishment and maintenance projects, but also as a popular bloke with everyone.

Paul said Hutchies looked very different back then.

"It was a much smaller business, with fewer people, fewer projects and a highly nimble way of working," Paul said.



Ron was among the Hutchies' veterans at the 2025 Toowong yard break-up party.

"Ron was part of a small, responsive crew delivering additions, refurbishments and maintenance work across the business.

"Jobs moved quickly and required careful planning and coordination, with multiple trades often starting and finishing on the same day.

"Ron and his team were known for delivering this work with skill and consistency, building strong relationships and repeat clients.

"He was someone who just got on with the job and led from the front, delivering for clients.

"He was reliable, practical and respected by the people around him, which is what mattered most.

"Ron was very much a part of a generation of builders who helped shape Hutchies' reputation through consistency, reliability and hands-on leadership, and he was part of a close-knit era of Hutchies' crews where teamwork and loyalty defined our culture."

Paul said one of Ron's greatest contributions was helping to enhance the social club's annual fishing weekend into what it is today.

"The cultural impact of those trips for many at Hutchies cannot be valued," he said.

Ron's wife, Tessa, shared the following about his early life.

Ron was born in Grangemouth, Scotland, in 1941. The family moved to Rosyth, Scotland, where his father, a merchant seaman, was attached to the Royal Naval Dockyard.

Growing up, Ron spent many school holidays in the Shetland Islands, where both his parents were from.

Ron served his carpentry apprenticeship in Rosyth before moving to London to find work. It was in London that Ron met Tessa in 1964 and they married two years later.

With their two young sons, aged 8 and 6, they migrated to Australia in 1981.

These days son, Stuart, works and lives in the USA, while Craig lives in Camira.

In March this year, Ron and Tessa celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Hutchies is grateful for Ron's contribution and the role he played in shaping the business," said Paul.

"All our thoughts are with Tessa and his family."

Charles 'Charlie' Wilson

12/03/1934 – 05/07/2026

CHARLIE Wilson, has passed away at the age of 92.

Charlie joined Hutchies in September 1990 at the mature age of 59, and contributed close to seven years of service working as a craftsman carpenter, bringing experience and maturity to site teams.

He was part of the team of Len White (COTY 1990), Paul Hart (COTY 2005), Mick DeJong, Peter Booker and his own son, Terry Wilson (COTY 2001), who delivered Kingfisher Bay Resort in 1991-92.

Charlie and Wally DeJong were the only trusted chippies to lay the resort's timber dance floor, which was a masterpiece.

During the Kingfisher Bay project, he shared a house in Hervey Bay with Paul Hart, Terry Wilson, Mick DeJong and Peter Booker, and together with Karen and Len White (COTY 1990) who lived nearby, they all formed a

great team working together for 12 months to deliver the challenging job.

Charlie was known for helping keep the house and the crew in order during that time, and he was known as a steady and practical voice on and off site, supporting younger crew members.

He was part of a generation of tradesmen who helped establish Hutchies' reputation through quality workmanship and reliability, working on regional projects.

Chairman Scott Hutchinson praised the Wilsons, who were a three-generation Hutchies' family with Charlie, his son Terry 'Wobbles' Wilson (COTY 2001), and grandson Jason Wilson all working as team members.

"With them all working with us at the same time, it made the Wilsons seem part of Hutchies forever," said Scott.

Janis Brischke

29/7/1950 – 09/07/2026

FORMER Hutchies' team member, Janis Brischke, has passed away after a short illness just shy of her 76th birthday.

Janis was a member of the Hutchies' office crew in Brisbane back in the days when only four other women were working there.

Janis was at Hutchies from March 1987 until September 1996.

Brisbane-born, Janis loved travelling near and far, and, with husband, Brian, she enjoyed caravanning within Australia.

Hutchies' veterans, Karen and Len White (COTY 1990), who were great mates with her, wrote to say that Janis was well known to them and many others in Hutchies affectionately as 'The Bitch' – a title of which she was extremely proud.

Karen said that all the Hutchies' boys knew that, if there was any time they needed a favour from 'The Bitch', all they had to do was bring Janis Neenish tarts or chocolates.

Janis is survived by her husband, Brian, and was privately cremated.

Burdekin Plaza Roof, Ayr

Job Value: \$5.84M

Job Description: A full roof replacement, along with structural and mechanical upgrades, to an existing shopping centre.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Aaron Ohl
Hutchies' Project Manager:Shane Damian
Hutchies' Design Manager:Shane Damian
Hutchies' Cost Planner:Shane Damian
Hutchies' Administrator:Jacob Fowler
Hutchies' Site Manager:Mark Taylor
Structural Engineering:STP Consultants
Client:Region RE

Ripley Valley-White Rock State School, Ipswich

Job Value: \$90.58M

Job Description: A new primary school in the developing White Rock estate.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Mitch Grimmer
Hutchies' Project Manager:Alan Gscheidle
Hutchies' Design Manager:Joel Starbuck
Hutchies' Cost Planner:Jude Wong
Hutchies' Administrator:Warren Humphris
Hutchies' Site Manager:Nat Creedy
Hutchies' Site Foreman:Steven Wilson
Architect Firm:Group GSA
Structural Engineering:Northrop
Civil Engineering:Northrop
Client:Department of Education (Qld)

Coles, Kingaroy

Job Value: \$32.93M

Job Description: A new shopping centre for a supermarket, three attached sub-tenancies, a drive-through bakery, a 200-plus car park, and a new four-way intersection upgrade.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Sean Lees
Hutchies' Project Manager:Ryan Canning
Hutchies' Design Manager:Andrew Nolan
Hutchies' Cost Planner:Matt Maag
Hutchies' Administrator:Brianna Charlesworth/
Gabriella Behr
Hutchies' Site Manager:Brett Washington
Architect Firm:Arknight Architects
Civil Engineering Consultant:Avant
Client:Coles Group Property Developments

280 Elizabeth St, Brisbane

Job Value: \$330M

Job Description: A 38-level commercial office tower for Cbus Property in the heart of the CBD.

Hutchies' Team Leader:John Berlese
Hutchies' Project Manager:Nikolas Cox
Hutchies' Design Manager:Rod King/Ian Webster
Hutchies' Cost Planner:David Bendall
Hutchies' Administrator:Ryan Allison
Hutchies' Site Manager:Karl Axnick
Architect Firm:Hassell
Structural Engineering:ADG
Civil Engineering:ADG
Client:Cbus Property



Modular housing, Doomadgee

Job Value: \$15.67M

Job Description: Delivery of 10 MMC houses under a D&C modular contract administered by QBuild as part of the Queensland Government Employee Housing (GEH) program in out-back Doomadgee.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Sean Lees
Hutchies' Project Manager:Jamie Nielsen
Hutchies' Design Manager:Kirsten Kanowski
Hutchies' Cost Planner:Chandana Kuruppu
Hutchies' Administrator:Bailee Ward/Gabriella Behr
Hutchies' Site Manager:Mal Campbell/Jay O'Connor
Architect Firm:Kearney Architecture
Structural Engineering:Eiger Engineering
Client:Department of Housing and Public Works (Qld)

Pippis, Coffs Harbour

Job Value: \$33M

Job Description: Mixed-use development consisting of 32 apartments and seven commercial tenancies.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Murray Emmerson
Hutchies' Project Manager:Tim Todd
Hutchies' Design Manager:Chris Lillis
Hutchies' Cost Planner:Luke Smith
Hutchies' Administrator:Michael Brotherton/
Mackenzie Branch
Hutchies' Site Manager:Jason Donnelly
Architect Firm:Casa Koala Architecture
Structural Engineering:Northrop
Civil Engineering:De Groot & Benson
Client:Pippis Coffs

Amart, Macgregor

Job Value: \$8.79M

Job Description: A new purpose-built showroom for Amart including demolition of the existing facilities and a new 99-vehicle car park.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Keenan Wolski
Hutchies' Project Manager:Liam Switzer
Hutchies' Design Manager:Rebecca Flor
Hutchies' Cost Planner:Coen Wilson
Hutchies' Administrator:Mikayla Daley
Hutchies' Site Manager:Jack Leahy
Architect Firm:Buchan
Structural Engineering:McVeigh Consultants
Civil Engineering:Morgan Consulting Engineers
Client:JVL Property

Melbourne Golf Park

Job Value: \$953,398

Job Description: Stage 2 expansion of the Al-



Construction is underway for Pippis, a mixed-use development within the popular beachside area of Coffs Harbour.

bert Park driving range (completed in 2022) consisting of the addition of five new bays.

Hutchies' Team Leader:Andrew Doyle
Hutchies' Project Manager:Trenton Dalvean
Hutchies' Design Manager:Michael Stelluto/Mariana Ribeiro

Hutchies' Cost Planner:Brianna Castaldo
Hutchies' Administrator:Chloe Rowse
Hutchies' Site Manager:Lucas Meddings
Architect Firm:Eames Architecture
Structural Engineering:Matter Consulting
Civil Engineering:Matter Consulting
Client:Albert Park Driving Range



Artist's impression of the 38-level commercial office tower underway in Brisbane's CBD for Cbus Property.



Hutchies is constructing the new Ripley Valley-White Rock State School in this growing area of Ipswich.



From left, Apex Facades' Daniel Haskard; Hutchies' Brent Davis, Scott Kitto, Monique Hamilton, and Cameron Wise; Apex Facades' Mitchell Haskard, Kaycee Haskard and Matt Findlay.

A big day at the races for the flying squad

MEMBERS of Hutchies' national post completion team, along with members of the Apex Facades crew, made a day of it at the 2026 Doomben 10,000 race day.

Offering \$1.5 million in prize money, the Ladbrokes Doomben 10,000 is one of Queensland's highest-rated sprint races and a popular day out at the track for the punters.



The glam Hutchies' crowd who assembled in the Guineas Room in the Members' Reserve included Brooke Wilson and Brian Hick (left) and Tracey Williams and Wally O'Toole (right).

Glamour at Tatts

TATTERSALL'S Tiara Race Day, Hutchies' social club's favourite event of the year, was held again in June in the Guineas Room at Eagle Farm Racecourse.

No fairy tales at this bedtime



Grace enjoying a bedtime read.

JOINERY site manager Leon Laycock's granddaughter, Grace, loves to read in bed and *Hutchies' Truth* is among her favourites.

The seven-year-old has her own *Truth* subscription and looks forward to each edition arriving in the mail.

Grace has a set time for bed, but is allowed to read before sleep. She enjoys being a Hutchies' granddaughter and reads every *Truth* cover to cover.

Grace's mum told Leon his granddaughter's reading habits indicate she is definitely a STEM woman.

Leon needed his wife to explain STEM to him.



Townsville team members, (from left) Darren Jones, Rob Ciranni and Jacob Fowler, during their Hot Pilates workout.

Hot workout in Townsville

EVER keen to keep abreast of the latest trends, Townsville team members have now tried out the red-hot craze of Hot Pilates.

For anyone not up with the latest, Hot Pilates is a high-energy, low-impact workout that combines traditional Pilates with the intensity of a heated room, usually 30°C to 40°C, to mimic a humid sauna-like environment.

Given the weather in Townsville, you would think the crew could get the same effect working out in the office carpark.



Hutchies' resident ironman, Cooper Bessell.

HUTCHIES sponsors Sunshine Coast team member, Cooper Bessell, who regularly competes in Surf Life Saving Ironman events.

Ironman events are gruelling multi-disciplinary races that test a lifesaver's ultimate fitness and rescue abilities by combining swimming, board paddling, surf skiing, and running.

Each discipline is also contested individually at surf lifesaving carnivals, allowing athletes to showcase their strengths in specific areas.

Cooper's specialty is ski paddling, where he recently achieved an impressive sixth place in the open category at a major NSW event.

His preparation for competition requires a rigorous training schedule that includes: four pool swimming sessions, two board paddles, three ski paddles, two run sessions focused on endurance and transitions, and one full iron session combining all disciplines in race format.

Jack out with the girls



From left, Danica Biffanti, Jack Hutchinson Snr, Gabrielle Suley, Stacy Jacobsen and Maggie Wilson.

JACK Hutchinson Snr and Alec Hutchinson flew north recently, visiting Hutchies' Cairns and Townsville offices.

While they were in Townsville, Jack made time for a social drink with some of the girls from the team.

Drawing comp shows what kids think



Mila Whipper was one of almost 40 artists in Hutchies' school holiday drawing competition.

HUTCHIES ran a drawing competition for families and friends during the school holidays.

The brief was simple – draw what someone important to you does at Hutchies.

Judging was a difficult task, with more than 40 entries received.

The entries were a great insight into what children think their parents do during the day at work.

In true Hutchies' style, everyone was a winner, with every child receiving a prize.

It was a good reminder that the Hutchies' team includes families as well.

Designs on catering get spicy



From left, Kirsten Kanowski, Gabriella Behr, Andrew Nolan, Tom Brunton, and Harry Baumann.

IT is the tradition in Toowoomba to spice up long budget days with a different non-project team assigned each time to take up the tongs and cook the barbecue for the whole office.

Most recently, it was the design team's turn to head to the kitchen to fire up the barbie.



Cricket 8s team, the HB Half-Trackers, (from left, rear) Nick Haffenden, Adam Roberts, James Pratsch, Austin Thackwell, Isaac Gannon, and (front) Riaan Velvick, Dean Currie, Luke Hinds (COTY 2024), and Dan Sierant.

Quay Street athletes compete in Corporate Games contests

SPORTY types from the 50 Quay Street team joined in Queensland's Corporate Games, fielding sides in cricket 8s and soccer in group three (11-20 participants). Despite not bringing home any hardware, the boys enjoyed their three days on the field. Trophies included a dunce's hat won by site manager, Luke Hinds (COTY 2024).



Soccer players (from left) Michael Brogan, Michael Scanlon, Mitchell Cureton, Patrick Guiney, Jonny Workman, Callum Dowling, and James Pratsch.

Will Street hits the track for charity



Hutchies' Will Street during his 30-kilometre run in the Hazy Forever Classic.

ONE of Hutchies' site managers in Tasmania, Will Street, raised more than \$1,500 during the Hazy Forever Classic – running 30 kilometres on a miserable wet, cold Hobart morning.

Hutchies was one of the sponsors of the Hazy Forever Classic – a community running challenge offered over multiple distances from five kilometres to a full marathon at the Hobart Domain Athletics track.

The event is held as a fundraiser for the Hazy Forever Foundation charity, set up to aid childhood cancer research and to support families dealing with children's cancer.

Sixty runners took to the track with a total of more than \$25,000 raised on the day.

The Foundation was established by Tyler Richardson, front man from the rock band, *Luca Brasi*, after his son, Harris ('Hazy') was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, a rare and aggressive childhood cancer.

Through his tireless work and on-going campaigning, Richardson was Tasmania's nominee for the 2026 Australian of the Year award.

Aaron out to find his break point



TOWNSVILLE team leader, Aaron Ohl, is taking part in this year's Breaking Point Challenge in October to raise funds for the fight against childhood brain cancer through The Cure Starts Now Australia foundation.

The 30-hour Breaking Point Challenge is a gruelling, two-day, army-style boot camp where participants undertake a series of physical and mental challenges designed to push them to their breaking point.

As well as his own fitness program, Aaron is training twice a week with 29 other participants to prepare the group for the challenge.

Aaron said he is taking on the challenge to raise money to help fight cancer and childhood brain cancer.

"The Cure Starts Now Australia, which was founded right here in Townsville, funds vital research and clinical trials, and works towards a better future for our children diagnosed with brain cancer," he said.

Aaron invites anyone who can help to visit ...

www.givenow.com.au/cr/aaronbreakingpointchallenge

Team quick to support Swift



From left, Ben Sutton, Josh Lee, Brod Koina and Chandy Kuruppu.

FOUR Toowoomba team members took part in the 2026 Swift Charity Golf Day, which Hutchies helped sponsor.

Swift Energy Group's annual 18-hole Ambrose competition brings together local businesses to raise funds for regional charities.

This year's event, held at the Toowoomba Golf Club at Middle Ridge, raised \$17,160 for Protea Place Women's Support Centre that provides safe shelter and support for vulnerable women.



Hutchies' team members were among the construction and property industry supporters for Ronald McDonald Golf Day.

TEAM members from across the construction and property sectors came together for a charity golf day at Brookwater Golf Club to support Ronald McDonald House charities.

In addition to fielding a team of

Fundraiser for cancer patients and families

players, Hutchies backed the charity golf day as a sponsor of one of the 18 holes.

Jackson McKim and Bridget Mulvenna were in charge of

Hutchies' hole and brought plenty of energy to the course.

The day delivered strong fundraising results and continued a legacy that has already raised more

than \$270,000 over five years.

Funds raised provide accommodation for families who need to stay close to their children during medical treatment.

Sticks swung for Well Hung charity



From left, Ben Walsh, Andrew Fergus, Darren Jones, and Aaron Ohl.

HUTCHIES in Townsville fielded two teams for the 2026 Well Hung Charity Golf Day For the Cure – a fundraiser for The Cure Starts Now Australia.

It was a great day of golf, networking and raising vital funds for childhood brain cancer research.



From left, Taylor Wallis, Maggie Wilson, Gabby Suley, and Sofia Andrews.



Master Builders Gympie Golf Day

FOUR of the Hutchies' Sunshine Coast team, who are working on the Gympie Civic Centre remediation project, took part in the Gympie Master Builders BUSSQ Golf Day.

The Gympie Regional Council awarded Hutchies the high-profile project to refurbish the Civic Centre that was heavily damaged in the 2022 floods and has remained derelict.

Those who hit the links were project manager, Brandon Tonkin; senior contract administrator, Helen Dahl; and contract administrators, Luke Menzel and Mitchell Cahill.

The day was a mix of friendly competition, networking, and plenty of laughs with local industry members and partners.

LEFT: It was all concentration as Hutchies' Sunny Coast team members on the Gympie Civic Centre project took part in the Gympie Master Builders BUSSQ Golf Day.

World Cup review

HUTCHIES FC delivered a gutsy and entertaining campaign at this year's Corporate World Cup in Sydney.

Proud team leader, John Koumoukelis, said the Hutchies' boys came out firing with a strong opening win over Schindler Lifts FC that set the tone early.

"A hard-fought draw in the second match secured Hutchies' place in the quarter-finals, where the team battled through injuries and adversity right to the final whistle," John said.

"Despite being undermanned and losing marquee man Tai to injury, the team pushed the quarter-final to the limit, controversially falling 2-1 after a dubious offside goal."

John said the match performance was full of heart with many stand-out moments.

"Keegan copped an early knock but bounced back like a machine," he said.

"John T reminded everyone he's pure class, especially considering last year he played with an undiagnosed collapsed lung.

"Ali and Mat G both found the back of the net, with Mat nearly scoring a highlight-reel header in the quarter final.

"Brock was immense between the sticks, keeping us alive in big moments, and Jason Torch crunched into every tackle like it was a grand final.

"Yianni was rock solid all tournament and Mick M was the definition of reliability at the back.

"Injuries, drama, and a questionable offside

call couldn't overshadow the effort, spirit, and quality this squad showed, and Hutchies FC walked away with heads high and with plenty to build on for next year."

The Corporate World Cup tournament is an outdoor seven-a-side format with 10 players per squad.

Matches are played on reduced-size mini fields with portable goals, and all matches are officiated by accredited referees.



Hutchies' FC members (from left, rear) Keegan Moriarty, Michael Metherell, Brock Powell, Mathew Gilyana, Ali Saad and Yianni Flaskos, and (front) John Koumoukelis, John Tadros and Jason Torchia. Absent is Tai Ong who left early with an ankle injury and went back to work.

Sydney's day on the green



Sydney team enjoyed a more sedate day out on the green at the local lawn bowls club. From left, Brock Powell, Max Elmes, Geoff Mayhew, Jason Torchia, Vitaly Kaakoush, Robert Hartley, Sam Elias, Tai Ong, John Adis, Justin Clark, Sunday (Sydney's office dog), and Andrew Rowland.