

HUTCHIES' TRUTH

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR HUTCHINSON BUILDERS

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Casuarina Beach – 20 year dream becomes a reality!



Artist's impression of Casuarina's Beachside Village with the "Australian beach house" architecture which will feature at the new development.

HUTCHIES' construction signs on beach-front land, 20 kms south of the New South Wales/Queensland border, signals that a 20 year dream is becoming a reality.

Casuarina Beach, earmarked for development since the early 1980s, is now taking shape as a \$650 million master-planned oceanfront township, designed to accommodate 5,000 new residents.

Hutchies have started on the first stage of the \$38 million civil project.

When a new road linking the town to the Pacific Highway is completed, Casuarina Beach will be an hour and 10 minutes drive from Brisbane and 13 minutes from Coolangatta Airport.

The town has been designed so that all houses will be no more than a five minute bicycle ride from the beach or the shops.

The second stage of the town will include between 50 and 100 apartments in buildings with a three-storey height limit.



Scott Hutchinson, Hutchies' Managing Director; Trevor Giles, D & C Manager; John Berlese, Project Manager; and Jeff Miller, Site Manager, at Casuarina Beach. Photo: Andrew Carille



Scott Hutchinson; Cr Lynne Beck, Mayor Tweed Shire Council; Dr Jim Gallagher, Chairman Northern Development Task Force; and Don O'Rourke, Consolidated Properties, celebrate the commencement of construction of Casuarina Beach on September 11, 2000. Photo: Andrew Carille



Christmas Message

HUTCHIES wish all our friends and their families a happy and safe Christmas and a prosperous New Year. We have enjoyed sharing 2000 with you and look forward to being together throughout 2001.

Made in Singapore. Stored in Australia!



Australian and Singaporean dignitaries were on hand to celebrate turning of the sod for the storage facilities belonging to the Singapore Armed Forces.

THE island nation of Singapore has limited land available for development, which has resulted in the installation of overseas storage facilities for the Singapore Armed Forces near Rockhampton on the central coast of Queensland.



Artist's impression of the new facilities.

The warehouse facilities will provide for the storage of vehicles and maintenance support.

Vehicles will be transported from Rockhampton to Shoalwater Bay for training exercises and then returned for storage and repairs.

The facilities provide for the storage of 250 army vehicles and will have a fully equipped workshop for ongoing maintenance of the army vehicles.

A portion of the facility will be capable of providing temporary storage of aircraft, with a clear span of 70 metres and an overhead mobile hoist will be installed within the temporary aircraft storage for emergency maintenance and repairs.

The building is approximately 173 metres long and 70 metres wide, generally 4 metres high, with the temporary aircraft hanger 9.5 metres high and workshop 6 metres high.

Building floor area is approximately 12,100 sq metres, including an adjoining office of 170 sq metres.

Included within the main storage facility will be an additional equipment store of 780 sq metres. The project also will

provide for additional vehicle wash bays.

The \$4.9 million contract started on October 9, 2000, with handover expected in April 2001.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Jack Hutchinson

THE following Code of Ethics was developed recently.

We felt it appropriate that it be published in Hutchies' Truth.

A Code of Practice was also developed and will be sent to all company members.

CODE OF ETHICS

1. To strive for world's best practice in all stages of the building process.
2. To strive to delight our clients.
3. To show a high level of loyalty to company members, and to encourage long term employment.
4. To respect the inherent dignity of the individual.
5. To place the welfare, health and safety of the community before sectional or private interests.
6. To act in accordance with the spirit as well as the letter of the law.
7. To apply fair treatment, courtesy, reasonable and honest conduct in the efficient operation of our business.
8. To support training and development.
9. To act in the best interests of the building and construction Industry.
10. To act in the best interests of free enterprise and support healthy and informed competition.

— Jack Hutchinson
Chairman

RETIREMENT FOR A "SPELL"

The poem reads ...

RETIREMENT

*Realisation has come today that
Each person, maybe, will pass this way.
Time, age, impatience – have finally
been heeded*

*In Hutchinson building firm, Bob has
always felt needed.*

*Retirement now will be at his leisure
Evermore, forever, it is his to treasure.
Maybe movies, bowling and fishing
Even touring, he'll bravely be wishing.
No more early mornings – just time to
savour...*

*That's contentment Bob, because
you've finished your hard labour!*

- Hutchies' best wishes to Bob for a long and happy, well-deserved, retirement.

LONG-time Hutchies employee, Bob Wilkinson, retired on July 24 and was farewelled at a BBQ, where his wife, Joan, recited a lovely poem she had written to express what Bob's time at Hutchies and his retirement meant to both of them.



Joan Wilkinson recites her poem for husband, Bob, on his retirement.

Prize for capturing Boulia Min Min Light



Hutchies' recently won QMBA award for the Min Min Light centre is shown off at the Boulia Golf Club. The delight and pride of the community was high as the trophy was handed around the bar.

Just what is the Min Min experience?

THE Min Min Encounter is a unique theatrical experience incorporating animatronics, fibre optics and loads of other high tech wizardry.

The Encounter is a tribute to the long honoured art of the bush yarn, all based around the famed Min Min Light phenomenon.

At the Min Min Encounter, tourists have an outback experience like no other. In the 45 minute show, visitors are introduced to the story of the Min Min Light by various characters who

claim to have seen the mysterious light. During the Show spectators are taken on a journey through the Min Min country to have their own Min Min experience complete with spine tingling effects and an unpredictable ending.

Delicious fresh lunches, cold drinks and the best cappuccino in the Outback complete the experience.

HUTCHIES has won a Queensland Master Builders Association award for its construction of Queensland's newest tourist attraction – the Min Min Encounter at Boulia, near the Northern Territory border.

The award highlighted Hutchies' ability to work in isolated areas.

This building was designed to accommodate an animated, audio-visual presentation with special effects to illustrate the mythical Min Min Light.

As Boulia is isolated and without local resources of labour and materials, careful planning was required to provide a building suited to the purpose and the western Queensland environment.

Off-site prepared elements were used wherever possible with sizes limited to the light crane available.

The limited budget was met with very tight control at all times.

Construction comprised of an all steel structural frame clad in Colorbond finished corrugated zincalume sheeting.

An arched roof canted at five degrees spans the 400 square metre theatre with a lower roof system covering the souvenir shop, cafe and amenities.

The building is insulated and airconditioned.

The site was fully landscaped with the street pavement laid with new pavers to complete the total development.

Some restoration work was carried out to the front of the adjoining Shire Hall and an extension containing new toilets and a bar facility added.

Experience, reputation help results

- The Queensland Master Builders Association recently published this article on Hutchies which highlights the company's strengths as viewed by the QMBA.

ESTABLISHED in 1912, Hutchinson Builders is a fourth generation private company totally committed to the construction industry in the long term.

With a clear focus on maintaining the family connection, members hold important positions within the company, such as Managing Director, Scott Hutchinson, and Chairman of Directors, Jack Hutchinson.

The company is solidly backed by a portfolio of ungeared property and no operated borrowings, with their main office in Brisbane, and others in Townsville and Toowoomba.

Since their beginning, Hutchinson Builders has been a construction industry model of reliability, quality and stability.

Their clients include many of Australia's largest corporations, who remain referees to their performance.

Throughout Hutchinson's 87 year history, the company has completed projects throughout Australia, including projects

in the Central Business Districts and in remote country areas and offshore islands.

Projects span all areas of construction including commercial, industrial, residential, civil, refurbishment and high-rise projects.

Hutchinson Builders has worked with all major forms of construction contracts and have an impeccable reputation for honesty, integrity and fair dealing.

Their superior service is built on well respected office, and on-site staff, many of whom have been with the company for most of their working lives.

They have on staff tradesmen including carpenters, bricklayers, plumbers, concreters, plasterers and tilers.

The security of their client's projects is protected by their prudent financial management.

Any enquiries are welcome to their accountant or bank manager who are available to answer any questions.



Deepest innermost thoughts of the Sensitive New Aged Guys found on all Hutchies' building sites.

Anything you can do, we can do better



ABOVE: Barry Butterworth (left) and Michael Crossin with their proposed prize.

OVER at Kinco, Hutchies' sister company in Little Rock, Arkansas, Doug Wasson, Vice President of Construction, presented Ricky Cole, Superintendent, with his 10-year anniversary gift, which was a Colt 45 Single Action Pistol (1873 Peace Maker).

Not to be outdone, Barry Butterworth and Michael Crossin took the opportunity during a visit to the Singaporean Military Base near Rockhampton to shop around for a suitable prize for a new Hutchies' Award which will be known as The Big Shot.

Any nominations?



RIGHT: Kinco's Vice President of Construction (left), presented Ricky Cole, Superintendent, with his gift.



International flavour for Undies

TRAVELLING Undies in this edition takes on a cultural tone with a visit to Paris, where people don't believe in undies, and to Boulia, home of the Min Min Light.

At first we thought Shane Tyson had dropped his pants in a time honoured Australian salute to the Eiffel Tower.

But no, he had cleverly slipped on a pair of Hutchies' Undies beneath his floral board shorts, to display the benefits of underwear to the French.

His daring and humanitarian interests make him a winner.

• **MEANWHILE**, at Boulia in the Great Australian Outback, Len White teamed his undies with a cowboy hat and an icy cold beer to create something of which legends are made.

Tourists often report seeing strange things in the bush around Boulia, but the apparition of Len walking towards you in his undies and beer in hand has got nothing to do with the Min Min Light!

Len is a winner for putting Hutchies' Undies into Australian folk history, along with Waltzing Matilda and the Man from Snowy River.



Apprentices: leaders of the future

APPRENTICE Training Day in September saw a large number of apprentices visit headquarters at Seventeen Miles Rocks as part of their learning program.

Hutchies has a policy of training and promoting from within and, as a result, some senior staff in the company today started out as Hutchie apprentices many years ago.



Pictured from left (rear) Cassidy Holland, Dane Farmer, David Hicks, Conon Dunstan, James Carr, Mathew Lacoste, (front) Jason Wilson, Ben Howard, Damien Berkett, Nathan Ehrlich and Bill Lenehan.



New wave of surfers go O.S.

SOME ageing local surfers who take part in an annual surfing safari recently hit the Mentawai Islands, Indonesia, in search of the perfect wave.

Transport for their quest was on board Neptune I, a converted 1947 Japanese Coast Guard vessel.

Onboard Neptune 1, from left (rear) Scott Hutchinson; Brian White, Ray White; Tony O'Neil, PRD Realty; Mark Laurie, Axis Advertising; Don Dietz, PRD Realty; George Wales; Gordon Douglas, PRD Realty; Dr Stephen White; Dr Jim Hallan, and (front) Don O'Rorke, Drew Douglas, Douglas Wenck and Gus Campbell, Skipper of Neptune 1.



Scott wearing the daily "chicken" hat for pulling off a big wave.

Bonus Hutchies Scratch-it numbers



• Turn to Page 8 to check your lucky numbers to see if you are a winner.



Artist's impression of the Fisherman Islands treatment plant.

Fisherman Islands Development

THIS project is a new treatment plant consisting of three-tilt panel building, 3,500m of handstand and 3,500m of concrete paving. Job value is \$2.6m. Hutchies Administrator: Russell Fryer; Hutchies Foreman: Mal Ashford; Hutchies Supervisor: Barry Butterworth; Hutchies Cost Planner: Wayne Cullen; Architect Firm: Auscad Drafting; Structural Engineering Firm: Knight Consulting; Civil Engineering Firm: Ralph Engineering; Electrical Firm: Ron Brennan

Western Star Trucks – Stage II

A NEW production shed extension (1,000m) including 1,000m of roofed drying area. New office extension including refurbishment of existing office. Job value \$2.1m. Hutchies Administrator: Russell Fryer; Hutchies Foreman: Ian Partridge; Hutchies Supervisor: Barry Butterworth; Hutchies Cost Planner: Wayne Cullen; Architect Firm: Lambert & Smith; Structural Engineering Firm: Farr Engineers;

JOBS UPDATE

with

Barry Butterworth

Civil Engineering Firm: Farr Engineers; Electrical Firm: Hembrou's Electrical.

Aspley Leagues Club

EXTENSIONS and refurbishment to Aspley Leagues Club project valued at \$1.8m. Hutchies Project Manager: Barry Butterworth; Hutchies Administrator: Sandra Geekie; Hutchies Foreman: Glen Pettis; Hutchies Supervisor: Barry Butterworth;

Architect Firm: Project Leaders Aust; Structural Engineering Firm: McWilliams Consulting; Civil Engineering Firm: McWilliams Consulting; Electrical Firm: Meinhardt Consulting Engineers.

Military Logistics Rockhampton

CONSTRUCTION of warehouse and attached office for all Singaporean Military Aircraft. Hutchies Project Manager: Barry Butterworth; Hutchies Administrator: Os Blacker; Hutchies Foreman: Don Lindo; Hutchies Supervisor: Don Lindo; Architect Firm: Nettleton Tribe; Structural Engineering Firm: McVeigh Consultants; Civil

Engineering Firm: Maunsell McIntyre; Electrical Firm: James Design.

Roma St Parklands

PROJECT includes roof trusses and finishes package to two buildings and 3,000m of pavement including blade structures, painting, and tiling and exposed concrete. Hutchies Project Manager: Neil McLeod; Hutchies Administrator: Neil McLeod; Hutchies Foreman: Alan Mathews; Hutchies Supervisor: Barry Butterworth; Architect Firm: AbiGroup; Structural Engineering Firm: Sinclair Knight & Merz; Civil Engineering Firm: Thomson Kane; Electrical Firm: Barry Webb.



Artist's impression of the Western Star Trucks project.



Pictured at Groucho's (from left) Penny Bellas, Wayne Cullen and Linda Cullen.

Social outings never a drag

SOCIAL Club outings are never a drag, but the exception was a recent night of fun and entertainment at Groucho's Theatre Restaurant, with partying continuing on into the night.



Richard Ohlrich with one of the show's Drag Queens (Richard is the one on the right).



New accounts department member Cassandra Wallace at the finish.



Melissa with some new "friends" during the 12km fun run.

Pain and the gain

HUTCHINSON Builders was well represented in the 12km Bridge to Brisbane Fun Run which raised money for the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

Our teams included Trevor Giles, John Berlese, Tim Ferguson, Tracey Ricketts, Melissa Henderson, Cassandra Wallace, Richard Graham, John Gaggin, Russell Fryer and Scott Hutchinson.

Wheelie good soil test



Derek Wrede was photographed recently carrying out some soil tests. His result – yep, sand as far down as you can get!



Barrel of fun

In the run up to Christmas, Karen White has the responsibility to ensure sufficient supplies of Hutchies' Port are on hand to deal with the Christmas rush. Karen is shown in her job as Supervisor of the Hutchies' Port Bottling Plant.



Some of the Hutchie Team at George and Penny Bellas's wedding.

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00001	Port	00172	Folding Pruning Saw	00687	Level	00900	Level
00008	Shirt	00194	Port	00728	Port	00908	Folding Pruning Saw
00017	Undies	00245	Shirt	00741	Christmas Lights	00917	Undies
00036	Level	00261	Undies	00750	Undies	00925	Shirt
00041	Aviation Snip Sets	00300	Level	00796	Level	00933	Level
00059	Christmas Lights	00326	Christmas Ham <i>(if local winner)</i>	00843	Folding Pruning Saw	00946	Lockgrip Pliers
00065	Lockgrip Pliers	00332	Port	00864	Lockgrip Pliers	00950	Port
00077	Folding Pruning Saw	00350	Shirt	00870	Folding Pruning Saw	00959	Lockgrip Pliers
00082	Port	00433	Undies	Unclaimed Bonus		00961	Shirt
00098	Christmas Turkey <i>(if local winner)</i>	00484	Level	Jackpot Prizes		00963	Level
00111	Undies	00499	Lockgrip Pliers	00882	Aviation Snips	00977	Folding Pruning Saw
00126	Level	00520	Folding Pruning Saw	00888	Port	00984	Undies
00143	Christmas Lights	00555	Level	00890	Undies	00992	Port
00169	Lockgrip Pliers	00672	Folding Pruning Saw	00895	Lockgrip Pliers	00998	Drill
						01000	Folding Pruning Saw

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