

T HUTCHIES' TRUTH

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The Bedarra refurbishment focused on the central complex, pool, beachside areas and luxury villas.



Bedarra – hard work on a tropical hideaway

EVEN resorts need time to rest and revive – and that's the way it was on P&O Australian Resorts' famous Bedarra Island in North Queensland during May this year, when it closed for refurbishment.

When the guests moved out – Hutchies moved in – and 20 days and \$1.6 million later, Bedarra Island was ready to continue its role as the perfect haven for people who want a civilised escape.

Hutchies started on May 4 and work was completed on May 24.

But it was no holiday for Hutchies' workforce of 85 tradespeople, who worked two 12-hour shifts a day for the three weeks.

Scott Hutchinson said Hutchies' experience in working on remote tourism projects enabled the project to come in on time and on budget, without any major hitches.

"This is a remarkable achievement considering the number of people eating, sleeping and working together for three weeks under a tight schedule and extremely high quality control," Scott said.

"Although the closure time was short, quality was not compromised."

Bedarra, which accommodates only 15 couples, was created as a haven where guests could experience an island escape, but enjoy the finer things in life.

Work included refurbishment of the restaurant and bar complex, replacement of all air-conditioning plant to the main complex, upgrade of pool and beachside areas, removal and replacement of balconies and stairs to 15 guest villas, repainting internally and externally of the guest villas and repairs to the workshop.

P&O Australian Resorts' Managing Director, Mr James Baillie, said that, from its earliest days in 1980, the company had managed a continuous program of upgrade, refurbishment and

product development across all its seven properties – Heron Island, Silky Oaks Lodge, Dunk Island, Bedarra Island, Brampton Island and Lizard Island, all in Queensland, and Cradle Mountain Lodge, Tasmania.

The team responsible for the project included: Mike Wrighton (Project Manager); Amanda Pike and Edwina Withers, of Pike Withers Interior Architecture, (Architects/Designers); and Paul DeJong (Site Manager) and Richard Field (Administrator), of Hutchinson Builders.

Scott said P&O Australian Resorts was to be congratulated for its choice of Pike Withers as designers for the project, as the clever use of stone, timber, furnishings and colour had made significant improvements to an already unique complex.



Bedarra Island – an island escape limited to 15 couples who want the finer things in life – has received a \$1.6 million refurbishment by Hutchies, all completed in three weeks with 80 staff.





A sign of the times

QUEENSLAND Premier, Peter Beattie, was given no special privileges when it came to safety during a recent visit to Hutchies' \$40 million construction site at 175 Eagle Street, Brisbane, being developed by Consolidated Properties Group and Urban Properties. Mr Beattie lined up like everyone else to be signed in by Safety Officer, Trevor Aitchison.

Mixing it with the Crocs

TOWNSVILLE Crocodiles' arrival in the NBL Grand Final made a lasting impression on Hutchies' Dave Christoffersen.

Dave bet that if the Crocs made it to the semi-final he would get a Crocodiles' logo tattooed on his arm.

The Crocs did better than the semi and made the Grand Final, so Dave is sporting a brand new tattoo (pictured right).

• Meanwhile, Hutchies' North Queensland crew



and Social Club got among the real crocs when they went fishing recently in Princess Charlotte Bay, Cape York.

In all, 11 ventured to the Top End, with the Rockhampton crew, Kerry, Howsey and Noel O'Brien, travelling 1800kms each way.

Howsey's endurance paid off when he took the first barramundi 66cm from the bank.

A big thankyou to Neil and Paul for organising the food, equipment and a safe trip.



Pierre Kessler and barramundi.



Neil Berry shows off the grunter he caught.



LEFT: Greg Quinn, Hutchies' new Managing Director.
• See Back Page for a picture of Greg in an earlier role representing Queensland.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Jack Hutchinson

IT is with pride that I announce Greg Quinn has accepted an offer to join Hutchies as Managing Director.

Greg takes over in October following a financial year where Hutchies had a record turnover and profit.

Scott will take my position as Chairman and I will remain a Director of the company.

Six years ago, Greg Quinn was appointed Executive Director of the Queensland Master Builders Association.

During that time, I have worked with him in the Master Builder movement as Vice President and President of Queensland as well as National President.

I won't elaborate on what Greg has done at QMBA, except to say that it has been exceptional and, obviously, most impressive to me.

I heard that Greg was interested in an appointment in a building company and, after extensive discussion with Scott, we decided to approach him.

Greg still has to do it and he knows it won't be easy.

However, both Scott and I believe this appointment will strengthen Hutchies and secure its future and, as Big Kev would say, "we're excited!"

— Jack Hutchinson
Chairman

Teaming up with Nigger Brown



Another famous name now adorns the Athletic Oval, home of Rugby League at Toowoomba. Barry Davidson is shown erecting Hutchies' sign, where it shares prominence with the controversial "Nigger Brown" Stand.



Hutchies' team members in New Zealand working on the Craggy Range Vineyards project in Hawkes Bay are (from left) Os Blacker, Jim Parish, Paul Gourley, Steve Spijkerman, Colin Thomas, Michael Henley, Jocelyn Bryant and Chris Farrell.

New branch office and winery for NZ

HUTCHIES is managing the \$35 million Design and Construction of Craggy Range Wineries in Hawkes Bay, New Zealand.

Armed only with his briefcase and long johns, Branch Manager, Paul Gourley, set about opening a branch office, assembling a team of people and engaging the consultants for the design component.

In true Australian style, the main site was set up with portable sheds, including lean-to and a block barbecue.

The locals were amazed as they had not seen this before – most probably something to do with the cold.

Site 1 is where the grapes will be turned into wine through the various processes and includes six separate buildings for pressing, fermentation, storage, bottling and sampling.

Site 2 is the company's flagship where it can demonstrate an image as a leading

wine producer.

Building on this site will resemble the French Provincial style with extensive use of limestone cladding, recycled hardwood (from Australia), terracotta clay tiles (imported from the UK), all set around a man-made lake.

This site will include a two storey office, restaurant, epicurean centre, above ground cellars and underground cellars with vaulted ceilings resembling the Roman days all poured insitu.

Also included are two houses – one valued at \$700,000 and the other \$4.5m.

Progress has been made at Site 1, with building frames erected.

Site 2 has commenced, with the lake and earthworks complete and the underground cellars and houses underway.

The team is made up of three Australians and five New Zealanders, with more to come once the areas become available.

The project is due for completion late 2002.

Team comprises: **Branch Manager:** Paul Gourley, Aust; **Site Manager:** Steve Spijkerman, NZ; **Contracts Administrator:** Colin Thomas, NZ; **Contracts Administrator:** Os Blacker Aust; **General Foreman:** Chris Farrell, NZ; **General Foreman:** Jim Parish, NZ; **Foreman:** Michael Henley NZ; **Site Secretary:** Jocelyn Bryant, Aust.



Paul and Richard outside Hutchies' new Cairns office.

Cairns short shift

HUTCHIES' Cairns office recently relocated to 450 Sheridan Street to enhance access for clients and suppliers.

Hutchies is tendering new works, has jobs under construction in Port Douglas and will turn the sod soon for the \$6m Clifton Beach Lahania Villas.

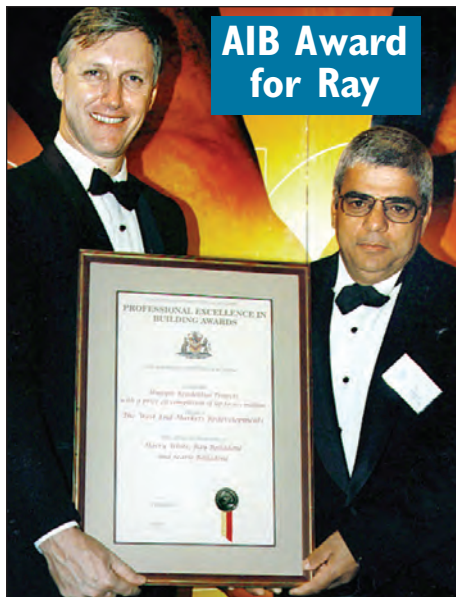
Recently completed projects for the Cairns team are Bedarra Island Resort Refurbishment \$1.6m; Franklins, Port Douglas \$2.5m; Officeworks Cairns \$2.4m; and Supercheap Cairns \$600,000.

Paul and Richard extend an open invitation to all to drop into the Cairns office when in town.



Butterfly Ball takes off

SCOTT Hutchison recently joined with Royal Women's Hospital Foundation and members of the Asian Chinese community to celebrate the launch of the new Centre for Women and Ageing at the inaugural Butterfly Ball at the Brisbane Sheraton Hotel. Scott is shown with Dr Chen (left) and his son, Wei-Loong Chen.



AIB Award for Ray

RAY Balladone accepts Australian Institute of Building's Professional Excellence Award from Kim Wraithern for his work on the \$20m West End Markets Redevelopment in Brisbane.

BILL'S NEW PET STAYS!

BILL Lenehan takes his new pet sawhorse for a walk. Bill says sawhorses make ideal pets. They obey commands such as "stay", are cheap to feed and can be left home alone without annoying the neighbours. Bill is now working on the command "fetch".



Bedarra 2001 Upgrade

Refurbishment of resort. Tender period was three weeks, Evaluation four weeks. Lead time from acceptance to start four weeks, Construction period 20 days. Hutchies Project Manager: Robert Weymouth; Hutchies Administrator: Richard Field; Hutchies Foreman: Paul DeJong; Hutchies Supervisor: Barry Butterworth; Hutchies Cost Planner Glen Evans; Architect Firm: Pike Withers Interior Architectural Designers Structural.

Student Union Stage 3 – University of Queensland

Valued at \$2m – Refurbishment of student union building including new bar area. A difficult project made even harder during exam period of three weeks as no noise is permitted. Hutchies Project Manager: Len White; Hutchies Administrator: Wayne Fox; Hutchies Foreman: Mike Tickner; Hutchies Cost Planner John Gaggin; Structural Engineering Firm: Lambert & Smith; Civil Engineering Firm: McWilliams Engineers.

Food Tec

Value \$1.8m. Food Tec Industries. Tilt-panel warehouse housing a freezer and cold room plus office at Darra. Hutchies Project Manager: Len White; Hutchies Administrator: Dave Smythe; Hutchies Foreman: Don Lindo; Hutchies Cost Planner: Michael Crossin; Architect Firm: Buchan; Structural Engineering Firm: Bruce Lemke; Civil Engineering Firm: Concept.



Searle Ballandone and Darrell Gersekowski at the new Coles shopping centre in Racecourse Road, Ascot.

JOBS UPDATE

with
Barry Butterworth

Coonan Street – Stage 4

Valued at \$1.46m. New building for Queensland Diagnostic Imaging. Consisting of lower car park, ground and mezzanine level. Stage four is a continuation of Stage three building which houses Brisbane Car Sound and will complete this development. Hutchies Project Manager: Len White; Hutchies Administrator: Dave Smythe; Hutchies Foreman: Syd Britton; Superintendent: Neil McEvoy; Hutchies Cost Planner: Paul David; Architect Firm: Nettleton Tribe; Structural Engineering Firm: Morgans.

Officeworks Mackay

Work is progressing well on a new Officeworks store in Mackay Central Business District. This project is a follow on from the recent successful opening of Officeworks Rockhampton on June 6th. Due for completion in mid-October the Mackay Store is valued at \$2.4million. Hutchies Project Manager: Robert Weymouth; Hutchies Administrator: Pierre Kessler; Hutchies Foreman: Adam O'Mara; Hutchies Design Manager: Dave Christoffersen; Client: Peter Scott – Wincam Pty Ltd.



New Officeworks premises opened recently in Rockhampton. Hutchies now has completed Officeworks projects at Cairns, Townsville, Dubbo, Milton, Woolloongabba and Windsor. Shown at the Rockhampton opening are (from left) Geoff Morley, Officeworks; Mayor of Rockhampton, Cr Margaret Strelow; and Lyn Marsh, Wincam Properties.

Officeworks Dubbo

Hutchies' proud association with Officeworks continues in New South Wales with the construction of the Dubbo store well underway. The store is due for completion in mid October. Hutchies Project Manager: Robert Weymouth; Hutchies Administrator: Pierre Kessler; Hutchies Foreman: Peter Singleton; Design Manager: Dave Christoffersen; Client: Peter Scott - Wincam Pty Ltd

Bowen Village Life Units

Work has just started on a 46-unit retirement village in Bowen, North Queensland. The project also includes a central facility and Manager's quarters. This is just one of many Village Life projects to be constructed in various locations throughout Australia. Hutchies Project Manager: Robert Weymouth; Hutchies Administrator: Dave Christoffersen; Hutchies Foreman: Ron Colefax ; Project Manager – Concept: Andrew McIntyre;



The big guns have moved into the Singapore Military Air Base recently completed by Hutchies near Rockhampton on the central coast of Queensland. The warehouse facilities provide storage of vehicles which are transported from Rockhampton to Shoalwater Bay for training exercises and then returned for storage and repairs. A portion of the facility is capable of providing temporary storage of aircraft for emergency maintenance and repairs. The \$4.9 million contract started in October 2000, with handover in April 2001.

Client: The Dalrymple Street Syndicate.

Horticulture Facility – Toowoomba TAFE

The new facility will include laboratories, propagation and shade houses and new head quarters for the ever expanding horticultural facility at the Toowoomba TAFE. The new facility is due for completion December 2001. Hutchies Project Manager: Paul Hart; Hutchies Administrator: Craig Simpson; Hutchies Foreman: Peter Barnett; Design Team: Project Services; Electrical Firm: Q Electrical.

Westbrook Tavern

The new tavern was handed over nearly two weeks early, at the end of June. The tavern includes gaming, bistro dining and a public bar. Co-owners, John Geomey, Daryl Fennell and Ashley Harris were trading mid July. Hutchies Project Manager: Paul Hart; Hutchies Administrator: Alex Seydel; Hutchies Foreman: Bill Henley; Architect Firm: Joanne Gill; Structural Engineering Firm: David Shaw.

Retail Warehouse

The new 5500m tilt-panel warehouse is to house Capt'n Snooze, Harvey Norman and Beacon Lighting. Having built BBC Hardware House in 1998, Solly's Warehouse 2000, this is the third project we have built with owner Alan Cunliffe of Hurstmast Pty Ltd on this particular site. Due for completion September 2001. Hutchies Project Manager: Paul Hart; Hutchies Administrator: Alex Seydel; Hutchies Foreman: Bill Henley; Architect Firm: Hamilton, Hayes, Henderson; Structural / Civil / Hydraulic Engineering Firm: Larkin Teys; Electrical / Mechanical Firm: James Design.

Palm Beach

Valued at \$600,000. 7-11 Service Station and McDonalds Restaurant. Hutchies Project Manager: Ray Balladone; Hutchies Administrator: Harry White; Hutchies Foreman: Jamie Silvester; Architect Firm: Cottee Parker; Structural Engineering Firm: J H Ward Engineers; Civil Engineering Firm: Thomson Kane; Electrical Firm: DMA Consulting.

No fossil in this museum

TEAM Leader, Len White, proved he still had the right stuff when he arrived in Richmond to supervise the construction of the Richmond Marine Fossil Museum, and found he was a bricklayer short.

Although a brickie by trade, Len hadn't laid a brick in 20



years, but he was not deterred.

To prevent any delays, he set to with a trowel and had the job done in no time,

impressing all those who thought he might have been a bit past it – proving there's no fossil in this museum ... yet.

Federation fever celebrations



Members of the Toowoomba office celebrating Centenary of Federation ... or was that an early Christmas?

THE Toowoomba office recently celebrated completion of the \$2.5m refurbishment of the heritage-listed Sir Henry Parkes Memorial School of Arts building in Tenterfield, New South Wales, which has featured in Australia's Centenary of Federation celebrations during 2001.

It was from this building that Sir Henry Parkes, the Father of Federation, delivered his now

famous speech which resulted in the Federation of Australia.

Sir Henry Parkes and the Tenterfield School of Arts also have been immortalised on the new Australian five dollar note.

The Toowoomba office is grateful to the Federal Government for the national awareness campaign, but regrets Treasury left the Hutchies' sign off the banknotes.

Raving shaving success



KAREN White, (alias "The Duck") shaved her head for Leukaemia in Hutchies' Brisbane office recently.

Sara Fox did the honours and Karen (right) received great support from staff – raising \$800 in just over a week.

Karen thanks A & A Painters, Vince Corry, Craig's Engineering, RW Joiners Toowoomba, Scott Hutchinson and the Showman's Guild Club at Yatala.

• Continuing a proud tradition of supporting charities, Hutchinson Builders sponsored Tim Dunn, of Corporate Administration Agency, to shave his head for the Leukemia Foundation's recent fundraising day.

Pictured above with Tim (centre) after the event are (from left) Michael Ackerie, Kevin Back, Brian McGrath and Gordon Tallis.



BEACH BREAK

MEMBERS attending Hutchies' recent Business Planning Weekend at Coolangatta took a break and joined John Berlese's



Casuarina Beach site team for lunch and a tour of the recently completed \$40m civil project. Casuarina is a new beachside community near Kingscliff which will produce more than 600 homes, apartments and villas by 2008. Shown on a walking tour of the resort are (from left) Paul Adams, Bob Watson, John Berlese, Robert Weymouth, Ray Balladone, Paul Hart and Keith Boucaut.



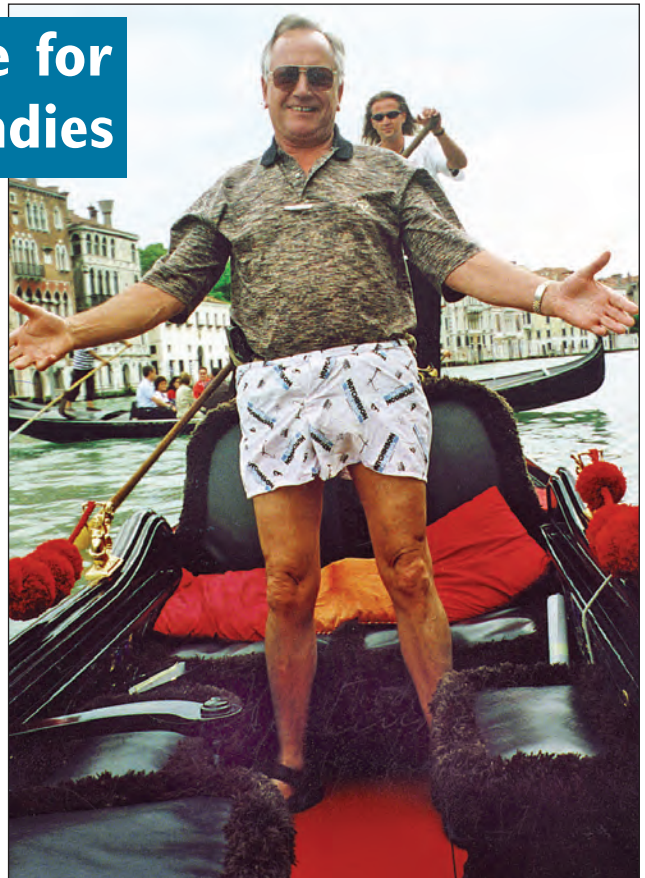
A super time for Travelling Undies

TERRY Bedford, from Bank of Queensland, (typical banker) took a clever approach to competing in Hutchies' Travelling Undies, while kissing the Blarney Stone in Ireland.

Terry wore his undies Superman style – on the outside of his pants – winning a prize without compromising the good name of Bank of Queensland, which has been looking after Hutchies' finances for about 40 years.

Meanwhile, Jack Kinnamon (typical builder) is ready to drop his dacks anytime and thought the romantic canals of Venice would be a super place to do the job – much to the concern of his gondolier!

Both are super prize winning performances.



Monkeying around on Moreton Island ... and in Sydney!

DESPITE the State of Origin, a big team turned out for Hutchies' 15th Moreton Island Fishing Trip.

As usual, there was plenty of fun, hundreds of empty bottles and several late nights ... but no fish.

Bush poets wrote several ballads to celebrate the occasion – *The Men from Moreton* and *Ode to Moreton* – neither of which is suitable to be published here!

With the boys away, the girls will play, and they went all the way to Sydney to do it.



- Hutchies' staff and friends who celebrated the Moreton Island Fishing Trip's 15th birthday.
- Social Club members Karen White and Melissa Henderson, monkeying around in Sydney.

Final farewell for The Old Fox



Jack Hutchison (above, on right) joins other rowing Old Boys and friends in a drink to wet the headstone of David Magoffin (pictured right), who had lain in an unmarked pauper's grave for almost 30 years.



boxing, horse riding, fishing and shooting. The headstone which now marks his grave says it all:

*David O. Magoffin
20.11.1904 – 12.6.1973
"The Old Fox"*

*A gifted and loved rowing coach
This memorial was erected in 2001
by those who remember, from...
Brisbane Boys College
Mosman Rowing Club
Toowong Rowing Club*

A GROUP of rowing Old Boys recently got together to give something back to a man who had given them so much.

The group, including Jack Hutchinson, raised money for a headstone for rowing coach, David Magoffin, who had lain in an unmarked pauper's grave in the Blue Mountains, NSW, since 1973.

Magoffin was known as The Old Fox, which reflected the new style of rowing he introduced to Queensland during the Magoffin era (1944-71) and the skill with which he trained his crews.

Magoffin gave 29 years to young rowers at BBC and he also gave them 15 Head of

REGATTA THANKS

Hutchies thanks all generous sponsors in the Head of the Brisbane Castaway Regatta.

the River wins and countless wins and places in senior and junior races.

Jack said, through rowing, Magoffin taught young men "citizenship, sportsmanship, teamwork and diligence" – all of which would benefit them throughout life.

As well as rowing, Magoffin excelled in

What a difference a daze makes!

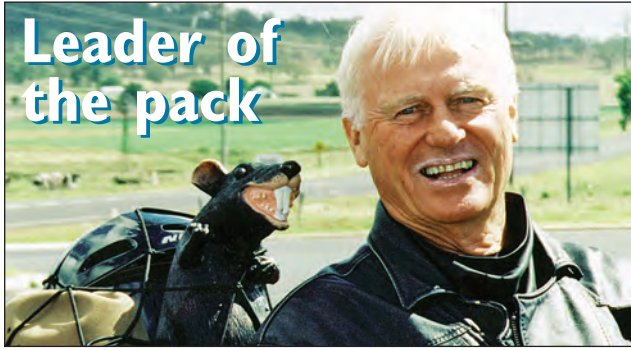


HUTCHIES' Wayne Cullen was on his best behaviour when State Cabinet Minister and Labor Party strongman, Terry Mackenroth, dropped in on the official opening of the Aspley Leagues Club refurbishment which was done by Hutchies.

With formalities out of the way, Wayne shifted up a gear later in the evening to dance the night away with Sharon Vitale.



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Leader of the pack

• Jack Hutchison, leader of the Rat's Motorcycle Club, is shown with the club mascot on a ride to the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

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04571 Port
04583 Folding Pruning Saw
04592 Hammer

Can you pick the famous footy heroes?

Hutchies' newly appointed Managing Director, Greg Quinn, with team mates in the 1979 Queensland Rugby League team. Greg is second from right in the front row. How many other famous foot-ball heroes can you identify?



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