

T HUTCHIES' TRUTH

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR HUTCHINSON BUILDERS

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9½ WEEKS AHEAD

West End Markets



Paul De Jong (far right) with Peter Singleton, Richard Field and Robert Weymouth in front of Officeworks Cairns prior to attending the Architects Awards night.

Northern exposure

PAUL de Jong has taken up residency in Cairns, giving Hutchies a permanent presence there.

Hutchies have had an office in Townsville for more than 20 years, but because the company has been working in Cairns and Port Douglas continuously for the past five years, it is appropriate that a permanent office be established further north.

Paul is a positive thinker and a real "doer" and his ability to motivate his men and move a job is second to none.

CONSTRUCTION of the West End Markets at South Brisbane is proceeding well and running almost 10 weeks ahead of schedule.

The relationship with the neighbours continues to be harmonious.

Norman and Janet Richards, who

live in the house surrounded by the project, are happy with the progress and Janet often provides coffee or tea for the boys on the job.

One of the Hutchies team, Ian Hutton, also received an engagement present from the couple.



Far North Queensland crew including Richard Field, Paul De Jong, Ron Colefax and Noel McPherson in front of Hutchies' Float in the Port Douglas Carnival Parade. Check out the boxers!



Jeff Lacoste on the job in television land.

Jeff aims for the stars

HUTCHIES' carpenter, Jeff Lacoste, could be changing careers soon.

Jeff made his debut as a television star recently on Channel Ten, when he appeared on a show to explain what a carpenter's job was all about.

Jeff reckons a television star's life has a lot of appeal ... acting classes, new wardrobe, make-up and a new hairdo and he could be on his way ... then again, it might be easier to front up on site as a chippie and strap on the tools.

Hutchies takes the driving seat in \$60m truck project

PAUL Gourley has swapped his short sleeve shirts and slacks for thermal underwear as he heads for his new assignment in Kelowna, Canada, where the weather forecast later this year is -10°C.

Paul departs in July to manage the \$60 m design and construction of the national headquarters for Western Star Trucks in Kelowna.

Hutchies continues its foray into international projects to maintain the close association with Western Star Trucks after completing various other projects for them in Canada and Australia.

Paul is experienced in large scale design and construct projects, including the \$200m Laguna Quay Resort on the Whit-sunday Coast with resort, township, 18-hole golf course, five star golf lodge, marina, with condominiums and units.

The project is being developed on an area of approx 60 acres and will include a 40,000 sq.m plant for manufacturing 40 trucks per day with 1000 people on the production line.

The project also will include offices for 500 people, support buildings, test track, apron slabs, car parking for 1500 cars, landscaping and infrastructure to the site, an arterial road and a future sub-division.



Paul dressed for the weather in Kelowna, with beanie, computer, and a scale model of a Western Star truck to remind him of the task ahead.

Hutchies' role is to manage the design and construct of the project using local subcontractors and suppliers, with a continuing role in the development of the future sub-division.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Jack Hutchinson

HUTCHIES' Truth has been accused (*occasionally*) of political incorrectness.

We don't set out to offend and apologise if this has happened.

We regularly receive email from our sister company in Arkansas and that recently included the following reproduced points from a Bill Gates' speech to high school graduates in which he hit out at some forms of political correctness.

- Rule 1.** Life is not fair, get used to it.
- Rule 2.** The world won't care about your self esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.
- Rule 3.** You will NOT make \$40,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice president with a car phone, until you earn both.
- Rule 4.** If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss. He doesn't have tenure.
- Rule 5.** Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping; they called it opportunity.
- Rule 6.** If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.
- Rule 7.** Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you are. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parents' generation, try 'delousing' the closet in your own room.
- Rule 8.** Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools they have abolished failing grades; they'll give you as many times as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.
- Rule 9.** Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own time.
- Rule 10.** Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.
- Rule 11.** Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

VALE JACK McLANEY

IT was with regret that we were told recently that Jack McLaney had passed away.

Jack was with Hutchies from 1930 to 1970, having started as a labourer before moving quickly to Leading Foreman. Jack's jobs included the NCR Building in Leichhardt Street and Camden home units in Hamilton. His projects had a reputation of outstanding quality. He will be sadly missed.

LEFT: In his younger days, on top of a television tower at Channel 2, Mount Coot-tha.

INSET: A recent photo of Jack.



Social page hit

HUTCHIES' Richard Ohlrich and Argentinian Dancer, Cindy Minsoni, made a stunning couple when they were photographed at one of Brisbane's nightspots and featured in the Sunday Mail social pages.



Social Club in jail; it had to happen!

THE Social Club's latest outing was long overdue, with all guests ending up in jail.

The outing landed our crowd on St Helena Island, site of an early Queensland prison. Guests boarded the Lady Brisbane at Bretts Wharf for a leisurely trip to Moreton Bay.

The crew kept the members under control by telling them that if they didn't behave, they would be left behind in chains.

The prison had an eerie feel about it at night, with the lights of Brisbane in the background.

A good time was had by all and, happily, nobody was left behind.



Hutchies' crew was under threat of being left behind if they didn't behave.



Members of the Social Club head for jail in style.

RIGHT: The female contingent of the Hutchies' Social Club chose to spend their weekend away visiting the Stanthorpe wineries.

They may not have returned as wine connoisseurs but they are certainly consumers and know how to have a good time.

Pictured (from left) Shelley, Jackie and Margaret enjoying the wine tours while Tracey is off stomping grapes.



Paul David in suave mode.

Licensed to thrill

PAUL David recently proved that, not only does he have James Bond good looks and style, but he also has 007's daring, when he disturbed a tall athletic chap going through the petty cash tin in Hutchies' reception area on a Sunday morning.

Paul challenged the thief, who took off. Paul went in hot pursuit, but after a thrilling car chase, the thief managed to slip away.

It's not likely that he will be back, realising something that we all know - that it is hard and dangerous work trying to get money out of Hutchies!



Mary-Jeanne christens the Scott Hutchinson at BBC.

HUTCHIES strengthened their relationship with Brisbane Boys' College recently, when Scott Hutchinson's wife, Mary-Jeanne, christened the new Under 16 First Eight rowing shell - *the Scott Hutchinson*.

The boat went on to come second in the Head of the River.

The christening was held at Brisbane Boys' College, Toowong.

Hutchies have done many projects at the school including Library Resource Centre, Boarding House, Dining Room, Junior School and Tuckshop.

Scott is a BBC Old Boy and has always kept in contact with the school.

Moreton Island revisited

ONCE again the now famous Moreton Island fishing trip was a great success, even though the weather was less than perfect.

This year we changed the date to June, as it is a better time of year for the fish to bite.

This would seem to be a bit of a myth if you go by the record catch of one – caught

by our fulltime fisherman Rex. The unluckiest fish in the ocean was a 150mm Dart.

Saturday night's Mad Hatters' Ball managed to bring some weirdos out of the cupboard and none greater than Paul Adams' hat, which consisted of a loaf of bread, that Paul Hart proceeded to eat before final judging.

The judges (Scott Hutchinson and Stan the chef) awarded First Prize to Matthew Mooney for his masterpiece that was a mock up of Hutchies' camp, with four-wheel drives included.

Second Prize went to Mal Johnson for flowers growing out of his head.

A special award went to

Paul Hart and Paul Adams, for their effort in devouring the hat before judging was complete.

The Best and Fairest Award at the Beer Swilling Table was awarded to Brian McMillian for the mammoth effort.

Congratulations and our admiration to Brian who has become a legend.



Jose 'given the boot'

JACK Hutchinson recently attended Kinco's 13th Annual Industry Celebration Awards Banquet at the Pleasant Valley Country Club in Little Rock, Arkansas, as a guest presenter for one of the key awards.

Jack presented the "Constructor of the Year Award" to Jose Aldebot, who was also given a

pair of Aussie pliments of Hu Other award contractor of was presented of Townsell Hil Superintendent won the "Kinco ship Award" safety record d



Jack Hutchinson presents the "Constructor of the Year Award" to Kinco's Jose Aldebot.

PIDGEON HEADQUARTERS



▲ Only kidding! This is a ring-in photo from a fishing trip by Hutchies' associated company, Kinco, in the USA. This haul came from a trip to the Gulf of Mexico. Seems the next Hutchies' fishing trip should be to USA or the Kinco team needs to come to Moreton to show how it's done.



HUTCHIES recently completed construction of the head office for F.A. Pidgeon at Davies Corporate Park, Brisbane, which will accommodate offices for John and Valmae Pidgeon.

The developer was Cornerstone Developments and Hutchies' team on the job were very pleased with the results.



ABOVE: Head office of F.A. Pidgeon. INSET: Hutchies' boys on the job Alan Mathews, Ross Durey and Mango.

at Kinco awards night

made boots com-
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ls included "Sub-
the Year", which
to Todd Townsell,
l Corp, and Kinco
t, Bobby Spears
o Super Scholar-
for his superior
uring the year.



Tracey Ricketts packing Jose Aldebot's boots for his Constructor of the Year Award.



Wayne throws a few down at the bar with (from left) John O'Brien, Senior Vice President; Des Wilson, President; and Wayne Moffatt, Secretary/Manager.

Wayne learns to throw a few down

RIGHT:
Wayne
throws one
down the
green at Pine
Rivers
Memorial
Bowls Club.



HUTCHIES' Wayne Cullen received some good tips from experts on throwing a few down, when he attended the recent President's Day at the Pine Rivers Memorial Bowls Club.

Wayne was one of the guests invited after Hutchies and Project Leaders Australia completed a successful TAB refurbishment at the Club.

Hutchies and Project Leaders have since been commissioned to undertake Master Plan drawings for the future development of the Bowls Club.

Dockside – Stage 7, Myora Apartments

As one of the final stages of Dockside, the \$7.5 million works comprise a six-storey building containing 52 apartments with two levels of basement car parking. Proprietor, Stencraft, nominated Stewart Payne Architects as the head superintendent. Other team members include Robert Bird and Partners on structurals, Hasthill Consultants on mechanical and electricals, Beavis and Cochrane on hydraulics and quantity surveyors, Napier Blakeley. Hutchies' team is Gerry Reid as foreman, Richard Graham as both administrator and project manager and Neil Bladen as supervisor.

Roma Street Parklands Package 32 – Activity Centre

This \$1.4 million Activity Centre and Police Station comprise the structure only and is subcontracted from the AbiGroup working with George Graham. Architect is Grant Spork from PARC with Sinclair Knight Merz on structurals, Frank Carlow from Basset Consulting Engineers, Mark Kane from Thomson Kane on hydraulics and quantity surveyors, Gray Robinson Cottrell. Hutchies' team is Tim Fergu-

JOBS UPDATE

with

Barry Butterworth

son administrator, Richard Graham project manager, Neil Bladen supervisor and Alan Matthews foreman.

Shrine of Our Blessed Mother

The job comprises construction of a Sanctuary Platform which includes altar, memorial wall, choir tiered platform and stairs to the Chapel level. The stairs are dedicated to the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. Upper level has a timber framed Praying Deck adjacent to the statue of the Blessed Mother which is on a structural steel support decorated with leaves of C-RFC and polished panels. A concrete ramp connects this area to the existing Chapel. Project manager for this \$160,000 job is Robert Hornsby of Ove Arup. Hutchies' team is Barry Butterworth project manager, Richard Ohlrich administrator, Russell Duncan foreman and Glen Pettis supervisor.

Western Star Trucks World Headquarters Kelowna, B.C. Canada

SITUATED on approximately 60 acres, this \$60m project consists of the following buildings: 11,900 m² office; 39,750 m² plant; 14,910 m² kitting; 4,250 m² cobco; and 550 m² dyno building.

The team includes: Western Star Trucks, Trudy Houghton, project manager; architect Chris Bozyk of Christopher Bozyk Architects; Matt Cameron of Reid Crowther and Partners as engineers. Paul Gourley joined Hutchies to handle the design and construction of this project and work will be managed in conjunction with Barry Butterworth. The project is due for completion July 2002. (See story on Page 1).

Faith Lutheran College, Plainlands

The first stage construction of this new school includes some infrastructure works and the administration building. The \$1.1m project has been fully designed and project managed by Project Services. Hutchies' team includes Bill Henley foreman, Alex Seydel project manager and Paul Hart area manager.

Graham Centre Downlands College, Toowoomba

Construction has started on the \$700,000 extension to the performing arts complex. The new centre will provide state of the area facilities for Downlands students. The design and project management team is Tabletop Architects Planner and engineers are headed by Denis Brown. Hutchies' team is Noel Smith foreman, Alex Seydel project manager and Paul Hart area manager

Supercheap, Maryborough

Maryborough is the site of the newest Supercheap store being project managed by Blades Services with Buccan Architects, Bruce Lemcke on structurals, Ashburner Francis on mechanical and electricals and Rocol on hydraulics. Hutchies' team is Dave Smyth administrator, Terry Wilson foreman and Len White supervisor.

Car Showrooms, Cleveland

Two new car showrooms valued at \$1.5m are under construction for Earle Taylor. Team includes Blades Services as project managers, Cottee Parker Architects, Bruce Lemcke on structurals, Ashburner Frances on mechanical and electricals and Rocol on hydraulics. Hutchies' team is Len White project manager, Dave Smyth administrator and Syd Britton foreman.

Waltzing Matilda Centre, Longreach

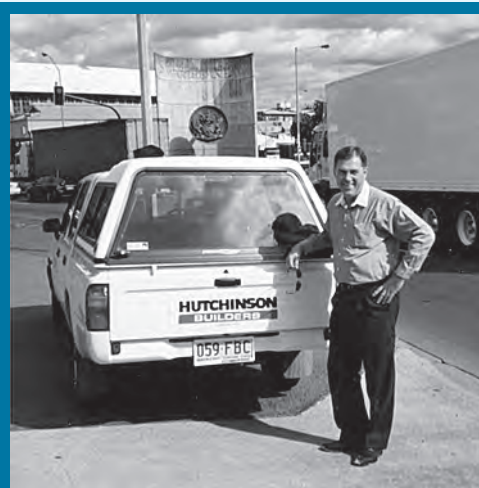
Project consists of a \$230,000 extension to the original out-back Centre which Hutchies built three years ago. Architect is Robin Retchford with Ted Harvey as engineer. Hutchies' team is Len White project manager, Robert Archibald administrator and Lionel Mitchell foreman.

Qld Government criteria registration

MANY people have asked recently about our allowable annual turnover and project value, under the Queensland Government's Pre-Qualification Criteria Registration.

As at June 30, 1999, the allowable annual turnover in the government sector was \$157,963,537 and maximum government building project value based on allowable annual turnover in government sector was \$52,654,512.

We believe no other 100 per cent Queensland owned company has higher allowances. Hutchies has a proud history on government projects and looks forward to working with the Queensland Government in the future.



What's so mysterious about this photo? See the story on the next page titled "A job to die for..."

A night to remember
– if only they could...



HUTCHIES' team made a good impression when they were photographed (above and right) at the Queensland Master Builders Association Awards with QMBA's Vicky Anne...

But something strange happened between the end of the Awards and return to work, when Dave Smythe (far right and inset) showed up with a fine example of a black eye!



High-powered receptionist

ONE of the first people visitors meet at Hutchies is high-powered, Melissa Henderson, on reception.

Melissa worked at a chartered accountants office before joining Hutchies. She fit in immediately as an efficient and cheerful addition to the team in a most important job.

Melissa causes major disruption in neighbouring factories – particularly at the next door bath manufacturer, Decina – when she arrives at work on her 250cc Yamaha motorcycle.

Local workers are fascinated as Melissa slips out of her riding leathers, to switch from the girl on the bike, to the girl on the front desk.



Melissa – ready for work.

It's a job to die for..



Barry Butterworth in front of the controversial monument built by Hutchies in 1982.

HUTCHIES has sprung to the defence of one of Brisbane's most controversial landmarks – the Brisbane Rotary monument on the corner of Wickham and Ann Streets, at the city's northern entrance.

Hutchies did the job in 1982 and the formwork used is still in the possession of Barry Butterworth.

Because of Hutchies' sentimental attachment, Scott has declared he will lie down in front of the bulldozers to protect the monument.

Lord Mayor Jim Soorley has offered to drive the bulldozer.

Hold on, Lord Jim!

You might be the Lord Mayor, but if Scott is offering to lie down in front of the 'dozers, there could be a few blokes ahead of you in the queue.

Great scratch-it prizes to be won

Check the scratch-it card that came with this issue ... you could be a winner!

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No.	PRIZE	No.	PRIZE	No.	PRIZE
11005	Port	11070	Aviation Snip Sets	12156	Lockgrip Pliers
11012	Shirt	11078	Lockgrip Pliers	12159	Folding Pruning Saw
11018	Undies	11082	Folding Pruning Saw	12164	Level
11020	Level	11086	Port	12167	Folding Pruning Saw
11024	Aviation Snip Sets	11094	Shirt	12170	Level
11033	Drill	11099	Undies	12176	Port
11039	Lockgrip Pliers	12119	Level	12181	Shirt
11045	Folding Pruning Saw	12122	Folding Pruning Saw	12188	Undies
11052	Port	12135	Port	12192	Level
11056	Shirt	12140	Shirt	12195	Folding Pruning Saw
11061	Undies	12148	Undies	12199	Lockgrip Pliers
11067	Level	12153	Level	12200	Folding Pruning Saw

• To claim your prize phone Hutchies on (07) 3376 4044.

A SIGN OF THE TIMES



HUTCHIES has hung the sign on some unusual projects in the past 88 years, but this one takes some beating. Kevin Hall, is shown putting the finishing touches to a cubby house at Susan Blue's residence.

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