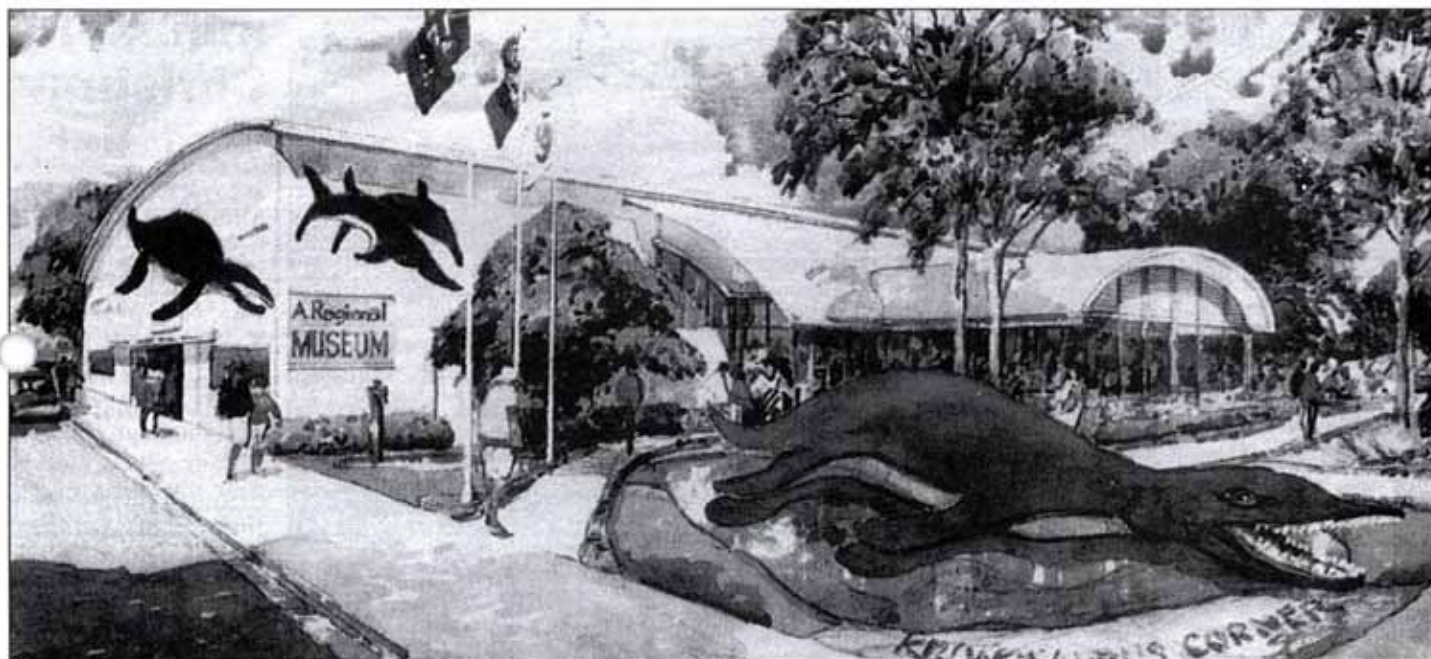


HUTCHIES' TRUTH

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR HUTCHINSON BUILDERS

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An artist's impression of how the Marine Fossil Museum complex will look upon completion.

Hutchies continue on tourist track with a marine museum in the Outback

HUTCHISON Builders is playing its part in the creation of another Outback tourist attraction for Queensland.

After building the prize-winning Waltzing Matilda Centre at Winton, we have moved on to Richmond where construction is underway on the expansion of a Marine Fossil Museum, which is set to become a major attraction for the western town.

The \$400,000 Stage One of the expansion for our client, the Richmond Shire Council, includes an information centre, souvenir shop, cafe, outdoor eating area and toilet block.

Due for completion in May, the Stage One expansion will allow for more space for fossil displays within the existing museum building.

Highlight of the Museum complex will be Kronosaurus Corner, a landscaped area with a model of the giant underwater predator, Kronosaurus, mounted in a large pool.

Stage Two will include a

theatrette and a preparation room where visitors will be able to observe scientists working with local fossils.

Hutchies' team includes Robert Weymouth as Supervisor and Noel O'Brien as Foreman. Other team members include architect, Robin Retchford, and structural engineer, Ted Harvey.



Richmond Shire Council economic development officer Barry Neck, museum manager Rob Levers and Hutchinson Builder's project manager Noel O'Brien inspect the Marine Fossil Museum's plans.



DOUBLE STRIKE AT THE QMBA AWARDS

HUTCHIES picked up two wins at the QMBA Central Queensland Awards presentation night.

The Emerald Market Plaza won Best Retail Project above \$5m award and the Waltzing Matilda Centre at Winton won the QMBA's major award of Best Commercial Project of the Year.

Paul De Jong travelled from Townsville to represent Hutchies at the evening in Rockhampton.



One of Fairholme College's original classrooms gets a helping hand from Hutchies and Transtate House Removals for a whole new lease on life as the top storey of the College's new Performing Arts complex.

OUR Toowoomba office recently took part in a unique project, which is believed to include a record one-piece structural move.

Fairholme College's historic music block was lifted from its foundations by Transtate House Removers and shifted to an adjacent site and relocated on top of posts, to allow another building to be constructed below.

The result was a new, two storey Performing Arts complex.

The unusual 'topping' by the timber colonial posed some interesting challenges for the Toowoomba team, led by general site foreman, Rod Pelgrave, but the buildings were completed in time for

Historic building alive to the sound of music

start of the current school year.

Built 80 years ago as one of the original classrooms, the 625 square metre colonial had been Fairholme College's music centre for the past 20 years.

"We could have built a new building, but we wanted to maintain a piece of Fairholme history and keep in with the feel of the College," said Fairholme business manager, Mr Graham Woolacott.

The \$800,000 project also included a landscaped open area at the building's former site.



IN HAPPIER DAYS



IT is with deep regret and genuine sadness that we announce the death of Phyllis Kinnaman, Director of Kinco Inc and wife of Jack Kinnaman, Kinco's President.

Kinco, of course, is our sister company in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Jack, Phyllis, and their daughter Ann, visited Downunder in April last year and, on returning to the USA, Phyllis was diagnosed with cancer.

Phyllis was a great friend and a very talented woman. She was President of her own company, PK Interiors, and she served on many public and charity committees in her home town of Little Rock.

All of her friends in Australia extend their deepest sympathy to Jack and his family.



ABOVE: Kinco's Jack and Phyllis Kinnaman outside the White House in Washington DC where she was acknowledged for her public and charity committee work.

TOP LEFT: Phyllis Kinnaman (left) with June Hutchinson.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN



RECENTLY I attended the opening of the Powerhouse Apartments in New Farm.

Lord Mayor Jim Soorley opened the building for the owner, Craig Lagerroth, and made a brilliant and most suitable speech.

Quantity Surveyor, Dennis Fulcher, remarked what a friendly job it had been and that Craig was good to work for.

Then he said, "You know you need friends in this industry, not enemies".

How true!

I take this opportunity at the start of the New Year to reinforce this to all at Hutchies.

In your everyday interaction with clients, subcontractors, consultants and fellow workmen, make friends by doing the right thing by others.

We are in a tough game, we can't be easy but we can be fair.

Co-operation is the only way to get this complex industry working efficiently, and the best way to get that co-operation is through friendship.

— Jack Hutchinson

QUOTES

“The only way to live happily with people is to overlook their faults and admire their virtues.”

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The more workers feel needed on the job, the more likely they are to be there, and on time.

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It is not good for all our wishes to be filled; Through sickness we recognise the value of health;

Through evil, the value of good; Through hunger, the value of food; Through exertion, the value of rest.

(Greek Saying)

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The Secret of Selling

He asked if she ever could love him, She answered him, "No," on the spot.

He asked if she ever could love him. She assured him again she could not.

He asked if she ever could love him. She laughed 'til his blushes he hid.

He asked if she ever could love him And by George, she admitted she did.



The Panel Crew (from left) Mick, Tommy and Pete do a bit of "lifting and pouring" at the Christmas Party.

Panel Crew celebrate their 'lift and pour' technique

A COMMON site on modern building sites is tilt-up slabs and Hutchies is getting its share of this interesting work thanks to our own Panel Crew who have successfully completed tilt-up work on eight projects with a total value of more than \$42m.

The crew have formed, poured and erected tilt-up slabs for our own contracts, which have included Centro on James Street; Centro on James Street II; BBC Oxley; BBC Tweed Heads; AAMI Bundall; Montpelier Road Warehouse; Yamanto Shopping Centre and Royal Pacific Resort.

Congratulations to the Crew of Mick Burton, Tommy Hahn and Pete Morgan for jobs well done.



NEW ARRIVAL

Scott and Mary-Jeanne Hutchinson's third child, **Kenneth Miller Hutchinson** arrived on 25th Jan, 1999. Kenneth is brother to **Jack Jnr** and **Terrence**. All are well.

CHERYL DELIGHTED TO GET THE BOOT

CHERYL Stark, of Toowoomba office, was delighted when she got the boot while celebrating her birthday recently.

Showers with flowers, she received the old boot for a vase – a romantic gesture in the building game – which, as our picture shows, obviously did the trick, while the birthday cake was shared around.



Poet's Corner

WE spotted the following poem in The Courier-Mail and thought it was so good that it should be reproduced in Hutchies Truth – we hope the poet doesn't mind this forum.

Young apprentices who learn this one off by heart should do well in life!

THE BUILDER'S PROPOSAL

*I often get quite tongue-tied. It's difficult to express,
the way I feel about you. I'd just like to impress.
The words they don't come easy. It's not in my manner.
So as a builder let me tell you, I love you like a hammer.
It would be too simple, to tell you that you're nice.
I just want to hold you, like dowelling in a vice.
So let me rave about you and hope our love prevails.
Your eyes they are so lovely, shine like a box of nails.
Those features are so delicate, just like a one mil drill bit.
I know we'll stay together; like finger-joints we will fit.
You have a unique freshness, like timber in the raw.
Your love it cuts right through me. You are my panel saw.
You give us strength and unity, just like a batten holder.
You smell as lovely as the oregon I used for my pergola.
Before you there was emptiness, but as our love unfolds,
You fill my life my sweetheart, like putty in the holes.
I used to have rough edges; I was a knock-about profaner,
But you smoothed and dressed me, like timber with a planer.
When the wooing's over, you know I have a hunch,
You'll know how to grip me, soft and gently like a punch.
So I want you to marry me. Please darling say you will.
I need you like a chuck, for my electric hammer-drill.*

— Glenn Valentine

LIONS' ROAR OF APPROVAL

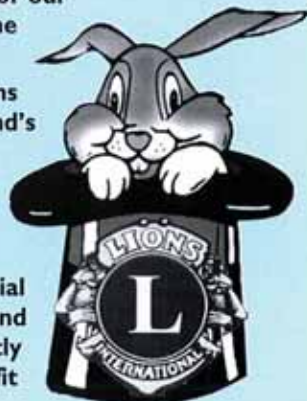
HUTCHIES recently received a letter of appreciation from the Golden Valley Keperra Lions Club in recognition of our sponsoring special needs children to the Lions Club "World Festival of Magic".

Proceeds from the show will benefit Lions community projects including Queensland's Cord Blood Bank.

Project Co-ordinator, Darryl Robson, said Hutchies' support was greatly appreciated.

"Thanks to the business community, special needs children have the opportunity to attend such an exciting event. More importantly each year local needy organisations benefit from the funds raised," Darryl said.

"Thanks again for your support and helping make this a successful and worthwhile community project," he said.





The family portrait ... the Hutchies 'family' the traditional drinks to celebrate Christmas



Pictured with Jack (left) and sporting leather jackets for 10 years' service are (L-R) Peter McIntyre, Trevor Bruiners, Trevor Atchison and Neil (Howdy) McLeod. Absent from the photo is another recipient, Townsville Manager, Robert Weymouth, who has some serious doubts about his jacket's usefulness in the tropics - but that's not why he didn't turn up!



Personalised fishing rods and reels for five years' service were received by Rob Jones (pictured) Stephen Low, Al Gundy, Tony Doyle and Rebman Robinson.



The coveted Constructor of the Year went to Mal Ashford, who received his Jimmy Lyle Custom and Personalised handmade knife, the award from Kinco Inc. To be eligible for this prestigious award, the recipient must have been with the company for at least one year and all who have been on the payroll for more than one year are entitled to vote. He who receives the most votes, wins! Congratulations, Mal.



The girls in the office have formed a bond of cooperation which sets an example of teamwork for the entire company to follow. Pictured partying together are (from left) Shelley, Jackie, Vicki, Karen and Sarah, with Nicole in the saddle. Missing from the picture are Margaret and Jodie. Jodie, who has a motor bike licence, also took the trike for a spin during the afternoon ... and brought it back safely!

RIGHT:- Jack's trike came in for more than its share of attention at the 1998 Christmas party. Sarah Kanhalikham, due to have her second child soon, tried it out for size. Jack has kindly offered it to her to drive herself to the hospital when the time comes.

... Outback!



' gathered out back in the backyard at Seventeen Mile Rocks for as in Australia for 1998.



Karen White is the one to thank for the bottling and safe delivery of our Hutchies Port and Christmas cakes, and for organising the Christmas break-up party. She is also the force behind the Scratch-it competition. Thanks Karen, well done!

All those who attended Christmas '98 Hutchies' break-up received a scratch-it, similar to those in Hutchies Truth. There were 100 prizes including bottles of port, T-shirts and caps. A & A Painters had earlier sent a gallon (4.5l) Johnnie Walker Scotch Whisky to the office. It was decided that, as it would not be such a good idea to serve it up at morning tea, it would more suitably serve as the major prize for the Scratch-its. Nathan Ehrlich with the number 87 was the lucky winner who suddenly found himself with many more friends than he ever would have guessed.



Watch Awards for '98 went to Rod Pelgrave, Mango (pictured) and Al Gundy.



Harry White receives a bottle of Glenfiddich for the best suggestion for 1998.

Griffith University, Mt Gravatt

The \$1.5m refurbishment and extensions to the Information Services Centre at the Griffith University Mt Gravatt Campus are being managed by Andrew Richmond from the University's Facilities Management area. Other team members include John Croser from architects PDT; Les Miethken from McWilliams on structurals; Keith Davis and Peter Dart from A.H.W. as mechanical and electrical engineers; and Stewart Dowie from Rider Hunt as quantity surveyor. Hutchies' team includes Harry White administrator; Len White project manager and Mark Douglas foreman.

University of Qld, Ipswich

Work has begun on a \$870,000 refurbishment of 'Building 10' to allow for a new sports and recreation facility on the Ipswich campus of the University of Queensland. Team includes Peter Dowling from architects Devine Erby Mazlin; Les Miethke and Drew Gordon from engineers McWilliams; Tony Samorowski from GHD for hydraulics; Ivor Davies from Rawlinsons as quantity surveyor; and Multitech Solutions handling mechanical and electricals. Hutchies' team includes Romi Drake administrator; Neil Bladen supervisor; and Peter McIntyre and Alan Deuchars, foremen.

Cylinder Cove, Stradbroke Island

Fourteen luxury holiday apartments overlooking Cylinder Beach on Stradbroke Island are being built under the management of Steve Pink from Consolidated Properties. Other team members on this \$3.1m project are Darby Munroe from Munroe Architects; Jim Ward from J.H. Ward Engineers; and Mark Kane from Thomson Kane on hydraulics. Hutchies' team includes Ray Balladone project manager; Harry White administrator; Jason Williams supervisor; and Matt Hutton foreman.

JOBS UPDATE

with
Barry Butterworth



Village Square Arts and Craft Market

The erection of the statue at the entrance marked the official opening of Village Square Arts and Craft Market at Hope Island on the Gold Coast. The development is now a landmark on the Gold Coast.



Double Celebration – Hutchies recently completed renovations for McWilliams Consulting Engineers and a 'roof wetting' was held to celebrate. Hutchies and McWilliams also took advantage of the celebrations to toast more than 50 years of the two companies working together. Scott Hutchinson, for Hutchies, and Mike Gould, for McWilliams, toasted the companies past and future together. About 60 people from both companies attended the riotous evening.

AAMI Insurance, Gold Coast

Insurance giant, AAMI, has moved into a \$2.9 million purpose-built development at Bundall on the Gold Coast, as part of a plan to consolidate its presence in the region.

AAMI will lease the building as its head office and customer service centre. The development includes a 600 sq metre vehicle accessing area, 250 sq metres of ground floor, 450 sq metres of first floor office space and 46 car parking spaces.

Hellmann International, Banyo

Freight forwarder, Hellmann International, has invested around \$3 million in a warehousing and distribution centre at Banyo to cater for an import and export demand which has outstripped its existing site. The new 2,500 sq metre facility has the capability to expand another 1,000 sq metres, if necessary. The warehouse features 57 sq metres of freezer storage, 477 sq metres of cool storage and 500 sq metres of temperature controlled loading bay. The company handles all types of cargo including fruit, seafood, fabric, cosmetics and computer parts.

Griffith University, Logan

A services building on the Logan





Premier Self Storage – Lord Mayor Jim Soorley did the honours at the opening of the Premier Self Storage complex at Montpelier Road, Bowen Hills.

campus of Griffith University originally constructed by Hutchies and completed only last year is currently undergoing extensions. Team includes Mark Craig, from Wilson Architects; Drew Gordon and Craig Jones, of McWilliams Consulting Engineers on both structurals and hydraulics; Peter Dart, from AHW (Qld) on mechanical and electricals; Peter Bailey, from Cost Management Services as quantity surveyor; and David Low, campus Facilities Manager. Hutchies' team is Dave Smythe administrator; Len White supervisor; and Gavin Roberts foreman.

Cottesloe Crest, Toowoomba

A \$6.7m high rise block of units in Toowoomba is under construction with the team of Voight Holgar from architects, Holgar Stevens and Wiltshire; and engineer, Enzo Bartilomo. Hutchies' team includes Len White project manager, Rod Leach administrator and Doug Schmidt foreman.

Mt Gravatt Sporting and Workers' Club

Membership to the Mt Gravatt Sporting and Workers' Club is even more valuable now with completion of the club's \$2.4 million extensions. The club continued



to function with only minimum disruption during construction of the new gaming room and lounge.

BBC Hardware, Toowoomba

Another project being handled by the Toowoomba office is construction of the new \$3.6m BBC Hardware store in Ruthven Street. Roger James is the architect with engineers Larkin Teys. Hutchies' team includes Len White project manager; administrator Paul Hart; and Bill Henley foreman.

Powerhouse Terraces, Stage Two

The \$5.3m Stage Two of the Powerhouse Terraces project is underway with the team of Ian McNaughton from Optimum Project Consultants as architects; Alex Milanovic from Alex Milanovic & Associates as structural engineers; Bruce Williamson of BRW Enterprises handling hydraulics; and Ralph Engineering Concepts on mechanicals and electricals. Hutchies' team includes Len White project manager; Alex Seydel administrator; and John Baldwin foreman.



A board full of Scratchies was the raffle prize at the Social Club's outing to Silks Restaurant for dinner and the trots.

SANTA SWAPS REINDEER FOR CAT



THE annual Children's Christmas Party was held on the SS Cat-O-Nine-Tails to Moreton Island.

The rough passage sorted out the landlubbers from the sailors, with many preferring the tranquillity of the island.

LEFT: Santa Claus was popular aboard the boat with the children who didn't seem to mind the rough weather journey.



The adults didn't take long to find their land legs on the island after the rough crossing.

SCOTT'S OPEN HOUSE FOR CHRISTMAS



Scott Hutchinson hosted the office Christmas party at his home in Graceville on Friday, December 11. A great time was had by all, but many found Saturday morning tough going.



UNDERDOGS GET ON TOP

HUTCHIES sponsored the Churchie 1st Eight for 1998 and 1999.

The underdog crew had not won a race when Hutchies took on the sponsorship, but two weeks later were the Secondary School Champions, winning the Head of the River.

To show their thanks, the boys and coach, Peter Shakespeare, presented Jack with a Churchie 1st Eight/Hutchies T-shirt signed by the whole crew.

SCRATCH MY BACK WINNERS

HUTCHIES Truth readers, check your Scratch-it numbers. Only two prizes were claimed from the last issue's Scratch-its. Kevin Miller, of Property Solutions, won a Harley T-shirt and Sam Ragusa, of Griffith University, won a measuring tape. All other prizes are still up for grabs. This month we are offering 35 prizes and the winning numbers are:-

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 308 - Boxer shorts | 650 - Hutchies shirt | 1191 - Port |
| 327 - Boxer shorts | 690 - Port | 1213 - Hammer |
| 399 - Measuring tape | 751 - Towels | 1290 - Harley T-shirt |
| 419 - Hammer | 799 - Hammer | 1317 - Port |
| 459 - Towels | 820 - Hammer | 1352 - Port |
| 512 - Hammer | 887 - Hammer | 1407 - Towels |
| 529 - Hutchies shirt | 935 - Port | 1480 - Boxer shorts |
| 574 - Hammer | 940 - Towels | 1511 - Hutchies T-shirt |
| 578 - Car battery voucher | 1024 - Harley T-shirt | 1569 - Hammer |
| | 1084 - Boxer shorts | 1687 - Hammer |
| 621 - Harley T-shirt | 1188 - Towels | 1766 - Hammer |



UPBEAT CHRISTMAS FOR THE UNDER 30's

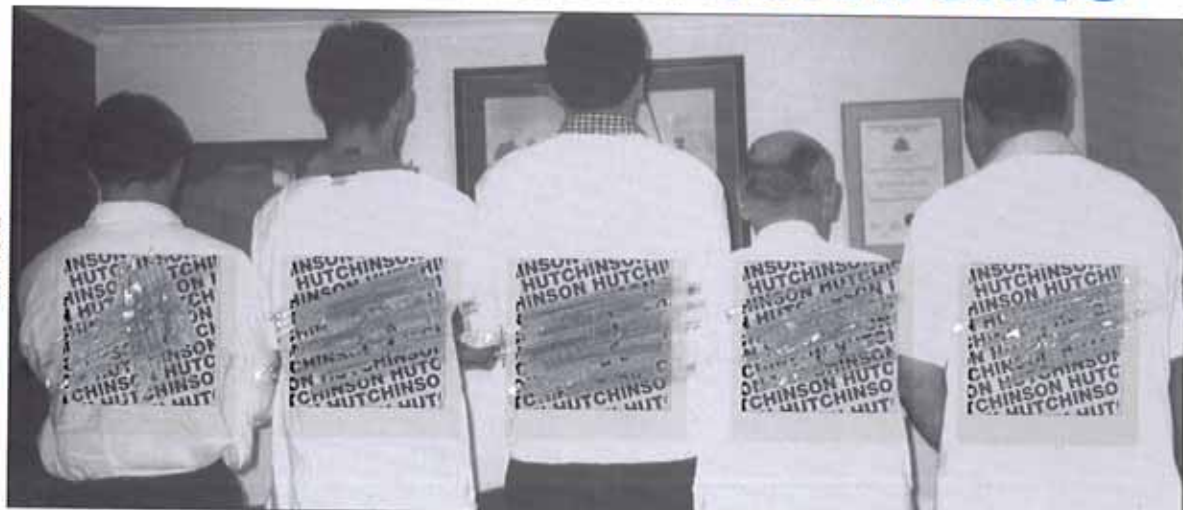
THE Under 30's Christmas function kicked off in the salubrious surrounds of the Queensland Club but went rapidly downhill from there when the party moved on to kick up their heels among the night life of Fortitude Valley.

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