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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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The Awards celebrate and acknowledge outstanding achievements by companies and individuals in the Tasmanian Building and Construction Industry.

For many years our Master Builders Tasmania members have won recognition for their construction excellence and the contribution they make to the built environment.

I am proud of the fact that the Master Builders' 2018 Awards, our prestige event, attracted record entries, a record attendance and a record dollar value of projects entered.

For the evening we celebrated the best of the best projects, the winners of each award and our special awards, including State Apprentice of the Year and Women in Construction.

All winners were rewarded for their outstanding level of workmanship, reflecting the skills of the traditional Master Builder.

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and your contribution over the past 12 months.

Congratulations to all the winners and those who participated in this year's Awards.

The importance of the building sector to the Tasmanian economy and community should not be underestimated.

Our industry is the second-largest full-time employer in the state, with official numbers now close to 25,000, with 20,000 of those employed full-time.

Our sector must deliver the houses, roads, schools, hospitals, public transport and aged-care facilities needed to maintain the excellent living standards that

Tasmanians expect and deserve.

There are challenges ahead, and both Master Builders and the industry must be nimble enough to embrace new technologies, innovation and diversity.

The growing involvement of women in our Association and the construction industry as a whole reflects the evolution of our industry, and technologies such as 3-D printing that are set to revolutionise our work, the ever-changing face of our commercial and residential sectors, and investment within this state will be huge influences in coming years.

The Association is actively involved on an advisory and

consultative level with affiliated organisations as well as federal, state and local government authorities, architects, lending institutions and various other organisations for the purpose of maintaining and improving contractual, industrial and general business relationships within the industry.

Master Builders is an association that has a proud history of 127 years of operation in this state and will continue to represent its members, the construction industry and lead the evolution, growth and professionalism that have been contributing factors to the success of the industry.

I believe that we are good at what

we do and that we need to celebrate our successes as they arise. By implementing this philosophy, the successes will continue.

Diversity, passion and professionalism are all on constant display as Master Builders represents the industry and advocates according to a philosophy of continuous improvement. This gives me great faith that we have a very bright future, and that the Association has the ability to continue to support and improve the industry and the Tasmanian community.

**— LYNDON FENTON,  
PRESIDENT,  
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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I WOULD like to introduce myself as the new Executive Director of Master Builders Tasmania. To be appointed to lead the peak building and construction industry association in Tasmania is a humbling experience.

I would also like to thank Michael Kerschbaum on behalf of the membership, Board and staff of Master Builders Tasmania for his commitment and dedicated leadership over the past nine years as Executive Director.

The building and construction industry continues to fire on all cylinders, and looking at the data there really isn't a current point of weakness.

In the past 12 months all three construction sectors — residential, commercial and civil engineering — expanded considerably. The pipeline of work under way was a major driver of economic growth and jobs in the Tasmanian economy over the past year. The total value of work done added more than \$2.7 billion to the economy, and according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics employment data the industry employed 24,200 people — more than 20,000 of whom were in full-time positions.

The housing market in Hobart was the strongest in the country over the past 12 months. House price growth outpaced that in Sydney and Melbourne, rental vacancies are below 1 per cent, and the growth in the value of work done on residential construction projects across the state topped 11.5 per cent, adding \$750 million to the economy.

Importantly, we expect the number of new housing commencements to continue to expand for a few more years yet.

The commercial sector is also running at full steam. The most recent building approvals data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics showed the total value of commercial approvals increased by more than 50 per cent in the past 12 months.

The value of work on commercial construction projects has expanded for five consecutive years. Given the ongoing growth in new commercial building approvals, Master Builders' forecasts are for the value of work on commercial projects to top \$725 million in 2019, up by nearly \$100 million on the previous year.

Population growth has been a key driver, adding more than 100 new permanent residents per day in the past 12 months. Over the same period, total tourist numbers topped 1.26 million. The growing number of people choosing to live and visit the state is a big

opportunity for the construction industry.

However, it is also increasingly important that the industry works successfully with Government to take advantage of these opportunities, to make it easier to do business in our industry, to hire more apprentices and tradespeople, and expand to meet these growing demands.

The Hodgman Government's fifth Budget delivered on several key election promises and unveiled substantial commitments to infrastructure and housing.

Master Builders also commends the Hodgman Government for its long-term commitment to boost apprenticeship numbers by 40 per cent by 2025.

We continue to work with both major parties on ways to make it easier for businesses to take on apprentices and support pathways for individuals to build rewarding careers in the construction industry.

The recent Master Builders Tasmania Excellence Awards once again showcased the best the industry had to offer. The quality of entries was of the highest standard, and we expect to once again be extremely well represented at the MBA National Excellence Awards to be held in South Australia later in the year.

This year's Excellence Awards attracted a record number of attendees, and I acknowledge the outstanding achievements of all who entered the Awards.

Notable winners were the State Apprentice of the Year, Hayden Browne, and the Hands-On Skills Apprentice of the Year, Bohdi van Dyk.

The Women in Construction Award was won by Victoria Pendrey, of Fairbrother Pty Ltd, a most popular choice for her outstanding efforts and contribution to the industry.

The Residential Builder of the Year, Davies Construction, and the Commercial Builder of the Year, Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd, are to be applauded for the high quality of their entries.

Congratulations to all entrants and winners — overall an amazing effort by MBT members.

On behalf of Master Builders Tasmania, our membership and Board, I would like to thank all our sponsors and all participants who contributed to make this such a great event.

— MATTHEW POLLOCK,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
MASTER BUILDERS TASMANIA



Master Builders Association Executive Director Matthew Pollock has high hopes for the construction industry in Tasmania.

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## STATE APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR: Hayden Browne (Stubbs Construction Pty Ltd)

FROM the beginning Hayden has shown a willingness to learn and the ability to work with the full range of people, from other apprentices through to tradesmen, supervisors and teachers.

He has an excellent reputation throughout the company as a young man with good skills who thinks ahead of the game, with the ability to learn and take direction.

Hayden has already built a reputation for his ability to take supervision of tasks within larger projects and to direct others. He has an obvious passion for his trade, which is shown in his desire to obtain new skills and qualifications.

The judges noted that Hayden had all-round experience and exposure to many different

types of construction, and the fact that he is just about to move into his new home, which he has built himself to lock-up stage (as a 20-year-old), is a credit to him.

Hayden thinks ahead, and understands the nature of the preparation in order to complete the final task. He is co-operative and can communicate easily.

Hayden, above all, is doing what he grew up wanting to do and he does it very well. He shows leadership, patience, knowledge and determination, which ensures he will succeed in any future endeavour.

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## HANDS-ON SKILLS APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR: Bodhi van Dyk (Streefland Homes & Developments)

BODHI was recognised by the judges for his all-round ability to manage and build new architectural designed homes for his company's clients from start to finish in conjunction with the new owners, and has gained enough confidence and experience to be doing two and sometimes three projects at once.

He demonstrates attention to detail, resulting in quality workmanship, and delivers this with his professional and courteous nature.

Bodhi is capable of running a job from start to finish — responsible for site set-out, project

management, and timely completion of the project.

He has already acted as the foreman for three separate new home builds in just this past year, which saw him liaise with clients, staff, sub-contractors and engineers.

Bodhi is highly regarded by sub-contractors and industry peers for his professional approach — an attribute that will ensure he will be a great ambassador for the industry into the future.

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## WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION: Victoria Pendrey (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)

VICTORIA Pendrey's construction industry career contributed to the transformation and innovation of one of Tasmania's most successful businesses.

Over decades Victoria has embraced industry changes, fulfilled every single administration role in the company, and has exceptional knowledge of all areas of current business practice.

Victoria personifies the company values, manages an exceptionally high workload with consistent high-quality output, and has excellent time management skills.

She has shown absolute commitment to professionalism, demonstrating leadership by going over and above her own needs to ensure a positive environment for her colleagues and a sharing of skills that assisted instigating change across a broad age group.

Victoria has also shared her personal time to

enable involvement in community programs and local sporting clubs.

She is passionate about the construction industry and the future pathways with multiple entry levels and plenty of career options.

Victoria gave a great explanation of the opportunities that exist today: "I have a wonderful career, and today I just wish I could start my career all over again. I could have the opportunity to become the company CEO! The sky is the limit!"

Victoria's career has contributed to business success, she is highly respected, and continues to fulfil an integral role, an excellent role model for Women in Construction.

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**RESIDENTIAL BUILDER OF THE YEAR:**  
**Luke Davies (Davies Construction (TAS) Pty Ltd)**

TWO projects, two categories, two winners. Each house comfortably excels in its category. Both are truly outstanding examples of the builder's art and make Davies Construction a fitting representative

of all that the best Tasmanian residential builders can deliver.

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**COMMERCIAL BUILDER OF THE YEAR:**  
**Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd**

THE range and diversity of Vos Construction & Joinery's projects in this year's awards program is extraordinary, with 14 entries comprising 13 separate projects across 12 categories.

Of these buildings, six are category winners, representing a winner in 50 per cent of all categories entered, and they include a number of the most challenging projects

reviewed as part of this year's awards program.

Ultimately it is Vos Construction & Joinery's successful response to these challenges that is their truly outstanding achievement.

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**MEDIUM DENSITY CONSTRUCTION:**  
**Claremont Residential Development (Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd)**

VOS Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd has delivered this development with commendable consistency, despite accommodating hundreds of purchaser-initiated changes as the project progressed through construction.

It is this attention to the overall presentation

of the scheme that is most striking and contributes so much to the positive visual impression of the development.

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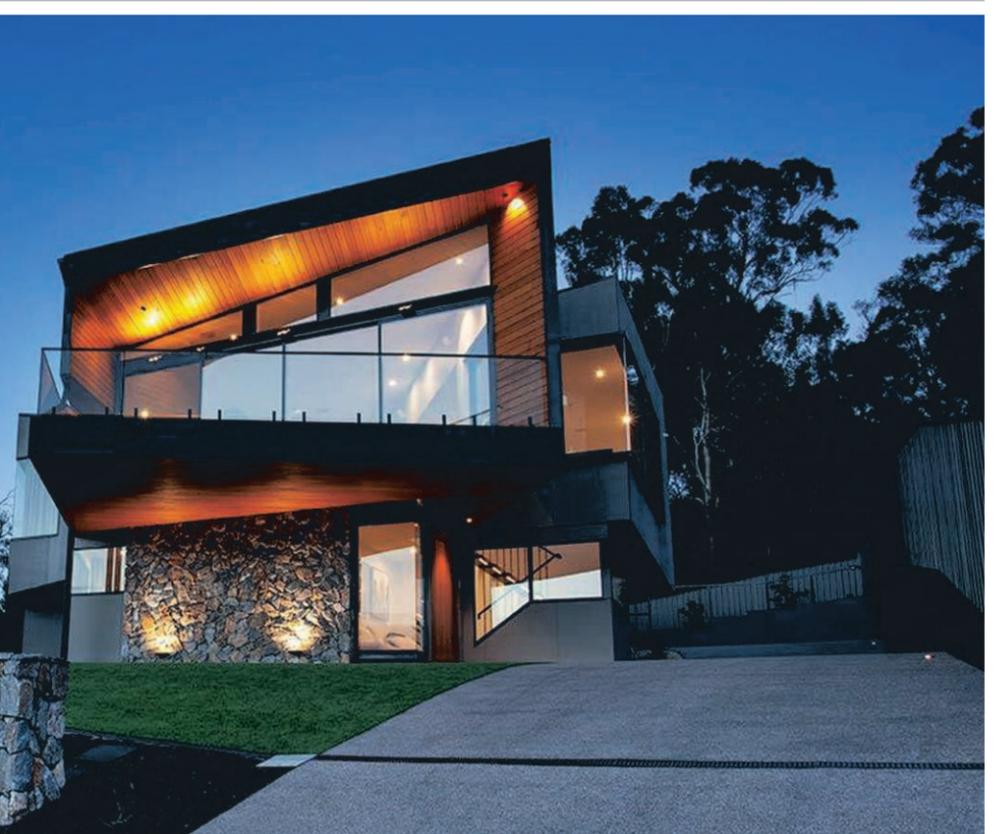
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**HERITAGE-LISTED OR PERIOD HOME RESTORATION/RENOVATION – OPEN VALUE:**  
**Rutherford Residence (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)**

THE work that Fairbrother Construction has carried out to bring this 100-year-old property back to life is remarkable. In particular, the integration internally of new with retained blackwood for trim, linings and doors is beautifully carried out, and the work to restore the house's characteristic stained-glass windows and to restore and upgrade the

existing double-hung sash windows are real feats of construction skill. The combination of restoration, recreation and new work is a credit to the skill of the construction team.

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**DWELLING CONSTRUCTION OVER \$1 MILLION:**  
**S & S Residence (Davies Construction (TAS) Pty Ltd)**

THERE is a degree of spatial and construction difficulty faced in this project that puts it on a different level. As if the sloping site, extrovert design and sheer scale of the build were not challenges enough, there is an expectation that houses at this price point will be as close to perfect as it is possible to be. It is in delivering to this expectation that Davies Construction has raised itself above

other excellent entries in this category. The attention to quality, the aesthetically driven resolution of detail, and the workmanship across a plethora of materials and trades are all outstanding and make this a worthy winner of the highest value housing category.

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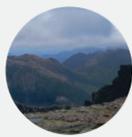


**ENERGY EFFICIENCY:**  
**Lake Tahune Frenchmans Cap (Valley Workshop)**

CHALLENGING sites can often be the catalyst for innovative solutions, and so it is with this project by Valley Workshop. Located in the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park at around 1000m above sea level, the site falls easily within the Alpine Climate Zone of the National Construction Code. Well-insulated building fabric, triple-glazing and good building sealing are essential here, and have been delivered via a novel panelised

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## SOIL & WATER MANAGEMENT: Mona Pharos (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)

It was a first-time entry for Fairbrother Construction in the Soil and Water Management category with Mona Pharos.

Due to the high visibility and sensitive nature of excavating on the banks of the River Derwent, a robust Soil and Water Management Plan to actively manage soil and water on-site during construction was critical.

The site brought about many challenging issues regarding the management of soil and water on-site, with a relatively high water table being influenced by daily tides. Sediment controls were set up across the site, including sediment fences, hay bales, sediment control pits, stormwater entry protection, entry and

exit points including crushed gravel, and large floating boom with underwater curtain.

Shot Crete was used extensively across the site as an erosion mitigation, as well as no-go zones to keep machinery out of sensitive vegetated areas.

All of these measures helped to manage soil and water across the site, which also helped Fairbrother to have recorded no environmental incidents during the construction period and no complaints from neighbouring properties, businesses or patrons of Mona itself.

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## WORK HEALTH & SAFETY (WHS): NRAS Melville Street (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)

THE UTAS NRAS Accommodation Units Stage 1 project located in Melville Street in the Hobart CBD completed by Fairbrother Construction provided many difficult and complex challenges in regards to managing the risks to Work Health and Safety, the environment and existing service assets, which Fairbrother Construction managed exceptionally well.

Highlighting some of the difficult complex challenges that Fairbrother Construction managed exceptionally well:

- Location of the project in managing high-volume traffic and the public by implementing an excellent detailed Traffic Management Plan;

- Managing demolition of existing structure;
- Managing bulk excavation;
- Erection and dismantling of tower cranes — this also included the crane emergency plan and training completed from the tower crane in the early stages of the project; and
- The ongoing challenges in regards to working at heights, for workers and the public.

Congratulations to Fairbrother Construction and its team in developing, implementing and monitoring all the safety strategies in this complex challenging project.

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## LIFESTYLE FOR SENIORS — RETIREMENT VILLAGES: Lifetime Homes Tasmania (Lifetime Smarthome)

LIFETIME Homes Tasmania has developed and built an excellent example of a retirement living dwelling.

In terms of appearance, specification, construction quality and attention to detail, this is a house that would compete well in the general housing market at its price point.

To have achieved this while also seamlessly

incorporating a Platinum level of "Livable Housing Australia Design Guidelines" features, and a suite of further enhancements that tailor it to the needs of senior or disabled occupants, is the project's outstanding achievement.

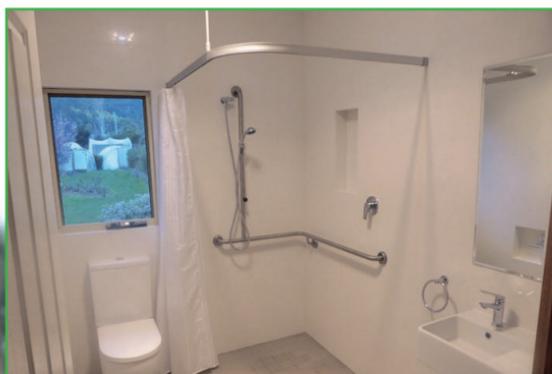
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**LIFESTYLE FOR SENIORS – AGED-CARE FACILITIES:  
Masonic Peace Haven (R and S Rosier Constructions Pty Ltd)**

R AND S Rosier Constructions Pty Ltd has successfully delivered 42 new aged-care rooms in two stages, and in two discrete locations, within a tightly constrained and fully operational site.

The complexity of the required logistics, encompassing not just restricted access and maintenance of the 24/7 operation of the facility, but resident safety management, and installation of a new gas-fired hydronic heating

and hot water system for the whole complex, has been handled with real aplomb.

Against this backdrop, construction quality and consistency are excellent, including within extensive landscaped areas, and is reflected in resident and operator feedback, which is entirely positive.

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**HERITAGE-LISTED OR PERIOD BUILDING  
RESTORATION/RENOVATION-OPEN VALUE:  
Vaucluse Hotel (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)**

IN what must have been a challenging as well as exciting project, Fairbrother Construction has managed to shoehorn 11 guest rooms, complete with new ensuites, and a commercial kitchen into this existing Georgian house.

In doing so there has been a call for flexibility and innovation at every turn, with irregular levels and surfaces, and the deficiencies of the original construction all

having to be addressed in a way that left any intervention invisible.

To have achieved all this, simultaneous with a first-class restoration, and within a commercial budget reflects extremely well on the project team.

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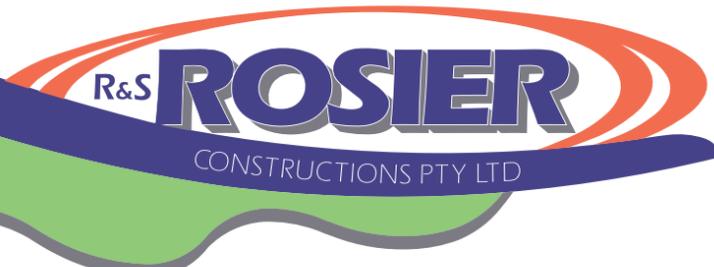
**RENOVATION/ADDITION UNDER \$200,000:  
New Town (KAM Joinery)**

KAM Joinery has seamlessly inserted a contemporary kitchen into a beautifully maintained period home.

In particular, the work complements the quality of the existing features of the house and contributes to a sense of spatial flow from the formal house entry to the informal courtyard and garden beyond, seeming to draw you

through the house towards it. The key to achieving this synthesis of new and old has been an extraordinary attention to detail. The result is a stunning, exquisite addition.

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## RENOVATION/ADDITION \$200,000 – \$400,000: Office Pod and Pool Addition (Haven Built)

HAVEN Built has worked closely with their client to add a pool and office pod to this contemporary home.

The brief required new and existing to be “fused as one”, and the result absolutely achieves this, with a suite of complex construction details copying, mirroring or mimicking the original details, despite the pool and office typology being completely different from those of the original house.

It is to the great credit of the builder that this

attention to detail extends from the largest to the smallest elements – from the shaping of the pool at one extreme, to the geometry of bookshelves at the other.

None of these details was easy to achieve and their successful implementation raises the project to the highest level of excellence.

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## RENOVATION/ADDITION OVER \$400,000: Bell Residence (Inhabit Construction)

INHABIT Construction has excelled in delivering this magnificent home. The sense is of a new house, and yet with the quirks and character of an older one.

Downstairs, living areas open out through huge new sliding glass doors to a deck, garden and glimpsed views beyond. The work to install this wall of glass was substantial, and yet essential to flood the house with light.

Externally, spotted gum cladding and

decking, contrasted with Tas oak detailing, a Corten pergola, and glimpses of the original masonry make a compelling gesture of the new work while simultaneously telling the story of the original dwelling.

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## DWELLING CONSTRUCTION \$200,000 – \$350,000: Blackwood House (Davies Construction (TAS) Pty Ltd)

IT is rare that the pursuit of a restrained material palette is successfully carried through to completion, but in this house Davies Construction has done so with determination and a clear sense of purpose, and the result is impressive.

Internally, the burnished concrete floor, rough sawn blackwood ceiling, and simple white walls, combined with the elimination of all extraneous detail and an elegant understated

lighting solution, create an unexpected warmth, homeliness and naturalistic ambience.

Unique details like the five-metre-long concrete kitchen counter and the lime render bathroom walls offer a final “extra over” that the best builders and projects deliver.

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**DWELLING CONSTRUCTION \$350,000 – \$500,000:  
Number 22 (Streefland Homes & Developments)**

IN a competitive category, Streefland Homes & Developments has produced an outstanding home.

The external treatment features a variety of planes, textures and materials that provide interest, while internally an exemplary colour palette comprising natural timber, grey tiles and countertops, and white walls and joinery enhance the sense of space and light.

The courtyard on the upper level, around which the living spaces are wrapped but which can be fully opened up via two-way sliding

doors, adds a real extra dimension.

All this work is handled with aplomb and demonstrates a builder at the top of its game. Craftsmanship and quality of finish are ubiquitously good, and clever details provide a high level of finesse.

The builder has delivered a worthy winner that is, clearly, a pleasure to live in.

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**DWELLING CONSTRUCTION \$500,000 – \$1 MILLION:  
Lenah Valley (Haven Built)**

HAVEN Built has delivered a slick project home characterised by a balanced arrangement of high-quality materials internally and externally.

In particular, the use of flat panel metal cladding over the main bedroom, which is cantilevered off the end of the house, provides a dramatic and eye-catching first impression.

Internally, the honed concrete flooring

does the same, providing a warmth that belies its mass, and which provides a perfect counterpoint to the otherwise restrained internal palette.

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**NEW CONSTRUCTION UNDER \$1 MILLION:  
AMC AUV Building (R and S Rosier Constructions Pty Ltd)**

THERE is a neatness and thoughtfulness embedded in this project that reflects credit on R and S Rosier Constructions' approach to building.

They have worked in and around retained components of a wholly inadequate existing structure and transformed it into a contemporary facility suitable for cutting-edge Antarctic research, with significant upgrades to technical aspects such as a new three-tonne gantry crane and upgraded power supply.

More importantly, the work carried out has

given this facility a home that reflects the important work carried out within. In this, the builder's attention to detail, and their unwillingness to accept anything but the best possible input from their sub-contractors and suppliers makes it a standout project and worthy winner.

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**Dwelling Construction  
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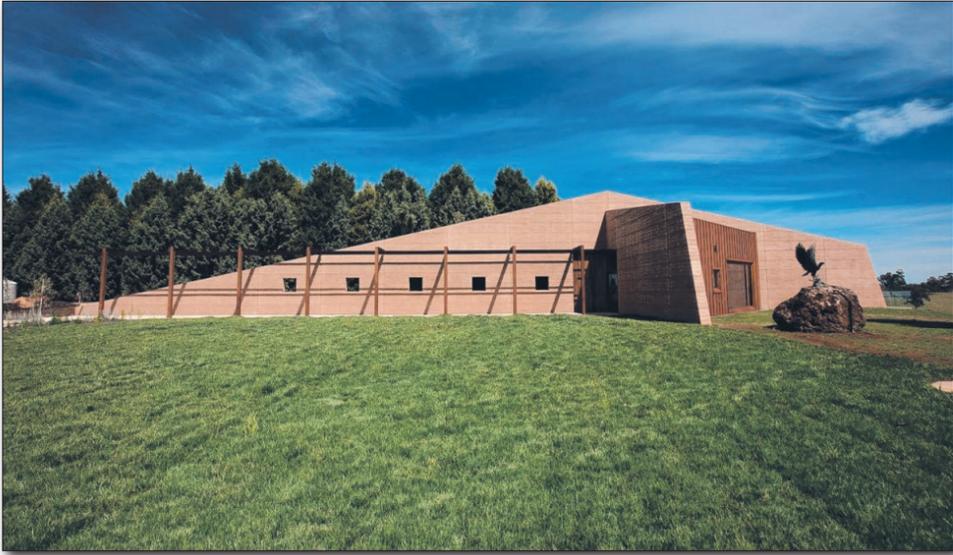
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**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$1 MILLION – \$2 MILLION:**  
**Clover Hill Vineyard (Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd)**

VOS Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd has delivered, in the Clover Hill Vineyard cellar door, a stunning built work.

Given an understanding of the complexity of the construction process, with hundreds of significant changes made, including changes to build work, difficult and unusual materials chosen, and unforgiving design detailing, the result is all the more impressive.

The work in creating the strong primary rammed-earth form of the building, and to shape the intensely tactile Corten secondary walls, is exquisitely done, despite the

coarseness of these materials.

This same care is carried through to the interior, where exterior materials are carried through and combined with dark finishes to give a much more intimate experience.

Vos Construction & Joinery has created an intriguing, beguiling, iconic building that justifies a much more extended appreciation, glass of Clover Hill Blanc de Blanc in hand, than our jury inspection sadly allowed for.

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**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$2 MILLION – \$5 MILLION:**  
**Riverside Olympic Football Clubrooms (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)**

FAIRBROTHER Construction is to be applauded for the quality of construction embedded in these new clubrooms.

It has delivered a genuine asset for the Launceston City Council, which should also be acknowledged for its commitment to investing in exemplary community facilities.

Such a commitment is of little value if the

built quality does not reflect it, but Fairbrother Construction has delivered.

Each of the materials used has been dealt with superbly, and the overall effort is excellent.

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**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$5 MILLION – \$10 MILLION:**  
**Port Arthur Visitor Centre (Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd)**

WITH this project, Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd has literally built on the foundations of its previous work to create the earlier Port Arthur Visitor Centre 20 years ago.

Its knowledge of the site enabled Vos to be proactive in recommending alternative construction strategies and cost savings that did not compromise the new design, but, rather, enhanced it. And the end result is a fine new expanded facility that delivers against a more

complex program than the original and caters to the increased visitor numbers that the site has experienced.

Delivery on time and budget was achieved, and all aspects of a visitor's experience enhanced in the process.

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**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$10 MILLION – \$20 MILLION:  
Glenorchy Health Centre (Hansen Yuncken)**

EXTERNALLY this building belies its scale. At close to 5000 square metres in size it is a significant building, and not just in scale.

As a pivotal facility in a strategy to reduce pressure on the Royal Hobart Hospital, it also needs to engage with the community.

Its design is predicated on this premise, and Hansen Yuncken has responded to this challenge with an intricate, finely detailed construction.

Externally, patterned brickwork is a design

and construction feature, while internally, joinery takes centre stage, in particular the timberwork to the stairs and reception.

All this work, requiring close attention to detail, has been well put together and is of a standard that realises the project's ambitions and has been embraced by the new occupants.

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**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$20 MILLION – \$50 MILLION:  
Mona Pharos (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)**

IN a cultural environment where Mona has virtually become a byword for exceptionalism, the work carried out by Fairbrother Construction at the Mona Pharos Building nonetheless takes our understanding of that word to another level again.

The ambition, and consequent difficulty, of this project is outrageous and yet Fairbrother Construction has found a way to achieve the desired outcome without compromise.

It must be a difficult but utterly exhilarating experience to disappear into the Mona rabbit hole and emerge, blinking, at the other end

and find the work complete. As a visitor it is easy to be distracted from the sheer difficulty of the building tasks undertaken here, and yet if you only take a moment to consider the built components of the Pharos Building, there is not one that represents business as usual.

Every part is random, unique, difficult. Fairbrother Construction needs to be congratulated on having thrived on the experience, sanity in place.

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**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$50 MILLION – \$100 MILLION:  
NRAS Melville Street (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)**

IN the UTAS NRAS Melville Street housing project, Fairbrother Construction has delivered a large-scale project during a period of sustained construction activity.

Its work to secure and retain sub-contractors at the scale and over the time frame required is to be commended.

Similarly, in such circumstances, Fairbrother's ability to maintain build quality is

equally to be commended. In particular, the in-house joinery work is quite excellent and has provided an appropriate level of softening to what could otherwise be a hard and confronting building.

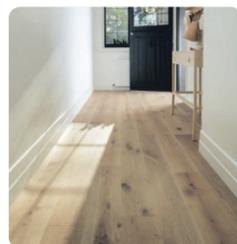
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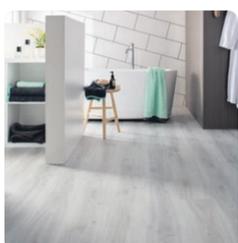
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## NEW CONSTRUCTION OVER \$100 MILLION: Salamanca Building – Parliament Square (Hansen Yuncken)

AT a scale, cost and quality rarely seen in Tasmania, and therefore representing a unique challenge, Hansen Yuncken has successfully delivered a project incorporating all of the complexities that one would expect of such a project.

These complexities included the integration of new works with existing heritage buildings, including Parliament House; significant design and scope changes, including the addition of two office floors mid-build; resource constraints; and industrial relations challenges. All the while the requirement remained to deliver a large-scale office building, with

high-specification levels.

It is to Hansen Yuncken's credit that all complexities were surmounted, and an extremely high quality of construction achieved, that extends from the building structure and envelope through to the individual details of joinery and plasterwork.

This is an excellent project, well delivered, and a fine advertisement for Tasmanian construction practice.

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## SPECIALIST CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR: Macquarie Street (Klek Roofing & Cladding Pty Ltd)

KLEK Roofing and Cladding was asked to migrate from roof plumbing on the Ibis Styles Hotel to installation of the zinc cladding to the walls and entry soffit on the basis of the quality of their workmanship.

This same workmanship, comprising a combination of old-school hand techniques and modern technology, was then applied to the zinc work.

Dimensional and set-out accuracy, anticipation of penetrations and cut-outs, and liaison with other contractors were all undertaken with exemplary efficiency, and

Klek Roofing and Cladding did not allow a number of potential program interruptions to delay their installation.

The final result is a showcase of its abilities, and represents immense dedication to the delivery of its craft.

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## HEALTH FACILITY: Mersey Community Hospital Antenatal Clinic (Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd)

VOS Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd has delivered an outstanding project.

Nine months after handover, the Antenatal Clinic looks brand new, which is a reflection of the inherent quality of the built work.

That work was not straightforward either, with construction activity sandwiched between an active surgical department below, an occupied ward above, and administrative offices adjacent.

It is reflective of the builder's diligent approach that additional works were added that also had the potential to impact on hospital operations, but that these too were delivered without disruption and to the original program.

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## ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION FACILITY: Mona Pharos (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)

AS an immersive cultural experience, Mona is unrivalled in Tasmania. The design and construction of the buildings that enclose the art collection are integral to the experience, and nowhere within the facility more than in the new Pharos Building.

Fairbrother Construction has excelled in making the construction complicit in the visitor experience, not least because works such as those by James Turrell absolutely require the intervention of the built space for their

effectiveness.

Construction of these spaces to strict specification is fundamental to the success of the artwork, and Fairbrother Construction has absolutely delivered the goods.

This is an outstanding contribution to this year's awards program.

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## EDUCATION FACILITY:

### Austins Ferry Primary School (Fairbrother Pty Ltd)

FAIRBROTHER Construction has continued its successful delivery of school projects with this expansion of the Austins Ferry Primary School.

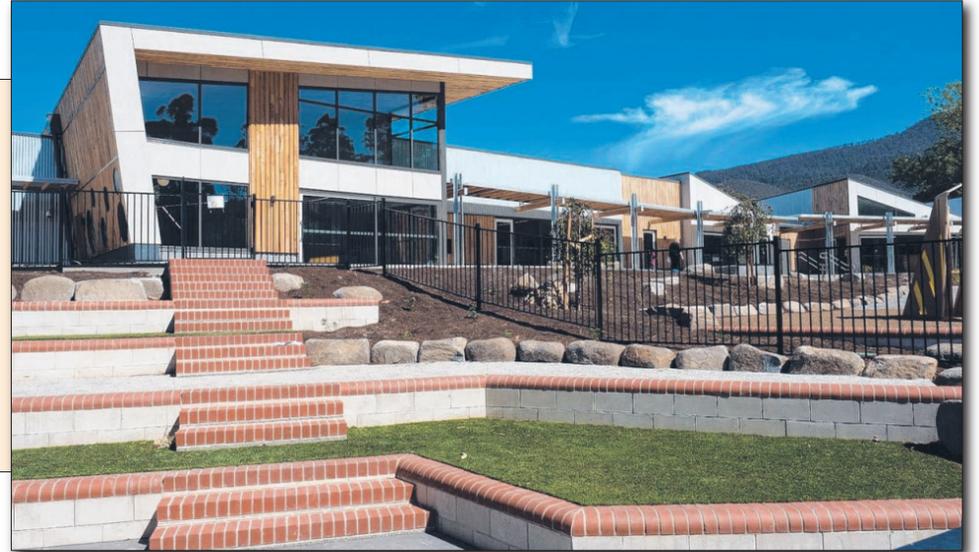
Extensive use of Cupressus macrocarpa cladding, both externally and internally, has been well handled, as has the use of Barestone and Colorbond cladding as complementary external finishes.

Internally, perforated acoustic plaster and

exacting lighting specifications have been faultlessly delivered.

The sum result is an excellent project that makes a positive contribution to the state's school estate.

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## CIVIL CONSTRUCTION:

### Bruny Island Neck Road (Andrew Walter Constructions)

AS much as an exercise in civil construction, this project was an exercise in community engagement. And although the project was always contentious, Andrew Walter Constructions' strategies to address and mitigate these concerns represent an excellent case study in establishing a social licence for controversial works.

Even setting this aspect of the project aside, the way that Andrew Walter Constructions proactively engaged with the Department of State Growth to achieve value-managed savings and to keep the project to budget while

delivering high-value environmental outcomes has also been extremely well managed.

And finally, none of this detracts from the commitment to construction quality demonstrated in the project.

At the end of the day, with opponents won over, the client's budget and time frames met, penguins happy, and construction completed to a high standard, Andrew Walter Constructions is a deserving winner of this award.

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**RENOVATION/FIT-OUT UNDER \$1 MILLION:  
Liveat Kings Meadows (Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd)**

THERE is no way, just looking at this project, that a casual observer would have any idea of the complexity of construction that Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd had to contend with.

The project is squeezed between a massage parlour on one side, a busy carpark, and the busy Hobart Road on the other side, with only a narrow space to the rear.

Around these impediments, the building team had to cut out and manhandle a pre-cast concrete dividing wall and install significant steelwork, quite apart from the everyday job of

fitting out and finishing off.

To compound these challenges, the hands-on approach of the owners, as they work to expand their new business, saw Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd installing a range of time-consuming and bespoke detailing.

Notwithstanding all these challenges, it seems that the building team remained upbeat and delivered a good project on time and on budget.

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**RENOVATION/FIT-OUT \$1 MILLION – \$5 MILLION:  
Macquarie Wharf 01 – Lobby, Reception, Restaurant and Bar Fit-out (Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd)**

IN a stunning display of their diverse skills Vos Construction & Joinery Pty Ltd has delivered an outstanding fit-out to the ground floor of the Macq01 project on Hobart's waterfront.

The sheer range of materials that have been used is astounding, ranging from copper and brass, through to sandstone, granite and marble, and new and recycled timbers, to exquisite glass cabinetwork.

Every aspect of the construction is of an extremely high quality, and the overall contribution that this makes to the ambience

of the Old Wharf Restaurant and Story Bar can't be overstated. There is a palpable sense of old-world luxury as one circulates through the space that is, in every way, linked to the quality of the work.

The project is a great showcase of what Tasmanian companies can deliver.

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**RENOVATION/FIT-OUT OVER \$5 MILLION:  
Coroneagh Park (Mead Con)**

MEAD Con has managed complex staging, difficult access, and accommodation of the continuing operations of this aged-care facility to deliver a project that represents a quantum leap in the quality of the living and working environment for residents and staff.

In particular, the light-filled lounge areas and the bespoke surface finishes throughout the interior make this an outstanding project and one that management, staff and residents have

all indicated their pleasure with.

An obvious care has been taken with the work that not only shines through in the praise lavished on the builder, but also through the evident quality of the work.

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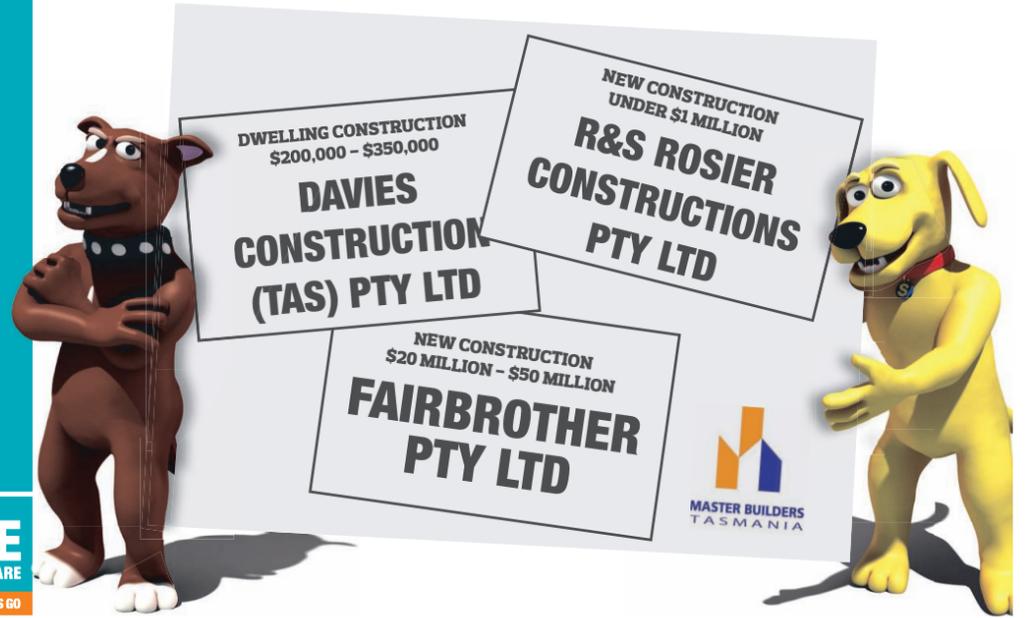
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