



## And the award goes to... Easton Builders again!



That's right, the Australian Shop & Office Fitting Industry Association has awarded Easton Builders the title for the best Interior fit out between \$125,000 - \$500,000 and it's not hard to see why.

Marni is a boutique women's fashion label based in Milan and this Double Bay store is the first time Marni has graced our shores. The mirror finish stainless steel hanging system that runs from the front to the rear of the store in a 'vine' like formation, paired with American oak floor and extensive joinery are all exquisite

examples of the high quality finishes our clients have come to expect from a project built by Easton Builders.

This is the second ASOFIA award won by Easton Builders in 3 years. The last being the 2005-2006 award in the \$500,000 and over category for Melbourne's Giorgio Armani store on Collins Street.



## Coogee Diggers

The Coogee Randwick RSL Club now rebranded as Coogee Diggers was first established in 1935 and has always been a popular spot amongst locals.

Easton Builders is working with architects SJB to dress up this RSL to cater for the clients idea to create a 'funky interpretation of an RSL'. The project was a three stage refurbishment. Pictured above was the first of those stages which included a fantastic new outdoor lounge and terrace area and new bathrooms. The outdoor area has really brightened up the space, allowing light to filter through the glazed pivot doors and into the once tired dining area, filling it with

glorious Sydney sun. The outdoor space with its colourful striped couches has a relaxed and beachy feel that blends in with the Coogee atmosphere.

A challenging aspect of this project was the requirement of the client to keep the RSL club fully operational whilst renovations were being carried out. The Easton Builders team were able to work around this by splitting the project up into sections and ensuring that throughout the building process the project and surrounding areas were maintained to the highest standard of cleanliness and organisation, a feature of Easton Builders projects.

With the final stage soon to be completed, the club will now be able to boast an impressive new reception area with a smart upmarket design along with the outdoor courtyard as pictured, new Poker Dome Hall, bathrooms and new gym to compliment the club's already extensive features including TAB, gaming, 25 metre indoor heated pool, tennis courts and billiards hall. Many of these existing features have also been earmarked for improvement by SJB and the club's board, so stay tuned for more stages at Coogee Diggers.

Coogee Diggers is located on the corner of Carr and Byron Streets, Coogee.



## FIRST for Downtown Duty Free

Downtown Duty Free has had a name change and to coincide with the unveiling of the new brand comes a completely refurbished departures store offering a wide range of duty free favourites to international travellers.

Duty free shopping is the first fun part of your international trip so Downtown Duty Free became "FIRST – tax and duty free" a fitting new name for this bright and bustling store filled with tax free goodies.

FIRST stocks a wide range of luxury items such as designer sunglasses, accessories, women's cosmetics, watches, perfume and aftershave as well as vintage wine and exclusive spirits.

Floor space is 2000sqm and sees traffic of nearly 4 ½ million people each year making it one of the most popular retail stores around!

The design of the store was created to

accommodate these large numbers of people working their way through the International area to or from our shores.

Construction was also planned so that the store remained operational 20 hours a day by building in 4 separate stages so that the pedestrian traffic and customer experience was not disrupted.

The entire project was managed by our dedicated Melbourne Airport team headed by Project Manager, Craig Irving.

To find out more about what Easton Builders does at Melbourne Airport, contact our Melbourne Airport Office direct on (03) 9330 2433.

# Dreaming of the cooler months?

These cosy and stylish ski chalets are perfect for the colder months of winter. Let us take you to a place that's cooler...

When two ski loving families approached Easton Builders about building new ski chalets that were to be constructed between snow seasons the team at Easton Builders couldn't wait to explore the new terrain.

The village of Mt Buller is Australia's largest and Victoria's most popular ski resort with a massive 263 hectares of skiable ground. To get to the mountain you will first have to wind your way up 1600 metres of breathtaking scenery and on your way you will find carved into the mountain, these beautiful winter getaways.

The chalets feature an impressive seven flights of stairs between them, with one chalet sitting behind the other, both taking full advantage of the breathtaking views, with large windows and balconies overlooking natural alpine snow and peppermint gums.

The outside weatherboard cladding is radial sawn ironbark which has been paired with natural stone to blend in with the mountain's natural beauty and rugged atmosphere. Inside, all bench tops in the bathrooms and kitchens use calacutta stone in keeping with the natural aesthetics of the chalets. The top chalet has a car lift in the garage to enable one car to be parked on top of another increasing the amount of space available.

To warm up after a day in the snow both chalets are equipped with an impressive hydronic heating system as well as floor heating in the bathrooms and dry rooms for hanging ski gear. Best of all there is a full sized spa to soothe tired muscles at the end of a day out in the snow.



## Green is the new Black

Easton Builders has just launched a 'green team' with the aim of introducing new environmentally friendly and sustainable practices into our business. They say the best ideas start at home and so the first item on the team's agenda will be making our Melbourne and Sydney Offices operate in a way that is less harmful to our environment. Watch this space for further updates on the Green team's progression.

## Staff News

Our employee of the month awards for Spring went to Colin Furby, Leading Hand at St Ninians Rd, Peter Isherwood, Labourer at Harcourt Street and Brendan Emmerton, Carpenter at Shakespeare Grove for their hard work on Melbourne Projects. In Sydney the awards have gone to Matt Bennett, Site Manager at UNSW, John Kollannur, Contract Administrator at Integrated Vision and UNSW and Cary Bangs, Project Manager at the Beresford.