



The Inside Story - Issue 12

Winners, gridders and party people



General Manager Manuel Peña receiving the award from Mark Goldsmith from AusIndustry

2014 was a great year for PQ with a continuing flow of work from our local, global and nationally based clients.

Construction sector.

Brad Dunne, MD and Manuel Peña, GM paid special tribute to the company's team members who work either in the field, in the factory or in administration to deliver successfully on the many and varied fitout projects for long-standing and new clients.



Not only did the company celebrate its 25th anniversary but in August received recognition from the Gold Coast Business Excellence Awards for the monthly Award for Excellence in the Manufacturing and



PQ's Manuel Peña, Chloe Fogarty and Arthur McKinley



AITC Apprentice of the Year: PQ's Josh Hartley

25th Year Anniversary Party Gala

Projects Queensland hosted a 25th Year Anniversary Party Gala event at Olli & Luca, Capri on Via Roma, Isle of Capri. The event was a big thank-you from PQ management to their loyal staff, partners, clients, suppliers and subcontractors for their continued support of the company over the past 25 years.



Josh was named as a rising star by AITC in 2013 and has capped off 2014 with this award for outstanding dedication to learning his trade of Shopfitting.

Brad Dunne said the entire company was delighted with the contribution Josh is making to the business and his capacity to learn.



The 150 VIP guests enjoyed delicious canapes by chef Luke Turner from Olli & Luca accompanied by a selection of fine wines, beer and champagne.

Brad presented commemorative plaques to long serving staff, many of whom have been with the company for over 15 years and then it was on with the party.



From the factory floor production update



2014 was a challenging manufacturing year with unusually complex items produced by the PQ team. From an ellipse vitrine display unit with metal and glass doors to a large semicircular workstation finished in Eurocorvino veneer with a

manufacturing team.

Our experienced team has met every challenge positively with dedicated commitment and we are very proud of the results, which puts us in a favourable position to meet the ever increasing demands faced in quality and detailed manufacturing as we head into 2015.



choked gloss lacquer finish. These items were produced to the highest exacting standards in house after excellent teamwork between our CAD draftsmen and



The later part of last year we have seen us creatively expand our office space to accommodate our increasing staff and we look forward to completing our revamped offices in early 2015.

Perth Office

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Staff Profiles



Chloe Fogarty
Age: 31
Role: Design/Admin/Marketing
Family/Kids: Husband Kane and cat Mufasa (no human kids yet)

Interests/Hobbies: Surfing, stand-up paddleboarding, bike riding, craft, entertaining, table styling, making tapas and canapes.

Career Highlights: A \$350,000 kitchen that I designed being awarded Designer Kitchen of the Year. Completing a rooftop renovation for a condominium at Versace which included supervising the new spa being delivered by helicopter.

Favourite Food: Roast lamb with honey, garlic, rosemary and olive oil marinade.

Favourite Holiday Destination: Canada was beautiful and I fell in love with Ratua Private Island in Vanuatu on my honeymoon last year. Looking forward to going to Italy, France, Spain and Japan in the future.

Heroes: My parents John and Wendy and my husband Kane

Villains: Drivers that don't indicate when changing lanes and don't give way on roundabouts.

Biggest Fear: Extreme fear of large spiders.



Michael Phillips
Age: 39
Role: Maintenance & Window Displays Manager
Family/Kids: My wife Lorin. No kids, We have 2 German Shepherd dogs which

I'm sure are just as much work

Interests/Hobbies: As being from NZ which is the capital in the world for fun. Played 32 years of professional football (Soccer), rugby, touch rugby, hockey, tennis, indoor netball, netball, my road bike (peddle power), mountain biking downhill, indoor football, swimming, snowboarding, windsurfing, running, triathlons, golf, keeping fit, shooting at gun club, White water rafting, car racing, abseiling, camping, reading but it has to be a national geographic. Building things at home.

Career Highlights: Working at Projects Queensland of course. I have learnt a lot since starting here back in 2005.

Favourite Food: All type of food, if it wasn't for me loving sports and keeping fit I would be the size of a house. I do love food.

Favourite Holiday Destination: South Africa and anywhere with a beach and not too many people.

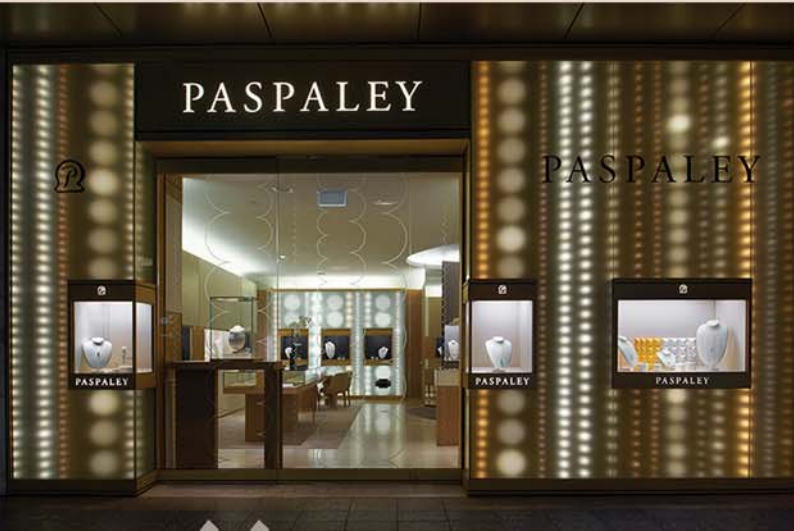
Heroes: My Mother and Father.

Villains: No Villains. Pretty hard to upset me, very easy going.

Biggest Fear: Only spiders, especially huntsman, they can move fast, but not as fast as a golf club.

Paspaley Brisbane doors open

Carbondale Paris, architects for Paspaley's Queens Plaza boutique appointed F2 Architecture to project manage this store incorporating the brand's new high-end retail design concept. "PQ has a successful history working with Frank Marioli and his F2 team on projects for global brands and were honoured to be appointed to build this prestigious boutique", said Project Manager, Josh Turner.



"The design concept incorporates luxurious timber and metal finishes with lots of light and round shapes and marries emotionally with the brand's magnificent pearl jewellery range - the facade design welcomes customers into a unique retail environment that engages the senses with simply spectacular interiors created by Eric Carlson and the Carbondale team" Josh explained. Eric's experience includes co-founding Louis Vuitton's

“ Paspaley was happy to work with Project Queensland for their medium size concept store, designed by French architects Carbondale. ”

- Nick Hanigan, a development manager & director of Paspaley

Architecture Department with a recent range of commissions for global clients, including BMW and The Louis Vuitton Building in Paris and the TAG Heuer Museum 360 in Switzerland.

Josh has a long history working with global brands and the recent Louis Vuitton expansion in Brisbane was completed under his management. Paspaley occupies 81m2 and built in 16 weeks – MD, Brad Dunne said PQ is proud of this Paspaley project and credited the project team, oversight by F2's Matt Sime and PQ's factory team for the delivery of this beautiful store.



Sunland national office Brisbane



Sunland Group Limited, publicly listed residential construction and development company founded in 1983 on the Gold Coast recently opened its national office in Brisbane. The office is located in state-of-the-art building at 111 Eagle Street. PQ won the joinery tender where luxurious materials and timbers were specified. Sunland's reputation is built on a philosophy of excellence in everything they undertake and PQ's joinery matched their expectations for their offices. The company is developing the Abian



Botanic Gardens, a luxury residential tower in Alice Street, Brisbane and is in the final design phase of the ABC site at Toowong. PQ was responsible for the fitout of the Abedian School of Architecture at Bond University, a national award winning project for builders, Adco Constructions and named after Sunland's co-founder Soheil Abedian.



Davenport Wilson House - a strikingly different ranch house

The Davenport Wilson house at Brookfield was featured on Grand Designs Australia 27/11/14. This striking residence designed by Shane Thompson Architects (STA) and overseen by principal Shane Thompson was commissioned by Andrew Wilson and Millie Davenport and according to STA the house is conceived as being anchored to the site, with stone terraces that emerge from the sloping ground. These terraces form the ground planes internally and



externally upon which a lightweight structure clad in timber boards provides varying levels of enclosure. PQ was engaged for the fitout and joinery that utilises spotted gum timber veneers with polished concrete flooring. Andrew Wilson said he was delighted with the standard of finishes delivered by PQ. "Nothing was too much trouble for Russell Baker and his site team", said Andrew.

Welcome new (and not so new) staff

Projects Queensland has continued to grow in the past year with a number of new employees joining the team. We have again increased our office

space with renovations presently underway both upstairs in the project manager/estimator's offices and downstairs in the production and

drafting departments to accommodate our growing team. Welcome to the team everyone. Part of the next 25 years at PQ!

Pat Crotty
Project Manager/
Estimator



Darren Howe
Draftsman



Bruce Simpson
Maintenance &
Window Displays
Assistant



Jake McMaster
Site Supervisor/
Tradesman



Paul Gollan
Tradesman



Trevor Butterfield
Factory Hand



Guido Preckel
Tradesman



David Bright
Tradesman

