



*Horbury Hunt Residential Winner – Ritz and Ghougassian Architects*

*Horbury Hunt Commercial Winner – BVN Architects*

## BRICKWORKS OUTPERFORMS AGAIN AT INDUSTRY AWARDS

Once again, Brickworks has received the highest accolades at the 2018 Industry Awards, snatching four of the six available awards. Whilst these celebrate excellence in architecture, they also recognize the significant contribution Brickworks makes in developing long-term partnerships with Australia's architect community.

Such partnerships are mutually beneficial; an ever-greater number specify our range of products, and developers and builders alike are using them. Unsurprisingly, the demand for customized colours and shapes continues to experience rapid growth.

One significant outcome of the awards is that our custom product elements in particular are in high demand. Australia's new embassy building in Bangkok is just one example of how our manufacturing facilities are able to respond to unique requirements for custom colours as well as custom shapes. It goes without saying that we're delighted to be able to support and work closely with Australia's architectural community.

The awards are represented by members of Think Brick, the Concrete and Masonry Association and the Australian Roof Tile Association.

Brickworks is proud to have won:

- *Horbury Hunt Commercial Award*
- *Horbury Hunt Residential Award*
- *Bruce McKenzie Landscape Award*
- *Kevin Borland Masonry Award*

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# BRISTILE SHINES A LIGHT ON SUSTAINABLE SOLAR

Bristile's involvement in the prestigious 'Aquarevo' Development in Victoria was initiated when Brickworks arranged a meeting with Aquarevo's Development Manager and the developer, Villawood Properties.

Knowing that the project was being promoted as an estate for more sustainable living, Brickworks realised from the outset that it could provide a collaborative solution for solar and battery storage that would benefit the homeowners. The outcome was that Villawood chose Bristile as their preferred supplier of solar batteries, although it didn't end there. The two organisations have worked together to develop a 'Total Roof Solution', which includes the roof, fascia/gutter and the solar panel/tiles – an integrated approach. Construction work on the estate commenced in April 2018.

Of the 460 homes in the project, 270 will be fitted with the German-manufactured sonnen residential batteries, which will be supplied by Bristile. The batteries are able to reduce household power bills by 60 per cent, and also provide power to a nearby water treatment plant that is expected to cut water consumption by 70 per cent. Bristile is offering a special battery promotion through the builders to residents who have already purchased their lots in Aquarevo, but who have not yet purchased the sonnen batteries. Federal and state governments

have been active in encouraging the inclusion of battery storage in new-build homes, with both the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC) and the Victorian government recently partnering with land developers to encourage the practice.

Incentives are available for the installation of solar power capture in the form of panels and solar tiles which vary by state. What's different about Aquarevo is that homes will be built with pre installed solar and the power generated can be shared with others in the community.

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*The project is being developed by Villawood Properties and state-owned utility South East Water, and will offer buyers of the Aquarevo homes the option of 5kW of rooftop solar, plus battery storage provided by sonnen.*

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*Bristile Solar Integrated Rooftiles*





# BRICKWORKS OPENS NEW TASMANIAN DESIGN CENTRE

With Tasmania continuing to enjoy an enviable run of rising property values and building construction, we are delighted to announce the opening of a new design centre on 'The Apple Isle'.

The new centre in Brisbane Street, Launceston, completes our coverage of the state and was opened on the 3rd September by Launceston Mayor Albert van Zetten, two years after the launch of the hugely successful Hobart Design studio. As a measure of the strength of the local building and construction market, the showroom will attract architects, designers, builders, developers, and retail customers looking to make product selections including brick, block and stone, timber and concrete and clay roof tiles.

Says Brickworks Managing Director, Lindsay Partridge, *"Brickworks has a 15-year history in Tasmania and is committed to supporting the local building construction market which is an important driver of Tasmania's economy. Currently, we employ 33 staff in the state, including 24 at our Longford plant."*

*According to the Housing Industry Association, total residential building activity growth in Tasmania was the highest in Australia last financial year, up almost 20%, and this is forecast to grow a further 5% next year."*

A short distance from Launceston design centre is the nearby Brickworks plant at Longford, which is hard-pressed to keep up with demand. It produces 13 million bricks each year, including Australia's only certified carbon-neutral brick. In fact, Brickworks is Tasmania's only local clay brick manufacturer, which is little wonder that the local building industry looks to Brickworks to partner in its continuing growth.



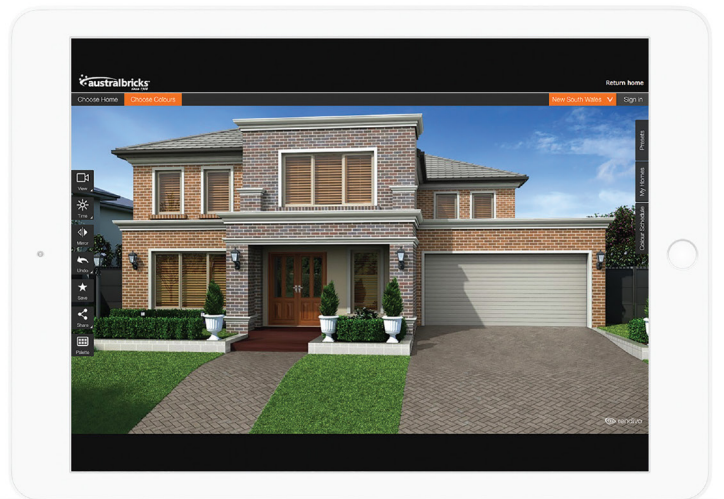




## FIVE STAR SERVICE

Brickworks has taken service to new heights with the recent introduction of one-on-one, one-hour appointments to help customers make their external colour selections.

This national initiative is already proving valuable to many of our customers, especially those who find it a challenge to match exterior colours with our product range, including bricks, roof tiles, fascia, gutter, windows, garage doors as well as pavers and retaining walls. Alongside our expert consultants, Brickworks visualisation tool – Ivisualise – shows what their home can look like, depending on the colours and products selected. Since its inception in late 2017 we've conducted over 4,000 appointments, which also enable us to cross-promote our full range of products and drive engagement with upgraded products.



*Ivisualise visualisation tool.*

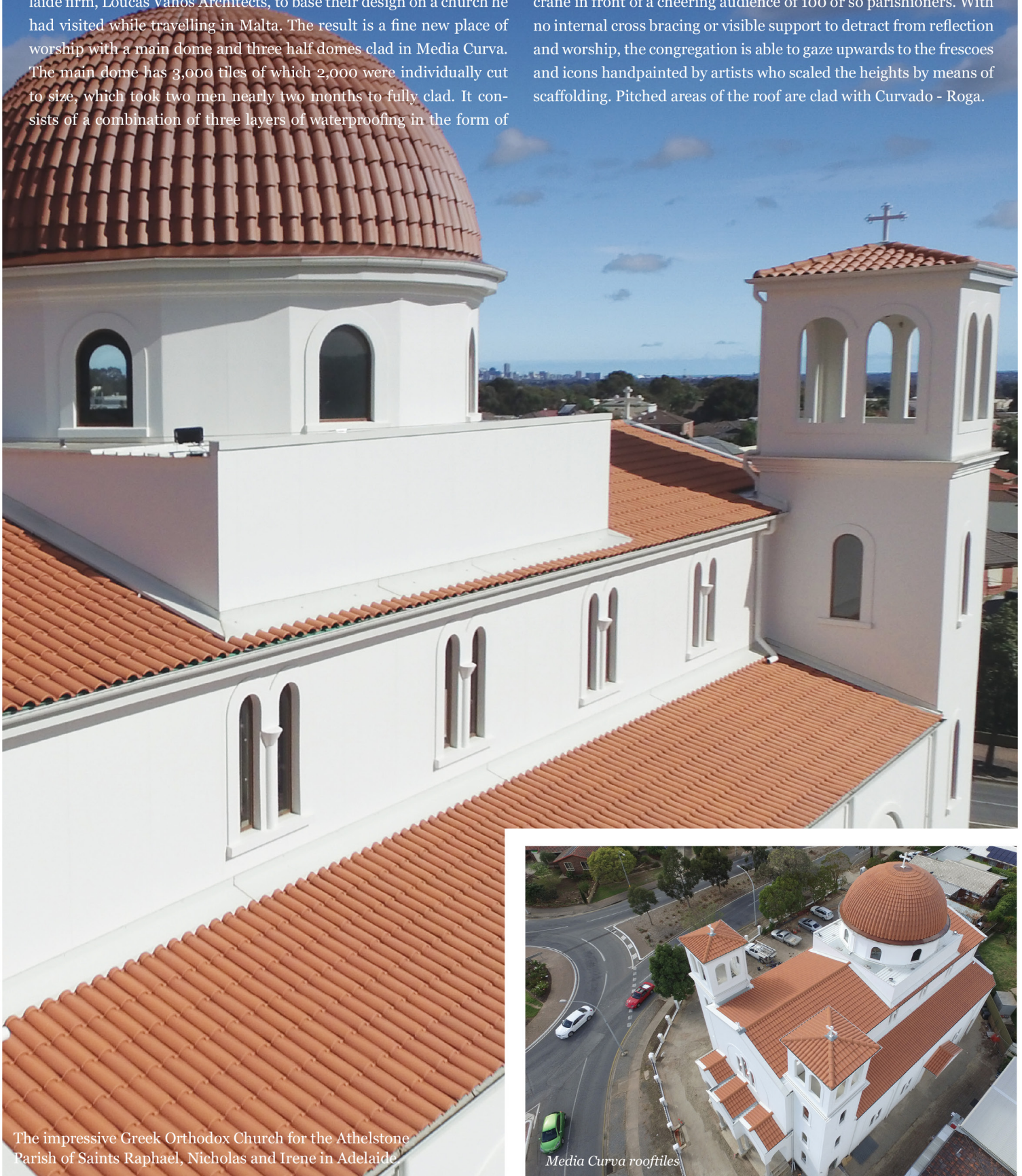


# RAISING THE ROOF IN ADELAIDE

When the local Greek community agreed to go ahead with erecting a new, yet traditional Greek Orthodox parish church in Adelaide, they built a city landmark that will stand the test of time. Demolition of the existing church buildings and construction of the new commenced in 2015, and is now complete with *Bristile* having supplied the distinctive roof tiles. The project to build the church, at the corner of Gorge and Stradbroke roads, has tested parishioners, but they have never lost faith in completing the task.

Father 'Effy' Efthymios, the parish priest, is clearly delighted with the new church for the Athelstone Parish of Saints Raphael, Nicholas and Irene, the 'pride of Athelstone' as he calls it. Father Effy asked Adelaide firm, Loucas Vahos Architects, to base their design on a church he had visited while travelling in Malta. The result is a fine new place of worship with a main dome and three half domes clad in *Media Curva*. The main dome has 3,000 tiles of which 2,000 were individually cut to size, which took two men nearly two months to fully clad. It consists of a combination of three layers of waterproofing in the form of

marine grade plywood, galvanised flat sheet metal and fibre glass. Constructed on the ground, the dome weighs in at an impressive 13 tonne after cladding and was lifted into position by a 100 tonne crane in front of a cheering audience of 100 or so parishioners. With no internal cross bracing or visible support to detract from reflection and worship, the congregation is able to gaze upwards to the frescoes and icons handpainted by artists who scaled the heights by means of scaffolding. Pitched areas of the roof are clad with *Curvado - Roga*.



The impressive Greek Orthodox Church for the Athelstone Parish of Saints Raphael, Nicholas and Irene in Adelaide

*Media Curva* rooftiles



# AUSTRAL BRICKS

## CHAMPIONS BIODIVERSITY

Biodiversity is vital if we want to keep Planet Earth alive and well. Austral Bricks is doing its small part by investing in improvements to Western Sydney's Eastern Creek biodiversity.

Recently, we committed \$200,000 over a three-year period to improve our neighbourhood and return local flora to as near its original state. The funds will go towards weed control, and the regeneration of native vegetation and replanting. This vital work is in partnership with Muru Mittigar, a contracting social enterprise that has a unique model of traditional land management practice.

Put simply, it implements the most up to date industry practice using local Aboriginal People who want to be involved in a project that promotes greater social and economic independence for themselves and their people.

**For further information visit**

[www.murumittigar.com.au/caring-for-country/](http://www.murumittigar.com.au/caring-for-country/)



### Design Studios

<b>SYDNEY</b> 2 Barrack St, Sydney, NSW 2000	<b>BRISBANE</b> 27 James Street, Fortitude Valley, QLD 4006	<b>ADELAIDE</b> Ground Floor, 70 Hindmarsh Square, Adelaide SA 5000	<b>PERTH</b> 67 King Street, Perth, WA 6000	<b>MELBOURNE</b> 490 Swan Street, Richmond, VIC 3121	<b>HOBART</b> 9 Franklin Wharf, Hobart, TAS 7000	<b>LAUNCESTON</b> Cressy Road, Longford, TAS 7301
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