

The Mount Gambier Hospital Redevelopment involved the construction of a 22-bed inpatient ward, office and administration areas, major refurbishments to add another 12 treatment spaces to the Emergency Department and additional dental chairs and a sterilisation unit for the SA Dental Service.

Welcoming new life is a daily business in hospitals everywhere. Recently undergoing a major \$27 million redevelopment, Mount Gambier Hospital has received new life of its own.

In addition to the refurbishment and expansion of existing departments, significant new builds have increased Mount Gambier and Districts Health Service's ability to meet the needs of patients who otherwise would have had to travel to Adelaide for treatment.

Located in South Australia's second largest city, Mount Gambier Hospital services the state's south-eastern region and parts of Victoria's west. The redevelopment of the 17-year-old hospital was a joint initiative of the Australian Government and the Government of South Australia and extends the available healthcare services as well as employment opportunities in the area. At the project's commencement, SA Minister for Health and Ageing Jack Snelling announced, "The hospital redevelopment will bring great benefits to the Mount Gambier

community, not only in terms of improved health services but also for the State's economy."

Built Environs was the GC21 Managing Contractor for the redevelopment. Construction Manager Damien Muttons describes Built Environs' role as managing "the design development, client requirements and the interface between the existing hospital and the subcontractors undertaking the works."

Built Environs was responsible for the construction and refurbishment of over 4000m² in floor area, including a 22-bed inpatient ward (single rooms with ensuites, rehabilitation and palliative care beds, and mental health unit), open plan community health staff office accommodation and medical records facilities. Open plan doctors' office accommodation and a rehabilitation therapy garden were also included in the extensive build. The different areas were constructed to achieve a five-star IGRAT (In-House Green Rating Tool) rating,

which is used to assess the environmental performance of South Australia Health's capital projects.

SA Dental Service was also expanded during the construction works, with four new dental chairs (bringing the total to 10) and a new sterilisation unit. Other refurbishments included extending outpatient facilities by an extra eight consulting treatment rooms and the busy Emergency Department which was redeveloped to offer an additional twelve treatment spaces.

"The biggest challenge during the project was refurbishment of the Emergency Ward," explains Damien. "This part of the construction had five stages. During each of the stages the Emergency Ward needed to be kept operational with no down-time on any of the essential services and no breaches in stringent Infection Protection and Control (IPAC) regulations. We managed this successfully through our meticulous approach to planning, and extensive communication with hospital stakeholders."

Throughout the redevelopment Built Environs was committed to not only the health of the hospital, but the local community. "Over 50% of the subcontractors we engaged on the hospital redevelopment were

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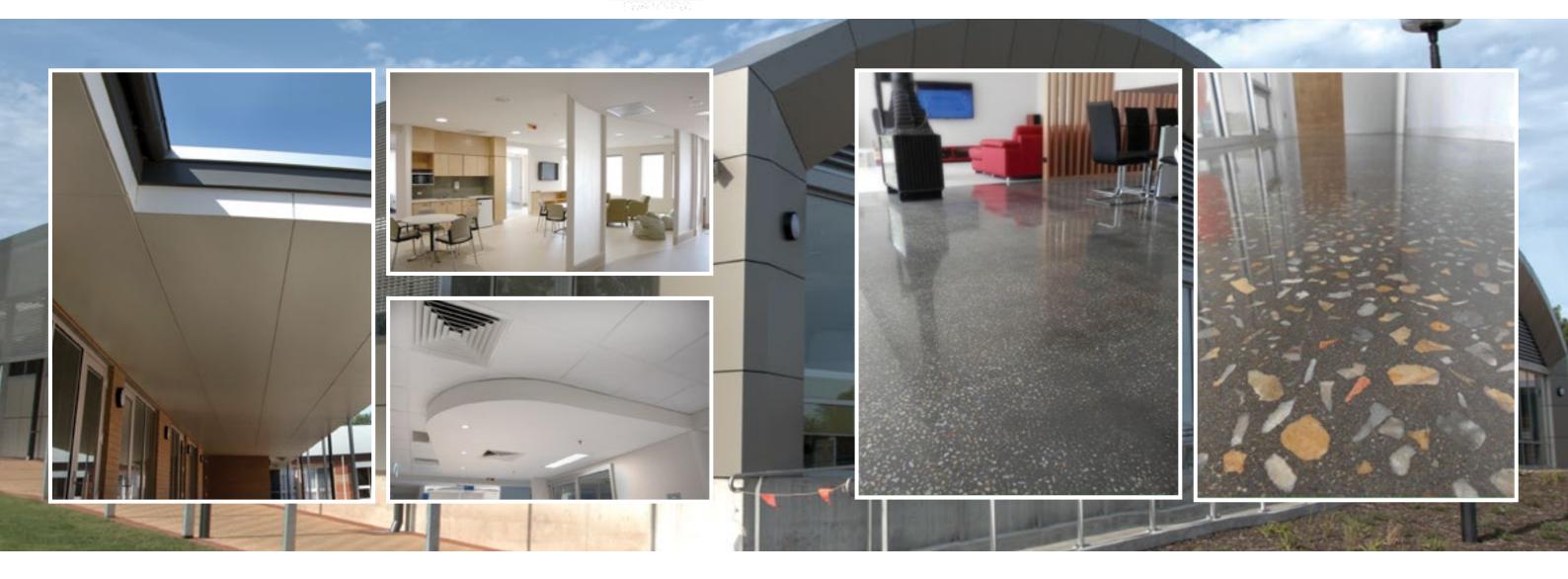
locally-based Mount Gambier trade contractors, which in turn injected millions of dollars into the local economy," notes Damien.

Prior to construction, Built Environs was involved in the design phase of the Mount Gambier Hospital Redevelopment, contributing, as Damien outlines, "buildability, value engineering and value management advice to the wider team of design consultants." Built Environs also managed the specialist FFE (furniture, fittings, and equipment) requirements.

Founded in South Australia in 1987, Built Environs grew rapidly from residential construction to today's specialist commercial construction company with operations in Western Australia, South Australia and Queensland. Built Environs specialise across numerous sectors including Accommodation, Defence, Government, Industrial, and Transport. Current projects include \$192 million Perth Airport Terminal 1 Domestic Pier/International Departures Expansion (WA), \$20 million Parks Community Centre Redevelopment (SA), and the recently completed \$80 million Ocean Keys Shopping Centre (WA).

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Behind hoardings and ZipWalls, MG Plasterers worked in the thick of the action at Mount Gambier Hospital to install a feature timber ceilings with the precision of a surgeon.

MG Plasterers had to negotiated protocols of infectious control to bring in materials and deliver an outstanding finish to the refurbished emergency department, the chemotherapy ward and SA Dental Services. Additionally they completed work on the new buildings for Mental Health and Community Health.

MG Plasterers installed all internal trimmings including door frames/jambs and timber trimming, partitioning, suspended grid and feature ceilings, as well as external CFC (compressed fibre cement) works. They also erected hard hoarding to prevent dust contamination and ensure hospital staff continued their life-saving work without disruption.

MG Plasterers have a proven track record for unbeatable results in healthcare facilities. They have won an AWCI (Association of Wall and Ceiling Industries) Award of Excellence for work at Coleraine District Hospital and more recently MG Plasterers received an Award

of Excellence for Facades at Tenison Woods College Early Learning Centre (Mount Gambier), in addition to a number of AWCI Awards of Excellence for other projects. The award-winning team have completed projects at Horsham and Stawell Hospitals (VIC).

MG Plasterers specialise in refurbishing aged care facilities with previous projects include Resthaven Mount Gambier and numerous facilities throughout South Australia and Victoria's west.

As experts in all aspects of commercial, industrial, and domestic plastering, MG Plasterers are distinguished by their commitment to efficiency, safety and their community. They pride themselves on finishing ahead of schedule with meticulous attention to detail, and maintain a full-time HSEQ manager. MG Plasterers are the only regional SA company to hold a DPTI Prequalification guaranteeing their professionalism and skill.

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Angus Ralton and the team at Refined Surfaces (SA) delivered quality floor surfaces to the Mount Gambier Hospital Redevelopment. Their expertise ensured a smooth installation and kept dust and noise pollution to an absolute minimum whilst construction was being undertaken.

Refined Surfaces prepared the hospital floors for vinyl re-coating. Preparations included removing existing vinyl and carpet residue, existing edges and coatings and grinding the concrete floors.

With traditional floor grinding, the Refined Surfaces team had the challenge of keeping the area clean and safely running leads to power equipment without disturbing the hospital and its patients. Their previous experience with Horsham Plaza (VIC) - where the team undertook lifting tiles, ground the floor, and re-tiled 1000m² while the shopping centre remained operational - enabled them to minimise disruptions to the surrounding working environments.

Licensed Australia-wide, Refined Surfaces specialise in concrete polishing, floor grinding, floor and wall tiling, Ardex Pandomo®, epoxy polyurethane work, and are Haqsvana HiPERFLOOR® accredited.

With a background in masonry, Angus shifted his focus to flooring when he and his wife formed the business 10 years ago. Now with two employees, and seeking to expand,

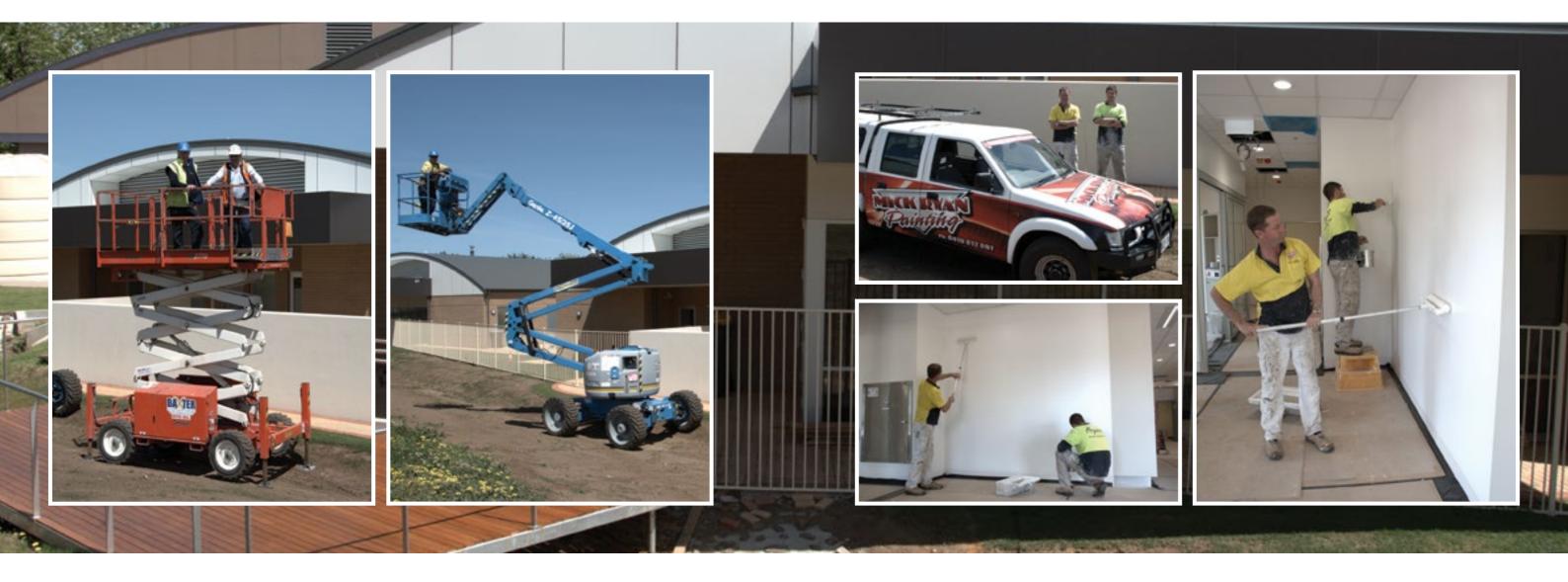
Refined Surfaces has an exciting array of upcoming industrial, commercial, and residential projects. Refined Surfaces has also completed works at the Woolworths and Masters stores in the Mount Gambier Marketplace, the 1200m² re-tiling of the Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre in Brisbane, and is currently completing polish concrete works at a salon on the Main Street of Mt Gambier.

The Refined Surfaces team pride themselves for their collaborative approach in the interpretation and development of their clients' vision. Distance is not a factor, operating all over Australia for a large array of job sizes and types.

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Below Baxter Hire supplied all the
major equipment for work onsite.

responsible for interior and exterior
painting on the redevelopment.



Baxter Hire supplied all the major equipment for the redevelopment of the Mount Gambier Hospital. The family-owned business has been servicing the construction and DIY industry in the region for over 40 years. Combining exceptional customer service with training and experience, the Baxter Hire team is committed to ensuring their client's needs remain paramount.

The Mount Gambier Hospital Redevelopment showcases Baxter Hire's ability to provide all the major and general hire equipment for a large-scale project. All access equipment, scaffolding, boom lifts, vertical lifts, telescopic handlers and 3-phase generators were supplied by Baxter Hire to the redevelopment, as well as site offices, amenities and storage containers. The company also offers a range of products for hire to the smaller-scale DIY customer, including power tools, lawn care equipment, and trailers.

Baxter Hire works to support contractors with trained, friendly staff who know that time saving measures keep projects within budget. Manager Andrew Burchell takes personal responsibility for all major projects and prides himself on remaining on call 24/7 to ensure any challenges facing his clients are resolved with minimal disruption

to operations. Andrew recognises there are always challenges on big projects, responding quickly and effectively gives Baxter Hire the edge over their competitors. Should a client require an area fenced off immediately or a particular machine, Baxter Hire moves fast to provide a solution, having the mantra "Downtime costs, no downtime keeps costs down."

Andrew and his team have expanded from a DIY supplier to a major competitor in the hire industry, and have recently been made a Finalist in the HRIA - Rental Company of the Year Awards in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the industry.

Baxter Hire have supplied a number of job sites including the Mount Gambier Prison upgrade, Masters, Woolworths and the Big W Development, as well as the University of South Australia Development.

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Mick Ryan Painting were the experts responsible for interior and exterior painting during the redevelopment of Mount Gambier Hospital.

Completion of work at Mount Gambier Hospital adds another major project to Mick Ryan's already impressive list. With Mount Gambier situated close to the border of Victoria, Mick Ryan Painting have provided all interior and exterior paint work for hospitals in Stawell, Horsham, Hamilton, and Coleraine.

The Mount Gambier project was different to these developments, however, as his team were painting in a working hospital and not, as Mick explains, "just a new wing that's opened up at the end." At the forefront of the teams considerations was respect for the hospital's activities and strict adherence to occupational health and safety guidelines.

As the redevelopment of Mount Gambier Hospital was organized in stages, the Mick Ryan Painting team were required to adhere to fixed timelines. Efficiency is a core value for Mick Ryan Painting, and they never miss a deadline.

For Mick, the key to maximum efficiency is a great team. Depending on jobs, Mick Ryan Painting employ up to 10 workers. The Mount Gambier Hospital Redevelopment utilised Mick and a team of 4, who he credits for their success. "A good crew makes it a lot easier," Mick explains. "The workers did a very good job."

With 20 years experience under his belt, Mick knows the value of word-of-mouth to maintain business. The word continues to spread as Mick Ryan Painting tackle all jobs with their commitment to efficiency and great paintwork. As Mick puts it, "We do a good job with least fuss." Specializing in commercial, industrial, and residential painting, Mick Ryan Painting "do everything from repaints to new homes to big commercial jobs."

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