

Bathroom Blitz

URBAN TASKFORCE VISITS WARRAH

In late May Chris Johnson from Urban Taskforce visited Warrah and inspected each of the bathrooms involved in Bathroom Blitz at Harris Road. In preparation for Chris' visit the teams put in a super effort with eight of seventeen bathrooms now complete and two cottages handed over to Warrah. Chris and Sacha from Urban Taskforce were joined by Andrew Johnston and Yves Goarin from BM and Steve Mitchell, Georgina Michaelis and Patricia Abraham from Warrah on their tour of the Bathroom Blitz project.

"I recently visited Warrah in the middle of the bathroom blitz. Workmen were stripping old, sub standard bathrooms to their frames while plasterers, plumbers, painters, electricians and more were rebuilding the rooms as sparkling modern bathrooms worthy of a five star hotel. In one spot you could see the old and new side by side and the Warrah staff could hardly believe their eyes at the transformation. I spoke to one of the foremen wearing a blue BM shirt who said his own son had autism and he was keen to help the people at Warrah. An incredible commitment from Brookfield Multiplex and

their teams of subcontractors all contributing their time and materials for nothing for a good cause."

Chris Johnson CEO Urban Taskforce



WARRAH UPDATE

With eight bathrooms now complete it is wonderful to see the residents enjoying and having pride in their new bathrooms. The re-design and modern renovations have made a significant difference to both our residents and our staff. Bathrooms that previously had accessibility issues or lacked circulation room for staff to easily help clients requiring assistance are now completely functional for people with disabilities. All the teams involved in Bathroom Blitz have also shown incredible good-will and generosity going above

and beyond the bathroom renovations. Teams in some of the houses are now looking at re-doing the flooring and polishing the floor boards or replacing carpet in rooms and decks have been cleaned and re-painted and we cannot thank them all enough.

Read on to find out more about the Blitz.

Georgina Michaelis CEO Warrah

THE STORY SO FAR

The Bathroom Blitz has seen eight bathrooms upgraded by Brookfield Multiplex and supportive consultants, suppliers and subcontractors for Warrah so far. Warrah is a charity that supports people with disabilities. The purpose is to create modern bathroom designs that improve independence and enhance privacy for the residents living within the group homes.

Some cottages are being vacated for the duration of the project but others remain operational, meaning that each team is working closely with the staff and residents of each home to ensure everyone's needs are met.

THANK YOU

This week we would like to acknowledge Clive and Mick at Enware for their ongoing help to date.

We recently requested additional 600mm and 900mm handrails where we had shortfalls or couldn't fit some of the prearranged longer handrails. Clive and Mick at Enware were more than happy to help out beyond their initial outlay, again at no cost to Warrah....and when they found out that they had limited stock at the Carringbah warehouse they arranged to have them couriered direct from VIC to Dural.

Both BM and Warrah are extremely grateful for their generosity. Thank you.

GREENWAY COTTAGE COMPLETE

The Martin Place team has successfully handed over two bathroom renovations for Greenway Cottage this month. The finished bathrooms have been well received by Warrah residents and staff. This has been a fantastic opportunity for third year apprentice Sean McGreevy who has demonstrated leadership qualities through carrying out the day to day on-site management of the project, including site safety inductions, procurement of materials, as well as assisting our subcontractors with the construction and fitout of the bathrooms.

In addition to completing the brief, the team has exemplified the Brookfield Multiplex core values by carrying out various maintenance works around the property. These works included: painting the deck, replacement of rear door, construction of an extra linen cupboard, installation of non-slip stair nosings to external stairs and cleaning of gutters.

We would like to acknowledge the help and assistance of Grahame Broome, Lewis De Guara, John Tracey, Cameron Gaias and Daniel Zuzza.

A special mention goes to Rowan Ireland who, in order to get the Greenway Cottage over the line, put in a number of nights, after a normal days work at 50 Martin Place, as well as time over Easter (and thank you to Rowan's wife Susan – who now has her green card – and who helped with additional gardening and pressure cleaning the deck area.)

The work carried out could not have been done without the generous support of our Subcontractors and their suppliers







From L-R: Bathroom 1 stripped out 31 March 2014, Bathroom 1, and Bathroom 2 complete

SUBCONTRACTORS & SUPPLIERS





























EMILY COTTAGE

The Emily cottage residents were relocated into temporary accommodation while the 161 Sussex St team commenced demolition of both bathrooms this week. Once again James from Mann Group kindly offered his services for the safe demolition and removal of asbestos from site.

We have received the 'all clear' certification from our friends at AirSafe, the next stage has commenced with Matt from Boone & Willard and Neal and Vincent from Fredon underway with services work.

Tommy from OzEire Constructions has also offered his services to assist in lowering the floors in both the bathrooms next week.

Both Warrah and Brookfield Multiplex are extremely grateful for the generosity of our subcontractors.





Sean Downes and Deniz Rasih from Brookfield Multiplex hard at work at Emily Cottage. And thank you to Dial a Dump who have provided rubbish removal for the duration of the project at no cost to Warrah.

RED GUM COTTAGE

Following a delayed start, the Red Gum Team from Royal North Shore Hospital has applied all possible energy and enthusiasm and is progressing well. With three bathrooms to be renovated, staging of the works around the residents and their carers has been of utmost importance to ensure that their day to day activities are not affected.

Bathroom 1 was handed over in early May, and the residents are thrilled with the end result. Bathroom 2 works are currently at the waterproofing stage and on target for completion by 30th of May, an impressive three and a half weeks since starting the bathroom!

- Axis Metal Roofing
- Axis Plumbing
- Complete Core
- Conrina
- Foxville Projects
- **Ikon Group**



- Star Electrical

Team Members

Polyseal

UTJ Interiors

TORRS COTTAGE

The Stockland Wetherill Park team working on Torrs cottage handed over the upstairs bathrooms in May with a very appreciative client, residents and care takers as well as a proud BM team. The quality and care were of the highest standard and will definitely help set the bar high for the next bathroom.

Works on the downstairs bathroom are now starting, led by Cameron Gaias and supported by Mario Zanin and Sean Downes. As a finishing touch the team donated bathroom towels and furnishings.

A big thank you to everyone who supported this great cause and who worked so hard on this project.

- Axis Metal Roofing
- Axis Plumbing
- Challita Construction & Civil
- Foxville Projects
- Heyday Group
- **ICM Property Services**
- Polyseal
- Fine Touch
- Kennards Concrete Care

ORANA & WATTLE TREE COTTAGES

The Orana and Wattle Tree Cottage teams have continued to work well together over the past month and have successfully handed over three bathrooms to the residents. A fourth bathroom will be handed over in the coming days, which will see the teams surpass the halfway point of the joint project, having completed four of the seven bathrooms.

The fitout of the remaining bathrooms can now commence and the residents are able to use their new facilities. Bathroom 4 in Wattle Tree cottage is now ready for Polyseal Waterproofing to apply waterproofing membranes, which will be followed by Sydney Renderers & Painters and Deemah Stone, who will complete the remaining rendering and tiling works, respectively. Ikon Doors has supplied new doors and door frames in accordance with the project accessibility

requirements and Star Electrical and Murray & Sons Plumbing are continuing with all services work.

In addition to the fitout of the bathrooms, external works have been completed by Axis Metal Roofing, including roof hatches and associated works for the provision of new bathroom exhaust fans. ICM Property Services has also provided professional cleaning services to all bathrooms prior to handover.

Scott Andrews and Paul Wright have both taken time out of their busy schedules to offer support at the Orana and Wattle Tree Cottages, assisting Chris and Daniel on site. Scott and Paul will continue to provide supervision during the final weeks.





QUALITY ASSURANCE

David Tatler has put the Warrah bathrooms under the grueling quality assurance process we use on all BM project sites. He has visited each of the cottages at various times and stages and has provided technical assistance to each of the teams, including the initial waterproofing training session at the Rosebery facility and an on-site waterproofing workshop with the Torrs Cottage team.

"I am pleased to report that the quality and attention to detail each of the teams has shown on their respective cottages is up to the BM standard. The result from the energy and commitment put in does them credit," says David Tatler - Quality Assurance Manager





L: Torrs Cottage, Upstairs stripped out. 31 March 2014 R: Orana Cottage, Stripped out waiting for plumbing "rough in". 31 March 2014.

ABOUT WARRAH

Warrah was formed in 1965 by Karl and Hannelor Kaltenbach when they worked with a small group of intellectually disabled teenagers to clear land in Dural for an organic vegetable garden. It has since grown to a charity that employs 140 staff and supports a community of over 100 families and extended families through a range of services based on the educational philosophy of Rudolf Steiner, Austrian philosopher and social reformer.

In addition to group homes, Warrah provides Day Services, a Special School for children aged 5 to 18 years and a Biodynamic Farm and Shop.

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