

*(above)*  
Mt Peter Town Centre



**John** continued his search for the perfect downhill with a trip to Canada, and got in some early practice for his call up to the Australian Olympic Team, which appears to have been lost in the mail! This year was a quieter year on the rugby front with him putting away the coaching manuals and referee's whistle-old age has finally caught up with him. **Peter** travelled to Melbourne regularly on a number of projects during the year and was able to pack his family in hand luggage for a long weekend, which included the markets in St Kilda, the Art Gallery and the ritual of AFL at the MCG. In the first half of the year, **Eloise** enjoyed a study tour in her own town by taking on the role of Brisbane Chair of the State Architectural Awards and member of the State Jury. She then flew the coup and delivered conference papers in Melbourne, Geelong and Austin, Texas. While in the States, she and Seamus took the opportunity to visit Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West before discovering the architectural delights of Vegas. **Cameron** "Chevy Chase" Davies guided his family around New Zealand on a two week campervan holiday which included highlights such as the pink sheep of Warkworth and Tsunami ripples in the Bay of Islands. He also proudly celebrated the 10th birthday of his 1st child Daisy the beagle **Phil** "I need a hair cut" Smith is growing an absurdist Dalí-style moustache in protest at having his freedom of expression curbed in the 2008 review. In September he completed the Cycle Queensland 9 day Darling Downs loop and is now in regular contact with his inner cyclist! Taking some time off from rugby proved problematic when GPS rugby asked **Stephen** to take over the Wyatt Cup Squad. After some hard bargaining with his partner Amanda, he successfully guided the squad to victory on the hallowed turf of Ballymore. **Ian** did not take up ballroom dancing, he did not go on an overseas jaunt and he did not move house! But he did enjoy the change of scenery from the construction site at Springfield to the construction site at Southport. Making the most of the wet weather in the earlier part of the year, **Arno** planted 100's of trees and other plants on his property and upgraded an existing bore and pumping infrastructure to support the future garden. **Jeffrey** and his family travelled to Heron Island to stay with the "Noddy Turn" whilst living amongst Pisonia Trees in an internet-free/ mobile phone-free/ money-free/ key-free environment. Inspired by the lack of a suitably satisfying coffee on the island he returned to complete a professional barista course - level 1 and 2 - in readiness for the next off the beaten track adventure! **Shem** and Sarah welcomed their adorable baby girl Sophie Iluka into the world in January 2009.

**Andrew** spent the year collecting protective headwear for a range of new activities - horse riding, cycling and cricket where he met former Prime Minister Bob Hawke in a "friendly" with the Woodford XI. For now he will be mostly wearing a hard hat to site while Our Lady of the Rosary is constructed. There's not much difference between the battles **Anne** has with her two sons and the day-to-day tribulations of managing her DR family! However this year will see the end of school fees and an empty nest at home, which will give her plenty of time to contemplate life, the universe and everything in between! After settling into her second year with DR, **Candece** decided it was time to move out of home and purchased a cosy three bedroom house with her partner. They have spent the past year renovating along with welcoming the arrival of two adorable puppies! **Cassie** divided her time between Brisbane and the Tweed Coast where she combined surf lessons and project site visits...it's tough for some! **Ingrid** and Leigh celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary in Sydney visiting Mr Perry's house.

This followed a family outing to Hong Kong visiting Mr Mouse's House. **Luke** took a culinary tour of New York and saw some things other than the inside of restaurants. With the addition of the long awaited deck, **Magda's** compact, inner-city workers cottage has experienced substantial area growth with the total living area now measuring almost 100m<sup>2</sup>! Thankfully, she is very fond of her family. **Mark** set off on a treacherous uncharted expedition across Moreton Island, through dense bushland and intolerable weather, carrying nothing but the bare essentials needed to survive the night. Of course when they got to the other side they hitched a ride back with the first 4WD they saw. Despite a bad bicycle accident and the experience of driving around Queensland's regional centres with Arno at the wheel, **Nathalie** was still brave enough to get back on the road and compete in her first triathlon. **Rebecca** went to the snow three times this year and has finally progressed from a beginner snowboarder to an advanced beginner, four weeks in Japan at the end of the year didn't hurt her efforts either. **Shy** kept work in check travelling through New Zealand, Japan, Malaysia and Singapore. **Sophie** kept the sunshine coast office in check as she divided her time between Shelley Beach and QUT in Brisbane where she graduated with a Bachelor of Design. **Tim** and long term partner Mel had a celebratory 10 day ski holiday to Japan. In a break with tradition they were delighted to announce their engagement during a long downhill run. Aim't no mountain high enough for **Tom** who spent a month trekking in Nepal and discovered that the cold and clear Annapurna air is all the better to carry his yodels. After too many late nights, **Tony** completed the Graduate Diploma in landscape architecture at the 'university for the real world' and stepped into the far more realistic real world.

**Tamsin** did not travel or move house this year! But unexpected changes came her way anyway. After many nights in the architecture studio **Louisa's** uni days finally came to an end, culminating with the valedictorian's speech at graduation. **Simon** decided that he did not cycle enough in 2009, so he took up the role as Club Secretary for University of Queensland Cycle Club. Simon also finished his Masters of Architecture at UQ and celebrated with a holiday to Fiji. **Echa** returned to Malaysia in November and celebrated her union with Khaleefur in style amongst a mere 1000 guests. **Jamie** took a break from architecture and rode off into the sunset...

Tamsin, Louisa, Simon, Jamie, Eugenio and Echa sadly departed at the end of 2009 to broaden their life experiences. Deicke Richards would like to thank them for their contribution to the office and we look forward to maintaining our professional and personal ties with them all.

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Mt Peter Town Centre

Architecture  
Urban Design  
Landscape Architecture  
Community Design

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**Ian Hamilton**  
**Jeffrey Briant**  
**Arno King**  
**Tamsin Scott**  
**Cassie Boyle**  
**Louisa Gee**  
**Echa Azman**  
**Eugenio Belli**  
**Andrew Hillhouse**  
**Rebecca Hodgson**  
**Sophie Hughes**  
**Tom Kaye**  
**Mark Rees**  
**Ingrid Marshall**  
**Simon Maurice**  
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# ARCHITECTURE



# URBAN DESIGN



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**2009** was a time to reflect after a number of very intense years. We are leaner and more dedicated than ever to working collaboratively with our clients, consultants and project teams to produce work that exceeds our client's expectations and makes a strong contribution to the built environment. **2009** saw the completion of a number of long term projects including the Polaris Data Centre at Springfield, the Sienna Apartments at Springhill and G39 at Griffith University's Gold Coast campus. We continued to demonstrate to our clients the importance and usefulness of EbD processes with workshops in many diverse locations. This included the urban fringe of Melbourne at Werribee, Aurora and Toolern, regional towns near Mackay at Sarina, Marian and Mirani, new emergent urban centres at Parklands Drive on the Gold Coast, a public housing estate in Logan City and a farm house in Coomera with Benji the workshop dog. **We** have also had the opportunity this year to continue our work in the area of health-focused urban design after being awarded the master plan for the new Sunshine Coast University Hospital at Kawana Town Centre. This work is being completed in collaboration with Conrad Gargett Architects and MAAP Architects from London. **Collaboration** is an ongoing aspect of our working approach and we continued to have fruitful relationships with a number of other colleagues including M3, UPS, MacroPlan, ESD (Melbourne), Parsons Brinkerhoff and Conics. **We** believe that it is important that members of the practice make contributions to the wider profession and the community. John continued as State Convener of the AACA and remained on the Board of Architects. Peter also continued his roles as Chair of Centre for Subtropical Design as well as Adjunct Professor at QUT and Eloise retained her position on the Board of the Brisbane Housing Company. Cameron, Ian and Jeffrey made their significant contribution to the profession as examiners for the Board of Architects registrations. Ian took on the role of Chair AIA Practice of Architecture Learning Series. Peter was invited onto the Board of Urban Places and Phil to the SCRC Urban Design Advisory Panel. **Our** contribution in the area of Urban Design was expanded through Phil's role on the Transition Town Caloundra Steering Committee and Stephen's role with the Australian Coalition for TOD. **2009** has again been a year of presentations and conferences on a diverse range of topics. Peter spoke at the Gold Coast Urban Design conference on the Subtropical Row House and TODs at the PIA/UDAL forum. Eloise ventured offshore to speak at the Texas Affordable Housing Conference in Austin, before returning home to speak about Affordable Housing at the ICTC conference in Geelong. Three of the Associates, Arno, Phil and Stephen spoke at the AILA, SC Urbanism and PIA conferences respectively. **We** had another successful year in the various awards programs of a diverse number of industry and professional groups with Varsity Station Village Master Plan winning the prestigious Karl Langer Urban Design Award from the AIA, Grace Wilson Estate for DHA winning a UDIA Qld award of excellence for best small residential subdivision. The Bowen Hills Master Plan was given a certificate of merit in the Urban Design category in the PIA awards. **We** would like to once again thank our clients for the opportunity to work on many very rewarding and important projects and to thank our staff for their dedication and commitment to these projects and to the office. Roll on 2010!

## Coast Connect

### Public Transport Infrastructure



Coast Connect will be Translink's future high-frequency bus corridor between Caloundra and Maroochydore and aims to increase public transport patronage on the Sunshine Coast. As part of the Parsons Brinckerhoff Team, Deicke Richards provided urban design guidance on the design and integration of stops, stations and interchanges into the urban fabric.

- Phil Smith, Andrew Hillhouse, Sophie Hughes

## Mackay

### EbD Workshops



As a result of the amalgamation of Mackay City with Sarina and Mirani Councils, the new Mackay Regional Council has taken over the planning of a number of outlying towns that need a stronger vision and structure to accommodate their growth. The work was undertaken as series of Enquiry-by-Design workshops with Council and State Government agencies for Sarina, Marian and Mirani. A range of design and planning options were developed that demonstrated alternative ways to grow and consolidate these townships as well as the regional perspective of how the townships relate to each other and the broader Mackay urban framework.

- Stephen Smith, Peter Richards, Phil Smith, Rebecca Hodgson

## Beattie Road West, Coomera

### Marine Industry Master Plan



The 60ha Beattie Road site is the last undeveloped site in the Coomera Marine Precinct. The master plan explores the potential to develop a mixed-use marine employment precinct with a distinctive centre overlooking a working marina surrounded by significant areas of open space. A number of land use interface are incorporated in a manner to support this vibrant industry and employment node. The plan was developed collaboratively in an Enquiry-by-Design workshop on the site with representatives from the client & Government.

- Cameron Davies, Stephen Smith, Peter Richards, Eloise Atkinson, Arno King, Rebecca Hodgson



## Polaris

### Data Centre

After 18 months of construction, the Polaris Data Centre finally opened in February 2009. This is a significant building for the emerging city of Springfield and is the first purpose built Data Centre in South East Queensland. The building is a high security, heavily serviced facility for computer data storage with 24/7/365 security and facility management services onsite.

- Ian Hamilton, Simon Maurice, Jeffrey Briant, Mark Rees, Tom Kaye, Peter Richards, Cameron Davies

## Aurora South Precinct Plan

### EbD Workshop and Structure Plan



Aurora is a new community on the urban fringe of Melbourne. The precinct plan addressed the structure of the proposed town centre and TOD on a future railway line as well as the placement and integration of surrounding land uses. Common to many emerging fringe settlements, the residential areas were being developed in advance of the transport infrastructure and town centre. The design response incorporates a range of two and three storey row houses with rear lane and front loaded vehicle access. Undertaken as a design workshop, the work was completed in collaboration with Insight Planning Consultants and Urban Terrain.

- Cameron Davies, Peter Richards, Rebecca Hodgson

## Park Ridge

### Design Guidelines



Following the preparation of a Structure Plan, Logan City Council commissioned this set of Public Domain Guidelines to control the public realm elements from streetscape paving to bicycle parking for centres in Park Ridge. The guiding principle was that the street is the principal space within the centres and is the setting for a wide range of activities within coherent, compact, walkable urban environments. The Design Manual has been organised on the basis of street types ensuring that finishes and treatments are consistent throughout the Structure Plan Area.

- Cameron Davies, Stephen Smith, Arno King, Cassie Boyle, Rebecca Hodgson, Tony Mitchell

## Underwood Park

### Open Space



The design for the development of one of Brisbane's most popular parks includes an amphitheatre, wedding venue, lighting for night time use and all weather circulation system. The redeveloped parkland will be able to accommodate weddings, public meetings, shows and festivals. The project also includes the redevelopment of an existing concrete lined gully into a lush rainforest gully.

- Arno King, Tony Mitchell

## John Paul College New Tuckshop

### School Building



This new Junior and Middle School tuckshop integrates a number of key architectural and landscape elements into an important campus circulation hub. The project consists of food preparation areas, eating areas, a stage, bleachers, shade canopies and external meeting spaces. The external eating areas are conceived as a series of 'glider wing' roofs that step down with the landform towards a natural gully line. The tuckshop building itself becomes a kiosk within the landscape and can be illuminated as a lantern at night to enable it to be used for after hours school functions.

- Cameron Davies, Ingrid Marshall, Louisa Gee, Magda Myszkowski, Rebecca Hodgson, Tom Kaye

## Hymba Yumba

### New School



Searchlight is a new secondary education model for young women that provides a supportive environment encouraging students to re-engage with education. Staffed by a multi-disciplinary team, it offers a holistic approach to education aiding participation in the community. The Southside Education model accommodates some shared facilities and multi-use spaces that emit a less institutional atmosphere through the provision of natural light and the incorporation of environmental features that maximise connection with outside spaces.

- Eloise Atkinson, John Deicke, Ingrid Marshall

## Hare Krishna Garden Palace

### Landscape Master plan



The project, consisting of an ashram, temple and gardens, will be located on the hill above the 17 Mile Rock Parklands. The grading, landscape and building design are based on the ancient Indian practice of Vastu Shastra. Each sector of the garden has a specific character based on 1 of the 5 elements. Planting of perfumed and auspicious plants complete the garden.

- Arno King, Tony Mitchell

## Bokarina Beach

### Coastal Village



One of the last remaining beachside greenfield sites on the East Coast, Bokarina Beach will provide increased densities within walking distance to the Coast Connect bus corridor and the future Kawana Town Centre and train station. A range of housing densities are carefully clustered around a compact village centre and regional scale community focal node behind the coastal dune.

- Phil Smith, Peter Richards, Andrew Hillhouse, Sophie Hughes

## Werribee Riverwalk

### New Village



Riverwalk, a signature project for VicUrban, is located on the urban fringe of Melbourne acting effectively as a new inner urban neighbourhood for the existing town of Werribee. The development is located adjacent to the Werribee River and will accommodate over 2,000 dwellings in a variety of densities and forms as well as public and private schools and community facilities. A mixed-use village centre acts as a focal point with a strong green link, the Riverwalk, connecting the centre to the river. This project is an exemplary expression of a more sustainable urbanism on the urban fringe. It was undertaken in association with Melbourne designers ESD.

- Peter Richards, Luke Watson, Cassie Boyle, Rebecca Hodgson

## Youngcare Head office

### Refurbishment

Youngcare is a charitable organisation that advocates for the care of young people with disabilities. It provides 24/7 residential care for a number of the young people who would otherwise be in aged care homes. The organisation is growing quickly and had outgrown its 80m<sup>2</sup> office space in West End. The new office is Spring Hill is a renovated Queenslander that accommodates a boardroom and meeting rooms for up to 20 staff and areas for volunteers. The office was designed and constructed through donated time and materials from consultants, contractors and suppliers.

- John Deicke, Eloise Atkinson, Simon Maurice, Ingrid Marshall, Louisa Gee, Tamisin Scott



## G39 Science & Engineering

### New University Building

Situated at the entry to the campus, adjacent to the Gold Coast University Hospital and proposed knowledge precinct, is Griffith University's Science and Engineering building. It engages in a symbolic and real way with the surrounding built environment and provides a commercial front door to the University. The building is formed in two parts. One accommodates office spaces and the other engineering and science labs, and an architectural studio. An outdoor foyer connects the two buildings.

- John Deicke, Eloise Atkinson, Ian Hamilton, Mark Rees, Tim Zeith, Tom Kaye, Luke Watson, Magda Myszkowski, Eugenio Belli

## G39 Architectural School

### New University Building



This project involves the design of 700m<sup>2</sup> of studio space for the newly established School of Architecture at Griffith University, Gold Coast Campus. The pods and open studio spaces were designed to encourage creativity and innovation, and are flexible in physical arrangement and function allowing for diverse teaching and learning approaches. The design allows students to personalise their studio space and encourage the development of a sense of belonging, ownership and pride of their work.

- John Deicke, Shy Tay, Ian Hamilton

## Great Lakes Shire Council

### Development Control Plans



Development Control Plans to promote appropriate development for the coastal villages and hamlets. Reviews were completed for 'Stroud Heritage' and 'Single Dwelling House and Dual Occupancy'.

- Cameron Davies, Rebecca Hodgson, Natalie Probitzer

## Toowoomba & Centenary Heights State High Schools

### School Buildings



Design for Department of Education & Training (DET) Science & Language buildings at the Toowoomba and Centenary Heights State High Schools.

- John Deicke, Shem Guthrie, Jeffrey Briant, Jamie Waters, Echa Azman, Magda Myszkowski

## Parklands Drive Workshop, Gold Coast Rapid Transit

### EbD Workshop



The Gold Coast Health and Knowledge Precinct is an emerging major urban precinct of the Gold Coast region with the existing Griffith University Campus and Gold Coast University Hospital under construction. The Gold Coast Rapid Transit light rail project has two stops in the precinct on Parklands Drive. In order to integrate the work of different projects and stakeholders, a workshop was convened to review the design opportunities offered by the new public transport infrastructure.

- Peter Richards, Cameron Davies, Cassie Boyle, Shy Tay

## Sunshine Coast University Hospital

### Master Plan

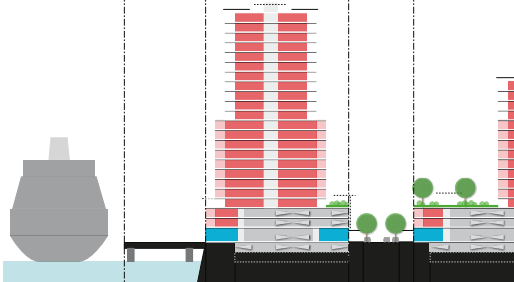


The Sunshine Coast University Hospital in the Kawana Town Centre is a flagship project for the Queensland Government. The precinct will accommodate over the next 10 years, a private and public hospital with a range of complementary commercial and community uses. The master plan responds to the need to develop the precinct by a number of proponents over time. The site and uses are organised on an urban street and block network with a major focal place, a centrally located plaza, which extend the lakeside park into the site. This project has been undertaken for Queensland Health in a team led by Conrad Gargett with MAAP architects from London.

- Peter Richards, Cameron Davies, Cassie Boyle, Rebecca Hodgson, Shem Guthrie

## Portside East

### Master Plan



Portside East is a remarkable riverside site of 13.7ha adjacent to the vibrant precinct of Portside within the Hamilton Northshore Urban Development Area of the ULDA. Brookfield Multiplex commissioned this Subprecinct Master Plan to demonstrate in further detail the principles. The Master Plan sets out how streets, public spaces and buildings interact with the River edge, adjacent streets and development to provide a distinctive setting for a high density mixed-use precinct. The plan directs the future development guiding height, form and scale of buildings.

- Peter Richards, Stephen Smith, Rebecca Hodgson, Shy Tay

## Energex

### Typology Study



Energex is developing and standardising an efficient operational model to demonstrate to the public and staff their commitment to safety and service delivery policies. A detailed investigation of site/operational usage of existing Energex depots was carried out, culminating in the development of a modular facility site usage template and building system proposal for use in future developments. The proposal addressed remote site location, mapping facility operation, flexible of material selection and transportation, erection, expansion and contraction capabilities.

- John Deicke, Jeffrey Briant, Shy Tay, Jamie Waters

## Mayes Ave

### Public Housing Master Plan



Built in 1970s the Mayes Ave, Kingston public housing project consists of 90 attached houses developed by the Department of Housing and refurbished in 1991. The Department of Communities has nominated this 4ha site for multi-unit renewal. The objective of this work was to determine an desired future for the site that will deliver a sense of safety, community and ownership for existing and future residents. New streets, some demolition and rebuilding with more appropriate denser forms of housing were part of a comprehensive renewal strategy.

- Peter Richards, Eloise Atkinson, Shem Guthrie, Rebecca Hodgson, Arno King, Tamisin Scott

## Sienna Apartments, Spring Hill

### Affordable Housing

Following years caught in the IPA process, 2009 saw the construction of 35 affordable housing units on a constrained site in Spring Hill for Churches of Christ Care. The fully furnished, one-bed and studio units have good natural light and cross ventilation. The scale and form of the buildings ensure they sit comfortably within the street, while extensive screening minimises overlooking.

- Eloise Atkinson, Jeffrey Briant, Ingrid Marshall, John Deicke, Echa Azman, Magda Myszkowski, Tamisin Scott



## PARKing Day 2

Deicke Richards celebrated its 15th birthday in the park as part of PARKing day. This global event aims to raise awareness of the importance of green spaces in the city and in 2009 Brisbane was 3rd biggest PARKing city worldwide. After being voted Brisbane's favourite park in 2008, we once again collaborated with Dig It Landscapes and two industry suppliers to transform the seven off-street car parks at Baxter Street into a tropical courtyard for meetings and birthday celebrations. Features of this year's installation were a checkerboard lawn and red umbrellas overhead.

- Magda Myszkowski, Arno King, Tamisin Scott

## Mt Peter, Cairns

### Town Centre Plan



The Mt Peter growth corridor, linking Edmonton and Gordonvale south of Cairns, is a proposed new town of up to 50 000 people. Working for a landowner Denor Group with a very strategic land holding. The site has many attributes, it's along a creek corridor at the base of a dramatic hill in the most accessible part of the site currently served by public transport. The design genuinely attempts to create a new tropical mixed-use town centre well integrated into its surrounding uses and open spaces.

- Peter Richards, Cassie Boyle, Rebecca Hodgson

## Our Lady of the Rosary School

### School Building BER

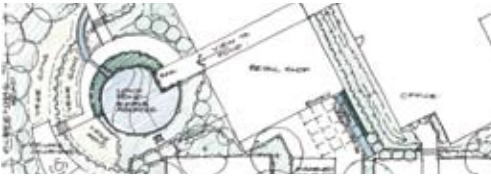


The collaborative master planning undertaken with the school community in 2008 helped secure \$2.5M of funding under the BER. Construction commenced in late 2009 on a new school admin and library facility and a multipurpose centre. Passively cooled rooms create a formal community gathering space at the top of the headland with sweeping views to the Coral Sea.

- Phil Smith, John Deicke, Andrew Hillhouse, Sophie Hughes, Tim Zeith, Magda Myszkowski

## Green Harvest Offices

### Landscape Master Plan



Green Harvest is an internationally renowned website-based organic supplier of gardening products. Their new offices will showcase organic gardening with a nursery and demonstration garden. The Sunshine Coast Regional Council is keen that the facility becomes part of the local tourism circuit.

- Arno King, Tony Mitchell