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our campaign to extend the life of redundant timbers **continues**

The old fashioned 'crunch and dump' of retired timber rich structures ranks as one of today's most preventable acts of human environmental vandalism.

We as companies, and consumers, must lobby the relevant government bodies to bring about a positive and permanent change.

The rescue and reuse of these timbers remains an underdeveloped avenue, despite protocols in place designed by the National Timber Product Stewardship Group (NTPSG).

To ensure greater numbers of post consumer timber is salvaged from such sites, the NTPSG protocols must be adopted by all levels of government.

These protocols detail safe and proven processes including visual inspections, species assessment, fixture removal handling and safe disposal of residual offcuts.

Kennedy's have adopted the NTPSG protocols for handling all redundant timbers. Our highly developed internal procedures are also subject to regular third party audit, ensuring recycled timber suppliers are provided with clear evidence of environmental compliance.

The reuse of redundant timber is a positive, environmentally friendly alternative.

Join Kennedy's campaign for the increased recycling of modern timber forests!

Support Kennedy's campaign, return your **Rescue and Recovery** postcard TODAY (see opposite).

Cover photo displays Kennedy's recycled timber courtesy of Colin J Clark Essentially Residential.

A feature story showcasing this Hervey Bay residence will appear in the Summer edition of **AGAINST the Grain**.

www.essentiallyresidential.com.au



STOP

the 'crunch and dump'
...give our timbers a
second lease of life

In 2005 EcoRecycle reported that over 300 000 cubic metres of redundant timber was sent to landfill

Support Kennedy's Redundant Timber Campaign



Kennedy's Rescue and Recovery Crusade!

campaigning for increased recycling of modern timber forests

Recycled timber benefits all

the consumer, the company, the developer and the environment

How YOU can help...

complete this form and post to Kennedy's to support our

Rescue and Recovery Campaign (need more postcards, just email us)

Name..... Organisation.....

Postal address.....

Postcode.....

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NARANGBA QLD 4504

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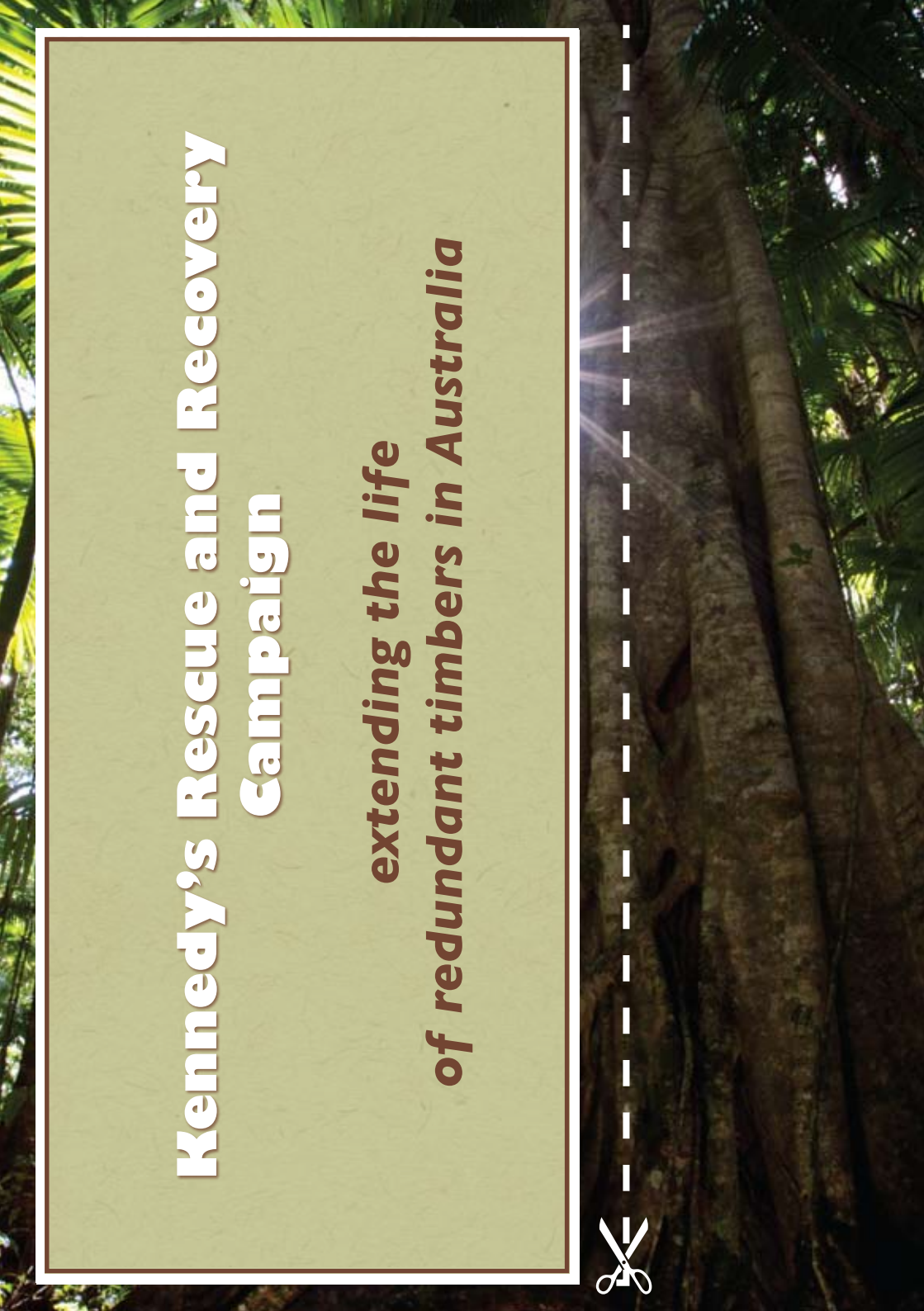
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Kennedy's Rescue and Recovery Campaign

*extending the life
of redundant timbers in Australia*



A Grade Above

interim industry recycled timber standards

First released in July 2008, the Interim Industry Standard for Recycled Timber offers recycled timber manufacturers, suppliers and users specific grading guidelines.

Published by the Forest and Wood Products Australia (FWPA), the objective of the guiding principles is to provide the Australian recycled timber industry with a professional and consistent standard.

The two guides available outline the requirements for visually grading recycled hardwood timber intended for structural use and decorative applications.

An interim standard, this is the first time visual grading rules have been developed for recycled timber in Australia.

The publications outline specific key points and considerations in addition to general, product and grading requirements.

Kennedy's are proud to have played a significant role in initiating, drafting and financing the production of these essential, timely documents.

All Kennedy's recycled timbers are now graded and supplied according to the new standards. Our Timber Grading Team (pictured right) have become well versed in grading and hand selecting every piece of timber we supply to our valued clients.

We believe these standards are the perfect tool for every architect, designer and builder.

Kennedy's encourages all within the industry to embrace the interim standard, ensuring a benchmark for consistency and quality for all recycled timber consumers.

Visit www.kennedysagedtimbers.com.au to download a FREE copy of the guidelines.

Or contact FWPA

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From left Benjamin Lucy, Judy Charlie (Kennedy's Chief Timber Grader) and Jeremy Fischer.

Gettin' Square

revitalising Brisbane's iconic central meeting place

Brisbane's inner city civic space, King George Square, is currently undergoing a revitalisation. Developed as a public space during the 1960's, the site adjoins Brisbane's heritage listed community and artistic hub, City Hall.

Including two new busway entrances and an innovative amphitheatre, Kennedy's premium grade recycled timbers have taken centre stage as part of the widely anticipated refurbishment.

Supplying 4 kilometres of hand rails and 9 kilometres of seating, the mix of quality iron bark and lemon scented spotted gum has been precision profiled and docked to length.

Salvaged from a number of local demolition sites, these recycled timbers offer the redeveloped space a **green** alternative to traditional building products.

The creation of Urbis, the contemporary design for the new look city square is being brought to life by Kane Constructions. With 4 major milestones originally planned for the project, the redevelopment is currently nearing the end of milestone 3.

An attractive, functional yet timeless space, the extensive revitalisation of the prominent square will offer locals and visitors a sense of history, proudly celebrated in a modern setting reflecting the very heart of Brisbane City.

The new look King George Square is set to launch in October 2009.

www.urbis.com

www.kaneconstructions.com.au

www.brisbane.qld.gov.au

Walk to Work Day | Friday 2 October 2009

www.walk.com.au

Kennedy's supplied 4 kilometres of hand rails and 9 kilometres of recycled timber seating



Left to right David Purcell, Bojana Ahmetaj (Kane Constructions), Peter Nortje (Brisbane City Council), Susanne Georgii (Urbis), Allan Rielly (Architectus Brisbane) and Rod Schiefelbein (Kennedy's Sales Manager) on site at Kennedy's.

Local Fish Goes Global with Gore

a crusade worthy of our best efforts

As an elected representative with the third largest council in Australia, Cr Chris Whiting is acutely aware of Australia's responsibility to combat climate change.

Affectionately nicknamed 'Fish' by his friends and colleagues, Cr Whiting is an inspiring environmental devotee.

A dedicated local politician with 10 years experience, this former journalist and community campaigner understands his ability to make a difference.

With a personal and professional commitment to educating constituents about climate change, Cr Whiting recently attended former US Vice President Al Gore's Climate Project Summit in Melbourne.

One of 200 attendees selected from a pool of 2000 applicants, Cr Whiting spent two days training as a community educator with global warming as the central focus.

Returning as a 'foot soldier' of the climate change crusade, Cr Whiting believes the challenge to save our environment, locally and globally, is worthy of our best efforts.

Taking a hands-on approach to positive environmental change for our local residential and manufacturing communities, Chris Whiting currently serves as the Councillor for Division 2 with the Moreton Bay Regional Council.



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Cr Chris Whiting, Division 2, Moreton Bay Regional Council

family retreat honours environment

With panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean, one couple's dream has been realised upon the sands of a Queensland island.

Situated on picturesque North Stradbroke, this unique holiday retreat has been a family venture turn adventure.

Built by Graeme Maher, his son and two sons-in-law (all builders themselves), the residence was largely designed by Graeme's wife Sue, culminating in an extraordinary family endeavour.

All contributing to the detailed construction, the 7 bedroom home now offers the ideal escape for weekends away and holidays for the extended family.

With sustainable building in mind, Sue sought out Kennedy's quality products to lay ground to their splendid timber decks.

Salvaged from the Albion Flour Mill, Kennedy's premium recycled iron bark and spotted gum was also applied to the home's extensive cladding and flooring.

Sue commented "many visitors admire the timber cladding" noting its incredible ability to blend with the environment.

Respecting the local landscape, the house was built to incorporate a native Box Gum in the centre of the deck, further embracing its natural surroundings.

For three generations of family members, this superb holiday home offers a wealth of adventure, relaxation and rejuvenation in what truly can be described as an island retreat.

With exquisite sunsets and glistening ocean views, the house wouldn't be complete without its own whale watch tower... and the odd bottle of champagne to toast the spectacular sea creatures passing by.

Kennedy's premium recycled timber graces the home's extensive decking, cladding and flooring



Ship to Shore

export ready sustainable timber

With a reputation for unparalleled excellence within the national market, Kennedy's quality timbers are now in high demand overseas.

Kennedy's have developed a strong following for signature projects across Australia showcasing sustainable timbers.

This interest has now extended to the shores of nearby countries.

International markets including New Zealand and Japan have recognised the unique qualities Australian recycled timber has to offer.

The natural features inherent in Australian recycled timber is greatly admired and consequently in high demand by timber enthusiasts worldwide.

Australian recycled timber is renowned for its supreme character, strength and durability, resulting in a consistent, quality product.

As different countries have diverse building techniques, Kennedy's have worked closely with international partners to develop specific products, profiles and packaging to meet the requirements of each individual market.

Several product lines have been selected for exclusive distribution by our international associates.

Kennedy's timbers are hand selected ensuring the delivery of high grade, quality products suitable for a vast range of end uses.



With rigorous attention to detail, Kennedy's international partners are assured each departing container has undergone strict audit, quality control and export compliance procedures.

From the moment an enquiry or order is received, clients are guaranteed personalised service and expert advice from Kennedy's experienced team.

With export ready sustainable timber in stock, Kennedy's professional and flexible manufacturing process allows us to respond swiftly to the requirements of our export partners.

Kennedy's commitment to on-time delivery provides our overseas partners with the opportunity to reduce their own stock holdings.

Many orders are packed and ready for shipment within 14 days of order confirmation.

Our commitment to superior products within the domestic market has resulted in increased demand for sustainable timber internationally, showcasing to the world Australia's impressive recycled timber industry.

Several product lines have been selected for exclusive distribution by our international partners



Our Way... A New Way

Sense and Sensibility

a staff wide commitment to minimising waste

Kennedy's recently implemented a **Five S Program**, further demonstrating our dedication to staff safety, efficient production and the local environment.

Sorting Keep what is necessary and discard of waste responsibly

Systematic organisation Clearly label storage areas

Shine Perform programmed cleaning and schedule inspection and maintenance for all equipment

Standardise Document good work practices

Sustain Provide feedback, highlighting positive results and improvement where necessary

Our **Five S Program** is based upon the widely recognised eco pledge of Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Educate.

Kennedy's staff are proud to honour the **Five S Program**, ensuring safe and effective work practices result in a positive outcome for all; clients, colleagues and the environment.

A Long Weekend... Every Weekend

With a steadfast commitment to site safety and family values, Kennedy's production staff now enjoy working a four day week.

A recent initiative, this Monday to Thursday policy has been widely embraced, resulting in increased production and efficiency.

Kennedy's production team, much like a large family themselves, benefit from the extra time provided for family and personal commitments, offering the ideal work/life balance.

As one production staff member commented "a long weekend, every weekend... it rocks."



Kennedy's Head Office and Retail Showroom is open Monday to Friday 7.00am - 4.30pm and Saturday by appointment.



with Erin Brokovich

An afternoon

At a recent presentation hosted by Brisbane firm Shine Lawyers, Michael Kennedy caught up with legendary environmental campaigner Erin Brokovich.

With her life's story and inspiring tale brought to life on the big screen in an academy award winning film, Erin continues to publicly support environmental causes and victims of asbestos exposure as President of Brockovich Research and Consulting.



Kennedy's recently hosted 43 of Australia's leading foresters for a 2 hour tour and fact finding mission at our new recycled pole/bridge processing facility and kiln drying operation.

Recognising Kennedy's commitment to timber which does not cost **OUR Earth**, the elite group were fascinated to witness firsthand a world class facility in action, highlighting the rich environmental benefits of our recycled timber industry.

Next Generation Given Guided Tour

120 first year students from The University of Queensland (UQ) were recently given the opportunity to learn more about the value of recycled timbers whilst touring Kennedy's extensive Narangba Production Facility.

An annual event for UQ's School of Architecture, the keen cohort were warmly welcomed on site, witnessing firsthand the processes involved in transforming recycled timbers into a wide range of adaptable, environmentally friendly building products.

Kennedy's is proud to support such educational experiences for future generations of industry talent.

For more information about touring Kennedy's Narangba Production Facility please contact us via email news@kennedysagedtimbers.com.au



100% recycled poles



Green Tip Winners

winners of the 5 books announced and their **green** tips published

Philip Browne

open up used envelopes for spare scribbling, note paper

Brett Drayton

save water at home by converting to a double bowl kitchen sink; one side drains out to a tank to water plants

Claire Dunn

*say no to plastic bags, use **green** bags and boxes instead*

Janet Henriksen

keep it small; a small house foot print, small house plan, small spaces with doors separating resulting in less heating energy, switch to a smaller car, buy less

Sherry Joynt

for Brisbane locals: support the environment, local farmers and your family's health by purchasing fresh fruit and vegetables from Food Connect www.foodconnect.com.au

Winners will receive a signed copy of Peter McConchie's book *Old Growth* reviewed in our Winter edition of **AGAINST the Grain.**



Spring Splendour **Grant's Quiche**

Ingredients

4 courgettes (zucchini)
1 large onion
4 rashers of bacon
1 cup of grated tasty cheese
1 ½ cups of oil (vegetable or canola)
5 eggs
1 cup of flour
2 tsp of baking powder
Salt and pepper to taste
Chives (optional)

Method

Slice courgettes, dice onion, cut bacon into small pieces.
Lightly beat eggs and add all other ingredients, mix well.
Place mixture into well oiled flan dish and cook for 40 minutes at 180c.
You can use any vegetable in place of courgettes. Try spring onions, peas corn and so on. You can also add sliced tomato on top prior to cooking.
I like to chop a few chives and add to mixture.
Serve hot or cold, great with a nice green salad.

Bon Appétit! Grant Cropp (pictured opposite)

Food with a View Giveaway



Following on from our successful recipe inserts and book review segment, this edition of Kennedy's **AGAINST the Grain** showcases the spectacular new recipe book created by Brisbane girls school, St Margaret's.

Food with a View involved 18 months of planning and active participation by the entire school community, in particular the Development Office.

With over 200 pages of everyday and inspirational recipes, the book is sure to have something to suit any palate.

Ranging from Kids Corner, Brunch, The Main Event and Backyard BBQ to healthy salads, sides and mouth watering desserts, this collection of recipes is a delicious display of family favourites.

To order your copy of *Food with a View* contact Beverley Fox via phone 07 3862 0884, email bfox@stmarg.qld.edu.au or download an order form from www.stmarg.qld.edu.au

Copies are \$50.00 each including postage + handling. Proceeds go toward educating current and future generations of Maggie's girls.

AGAINST the Grain is giving away two copies for the best organic recipes sent in by our readers.

The winners will be published in our Summer edition.

Email your organic recipes to news@kennedysagedtimbers.com.au

Grant Cropp, Kennedy's Kiln Manager and former chef, attends to the drying of our timber each and every time to perfection!!



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Professional timber knowledge



Specialised flooring and decking



Seasoned structural and joinery timbers



Timber which does not cost OUR Earth

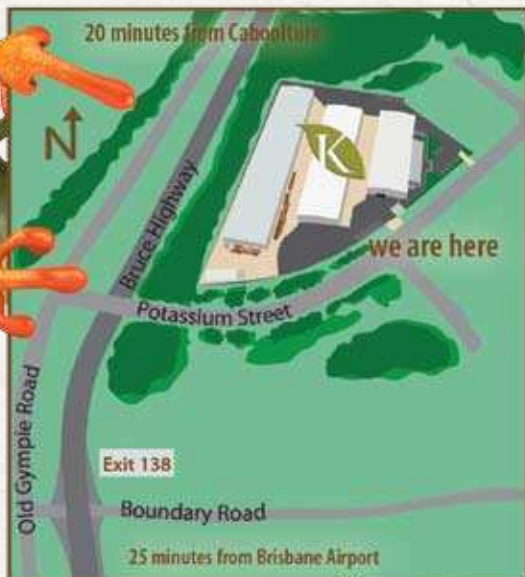
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We can show you how to add some **green** to your next building project

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