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The success of a company which began its life in the humble surroundings of a laundry is worth a great celebration

PROJECTS QUEENSLAND 25TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY Olli & Luca, Isle of Capri

When Projects Queensland began corporate life in a Chirn Park laundry 25 years ago, managing director Brad Dunne could never have imagined how much the company would grow. To celebrate the silver anniversary Brad invited staff, suppliers and clients to a celebration at Olli & Luca Restaurant in Capri on Via Roma. Commemorative plaques were handed out to key staff members, many of whom have been with the company since the beginning and then it was on with the party. They must be doing everything right because they have big-name clients such as Gucci, Louis Vuitton, Paspaley and Cartier on their books.



Amy and Troy Connelly.



Karissa rewards her team with Fiji trip

A very nice Christmas surprise for the staff of uber chic wedding stylist The Lane.

Owner Karissa Fanning, yes, she is the wife of surfing's Mick, decided it would be a nice idea to take her staff on a trip to Fiji as a reward for all their hard work throughout the year.

Karissa started the cutting-edge bridal fashion and styling business because she was tired of seeing done-to-death themes and styles.

The trip will also give her a chance to relax before Mick battles for the world title this week against Gabriel Medina and Kelly Slater in Hawaii.



Sharon Fleming, Dianne Harland and Karen Conlon.

Chrissy and Karen Mckinley.



Doggies get their own puppuccinos

It was only a matter of time. Coolangatta's Black Sheep Espresso Baa has a novel way of keeping man's best friend happy when their owners get their morning fix of coffee.

Owner Dinesh Nair, who began his business with Bartercard, is dishing out 'puppuccinos' - a lactose-free milk which is frothed, dusted with carob, topped with a dog biscuit and then served in a pet bowl for dogs.

"It is a trend that is popular in Europe but it is catching on and the dogs really love having their morning treat when they are sitting with their owner." Woof!



Manuel Pena and Chloe Fogarty.



Peter Gwynne and Joanne Woodridge.



Gina and Andrew Crutchfield.

Michael's tie had everyone talking

That's not a tie, this IS a tie! Never one to shy away from making an "out there" fashion statement, Michael Issaakidis looked resplendent at the Cartier boutique Christmas party last week.

The centre piece of his ensemble was a tie like no other. Basic black with diagonal stripes of glittering crystals, it was a conversation starter par excellence.

"I saw it in the import shop at the Four Seasons Hotel in Hong Kong and had to have it. It certainly has caused a reaction because I could have sold it about a dozen times."

And since you asked nicely the price is \$2500 and you have to tie it yourself.



Millie Davenport and Alison Wingate.



Sharon Elliott-Dunne and Brad Dunne.



Thomas and Karen Hughes.