



Monaro Timber News

The monthly newsletter from Monaro Timber Pty Ltd

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Home show success.

As I mentioned last month we were off to the Home Show in Canberra. Well that's been and gone and was a busy few days. We assisted James Schulhin on his display and were kept fairly busy extolling the virtues of solid timber flooring. Added assistance came in the form of a mobile display from one of our major sawmill suppliers, AST (Australian Solar Timbers). This display is made up of a number of flooring panels and in particular showcases the "Timberlay" product which is ASTs overlay floor. No, not a floating floor but real timber at 12mm thick. This product is designed to be laid over an existing solid surface such as concrete and comes in shorter lengths so getting it into multi storey units is not problem. It can be transported easily in an elevator. The other major benefit is the cost saving. Because this product uses less timber and can be produced using smaller logs not suitable for traditional 19mm flooring the overall cost is down about 15-20%. When you have a large area to cover this can make a real difference to your bottom line. The good news is the AST flooring display gets to stay at Monaro Timber for awhile so we have set it up for anyone to come in and see.

Not only did AST supply the display but they chipped in with a pack of flooring which we gave away to one lucky visitor to the display. We were pleased to be able to assist Jamie over the weekend and also very grateful to AST and David Smith from Simmonds Lumber for their continued faith in and support for Monaro Timber. These relationships make it possible to do what we do which boils down to supplying the right product and service to our customers.

New Stock.

More Tas Oak, it really has been popular. We also saw 25mm PNG Rosewood to compliment the 38mm that arrived last month. Some more packs of that fabulous Blue Gum arrived. Best we've seen for some time. Stocks of Jarrah, Blackwood, Myrtle, Danta and Beech are all good. We have been moving through some 96 x 19 mixed hardwood decking lately too. This is really great stuff, Australian production and grown to last. Our stocks of kiln dried F27 are also in good shape including some 290 x 45. Due in by Christmas is a heap of new Spotted Gum and Beech. A couple of big jobs means there will be left overs !!

Christmas closure this year. Last day Saturday 22 December, return on Monday 7 January.

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New yard lay out.

.We have moved some things around the yard over the past few weeks. If you are coming in to collect dressed timber you will now find the racks located past the office next to our structural hardwoods and fiddle back bays. We moved the dressed rack here because the sun in the mornings was causing a few issues for the timber at times in the old location. Our slabs and bits and pieces have been moved forward so they are more accessible. We have also shuffled the oils and abrasives around a bit so hopefully the changes will improve things for all concerned. Coming shortly, as soon as we get a chance to erect it, will be a Cypress Pine cubby house. This will give the kids somewhere to play while Mum and Dad look at timber and if they really like it we can arrange for them to have one. Unlike many of the kids cubbies out there, these are Cypress so no chemical in the timber. Stay tuned for that one.

A little late with the newsletter.

This month I am a bit late as I've just returned from a few days away in sunny QLD. It was good to get away and see some areas we haven't been to before. The fun parks copped a bit of a flogging for a few days. Those rides are not quite as tame as at the local show!! We passed a number of sawmills on the way home but as most of the travel was on weekends and I was also on strict instructions from the family to stay away I only managed one visit. I'll have to make a special trip and check them all out. Every mill is a little different and it's good to see what goes on so we can be sure we are getting the best products. Seeing the products being manufactured also helps us understand them better.