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An aerial photograph showing a large-scale highway interchange under construction. The image captures multiple levels of overpasses and ramps, with some sections already paved and others still in earth. A green golf course is visible in the middle ground, and a residential neighborhood with houses and trees surrounds the construction site. In the far distance, a city skyline is visible under a clear blue sky.

## BGC divisions unite for Northlink WA Central Section

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Message from the **Board of BGC**



The Board of BGC is pleased to announce the appointment of Daniel Cooper as Chief Executive Officer of the Group with effect from 24 June 2019.

Chairman Neil Hamilton said Mr Cooper brought a wealth of experience to BGC's diversified operations, with a career spanning 25 years.

"We are very pleased to have an experienced CEO of Danny's calibre join the team and look forward to benefiting from his strategic,

commercial, and operational leadership," said Neil.

"Danny will play a critical role in ensuring the Group maintains its strong financial performance and achieves operating efficiencies across BGC's diverse, vertically-integrated business units.

"On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Alan Tate, our continuing CFO, who has ably filled the interim role of acting CEO in recent months."



**BGC Contracting - Lithium win energises BGC Contracting growth**

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Above: Earthworks construction at the Kemerton Lithium Project, near Bunbury WA.

BGC Contracting has commenced an earthworks construction contract at the Albemarle Group's Kemerton Lithium Project, located near Bunbury in Western Australia.

After being awarded the contract in late 2018, BGC Contracting began work on the project in January 2019. The contract includes early construction access and site facilities installation, site clearing and topsoil management, as well as the cut-to-fill and installation of underground piping and electrical cabling.

Under the direction of Project Director John Beattie and Project Manager Ryan Smyth, the project is BGC Contracting's first venture into WA's 'Lithium Valley'.

John said the project win would add to BGC Contracting's well-earned reputation as Australia's premium mining and construction services company.

"BGC Contracting is excited to be involved at this early stage of the Kemerton Lithium Project as demand for lithium and other speciality metals grows worldwide," said John.

The tender win is a testament to the hard work and tireless efforts of many people across BGC Contracting, and its outstanding track record on key projects such as Roy Hill Package 3.

"This is a great project for BGC Contracting and for the South West. It gives us a chance to grow our reputation in the region and provide new job opportunities for up to 100 local residents," said John.

BGC Contracting CEO Greg Heylen congratulated all who worked on the tender, saying the Kemerton Lithium Project would present a range of new opportunities for the company.

"Working in accordance with our CHARTER Value of Teamwork was pivotal in securing this work. This contract positions us to compete for future stages of the project, including significant packages for piling, roads and concrete foundations," said Greg.

BGC Contracting COO Mark Angove said securing this first contract had positioned the business well with what was a significant project.

**DIAB Engineering secures rights for innovative scaffolding system**



This ground-breaking scaffolding is much lighter and quicker to put up, weighing 50 per cent less than traditional systems.

Above: MonZon's new state-of-the-art scaffolding system being trialed at Newcrest Telfer gold mine.

BGC Contracting subsidiary DIAB Engineering has significantly increased its Australian and New Zealand service offering after securing a contract as MonZon AB's sole distributor and reseller.

The distribution agreement gives resources sector service provider DIAB the exclusive rights to the sale and service of MonZon's state-of-the-art scaffolding and weather protection systems.

MonZon's Swedish inventor and owner Jonathan Månsson flew to Western Australia late last year to conduct onsite training at Newcrest Mining's Telfer gold mine, and assess the potential adoption of the system at Boddington gold mine.

DIAB Operations Manager Steve Tognolini said DIAB trialed the scaffolding system at Telfer gold mine during its November shutdown.

"The test run at Telfer delivered exceptional benefits in added safety and saved construction time, allowing Newcrest more time for their critical path work during the shutdown," said Steve.

"There have been no scaffolding advancements or redesigns in Australia for more than 40 years. Meanwhile, on the other side of the world, MonZon has been developing innovative, cost-effective solutions that are industry-changing. Needless to say, we were very impressed."

MonZon scaffolding can cope with heavy-duty bay loadings despite weighing 50 per cent less than traditional systems – greatly reducing construction time as well as labour, maintenance and transport costs.

"This ground-breaking scaffolding is much lighter and quicker to put up. These materials will literally halve the weight a single scaffolder will have to lift in a year," said Steve.

"Traditionally a labour-intensive job, scaffolding can now attract a diverse workforce and could take people through to retirement."

To support this new scaffolding division, DIAB has opened offices at 477 Orrong Road in Welshpool. The new offices will operate as DIAB's Perth headquarters and as the official MonZon display, sales and training centre.

"This is an exciting new revenue stream for DIAB that will no doubt generate new scaffolding work for us," said Steve.

Acquired by BGC Contracting in 2016, DIAB currently employs more than 500 people. To find out more about DIAB and MonZon No Limits Scaffolding, please visit [www.diabengineering.com.au](http://www.diabengineering.com.au)



## BGC divisions unite for Northlink WA



Above: BGC Asphalt working on the Northlink WA central section.

### BGC Group - NorthLink WA Central Section project update

Great Northern Connect, the joint venture between Laing O'Rourke and BGC, is nearing the completion of the central section of Western Australia's \$1.02b NorthLink WA road initiative.

After commencing in September 2016, the central section is due for completion by the end of this month.

NorthLink WA is a Main Roads Western Australia initiative which will deliver 42 kilometres of new highway, with nine interchanges and 37 new bridges.

Great Northern Connect constructed a free-flowing link from Reid Highway to Ellenbrook to improve transport access to Ellenbrook and surrounding precincts. This included nearly 20 kilometres of highway with four interchanges, including 16 road bridges, three footbridges and a four-metre-wide Pedestrian Shared Path.

NorthLink WA central section has involved more than 200 local companies and nearly 4,000 people, including the supply of materials and

construction elements from offsite providers.

The project has been a BGC Group effort, with BGC Contracting working alongside BGC Asphalt, BGC Concrete, BGC Precast, BGC Quarries and BGC Cement to complete these significant works. BGC Precast produced 13 kilometres of precast noise walls, and BGC Cement supplied and delivered 5,500 tonnes of premium quality hydrated lime.

BGC Concrete also played a major role in the Northlink WA central section with the supply of more than 30,000 cubed metres of concrete, each load complying with strict Main Roads testing and specifications.

BGC Quarries played a significant role in this project, delivering approximately 597,345 tonnes of aggregates and 27,655 tonnes of bitumen on time to manufacture the asphalt.

BGC Asphalt Project Director Ricky Nugent said they had laid more than 650,000 tonnes of asphalt produced by their three plants strategically located in the Perth metropolitan area.

"The highlight of our asphalt crew working on NorthLink WA central section was an impressive productivity of 2,821 tonnes in a single 12-hour shift," said Ricky.

"This was approximately 235 tonnes of asphalt laid every hour - a WA record achieved by one crew in a single shift."

BGC Contracting CEO Greg Heylen said they were pleased to have worked with the wider BGC Group to deliver such a vital section of the NorthLink WA initiative.

*"Working with our BGC partners means we can streamline production processes for complex projects," said Greg.*

"We're very proud of our involvement in the central section of NorthLink WA, which will deliver a safer and quicker free-flowing highway for West Australian drivers."

## \$30m gold mine contract



Above: The Ramone Gold Project is located 35km south-east of the Jundee Gold mine.

### BGC Contracting wins \$30m gold mine contract

BGC Contracting has been awarded a \$30 million contract as part of Northern Star Resources Limited's development of the Ramone Gold Project, located 35km south-east of the Jundee Gold Mine.

The 18-month open pit mining project commenced in March 2019, with BGC Contracting delivering both the initial infrastructure and mining services for this greenfield site.

BGC Contracting services include the installation of site facilities, drill and blast, load and haul mining, and dewatering services. Additional site works will include the construction of internal haul roads, the establishment of the site workshop, explosive compound and magazines, associated earthworks and site preparations.

BGC Contracting is mobilising the mining fleet, including a 250T class excavator and five Komatsu 785 dump trucks.

BGC Contracting CEO Greg Heylen said the project marked the division's first WA gold mining contract in 10 years.

*"We are very pleased to secure this project and partner with Northern Star as we continue to grow and diversify our presence, both in terms of commodities and geography," said Greg.*

Chief Operating Officer Mining Andrew Taplin said BGC Contracting had embarked on a strategy two years ago to grow its mining business and national footprint, and to increase commodity diversification.

*"The Ramone contract is a major achievement for our diversification strategy and allows us to extend our expertise in gold whilst providing new job opportunities for some 50-60 people on this greenfield project," said Andrew.*

"Working closely with the client was pivotal in securing this work.

"This contract with Northern Star Resources puts us in a good position to secure further gold mining opportunities."



# BGC divisions take out 13 MBA awards



Above: Vasse Village from BGC Construction - Best Retail Building, 2019 South West Building Excellence Awards.

## BGC divisions take out 13 MBA awards

Perceptions, TERRACE, Now Living, BGC Residential South West and the regional division for BGC Construction are celebrating after collectively bringing home a colossal 13 awards across both the 2019 MBA WA Housing Excellence Awards and the MBA Bankwest South West Building Excellence Awards.

The Housing Excellence and Building Excellence Awards from the Master Builders Association WA showcase and reward members for demonstrating leading craftsmanship and building excellence across commercial and residential projects.

TERRACE's micro lot development in Ellenbrook received the Innovative Construction for Small Lots award at the 2019 Housing Excellence Awards, a category which recognises innovative building techniques for homes built on lots less than 400sqm.

Perceptions' Supervisor Steve Domazetovski also represented BGC at the Housing Excellence Awards after being awarded the Supervisor of the Year (Project/Volume Builder).

Now Living took home a further two awards from the Housing Excellence awards, taking out the Best Contract Home (Under \$200,000) and Best



Above: Best Display Home BGC Residential South West - 2019 South West Building Excellence Awards.

Multi Unit Development (10-20 units) awards.

BGC Residential South West won four awards at the 2019 South West Building Excellence Awards, taking out the Best Contract home (\$250,000-\$300,000), Best Display home (\$240,000-\$270,000), Best Multi-Residential Development (2-5 units) and Best Multi-Residential Development (5-10 units) categories.

The regional division for BGC Construction won a further five awards at the 2019 South West Building Excellence Awards, receiving the Best State Government Building, Best Education Building, Best Retail Building, Best Office Building and Excellence in Brick & Block Paving categories.

BGC Acting CEO Alan Tate said that the continued success of BGC's home building and commercial construction services throughout the MBA Awards demonstrated the calibre of services that they provided.

*"Despite what is currently a tough building market, BGC continues to excel in delivering quality, innovative homes and buildings for West Australians,"* said Alan.

"Well done to all those at Perceptions, Now Living, BGC Residential South West, and BGC Construction Regional division for their fantastic achievements."



Brikmakers

# Brikmakers celebrates 10 years of bricks



## Brikmakers celebrates its 10-year anniversary

**Brikmakers, Western Australia's biggest, most versatile and modern manufacturer of bricks, blocks and pavers, is celebrating 10 years of inspiring innovation for architects, builders and homeowners.**

Brikmakers evolved from Blok pave, a previous BGC business which produced concrete masonry products and led the market with its paving range.

In 2007, approvals were granted for a modern clay brick factory in WA and work began to create a new brand that would bring the clay bricks, paving, concrete blocks and reconstituted limestone products together under one company - to be known as Brikmakers.

It took two years to build, test and trial the clay brick manufacturing plant before the very first truckload of clay bricks were sold in January 2009 to Lenco Nominees, a loyal customer of Brikmakers to this day.

Brikmakers General Manager Vince Scarvacci said the continued success of Brikmakers had been driven by the high capabilities of the new WA Brick factory and supported by the dedication and hard work of the Brikmakers employees.

"We entered the market in 2009 and can attribute a lot of our success to our state-of-the-art brick factory, which has supported our ability to produce the range of innovative products our customers expect of Brikmakers," said Vince.

Since the sale of their first pack of clay bricks, Brikmakers' operations have continued to evolve - with three production lines and three kilns reaching a combined capacity of up to 2,000t of fired product per day which is equivalent to approximately 60 homes.

Brikmakers utilises raw materials sourced locally and has grown to

produce about one-third of the state's clay brick needs. When combined with the existing production of BGC's wider masonry products division, Brikmakers holds the title of WA's biggest producer of paving and masonry products.

BGC Acting CEO Alan Tate said Brikmakers' decade of success was a testament to its team of hard-working and skilled people.

*"It is with pride that we congratulate Brikmakers on 10 years of building in WA and we look forward to continuing to see its bricks and pavers shape the built world of Western Australia,"* said Alan.



## BGC Group Awards - Award wins demonstrate high calibre of BGC employees

The BGC Group is delighted to congratulate BGC Credit Services General Manager Jason Louis and BGC Group General Counsel Belinda Murray, winners of two prestigious industry awards.

Jason was named the WA Credit Manager of the Year at the Australian Institute of Credit Management Pinnacle Awards, in recognition of his leadership and passion in managing his teams.

"I was honoured to receive the 2018 WA Credit Manager of the Year award, especially with the quality of great Credit Managers in Western Australia," he said.

Belinda has also demonstrated the high calibre of BGC employees after being named Industrial, Materials and Manufacturing Lawyer of the Year at the 2019 Lawyers Weekly Corporate Counsel Awards, the largest national awards program for the in-house sector. >>>



Above (left): Jason Louis, General Manager BGC Credit Services receiving his award for WA Credit Manager of the Year.

## BGC Group Awards - (continued)

The awards, which acknowledge those leading achievement and advancement in their organisations, recognised the valuable legal support Belinda provides to BGC Group to manage risk, maintain market share and win work.

Belinda, who was also nominated as a finalist in the Construction and Real Estate Lawyer of the Year category, said she was honoured to receive the award in light of the challenges resulting from economic downturns in WA. Belinda said she was also proud

that the BGC Legal Team had been nominated and selected as finalists for two other awards.

"Despite an increasingly cost-competitive market, the valuable assistance from my team has meant we have been able to provide solutions-focused support to deliver real results for the BGC Group," said Belinda.

Congratulations from BGC to both Belinda and Jason.



Above (right): Belinda Murray, BGC Group General Counsel receiving her award for Industrial, Materials and Manufacturing Lawyer of the Year.

## LEADERS IN FOCUS



Concrete

Phil Hobbs - General Manager, BGC Concrete

Over the past three decades, BGC has grown to become the biggest Perth-based concrete supplier, with a focus on people and a mix of service, strategy and innovation.

In my 30 years with BGC, I can honestly say that it's been "all about the people."

Whether that means keeping employees safe, providing excellence in quality and service, encouraging the people driving our corporate direction, working with

partners through the complex legislative framework today or building long-term relationships with our most important asset, our customers - they are at the core of everything we do.

All businesses face challenges and stability is crucial to navigating issues that pop up along the journey. Our culture of teamwork has been paramount to running a successful business and ensuring day-to-day operations are efficient and in-sync. Our growth has included plant establishment from the early days in Canning Vale and Malaga to our latest addition in Bassendean - while others were streamlining operations, we prioritised service.

BGC Concrete has always put service at number one. Hot weather concreting adds to the challenge of meeting customer needs head on. We value our direct plant communication link with customers, which is something they also appreciate. Faced with the ever-increasing demands on concrete suppliers, we're acutely aware that our improved service is a win-win for everyone.

BGC Concrete's market leader position in Perth has enabled BGC to build its quarrying, transport and cement divisions - it's a team approach. Len Buckeridge, the master strategist, always had a plan. It might have been drawn on the back of a cigarette packet,

but he set the direction. With his hard work and the support of others, his tenacity made it all become a reality.

BGC Concrete's future is about making life easier for concreters and customers. Whether it's lifting heavy sheets of steel mesh, digging dry sand in 35 degrees, or back-breaking screeding, taking the hard work out is non-negotiable - especially with the now commonplace use of steel fibres, excavators and plasticiser. A 'made simpler' approach through streamlined administration, automation, computerisation, and exploring new horizons is the way forward. We continue to explore new ideas and innovations. We need policy makers and the industry to get on board and make these opportunities a reality.

At BGC Concrete we make every job important. Whether it's 50,000 cubic metres at Perth RAC Arena or a garage slab in Burns Beach, we need to be market ready.

As always, people and relationships are at the very heart of that.

## BGC Construction's regional division secures multiple projects in South West



BGC Construction secures new projects

Above: BGC Site Manager Greg Miffin with Mr Rick Wilson MP Federal Member for O'Connor.



Above: BGC Site Manager Greg Miffin, Manager Geegeelup Aged Care Dyan Dent, BGC Regional Manager Ross Marshall, Mr Rick Wilson MP Federal Member for O'Connor and Board members Peter Whitney and Greg Giblett.

BGC Construction's regional division will be busy in the coming year, after securing substantial projects in our state's South West.

The year began with BGC Construction winning the contract in February for the major redevelopment of Geegeelup Village Hostel for Geegeelup Village Hostel Inc, which will help to meet the demand for aged care services in the region.

In early March, the division won the contract for the Department of Communities to construct the Glen Iris Step Up Step Down mental health facility.

The series of wins for BGC Construction culminated in the division securing the contract for classroom additions and refurbishment at South Bunbury Primary School.

BGC Construction Regional Manager Ross Marshall said the recent wins came off the back of competitive tendering and the development of high-level, innovative solutions for their clients.

"We are pleased to be delivering on these contracts for Geegeelup Village Hostel Inc, the Department of Communities, and South Bunbury Primary School," said Ross.

"We have a strong history of contributing to the built environment in the South West, and I am extremely proud of the hard work and dedication my team puts into each and every project."





Cement

## BGC Cement provides cement for Discovery Rottnest Island

Above: Transportation of the mobile machinery and materials via boat for work on Rottnest Island.

### BGC Cement helps deliver new Rotto resort with Mobile Concrete Services

BGC Cement partnered with long-term customer Mobile Concrete Services (MCS) to help deliver the cement for the construction of Pinky's Eco Retreat by Discovery Parks group, the new eco-resort at one of Perth's favourite holiday destinations.

While the Rottnest Island resort has proved popular since opening in March, the remote location provided significant challenges during construction.

BGC Cement supplied 187 tonnes of General Purpose Cement bulker bags and 120 tonnes of Ultra Creme Cement bulker bags to MCS, which oversaw the transport, delivery and pouring of the project's concrete.

MCS Director of Sales and Operations Trevor Street said that keeping up with the logistics of the supply of the raw materials to the island was a challenge overcome through collaboration.



Above: Construction work has commenced on the eco-resort at Pinky's, Rottnest Island.

"This was made possible with the amazing service of Hinds Sands, Pelagic Marine and the outstanding sales and dispatch crew at BGC Cement," said Trevor.



Precast

## BGC Precast success for Quest Joondalup

Above: Loading up wall panels at the BGC Precast factory for delivery to site.

### BGC Precast innovative method delivers again

April saw BGC Precast deliver the final precast elements for the new Joondalup Quest Hotel built by M/Construction for M/Group.

The project, which began in November last year, was constructed using the time-saving techniques pioneered during BGC Construction and BGC Precast's PBSA project on Stirling Street.

Both structures used BGC Precast's wall panels as the primary load-bearing elements with hollowcore flooring spanning between, eliminating the need for additional support beams or columns during construction.

The wall panels have structural support for the hollowcore floor planks built-in at BGC Precast's factory, resulting in extremely fast installation times on site.

Moreover, the propless hollowcore system allows the builder to palletise and preload all fit out materials on to

the hollowcore slabs as soon as the hollowcore topping is cast, leading to faster fit out times.

BGC Precast is negotiating a contract for another Quest hotel with M/Construction to continue the successful partnership.

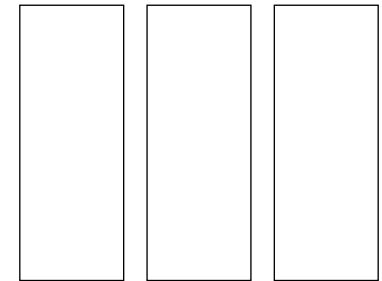
BGC Precast Business Development Manager Phil Surridge said keeping on top of the latest precast trends was a priority.

"One way we keep up to date with and contribute to industry knowledge is through our membership of the International Prestressed Hollowcore Association," said Phil.

"That knowledge, combined with our in-house capability for structural engineering, means we consistently achieve leading design innovations for the benefit of our clients.

"The precast industry is experiencing tailwinds and we do not foresee this favourable climate waning any time soon.

"Builders are looking to shorten site times and pre-manufacture as much as possible off-site, and our capabilities mean we can achieve that for them."





# BGC Cement's Goldfields presence



Above: BGC Cement delivering a cement shipment load to the Carosue Dam Mine.

## BGC Cement - New contract win strengthens BGC Cement's Goldfields presence

**BGC Cement has secured a new contract supplying cement for Saracen Mineral Holdings' Carosue Dam Mine, located 120km north-east of Kalgoorlie within the South Laverton goldfield in Western Australia.**

April saw the first cement load shipment of what will eventually total 30,000 tonnes of Low Heat Cement delivered annually across the three-year contract.

Key Accounts and Sales Manager Rob Turkovic said BGC's investment in the

new Kalgoorlie depot played an instrumental role in securing this contract.

"With BGC Cement's new Kalgoorlie depot under construction and scheduled to begin operations in Q4 2019, we are growing our presence in WA's Goldfields region," said Rob.

"The addition of the Carosue Dam Mine contract to our growing Kalgoorlie operations

comes on the back of our investment in and commitment to the Goldfields region.

"We look forward to building a long-term relationship with Saracen Mineral Holdings and supporting their operations through our high-quality service delivery and cement products."

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