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SHIELCON GROUP WINS 2018 HIA EASTERN VICTORIA REGIONAL HOME OF THE YEAR AWARD



Shielcon Group has won the 2018 HIA Eastern Victoria Regional Home of the Year award, one of the residential construction industry's most prestigious accolades, for an exceptional renovation project in Portsea.

The award was announced at the HIA Eastern Victoria Regional Housing Awards, held at the RACV Inverloch Resort on Friday 31st August 2018, in front of an audience of industry leaders and VIPs from across Eastern Victoria.

The home seamlessly blends parts of the owner's beloved original house into the newly built elements, and is immaculately presented throughout.

"The finished product is a testament to the great care and skill that the builder and trades have applied to this project," said the HIA Awards judges.

The incredibly complex project included "slicing off" the front of the original house and excavating a new basement and garage right next to what was kept of the original home.

"This was a difficult project, but one we're very proud of," said Peter Shiel, director of Shielcon Group, when accepting the award. "Our team and our trades all did an outstanding job, and we were blessed with a client who had the vision of what they wanted, and the patience and understanding to make it happen."

"This is a home of exceptional quality, and the judges have rightly praised the outstanding work of everyone involved," said Fiona Nield, HIA Victorian Regional Executive Director.

"Victorian builders and HIA members are renowned for the outstanding quality of their work, and this project is a prime example," Fiona continues. "This year's Eastern Victoria Regional Housing Awards were as competitive as ever, and of the winners, runners up and finalists can hold their heads high and be proud of a job especially well done."



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Shielcon Group will now go on to be a finalist in the renovation / addition project category of the 2018 HIA CSR Victoria Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards, being held on November 9th at the Palladium Ballroom in Crown Towers, Melbourne.

Traralgon-based Virtue Homes won the coveted Display Home of the Year title for its Bentley 35 display home. R & H Matthews of Phillip Island won Custom Built Home of the Year honours for a spectacular residence in Ventnor.

Beaumont Concepts received the Greensmart Sustainable Home Award for their CORE9 project in Cape Paterson. Gilpip Homes was the winner of the Townhouse / Villa of the Year award, while S Smith Builders won the Spec Home of the Year category and Ecoliv Buildings won the Project Home of the Year award.

Kitchen of the year honours went to Moorhouse Builders, while Trademark Builders took out both the Bathroom of the Year and Bathroom Design categories.

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A full list of winners can be found below.

Available for interview:

- Peter Shiel, Shielcon Group
- Fiona Nield, HIA Regional Executive Director - Victoria

For further details, to arrange an interview or request high resolution images, please contact:

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About Housing Industry Association:

The Housing Industry Association (HIA) is Australia's largest residential building organisation. Members include builders, trade contractors (carpenters and joiners, bricklayers, plasterers, tilers and electricians to painters and roofing contractors), design professionals, kitchen and bathroom specialists, manufacturers and suppliers.

With a network of more than 40,000 members, HIA is the voice of Australia's home building industry.

HIA is unique. It is the only national industry association for all building professionals, representing the interests of the whole housing industry.

HIA members are committed to promoting the highest standards of customer service, workmanship and business conduct, as well as full compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, codes and standards. They also subscribe to a strict code of conduct that



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sets acceptable standards of commercial behaviour, which provides additional peace of mind for home owners.

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HIA Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards:

HIA Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards represent the pinnacle of achievement in Australia's residential building industry. The Awards acknowledge the talent of designers, builders and building companies who plan and construct quality new housing and apartments, renovations and outdoor projects.

HIA Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards are open to all members of the HIA. Entrants must be licensed or registered builders / companies.

Projects are judged on a range of specific criterion including:

- Quality of workmanship
- Design Effectiveness
- Visual Appeal
- Innovation
- Environmental Sustainability, and
- Market Relevance

Regional awards are held in Western Victoria, Eastern Victoria and Northern Victoria regions each year and culminate at the HIA-CSR Victorian Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards to be held on November 9th at Crown Towers, Melbourne. HIA conducts a Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards program in each state across Australia with overall winners advancing to the Australian Housing Awards in May 2019.



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2018 HIA EASTERN VICTORIA REGIONAL HOUSING AWARDS WINNERS

CATEGORY	BUILDER'S NAME	PROJECT
Custom built home		
Of the year	R & H Matthews	Pall Mall, Ventnor
Up to \$350,000	Virtue Homes	Eton Avenue, Traralgon
\$350,001-\$500,000	Alternate Vision	Tiberius Road, St Andrews Beach
\$500,001-\$750,000	Gregory Builders	Roehampton Crescent, Mount Eliza
\$750,001 - \$1 million	R & H Matthews	Burchell Close, Corinella
Over \$1 million	R & H Matthews	Pall Mall, Ventnor
Display home		
Of the year	Virtue Homes	Bentley 35, Traralgon
Up to \$250,000	Fairhaven Homes	Clovelly, Warragul
\$250,001-\$300,000	Metricon Homes	Delta 22, Warragul
\$300,001-\$400,000	Virtue Homes	Bentley 35, Traralgon
\$400,001-\$500,000	Fairhaven Homes	Hastings, Warragul
Renovation/addition project		
Of the year (and overall Eastern home of the year)	Shielcon Group	Point Nepean Road, Portsea
Up to \$400,000	Excelcon	Steel Road, Emerald
Over \$400,001	Shielcon Group	Point Nepean Road, Portsea
Spec home		
Of the year	S Smith Builders	Parkside Street, Sorrento
Project home		
Of the year	Ecoliv Buildings	Beresford Drive, Cape Woolamai
Over \$400,001	Ecoliv Buildings	Beresford Drive, Cape Woolamai
Greensmart Sustainable Home		
Of the year	Beaumont Concepts	CORE9, Cape Paterson
Townhouse/villa development		
Of the year	MK Building Group	Barkly Street, Mornington
Townhouse/villa of the year		



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Of the year	Gilpip Homes	Shelbourne Court, Mornington
Kitchen of the year		
Of the year	Moorhouse Builders	Scott Wynd, Blairgowrie
New over \$50,001	Moorhouse Builders	Scott Wynd, Blairgowrie
Bathroom		
Of the year	Trademark Builders	Nunga Court, Mount Eliza
Renovated \$30,001-\$50,000	Trademark Builders	Nunga Court, Mount Eliza
In a display home	Colmac Homes	Swanlake Drive, Sale
Design	Trademark Builders	Nunga Court, Mount Eliza