

Bulletin board

■ The recent Building Designers Association of NSW Design Awards unveiled a diverse range of local talent. Peter Downes scooped the pool with his Careel Bay House design (pictured) taking out best residential building in the 251sq m to 350 sq m category, best use of product and the coveted BDANSW premier award. Luke van Jour, who has a masters degree in Sustainable Design, designed the Portrush



residence, which was the winner of the residential interiors category. It also received a commendation in the category of Residential Buildings over 450sq m. The residence is situated in the grounds of the Twin Creeks Golf Estate, and the judges said it demonstrated "a clever interaction of space and volume". Other award winners of note include: Darren Williams's Metung Passive Home, which won best environmentally sustainable building; Angelo Pirrello's Barnes residence renovation, which won best heritage building; and Peter Van Ryn, who won the award for best residential alteration and addition with a Gunnamatta Bay residence.

■ Stockland will launch Stage Three of its Waterside development today. Lots range from 450sq m to 700sq m and are priced from \$245,000. Discounts are available if you use Stockland's nominated builders, and landscaping vouchers will be thrown in as well. Some of the lots for sale front the lake. Stockland figures show that first-home buyers inquiring at Waterside have gone from less than 10 per cent to more than 50 per cent in recent months.

■ Barely 12 months after its release, Sunland's Emery Residences, a 79-home development at Narwee, has sold out. The 3.6ha site is across the road from a primary school and includes a fully equipped playground, cricket nets and barbecue area. Sunland attributes the success to the existing popularity and infrastructure of the location and diverse housing offered.

■ Cosmopolitan has launched two new display houses at its Springfarm display centre near Camden. The four-bedroom single-storey Nexus has two living areas and three bathrooms; with the two-storey Altier featuring an open-plan kitchen, meals and dining area, and media room. Both houses are suited to various block widths. Prices start from \$192,900 for the Nexus and \$203,900 for the Altier.