

# Off the Wall

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Welcome to our latest edition of *Off the Wall*.

It's hard to believe that more than half the year is over! We are looking forward to spring as the winter is proving to be a very wet and cold one. Even though it is more of a challenge working in the wet weather, it is great to see the new wetlands we have worked on benefiting from the rain! Check out the photos below taken at the opening of the Curtis Stebonheath Wetlands.

We have many local projects under construction at present with several only a short drive from our office. We have a couple of projects currently under construction north of Adelaide and there is a big project we are waiting to start at Forrestville Reserve once the rain and water levels subside. All in all there is a busy few months ahead!

## Curtis Stebonheath Open Day

The City of Playford invited Paul, Jack, John and Jed to the official opening of the Curtis Stebonheath Wetlands on the 1st of August. The new wetlands at Munno Para will become a vital storage and treatment point for local stormwater under the Waterproofing Playford scheme.

The ceremony was attended by Amanda Rishworth MP (the Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Urban Water) and Federal Member for Wakefield, Nick Champion MP.

Primary school students from John Hartley School at Smithfield Plains also took part in the ceremony and helped plant native water reeds at the site.



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# RECENT PROJECTS

## Walkerville Weld Mesh Fence

Private home owners in Walkerville commissioned Prospect Contractors to install a 1.8m high weld mesh fence. Their house is on a busy corner of North East Road where there is a lot of traffic going past.

This new fence will minimise the sound of the traffic as well as provide privacy to their home. The home owners are very happy with the modern addition to their newly renovated front garden which has attracted a lot of attention!



## Railway Creek Gabions

The finished project at Mt Barker where we installed 200m<sup>3</sup> of Gabions. Fencing was incorporated along the top of the Gabions, providing a safe path following the creek.



## Sturt River Linear Park Gabions

Prospect Contractors in conjunction with Dig-it Landscapes, installed a couple of small Gabions at two of the entrances to the walking trail that runs through the Sturt River Linear Park.

Timber bench tops have also been incorporated so they can be utilised as a resting spot for people walking along the trail.





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## Torrens Terramesh Wall

One major local project we have just completed is at the railway line near Bonython Park in Adelaide, where we have installed a 4m high x 40m long Terramesh Gabion retaining wall.

The Terramesh and Gabion retaining wall will support the soil below the railway line and stop further erosion of the embankment. Mesh was placed horizontally between each level of the Gabions, mechanically locking the system in place. The mesh was then compacted between layers of soil to 98% compaction pinning the mesh into the soil.

This system was used instead of the usual mass gravity wall as limited space was available.



Additionally, Prospect Contractors had to build a large steel bridge over sewer pits to be able to access the site (see photo below). All materials also had to be delivered through a pedestrian underpass to where we were working. This offered many public safety challenges but were controlled perfectly.



## Bridge for Hire

As a result of the steel that was required for the above project we now have a bridge available for hire. It is 7.2m long x 4m wide and has the capacity to hold an excavator up to 9 tonne. Please call Jack on 0459 184 135 or Paul on 0418 836 100 to discuss.



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## Vicinity Project Renos

The Vicinity Industrial Base is Adelaide's newest industrial estate located 26km north of Adelaide.

Prospect Contractors has been commissioned by LR&M Construction to install Reno mattresses to various swale drains, reducing erosion.



## Hillbank Culverts

Prospect Contractors are currently working with TCM Construction at a new subdivision at Hillbank.

We have been contracted to install Gabions and Renos to help erosion on the upstream and down stream around several large culverts that are installed under the new road. We have also been contracted to prepare the base, final trim and backfill, adding another string to our bow!



# Out & About

## Jed the muso

Our supervisor Jed Altschwager, builder of amazing Gabion walls by day is also a talented musician at night! He has been performing with the band *Dr Piffle and the Burlap Band* for 3 years.

The group are a 10 piece gypsy/jug/folk/punk/blues band and have just returned home from touring the east coast after the launch of their second album 'Sirius San & The Promised Land'.



"The tour was a great success. We played in some amazing places up and down the east coast including Melbourne and at the snow fields at Falls Creek. We ended with an fantastic show at *The Gov* back in Adelaide, after being on the road for almost 2 weeks" said Jed (pictured left and above - 3rd from the left)

