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Refuge Homes and CM & HM Banks named South East Region's top builders

Family owned business Refuge Homes was last night named the top residential builder at the Master Builders 2013 South East Regional Building Awards for a stunning Hazelwood North home.

CM & HM Banks was named top Commercial Builder for the construction of Advance TAFE Building 3 in Bairnsdale.

Master Builders Deputy Executive Director Radley de Silva said the winning projects were fine examples of quality workmanship and building excellence.

"Refuge Homes has created a harmonious home taking full advantage of the surrounding land," Mr de Silva said.

"The home features quality finishes, plenty of natural light and practical living spaces, he said.

"Refuge Homes also pioneered a building technique incorporating flame zone and category five cyclone ratings."

The Refuge Homes house features a unique, concrete roofed, eight star energy rated construction which is both stylish and low maintenance.

"On the other hand, CM & HM Banks created a functional building that features a state-of-the-art library and classrooms, all while working around an operational TAFE," Mr de Silva said.

The original 1950s structure was demolished and updated. The challenges faced by CM & HM Banks included having to work at heights, working with dated materials and working around the general operation of the TAFE facility.

"Each of these builders has been recognised for being at the top of their game and has contributed immensely to the community with their work."

Other winners in the region included Jana Living, Blay Builders, Roseleigh Homes and TS Constructions.

Beach House Constructions took home the Best Sustainable Energy Home Award.

CM & HM Banks and Refuge Homes will now vie for the coveted Master Builder of the Year Awards to be announced in Melbourne on 9 August (Commercial) and 18 October (Residential).

Refuge Homes' winning home features:

- Eight Star Energy Rating.
- Unique concrete roof.
- Cyclone rating.

CM & HM Banks' winning project features:

- State-of-the-art library.
- Classrooms.

See next page for a full list of winners. Photos of winners and homes available upon request.

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2013 Master Builders South East Regional Building Awards - winners

Regional Residential Builder of the Year

Refuge Homes Pty Ltd

Regional Commercial Builder of the Year

CM & HM Banks Pty Ltd

Best Display Home \$200,000 to \$300,000

Jana Living Pty Ltd

Best Display Home \$300,000 to \$400,000

Blay Builders

Best Display Home over \$400,000

Refuge Homes Pty Ltd

Best Volume Builder Display Home \$200,000 to \$300,000

Dennis Family Homes

Best Volume Builder Display Home \$300,000 to \$400,000

Metricon Homes

Best Custom Home \$200,000 to \$300,000

Beach House Constructions

Best Custom Home \$300,000 to \$400,000

Roseleigh Homes

Best Sustainable Energy Home

Beach House Constructions

Commercial Buildings under \$1 million

TS Constructions Pty Ltd

Commercial Buildings \$1 million to \$3 million

BFN Developments

Commercial Buildings \$3 million to \$6 million

CM & HM Banks Pty Ltd