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Builders of hotel and luxury home with a view named North East Master Builders of the Year

Scott James Builder and Joss Construction took out top honours at last night's North East Master Builders Regional Building Awards.

Scott James was named Residential Builder of the Year (North East) for his work on a four bedroom, four bathroom and three living room home in Albury. The beautifully finished, split level home takes full advantage of surrounding city views and features a sublime, infinity edge pool and poolhouse, second kitchen and six car garage.

"The Queensland resort style home loved by the owners was successfully transferred to their regional Victorian border setting by Scott James Builder," Master Builders Association of Victoria CEO, Radley de Silva said.

"The quality of finishes and attention to detail are outstanding and well deserving of the top honour tonight."

Joss Construction were named Commercial Builder of the Year (North East) for the Huon Hill Quest and Hotel, Wodonga, part of a \$25 million development to utilise redundant railway land on Wodonga's fringed. Opened in August 2013, the 80-room Quest Serviced Apartments complex is complemented by the Huon Hill Hotel and now operates from 6am, seven days a week.

Apartments comprise one, two and three bedroom units over four levels with basement car parking. The apartments and hotel are linked via a fully enclosed, air conditioned pedestrian bridge allowing easy access for guests.

The hotel was constructed over two levels and includes a public bar, meals, lounge and conference facilities.

Concrete, structural steel, timber framing were all used to great effect in the construction of the complex with striking full height glass windows used in the pedestrian bridge.

"Among the challenges of this project were the strict design and consistency requirements of Quest Serviced Apartments. Joss Construction not only met those needs but exceeded the clients' expectations," Mr de Silva said.

More than 230 people attended the awards at The Cube, Wodonga with Deputy Mayor of Albury Henk van de Ven and Wodonga City councillor, Mark Byatt also attended to support the region's builders.

Scott James Builder will now compete in the Victorian Excellence in Housing Awards to be held on 17 October. Joss Construction will compete in the Victorian Excellence in Construction Awards to be held on 8 August.

Photos and interviews available. Please contact Laura Luvara, Media Adviser on 0466 777 059.

See next page for full winners list.

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2014 North East Master Builders Regional Building Awards winners

Regional Residential Builder of the Year

Scott James Builder

Project: Albury

Regional Commercial Builder of the Year

Joss Construction

Project: Huon Hill Quest & Hotel Wodonga

Best Renovation/Addition under \$200,000

MBM Designs

Project: Merrigum

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

B & H Homes Pty Ltd

Project: Killara, Albury

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

Afonso Building Solutions

Project: Thorpe 271, Killara

Best Display Home over \$400,000

Davis Sanders Homes

Project: The Allegra, Killara

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

Metricon

Project: Kalarney 24 Vogue, Killara

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

Metricon

Project: Hamilton 33 Plantation, Killara

Best Volume Builder Display Home over \$400,000

Simonds Homes

Project: Omeo 3618 - Kyoto Façade, Wodonga

Best Custom Home under \$200,000

Sapphire Sky Homes

Project: Leneva

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

Hedger Constructions

Project: Marysville

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

Lekeal Pty Ltd

Project: Yarrawonga

Best Custom Home \$400,000-\$500,000

Scott James Builder

Project: Yackandandah

Best Custom Home \$500,000-\$700,000

Barzen Builders

Project: Kialla

Best Custom Home over \$700,000

Scott James Builder

Project: Albury

Best Multi Unit Development 4 to 12 units

Sapphire Sky Homes

Project: Lavington

Best Sustainable Energy Home

Ovens and King Builders

Project: Stanley

Commercial Buildings under \$1M

Connelly Construction Services

Project: Victory Lutheran College - Music Centre, Wodonga

Commercial Buildings \$1M-\$3M

Connelly Construction Services

Project: Daintree Medical Centre, Wodonga

Commercial Buildings \$3M-\$6M

Browns Wangaratta

Project: Department of Justice, Wangaratta

Commercial Buildings over \$6M

Joss Construction

Project: Huon Hill Quest & Hotel, Wodonga