



Judges spoilt by quality workmanship

ONCE again the judges of the Master Builders Association Northern Regions Building Excellence Awards, held in Ballina on July 19, were impressed with the high standard of workmanship and attention to detail in the residential, commercial and civil projects entered this year.

With a record number of entries, the judges travelled thousands of kilometres to inspect building projects including exhibition and contract homes, renovations, restoration of historic buildings as well as a large number of commercial projects such as schools, medical centres, supermarkets, shopping centres and civic halls, to name just a few.

I would like to thank the judges, Ron Bracken and Ian Anderson, for their



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TOP WORK: Woollam Constructions was crowned Commercial Builder of the Year. One of their projects was the construction of the Lismore Base Hospital Endoscopy and Recovery Suites.
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Atlanta Building P/L

Winner:

Best Contract Home \$3M-\$4M

Best Use of Stone

Best Concrete Swimming Pool Over \$50K

Merit:

Best Kitchen Over \$25,000

Best Bathroom Over \$25,000

DESIGNED to maximise the panoramic views from Lennox Head to Byron Bay, this architecturally designed home has been constructed with a combination of timber, steel and concrete panels.

The property features more than 300 square meters of natural basalt stone cladding, a custom-built glass house and a 200kg front door and entry gate.

Atlanta Building is a family company with more than 40 years of collective experience in the construction industry, building everything from minor renovations to complex new architectural homes.

Atlanta Building business manager Cameron Paton said one of the pleasures of building this particular home was that the owner, a geologist, had insisted on using rare natural stone.

"One of the bench tops we used was the last one in the world, it's from Brazil," he said.

Conversely, the biggest challenge of the project was its exposed position on the hillside.

"It rained for three to four months consistently throughout winter but we still managed to get it out within the 12-month period," Mr Paton said.

The exposed location also had to be taken into account when considering the wear and tear on the construction materials used.

