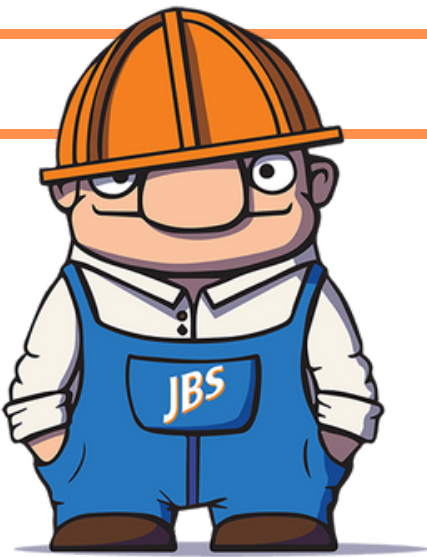


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# JOHNS CLUB

YOUR TRADE ADVANTAGE



## WELCOME TO JOHNS CLUB

Welcome to the new look JBS Newsletter format!

Johns Club is here in 2024 to support JBS customers with product information, specials and deals, how to guides, and more.

If you have an idea of what you'd like to see in the Johns Club Newsletter, let us know!

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# STOCK TAKE NOTICE

Please note Johns Building Supplies will have altered trading hours due to annual stocktake taking place.

To minimise any disruption to your operations, we recommend placing your orders with this closure in mind.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

**FRIDAY 28TH JUNE**  
**CLOSING EARLY AT 2PM.**

**SATURDAY 29TH JUNE**  
**CLOSED**

**MONDAY 1ST JULY**  
**OPEN 6AM AND BACK TO REGULAR TRADING**



# JOHNS CLUB FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION 2024

The first month of footy tipping has seen its fair share of highs, lows and unpredictability!! It has definitely kept our tipsters on their toes!

Congratulations to those that have been tipping successfully each week, and landed their place in the top 10. If you have been following JL's tips, then that probably isn't you!

## Winner



Congratulations to Ben P from Corporate Office Partitions who is our Round 6 Winner and wins a **\$150 JBS Gift Card!**

With more chances to win with our Sponsored Rounds over the next month coming up, make sure you get your tips in!



### APRIL LEADERBOARD

1. allanzak
2. TG33
3. Ben\_P
4. Churzard
5. Jethro68
6. Whitey Queen
7. Jeremy Nexus
8. Chrissy\_Little
9. Swelly
10. Macca McGrath

# Build your modern life

Discover how the #1 cladding brand in Australia can help you build your dream modern home.

The James Hardie Modern Homes Forecast 2024 is our first annual research report discovering popular and emerging contemporary home styles. Whether you are planning an extension, renovation, restoration or new build, this forecast will be an invaluable tool on your journey.

The grand Modern Farmhouse is one of our seven emerging home styles, a seamless balance of traditional design and contemporary elements, references classic architecture with a focus on clean lines and open spaces. This style satisfies the desire for both modern functionality and the comfort of traditional design and craftsmanship.

To learn more about the trajectory of home design in Australia, download the Forecast at the QR code below.

It's time to build your modern life.



Scan to read the James Hardie Modern Homes Forecast 2024.

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# Design Features



## Summer Farmhouse: Bellevue Design's latest Gumdale QLD build.

By integrating Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding in their recent build, the team at Bellevue Design have set a new standard for what can be achieved in the Modern Farmhouse style.

Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding is the only product with a slanted groove edge, delivering highlights and shadows. It is available in 200mm and 300mm widths.

### Farmhouse-inspired architecture:

The style combines interconnecting pavilions with the classic gabled roof. It can also feature board and batten cladding.

### Contrasting materials:

Natural-look materials on the facade, like vertical joint cladding, are contrasted with black or metallic accents.

### Neutral colour palette:

Neutral colours like white, beige or grey keep the focus on the materials and textures.

### Paned windows:

Large, square or rectangular paned windows stand out in a signature black colour.

'We knew we needed a vertical cladding exterior to achieve this Modern Farmhouse look. Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding was very easy to install and made light work of the exterior.'

— Bellevue Design and Construction

## Recommended Products

Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding  
Axon™ Cladding  
Hardie™ Fine Texture Cladding  
Hardie™ Brushed Concrete Cladding  
Hardie™ Axent™ Trim

## Installation tip

The joints in Hardie™ exterior cladding solutions form part of the aesthetic, so don't forget to plan the placement before installation, and consult your client to understand their desired outcome. Check out how to plan the boards for Hardie™ Fine Texture Cladding [here](#).

## Build the Look with myHardies™

### 1. Design Features

Discover the design features and construction elements to create the Modern Farmhouse design that your clients are seeking.

### 2. Installation Tips

The use of multiple exterior materials delivering the facade requires the right joint and junction construction to ensure a refined design.

### 3. Case Study

Find out more on Bellevue Design and Construction's journey to deliver their Modern Farmhouse.

### 4. Visualise

Explore different designs of Modern Farmhouse and Hardie™ exterior cladding combinations that suit your client's brief.

[Login](#) to myHardies™ for more information on Modern Farmhouse joints and junctions, technical guides and case studies.

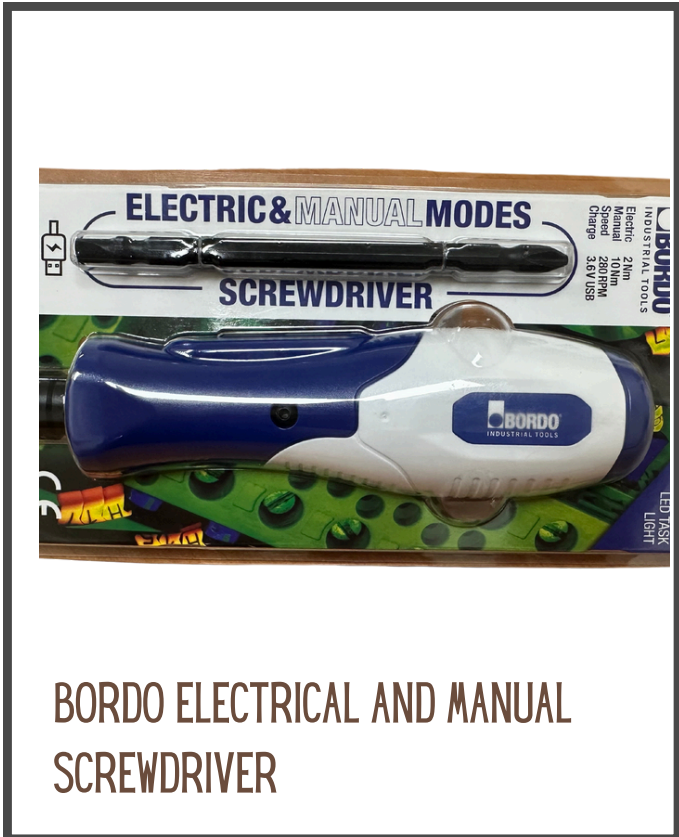
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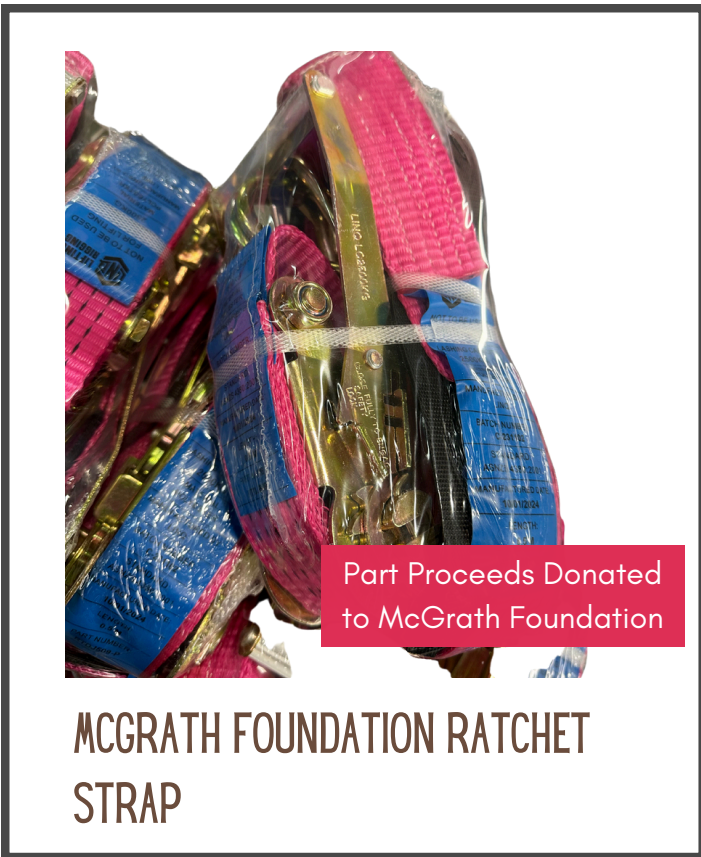
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# “Made in Australia” push to worsen housing crisis.

*Australia’s residential building sector and civil contractors are warning Anthony Albanese’s flagship Made in Australia agenda will exacerbate housing shortages and hamper the nation’s ability to meet its pledge to build 1.2 million homes.*

*The Housing Industry Association and the Civil Contractors Federation, Australia’s peak voice for the civil construction industry, say there is broad concern that workforce shortages in the sector would be exacerbated by the government’s pledge to bolster the domestic manufacturing industry through billions of dollars in subsidies and underwritten loans.*

The warnings come as new research found building costs rose 6.2 per cent in the first quarter of the year as skilled tradies remain in short supply, with bricklayers, ceramic tilers, plasterers, carpenters and roofers the hardest tradespeople to find.

With escalating demand for tradespeople outside residential home building, HIA chief executive Jocelyn Martin told The Australian the government’s Made in Australia policy may detract apprentices seeking to enter residential construction.



Ms Martin warned Labor’s manufacturing agenda – expected to be a centrepiece of the government’s May 14 budget – lacked substance and urged Mr Albanese to “genuinely” support manufacturing industries amid concern existing subsidies were already creating perverse outcomes for businesses in NSW.

“We are already competing with large infrastructure projects anyway so there are already shortages brought about with large infrastructure projects, so, yes, there is a concern that the policy will detract from apprentices wanting to enter residential construction,” Ms Martin said.

“Really, there’s not enough people in the first place. We need additional people in the sector so if we start robbing Peter to pay Paul we really won’t get anywhere. It’s a broad concern at the moment and the plugs for manufacturing jobs will only make that worse.

“I think that public infrastructure projects are continuing to absorb skilled trades and will continue to worsen the shortfall in labour, which impacts the ability to deliver the 1.2 million homes and puts more pressure on the housing shortfalls and housing affordability.”

Labor’s industrial policy – aimed at supporting manufacturing in key industries such as the low-emissions sector – has sparked concerns from several distinguished economists and experts, including current and former Productivity Commission heads, that taxpayer money will be wasted on propping up uncompetitive companies.

Ahead of the budget, the HIA has called on the government to address skilled workforce shortages by supporting more apprentices to take up residential construction work and increase the number of skilled workers coming from overseas by creating a trade-specific visa program.

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# “Made in Australia” push to worsen housing crisis.

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“To achieve a level of new housing supply that puts sustained downward pressure on housing costs we must boost the capacity of the construction labour force,” the submission said.

“The supply of skilled labour needs to improve, and the continued success of Australia’s construction sector hinges on sustained government support, particularly when it is anticipated that these shortages will only be exacerbated with the expected increased building activity driven by the federal government’s commitment to build 1.2 million homes over the next five years.”

Civil Contractors Federation chief executive Nick Proud said the government’s Made in Australia policy may lead to housing shortages, with not enough builders to construct houses without a national workforce plan.

Mr Proud said the government’s agenda, including Made in Australia, net-zero policies and the federal housing target, was under threat without stronger incentives, including more funding for civil and construction training as part of the budget.

“Made in Australia needs to be part of a holistic workforce plan, as at the moment the workforce that will be required to build solar panels will come from the residential and civil construction (sector),” Mr Proud said. “Unless there’s a national plan for the construction workforce, Made in Australia could lead to shortfalls in civil infrastructure and cause housing shortages.”

A government spokesman said housing had been a big priority of the Albanese government investing \$25bn already.

“Housing has been a big priority of the Albanese Labor government – we’ve invested \$25bn already and it will be a focus in the budget as well,” he said. “That already makes the housing industry one of the biggest beneficiaries of the Albanese government.”

Opposition housing spokesman Michael Sukkar said it was “no surprise” the Made in Australia policy would exacerbate housing shortages, and warned Labor would fall “far short” of its promise to build 1.2 million homes.

“With home ownership and the residential construction industry remaining at the bottom of Labor’s priority list, it comes as no surprise the Prime Minister’s ill-thought-out Made in Australia policy will only exacerbate Australia’s housing crisis – despite warnings directly from the building sector against it,” he said. The latest HIA Trade Report found skilled workers are still in short supply, with those hiring landscapers, painters, and roofers paying almost 10 per cent more than they did a year ago.

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The number of new homes that began construction last year was the lowest level in a decade. Fairfield City Mayor Frank Carbone said no one is building homes in Australia because it’s “not affordable” and developers were “leaving the housing market” in droves.

“It’s too expensive to build and there’s too many taxes,” he said. “And at the same time, we have very high interest rates. Take the tax off the homes and give our children, our first-home buyers, a chance to own a home.”

Ahead of budget in just over two weeks, Judo Bank economist Warren Hogan urged the government to show fiscal discipline after higher-than-predicted inflation figures, warning extra spending would fuel inflation and make the Reserve Bank of Australia’s task to tame inflation harder.

“It sounds sensible that parts of our community are really hurting, these lower- and middle-income earners needs some support from this cost-of-living crisis,” he told Sky News. “But ... it just complicates the RBA’s job and makes it more likely they have to put up rates more so they just need to stick to their guns, stay disciplined, don’t go throwing money around and let the surplus flow through. That’s the challenge.”

Source Author: The Australian - Jess Malcolm & Mackenzie Scott  
Source Published: 28-04-2024



# MANUFACTURER INCREASES

## 1st April 2024

Cockburn Cement

CSR Fibre Cement (approx. 6.2%)

BGC Plasterboard (6.5-10%)

## 1st May 2024

ITI (Hulk Clips, Tools & Fasteners)

## 1st July 2024

Allegion (Gainsborough products, 2.1%)

Etex Fibre Cement (formerly BGC), 5.2 - 7.5%

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## PRODUCT RETURNS

JBS realises that mistakes are part of our industry & when it is ours we rectify in the most timely efficient way we can to minimise any impact on the customer.

Where a customer has made the error we will assist as best we can, but we are bound by some considerations.

- If the product is made to order or a non-stocked item it is up to the discretion of the manufacturer if these goods can be returned. Any costs enforced by the manufacturer will be passed to the customer in full.
- Product being returned must be in a resalable condition (as determined by JBS and/or the manufacturer)
- **Highlighting metal door frames, these must be "clean" (not have any mortar residue) & must also have the spreader bars still attached.**
- There are costs involved in the return of goods & whilst we keep these to a minimum they will be applied at all times.

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## **Builder and Contractor Focus Enquiries**

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