

Hunter Wildlife Rescue Centre

May 2017 Update

Hunter Wildlife Rescue Centre is looking really good with a new disabled access and deck where we can expand to hold an outdoor Environmental Activity Programs for children. It will also afford our members and visitors from other wildlife groups attending our workshops a little more elbow room during morning tea and lunch breaks, as captured during the recent Wombat Rehabilitation Training Day below. It is not yet quite finished but is already providing additional space for our members.

What a fantastic effort from Lisa Lowe and family in organising discounts from Hardies on material and in constructing the deck. Changes to the original plans were required to ensure the deck met with the high fire-rating standards for the area. Despite being plagued by mosquitos, mud and the resident red belly black snake taking a keen interest in all construction activities, the metal sub-structure and Hardies fibro decking materials are all now in place.

Thanks to Lisa Lowe's efforts in discounting much of the materials we have come in under budget with cost of the deck being funded from the Commonwealth Government's **Stronger Communities Grant** and **AGL grants**.



Tah dah !!!



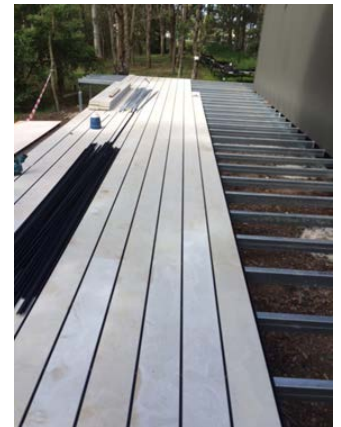
Above: 1. First the Footings



2. Laying the metal bearers & joists

Opposite 3. Hardy planks being installed

Below: 4. Our resident Red Belly Black Snake taking a keen interest in the construction.



Below: Children's Easter Fun Day Activities and Wildlife rehabilitation volunteers at the Wombat Rehabilitation training day enjoying the additional space created by the new deck.

