



Livos Australia Newsletter JULY 2014



With it snowing around Melbourne Winter is truly here!

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Feedback from clients

Always lovely to hear feed back from clients, and when it is particularly warm and fuzzy we can't help but share

"I have the second coat on and it is starting to look amazing! It really brings out the beauty of the bamboo countertops. So happy to have found an organic coating to match our ethos in the kitchen. Shipping was fast, and the customer service excellent.

Thank you Karine."

So if you have any feedback please let us know, we would love to hear from you.



Changes in stock items

We will be discontinuing the stocking of the Meldos natural hardening oil no. 264. Instead it will be replaced with the Ardvos universal wood oil no. 266 Over many months we have trialled and experimented with the Ardvos where one would or could use the Meldos. In conjunction with this, we have also sought Livos Germany's input.

Further information supporting this decision is on the website www.livos.com.au



Welcome Artistree Gallery

We would like to welcome a new supplier in Queensland.

Anthony and Larissa Kruck from Artistree Gallery who showcase beautiful, sustainable, functional Furniture, Homewares and Gifts handcrafted by talented local

construction...and now it's OPEN!!

14 Kehoe Place Yungaburra QLD 4884 phone 07 40953269 https://www.facebook.com/artistreegalleryyungaburra

http://www.artistreegallery.com.au/



Allergy & Environmental Sensitivity Support and Research Asc Inc.

Livos is proud to have reconnected with AESSRA Inc. This is a support group for people with allergies and sensitivities, particularly Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS). It started in Melbourne and now has members around Australia. They have a moderated forum as well as a quarterly magazine, Sensitivity Matters. For Further information contact Allergy and Environmental Sensitivity Support and Research Association Inc. PO Box 298

Ringwood, Vic 3134

www.aessra.org



ATFA Technical Alert

New slip resistance requirements for stairs effective 1st May 2014 The Building Code of Australia (BCA) has introduced 'Deemed to Satisfy' provisions for determining the slip-resistance to treads and nosing to stairways of all Classes of buildings and for pedestrian ramps and landings of Class 2 - 9 buildings. With regard to stairs this includes domestic housing. BCA 2014 Volume Two, Clause 3.9.1.3 (g), provides that when tested in accordance with AS4586, stair treads must have a slip-resistance finish OR a slip-resistance nosing strip. The classification is to be not less than that provided below.

SLIP-RESISTANCE CLASSIFICATION

Tread surface if expected to remain dry and not expected to have accidental spills - Classification P3 or R10

- Nosing strip if expected to remain dry and not expected to have accidental spills Classification P3
- Nosing strip if expected to be wet or likely to become wet at times Classification P4

Note that the wet pendulum test has changed with the old 'X' classification being close to the new wet pendulum test 'P3' classification. The 'R' classification relates to the oil wet ramp slip-resistance test. The ATFA Information sheet #45 on 'Understanding Slip Resistance' explains the test methods and is currently being updated to reflect the changes.

If in any doubt, please consult your supplier for confirmation of product compliance.

NOTE THAT THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE EFFECTIVE FROM 1 MAY 2014! EFFECTIVE NOW!

ATFA is discussing the ramifications of this with coating companies before discussing in with the Australian Building Codes Board. Any questions – just call the AFTA on 1300 36 1693.

Livos has had the Kunos natural oil sealer tested at Institut für Bau – und Fußbodentechnik GmbH Expert office for floor construction & technology and is termed safe in accordance with DIN 18032. The full document is available by contacting Livos Australia. We are continuing to follow up how these changes will in any way affect the Livos products and updates will be published in the newsletter and be available on the website.



Green Lifestyle Awards

The Green Lifestyle Awards are on again, they have been running for the past three years, and we have been honoured to have been nominated each time along with many other outstanding green innovation and initiative. This year, Green Lifestyle would like to once again welcome nominations of people and businesses that are leading the way towards a cleaner and greener world. So if you feel Livos Australia meets this criteria we would be very grateful for your nomination. For more information go to



Hints and tips

How easy is it to wipe the bench or floor down with water from the sink after doing the dishes? While Livos oiled surfaces have the benefit of being food safe, plant based, healthy and able to be easily rejuvenated there is one important tip. To clean these surfaces you need to use a gentle but effective ph neutral product with a cotton cloth (avoid all microfiber). A few clients are surprised that their beautiful floor now looks dull, we are even more surprised when they say they wash their floors with 'dish liquid' .. 'what do you think dish liquid removes? ...oils. So please resist giving the bench or floor a quick wash with the water from the sink and instead use Trena, a very small amount with water in a spray bottle is perfect .



No expos at the moment but we love visiting woodworkers!

During winter many of our local expos take a break, instead we have been out visiting a number of woodworking clubs and awards. If you have an event that would suit Livos please let us know.



How to Rejuvenate a table

Another helpful video has been added to you tube, this one shows how quick and easy it is to revive an old coffee table.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Er7wMSmo5Ug

If you have any other ideas of a video that would help you on a div project contact us at info@livos.com.au



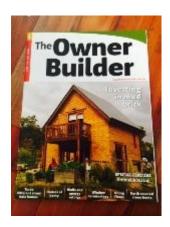
Sanctuary issue 27 Winter

A delightful addition page 36: This new addition makes a small Northcote cottage light, warm, functional and cosy using Livos oils to external windows.

excavation and preserve the existing vegetation when building a new home with Alis decking and oiled floorboards and joinery

Detailed finish page 44: A renovation extended this home only one metre beyond the buildings original foot print with Kunos and primer on concrete.

Small, smart and detailed page 62 - Clifton hill extension had firm ideas and a collaborative effort by homeowners and architects made this small passively designed home bright and roomy using the Alis on outside decking.



Owner Builder Issue 183

June/July 2014 edition page 48 features the article, "The many benefits of oiled timber and concrete floors" written by Angela Petruzzi. With the extensive choices out on the market this looks at a number of aspects to consider when making the choice that suit you.

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