



TRU-GARD™ MAKING WORKPLACES SAFER - SUMMER 2023/24

Wow! Where did that year go? For us it just disappeared while we were focussing on the many different projects we've been juggling lately. There's been so much interest and demand for Tru-Gard™ traffic safety products, in both New Zealand and Australia, that we've really had to pull out all stops to keep up. It's so exciting to see a wide range of businesses coming on board to make sure the safety of staff is their number one priority. That's so satisfying for us, because after all, it's our passion to make workplaces safer and save precious lives. Check out our summer news below!

Tru-Gard™ Anti-Climb installed at new Canterbury District Health Board Carpark

After a lengthy planning period, we're very excited to have completed this Tru-Gard™ Anti Climb Carpark Barrier project. We worked with Naylor Love Canterbury to supply our certified safety barrier for Te Whatu Ora Canterbury District Health Board. Their new 8-storey carpark building located on Hagley Avenue, Christchurch, was custom designed in collaboration with Ngai Tahu for the health board staff. After successfully winning the tender process more than two years ago, before the first sod was even turned on site, patience was necessary while we eagerly awaited our stage of the process; manufacturing the safety measures for installation in the completed building. Tru-Gard™ Anti-Climb panels were chosen to mitigate height-related dangers associated with the multi-level building. It's one of the first major projects for our new anti-climb design and we're rapt with the outcome!



Installing the yellow! Look what our New Zealand partner Vanguard has been busy with!

Prior to the grand opening of PBT Transport's new depot at the giant Ruakura Superhub complex earlier this year, the company engaged our commercial partner Vanguard Group for advice on Tru-Gard™ safety barrier to designate well-defined pedestrian walkways throughout the site.

Vanguard recommended Tru-Gard™ 910-1 Certified Safety Barrier to create protected zones around the depot's perimeter, meaning PBT foot traffic would be protected from the many forklifts and freight trucks that hurry around the premises every day.

It was the perfect choice for keeping everyone safe and the installation looks awesome, good job Vanguard! [Check out the full story and more photos here on Vanguard's blog page](#)



Key project kicks off in Australia - Airside Melbourne Airport - Qantas Maintenance Bay

Thrilled to be working with Hunter Mason construction company on the build of a new engine maintenance bay for Qantas at Melbourne airport. A large and interesting project that we are so pleased to be part of. As with most national airline carriers post-Covid, things are really ramping up in the air travel industry and Qantas is no different. High demand and growth are contributing factors to the need for ongoing expansion, and we think everyone would agree that aircraft maintenance is a seriously important element. As with many of the projects we supply, the requirement for safety barrier is created by heavy workplace traffic movement and the need to protect people on the ground as well as valuable assets. As you can imagine with aircraft parts, we are certainly talking about items both large in size and value! Having Tru-Gard™ chosen as the trusted safety barrier for this site is a real privilege and we're enjoying working with Victor Alonso installation company to get the required protection in place. From their regular updates, we're learning that working airside is often no easy task! Think airport security when you're catching international flights. It's similar for contractors working in an airport transit zone, which adds complexity to their movements and calls for high-level organisation skills. Fortunately, the Victor Alonso crew is well experienced and highly capable, a real pleasure to have installing our products!



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New Tru-Bilt Staff Member - Shaun King - Tru-Gard™ Estimator

We are delighted to welcome a new member of staff to the Tru-Bilt team. Shaun King joins us to replace outgoing Estimator, Connor Ross. Shaun came on board in early November and made the most of four whole days picking Connor's experienced brain and gathering all the gems of knowledge he had accumulated after 5½ years working on Tru-Gard™ pricing and installation projects. Fortunately Shaun is a bright spark too and has previous experience in a similar role working with the sales team at Carters Building Supplies, so he's slipping into his role seamlessly. Also a qualified baker who previously ran his own bakery, Shaun still enjoys churning out delicious treats. We've already indulged in some of his amazing banana bread since he's been here. Funnily enough, that's the boss's favourite cake - so well done Shaun, you know who to butter up!

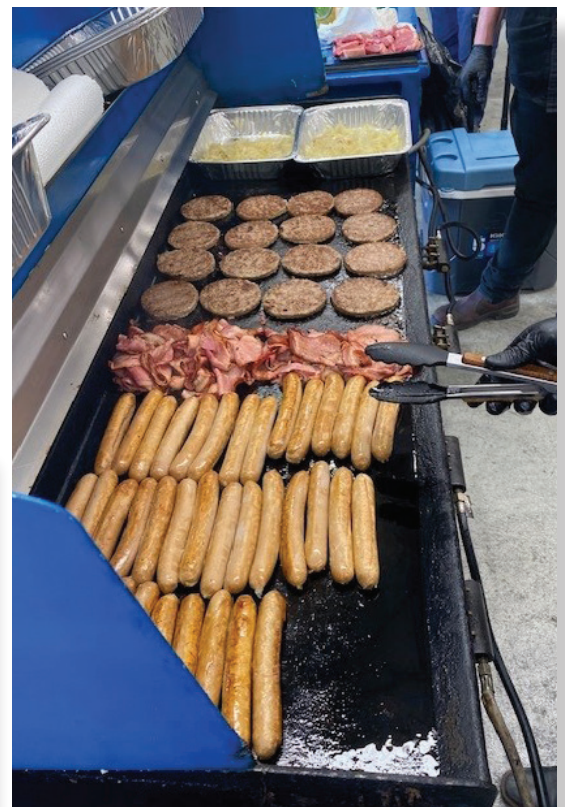
In his spare time, Shaun is a focused body-builder, regularly hitting the gym to achieve competition-level fitness and physique. This means Shaun is rarely tempted by his own delicious baking and is careful when we celebrate Tru-Gard™ achievements with morning tea, BBQs and food truck lunches. That leaves all the more for the rest of us, so we're not complaining!

Welcome to the team Shaun - it's great to have you on board!



Spoilt by our favourite transport provider - Mainfreight rolls up their mobile BBQ!

It's always great to catch up with our local Mainfreight transport managers, Robert Stout, Nadene Moore and Barry Clark, but even better when they bring along their mobile BBQ unit! A customized trailer branded up with Mainfreight blue houses a built-in BBQ grill with flip up lid, pull out serving stations, convenient serve ware, and a full range of tasty condiments for dishing up a Kiwi classic meal for 20+ hungry industrial workers. We were lucky enough to have the team come for a visit on November 16th and cook up a storm with steak, sausages, patties, bacon, onions, coleslaw, bread and buns. A fantastic feed, thank you so much Mainfreight!



A record loadout - 18mt of Tru-Gard™ product in one day keeps our dispatch team busy!

The Tru-Gard™ Warehouse Department is flat out every day of the week to be fair, but this particular day in late October really was a busy one. Our amazing dispatch team, BJ, Saffron and Kailen, pulled out all stops to get a huge order of standard bollards, door frame bollards and safety barrier components out the door for a time-sensitive job.

We filled up this Mainfreight curtain-sider truck and trailer and sent it on its way north to Christchurch for a large installation project at a regional distribution centre. You may recall from previous Tru-Gard™ newsletters this year that we are supplying CFDC, the fresh produce hub for all South Island Countdown [Woolworths] supermarkets.

Thanks again Mainfreight, it's not just the awesome BBQs that make us love you. It's also your speedy freight operations and the care you take getting Tru-Gard™ products to important jobs without incident.



Compliments of the season - Enjoy your holidays!

Extending our very best wishes to all our customers, partners, and associates for a wonderful Christmas and a happy and successful New Year. Meri Kirihimete, stay safe and enjoy the summer break!

Our Christmas close-down dates are from noon Thursday 21st December until Monday 8th January.

We look forward to working with you again in 2024.

Happy Holidays!



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