

**1 September 2009**  
**Do you feel terrific or fantastic? Work on these being the only two options you have.**

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# THE LIGHTNING FLASH, PAGE 1

## TECH. TALK.

### What do you know about air conditioner discharge ?

Did you know water discharging from an air conditioner beside a house can cause heave in reactive soil and has the potential to crack the slab, internal walls and brickwork, especially if you have three or four on one side of the house to service the bedrooms and a couple of thirsty palm trees or lillypillys on the other side.

On one side the soil can heave while on the other side the ground is losing moisture and this can cause big problems.

*On 14 December 2008 Premier Anna Bligh announced the approved sustainable housing measures including the ban on the installation of inefficient air conditioners from 1 July 2009, later it was extended to 1 September 2009.*

*The amendment to the Electricity Regulation 2006 requires that air conditioners with a EER of less than 2.9 are not made available for sale from 1 September 2009 in Queensland.*

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The above system of supply has well served the Plumbing Industry from time immemorial and I know of a couple of Companies who have stepped outside this practice and found themselves in deep poo with the Merchants and paid the price of some Merchants no longer stocking their products.

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#### **ARE YOU KEEPING UP WITH INDUSTRY EVENTS ?**

Are you going to the Gold Coast Seminar on Reactive Soils on October 21 where Des Grevell and Bruce Hargreaves are presenting PowerPoint's on how to build on reactive clays & how Storm Plastics Flexible Systems can save your drains.

Are you going to the Master Plumbers' Tradeshow on September 11 at Jupiter's?

Will you attend the IPIQ Conference on the Sunshine Coast on 29, 30 & 31 October ?

Have you booked for the MPAQ ( yes, it's back to being MPAQ ) Night of Nights on October 10 ?

Storm Plastics will be at all of the above.



## **K & R PLUMBING IS ON THE MOVE**

### **Who said there is a recession ?**

**K & R Plumbing Supplies have just opened a new store in Warwick, this is following on the opening of Chinchilla in 2007 and the new store at Gatton in 2008.**

**Samios is also expanding with the Kingaroy store up and running. Select Bathroom & Plumbing Centre has also opened a new store in Narangba.**

### **Do you have an item of interest to Queensland ? you may care to send it to us.**

We have PVC hot water safe trays and special sizes can be made to order. What about our plastic coated steel supports, look at product numbers 70 to 74 in the Product Guide on our website.

We now have a special electronic tool to test the hot air welding on our new HDPE silt traps to ensure there are no holes in the welds. We have not found any yet but we still

check every one for your peace of mind that you will never get a leak from a Storm Plastics fitting. The same applies to the plastic welds on our neutraliser tanks.

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Previous editions of The Lightning Flash, are now on the web. Also a publications page with magazine articles relevant to reactive soil and PVC versus ABS.

If you would like to contribute to our photo page please email photos to [qld@stormplastics.com.au](mailto:qld@stormplastics.com.au)

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**Where do baby pelicans live, have you ever seen a baby pelican ?**