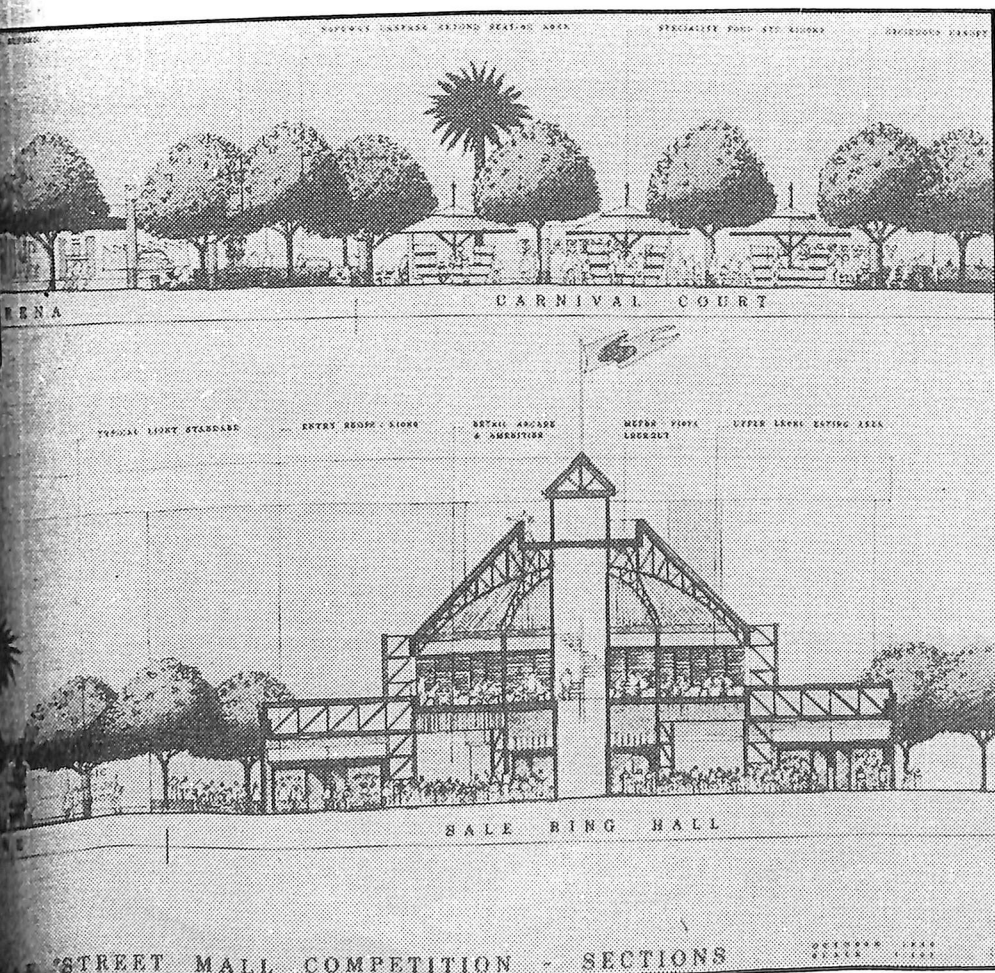


McCrae St mall winner named



A MELBOURNE firm has been named as the winning designer of the \$4.3 million McCrae St mall in Dandenong.

The winning design was announced at a ceremony in the city council offices yesterday (Sunday) by the Minister for Planning and the Environment, Mr Roper.

The \$10,000 first prize in what is considered among professional architects to be a prestige award, went to Tract Consultants, of Lennox St, Richmond, whose design for the mall is the work of architects Howard McCorkill and Mike Stokes and landscape architects Steve Calhoun and Andrew Barahowski.

A pavilion, designed to reflect Dandenong's historical importance as a major rural centre, will be a centrepiece of the mall.

The second prize of \$2000 and third of \$1000 will be shared—the jury which judged the 23 entries said it could not split the entries.

Joint equal-second were Greendale and Wright Pty

Ltd, of South Yarra, and Urban Initiatives Pty Ltd, of Melbourne.

However, aspects of their designs could well be used in the finished product—when the competition was announced the way was left open for design features of the second and third placegetters to possibly be included in the final design.

The competition was organised by the council in conjunction with the Ministry for Planning and Environment and under the auspices of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects and the judging jury comprised the Mayor, Cr Wal Turner; Mr Geoff Hawkings, of the Ministry for Planning and Environment; Andrea MacDonald, of the RAIA; Prof David Yencken, the Elisabeth Murdoch Professor of Landscape Architecture at Melbourne University; and the MLA for Dandenong North and former Dandenong councillor, Mrs Jan Wilson.

● More information of yesterday's announcement is on Page 5 and further details will be published in The Journal on Thursday.

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