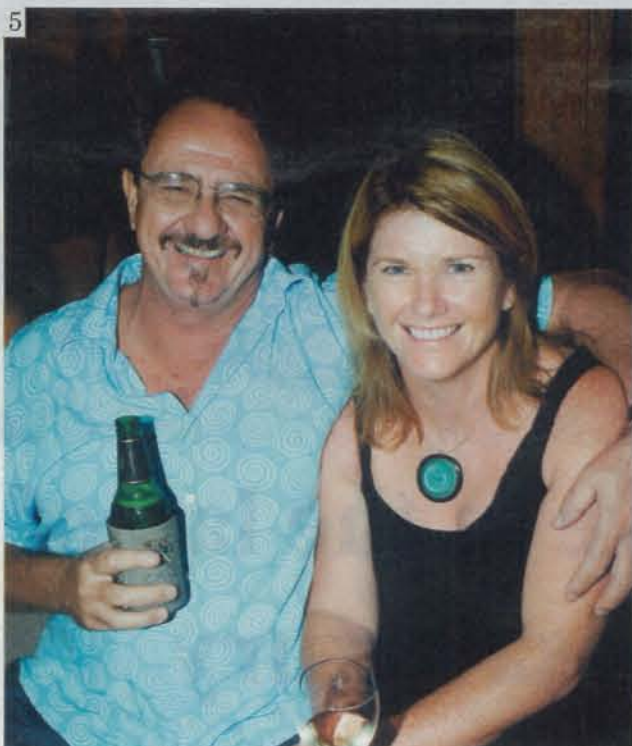


SOCIAL SCENE



Designer attracts a crowd

Six months of hard work paid off for local designer Chris Clout when he unveiled his new look office at 12 Weyba St in Sunshine Beach on December 18. A select crowd of about 50 people were on hand to check out the new office of Chris Clout Design, which is as much a display of materials and design possibilities as a workspace. A swimming pool, tiles, stone, glass, chrome, landscaping and lighting from key suppliers are on show in the office which will take the business into 2010 as home to seven team members. The opening doubled as a thank-you party for the suppliers, who Chris thanked for their support in bringing his designs to life. See www.chriscloutdesign.com.au

1: Chris Clout and Dani Petrie. 2: Nick and Gerry Clatworthy. 3: Richard and Casey Fogarty, with Michelle and Gary Gaffney. 4: Kara and Darren Magee, with Jenny and Glen Watson. 5: Brendan and Maree Burgess. 6: Joel Zauss, Jessica O'Halloran, Dean Connolly, and Ella Herrmann. 7: Victor Petrie, and Keith and Jane Clifford. Photographs by Andrew Seymour