



Top house

The award-winning home at Tuross Head

BEING able to see the views of Tuross Head from their open living area led one couple to designing their home in such a way it resulted in the builder winning an award.

Nick and Kathleen, using a standard Hotondo Homes template and with the help of the Batemans Bay Hotondo Homes team, redesigned the home to suit their needs and desires.

"We wanted the open living area upstairs because that's where the view is," Nick said.

"We had to downsize the design to fit the size of the block."

Batemans Bay Hotondo Homes submitted the house in the HIA South Coast region awards and won the Project Home of the Year.

"It was a good example of the quality of homes that we build along with our quality of workmanship and the style of home that suits our region," Narelle Hughes, from Hotondo Homes, said.

"It was the first time we entered awards," Hotondo Homes franchisee Darren Phillips said.

"The project home we designed in Tuross Head is a very coastal home, with a nice architectural feel. It's a timber-frame



construction clad with James Hardie products and corrugated iron.

"It features a large kitchen/dining/living area and a main bedroom with ensuite on the second level, and two more bedrooms plus a rumpus room, laundry and bathroom on the ground floor."

Nick said they were extremely pleased with

the team and the process of building the house.

"Narelle was a goldmine," he said.

"Everything we ask her to do, she does. She doesn't forget anything. She's very good with design."

Nick said they were spending lots of time trying to make decisions, but Narelle took a leading position and helped them

make decisions faster.

"Darren had a lot of really good suggestions for us during the building process," he said.

Nick said Gordon, who was leading the team on the ground, was a perfectionist in the building process.

"All the doors fit perfectly," he said. "It was completely stress-free."

