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HASSALLS MEGA AUCTION DUBBED 'BLOKE-HEAVEN ON EARTH' RETURNS TO GRACEMERE

From toolboxes and spanners to shipping containers chockfull of wheelbarrows or containers jammed with shovels, fridges and milk tankers to tackle block hooks and water pumps, utes and 4x4s to rock crushing rollers and crane levers, there really is something for everyone at Hassalls next on-site auction.

On Wednesday 6 April, Central Queensland town Gracemere will host the return of Hassalls' ground breaking on-site auction of equipment from the Bechtel Curtis Island LNG Project.

"This is probably the closest thing to bloke-heaven on earth," Hassalls General Manager Steve Wall said.

"To be honest, I am no longer surprised at the massive variety and quantity of equipment that is coming in from Curtis Island each month.

"There are tens of millions of dollars worth of equipment up for grabs and we're expecting the gear to sell quickly.

"We welcome buyers to join us via webcast or head over to Gracemere to check out the stock for themselves, but be sure to bring your A-game because we're expecting a lot of interest."

This sale will see a wide range of quality commercial, industrial and other standard vehicles go under the hammer including Nissan Patrols, Micras and Navaras, and Toyota Hilux's and Prados.

"We're selling anything from everyday cars to massive mining trucks, all at great value prices," said Mr Wall.

Hassalls is conducting a series of Curtis Island LNG Project auctions on behalf of NYSE-listed Liquidity Services, which has over 7,000 clients, three million registered buyers and achieves over \$1 billion in sales.

The sale of equipment is a great opportunity for anyone seeking to fit out other mining projects, whether they're local or international buyers.

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Last year was an especially big year for Curtis Island equipment auctions, which included a charity auction ordered by Bechtel and managed by Hassalls. The auction, which was restricted to current and former workers from the project, saw more than \$100,000 raised for the Leukemia Foundation in December 2015.

The series of on-site auctions have become particularly favoured in the Gracemere local community after Hassalls kindly donated the buyer's premium, totalling \$1,800, back to the *Disability Yard Care Program* at an auction that took place last month.

The volunteer-run program seeks to support families with "special needs" children and redirect young adults with disabilities out into the workforce by empowering them to take steps towards creating a successful future.

Coordinator of *The Umbrella Network* Raelene Ensby said they were ecstatic when they found out Hassalls waived the fee.

"I think it's important that companies help out their local community and organisations such as ours, as it can make a huge difference," Mrs Ensby said.

"It all comes down to people supporting each other and I think a little bit goes a long way."

Mr Wall said Hassalls loves to support local schools, sports teams and programs through sponsorships and charity auctions.

"Our local focus allows us to promote community support further through auctions to the local community," Mr Wall said.

"We also have local charities running the BBQ at each on-site auction where they can raise upwards of \$1,500 on a good day."

To bid online and to view the catalogue go here: http://www.hassalls.com.au/auction.php?id=626

The auction will be held on Wednesday 6 April from 10am, Foster Street, Gracemere (Rockhampton), QLD 4702.

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Hassalls is a leading provider of independent asset valuation and disposal services in the Australian resources sector.

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Operating for more than 15 years and specialising in the resources, industrial and construction sectors, Hassalls' services include valuation advice and managing sales via a wide range of channels, including on-site and online auctions, tenders, and private treaty sales.

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