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Can you believe it's almost mid year already!! It's been a busy few months coming into winter here at Livos. We've been attending lots of trade shows and expo's, educating people on all the benefits of the Livos products. A little break from the big ones now with the next one not until October!

We love to hear from you so please [let us know any feedback](#)

Kindest regards *Angela Petruzzi*



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Kunos slip testing results

To comply with the Australian Building codes, samples of timber treated with the Kunos natural oil sealer #244 were submitted for slip resistance testing to ATTAR. The results achieved the required P3 rating. The official testing results can be downloaded from our website [here](#).



Warning: Make sure you read instructions on maintenance products!

Make sure you always read the fine print and instructions when buying mops and cleaning products! It has come to our attention that a lot of people have been buying what they thought were suitable mops but in fact, once instructions were read properly it was found out that some may be detrimental to your natural floor coating which may necessitate rejuvenation more often.



Congratulations to Gruen Eco Design

Congratulations to Gruen Eco Design who won the Building Designers Association of Victoria's 10-Star Sustainable Design Challenge for their Hacksaw House. A beautiful home and a well deserved award. Featuring Livos throughout. For more information please [click here](#).



Difference between the Kunos and Ardvos

The Kunos range is our premium, best selling product, it is available in clear as well as stains (for example, the white can maintain a timber at its original sanded look, without yellowing). It contains more waxes and resins (is water repellent quicker) than the Ardvos. Kunos is also certified food safe, so can be used with confidence on kitchen bench tops and chopping boards etc that come in

direct contact with food. With an added bonus of the Kunos countertop being heat resistant to 50° C. As the Kunos sits closer to the surface, it is recommended on particular timbers such as veneer panels. While the Ardvos is a deeper penetrating oil and although we have had no reactions with the glues used in panelling in Australia it is perhaps best avoided, or at least tested prior on a sample piece. As the Ardvos reaches deeper into the timber it also deepens the colour of the timber more so than the Kunos.

Another comparison would be price. The Ardvos is more economical per container however the Kunos has a better coverage rate...so this differentiation is reduced.

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Spec-net Product Highlight

Check out Livos' latest feature in the Spec-net Product magazine; Maintain Sustainable Handmade Wooden Furniture. To read more [click here](#).



Renew: Material Beauty

Dion and Amy Zappacosta's reno included some interesting material choices, including a raised timber floor rather than a concrete slab, recycled materials and eco-finishes. They describe how they went about it, and the results. Featuring the Livos Koimos on timber floors. To read more please click here.



Stairs with Flair

Good timing to point out that the Kunos has been slip resistant tested by ATTAR and has achieved a P3 rating. Great on floors and also great on stairs! Please [click here](#) for more information.



Durability on gym floors

We are often asked about the durability of the oils on timber floors. We recently rejuvenated 2 gym floors totalling over 800m² at a local college in Wantirna (Melbourne South-Eastern suburbs). The floor was sanded and oiled initially in January 2015. The floor was rejuvenated for the first time after 3 years of heavy wear and tear with no sanding back required. No sanding=no dust and Livos oils=no harmful fumes!



The Australian Woodturning Exhibition

Be sure to check out the Australian Woodturning Exhibition running from the 22nd of June till the 24th at the Kingston City Hall, Moorabbin. It is Australia's premier woodturning event bringing the best turners from all over Australia together!

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