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### **Yamanto Central announces opening of more big retail names**

The jewel of Queensland's retail scene, Yamanto Central, Ipswich's newest shopping centre is continuing to announce new store openings as the centre progressively unveils new brands throughout 2021.

The centre undertook an early opening in April announcing its first tranche of retailers including anchor retailers Coles and Kmart, along with a handful of specialty stores. Further stores have continued to swing their doors open each week.

"We are thrilled to announce more national retail brand openings," Centre owner and developer, JMK Retail, general manager, Vicki Leavy said.

"Global brands, Skechers and Platypus have secured prime locations in the centre and will open their doors in June. This a major coup for Yamanto Central and the people of Ipswich to have such iconic and much loved footwear brands opening up in our new centre.

"They have chosen to locate their first stores in the Ipswich region at Yamanto Central. This speaks volumes for the quality, location, future and reputation of the shopping centre.

"Over the next few weeks, we will also see other brands including Rockwear activewear and Connor men's clothing opening their doors too. Like Skechers and Platypus, Rockwear has also chosen Yamanto Central as its first store location for the Ipswich region."

According to Leavy, the new centre is already breaking projected sales records with stores attracting strong interest from the local community.

"We knew the centre would be popular. There has been such a strong need for it for so many years. Given the level of interest in the centre, it was no surprise that businesses from surrounding retail sites were first to put their hand up to secure a spot, closely followed by national retail brands," Leavy added.

"The centre is fast becoming the region's biggest community hub offering a wonderful mix of retail outlets as well as a health and wellness precinct and an outdoor dining area that will accommodate up to 300 people."

The people of Ipswich and surrounding regions have much to be excited about. Not only is the centre now open, it is rolling out some of the biggest names in retail.

"We have worked hard to ensure Yamanto Central provides a fantastic mix of brands to meet the needs of every shopper. We have already seen many wonderful retailers open their doors with many more yet to come," Leavy emphasised.

“The people of Ipswich and surrounding regions will no longer need to travel into Brisbane to physically visit some of their favourite brands, they will simply be able to pop into Yamanto Central and take advantage of our free on site car parking and all the other wonderful amenities that the centre offers.

“Skechers, Platypus, Rockwear and Connor are much loved innovative fashion and lifestyle brands and the Ipswich community will now be able to shop local to purchase these products.

“There are still a small handful of leasing opportunities available at Yamanto Central, both in the main centre and in the outdoor dining precinct. I strongly encourage businesses interested in exploring new growth opportunities to touch base.”

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