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## DESIGNGROUP NEW ZEALAND

In 1989 six independent architectural practices formed a new national architectural practice to take advantage of shared resources, skills and technical know how to benefit their wide client base. The practice was called Designgroup to emphasise the groups goal of providing consistently high quality design solutions to its clients, both nationally and locally.

Since that time the organisation has developed into New Zealand's foremost architectural consortium with offices throughout New Zealand. The following is list of practices within Designgroup:

ASC Architects – Auckland  
Crosson Clarke Architects – Auckland  
Elliott Architects – Manawatu & Wellington  
Harrison and King Architects and Planners – Whangarei  
Paris Magdalinos – Hawkes Bay  
Salmond Anderson Architects – Dunedin & Queenstown  
Skews @rchitecture – Christchurch & Ashburton  
Stapleton Architects – Lower Hutt

This year the practice has created a new logo and livery and very shortly will have its new website [www.designgroup.co.nz](http://www.designgroup.co.nz). The practice provides nation wide architectural services for many national clients and welcomes enquiries both locally and nationally.

## BOTANY DOWNS SECONDARY COLLEGE - Auckland

Botany Downs Secondary College is the first new secondary school completed by the Ministry of Education for over 20 years. The school offers teaching capacity for a roll of 750 pupils on a site which ASC has masterplanned for a final roll of 1500. The school opened to its first intake of students in January and will be formally opened by the Governor General in March this year.



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### ST ORANS GYMNASIUM - Wellington 2003 NZIA Award winner

A disparate set of buildings and open spaces in the school campus are re-organised by the site location of this new gym. Through clever use of vertical fenestration the sports hall visually links to the back green field in one direction and in the other links through the main entrance to the balance of the school. The light filled space of the gymnasium is in contrast to the solidity of the masonry walls and the colourful storage spaces.



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### ACTION REBRANDING - Australia

Progressive Enterprises briefed ASC Architects at the end of 2003 to provide a new retail branding package for their stores in Brisbane. The first of these stores is currently under construction and the brand package will be rolled out to all forty stores in the near future.



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### ARENA 2 UPGRADE - Palmerston North

Won in competition early in 2003, this \$5.5M project is now into the construction phase. A complex upgrade of a Stadium designed by Brian Elliott in 1980, the project provides a complete upgrade to facilities, both public and player. Clients Arena Manawatu and the Palmerston North City Council require the project completed by July this year to enable the holding of a Silver Ferns net ball test.



Designgroup Elliott Architects