



Marina Quays Village Markets developer John Fish (centre) welcomes new business owners Lexi Cook, 18 months, Michelle Cook, Jon Quinn and (front) Matt Kuhne.

Village people ready

EXPECTATIONS are high as the final touches are being added to the Marina Quays Village Market which opens on Saturday.

The new market will sell a wide range of products by local suppliers and 70 per cent of the 280 stalls at the waterfront property have been leased.

Unique shops include Tamborine Fudge, where Jon Quinn will sell his award-winning product which has been the biggest selling fudge in Australia since he opened his business six years ago.

By LAURA NELSON

"There is already a great vibe around here, a really great mix of people and I can't wait to open," he said.

Another new tenant is Michelle Cook, who will open a funky kids clothes shop called Hey Skippy!

Ms Cook said she believed the northern Gold Coast desperately needed markets of this calibre.

The Marina Quays Village Markets will also feature KM Glamour, owned by locals Matt Kuhne and his fiancée, Kylie Taggart.

KM Glamour will sell custom-made charm bracelets made from a selection of 800 high-quality beads. Mr Kuhne said he believed the new markets would deliver a missing puzzle piece to the north.

"This area has everything else and I think it will be a great opportunity for our business to gain a significant client base," he said.

The Marina Quays Village Markets are set to become a bustling European-styled marketplace every Saturday and Sunday from 7am to 3.30pm.