



New IGA supermarket takes shape

On track for May opening

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FAVOURABLE weather and an efficient building crew has seen the construction of Ingham's first IGA supermarket well ahead of schedule.

And owners Tony and Louise Zaghini couldn't be more thrilled about being on track for the store's anticipated opening in May.

The couple are in the midst of expanding their Night Owl convenience store to accommodate for the \$3 million shopping facility on Cartwright St, by employing South Australian building firm Candetti Constructions, who began laying the foundations in November last year.

Mr Zaghini said that despite contractors

running into some wet weather in that time frame, they still managed to lay down concrete slabs before the Christmas and New Year period.

While it appeared that not a lot had been happening to the site in recent weeks, out of the blue, four concrete walls encasing a 1000sq m floor space were erected

at an expedient rate last week.

Mr Zaghini attributed the efficiency to the number of workmen on site.

"The guys at Candetti's estimated the walls would take 10 to 12 days to build, and they did it in five," he said.

"They had a larger than normal crew of 15 working on it.

"Our new IGA supermarket is well on track."

Mr Zaghini said the next step of the building process was steel fabrication work for the building's rooftop and interior.

When open, the new supermarket will incorporate five check-out counters, along with a number of other service areas, while a 40-vehicle carpark will also be created.

Six locals currently employed by the Zaghinis, will help operate the store.

Mr Zaghini said the existing Nite Owl store would continue trading until the new supermarket was completed.



The site of the new IGA supermarket on Cartwright Street ... Construction is on track for its anticipated May opening



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Owner Tony Zaghini inspects work on the new supermarket yesterday