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HD Music man cashing in

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SOLD FOR \$7 MILLION A CHINESE buyer has paid \$7.16 million for a large riverfront estate at Carrara that has hosted pop stars, including Elton John and Rod Stewart.

The property, at 30-32 Maryland Ave, was **sold** by music industry veteran Graham Hutchison, who has promoted tours for international artists including AC/DC, Bob Marley, Billy Idol and Nirvana.

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It was bought by Prosper Holdings, of which 51-year-old **Chinese**-born Stanley Chan is the majority shareholder.

The **sale** is the third highest for this year.

It follows 60 Admiralty Drive, Paradise Waters, which sold for \$8.7 million, and 72-74 The Sovereign Mile, The Sovereign Islands, which sold for \$7.25 million.

Mr Hutchison bought the property in 2003 and it was on the market continuously for over six years between August, 2008 and September this year before the showbiz promoter **sold** it last month.

The 8029sq m block contains a 929sq m two-level residence with a media room, temperature-controlled wine room and undercover al fresco dining area complete with a barbecue kitchen.

A floodlit championship tennis court is next to a pavilion with a gymnasium and a pampering room.

Other features include a pool, a 10m pontoon with a jetski cradle and 75m of river frontage.

In 2012 Mr Hutchison spent \$1 million on renovations and was quoted in July this year in the Gold Coast Bulletin stating his property had attracted five contracts from Chinese buyers.

"The **Chinese** love it because it's huge – the two numbers (30 and 32) add up to eight ... you can land a helicopter and keep two horses," he said.

"It's a very homely house and it's so quiet, so peaceful and you're away from everything." He said he was planning to move to the Sunshine Coast.Mr Hutchison runs the Hutchison Entertainment **Group**, which has offices both in Australia and Russia due to his promotion of tours by Russian ballet groups.

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