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October 2013

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Community Bank® Branch



Message from the Branch Manager



This year we have given the staff a turn to produce our newsletter, and hopefully you will find all

the stories from their perspective, both interesting and informative. Our staff are all passionate Blue Mountains residents who know their community, and their business, so come along to the branch and meet them soon.

Brigitte Mackenzie
Branch Manager

Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains
Community Enterprise Limited



Three and a half years *in the community*

Katoomba and Upper Blue Mountains Community **Community Bank®** Branch has now been part of the community for three and a half years and as promised, we continue to provide more than just quality banking services.

As well as creating employment opportunities for local people, we also keep the capital in the community. So far, we've contributed close to \$100,000 to the local community through donations, investments, sponsorships and grants.

Our Chairman, Robert Stock would like to personally invite you to our Annual General Meeting to thank you for making our three and a half years a success and to provide you with more information about the company.

Date: 20 November 2013

Venue: Carrington Hotel

Time: 6.30pm

RSVP: 10 November 2013 to our branch
on phone: (02) 4782 1100

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Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains Community Enterprise Limited 117 Katoomba Street, Katoomba NSW 2780 **ABN** 55 134 947 201
Directors: Robert Stock (Chairman), Brooke Broughton, Jane Canfield, Peter Carroll, Linda Colless, Anne Elliot, Arnold Percy,
Chrissie Thompson, Mark Jarvis (Treasurer).

Welcome Sue



Sue Pinch joined the team in November 2012, and comes to us with a lifetime of local knowledge including attendance at Katoomba High School. Sue is an active volunteer for the RFS, and has a background which includes an ongoing partnership with her husband in a local building company, and work in the aged care industry, as well as previous banking experience. Sue has now completed all of her training in the branch, and we trust you will all join us in welcoming her to the team at Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains **Community Bank**® Branch.

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'Staff choice' sponsorship



This year the Board of Volunteer Directors approved an annual \$500 'staff choice' sponsorship, and for this first annual grant, the staff nominated the 'Open Hearth' Program to receive assistance.

The Open Hearth Program is run through the Uniting Church, by a group of volunteers, who donate their time, and the resources, to put on a hot lunch every Tuesday, feeding the homeless, the needy, and anyone else who needs a hot meal. With our donation, the Open Hearth was able to put on a great Christmas lunch during December 2012, with all the trimmings. Everyone had a lovely time, and left with smiles on their faces, and a warm feeling knowing that people really do care.

Pat
Customer Service Officer



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Community Grants and Sponsorships

Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains Community Bank® Branch

Wimlah Womens Refuge - The Drive Programme

Katoomba Theatre Company

Springwood Public School P&C - Festival of Green

Blackheath Rhodo Festival

Wentworth Falls Rural Fire Brigade

BMLOT - Festival Of Walking

Greystanes Disability Services

Blue Mountains IDPWD

Hazelbrook Football Club - Junior Presentation Gala Day

Wentworth Falls Public School P&C - Falls Art Festival 2012

Katoomba North Public School P&C - Footlight Festival

Katoomba High School - State Vision Conference

Wentworth Falls Rural Fire Brigade

State Emergency Services

Wentworth Falls Rural Fire Brigade

Kedumba Trust

Jeans for Genes

Mid Mountains Neighbourhood Centre

NSW Arthritis, NSW Orthoporosis

Hazelbrook Association

KACAN

South Katoomba Rural Fire Brigade

Katoomba Theatre Company - Costumes & Props - Wally & Po

1 in 5 Creative Arts Assoc - Printing 2 poetry books

Springwood High School - Macquarie Youth Leadership Forum

Katoomba Primary School - Community Access Programme

BMLOT - Roaring 20's Festival

Earth Recovery Australia - Soul Kitchen project

Everglades - Sport for Jove Theatre Co - Shakespeare

Uniting Church Katoomba - Blue Mtns Uniting Open Hearth

Bent Art - Annual Art Exhibition

Dianella Cottage - Wise Womans Day

Blackheath Area Mens Shed - Internet Service for Computer Room

Greystanes Disability Services - Golf Day

Blue Fringe Arts Festival - Springwood Neighbourhood Centre

Wires Blue Mountains - Carry cages

Rotary Club of central Blue Mtns - Golf day for Children's Hospital

Wintermagic Festival - 2013

Blue Mountains Folk Music Festival

Blue Gum Housing

Katoomba North Primary School P&C

Katoomba Cricket Club

Blue Mountains Basketball Association

Lawson Public School - Multi-Purpose Sports Court

Went Falls Chamber of Commerce - Printng of BiCentennial History

Blackheath Cricket Club

Katoomba Theatre Company - Youth Theatre Programme

Katoomba Scenic Railway - Sculpture Exhibition

Lawson Public School - Holey Dollar

Blue Mountains City RSL Band

Iris Society of Australia (NSW)

Blue Mountains BMX Club Inc

Kirinari Upper Blue Mountains

Earth Recovery Australia - Soul Kitchen project

NSW YMCA Youth Parliament - 2 participants

Katoomba Cricket Club - Sponsorship

Katoomba Leura Went Falls Hosp Auxiliary - 8th Ann Variety Concert

Blue Mountains Folk - Lawson Line

Bandits Basketball Team - New Uniforms

Greystanes Foundation - Gala Dinner 2013

Million Paws Walk



On 19 May 2013, the branch staff and Directors once again came to support our local RSPCA shelter for the Million Paws Walk. This events' main location is in Homebush, but our local event is held in Melrose Park Katoomba, and is growing in support every year. It's a day that brings our local community and our furry friends together to support a fantastic organisation. This year again we had our marquee set up, being looked after by Directors Chrissie Thompson and Jane Canfield, and we all spent the morning handing out our Bendigo Bank balloons and RSPCA approved Bendigo Bank dog collars. Just like last year a great day was had by all and it was a huge fundraising success as a total of \$8,000 was raised on the day. We look forward to continuing our community partnership with the RSPCA for many years to come.

Liz
Customer Relationship Officer

Winter Magic Festival



Our branch was once again a major sponsor of the Winter Magic Festival, and we once again had our information stall, and our Piggy mascot participating in the parade.

The Branch is always open on Saturday morning, and the staff get very involved by dressing up for the occasion, so the whole atmosphere is very festive.

The stall is 'manned' by the Directors and Branch Manager, and offers information on our sponsorship program, our community work, and of course on banking products and services.

The Piggy again distributed treats for the kids along the parade and many Bendigo Bank balloons, bookmarks, and pens, were distributed into the community as a reminder of who we are. Everyone had a good time as usual, and with 45,000 visitors on the day, the local economy had a welcome boost as well.

Kerrie
Customer Service Officer



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