



## Annual General Meeting.

Beaufort Community Financial Services Limited Board of Directors and staff members would like to send a welcoming invitation to our Annual General Meeting and Grants Presentation evening which will be held on Wednesday 9 November 2016 at 7.00pm at the Beaufort **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Complex located at Goldfields Reserve, Park Road, Beaufort.

We look forward to seeing you there, but please RSVP to Secretary Trish Collins on 0427 495 507 or email [secretary.bcfs@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.bcfs@gmail.com) to assist with your catering needs.

### Sponsorships made over the past couple of months:

- Western District Arabian Riders & Breeders Club – 2 horse rugs
- Tom Quilty Gold Endurance Ride - \$700
- Victorian Variety Bash - \$250
- Beaufort & District Little Athletics - \$2,000
- Trawalla Primary School - \$500
- Western Plains History Book - \$1,000
- Beaufort & District Adult Riders - \$1,000
- Waubra Primary School - \$500
- Beaufort Golf Bowls Club - \$15
- Ballarat Redan Cricket Club - \$500.

Beaufort and district community groups and organisations wishing to apply for funding support should complete the branch's standard Sponsorship Form. Copies of this form can be obtained from the branch or by downloading them from our website [www.bendigobank.com.au/beaufort](http://www.bendigobank.com.au/beaufort). Thanks to those who have supported the branch by bringing their banking to it, Beaufort **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch has returned over \$1.039 million to the community in grants, donations, dividends and sponsorships in the 14 years since it opened in March 2002.

## 2015 Grant – Beaufort St John the Baptist Church.

Bernadette Franc, Chairperson of St John the Baptist Parish Council is pictured with Tim Chandler from the Beaufort **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch. St John the Baptist Parish Council successfully applied for a grant in 2015 for a multi-function printer for the Church.

Bernadette said. "The donation of the multi-function printer serves not only the Catholic Community, but the broader community, including members of the Beaufort Nursing Home and the Hotel for their monthly prayer services."



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**Directors:** Tim Chandler (Chairman) Jayne Briody, Sharon Roxburgh, Alexander Carson, Robert Byrne, Nigel Ponder, Nicolas Shady, Stephen Crook and Kate Joss.

## Beaufort Community Bank® Grants Information evening.

Beaufort **Community Bank**® Branch recently held an Information evening at the Beaufort **Community Bank**® Complex to help clubs and organisations complete successful applications for the Beaufort **Community Bank**® Grants program which was opened during August.

There were over 50 people in attendance representing Beaufort, Skipton, Lexton, Waubra, Burrumbeet, Buangor, Raglan, Snake Valley, Learmonth, Landsborough and many other areas within our catchment area.

Andre Clayton from Bendigo Bank's Community Enterprise Foundation™ was our speaker for the evening. He gave a presentation on who can apply for a grant and what projects are considered eligible. It was a very successful evening which resulted in 22 applications being received for the Program.

Kate Morbcombe and the team at Trawalla Primary School received a cheque for \$500 for catering for the crowd on the evening.



## Director profile – Steve Crook.



Steve was elected as a new Director in November 2015 and is a member on our Finance, Governance and Audit Committee.

He is married to Georgina and has two daughters Rachel and Samantha. Steve and his family reside on a small hobby farm at Glenbrae.

### What do you enjoy most about being a Director on the Board?

When I first joined the Board of Beaufort **Community Bank**® Branch I was really attracted to the **Community Bank**® concept. Maintaining a viable local banking service in the district, that delivers a sound financial return for shareholders and is also able to make funds available for local groups just made sense. So for me the part I like most about being on Board is the challenge of getting all those parts right and contributing to the ongoing success of the branch.

**What do you in your spare time?** I have a small hobby farm at Glenbrae (between Beaufort and Waubra) which takes up most of my spare time. Getting my hands dirty on the farm is very different to my day job in an office, and because I am not trying to make my living from it I find it relaxing. I also enjoy watching local sport and the occasional trip to Melbourne to watch the mighty Bulldogs in the AFL or Melbourne Rebels in the Rugby Union.

**Likes:** Volunteers of all persuasions. People who are prepared to put their hand up and have a go. They don't always get things right, and often other people are quick to point out failings, but our communities would not be as vibrant or enjoyable or safe without them.

**Dislikes:** Governments wasting money.

**Favourite meal:** Chicken Parma, chips and gravy.

**Dream holiday:** Attending rugby world cup abroad, for the whole six weeks of the tournament.



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