

Beamaris Community Bank Branch

# Community News

2020  
Edition 1

## Welcome Alexandria!

Meet our new Branch Manager, **Alexandria McDowall**. Alexandria joined the Beamaris Community Bank team in January and we couldn't be more excited.

Over the past 27 years, Alexandria has held branch manager roles with ANZ and Bank of Melbourne, and we are delighted that she has now joined us.

Alexandria's appointment comes about following Lew Rimington's resignation late last year. Lew was our Branch Manager for over three years and we thank him for his wonderful contribution to the Bank and our community during that time.

Drop into the branch at 32 East Concourse to meet Alexandria, or to talk to her about any of your financial needs.



Our new Branch Manager, Alexandria McDowall.



People of any age or ability are welcome at the Club.

## Belong at bowls.

The **Beamaris Bowls Club** is so much more than a sports club – it's a home away from home for members where there is always someone who will stop to have a chat.

If active sports like tennis and golf are not suitable for you, this is the perfect place to enjoy moderate exercise with a side serving of competitive fun. Meet new people, make lifelong friends and enjoy the social scene. And above all, feel like you belong!

**Beamaris Bowls Club**

**Email: [beaubowls@netspace.net.au](mailto:beaubowls@netspace.net.au)**

Beamaris Community Financial Services Limited | 32 East Concourse, Beamaris Vic 3193 | **ABN** 25 100 506 643

**Directors:** Peter Demura, Janina Puttick, Irena Peoples, Darren Trew, Anjana Bhatt, Craig Tucker, Brad Cornwell, Kate Pease (Junior Observer).



## Every man needs a shed.

The **Bayside Men's Shed** is a wonderful, friendly and social place where men can share time, swap yarns, exchange ideas and be creative. Come along and work on meaningful projects of your choosing, at your own pace or with other men.

Around 70 members are always working on a range of projects for community groups. Recently this has included native animal nesting boxes as part of the current bushfire recovery, street libraries, and memory boxes for elderly or dementia patients. New members always welcome.

**Open 9am – 12.30pm weekdays**  
**36 Bonanza Road, Beaumaris**  
[www.baysidemensshed.com](http://www.baysidemensshed.com)



Members of the Bayside Men's Shed.

## Gippsland says thank you!

In south-east Gippsland, \$2.5 million from the **Victorian Bushfire Appeal** (your donations) is currently being distributed to local people in need.

**Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund** is on the ground making sure people who need help are receiving that help. They are a wholly volunteer-run organisation helping locals prepare for the recovery phase that may be a long journey for many people.

Funds are being distributed to a range of people who have experienced varying levels of loss. Whether it be to those who have lost their homes, or others whose homes have been damaged by fire, the donations are providing a roof to sleep under and time to make decisions about what to do next.

**Beaumaris Community Bank** extends a big heartfelt thank you to all customers and members of the community who have donated to the Bushfire Appeal. We also wish all those affected all the best for the recovery phase.



Your donations are reaching those in need.



## Ricketts Point is special.

Once upon a time, over 5.3 million years ago, Beaumaris Bay was home to giant sea birds, giant kangaroos and giant penguins. Today, the area is celebrated and studied as one of Australia's most fascinating sites of Late Miocene era fossil deposits.

If you love history and heritage come along to this free National Trust Heritage Festival event on 18 April to learn more.

9am - 10am Native Foreshore and Recent History Heritage  
10am - 11am Nature Walk: Reading the Rocks  
11am - 12noon Local Fossil Display

Brought to you by **Marine Education Science Community Centre**, **Bayside Earth Sciences Society** (BESSI) and **Beaumaris Rotary**.

**Sat 18 April, 9am – 12noon**

Bookings at: [www.beaumarisfossils.org/bulletin-board](http://www.beaumarisfossils.org/bulletin-board)



Fossicking for fossils.

## Watercolour winner.

The **Beaumaris Community Bank** was proud to once again sponsor the Open Award for Watercolour at the **Beaumaris Art Group's** Members Exhibition in November 2019.

Congratulations to Jane Walker for her winning piece, "Black Cockatoos".

[www.beaumarisartgroup.org.au](http://www.beaumarisartgroup.org.au)



Jane Walker with "Black Cockatoos" and her winner's cheque.

## Stayin' Alive 2020.

**Beaumaris Rotary** in conjunction with the **Bayside City Council**, are hosting a free men's health info night, with speakers including Dr Feelgood and AFL's Tom Boyd.

Bookings are essential, please register at the website below.

**Thu 23 Apr, from 6:30pm**  
**Sandringham Yacht Club**  
[www.trybooking.com/BICHC](http://www.trybooking.com/BICHC)

**Beaumaris**  
**Rotary**





## Carol-loving community.

Five hundred festive fun-goers once again enjoyed a successful 43rd **Beumaris Community Christmas Carols. Mordialloc Light Opera Choir** with the **Southern Area Concert Band** performed the tunes we all love to sing along to (something they have been doing for over 20 years!). Katrina Pezimenti and daughter, Lucinda, provided wonderful individual pieces, and Roger Wilson OAM acted as compere and convenor, a role he has now performed for 42 years.

Volunteers make it all possible. We thank everyone involved for ensuring the Beumaris Christmas Carols are important part of our local calendar. **Beumaris Community Bank** are once again proud to be sponsors of this wonderful community event.

Proceeds went to the Christmas Bowl Appeal and the Farmers Drought Appeal.



The Southern Area Concert Band in full swing.

## Anne & Gilbert - in love!

Based on the much-loved Anne of Green Gables novels, this latest musical by **Beumaris Theatre** continues the story of Anne Shirley's life. Set in Halifax, Canada, Anne & Gilbert follows Anne's journey to young adulthood and her romance with high school academic rival, Gilbert Blythe. Gilbert is in love with Anne, but she seems to be immune to his declarations of love. In the end, (spoiler alert!) Anne realises what everyone else already knows: Gilbert is the love of her life.

**22 May – 6 June**  
[www.beumaristheatre.com.au](http://www.beumaristheatre.com.au)



### Move to a local bank.

When you move your banking to Beumaris Community Bank Branch you'll have access to great banking products, premium customer service and a deeper satisfaction of knowing your banking is making great things happen in your community.

Drop into your nearest branch at 32 East Concourse, Beumaris or phone 03 9589 5366 to discover the impact your banking can have.



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## Be a Lion.

Lions serve their communities. Whether it be a natural disaster or local non-profit group, it's all about service for our volunteers.

Members of the **Lions Club of Beumaris** are part of a one million-plus global family who love to serve. Since 1972, Beumaris members have raised funds for groups such as Sandringham Hospital, Diabetes Australia and Grief Line.

Find out more about how rewarding Lions Club can be.

[www.beumaris.vic.lions.org.au](http://www.beumaris.vic.lions.org.au)  
**Phone: Leigh Hutton 0411 699 961**  
**Email: leighhutton@edsuplan.com.au**



## Communicate and inspire.

Want to be more persuasive more confident, to better formulate and express your ideas? **Sandbelt Toastmasters** is here to help.

Toastmasters provides a self-paced program within a friendly, supportive group where you learn the skills to make you a better, more confident communicator.

Whether you are a working professional, student or looking to make an impact in your community, Toastmasters is a fun and affordable way to become a better presenter and communicator.

Meetings at Beumaris Community Centre, 7.30pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

[www.sandbelttoastmasters.com.au](http://www.sandbelttoastmasters.com.au)



Enthusiastic members of Sandbelt Toastmasters Club.

## Commemorate.

In this special and moving event hosted by **Beumaris RSL**, all are invited to remember and pay their respects to those who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations.

Assemble at 2.15pm on Sunday 19 April (the weekend before ANZAC Day) at the Concourse for the 2.45pm march to the Beumaris Community Centre. The service commences at 3pm at the Community Centre forecourt and Cenotaph. Afternoon tea follows at Beumaris Bowls Club. Everyone welcome.

**Sun 19 April**  
**2.45pm Beumaris Concourse**  
**3pm Beumaris Community Centre**



## Botanic Gardens revealed.

In this illustrated talk, "Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne – Yesterday, today and tomorrow", Lynsey Poore, volunteer guide and retired biology teacher, shares her insights into Melbourne's **Royal Botanic Gardens**.

Founded in 1846, the Gardens extends across 38 hectares, displays almost 50,000 individual plants representing 8,000 different species, in 30 living collections. Its history is fascinating and its future is bright.

Seniors and retirees welcome, morning tea is free. Feel free to stay longer for a light lunch to meet and laugh with new friends.

**Ricketts Point Probus Club**

**Wed, 8 April, 9.45am – 12noon**

**Cheltenham Golf Club**

**Enquiries: Lachlan Mason 9584 4063**



## Local events calendar.

2nd and 4th  
Wed of the  
month  
7.30pm

### **Sandbelt Toastmasters**

Bi-monthly meetings, visitors welcome  
Beamaris Community Centre,  
96 Reserve Rd, Beamaris

Sat 14 Mar  
9.00am to  
3.00pm

### **Beamaris North Primary School Fete**

Wood St, Beamaris. Rides, stalls,  
entertainment, food and drink, raffles

Wed 8 Apr  
9.45am to  
12.00pm

### **Ricketts Point Probus Club talk**

"Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne –  
Yesterday, today and tomorrow"  
Cheltenham Golf Club, 35 Victor Ave

2nd Sat of  
the month  
from 8.00am  
(except Mar)

### **Beamaris Rotary Farmers Market**

Beamaris North Primary School, Wood St,  
\$2 donation (\$5 for a family) requested at  
the gate

Sat 18 Apr  
9.00am to  
12.00pm

### **"What makes Ricketts Point so special?"**

Bookings and free tickets:  
[beamarisfossils.org/bulletin-board](http://beamarisfossils.org/bulletin-board)

Sun 19 Apr  
From  
2.15pm

### **Community ANZAC March and Service**

Assembly at Beamaris Concourse,  
service at the Community Centre

Thu 23 Apr  
6.30pm

### **"Stayin' Alive 2020" Men's health info night**

Bookings: [www.trybooking.com/BICHC](http://www.trybooking.com/BICHC)

Sat 25 Apr  
10.00am

### **World Tai Chi Day**

Ricketts Point Beach, 200m south of café.  
Free event, no experience necessary.  
Contact Jackie on 0416 810 259

Fri 22 May to  
Sat 6 Jun

### **Anne & Gilbert – A Musical**

Beamaris Theatre  
[www.beamaristheatre.com.au](http://www.beamaristheatre.com.au)

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### Beamaris Community Bank Branch

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Opening hours:

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm

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[facebook.com/beamariscommunitybankbranch](https://facebook.com/beamariscommunitybankbranch)

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From left: Sharan, Thomas,  
Branch Manager - Alexandria  
McDowall, Rebecca, Diana  
(and Robert, not pictured).



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