



Meet our new Branch Manager, Lew Rimington!



Lew Rimington, Branch Manager, enjoying coffee at Est, in the Concourse.

Lew has Bayside in his blood and lives by a family tradition of community service. He brings with him many years of valuable experience in banking, small business and real estate and to our delight, has returned to Bayside as our Branch Manager in what he describes as coming full circle.

Here's what Lew has to say:

Firstly, welcome! You're not new to the Bendigo Bank are you?

My wife and I had a Bendigo Bank Agency for many years as part of our real estate practice in Gippsland. After the 'big four' banks closed branches we were last man standing, as they say. We subsequently gifted our agency to assist the town in its efforts to establish a **Community Bank**[®] branch.

Before this, we owned a Tattsлото agency in Bernard Street, Cheltenham, I've been a licensed Real Estate Agent for over 20 years and worked for years at Westpac. All great experience for where I am today: Branch Manager at Beaumaris **Community Bank**[®] Branch.

What exciting challenges are you looking forward to at the branch?

Building a crack team. I'm competitive by nature and want the Beaumaris **Community Bank**[®] Branch to be known as the best branch in Bayside Region! Not just for deposit and loan size, but as a hub where people love to transact business on all levels because it's approachable and professional. We'll be working hard not only to increase returns for shareholders, but also to return more funds to the community.

What are your ties with the area?

I was born at the then Mordialloc Hospital, as were my first two children. Went to Mordialloc Primary School and Mordialloc-Chelsea High School, was a 1st Mordialloc Cub and Scout, long serving member of Mordialloc Life Saving Club and one of the original Mordy Surf shop young surfers bussed to surf spots by the late Lindsay Mudge.

I have many fond childhood memories of clambering over the cliffs between Mordialloc and Sandringham, and spending Wednesday nights in my twenties at the Beaumaris Hotel listening to Frank Traynor and The Jazz Preachers.

Currently I'm Treasurer for the Mordialloc-Beaumaris Conservation League and take every opportunity to walk along the beach paths in the area with my wife.

What attracted you to the Bendigo Bank?

I love that the Bank hasn't adopted the impersonal culture of the big four banks. They offer very competitive products and rates but also operate at a grass roots level, focusing on efficient, personal service and giving back to the community. In fact Bendigo Bank has won the Roy Morgan 'Customer Satisfaction Award's Best Business Bank of the Year' for the last four years.

Do you have any hidden talents?

I'm an excellent snow skier having heli-skied in New Zealand (bit old for these shenanigans now!). I love card tricks.

What are your biggest achievements to date?

My family. Fiona and I have been married for 34 years and have three grown-up children.

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Branch warmly welcomes Lew. Please drop in anytime to talk to Lew about your banking needs.



Photo by Amanda Stokes Photography. Thank you to Steve at Est for allowing us to take photos in the café.

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Directors: Christopher Shaw (Chairman), Peter Demura, Janina Puttnick, Terry Michael, Paul Widdis, David Wilson, David Stewart.

Local legends.



Chris, Tony and Ashley Waller of Park Road Timber and Hardware.

Meet the Waller family behind Park Road Timber and Hardware (Home Hardware) in Cheltenham.

For three generations and over 60 years they've been serving the local community. We spoke to Ash Waller, Director, about his family's involvement in the business and the local area.

Park Road Timber and Hardware has been around since the late 1950's. It was started by Ash's grandfather, Fred, and his brothers after they completed government contracts to build schools in the area. When that work dried up they had an oversupply of building materials stored at the current site and the business evolved when they began selling off their leftover materials. It just kept growing and today employs over 35 staff.

The store has seen three generations at the helm. These days Dad, Tony (Managing Director), and sons Ash and Chris are in charge. According to Ash, 'The best thing about being in this industry is the people – building relationships with staff, customers and suppliers. It's what makes the job so enjoyable. And we love being a part of local scene. It's a great area.'

The family regularly contribute to the community through the business whenever requests come their way. They've assisted schools, kindergartens, lifesaving clubs and sporting clubs in the local area in their fundraising activities as well as the Sandringham Rotary Club.

Whilst business is busier than ever, there's never a moment to take things for granted. The influence of Bunnings in the last 15 years has significantly changed the retail landscape for independent hardware operators. Whilst lots of little guys disappeared, Park Road has managed to remain strong by focusing their strengths on servicing builders and tradesman. They also make sure weekend DIY customers have access to a wide range of quality products and personal service from knowledgeable staff.

And funny stories from the last 60 years?

'Given our close proximity to Victoria Golf Club we sometimes get the odd stray golf ball land on our roof from over Park Road,' said Ash. 'One day in the mid 80's my grandfather Fred was serving a customer when a golf ball bounced into the driveway and up the stairs into the shop! My grandfather was a keen golfer and used the ball he found the next day and shot his best score in years – 75.'

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Then (1987) and now.

Beaumaris Concourse to get a facelift.

The Beaumaris Concourse is a much loved shopping hub for many locals and the home of the Beaumaris **Community Bank®** Branch.

Recently the Bayside Council earmarked the strip for a facelift and is now working with the community to plan updates and to determine if there might be opportunities to make improvements to the adjacent reserve on Reserve Road.

The engagement process began in February 2016 with drop-in sessions and tours of the Concourse to help identify what makes the place special and what areas need to be improved.

To help direct Council's work, a Concourse Working Group has been established comprising a mixture of traders and the community.

Council expects to test concepts for the street-scaping works with the community in late autumn 2016 before progressing with the development of a full draft masterplan.

For further information go to: www.yoursaybayside.com.au/beamaris-concourse-masterplan



Improvements are on the way for the Concourse.

Arsonists fail to keep Beaumaris Girl Guides down.

On 6 September 2014, the Beaumaris Girl Guide Hall was attacked by arsonists. This special building, a place of learning, friendship, and community, suffered severe damage and many of the sacred contents important to the group's traditions and history were destroyed.



Beaumaris Girl Guides making leaders of tomorrow.

After a long struggle and without a place to call home, the renovated hall was officially reopened on 26 February 2016 looking better than ever. The ceremony was attended by many Guiding families of past and present, as well as many notable officials from the local community, including State Member for Sandringham Murray Thompson and Chris Shaw, Chairman of Beaumaris **Community Bank®** Company.

Guiding is a valuable organisation that helps girls to become future leaders of their community, allowing them the power to find confidence in themselves and overcome many challenges. As they rise from the ashes, Beaumaris Girl Guides will continue on with a renewed sense of purpose and enthusiasm.

The Beaumaris Girl Guides are currently welcoming new girls into the Brownie unit, ages 7-11, and the Guide unit, ages 11-15. Contact Girl Guides Victoria on 1300 447 548 for details on how to get your daughter involved or Jenny Holmes (Kookaburra) at 3193kookaburra@gmail.com.

Supporting the community.

3193 Sailing Cup.

3193 Sailing Cup was sponsored by Beaumaris **Community Bank**® Branch again this year. This hugely successful event in February pitted Black Rock Yacht Club against Beaumaris Yacht Club (BYC).



Getting to the start line.

This year it was hosted by Beaumaris and attracted over 24 boats racing in seven different divisions.

Beaumaris Yacht Club took out the trophy.



Will Sharp, BYC Rear Commodore holding the 3193 Sailing Cup trophy.

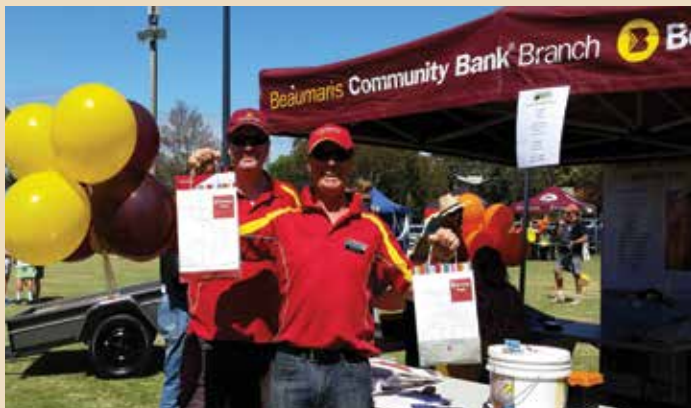


Winners are grinners.

A Day on Oak Street.

Beaumaris **Community Bank**® Branch was once again proud to sponsor A Day on Oak Street which is a fundraising event to establish Beaumaris Sports Club. Hundreds of locals turned out in February at Banksia Reserve for this popular event, to enjoy the sunshine, the tunes of Mental As Anything and many other activities and entertainment.

The new club will house Beaumaris Football Club, Lawn Tennis Club and Cricket Club under one roof in what will be an amazing sports and recreation facility for the whole community. Construction is expected to start soon.



Beaumaris **Community Bank**® Branch selling raffle tickets.

Lew's tips: Teaching kids about money.

Is teaching kids about money even more important with the increased use of plastic to pay for goods and services? Whatever is the case, good habits start early. Here's a quick tip from our Branch Manager Lew.

For small children up to teenagers try this:

Set up three jars labeled 'Save', 'Spend' and 'Share'. When the child receives money (pocket money, birthday money etc), they divide it up between each jar according to agreed proportions. And, hey presto! Before their very eyes small amounts effortlessly grow into big amounts.

Save: One very simple but powerful saving principle is to put 10 percent of all money received aside. In other words: only 10 cents in every dollar. Once a few dollars in the saving jar has accumulated, have the child put it quickly in the bank out of temptation's way.

Spend: The spending jar speaks for itself. This is for day-to-day spending as they wish. However, if there's not enough in the spending jar for what they want, guide them away from raiding the other jars!

Share: Don't underestimate the value of the share jar. Children instinctively love to give. The habit of giving away 10 cents in every dollar to worthy causes is a powerful way of teaching anyone gratitude for what they already have and compassion for those less fortunate. Small amounts to the share jar become effortless when done on a regular basis and the joy of giving motivates them to keep it going.

Looking for a terrific savings account for children with a big interest rate? Come into the Beaumaris **Community Bank**® Branch for information about the Bendigo PiggySaver.

Do you have a successful strategy for teaching kids about money?

Let's hear about it. We love to see good habits start early! Write to us at rebecca.pettigrew@bendigoadelaide.com.au or call 9589 5366 with your success story.



Free piggy bank giveaway!

In the month of May we're giving away free Piggy Banks to the young and young at heart.

Just drop by the branch with this newsletter and ask for your very own Bendigo Bank Piggy. Stock is limited so be quick!



Maddie Riewoldt fundraising night.

Congratulations to the Beaumaris Lions Club for a highly successful sporting night to raise funds for Maddie Riewoldt's Vision.

Maddie Riewoldt's Vision is a charity established by the Riewoldt family in honour of AFL footballers Nick and Jack Riewoldt's sister, Maddie, after she tragically died from Bone Marrow Failure Syndrome in 2015. The organisation was founded to help those with the disease and support research into treatment and a cure.

St Kilda Football Club captain, Nick Riewoldt, was the guest speaker, and \$5,500 raised from the function was presented to Nick on the night.

The Beaumaris Lions Club is keen to recruit new members (both male and female), to continue the great work done in the local community by the Lions Club over the past 44 years. Contact Graham Head on 9580 7809 for further information.



Left to right: Matt Finnis (CEO, St Kilda Football Club), Deb Lillie (President, Beaumaris Lions Club) and Nick Riewoldt (St Kilda Football Club captain).

Seen in Bayside.

People and dogs aren't the only ones enjoying the beaches in Bayside!

Down at Parkdale other four-legged friends are loving this sandy stretch.



Photo: Amanda Stokes Photography.

Beaumaris Football Club going from strength to strength.

The 2016 football season has kicked-off and for Beaumaris Football Club it promises to be another bumper season with 29 teams in the junior ranks, and five senior teams, including two teams in the Under 19's. The senior teams play in the Victorian Amateur Football League, the Under 19's play in Victoria's Premier Division for that age group, and our seniors play in Premier B.

All in all, the Beaumaris Football Club one of the biggest clubs in Australia with over 750 registered players in 34 teams!

In a great coup for Beaumaris FC, former AFL stars Stephen Milne and Adam Schneider have been signed to play for the club this season. Between them they played 502 AFL games and kicked 831 goals.

In the junior ranks the saddest news was the tragic accident to East Sandringham player Will Murray. In the recent tribute match for Will, Beaumaris Under 14's player Luke Cleary was asked to play in this game and wear Will's number. Will and Luke were co-vice captains in the Team Vic School Sport Australia Championship a few years ago. Luke wore the East Sandringham guernsey as a one off for the night.

Enjoy the footy!

The club welcomes all supporters and players. To keep up to date with the latest news, fixtures and events go to: www.beaumarisfc.com.au or 'like' them on Facebook: www.facebook.com/beaumarisfootballclub



U12s after winning the 2015 premierships.



2016 senior players at training.

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