





### **Opening day.**

After five years of continual hard work and lobbying by a group of passionate locals, opening day was finally here. Due to extreme weather the day was moved across to the Reardon Theatre, where the children of Port Fairy Consolidated School and St Pat's Primary School choir impressed the audience with their beautiful voices.

It was a morning filled with fun and cheer as Piggy handed out gifts for everybody, and prizes to the children for their efforts in the colouring competition. Community investments of \$500 were given to Port Fairy Childcare Action Group, St Brigid's Hall Crossley, Port Fairy Sea Scouts, Winter Weekends Dachshund Dash, Port Fairy Hospital Auxiliary, Port Fairy Show Society, Yambuk Community Inc and the Port Fairy Community Garden.

It was encouraging to see the benefits of the **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch on Opening Day!

To top off the morning The Port Fairy Rotary Club cooked up a delicious barbeque for everyone, and The Sweet Baker Melissa McDonald baked a delicious Hummingbird cake that was cut as part of opening celebrations.

The community then headed down to the branch and looked on as The Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch was officially opened by Project Developer - Michael Hearn, Michael Steel of Bamstone, Branch Manager Ashley King, Chairman of the Board Peter Langley and Alexandra Tullio, Wealth Distribution, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank.



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### From darkness to digital.

On Sunday 3 August 2014, the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch proudly supported a gardening and landscaping slide show at Port Fairy's Reardon Theatre. This was a fundraiser to assist the Port Fairy Film Society with their "From Darkness to Digital" campaign to upgrade the equipment in the Reardon Theatre to enable the continuation of movies being screened.

Without the upgrade, the 85 year long tradition of a summer cinema in Port Fairy can't continue. Michael Steel of Bamstone, together with Mark Browning of Cycas Landscape Design presented on their winning entry, which gave them "The Best in Show Award" at the 2014 Melbourne International Flower Show, as well as a silver medal at the Chelsea Flower Show in London.

There was a Q & A session after the slide show so the green fingered people of the district had a great opportunity to ask these gardening experts lots of questions.

Over \$2,300 was raised which included a community investment of \$500 from Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch made possible by the customers already supporting the bank with their business.

#### St Brigid's Church Crossley.



The Friends of St Brigid's Church Crossley is one of the first to receive sponsorship from the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**® Branch. Dennis Bushell accepted the cheque for \$500 which will help fund the upkeep of the Church Precinct which was purchased by the community in 2010.



The Port Fairy Childcare Action group has formed to combat the lack of childcare options in Port Fairy.

The Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch donated \$500 to support the action group in resolving this issue which impacts on a lot of families in the area.

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