



Third birthday and \$50,000 in grants and sponsorships.

Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch celebrated its third birthday of operation on Friday 23 June 2017. The occasion was marked with the announcing of over \$50,000 in grants and sponsorships to community organisations. This amount brings the total of community contributions from our **Community Bank**[®] branch to not-for-profit organisations and sporting clubs in our community to a significant \$150,000 in just three years since opening for business.

The celebrations were held in the branch with many recipients, Board members, branch staff and customers enjoying great coffee and a specially made birthday cake. During the day 11 district community organisations benefitted from the grants that were presented.

All recipients acknowledged the grants would greatly assist their projects and expressed gratitude with one declaring, "That is an awful lot of sausage sizzles."

Milestone - \$100 million in business.

Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has reached a major milestone with \$100 million in customers' business. This has been made possible by our customers supporting the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch.

Board of Directors Chair Ralph Leutton said the \$100 million milestone, which reflects the business conducted through the branch, was an achievement which should be celebrated by the community.

"From very humble beginnings, this locally-owned business has grown dramatically to the point where it is making a significant contribution in the local community and its economy."

Mr. Leutton paid tribute to the many people including the customers, the staff, the directors and the shareholders, who had worked together to bring a **Community Bank**[®] branch into being. In its short 3-year trading history, major milestones have been achieved.

"The **Community Bank**[®] model's point of difference works very successfully in Port Fairy because the locally-owned bank is receiving support from loyal, local customers," Mr Leutton said.

2017 financial year delivers more profit.

Customer support has continued to underpin increased revenue. Gross revenue increased by 7% to \$680,000 with net profit after tax of \$61,450 after approximately \$90,000 being invested in community grants and sponsorships during the 2016/17 financial year.

As the branch business is operating in profit year on year, the company's capital is in a stable position. Apart from start-up costs there has been no reduction of total equity in the balance sheet.

Point of difference - Building the community balance sheet

In addition to community grants and sponsorship relating to maintaining and growing the business, consideration might be given to projects that build the community balance sheet. Our contribution to the Sackville Street Bluestone Paving Project is a good example of this. The Streetscape Project is now an asset which has added to the community balance sheet.

We are now in a position to consider other suitable projects which provide a broader benefit and ongoing asset for the community.

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Directors: Ralph Leutton, Therese Abbott, Nicholas Abbott, Nicole Dwyer, Margaret Leutton, John Rahilly, Peter Langley, Diana Officer, Gabrielle Batt. **Non-Directors:** James Castley, Ashley King.

Port Fairy Winter Weekends Dachshund Dash.

The Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has been associated with this novel but hugely popular event since its inception and is now part of the Queen's Birthday Winter Weekends Program.

The event has grown year on year and showcases the little sausage dogs sprinting over a short course and some events over hurdles but graded through their age groups.

The Dogs Breakfast beforehand, held at the Fiddlers Green, is also popular with the dogs and their handlers enjoying a hearty breakfast before the parade to Southcombe Park for the big event.

Over recent years, an upgrade to the sound system at the venue was needed to improve the event and patrons' experience. The **Community Bank**[®] branch provided a grant of \$5,000 to the local cricket club to purchase an upgraded public address system and surveillance camera. This system will greatly assist the Dachshund Dash event but also the cricket club and other events such as the Folk Festival which also share the venue at Southcombe Park.



Staff members and branch opening details.



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Shaun and Elise Ploenges testimonial.

Ploenges Electrical is a business committed to providing the highest quality workmanship, competitive prices and local knowledge to ensure it exceeds customer expectations. Shaun and Elise strive to give their customers high quality service in a friendly and professional manner.

"The **Community Bank**[®] branch was so helpful in the setting up of our business. It supported us through a large transition from another bank and made the process very easy. Our business runs very smoothly with the help and guidance of the branch providing us a service no other bank was willing to offer. We would definitely encourage all businesses to use the **Community Bank**[®] branch."



Community Bank[®] branch customers - thank you!

The Board of the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] company wish to convey their great appreciation of their banks' customers.

Our point of difference is to benefit the wider Port Fairy district, and the only way that we can contribute so much back to the local organisations and community projects is through the **Community Bank**[®] company profits that is generated from our customers business.

Whilst a great debt of gratitude is owed to the shareholders who put their money up to establish our bank, it is the customers and their business that earn the profit to be ploughed back into the community.

All shareholders and residents of the district are encouraged to bring their business to the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch so we can build footings that will deliver greater investment back into the amenity of Port Fairy & District.



Community contributions on the third birthday and over the three years.

Moyneyana Festival	\$10,000	Port Fairy Football Netball Club	\$12,000
Port Fairy Surf Club	\$10,000	Port Fairy Cricket Club	\$5,000
Port Fairy Citizens Band	\$1,500	St John's Anglican Church	\$8,000
Port Fairy Golf Club	\$1,500	Friends of Griffiths Island	\$1,000
Port Fairy Marine Rescue	\$1,000	Port Fairy Petanque	\$500
Yambuk Hall Committee	\$500		



Since inception three years ago the customers of the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has supported the following organisations:

Winter Weekends - Dachshund Dash	Winter Weekends - All Abilities Football
Port Fairy Sea Scouts	Port Fairy Consolidated School
Port Fairy Probus Club	Child Care Action Group
Community Garden Group	St Brigid's Hall Crossley
Yambuk Progress Group	Port Fairy Hospital Auxiliary
Port Fairy Show Society	Port Fairy Film Society
Port Fairy Football Netball Club – Major Sponsor	St Patricks Primary School Port Fairy
Port Fairy Cricket Club	Moyneyana Festival Inc
Port Fairy Bowls Club	Port Fairy Business Assoc
Koroit Business & Tourism Association	Port Fairy Community Race Day
Koroit Race Day	Port Fairy Belfast Lions Art Show
Koroit Football Netball Club Tower Hill Challenge	Sackville Street Streetscape
Commonwealth C'ship Sheep Dog Trials	Port Fairy Surf Life Saving Club
Macarthur Men's Shed	Port Fairy Winter Weekends Festival
Fun4Kids	Port Fairy Marine Rescue Service
Gourmet Port Fairy	Macarthur Pony Club
ExLibris - Stories on Sackville St	ExLibris Writing Competition
Port Fairy Community House	Port Fairy Petanque
Kirkstall Recreation Reserve	Port Fairy Angling Club
South West Working Equitation Club	All Abilities Equestrian
Port Fairy Playgroup	Port Fairy Consolidated Parents & Friends
Port Fairy Tennis Club Inc.	Friends of Moyneyana House
St John's Strawberry Fete	Port Fairy Consolidated School Bazaar
St Pats Primary School Graduation Awards	Port Fairy Consolidated School Awards
Macarthur Music in the Vines	Port Fairy Jazz Festival
Brophy Family & Youth Services	Moyney Health Services
Port Fairy Belfast Loins	Port Fairy SES Unit

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Board profiles.

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited is the company which oversees the running of the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch. It is a Board of volunteer Directors who put many hours into attending Board and committee meetings ensuring the success of the business.

They are very community minded people who have come together to provide this platform that will produce revenue and profit that can be ploughed back into our community.

But they also are involved in numerous other community organisations which indicates their truly enormous community spirit.

Board Members and Interests:

Ralph Leutton: Moyne Health Services, Port Fairy Men's Shed, DemoDAIRY, Red Cross Emergency Services.

Peter Langley: Founding member Warrnambool Seahawks/Mermaids Basketball Club, Member Port Fairy Golf club and past Treasurer, member Warrnambool Golf Club, Vic Country Junior Basketball coach, Regional Basketball Squad Coach.

Tess Abbott: Craft group, coastal group, the football netball club and the surf life saving organisation.

Nick Abbott: Port Fairy Coastal Group (Chairman), Streetscape Committee, Men's Shed member.

Nicole Dwyer: Port Fairy Football Netball Club, Port Fairy Netball Association. Port Fairy Surf Life Saving Club, Port Fairy Consolidated School, Port Fairy Community Centre, Southcombe Park Committee of Management, Sport in Port.

Maggie Leutton: Warrnambool Emergency Services Team Member, Port Fairy Red Cross Branch, Servas Victoria / Australia, Moyne Health Services Volunteer.

Di Officer: Warrnambool Legacy Club, Warrnambool Lawn Tennis Club, Port Fairy Golf Club.

John Rahilly: Port Fairy Golf Club, St Brigid's Friends, Men's Shed.

Gaye Batt: Life Member Koroit Football/Netball Club, Life Member Hampden League Football/Netball Club, Current coach U/10 Koroit Netball Club.

2017 Annual General Meeting Port Fairy & District Community Bank[®] Branch.

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited, the company that oversees the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch will hold its 2017 Annual General Meeting on 31 October at 4.00pm at the Port Fairy Football Netball Club rooms Gardens Oval Port Fairy.

The meeting will also incorporate presentations or grants to a number of local organisations.

As well as notification to all shareholders, invitations will also be sent to local dignitaries and identities to celebrate the achievements of our community bank in only three years of operation.

Port Fairy & District Community Bank[®] Branch establishes naming rights to Moyneyanna Festival.

The Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch, in conjunction with the Moyneyanna Festival Committee, is pleased to announce its collaboration as the festivals naming rights sponsor.

Although the annual summer festival has been the recipient of contributions from the **Community Bank**[®] branch over recent years the grant of \$10,000 in June of this year to secure the naming rights allows the festival committee the ability to invest in the long term structure and sustainability of the festival as well as assisting in the annual operation of the event.

The Chair of the 70th Moyneyanna Festival Mr Reg Harry said, "I am extremely pleased with the local community input to the festival and to have the Port Fairy & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch support the festival to this extent further strengthens the integrity of the iconic festival. The festival, run by volunteers, has enjoyed the continued and loyal support of the local trades people and wider community for many, many years but this grant and its continuation will see the festival establish an even stronger footing in the Port Fairy Events calendar."



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