



## Calliope Garden Club Inc. opening.

The Calliope Community Garden Official Opening was held on 14 October, in part to thank those local companies including the Calliope & District **Community Bank®** Branch who have been instrumental in helping them grow.

These volunteers have created a beautiful and fruitful area in the centre of Calliope which in the future will supply fruit and vegetables to anyone. Calliope & District **Community Bank®** Branch are pleased to be involved with this community building project.

## Defibrillator unit kits.

We have proudly been able to donate three brand new defibrillator units throughout Calliope and surrounding communities. The offer was graciously taken up by Nagoorin Progress Association in the Boyne Valley, The Rotary Club of Calliope and the Calliope Central Bowls Club Inc. This will assist our local community and beyond to help save lives. Another great initiative in support of our community by the Calliope & District **Community Bank®** Branch.



Without our wonderful customers and all your continued support this would not be possible, we appreciate you all and thank you.

## Ubobo State School.



Calliope & District **Community Bank®** Branch prides itself on supporting the local community, this includes the local schools and Ubobo State School is just one of our successful grant recipients who received money to purchase a set of three new flagpoles. The ability to fly multiple flags allows the school the ongoing opportunity to recognise special events throughout the year and represent all members of the community including Indigenous Australians. Ubobo State School hosts an annual ANZAC Day service for the three schools of the Boyne Valley, their families and community members.

This was another great initiative supported by the community for the community.

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## Benaraby Central Queensland Drivers Education Centre.

We are proud to announce that the Benaraby Drivers Education Centre is officially open as of 4 May 2018. The Calliope & District **Community Bank**® Branch have contributed \$250,000 towards this project in support of making our region and the greater surrounding communities safer in aiding the prevention of fatalities on the road. This facility will enable people of all ages to be better educated where driving is concerned. It will not only improve driving skills and techniques, but it will give lifelong skills that will help reduce the road trauma we currently experience on our roads. A fantastic initiative for the community from the community.



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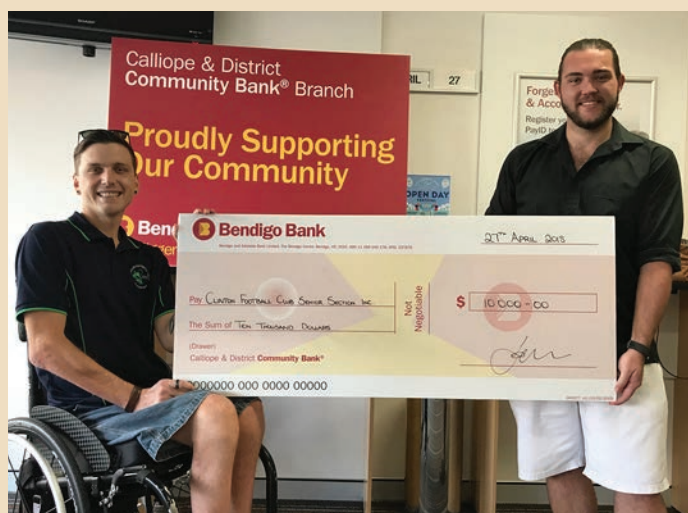
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## Clinton Football Club Senior Section Inc.

Calliope & District **Community Bank**® Branch has undertaken a four year sponsorship to support the Clinton Football Club Senior Section Inc., which is currently the largest football club in the Central Queensland area and the only team representing the Gladstone Region in the Premier League competition, the most elite competition available in Central Queensland. The club as a whole's mission statement is to welcome players and supporters from all backgrounds, cultures and genders to be a part of the community and to participate in the game of football with pride. This is what we love to do here at the Calliope & District **Community Bank**® Branch, to champion on our local community in supporting a variety of organisations. A **Community Bank**® branch supporting their community, it doesn't get better than that!



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## Branch Manager's report.

**Community Bank**® branches are celebrating their 20th birthday this year. Australia wide, there are currently 313 **Community Bank**® branches who, over this time, who have put back \$183 million into their communities. In Queensland alone, \$17 million has been distributed back into the community of which over \$6 million has come from the seven branches in Central Queensland stretching from Sarina down to Hervey Bay. As stated in the Chairman's report (right), this branch has returned \$1.55 million back into the greater Calliope community.

Over the last couple of years, our balance sheet growth has slowed due to the economic downturn we are going through and therefore, the Board has decided to restructure the branch staffing requirements to allow it to focus more on the opportunities that will deliver the growth and build stronger community relationships.

In the coming weeks, my position will change to a Business Development Officer's role which will allow me more flexibility to engage with existing and new customers outside of the branch and to acquire new, and strengthen existing, partnerships. We will be welcoming Jo Lumley to the **Community Bank**® branch to take on the role of Branch Manager. Jo has 12 years of retail banking experience with eight of those years being in home, investment and personal lending. Jo will be well known to some of you having previously worked for another financial institution in Gladstone.

This will be an exciting time in our **Community Bank**® branch as we take the journey to grow our business, deliver more funding for community projects and most importantly, provide our existing and new customer base with another level of service that will better suit their banking needs, now and into the future.

**John Wessling**  
Branch Manager

## 2018 Calliope & District Community Bank® Branch Scholarship recipients.

We are proud to introduce the 2018 Calliope & District **Community Bank**® Branch Scholarship recipients Sydney Mann (top) and Jane O'Brien (bottom).

Sydney is currently studying a Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice Degree at the Griffith University over the next three years.

Jane is studying both a Bachelor of Law and Bachelor of Psychology Science Degrees, also at Griffith University which will take five years to complete.

This program runs for two years consecutively for each recipient where they will receive \$5,000 each per year to help them with expenses incurred to undertake these studies. This offer occurs year in and year out, two students for two years. We take pride in championing on the youth in our local community, to propel them into a successful future and these scholarships help them in so many ways.

Another way we at the Calliope & District **Community Bank**® Branch supports our community.



## Chair's report.

As we near the end of our ninth financial year I would like to thank our community for the support of the Calliope & District **Community Bank**® Branch you have given us.

Thanks to your support we have been able to contribute to our community via grants, sponsorship and donations to the amount of \$1.55 million over the past nine years.

As you will be aware, the Central Queensland Drivers Education Centre was officially opened in May this year, thanks to seed funding of \$250,000 provided by your **Community Bank**® branch. Our collaboration with the Federal Government and Gladstone Regional Council has resulted in a facility which is available to all drivers wishing to improve their defensive driving.

Our aim in supporting the Benaraby Motorsports groups in their project is to decrease the road toll in our region, particularly in young drivers. You can also be a part of this by encouraging young drivers to attend the courses.

We are always looking for ways to help build our community resources, so if you have some ideas please let a Director or staff member know.

**Jo Hill**  
Chair



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## Funding news.

### Sponsorship

Calliope Country Club Limited	\$1,500	Ladies Open Golf Championships – Trophies and prizes
Mt Larcom & District Show Society Inc.	\$11,450	Woodchops, Caged Birds, Poultry and Show Ball – 2018 Mt Larcom Show
Gladstone Ports Corporation	\$7,000	Botanic to Bridge Run
Calliope & District Campdraft Association Inc.	\$3,000	2018 Campdraft – Silver Sponsorship
Clinton Football Club Senior Section Inc.	\$10,000	4 year Sponsorship – Dress shirts, polos and equipment
Calliope Polocrosse Club Inc.	\$1,000	Calliope Annual Carnival Chukka Competition
Calliope Garden Club Inc.	\$2,500	Speaker Event

### Grants

Calliope Junior Rugby League Club	\$1,500	New shirts and polos under 12 team
Anglican Parish of Gladstone – Brekky Club	\$5,000	Provide brekky for the kids at Calliope State School every Friday.
Calliope Football Club Inc.	\$11,073	New goal posts
Ubobo State School P & C Association	\$1,843	Three flagpoles
Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre	\$2,500	2018 Elders Country Music Campout
Calliope Garden Club Inc.	\$6,170	Shed
Calliope Kindergarten & Preschool Ass. Inc.	\$1,441	Community Garden
Community Enterprise Foundation™	\$120,000	Community grants

### Donations

Various - Total	\$2,950
Grand total funding	\$188,926



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