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Newsletter

Community Bank · Bindoon and Bullsbrook-Ellenbrook

Chairs Report

Banking in Australia is going through huge change and the ramifications of the Royal Commission are still working through the whole industry. Customers visiting branches continue to reduce as online banking is embraced by more and more of our customers. In a low interest rate environment, our staff need to work very hard to get deals across the line. Fortunately, Bendigo products and rates have been adapted to be able to hold up well against other lenders.

Over the past 20 years the Community Bank model has lost momentum within our region. Residents may not be unaware of the purpose, the benefits or services offered at a local branch. We are still very competitive and offer the same services as our competitors around Australia.

To remain a viable and relevant business in the community into the future we need your support and ask you to consider Community Bank Bindoon and Bullsbrook-Ellenbrook as your main banking partner.

Annual Profits

2021 - \$77,075

2020 - \$84,204

2019 - \$68,746

2018 - \$105,796

2017 - (\$44,539)

2016 - (\$63,657)

2015 - \$44,460

2014 - (\$49,178)

2013 - (\$85,847)

2012 - \$46,168

2011 - \$28,574

Full Financial and Chairs reports are available online.

www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/wa/bendigo-bank-bullsbrook-ellenbrook/

We like to think of ourselves as being part of a big family that cares a lot. And our family has a big announcement to make.

Our national Community Bank network has gone from investing \$58 million in local communities 10 years ago to a total of \$272 million to date. Yep, \$272 million reinvested into local Australian communities since 1998.

It's an amazing milestone - and it's been made possible thanks to you. Look out for some stories on how our Community Bank is making good things happen in our community.

#communitybanking
#supportingourcommunity
#supportlocal #strongertogether
#BankLocal

Who do we support?

Chittering Chamber of Commerce

Bindoon & Districts Bowling Club

Shire of Chittering

Swan Valley Community Centre

Soldiers & Sirens

Swan Valley Memory Cafe

Bindoon Primary School P&C

Bullsbrook Cricket Club

South Midland Pony Club

Bullsbrook Netball

Bullsbrook Residents & Ratepayers

Muchea Progress Association

Bindoon Belles CWA

Chittering Emergency Preparedness Session

Sascha, Bee, Eve and Cath represented us at an event hosted by the Shire of Chittering and Australia Red Cross.

The session taught how to prepare your mind and thoughts for an emergency. It covered easy steps to plan and identify important items. Filled with real-life anecdotes, discussion and activities.

We spoke to guests regarding Insurance Cover and protecting your home, contents and life.



We're here for you and so is Dave.

We invite everyone to reconsider your banking options and make Bullsbrook-Ellenbrook or Bindoon Community Bank Branches your primary bank. And yes, that includes a session around the kitchen table if you wish with our mobile Business Development Manager - call to book a meeting with David Blyton 0499 994 936





Bindoon Make-over

The beautification of our garden was an important project for the Chittering Community Bank board. They wanted to show the team and the town they cared to make the branch a nice workplace to walk into each day.

The initial planning and planting were completed by two of our directors, John and Nicky. The plants were purchased from Muchea Tree Farm and other supplies were purchased from Mitre10. The final magic makeover and ongoing care was delivered by a local resident, Sarah, who has amazing gardening talent. We cannot believe the results and hope it makes you as happy as us!

Save the date - We're turning 20!

Community Bank Bindoon opened its doors on 6 July 2002. We will be celebrating our 20th birthday in 2022.

Save the date and join us for festivities with cake and candles.



Buzzing Delight

Little Eeden Farm and honey have been running in Bindoon for about six years. They recently added The Hive Café to their farm last November. You can visit them on the weekend or organise group bookings for a mid-week honey tasting. You'll find their best-selling bush honey to try as well as a range of honey infusions and sauces. If you're after something a little unusual be sure to try their Bee Tea which has ginger, honey, turmeric, black pepper, and cinnamon. It's a little bit spice but amazing to try something different!

Bullsbrook Country Fair

Great events like this don't run themselves and the volunteers at Bullsbrook Residents and Ratepayers Association worked very hard to ensure it ran smoothly. We were glad to help with our \$2500 sponsorship for the event. It's a great opportunity to showcase what the community has to offer with homewares, food trucks, vintage car displays, animal petting farm, wood chopping competition, and the RAAF's 100th anniversary year celebration. This event was our "Bullsbrook Bindoon" banners last outing. We are hoping to see our branch makeovers soon in the new branding colours. So watch this space!



Business of the month

You too can nominate a 'Business of the Month' like Little Eeden Farm.

Tag your nomination on Facebook @communitybankbindoon

@CommunityBankBullsbrookEllenbrook

Bank local.

Your bank - Your town

Everything you need.

Staff highlight

Recently our staff were encouraged to participate in an internal Bendigo Bank product quiz. It ran across all states and Rachel from our Bullsbrook-Ellenbrook branch was one of two winners Australia-wide. She won a one-day professional development course through Swinburne Professional.



Team development and training is vital to delivering excellent customer service.

Talk to us today

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Shares Available

Are you an existing shareholder wanting to increase your parcel, or a resident wanting to invest in a local business?

Register your interest in purchasing shares online
www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/wa/bendigo-bank-bullsbrook-ellenbrook/lvm-shares/

Or email our Company Secretary for a manual form:
admin@bullsbrookbindoon.com.au



Dementia Action Week

Community Bank Bullsbrook-Ellenbrook were delighted to be part of an inaugural Dementia Friendly Community Forum held in Caversham to inform and educate businesses and community groups around what we can all do to welcome for people living with dementia, as well as their family, friends and carers.

In conjunction with The City of Swan, Swan Valley Memory Café and Alzheimers WA, attendees found out about how a little support can make a big difference.

Did you know - our board of directors are community and business minded volunteers who all live in the region.

