

## Community Bank · Keith & Districts

### A message from our Chair

I am honoured to introduce myself as the new Chair of Community Bank Keith and Districts. Having grown up in this community and now returned home to live in Padthaway with my husband and two young children, this role feels both professionally significant and personally meaningful to me

Like many local families, I have seen firsthand the important role our Community Bank plays not only in providing essential banking services, but in actively supporting the people. That commitment to reinvesting in our region is what motivated me to become involved at the board level.

Professionally, I am a senior lawyer with over a decade of experience, currently working remotely as in-house counsel specialising in commercial law. My career has focused on acquisitions, project implementation and innovation.

Looking ahead, my focus is on ensuring our Community Bank remains responsive, sustainable and forward-thinking. I look forward to working closely with the board, our branch team and our shareholders as we continue to invest in and support our region.

Amy Haydon

Chair Good Country Financial Services

### Allow us to introduce the Board of Directors of Good Country Financial Services.

#### Carlene Russell

I'm delighted to introduce myself as Secretary of the Board. I live at Sherwood (Landfall) on a 540-hectare farm with my partner, Andrew Nicolson. Between our 1,500 Merino ewes, four daughters and five gorgeous granddaughters, life is wonderfully busy.

Professionally, I completed a Bachelor of Business (Property) and Certificate in Conveyancing and have over 40 years of experience in property and project work. My passion for community led me to join the Board four years ago as I truly believe in our mission to combine exemplary banking with sustainable philanthropic support for our region

My volunteer background ranges from Secretary of the Garville Netball Club to raising \$150,000 in 3 years for Variety as part of the SA Variety Bash. I really enjoy trying to play golf at the Keith Golf Club – I'm still waiting for the "penny to drop" with my swing but am happy to help the club secure grants in the meantime.

I am committed and have enjoyed working with our talented committee and dedicated Branch Staff and find it incredibly rewarding to be part of a team that continue making a meaningful difference locally.

# Mandy Clarke

I am married to my husband, Nigel. Together we have two children and, in recent weeks, we've been delighted to welcome two grandchildren into the family.

We live just outside Bordertown on a small farm along the Dukes Highway, where we enjoy the lifestyle and strong sense of community that comes with living in the region.

I currently work as an Executive Officer at Tatiara District Council, a role I have held for the past 15 years. Prior to this, I briefly managed the Westpac Instore branch in Naracoorte, and earlier in my career worked in the health sector as a Personal Assistant and Quality Manager.

My primary interest lies in governance, and I enjoy contributing my skills and experience where they can be most useful. 2026 marks my second year volunteering as a Director on the Board. I find it fascinating to gain a deeper understanding of the banking sector and particularly rewarding to be involved in providing grants and sponsorships that support our local community and help bring valuable projects and initiatives to life.

I have also been actively involved in a range of community organisations, including the Lake Charlegrark Recreation Reserve Committee, Lake Charlegrark Country Music Marathon Committee, Border Districts Netball Club, Edenhope Children's Service, Edenhope Aspley Football Club, Padthaway Primary School Governing Council, Padthaway Progress Association, Bordertown Netball Club Junior Committee and Gum Tree Quilters.

Supporting community groups and initiatives has always been important to me, and I value the opportunity to continue contributing to the region in meaningful ways.



## Save the date.

Good Country Financial Services Limited will hold its AGM on **Wednesday 11 November 2026.**

For anyone interested in becoming a Director, please contact our Chair **Amy Haydon** at [Amy.Haydon@kdcb.com.au](mailto:Amy.Haydon@kdcb.com.au) or our Secretary **Carlene Russell** at [Secretary@kdcb.com.au](mailto:Secretary@kdcb.com.au)

## Here are a few of the groups who have benefited from Sponsorships during 2025.

Keith Sports Centre

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Bordertown Spring Festival and Show

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Keith Netball Club

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Kowree, Naracoorte, Tatiara Football League

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Naracoorte Show

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Keith & District Motorcycle Club

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Kowree, Naracoorte, Tatiara Netball Association

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Keith Football Club

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Bordertown Football Club

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Padthaway Cricket and Football Club

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Christmas in Keith

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Keith Tennis Club

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Tintinara Bowling Club

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Get Home Safe Foundation

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Keith Art Group

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Keith Swimming Club

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Rotary Club of Bordertown

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Keith and District Campdraft Club

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Keith War Memorial Community Centre

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## Grant Round #11 opening on Monday March 16 at 9am and will close at 5pm on Thursday April 30.

This Grant Round, Community Bank Keith & Districts is offering 10 \$1000 Grants to community groups for projects being undertaken in our area. To apply please follow the link below and submit your application via the SmartyGrants platform.

<https://communitybankkeith.smartygrants.com.au/>

and follow the link to Community Investment Grant Round #11 2026

Big on community.

## Keith & Districts Grant Program.



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### Jo Menz

Hi, I'm Jo Menz. I moved to Keith when I was 5 so I'm not a 'true' local but pretty close! I grew up on my family farm in Sherwood and now run my own business, JEM Wellness in town, providing both social work and remedial massage therapy services. I have 2 beautiful boys who keep me very busy when I'm not at work and my partner Marco is probably the only Estonian in town. I joined the board as I love the community aspect of the Community Bank Keith & Districts. I love the idea that the more we support the bank, the more the bank can support our community!

### It's a win-win when you bank with us.

When you bank with us you help support the clubs, projects and organisations at the heart of our community.

We're bigger for sharing our profits with you.

### Melissa Rodda

My name is Melissa Rodda and I'm a proud rural woman, originally born and raised in Adelaide. Life took a wonderful turn when I met and fell in love with a farmer, and I eventually moved to the small town of Keith where I now live with my husband on our little hobby farm, surrounded by animals and the beauty of country life.

Community and connection mean everything to me. I'm deeply passionate about supporting rural women, particularly when it comes to body confidence, hormonal changes, and navigating the often challenging journey through perimenopause and menopause. Living in a rural community has shown me how many women quietly carry these struggles, and I'm passionate about creating spaces where women feel heard, supported and empowered.

My love for community is also what led me to join the Bendigo Community Bank Board, where I serve on both the Community Engagement Subcommittee and the HR Subcommittee. I wanted to be part of strengthening our local community by helping increase awareness of our Community Bank, supporting local initiatives, and ensuring the bank continues to give back and create opportunities for the people and organisations that make our town thrive.

I'm someone who loves colour, creativity and self-expression. I adore dressing up, playing with makeup and beauty, and I have a wonderfully eclectic taste in music, although I will always be a huge fan of Lady Gaga and Pink. I'm also a devoted fan of RuPaul's Drag Race, which perfectly matches my love of bold personalities and celebrating individuality.

When I'm not working with women in my community or contributing to local initiatives, you'll usually find me relaxing with a good glass of wine, spending time with friends and family, and dreaming up new ways to help women feel confident, connected and proud of who they are.

## Louise Densley

Originally from Adelaide, I have a background in environmental management. I have been fortunate enough to work on a range of projects in rural and regional locations across the ACT, Victoria and SA for over 20 years. The diversity is always interesting and there is something unique about project implementation in regional Australia when it comes community expression of ownership, interest and the desire to do well. The Community Bank is a standout example of this.

I live with my husband on a mixed cropping and livestock farm in Keith and split my time between casual project work from home and raising our three young children.

I joined the GCFS Board initially in 2016 and again in 2025 to contribute to the work of the Community Bank as its services our district. My areas of interest are governance and risk management.

I retain my connection to the outdoors environment through membership with the Friends of Mount Monster and as Secretary of Keith Swimming Club.

## Talk to us today

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### We're open:

Monday to Thursday 9:30am to 4:30pm

Friday 9:30 to 5:00pm

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### Directors

Amy Haydon, Carlene Russell, Jo Menz, Melissa Rodda, Pru Rankine, Mark Bunnnett, Mandy Clarke and Louise Densley

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## Mark Bunnnett

I am married with four teenage children and have lived in Keith for the past 18 years. I am a butcher by trade and now own and manage the Keith IGA and the Keith Meat Shoppe. Through these businesses I have been lucky enough to meet and connect with many people across our local community.

I joined the Good Country Financial Services Board about 12 months ago and am part of the Finance Committee. I wanted to get involved because I believe organisations like this are vital in helping small communities like Keith continue to grow and thrive.

Over the years I've been involved in a number of local committees and volunteer roles, and I believe it's important to give back and support the community that supports you.



## Pru Rankine

I live in the Marcollat area with my partner, a local farmer, and our two young children. Having been so warmly welcomed by the community, I feel grateful our children get to grow up on a farm in such a beautiful area. I joined the board to give back to the community that has embraced our family and am passionate about supporting initiatives that make a meaningful difference.

I spent more than 15 years in corporate leadership roles specialising in commercial digital strategy and now work from home providing consulting services in eCommerce and marketing, while also contributing to our family's farming enterprise.

I've had the privilege of serving on the board for just over a year and currently chair the HR Committee and co-chair the CEIC Committee. I'm proud to be part of an organisation that supports our community and reinvests in programs that create real impact.