

# Looking back at 2016.

### Roadcraft driver education.

Roadcraft Gympie was created because of the concern generated by the number of teenagers killed on the area's roads every year. For the past 33 years, Roadcraft has been educating road users of all ages by providing effective road safety education programs and we are proud to help save lives by doing our part through sponsorships; most recently towards the new Bike track opened in September 2016.



### Heart of Gold International Short Film Festival.

Held in Gympie every year in October proved to be very successful again this year with the support and sponsorship from the Gympie & District **Community Bank®** Branch. The aim is to showcase well-crafted, nourishing and uplifting short films from around the world. The festival has become renowned for its high quality programme that suits a large variety of filmgoers of all ages.



With the festival fast gaining an international reputation for showing quality '24-karat' short films, talent has been drawn from all four 'corners' of the globe – from Chile and Canada to South Africa and Denmark!

### JKS Karate.

Gympie & District **Community Bank®** Branch involvement in the local JKS Karate Club has been going from strength to strength. In August 2009 JKS Gympie Honbu Dojo became the first independent JKS Club in Australia that has direct affiliation with the Japan Karate Shoto-Federation (JKS) in Japan. They are also the first karate club in Australia to offer Wheelchair karate! In 2016 our donation helped them hold the 7th international Gasshuku – (Karate Seminar) of JKS Australia.



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## Gympie & District Community Bank® Branch sponsorships/ donations.

Since our inception in 2005, Gympie & District Community Bank® Branch has been supporting the local community. Community Engagement evenings are held twice a year where local organisations that require sponsorship are invited to join us for more information about the sponsorship process. A total of \$49,300 was donated during the two sponsorship rounds in 2016.

#### Organisations sponsored in 2016.

- · Gympie Library literary Awards
- · Gympie Poultry Club
- · Chamber of Commerce Awards Night
- · Heart of Gold International Film Festival
- · JKS Karate Shoto-Renmei Club
- · Foundation Scholarships
- · Old Arts Council Mary River Festival
- · Albert Ladies Bowl Club
- · Friends of the Gallery Portrait Competition
- · Albert Park Men's Bowl
- Hope Reins
- Roadcraft
- · Life Education Van
- · GRC Careers Expo
- · Mary Valley Art Festival
- Far-A-Way Riders Association
- · Gympie Hammers Rugby Club
- · Glenwood Cultural Society



## Bendigo literary awards.



For the past nine years Gympie & District Community Bank® Branch has been sponsoring the literary awards. One of the aims of a literary competition such as this, is to expose the many hidden talents of people in this area which may otherwise go unrecognised, and to encourage the writing and illustrating talents of all who choose to participate. Literary pearls could be entered into three categories -Short Story section, Poetry Section and Picture Book Section.

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