



SUDDENLY ... IT'S CHRISTMAS

We have been busy working with our community to support them during the last few months of lockdown and as our region opens up again ... and suddenly, it's Christmas.

Our board and staff have been working hard along with some of our wonderful traders to create a series of Christmas Twilight Shopping nights. This is an important opportunity to support our local businesses and the families behind them.

On Thursdays, December 3, 10 and 17 retailers and cafes will open from 6pm to provide additional opportunities for residents to shop local. Local buskers and an enchanting display of Christmas windows will add to the festive atmosphere.

And ... who doesn't love a Christmas hamper?

Purchase from a participating business to receive a free entry for the opportunity to win one of three 'Healesville Hampers'. With generous donations from a range of traders, topped up with locally purchased goodies, we have put together three exciting hampers which are on display in our window.

Keep an eye out also in the Star Mail Newspaper for two Christmas Twilight Shopping promotions generously funded by the good folk at Four Pillars Gin.

We hope you'll join us in supporting our local economy, our local businesses and our local families.

Like you, we are looking forward to a much less challenging year in 2021; to renewing our support for some local events, and to creating new relationships with community organisations and charitable groups.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season shared with family and friends.

Caroline Evans

Chair, Marketing & Development Committee

Healesville Twilight Shopping

THURSDAYS FROM 6PM
26TH NOVEMBER • 3RD DECEMBER
10TH DECEMBER • 17TH DECEMBER

SHOP LOCAL
THIS CHRISTMAS

HAPPILY SUPPORTED BY
FOUR PILLARS GIN
COMMUNITY BANK • HEALESVILLE

Everyone who purchases from a Healesville trader receives a free entry to win one of three Healesville Hampers!
(Ends 17th Dec • Winners announced 21st Dec)

WE ♥ HEALESVILLE!

 

"How lucky we are, where we live, to have the community support we do,"

Alison Gommers – Executive Officer, HICCI.

CHAIR UPDATE

Our 9th Annual General Meeting was held via zoom on 21 November with a number of shareholders and directors in attendance.

We were delighted to have Melissa Handbury and Julie Kugler from Lyrebird College as our special guests, following our announcement in August of them being our 2000th customer. They were presented with funds for their Library.

In addition, I was able to report that HDCEL now has over \$90M in deposits and lending and made a net profit of \$43,205 in 2019-20, resulting in a net equity deficit position of \$84,000 which we hope will be overcome this year, allowing a dividend to be paid to shareholders.

It has been such a challenging year for all of us with COVID restrictions and impact and I want to take this opportunity to again reach out to customers, businesses and shareholders to say that if there is any way we can further assist you then please talk with one of our very helpful staff team in the branch.

On February 18 we will celebrate 10 years as a Community Bank. I would ask that you put this date in your diary.

Prior to this of course is Christmas and we are supporting the four Thursday night shopping nights in Healesville leading up to Christmas.

On this note can I take this opportunity on behalf of the Board and Staff to wish all our shareholders and customers a very safe and happy Christmas and we look forward to partnering with you in 2021.

Bruce Argyle
Chair

Healesville & District Community Enterprise Ltd



Dan Mathers (Asst. Branch Manager),
Alison Gommers (HICCI),
Caroline Evans (Bank Director),
Ben Arnold (My Little Kitchen)



HICCI's Allison Gommers and her team were thrilled with a donation of \$1200 in October which saw My Little Kitchen preparing 100 meals for people in need.

By supporting My Little Kitchen's ongoing initiative where the local community could pay forward a meal to supply to HICCI for home delivery, the \$1200 was working double-time to help a local business keep staff employed and the business open.

Healesville Community Bank Director, Caroline Evans, said the decision to provide ongoing support to HICCI, especially during a tough COVID year, was an easy one.

HICCI has been an integral part of the Healesville, Yarra Glen and surrounding communities for many years.

"We admire the work they do in supporting the disadvantaged and those struggling in our community through a whole sweep of services that they provide.

"As part of our COVID-19 response, we were also working hard to support local businesses," Caroline said.

So, if you're a Healesville Community Bank shareholder or customer ... this is how YOU make these good things happen!

**Merry Christmas
and a happier new
year**

If you need us over the festive season, our team is here for you.

Find out more. Call 5962 1011 or search Bendigo Bank
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SAVE THE DATE

10TH BIRTHDAY

Post-COVID Community Celebration/Community Bank 10th Birthday. A free BBQ at Queen's Park Tennis Club, **THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY**, from 5pm. All welcome with RSVP details to follow.

ROTARY DOGS' DAY OUT

Start grooming your pet pooch for a fun day down at Coronation Park. This fun, community event will be back on **SUNDAY, 21 MARCH** from 11am to 3pm. Entry forms available at the Community Bank, local stores and Healesville Vet Clinic.

WOMEN 4 WOMEN

Healesville Women 4 Women's 2021 event "Like a Girl, Like a Woman" is on **SUNDAY, 28 MARCH**. Keep up-to-date with what's planned and what's happening on the Women 4 Women facebook page.

MINI FILM FESTIVAL

No date for this film-lovers' day of fantastic films as yet, but keep an eye out on the Community Bank notice board ... we'll let you know as soon as we hear when, what and where for this popular annual event! Or, search Yarra Ranges Film Society for their facebook or website.



We've had lots of comments on our September newsletter photo announcing Lyrebird College as our 2000th customer.

It was a very ordinary Covid-distanced photo until our Director, Danny Zemp transformed it into a delightful, happy pic with his cartoon skills.

Danny's talent was recognised by his peers this month when he was one of five nominees in the prestigious Australian Cartoonists Association's 36th Stanley Awards in the Event Cartoonist category.

While it is definitely not the only skill Danny brings to the Board, his unique talent as a cartoonist is an asset to Healesville Community Bank and the Healesville community. Congratulations on the nomination Danny.

Visit the Healesville Community Bank Branch facebook, Danny Zemp facebook, or look in the Star Mail for more of Danny's work.

Christmas trading hours

Thursday 24 December – 9.30am to 4pm
Friday 25 December – Closed
Saturday 26 December – Closed
Sunday 27 December – Closed
Monday 28 December – Closed
Tuesday 29 December – 9.30am to 4pm
Wednesday 30 December – 9.30am to 4pm
Thursday 31 December – 9.30am to 4pm
Friday 1 January – Closed
Saturday 2 January – Closed

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SHAREHOLDER REPORT

This year has been a big one for us all and for our community. As Shareholders in the Healesville Community Bank you have contributed much to the community through the fact that up to 80% of our profits go back to the community and to community projects.

If you are banking with us and encourage friends and family to do so, it will increase our profits and thereby increase the support we can provide to the community of Healesville and the district. It is a great reason to bank locally! Increasing our profits will also mean we will be closer and closer to being able to start paying dividends to shareholders. Stay with us and make sure you encourage others to consider us for their banking needs and we will all benefit. While we did not hold a shareholder event this year due to the restrictions, we will back bigger and better next year!

We would remind shareholders who may have any change in contact details (phone, email or postal) to let us know at shares@hdccl.com.au or pop in to the branch and leave your new details with our friendly staff.

We still have some shareholders who due to personal circumstances would like to sell their shares – if you are interested in increasing your shareholding, or have friends who may be interested in purchasing shares please get in touch at shares@hdccl.com.au.

If you have any questions regarding share trading, please contact us at shares@hdccl.com.au.

Helen Wood
Company Secretary



BECOME A SHAREHOLDER

Are you interested in being a shareholder of your local community bank? Your support helps put up to 80% of our profits into the community.

Help us help Healesville and email shares@hdccl.com.au if you are interested in buying shares or would like to add to your current shareholding.

You can also support the community by encouraging a friend or family member to consider buying shares or banking local!



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