

Autumn 2014

Community Snapshot



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North Alphington Cricket Club Premiers 2014.

Proud premiers!

The North Alphington Cricket Club vets team pulled off a great premiership victory, beating Canterbury by five runs in a nail-biting end to the season. The East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg **Community Bank®** branches are a proud sponsor of the club that sports two vets team, seven junior teams and a milo cricket program with more than 100 participants.

Well done NACCERS!

Chairman's message



Last year we celebrated a huge milestone for our two branches, reaching \$2 million in grants and sponsorships to community groups and projects in this area. Thanks to the many customers who

support our two branches, that figure has already grown beyond \$2.3 million.

As well as our significant annual sponsorships and grants for schools, kindergartens, sporting groups, arts groups and charitable organisations, we have a couple of major projects we are looking at in the Heidelberg area. We are working closely with Banyule City Council to support projects that will make a huge difference to many residents across our area – so stay tuned for an announcement soon.

As Chairman, I am extremely proud of what we have achieved through our two **Community Bank®** branches in East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg. The **Community Bank®** model is all about investing the profits from your banking back into the community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our many customers for their support of our two branches, and invite others to consider switching to us – as every term deposit, loan, or insurance product helps our business grow and ultimately helps our community prosper.

David Mayne,
Chairman

Ivanhoe Diamond Valley Centre Sensory Garden

Another project keenly supported by the East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg **Community Bank®** branches is the development of a sensory garden at the Ivanhoe Diamond Valley Centre, located in Macleod. The centre provides support to more than 160 people with disabilities, many of whom have intensive support requirements and sensory disabilities including vision and hearing impairments.



Plans for IDV Sensory Garden.

Studies have indicated that individuals with intensive support requirements, reduced cognitive abilities and capacity (skills, levels of independence), or with declining mental functions as they age (for example, dementia), operate more on a sensory level. The common focus of all sensory gardens is the creation of an immersive

experience that appeals to one or more of the five senses; that is beyond the scope and design of an average garden.

In addition, the sensory garden also becomes a space for healing for many members of the community, not only for those with physical, mental and social challenges, but those among us who need five minutes of down time to stop and reflect on our day. The garden will provide a safe, relaxing, nurturing and familiar environment.



Staff member Adam presents David Williams from IDV with a cheque for their Sensory Garden.

Heidelberg District Community Enterprise Limited 233 -235 Lower Heidelberg Road, East Ivanhoe VIC 3079 **ABN** 62 095 312 744

Directors: David Mayne, Nancy Caple, Russell Hutchins, Brett Purchase, Paul Gittings, Lyndy Stagg, Janette Corcoran, Brian Simpson, Graham Norman, Lynne Johnson and Geva Murano.

Manager's report



Sam Pearce
Senior Manager,
Heidelberg **Community Bank**[®] Branch.



Greg Arnott
Branch Manager, East
Ivanhoe **Community Bank**[®] Branch.

insurances, the more funds we are able to distribute back to the community.

We are still working hard to increase our market share in the residential home loan market, so please give us the opportunity to look at your full home loan package and see what we can do to get you a better deal, as well as supporting us to contribute more back to your community. And remember, if you are affiliated with a school, kinder or sports club, please let us know so that we can ensure that group receives support from our branches. Both Greg Arnott and I are available to discuss your current banking and lending, and we are happy to make an appointment to come to your home and see you if that makes life easier.

Sam Pearce
Senior Manager
Heidelberg and East Ivanhoe
Community Bank[®] branches

The role of Senior Manager within the **Community Bank**[®] network is a unique role in the banking world, one that gives us great satisfaction in being able to contribute so much back to this great community. We enjoyed a strong finish to 2013, securing some great new commercial business – allowing us to be able to give more back this year. The more growth we have in our business, whether through lending, deposits, commercial or



Grants 2013

In November last year we proudly announced the recipients of our 2013 Grants Program, and heard about each of these special projects that we are supporting. Detailed below are the successful groups and their projects:

Rosanna Firestation Community House – “Playgroup for All” project

Banyule Support & Information Centre – “Provision of Emergency Relief”

E-Focus – “Engaging Young Somali Men”

Transition 3081 – “Olympic Village Makers Market”

St John Ambulance Victoria – “Essential defibrillators to save lives”

Open House – “Backyard Sports”

Olympic Village Exodus Community – “Bell Bardia Community Meal Service”

Diamond Valley Foodshare – “Foodshare Program”

Heidelberg Preschool – “Lower Garden Build”

Banksia Palliative Care – “Technology for Learning Centre & Meeting Rooms”

Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe – “Kitchen Refurbishment”

Banyule Community Health – “I Love 3081 Angels”

Ivanhoe Diamond Valley Centre – “Sensory Garden”

Heidelberg Occasional Care – “A Breath of Fresh Air”

Banyule Toy Library – “Leaning – It's Child's Play”

1st Ivanhoe Sea Scouts – “Ducted Central Heating”



3081 Angels

Chairman David Mayne presents a cheque for \$5,000 to Angela Wood of 3081 Angels.

The Heidelberg **Community Bank**[®] Branch is proud to support 3081 Angels, an innovative new program developed to help new families who experience hardship, isolation and multiple challenges in raising children. Community midwives at Banyule Community Health are often the first point of contact for many of these families. These women are often facing challenges that are exacerbated by the arrival of a new born, leading to stress, anxiety and further isolation.

3081 Angels incorporates a volunteer program that helps establish and support these families in their communities. The group donates pre-loved baby goods to new mums ‘at risk’ and aims to ensure children get the best possible start to life. Other elements of the project will include the preparation and delivery of baby hampers to new families and the collection and distribution of books to families.

If you have some pre-loved baby equipment that you would like to donate, please email Angela at 3081angels@gmail.com

Meet our team...

Samantha

Samantha is the newest team member in our Heidelberg **Community Bank**[®] Branch, starting as a Customer Service Officer late last year. She is really enjoying the interaction with the customers and seeing how a **Community Bank**[®] branch works – in particular the giving of profits to community groups.

Samantha enjoys the community aspects of working for the Heidelberg **Community Bank**[®] Branch.



Stories of Hope launch

“Stories of Hope” is a collection of personal stories of hardship and resilience, told by some of the residents of the Olympic Village in the Melbourne suburb of Heidelberg West. The idea began with community leader Brother Harry Prout, who recognised that many of the people who make up the community of Heidelberg West had wisdom that needed to be shared, to improve understanding and acceptance within the community. He wanted to give this group of people who were previously unheard, a voice.



The East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg **Community Bank**® branches contributed \$7,000 to print 5,000 copies of the book, and to host a book launch which attracted more than 300 local community leaders and media including The Sunday Age. It was an incredible event. The 13 individuals spoke confidently of their life experience, happily posed for photographs and were cheered on by their many supporters. The joy in the room was phenomenal.

Each of the story tellers have displayed enormous courage to move on from the stranglehold of poverty, abuse or addiction – to finding a space in their community where they are accepted and can give back to the community in which they belong.

Despite their continuing hardship, many are actively involved in the community's day-to-day activities, committed to making a difference to others whose situations are only too similar to their own experiences.

This positivity flows through to their children and extended families, gradually changing the way that the people who make up this disadvantaged community see themselves.

For the wider community of Heidelberg West, the project has built bridges of understanding and compassion. The distribution of the books to schools and community groups across the state will further grow understanding and support, encourage community giving and volunteering.



One of the book's story tellers, Roc, with his two children.

YF3081 celebrates!

Young people in West Heidelberg continue to thrive through the Youth Foundation project, where decisions on how to make their community a better place are decided by the youth themselves. One of the great projects initiated by these young kids was through a group of year nine students, who embarked on a project to recreate a Fairy Garden within the school grounds for the smaller children attending Macleod College.

The girls commissioned the Banyule Men's Shed to help with the construction of their designs – a castle, bridge and seating – something that the young kids at Macleod College will enjoy for years to come!



The students engaged the Banyule Men's Shed to construct the Fairy Garden pieces based on their designs.

Another great collaboration between young people and the community took place with the design and painting of a mural in the Olympic Village Leisure Centre. Graffiti and senseless tags have plagued the precinct for years, so young people came together and designed a piece of art for the community to enjoy – with a slogan reading “Community Pride 3081”.



A group of young locals worked on the design and put the artwork together in Olympic Village.

Banyule Cricket Club Refugee Cricket Day

Late last year the Banyule Cricket club teamed up with the Heidelberg **Community Bank**® Branch to run a charity fundraiser for the refugee community. The day was a great success, with 32 refugees participating in a full day of cricket related activities. The day kicked off with a session in the nets, followed by a barbecue lunch. Participants then played two games of T20, finishing off the day with a bowl of curry before heading home with some show bags and a Renegades t-shirt. The club managed to raise a little bit of money for the RISE organization too. Club President Glenn Butterworth was thrilled with the day, as were the participating refugees, who are already talking about a tournament with finals to be held in late-2014.



Banyule Refugee Match 2013 .

Summer sponsorships – 2014

The East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg **Community Bank**® branches are proud to announce the following sponsorships for the first half of 2014. If you are interested in seeking sponsorship for your organisation, the next round of applications close on 30 June 2014. For further details pop into one of our branches and speak to our friendly staff.



The new Ivanhoe Knights playing tops are proudly sponsored by the East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg **Community Bank**® branches.

This funding gives sporting clubs essential funds to purchase equipment, keep registration fees affordable, and maintain their facilities. For schools and kindergartens, sponsorships offset their event set up



East Ivanhoe **Community Bank**® Branch Manager Greg Arnott with players from the La Trobe University Football Club.

costs to make sure that all of their volunteer efforts result in profits maximised for their fundraisers. For theatre and choral groups, sponsorships assist with their venue hire and costume costs, making it more affordable for people to be involved.

The local community groups who will be receiving funding are:

- Alphington Bowls Club
- ARC Theatre Group
- Austin Health
- Banyule City Council Twilight Sounds and Arty Farty Fest
- Macleod Junior Football Club
- Banyule Junior Football Club
- Banyule City Soccer club
- Ivanhoe Netball Club
- Ivanhoe Knights Basketball Club
- Fairfield Primary School
- East Ivanhoe Preschool
- Macleod Football Club
- Old Ivanhoe Grammarians Football Club
- La Trobe University Football Club
- Ivanhoe Amateur Football Club
- West Ivanhoe Sporting Club
- Diamond Valley Superules Football Club
- Heidelberg Football Club
- Parkside Junior Football Club
- Ivanhoe Junior Football Club
- Heidelberg Stars Soccer Club
- Viewbank Tennis Club
- East Ivanhoe Bowling Club
- Latrobe Golf Club
- Friends of Wilson Reserve
- Heidelberg Rotary
- Youth Foundations 3081

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Greg Arnott, East Ivanhoe **Community Bank**® Branch
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This really proves that when you choose to bank locally, you choose to help your community.



Banyule Junior Football Club junior players.



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