



Henty Community Financial Services Limited Newsletter July 2010

Staff profile



Profile: Sharon Gardiner.

No of years at Henty Community Bank®

Branch: 11 and a half years (since beginning).

Best day of the week & why?: Wednesday. It's my day off normally.

Do you play any sport?: Definitely an avid spectator nowadays. I still enjoy swimming and walking.

Favourite Food / drink: Seafood of almost any description with a Pure Blonde.

What do you like to cook most?: Casseroles or good old fashioned meat and veg, with gravy of course.

Favourite movie: The Castle.

AFL/NRL team: Good ol' Collingwood.

Children: Grant, aged 28, who's a bricklayer. Dean, aged 25, who's an accountant. My stepson Jake, aged 15 who is a student, Grant's partner Shelley who is the mother of my grand-daughter Khyla, aged 19 months

Hobbies/Interests: Gardening, sewing, cooking and cleaning.

Dream holiday destination: Thailand. I'd love to go there to check out all the beautiful food.

It has been very exciting work in the branch and having the opportunity to be part of a major milestone in our community. Our branch has contributed to numerous community projects and it's a great feeling, knowing that you have helped achieve a better future for your community. The best part of my job is helping people and working with a great team makes this part much easier.

Board profile



Profile: Ann Bahr.

Number of years on Henty Board: 12 years (since the start).

Do you play any sport?: Social bowls and walking.

What do you like to cook most?: Cream puffs.

AFL team: St Kilda Saints.

Married to: Neville for 40 years.

Children: Jane married to Geoff, with a daughter and son in Geraldton WA. Sally married to Richard, with two daughters and a son in The Rock. Simon married to Amanda, with a daughter in Henty.

Henty community sports awards

Approximately 70 people attended Henty Community Sports Awards, with guest speaker Austin Diffey entertaining the crowd and sharing his experiences as an Australian Rules Football umpire and coach in the Hume Football League.



The 2009/10 community sports winners were:

- Junior Sports Person - Matthew Klemke for outstanding achievement in Australian Rules football.
- Encouragement Award for a Junior - Dylan Hore for outstanding efforts in athletics, football, Rugby League, Swimming and Cricket.
- Senior Sportsperson - Ellen Pratt for achievements at local and state level in golf.
- Team of the Year - Henty Netball Club Mods. Members include Ellen and Nessa Liston, Nakita Singe, Teneale Keene, Emily Jones, Brooke McKay and Micaela Riely-Edmonds. Jacinta Singe is their coach.
- Commitment to Sport - Sybil Ritchie. This was a new category, which acknowledged Henty's amazing volunteers and attracted five nominations of extremely high quality. Sybil was nominated by the Women's Bowling Club for her contributions to the running of the community club and its associated sporting groups.

Contributed Julia Muller – Henty Netball Club

Hobbies/Interests: Sewing; patchwork, gardening.

First Car: A Valiant bought in 1973 (new \$3,000) – just before our second child arrived, as we had out grown the Holden ute!

Dream holiday destination: Around Australia at a leisurely pace – no mad rush to get home.

A town without a hall

The Yerong Creek hall was condemned and closed in 2004 leaving the Yerong Creek community without a public hall. At a town meeting in 2004 it was resolved that the hall committee and the Yerong Creek Bowling Club jointly pursue a community hall being built adjacent to the Club.



▲ Turning the first sod John Yates & Allan Taylor.

Since that time applications were made to both the Regional Solutions and Regional Partnership programmes without success. In the meantime the community continued to work towards this project by fundraising and completing stage one of the project. Stage one included the toilets and storage area which would be used by the Club and the Hall plus meeting room and shower and toilet which can be used by people playing sport at the recreation ground. This was achieved with grants from ClubBiz of \$18,000

and Department of Sport & Rec of \$5,000, club funds of over \$81,000 and sponsorships from Henty Community Financial Services (Henty **Community Bank**® Branch Community) of \$5,000; and Les and Mary Dale of \$1,000 plus over 3,000 hours of voluntary labour.

Now building of the new hall has commenced due to the combined assistance of funds raised by the community (\$110,000), grants received from the Federal Government (\$285,000), and Lockhart Shire Council (\$62,000.00 plus a loan of \$50,000) and the Henty Community Financial Services (\$18,000 plus repaying loan of \$50,000 to LSC). Country Energy has also assisted with upgrading the town's transformer.

The new hall will be able to be used either separately from the club, provided alcohol is not being consumed, or in conjunction with the Club and its liquor licence.



▲ Volunteer barman Leigh Eulenstein serving the Yerong Creek community.

When the Yerong Creek Hall was demolished the community was left with no hall to hold events such as the annual school presentation night, larger events such as dinners and weddings. The Club had to hire, at considerable expense, a marquee to hold a dinner to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the school. The building of this new facility will greatly enhance the small but vibrant community that is Yerong Creek.

Contributed Tony Yates on behalf of the Yerong Creek Hall Committee



▲ Above: Tony Yates showing the U plans. Top: The work site.

Invitation to apply for funding

In line with our objective of returning profits back to the local community we are seeking applications from local community groups and organisations for funding to develop and enhance the Henty and District Community.

For further information or to collect an application form call into the branch at 8 Sladen Street Henty, or phone 6929 3683.

Banking with us supports your community

Chairman: Graham Booth.

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