

Summer
2021/22

Newsletter

Community Bank · Highett



Thank you to our community

Hello and welcome to the Summer newsletter.

We have loved being able to support our local community, clubs and organisations over the past 12 months. As we approach a new year we look forward to a brighter and better 2022, and getting out and about to work with our many community groups.

We wish our customers and community a safe and happy festive season and thank you for banking with us. Because you do, we can continue to create impact and support local organisations and clubs in our community. From care packs to cricket, basketball to bowls clubs, karate to calisthenics, we are committed to ensuring our grass roots clubs, organisations and volunteer committees remain sustainable and are able to thrive.

Our new look branch

You may have noticed Community Bank Highett has had a refresh, inside and out (pictured above). We love our bright and happy new look celebrating 20 years in our community.

Farewell Glenn and welcome Daniel, our new Branch Manager

We very sadly farewell our current Branch Manager, Glenn Jowett and sincerely thank him for his contribution to Community Bank Highett over the past 14 months. Glenn is retiring from banking in order to embark on new life adventures. We wish him well!

It is with pleasure that we welcome Daniel Leonov to the role of Branch Manager. Daniel is familiar with the Highett community, working at Community Bank Highett for six years before moving on to take a Branch Manager role elsewhere.

We are excited to welcome Daniel back to the Highett branch and know that he will continue to build on the great work that Glenn has been doing with our customers and community.

Welcome Daniel!



Incoming Manager Daniel Leonov with retiring Manager Glenn Jowett.

Celebrate the new year!

Our 2022 Calendar which features many of our local community organisations will be out in January. If you would like a copy, please pop into the branch or contact hello@highettcommunity.com.au



Local sponsorship and support: made possible by our customers

Bayside Toy Library

Bayside Toy Library are all about fun and play. For 37 years, they have been providing access to the best toys in an affordable and sustainable way. They always welcome new members to join the amazing library and see all the wonderful things to take home and try.

In 2022, with the support of Community Bank Highett, they will be expanding their selection to include a Sensory Section. These toys can benefit all types of learners and they hope to be able to guide toy library members in the different ways these exciting new resources can be played with.

Community Bank Highett look forward to partnering the Bayside Toy Library to offer local families access to these special new toys.



Community collaboration

Community Bank Highett, Terry White Chemist Cheltenham, together with Cheltenham Rotary provided funding for Christmas puddings for Bayside Community Care's Christmas hampers. Great organisations working together for our community.



5th Sandringham Scout Group

As part of our 2020 Community Investment Grants Program we funded the building of a new fire pit for the 5th Sandringham Scout Group. After many delays due to lockdown, we are happy to see the project complete.



Highett Village Common is here!

The City of Kingston has introduced an exciting, new initiative for the local traders and community. A temporary Village Common has arrived in Highett, providing a vibrant, multi-use outdoor space for all to enjoy. This initiative is part of the City of Kingston's Outdoor Activation Program and made possible under the State Government's COVIDSafe Outdoor Activation Fund. Creating space for additional outdoor seating will help Highett traders take it outdoors and operate in a COVIDSafe way, while encouraging the community to shop local, stay local this summer.

Surrounding the Highett Library and close to the Highett Road shopping precinct - a section of the library car park has been transformed into a colourful and fun community space. Featuring seating, tables, lawn and festoon lighting. The Village Common will offer Highett customers the chance to shop with the local traders then spend time in the exciting new space nearby.

The Highett Village Common is a space where the community can catch up, come together, and gather safely with loved ones this summer.



Kingston Collective Business Awards

The Kingston Collective Business Awards are on again and we are excited to announce that this year they have two awards on offer. The first award is the New Small Business of the Year Award being sponsored by Kingston Council and the second award is the Business of the Year award being sponsored by Community Bank Highett.

Both awards acknowledge, celebrate and reward outstanding businesses who have shown innovation, engagement, business growth and more in the last twelve months.

These awards are proudly run in collaboration with the Kingston Collective, Kingston Council, Community Bank Highett and WCM Digital.

There are many benefits in nominating for our 2020 Business Awards, including:

- Opportunity to celebrate and be recognised for your outstanding achievements.
- Join a business community full of likeminded, local small business owners who are ready to connect and collaborate.
- Promotion of your brand and business.
- Award finalists will be video interviewed and showcased at the Awards Ceremony as well as in the lead up to the 2023 Awards (great promotion for your business) - sponsored by Kingston Council.



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Highett Youth Club Holiday Program

Looking for something to do in the school holidays? The Highett Youth Club runs a school holiday program incorporating a variety of activities including gymnastics, cheerleading, calisthenics, ball games, craft and obstacle courses for children aged five. For bookings check out www.highettyouthclub.org

December Holidays 2021

Week 1: Monday 20 – Wednesday 22 December

January Holidays 2022

Week 1: Monday 10 – Friday 14 January

Week 2: Monday 17 – Friday 21 January

Week 3: Monday 24 – Friday 28 January (excluding 26 January)

AGM/Annual Report

This year we held our Annual General Meeting on the 15 November via Zoom. If you would like a copy of our 2021 Annual Report you can pop into the branch or visit our website at www.bendigobank.com.au/highett



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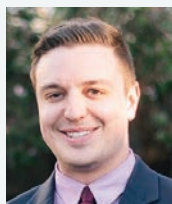
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Therapy Dog Program at Highett Neighbourhood House

Over the last few weeks the Highett Neighbourhood House has welcomed the community to come together for a cuppa and a chat with Chilli, our Therapy Dog. This program was supported by a Community Bank Highett grant. Monash University Counselling students lead a Community Circle where guests are invited to share their stories with others, in a supported space. If this isn't for you there is also great coffee, conversation and UNO cards on hand. Join in on Tuesday's from 10.00 am at Highett Neighbourhood Community House, 2 Livingston Street, Highett. All welcome.



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Cricket season in full swing

It is great to see big kids, and little kids on the pitch training again. We love supporting our local cricket clubs and wish them luck for the 2021/22 season.

