



Inglewood & Districts Community Bank Branch November 2019 newsletter.

Chairman's update.

On behalf of the Board I am pleased to report that we continue to deliver on the commitments that we originally made to our shareholders and the broader community:

- We provide a first class banking service
- We generate profits that are returned to the community
- We have also been able to regularly return dividends to our loyal shareholders.

Our achievements to date are a cause of celebration and pride. The challenge for our Board is to remain focused on those commitments.

The Board is always looking for new ideas, new ways in which banking profits can be used to build a better community. We need new people with different perspectives and different ways of thinking to join us. We need to establish a continuous cycle of regeneration and reinvigoration within the Board. Please consider being part of that process.

Our success has not come easily and would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our staff, the faith shown by our shareholders and the support of our customers. On behalf of the Board I thank you all.

Dave Edwards
Chairman

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Directors: Dave Edwards, Ken Canfield, Kim Hanlon, Stewart Luckman, Simon Tuohey, Murray Baud, Linda Younghusband, Colleen Condliffe, George Wyatt.

Bendigo Bank House – Hospital visit short stay accommodation in Bendigo.

This facility has celebrated its first anniversary in August. Your Community Bank branch has sponsored a two bedroom apartment in this facility and will maintain that sponsorship indefinitely. The facility has had 2,100 people using it since inception and we urge you to spread the word,



as not all country clients of the Bendigo health services are aware of the availability of this accommodation. There are 15 suites available for use while patients are undergoing medical treatments. Your Community Bank branch has provided photographic art works by Robert Scholes, books from the Inglewood Historical Society and artefacts from the Inglewood & District Men's Shed.

Community contributions.

Your Community Bank Board has contributed over \$100,000 to sports groups, schools, scholarships, driver education courses and other organisations in the first six months of this year. Inglewood and District Health Services, Rheola Charity Carnival, Inglewood Alive Festival and the Bendigo Umpires Association all received healthy contributions towards their activities.

Loddon Valley Food and Wine Expo 2019.

Your Community Bank branch recently gave a grant to the Southern Loddon Tourism Committee that was responsible for the very successful Loddon Valley Food and Wine Expo. While no firm figures have been released by the Loddon Council it was estimated that around 600 or more day visitors were at the Newbridge Recreation Reserve on the day, and that food and wine vendors were able to sell some of their goods.

The meal provided by Karen Martini was appreciated by in excess of 100 guests who enjoyed both the local wines and regional produce used in the preparation of the food. While a lot of work was undertaken by volunteers, it was an expensive production and planning took place for 12 months before the event. The Loddon Shire Council provided some assistance, Regional Development Victoria sponsorship and the participating vendors all gave their time to ensure success. There were some hiccups, but for a first effort it was concluded that overall it was a great day.

Those Directors of this company who attended agreed that the meal was first class, and commended the chef and organisation responsible.



Above: The Menu and Karen Martini, celebrity chef for the day with Peter Eicher of Salute Oliva in his stall at the Loddon Valley Food and Wine Expo

New website for us.

We're excited! Our new Community Bank branch website is live as part of the Bendigo Bank website redevelopment:

www.bendigobank.com.au/inglewood

or search the web for Inglewood & Districts Community Bank. Our team will soon be in a position to provide ongoing updates with our local Inglewood & District community updates and sharing our great news stories.

Branch team changes.

It is often a dream fulfilled when you decide to retire, and Ursula Nott has reached that milestone. At a branch gathering, the team thanked Ursula for her contribution of three years as a valued member of our customer service team. After some 30 plus years in the banking industry with several banks, Ursula and Ken had moved to Inglewood in 2015. Our congratulations Ursula on a fine banking career and our best wishes with your retirement and the future.

We are delighted to introduce Will Long who has taken up the Customer Service Officer trainee position. Will grew up on a large sheep property in the Knowsley area, and completed his secondary schooling at Catholic College Bendigo, where he now resides. Will is interested in a banking career and jumped at the opportunity to take up the position. He has experience in several aspects of retail customer service and helps out on the farm when required. A keen footballer with the Sandhurst Football Club and a volunteer with the CFA, Will's other interests include music with guitars and drums. Will is really enjoying his time since joining our Community Bank branch team at Inglewood and learning the various banking systems. Say hello to Will when you are in the branch and give him a warm community welcome.

Our staff



The Inglewood & Districts Community Bank Branch staff: Branch Manager Peter Barclay, Jon Champion – Former Mobile Relationships Manager, Suzanne Jackson – Customer Relationships Officer, Stewart Luckman – Customer Service Officer, Ruth Penny – Customer Service Officer, Will Long – Trainee Customer Service Officer.

Rural Bank.

If you have been past the branch recently, you will have noticed the co-branding with Rural Bank on the windows, and signage on the side of the premises.

Rural Bank is Bendigo Bank's Agribusiness provider, and our Mobile Relationship Manager, Matt Gill is fully accredited with a wealth of Agribusiness knowledge.

Should you be a Primary Producer, please feel free to contact Matt on 0408 053 272 or email: matt.gill@ruralbank.com.au

A meeting at the branch or on farm visit would be a welcome opportunity to discuss your farm finance needs.



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