



Message from the Branch Manager.



Welcome to the 2015 Katoomba **Community Bank®** Branch newsletter.

A lot has happened since our last communique, and we have continued

to steadily grow our business, which is a credit to the wonderful Blue Mountains community and their desire to put their everyday banking to good use.

We have now distributed over \$180,000 in community contributions, and helped a diverse range of not for profit groups achieve their goals, not to mention the benefits we have provided to our customers with our competitive and comprehensive range of products and services.

If you haven't yet joined us, and experienced the difference that the **Community Bank®** model can make, please come and see us today

Brigitte Mackenzie
Branch Manager

Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains
Community Bank® Branch



Almost six years in the community

Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains **Community Bank®** Branch has now been part of the community for almost six years and as well as providing quality banking products and creating employment opportunities we have now invested over \$175,000 back into the local community.

Our Chairman, Robert Stock would like to personally invite you to our Annual General Meeting to personally thank you for your continued support.

Date: 12 November 2015
Venue: Carrington Hotel
Time: 6.30pm
RSVP: 30 October 2015
to our branch or
phone 4782 1100

Supporting our local communities.



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Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains **Community Bank®** Branch

Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains Community Enterprise Limited 117 Katoomba Street, Katoomba NSW 2780
ABN 55 134 947 201 **Directors:** Robert Stock(Chairman), Brooke Broughton, Jane Canfield, Peter Carroll, Anne Elliott, Tim Goodwin, Mark Jarvis, Arnold Percy, Chrissie Thompson and Jenny Ross.



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RSPCA Cupcake Day 17/08/2015.



It was another cold day for the RSPCA cupcake day held by Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains **Community Bank®** Branch on Monday 17 August, however Directors Anne, Jane and branch staff braved the weather to raise an amazing \$1,000 for the local RSPCA volunteer branch at Katoomba.

Over 300 cupcakes were made and decorated by Anne Elliott who had some assistance from an elite group of local artists including Jane Canfield, Beth Norling, Gabrielle Fallon Jones, Mathew Lynn and Creese Syred.

A baker's dozen was also auctioned off helping to add to the final total which was most gratefully received by the volunteers.

This is an event the branch enjoys participating in to help all the animals cared for by RSPCA at Katoomba, not to mention, we get to eat the left overs if there are any.

Staff sponsorship to "Kinship at Christmas Foundation."

On 10 December 2014 the staff of Katoomba & Upper Blue Mountains **Community Bank®** Branch chose to donate their staff sponsorship to "Kinship at Christmas Foundation".

This foundation used this donation to hold a Christmas Day Luncheon at Blackheath Community Centre for all the people who were on their own, homeless or just wanted some company.

Members of the foundation were standing outside the Community Centre inviting people in for the lunch and generally making people feel welcome, they ended up with around 250 people on the day.

The luncheon was a huge success for the community and the feedback we received was fantastic.

Many people called into the branch and thanked us for supporting such a fantastic day.



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Community contribution recipients 2014/15 financial year.

Katoomba Leura Pre-School Association for 'A learning growing greenhouse'

Mid Mountains Neighbourhood Centre for the kids sport and rec project, assisting with uniform and equipment purchase

Varuna The National Writers House for Varuna open day

Katoomba Theatre Company Ltd for 'A New Leaf' 2014 play reading season

Mid Mountains Neighbourhood Centre for their 'Mid Mountains Festival' event

Blue Mountains Artfest for their Blue Mountains Artfest annual event

The Hazelbrook Association for their annual 'Carols in Gloria Park' event

The Society of Mountain Artists for their annual springtime art exhibition – 'Painting in the Gardens' event

Friends of the Mechanics Institute at Lawson inc. (Lawson Hall) for their live music performances

Staff nominated annual sponsorship – this year to the Kinship Foundation Blackheath for Christmas lunch funding to ensure no one is alone at Christmas

Greystanes Disability Service for their Greystanes Golf Day 2015 (also participating)

Blue Mountains junior roller derby league for their team Australian roller derby project (funding kids to attend competitions)

Winter Magic Festival for their 'give peace a chance' project in 2015 festival

RSPCA Katoomba volunteer branch for their open day 2015

Leura Gardens Festival for the 2015 festival event

Blackheath & District Horticultural Society for their 2015 Blackheath flower & craft show scarecrow competition

Leura Village Assoc. for the Leura Harvest Festival 2015

Varuna Writers House for the Sydney Writers Festival 2015

AAFC squadron (Glenbrook RAAF cadets) to purchase a marquee for public events

Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre for 'Blackheath Day' 2015

Bent Art for the annual Bent Art exhibition 2015

Katoomba Nth Public School for their 'African childrens choir' event

Blackheath Rotary for bronze sponsorship of their Anzac Golf Classic

1st Blackheath Scout Group for the 2016 Jamboree

Climate Action Blue Mountains for their Sustainability Magic Community event

Greystanes Foundation towards for their Gala dinner event

Blackheath Area Mens Shed for workshop equipment and tools

Springwood Neighbourhood Centre for the Blue Fringe Literary awards 2015

Mountains Youth Services for the Beverley St Art Project

Blackheath Rugby League for assistance toward a digital scoreboard

Katoomba Cricket Club for further equipment and uniforms

Academy Singers Inc for their 'Wind in the Willows' performance

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- 1) At least 80% of our net profit is returned to YOUR community - \$175,000 in community contributions so far
- 2) We offer all the same products and services of the bigger banks, but we do it **better**, and you get to help your community just by doing your 'normal' banking
- 3) We are the first major bank to publicly oppose investing in fossil fuels
- 4) Local ownership and governance- local decision making
- 5) **Gold** sponsorship of Earth Hour for three years
- 6) The only major bank to receive a ratings upgrade by all three of the credit rating agencies since the GFC
- 8) Australia's **fairest** credit card, starting from 12.24% for both purchases and cash advances with our Bendigo Black card (mastercard or visa)
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- 10) The best staff in the universe (as voted by the best staff in the universe!)

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