



# commUnity Snapshot

Gin Gin  
Community Bank® Branch



## Chairman's address

Firstly, I must recognize the ongoing support of you, our shareholders. Many of you would also be utilizing the services and products of our banking facility and we always encourage our shareholders to have some business or investment activity in this, your bank.

We now have business amounting to \$51 million on the books and have just crossed the threshold into the arena of profitability. This is an exciting prospect for all involved and is largely due to support by you, our community and our exceptional friendly, professional staff. Please note a recent media publication incorrectly reported the bank to have \$51 million in profit, this should have been reported as \$51 million worth of business on our books.

I would like to take this opportunity to personally invite you all to our AGM being held on 10 November 2011 at the Show Function Rooms. This is always a great night to inform our shareholders and the general public of our achievements over the past 12 months. We hope to see you there.

**Selwyn Bengtson**  
Chairman

## AGM invite

The Directors and staff of the Gin Gin Community Bank® Branch would like to take this opportunity to invite you to attend our AGM on 10 November 2011 at the Show grounds Function Room commencing at 7.00pm.

Keep an eye out in the mail for your personal invitation as well as our Annual Report.

## Rob Runs the Show Ball



The 2011 Gin Gin Show Society Show Ball was held in May of this year. There were five entrants in the quest from the Gin Gin community. All of the entrants were wonderful ambassadors for the Gin Gin community each

of them having a special connection with our town in some way.

The ball was a wonderful night of entertainment and dancing, hosted by our very own Rob Atherton. Rob did a great job of making our entrants feel welcome and comfortable and was even able to throw in the occasional joke to entertain the crowd. The winner on the evening was Miss Sara Zaina, who is a teacher at the Gin Gin State High School. Sara has since gone on to win the Central Queensland section of the Miss Showgirl competition and competed at the Brisbane exhibition.

## Driver education Mt Perry Show



Over two event packed days 22 senior Gin Gin SHS students attended a driver education course at the Roadcraft facility in Gympie [14-15 June]. With three extremely nervous teachers, we got stuck into two days of both theory and practical training. There were four experienced driver trainers who gave us individual and group feedback, regarding steering techniques, braking, driving on wet surfaces and an ultimate challenge of all of the previous. We all found the experience extremely beneficial, providing us with an opportunity to gain both experience and confidence through the well structure education course. A big thanks goes out to Gin Gin Community Bank® Branch for helping it happen!

**Emma McLennan**  
Year 11 Gin Gin State High School



Since first opening our doors Gin Gin Community Bank® Branch has been a proud sponsor of both the Mt Perry and Gin Gin Shows. On 16 April 2011 the 65th Annual Mount Perry Show was held. Pictured here is one of the Stud Cattle classes, one of the many show sections that was proudly sponsored by the Community Bank® branch.

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# Gin Gin Show

Once again the Gin Gin Show became one of our major recipients of funds this year so they could continue to put on a fabulous weekend for the whole community. There were some rides for the thrill seekers, a full pavilion for the crafty and many animal events in the centre ring. The weekend was a great success and the Gin Gin A,P & I Society should be commended on a job well done.



# No Limits

The Directors and staff were excited to be able to become the major sponsors for a 'No Limits' program held by Darren Lawrence, Chaplain of the Gin Gin High School and Leanne Lawrence, Chaplain of the Gin Gin and Mt Perry Primary Schools.

This program involved seven local teenage boys and aimed to teach them positive values to help them to reach their full potential.

The initial program ran for 8 weeks and ended with a climb up Mt Walsh at Biggenden.



# Australian National Titles of RoboCup Junior

Gin Gin **Community Bank**® Branch was extremely proud to be the major sponsor for three teams to compete at the RoboCup Junior Australia Competition held in Hobart in September. It was great to see our community so well represented. We would also like to say congratulations to Mcllwraith State School's "Waka Waka" team, consisting of Kallila Banda, Georgie Bengtson and Moselle Findlay who took out the title of Australian Champions with 1st place and Gin Gin State School's "Horror Movie" team, consisting of Sarah Marks and Kriti Mahajan who took out 3rd place. It is great to see students from our town showing the city kids how it's done!



# Is there something in the water?

You certainly might think so, as the maternity wave has passed over the bank this year. Melissa and Emily, both inaugural staff members have taken off onto maternity leave this quarter. Mel is set to have her second baby and Emily to have twins. So watch out John, and stop drinking the water!!!

Our two replacement staff members started their new jobs in August following a comprehensive recruitment process. We take the opportunity to introduce Kim Boon and Olivia Martin to the Gin Gin **Community Bank**® Branch team. Congratulations girls and all the best in your new roles. They have completed their intense Bendigo Bank training and are keen to get stuck into their new roles and meet our wonderful Gin Gin **Community Bank**® Branch customers.

More congratulations are offered to existing staff members; Kylie Maughan and John Firth who have taken on promotions throughout this process. Kylie has accepted the role of Customer Service Supervisor and will be busily assisting with the smooth operation of the branch and John has become a Senior Customer Service Officer, focusing on assisting Robert with the lending side of the business.



# Birthday celebrations

It is hard to believe, but this year we will be celebrating our 4th Birthday! Come along on 10 December for a sausage sizzle to celebrate this milestone. We will advertise with more details closer to the date.



Watch the **Community Bank**® story at [www.bendigobank.com.au/snapshots](http://www.bendigobank.com.au/snapshots)

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