



Supporting our community.

Welcome to the Winter 2019 edition of our newsletter. In this edition, we're pleased to share:

- The winners of our 2019 Scholarship Program
- Our \$20,000 investment in 17 local events over 2019
- Recent support of local families and businesses via our family movie night and business breakfast
- A snapshot of some recent grant and sponsorship recipients
- News of the launch of Lancefield Dreaming – a cinematic documentary about the unique and quirky characters that live and work in the community of Lancefield. This local project received a \$40,000 sponsorship as part of our 2018/19 Community Investment Program and the premiere is now just weeks away. See enclosed flyer for more detail and to book your free tickets.

Top: A recent exhibition of the Macedon Ranges Photographic Society called, 'Now and Then', featured photos of Lancefield and Romsey from historical and contemporary visual perspectives. We were pleased to help get the exhibition up and running with a \$3,000 grant from our 2018/19 Community Investment Program. The exhibition was displayed in our branches during March and April.

Banking is our business. Community is our purpose.

The Bendigo Bank **Community Bank**[®] model sets us apart from other major banks. Our Lancefield and Romsey **Community Bank**[®] branches ensure the local community has access to the full range of banking products and great personal service, but our point of difference is that we invest 80% of our profit in local community groups and clubs. In this way, we are helping to maintain a socially vibrant and economically successful community.

Our Lancefield **Community Bank**[®] Branch opened in 2001. We opened our Romsey **Community Bank**[®] Branch five years later in 2006. Over the last 18 years, we have contributed \$1.5 million to local projects, primary schools, sporting clubs, events and emergency services.

Thank you to our shareholders and customers. It's your support of our branches that enables us to operate successfully and work in partnership with our local community, and we look forward to continuing to make a positive difference to Lancefield and Romsey over the remainder of 2019 and well into the future.

Suzie Ewart
Chair



Excellence Awards.

We are a major sponsor of the Macedon Ranges Business Excellence Awards, an annual program which showcases local businesses and celebrates their achievements. Through the mentoring process, small business operators are given valuable opportunities to analyse their business processes and further improve their business capability. This year, finalists will be announced on Tuesday 20 August and the awards gala dinner will take place at Kyneton Town Hall on Wednesday 11 September. Visit www.mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Business-Economy/Business-News-Events/Business-Awards for further information.



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2019 Scholarship winners.

Our commitment as **Community Bank**[®] branches of Bendigo Bank is to help build a stronger framework within our local community. Much of our focus is on youth and we are extremely proud to share our 2019 scholarship recipients.

The Lancefield and Romsey **Community Bank**[®] branches Scholarship Program aims to assist high achieving and highly motivated local students who have been offered a full-time place at an Australian university, TAFE institute or college for the first time to study at undergraduate bachelor's degree/first year level and are experiencing financial and/or social challenges.

This year, we supported two students, who were selected from a field of exceptional candidates. Congratulations to:

- Thomas Durston – the winner of our University Scholarship of \$2,500 per year for three years
- Tara Sleeman – the winner of our TAFE Scholarship of \$1,500 per year for the duration of her course.

Tom has always lived in Romsey and he attended Braemar College. He is one of five boys and acts as a positive role model for his younger brothers. Tom has chosen to study Commerce at the University of Melbourne. Tom excelled academically, receiving an ATAR of 95.75, but was also involved in leadership and community roles at school and with local groups, such as the Romsey Junior Football Netball Club. Funds from our scholarship will help Tom to purchase text books and a laptop, and will assist with transport to and from the city.



Tara recently moved to Romsey after living in Yuroke for many years and attending Hume Anglican Grammar. As a Buddhist, she is a firm believer in the philosophy to care for others more than yourself. Tara would like to do a Bachelor in Design and she can take this on if she excels in her chosen TAFE

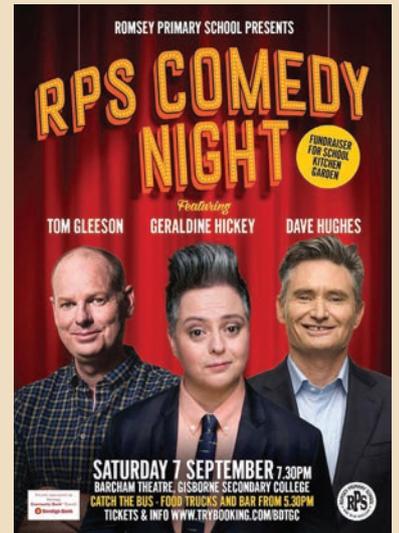
course of Certificate IV in Information Technology (Web Design and Development). Tara's longer-term aspirations are to have an IT focus to her work, but with a community involvement. Funds from our scholarship will help Tara to study full-time and live on campus.

An investment in education yields great long-term dividends and by helping young people gain access to tertiary education, the returns to the student, their families and the local community are significant. It is our pleasure to reward two hard working local students in this way – Tom and Tara are very deserving of these scholarships and we wish them the best of luck as they begin an exciting journey toward achieving their goals.

Recent event sponsorships – \$20,000 invested.

We are pleased to announce our support of the following local events as part of our 2019 Event Sponsorship Program:

- Junior Golf Clinic with Lancefield and St Mary's Primary Schools, hosted by Lancefield Golf Club
- Romsey Blue Light Discos
- Colour Run at Lancefield Park, organised by the Lancefield Junior Football Netball Club
- Romsey Primary School Comedy Night
- Community Walk at Woodend Children's Park, organised by the Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Action Group
- Romsey Golf Club's Inaugural Women's Open Tournament
- Open Day for the Lancefield Romsey Little Athletics Centre
- 2019 Landcare Photoprize, coordinated by the Nulla Vale Pyalong West Landcare Group
- Romsey Region Business & Tourism Association (RRBATA) 10th annual Business Breakfast
- 2019 Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibition
- Dog high jump event at the Lancefield Show
- Community Night Market at Romsey Primary School
- Fire N Friends Bonfire Night at Kerrie Hall
- Open Day and Community BBQ for Benloch Fire Brigade
- Extinct! Lancefield Megafauna Festival 2019
- 2019 Christmas in Romsey Festival, coordinated by RRBATA
- Romsey Bowling Club's Barefoot Bowls



The 2019 Lancefield Megafauna Festival will be held on Saturday 23 November.

If you're involved with a local organisation that might be interested in seeking sponsorship from our **Community Bank**[®] branches, drop in and speak with a member of our friendly team. Or, contact Sally Peeler at marketing@lancefieldromseybank.com.au to be included in our community database. For up to date information on our annual Community Investment Programs (grants and sponsorships), why not Like us on Facebook? Go to: www.facebook.com/LancefieldRomseyCommunityBankBranches.

Our funding programs open in February and June each year.



Junior Golf Clinic – July 2019. Senior Branch Manager, Michael O'Gorman, joins Lancefield Primary School students for the presentation of their certificates at Lancefield Golf Club.

Better Big Bank Night Off – a family movie night in Romsey.

Over 150 local residents gathered at the Romsey Mechanics Institute on 23 February to enjoy an afternoon of family activities, food and fun.

This community event was hosted by our Romsey **Community Bank**[®] Branch and was supported by Romsey Neighbourhood House, Romsey Ecotherapy Park, Romsey Junior Football Netball Club and Romsey CWA.

Members of the community enjoyed fantastic musical entertainment by local artists, Fourth Ember, Cowboys & Angels Dance Academy and The Naturally Cool Big Band. It was clear that we have some incredible local talent. There was also a guest appearance from the one and only Piggy, who enjoyed taking photos with the kids and even busted out some dance moves.

The venue for the movie was the Romsey Mechanics Institute Hall and we're excited that the RMI Committee is planning to continue to use the hall in this way going forward.

It was a pleasure to not only support the event financially, but also that so many of our branch team members volunteered to help with the event logistics. This inaugural movie night was a great success. It was wonderful to see so many local families and friends coming together for what was a fun and festive family evening. We look forward to seeing the RMI Hall used more often for large local gatherings, and our showing of The Greatest Showman was a good way to kick start this initiative in 2019.

We hope everyone who attended enjoyed themselves and we thank the other local groups involved for their support.



Delicious food made by volunteers from the Romsey Neighbourhood House.



Piggy looking cool with The Naturally Cool Big Band.



Piggy with the wonderful team members from our Lancefield and Romsey **Community Bank**[®] branches.



Excellent dance routines from Cowboys & Angels Dance Academy.

Shares now available.

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Contact Georgie Davie on 0409 358 771 to register your interest.

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Supporting local business.

We offer smart banking solutions for small business, and we're proud to support and celebrate local business prosperity in the Lancefield and Romsey communities. Here's a snapshot of what we've been involved with.



In March, we hosted over 50 guests at an Economic Outlook Breakfast, featuring Bendigo and Adelaide Bank's Head of Financial Markets, David Robertson (pictured). David is one of Australia's leading financial commentators and provided an informative (and amusing) overview of our current economic climate.

Our Romsey **Community Bank**®

Branch is a major sponsor of RRBATA's annual Christmas in Romsey Festival – an initiative to enhance community spirit,

connectivity and engagement; and to foster business and community interaction. We have supported the Festival from the outset and RRBATA is very pleased our **Community Bank**® branch has come on board again in 2019, to share the vision of increased visitation to the town and the subsequent economic benefits for the Macedon Ranges eastern corridor.



Making great things happen.

We've been visiting the recipients of our 2018/19 Community Investment Program funding (grants and sponsorships). As always, we are amazed at what our local volunteers and supporters are achieving. The photos on this page are a small snapshot of the wonderful projects and upgrades they've been working on. We congratulate them for the tireless hours they dedicate to their local groups and clubs.

1. The Romsey Mechanics Institute (RMI) ran its second annual Art Show on 18 November – a joint fundraiser run by the RMI and the Romsey Neighbourhood House (RNH). We were proud to be involved in the event, including sponsoring 'Most Popular Artwork'. The winner, by public vote, was June Deakin with a piece entitled, 'Nan's hands' – a painting of June's nan's hands, holding a small puppy. Pictured is Allan Irvine (President of RNH), June and Tony Lakey (President of RMI).



2. A \$3,300 grant enabled the Lancefield Mechanics Institute to purchase a Karcher floor scrubber and lockable cage. Now, the wonderful volunteers who look after this important community asset have a super clean floor in half the time - a great result!



3. Gorgeous young people are enjoying the new sensory wall panels at Romsey Playgroup. We're so pleased we could contribute to this 'Bub Hub' upgrade project with a \$2,000 grant.



4 & 5. The Romsey Fire Brigade provides an outstanding service to Romsey, Lancefield and the surrounding communities. We were very proud to support them with a \$5,390 grant towards this important ground monitor equipment.



Lancefield Dreaming Premiere...



Join us for the launch of Lancefield Dreaming - a cinematic documentary about the unique and quirky characters that live and work in the community of Lancefield.

Co-produced by Mike Jones, Harry Jon Nanos and Paul Carter, and co-funded by the Lancefield Community Bank® and members of the Lancefield community, the storyline interviews a number of iconic, charismatic locals who have watched the township change over the years and yet remain true to their country roots and values. It also addresses the views and challenges of a number of people who have migrated to Lancefield in search of a tree change.

Amongst all of this is a series of narratives that foster interesting relationships between locals, newcomers and the younger generation. Lancefield Dreaming embraces the significance of the town's history through the eyes of locals and celebrates what the future offers to newcomers. Running time 45 mins.

Dates: **Friday 23 August 2019, or Saturday 24 August 2019**

Time: **6:30pm to 8.30pm**

Venue: **Lancefield Mechanics Institute - Main Hall**

Corner of High Street and The Crescent, Lancefield VIC 3435

- **Supper will be provided**

- **Drinks will be available for purchase, with all proceeds going to a local Lancefield club**

Tickets: **Tickets are free. Book via TryBooking at <https://www.trybooking.com/528035>**

This local project was proudly sponsored by the Lancefield Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank. Banking is our business. Community is our purpose. For competitive rates, great service and the chance to make good things happen in your community, visit Leanne and the team at 20A High Street, or phone 5429 1977 to find out more.

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help us make a difference. If you want to make a contribution to our Lancefield and Romsey communities, drop in and have a chat to Michael and the team. Find us at 20A High Street, Lancefield and 105 Main Street, Romsey.

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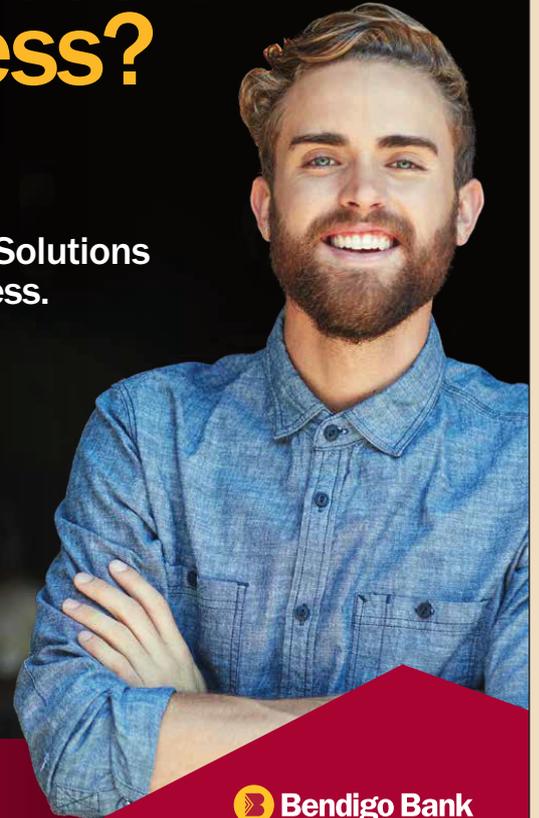
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