



## Welcome.



Welcome to the latest edition of the Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch newsletter.

A lot has happened since our last newsletter. We have been involved with many great projects and initiatives, and none of

this would have happened without the support from our loyal customers and shareholders. So, thank you for your continued support.

At Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch, we see our involvement in the community as much more than just providing essential banking services. It's about using funds donated by the local branch to develop and sustain our remarkable community, and to help inspire others to become involved as well.

The staff have had a busy year outside of their roles in the branch, running the local RSPCA Million Paws Walk, attending the 3 Faces Art Competition unveiling, visiting Jamieson for their annual Autumn Festival, and ongoing support with Spring Arts events and the Tour de Flavour criterium.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and please read on to learn about other projects and initiatives that the Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch has supported in 2014.

**Matthew Currie,**  
**Branch Manager.**



## Eftpos terminal for community groups.

The Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch has a wonderful service available, CommunityPOST™ which allows local community group customers to borrow an EFTPOS terminal to take card payments at fundraising events.

Providing they are Bendigo and Adelaide Bank customers, local community groups are able to apply for temporary access to the EFTPOS terminal from the branch when holding a fundraising or charitable event.

If your community group is interested in utilising CommunityPOST™, please call into the branch or contact us on 5775 3273.



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**Directors:** Tim Ross (Chairman), Haley Tudor-Harrop (Secretary), Amy Chandler (Treasurer), Marian Dowling, Noel Willaton, Geoff Doyle, Mandy Kynnersley and Janene Ridley.



## Mansfield & District Community Bank® Branch contributions for 2014.

We have distributed two rounds of funding for 2014, in February and July, contributing almost \$32,300 to the local community throughout this process. This takes the total contributed to the Mansfield & District community to more than \$340,000. Recipients for 2014 included:

- Arts Council of Mansfield
- Bindaree Auxiliary
- Deakin Allen & Marj Coombs Children's Welfare Trust
- Jamieson Community Group
- Mansfield & District Equestrian Club
- Mansfield A & P Society
- Swimming Club
- Mansfield Musical & Dramatic Society
- Mansfield Secondary College
- A Third Hand Volunteers Inc.
- NESAY – L2P Learner Driver Program
- Mansfield Cultural Heritage & Arts Centre
- Café Connect
- Mansfield Kindergarten

## Junior footballers thinking a-head.

With the support of the Mansfield & District **Community Bank®** Branch, new protective head wear has been purchased for Junior Footballers in the Under 10 and Under 12 age groups. These safety measures give the children more confidence to try out and enjoy football. It sure looks like they are having a ball!



## Three Faces Portrait Art Prize.

Arts Council of Mansfield held "The Unveiling" of portraits from selected artists in June 2014. The portrait subject was John Collyer, Mansfield Citizen of the Year 2013. Winners of the Three Faces Portrait Art Prize for 2014 were Billy Chiller (photographed) and Lucas Williams for the Youth Category. Three Faces Portrait Art Prize was proudly sponsored by Mansfield & District **Community Bank®** Branch.



## Solar panels for Merrijig Public Hall.

The sun is shining and Merrijig Public Hall is harnessing its energy. Their solar panels are now up and running, installed by the team from Elect Solar. This addition was made possible by funding from Mansfield & District **Community Bank®** Branch, and will assist with reducing electricity costs for the hall.



## Jamieson Autumn Festival.

The Jamieson community put on quite a display recently for the Jamieson Autumn Festival, which was proudly supported by the Mansfield & District **Community Bank®** Branch. Visitors tried their hand at gold panning, fly fishing, and were entertained by whip cracking, poetry, live music, bush cooking and even a cow poo lotto! An evening of live Jazz and Blues followed for the Gala event. What a great weekend.

## Free circus fun!

As part of the Tour de Flavour weekend, Mansfield & District **Community Bank®** Branch were delighted to sponsor free circus workshops at the Farmers Market. There was hoola-hooping, ribbon twirling, juggling, magic tricks and lots of laughter! It was great to provide another free event for the community. A big thanks to Chris Morant for his performances.





## Tour de Flavour 2014.

A definite highlight of the Tour de Flavour weekend was presenting Mansfield Mt Buller Cycling Club rider Mitch Greenway with an award for his sterling performance in the Mansfield & District **Community Bank**® Branch Criterium, taking 3rd place in his race. Well done to all local riders who competed in events over the Tour de Flavour weekend.



## Shade sails installed at Bindaree.

Residents at Bindaree Retirement Centre are looking forward to some alfresco dining with the recent installation of shade sails. The new edition to the Centre was made possible by funding from Mansfield & District **Community Bank**® Branch. At the launch, residents enjoyed devonshire tea and music performed by Lauriston Girls Grammar School. (photo courtesy of the Courier).



## Million Paws Walk 2014.



Around 60 dogs of all shapes and sizes turned out (with owners!) to support the RSPCA Million Paws Walk on Sunday 18 May. Hosted by the

Mansfield & District **Community Bank**® Branch, more than \$1,000 was raised for the RSPCA. A big thank you to Oakbank Produce, Mansfield Produce & Pet Supplies, Jenny's Pet Clipping and the Dog Obedience Club for donating prizes. Well done Mansfield! (photo courtesy of the Courier).



## Tree planting with Up2Us.

National Tree Planting Day was held in Mansfield on Sunday July 20, organised by Up2Us Landcare Alliance. Volunteers helped to plant 220 plants over two hours. A total of 380 plants were purchased, with funding from the Mansfield & District **Community Bank**® Branch. In addition to community members, all Mansfield schools were active participants in National Tree Planting day, which extended over a one week period.

## Actor Factory has landed in Mansfield.

Developed by MMuDs as an after-school program, Actor Factory explores all aspects of production, as participants work together to produce their first play. Budding cast and crew are mentored on program lay-out, cast photographs, lighting, set design and construction, costumes, stage make-up and stage management. Actor Factory is proudly supported by the Mansfield & District **Community Bank**® Branch.



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## Chairman's update.



Thanks to the support of **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch customers and shareholders, the Australia-wide network has now returned more than \$122 million to support and strengthen local communities.

The Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch has played a key role in these milestones, returning over \$45,000 to our local community over the year, taking the total contributed to the community to more than \$340,000.

In addition to our community sponsorships, major achievements for 2014 included growing our customer base to just over 1,700, and recent installation of Bendigo Bank ATM at Bonnie Doon Central Roadhouse, expanding our reach within the local area and providing more convenience for customers.

We are grateful to our Directors who contribute their talents and time to the task of managing the company. During the year we welcomed Geoff Doyle, and more recently, Janene Ridley and Amy Chandler to the Board of Directors.

Matthew Currie joined us as Branch Manager in late January. We are delighted to have secured someone with Matt's energy and skills to the role, and are pleased with the way he and his family are settling into our town.

Other staff developments include Adam Osmani recently relocating to a Melbourne Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Branch. Adam will be missed and the Board expresses their appreciation for his efforts over his time with the Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch and wishes him well with his career development.

The Mansfield & District Community Enterprises Limited. Annual General Meeting is coming up on 11 November and we hope that shareholders are able to attend. It will be held at MACE from 6.00pm onwards. We look forward to seeing you there.

Supporting our local community is the very reason for our existence, and I would like to again express thanks to our shareholders and customers for their ongoing support to make this happen.

**Tim Ross,**  
Chairman

## Shares now available.

Shares are now available in Mansfield & District Community Enterprises Limited, the company which operates the locally owned Mansfield & District **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch. Over 200 residents are today shareholders in this local community company.

We are a **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch established by the community for the community. Returning sponsorship and grants to local community organisations.

Please visit our website [www.bendigobank.com.au/mansfield](http://www.bendigobank.com.au/mansfield) if you are interested in learning more about buying shares in Mansfield & District Community Enterprises Limited. Once there, click the 'Trading Shares (LVM)' button located on the left hand side of the screen.

If, after consideration of this information and consultation with your professional advisor you would like to register your interest, please contact Haley Tudor-Harrop at [secretary@mansfieldbank.com.au](mailto:secretary@mansfieldbank.com.au).

## Upcoming community events.

### High Country Festival and Spring Arts

24 October – 4 November

### Mansfield Half Marathon & Fun Run

2 November

### Mansfield & District Community Enterprises AGM

11 November

### Mansfield Agricultural Show

15 November

### Community Funding Program application deadline

30 November

### Mansfield Races Family Day

7 December



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