Summer 2021

Newsletter

Community Bank · Mount Martha

Welcome to our new branch

During lockdown we were busy fitting out our new branch and on 8 December 2020 we excitedly opened our new branch at Shop 6, 34-38 Lochiel Avenue, Mount Martha. The ocean breeze, new colours, and fresh design have been embraced by customers and staff alike. The one thing that hasn't changed is the faces and service the community has always loved.







COVID-19 impact funding

At its October 2020 Board meeting Community Bank Mount Martha Board approved funding to assist local community groups that had been impacted by COVID-19.

On 2 November 2020 we wrote to local community groups to provide details of how they had been impacted by COVID-19, in particular, what extra costs they were now incurring, just to be able to continue to operate.



The information provided gave us some insights into the depth of how COVID-19 has impacted our local groups with noticeable comments about mental health. Not being able to meet face-to-face and in groups has had a big impact on people's lives.

I am very pleased to say that \$18,000 has been funded through this initiative, which is on top of any existing sponsorship arrangements already in place.

Thank you to those groups that responded and to all customers of Community Bank Mount Martha who make initiatives like this possible, just by banking local.

Book exchange

Our book exchange has been quite the hit the last few weeks. Take a book – leave a book! Forgot to bring one? That's ok, drop one down next time. Too many books laying around at home? Drop them into the book exchange located on the glass windows inside the arcade just before Kate Walker Design.

Shareholder information

Have you moved? Changed phone numbers or bank account details? Make sure you update your information with the share registry. The forms can be found at www.afsbendigo.com.au/share-registy/ or pop into the branch and the staff can print and send the forms for you.



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Manager's report

The last quarter of 2020 continued to be a busy growth period for the business and in the branch with not only looking after our customers but finalising the move to our new premises.

On 2 December 2020, we ceased operations at 5a Bay Road Mount Martha after almost 10 years and re-opened at Shop 6, 34-38 Lochiel Avenue Mount Martha on 8 December 2020. I'm very pleased to say the move has gone extremely well and we are enjoying our new premises.

Our growth continues

As of 31 December 2020, we have experienced the following growth:

	30 June 2020	30 Sept 2020	31 Dec 2020
Footings:	\$157.49 million	\$167.80 million	\$178.62 million
Deposits:	\$80.52 million	\$87.30 million	\$92.54 million
Lending:	\$75.50 million	\$78.93 million	\$84.60 million
Other facilities:	\$1.47 million	\$1.57 million	\$1.48 million

That's a growth of \$10.82 million (6.45%) for the second quarter of this financial year, after a \$10.31 million growth in the first quarter. That's \$21.13 million year to date against a budget of \$4.71 million. When we consider during this six month period how COVID-19 has impacted all of us, including the Victoria hard lock down restrictions, these are very pleasing figures.

Talk to us today

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We're open: 9.30am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday

Directors

Nick Roberts (Chairman), Colin Forsyth (Treasurer), Geoffrey Kidd (Secretary), Lisa Gould, John Schubert, John Forsyth, Bruce Rankin.

Mount Martha Community Enterprises Ltd Shop 6, 34-38 Lochiel Avenue, Mount Martha VIC 3934 ABN 25 142 190 949 During this period COVID-19 restrictions remained high, with limited customer numbers allowed in the branch and constant cleaning and disinfecting after every customer. I thank our customers who have been very understanding during this time and our staff for how they have continued to look after our customers.

Now that Christmas has past and hopefully you have all been able to enjoy time with family and friends, we now look forward to the challenges of the first half of 2021.

Gary Sanford Branch Manager

Board member

Bruce Ranken – FRCSA, MAICD, DipHR

My career has been dominated by working with boards, senior/executive management and CEO's with national and international businesses from both private and government business sectors, often simultaneously.

From Hospitality, to Human Resources and Recruitment, managing large teams across multiple location, coupled with national board positions, local council and chairing a number of committees including Finance & Governance, Social Infrastructure, and a member of Audit and Risk committees in local council, provides me with a wealth of knowledge to draw upon.

With over 20 years experience in the HR, Recruitment, Industrial Relations space I have held a number of key roles including, managing director of Victoria's largest hospitality recruitment business for nine years, National Account Manager for a national private recruitment company business, with a large number of direct reports and responsible for a number of different cost centres across multiple locations.

I also sat on the national board of the RCSA (Recruitment Consulting Service Association) and RCSA Workcover advisor committee. Whilst also holding the position of President of the International Special Events Society of Melbourne. Currently I'm working for a global recruitment business, managing a number of teams.

Recently I have moved back to the Mornington Peninsula, and now reside in beautiful Mount Martha. My outside interests include enjoying a game of golf, surfing, camping and 4WDing, and a good local wine.

Mornington Christmas lunch

We have been a very proud sponsor for over five years now. Functioning Together (Paula Creek) has been doing an amazing job coordinating the lunch and with the added stress of COVID-19 thought it would possibly look quite different this year. The lunch only received approval a few weeks prior to Christmas due to COVID-19 restrictions. Paula managed to rally the troops and looks like they all had a great time. A total of 78 attendees including 38 volunteers and 40 guests. 76% of guests were from Mornington 21% from Mount Martha and 3% from Mount Eliza, along with the 38 volunteers most of whom would have also been on their own.

