

# Community Bank · Mt Eliza

### Better banking, big impact

Bendigo Bank is one of Australia's largest banks and one of the country's most trusted brands\*. It is committed to the prosperity of local communities via Community Bank branches like ours in Mt Eliza.

The bank's network of Community Bank branches are owned by local people and operated in partnership with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank. Community Banks return most of their profit to their communities through grants and sponsorships. Read on to learn how the Mt Eliza branch is doing it.

\* Source: Roy Morgan

#### Get active and involved this summer

We're lucky to have so many great sports and social clubs in our community. Mt Eliza Bowling Club (above) welcomes people of all ages and has Friday evening Barefoot Bowls. There's plenty of action at Mornington Life Saving Club (below) on Mills Beach. Mt Eliza Tennis Club has coaching and court hire, plus we've got some great local cricket clubs. Our local sailing clubs run junior learn to sail and competitive programs. So there's lots of options to get active and involved.



We're proud to support Mornington Life Saving Club

Pic: MLSC

#### Mayoral Charity Luncheon and raffle

It was our pleasure to support the Mayoral Charity Luncheon at Point Leo Estate in October and the fundraising raffle that was part of it.

Each year the Mayor of the Mornington Peninsula Shire organises a charity event, with the funds going to a local organisation. As someone passionate about improving the lives of young people, Mayor Cr Steve Holland (from our Briars Ward) chose the Mornington Peninsula Foundation for the impactful work they're doing with local students and families.

We were proud to support Cr Holland and help him raise funds for this impressive local organisation.



Our branch and board team joined Mayor Cr Steve Holland (centre) and shire CEO John Baker (right) for the Mayoral Charity Luncheon

\$625K

Contributions to the community since 2010 \$165K

Contribution to the community in 2023 55
Organisations supported

Top: We've increased our support for Mt Eliza Bowling Club this year



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Pic: Frankston Dolphins FNC



Pic: MP Legacy and Defence Health

#### Frankston Dolphins major sponsor

In October we attended the end of season presentation dinner for the Frankston Dolphins Football Netball Club. On the night it was announced that we would be the club's new major sponsor.

Our relationship with both the Dolphins' senior and junior clubs goes from strength-to-strength and we are delighted to be part of their team. Congratulations to the committee, players and volunteers on a fantastic 2023 season. We can't wait for 2024.

### Celebrating 100 years of Legacy

Legacy celebrated their centenary this year with the Legacy Torch Relay. The event began in Pozieres, France on ANZAC Day and travelled around the globe, stopping at all 45 Legacy clubs worldwide. It visited Mt Eliza in September and our Branch Manager Fiona Parsons took part as one of the volunteer torch bearers. It was great to be part of it, and to celebrate Legacy's work supporting widows and children of Defence veterans here in our region.



#### Walkers Road Pre School

Walkers Road Pre School has been helping little locals learn, grow and develop for the past 43 years.

Our latest funding contribution helped them tackle some muchneeded maintenance, including an upgrade to the roofing of an outdoor area and a cover for their playground sandpit.

We are proud to support the staff, families and children who are learning so much in this nurturing environment.



### Peninsula Cat Rescue's Last Litter Program

The Last Litter Program, run by the volunteers at Peninsula Cat Rescue, makes sure that every cat has the opportunity for a loving home. We're proud to support it.

The program desexes, microchips and vaccinates cats who have recently given birth.

The kittens are then fostered, desexed, microchipped and vaccinated ready for local adoptions. The program helps manage overpopulation and reduces the environmental effects of strays.



#### Mornington Peninsula Toastmasters

Mornington Peninsula Toastmasters received funding from us in 2023 to purchase some new IT equipment. It is helping them run hybrid meetings and develop skills for on-screen speaking and presentations.

We highly recommend their fun, supportive and interactive meetings which are a great place for local people and professionals to develop their public speaking skills and confidence. They meet fortnightly at the Mornington Community House and new members are always welcome.

Learn more at: https://4738. toastmastersclubs.org/



#### Local news and sport

Tune in to community radio station RPP FM 98.7 for local news, sport and reports from across the peninsula.

# \$625,000 reinvested



# Kunyung Pre School

In August we visited Kunyung Pre School to catch up with some of the parents, teachers and staff. The passionate and dedicated team help children from around 60 local families play, learn and grow.

The little students develop a love of learning, extend their boundaries and build resilience and skills for life.



#### **New uniforms for Dragons**

In 2023 a new Somerville
Dragons u10s basketball team
was being formed. We were
happy to help the families
involved to cover the cost
of uniforms and the team's
registration. It was great to
watch the little Dragons in action
during the 2023 season. We're
happy to help families keep their
kids active and healthy.



Pic: Mt Eliza CFA

#### More support for Mt Eliza Fire Brigade/CFA

This year we have provided extra funding to our local fire brigade/ CFA to help them support our community. It enables access to communications software which helps them respond to local emergencies quickly. We're also helping them to install a new electronic sign at the fire station on Canadian Bay Road. It will display fire warnings and other community safety messages.

If you, or your teenage children would like to get involved as volunteers drop into the station on a Sunday and see what's involved.

# Community lunches at the Neighbourhood House

The popular monthly lunches at the Neighbourhood House are attracting many older and isolated local people looking for company and a great meal. With the help of local volunteers (who cook up a wonderful two course lunch) the house is also trialling take away meals, ensuring our older residents continue to stay well nourished and socially connected. We're very proud to support this initiative.



# **B** Bendigo Bank

#### We're proud to support

#### Arts, culture and heritage

RPP FM

Mt Eliza Art & Design Show Derinya Art & Craft Exhibition

Peninsula Art Society

#### Sport and recreation

Mt Eliza Bowling Club

The Village Baxter Bowls Club

Peninsula Flyers Swim Club

Mornington Life Saving Club

Mt Eliza Cricket Club

Baxter Cricket Club

Baden Powell Cricket Club

Delacombe Park Cricket Club

Ranelagh Club junior tennis program

Daveys Bay Yacht Club junior sailing

Baxter Soccer Club

Mornington Soccer Club

Mt Eliza Netball Club

Frankston Dolphins Football Netball Club

Frankston Dolphins Junior Football Club

Overport Park Redevelopment Foundation

Mt Eliza Football Netball Club

Mt Eliza Junior Football Club

Somerville Junior Football Club

Somerville Dragons basketball team

Moorooduc Junior Football Club

1st Ranelagh Scout Group

Mt Eliza Girl Guides

Mt Eliza Chamber of Commerce events

#### **Education**

Mt Eliza Secondary College

Derinya Primary School

Walker's Road Pre school

Kunyung Pre School

Tillerkite Pre School

Mornington Peninsula Youth Leadership Camp

Magic Moments student sponsorships

Mornington Peninsula Toastmasters

#### Health and wellbeing

Peninsula Home Hospice

Mt Eliza Neighbourhood House

Mt Eliza 55+ Club

Mt Eliza Farmers' Market

Speak & Share

Women's Spirit Project

100 Mile Foodie

#### Animal welfare and environment

Mornington Obedience Dog Club Mt Eliza Woodland Residents Association

Peninsula Cat Rescue

#### **Emergency Service and support**

Mt Eliza Fire Brigade/CFA

Mornington Peninsula Legacy

Peninsula Transport Assist

Mornington Community Support Centre Rotary Mt Eliza community events

# Bendigo Bank: the better big bank



#### Have a hit at Mt Eliza Tennis Club

Mt Eliza Tennis Club in the Howard Parker Reserve has high performance coaching staff, competitions, fitness and kids tennis activities. If you'd like to have a hit, or get fit this summer, you can learn more about their tennis activities at: www.bettertennis.com.au



Pic: Mt Eliza Cricket Club

#### Summer cricket

This summer we will be right behind four fantastic local cricket clubs, supporting them to keep their members fit, active and connected.

It's great to see all these clubs developing and fielding women's and junior teams this year, making cricket accessible and fun for all the family. We are proud to support:

- · Mt Eliza Cricket Club
- · Baden Powell Cricket Club
- · Baxter Cricket Club
- Delacombe Park Cricket Club



Pic: MODC

#### Happy, healthy dogs

Mornington Obedience Dog Club has helped thousands of local people understand and build a great relationship with their dog. We are proud to support the club and Mt Eliza's happy, healthy dogs. Visit their website to learn about their upcoming courses: morningtonodc.org



#### Baxter Soccer Club's junior growth

We've recently had the opportunity to help Baxter Soccer Club develop its junior programs – and it's been a big success. With lots of new junior teams, and a robust MiniRoos program, over 100 local kids joined the club with their families last year.

In addition, the club's senior men's and women's teams performed strongly in their league competitions. This club is recognised as a 'mentally healthy organisation' that provides a supportive family environment for its members and community.

Get involved at: www.baxtersoccerclub.org.au



## Georgi's 2023 grant recipient: Kunyung Primary School

Every year, our branch staff have the opportunity to support a local organisation that's close to their heart. In November, Georgi nominated Kunyung Primary School as her recipient.

The parents at Kunyung held an Oaks Day Luncheon to raise funds to contribute to the school's playground infrastructure and equipment. Georgi's grant will be a big contribution to that. Thanks Georgi.



#### Need a mobile lender to come to you?

With interest rates on the rise, now is the time to review your home loan. Our mobile home lending specialist Amey Duffy can come to you when it suits. Make your appointment with Amey on 0448 450 765 or email: amey.duffy@bendigoadelaide.com.au

# Celebrating 25 years of community banking

Bendigo Bank's unique Community Bank model is celebrating 25 years in Australia.

The internationally acclaimed model has grown from a concept designed to empower communities at risk of losing face-to-face banking services to a network of more than 300 branches with \$20 billion in loans and \$31.3 billion in deposits.

Founded in 1998 with branches in regional Victoria, the secret to its success can be traced back to a key feature of the model which ensures most of the profit generated by each independently owned and operated Community Bank is directed back into the community.

Collectively, the Community Bank model has returned \$320 million in profits to Australian communities since 1998. That's a big impact.

#### Shop, eat and spend local

As we head into the festive season, be sure to support our local businesses. If we want to keep great retailers, restaurants and professionals here in our community, it's crucial we support them. Christmas and the summer season is the perfect opportunity for all of us to do it.



#### Australia's most trusted bank (again)

For the second year in a row, Bendigo Bank has been named the most trusted bank in Australia. The news was announced at Roy Morgan's Most Trusted Brand Awards event in late October.

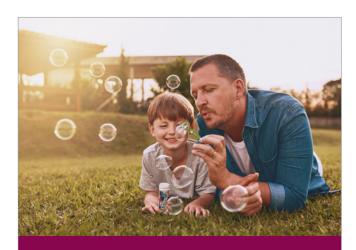
Marnie Baker, CEO and Managing Director of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank, thanked the bank's 2.4 million customers for the recognition, having won the award last year as well.

"Bendigo Bank's long-standing purpose is to feed into the prosperity of our customers and the community," she said.

"This award recognises the hard work of our people, who put our customers at the centre of everything we do. Our quality products, friendly service and leading digital offerings are just some of the reasons why we're consistently recognised as the most trusted bank in the country," Ms Baker said.

The Roy Morgan Trusted Brand Awards recognise outstanding levels of trust built up by 20 leading brands across a range of different industries and services.

Community banking is based on a 'profit-with-purpose' business model. It means our profit is returned directly to the community that generated it.



# Refinance, renovate or just re-evaluate

With interest rates on the rise, there's never been a better time to review your home loan.

Enquire online at bendigobank.com.au/healthcheck or call 9787 1224.



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All loans are subject to the bank's normal lending criteria. Fees, charges, terms and conditions apply. Please consider your situation and read the Terms and Conditions, available online at www.bendigobank. com.au or upon request from any Bendigo Bank branch, before making a decision. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited ABN 11 068 049 178 AFSL 237879 (1676698-1734981) Fusebox 5/2023

#### Keeping you safe online

Cyber security and scams have taken on a new intensity this year. Bendigo Bank has been increasing education and awareness activities to help people understand what to look for, and what to do if they suspect they've been scammed.

We encourage all our customers to visit the security section of Bendigo Bank's website to learn more: www.bendigobank.com.au/security.

The bank has also recently announced a new scam awareness education program which people and community groups can access through our branch. Speak to our Mt Eliza team to book it for your organisation.

Customers are encouraged to call our branch if they are suspicious of any communication. The mantra to keep in mind is:

- · STOP don't give money or personal information to anyone if you are unsure.
- THINK Ask yourself if the call or message could be fake.
- PROTECT Act quickly if something feels wrong. by contacting us on 9787 1224.

### Community directory

**Lifeline** 13 11 14

Lions Club of Mt Eliza

Neil Wingrave 0428 362 755

Mornington Community Support Centre 5975 1644 | mcsc.au

Mornington Obedience Dog Club morningtonodc.org

#### **Mornington Peninsula Shire**

Customer Service 1300 850 600 mornpen.vic.gov.au

#### **Mornington Peninsula Toastmasters**

Susan McDonald 0439 6508 83

https://4738.toastmastersclubs.org

#### Mt Eliza Chamber of Commerce

Lynne Heggie 0438 547 007 facebook.com/mtelizavillage

#### Mt Eliza Fire Brigade

Emergency: 000 | Station: 9787 2788 Bush Fire Info Line: 1800 240 667

Mt Eliza Men's Shed mountelizamensshed.org

#### Mt Eliza Neighbourhood House

90–100 Canadian Bay Road, Mt Eliza VIC 3930 9787 8160 | mountelizanh.com.au

Peninsula Arts Society peninsulaartssociety.org.au

#### Peninsula Transport Assist

9708 8241 | peninsulatransportassist.org

Probus Club of Mount Eliza probusmteliza.club

Rotary Club of Mt Eliza rotarymteliza.org.au

Speak & Share speakandshare.com



We wish you a wonderful festive season and all the very best for 2024. Travel safely and enjoy your summer holidays.

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