

Newsletter

Lang Lang Pearcedale Koo Wee Rup Narre Warren South Tooradin & Coastal Villages

Community Bank · Casey Cardinia

Lang Lang branch refurbishment

Community Bank Lang Lang recently had a makeover. With a fresher more modern look, we are excited to continue to provide the community with quality customer service. We recently celebrated with a morning tea and ribbon cutting with our current branch staff, volunteer board directors (past and present), company shareholders and local customers. We look forward to seeing you in the updated space soon.

Casey Cornucopia

We recently partnered with the City of Casey to support Casey Cornucopia, part of their Winter Arts Festival. It ran for the month of July and included a variety of curated artistic events showcasing the region's rich history and connection to food and fresh produce. There was edible mist, dinners, and community storytelling at this family-friendly event.

Our staff were lucky enough to attend and participate in some of these events including the opening night and immersive dinner. Keep an eye out on our Facebook pages for stories about our locals in the food and produce industry.

Scams

Have you received a scam message recently? Scams are on the rise so it's never been more important to know how to spot a scam if it targets you.

We've prepared some tips so you don't get caught out. Pop in and speak to us, or visit the Bendigo Bank website for more information: https://bit.ly/3CRW4li



Above: The new look Lang Lang branch is looking great.



Above: Some of our team at Casey Cornucopia in July.



Farmers' luncheon

In partnership with Rural Bank, we hosted our first farmers' luncheon at the Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve in late May.

At the event, agricultural analyst, Michael Curtis introduced Rural Bank's 2022 Rural Farmland Values report which was recently released.

The event was attended by local farmers, industry professionals and agricultural business owners along with representation from Bendigo Bank and Rural Bank's business banking team.

Guests were treated to a roast lunch provided by Country Style Meats Butcher & Smokehouse owner, and catering extraordinaire, John Preston (call him on 5629 2593 for bookings).

To close the event a panel discussion was hosted by Laura Healey with industry experts Michael Curtis, Alexander Mapleson (agronomist from Brown's Fertiliser) and Katherine Davis from Rural Bank.

We thank all those who attended and look forward to making this an annual event in our calendar.



Above: Local community members enjoying our farmers' luncheon



Customer compliment

Our Koo Wee Rup and Tooradin Community Branch Manager Liz was recently surprised with a lovely bunch of flowers from some very happy home loan customers. "Liz, thank you for all your hard work, much appreciated." – Tanya & Andrew



Above: Our 2022 Scholarship recipients. Back row: Bethany Clements, Stephanie Geyer, Ben Colman, Tijana Kovac. Front row: Jade Leenan, Lily Howes, Cailin Macumber-Francis.

2022 Community Bank Scholarship Program

In April we celebrated seven incredible young people on their recent success being named our 2022 Community Bank Scholarship Program successful applicants. We celebrated both the beginning and continuing stories of their tertiary education journeys.

The event was hosted at Settlers Run Golf & Country Club in Botanic Ridge and guests included students, families and staff of our branches.

Attendees heard from our applicants on their chosen study pathway, how university is travelling and their future career aspirations.

Since 2010 we have supported 57 students to the tune of \$515,000 across our five branches, on average between \$5,000 and \$10,000 each through our scholarship program.

Many of the students that have completed their university studies have returned to the region and taken up employment locally in the Cardinia Shire and City of Casey region.

"Of all the worldly possessions you might gather in life's journey (they come and go) an education is something you have forever. No one can take it from you," said Gordon Smale, Vice Chairperson, Our Community Company at the event.

Staff birthdays

Congratulations to: Carol (Customer Service Officer, Pearcedale); Bec (Customer Service Trainee, Koo Wee Rup) and Laura Healey (Executive Officer) who all recently celebrated milestone birthdays.







Director news

Welcome Angela



We are excited to announce our newest community volunteer director to the team: Angela (Ang) Banbury.

Ang grew up on a dairy farm in Catani and continues to call the region her home. After recently moving back to Koo Wee Rup,

she has continued to grow her connections in the community, namely through Catani Football and Netball Club as President of netball and Vice-President of football, while recently playing her 500th senior netball game this year!

Ang works for Netball Victoria as General Manager in the netball development team, and is also MC at Melbourne Vixens matches. Ang has extensive experience at both grassroots and elite level of netball. Her work involves supporting and developing umpires, coaches, junior and school programs, including NetSetGo and clinics on diversity and inclusion.

Alongside her work with Netball Victoria, Ang also works at an AFL level, completing the rotations and statistics for Fremantle Football Club, when they play outside of Perth. During the COVID lockdowns, she studied and has just received her licence to be a marriage celebrant. She is looking forward to conducting some weddings in the near future.

We asked Ang what drew her to become a Community Bank director. "Becoming a director on a board is something I have always wanted to do, and I couldn't think of a better fit, given my passion for community, in particular through sport, than with the local Community Banks."

Congratulations Nic!



Community Bank director from Narre Warren (and previous Community Bank scholarship recipient) Nicholas McKinnon was recently admitted to the Supreme Court as a fully qualified lawyer. After many hours of study for

assessments and exams, Nic has successful completed all

requirements to officially complete his qualification. He is currently working with local law firm Duffy & Simon Solicitors in Pakenham and hopes to one day move into family law.

Did you know?

We're part of Australia's most trusted bank!

Trust is central to how Bendigo Bank operates, which is why the bank was proud to be named Australia's Most Trusted Bank according to Roy Morgan's latest findings. The results were based on nominations from more than 60,000 Australians.





Insurance competition: our local winner

You've got to be in it to win it! Some of our lovely customers at the Narre Warren South branch had that winning feeling after being announced as the winners of a recent Bendigo Bank national promotion.

We were lucky enough to be able to bring Arif and Razia (pictured above) into the branch to surprise them with the news.

Coastal Villages Buses

We are proud to be long-time supporters of the Coastal Villages Community Buses, also fondly known as the 'the Bendigo Bank buses'.

Are you having a club, group or family outing over the holidays and can't all fit into one vehicle? Need to pick up visitors from the airport who'll have too much luggage to fit in your car? The Coastal Villages Community Buses could be the answer to this.

For a low cost you can travel together in the 12-seater automatic, fully registered and insured bus. No special licence is required and anyone over 25 years of age with a full Driver's Licence can drive the vehicles.

To book call Louise on 0447 321 652 or visit www.coastalvillagesbuses.org.au.



Above: Volunteers of the Coastal Villages Community Buses and our Customer Relationship Manager, Kylie.



Shareholder news

Save the date

Our 2022 Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 October at the Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve from 6.30pm. We look forward to catching up with our shareholders at this event. Details will follow closer to the date.

Are your shareholder details up to date?

You can check by contacting our Company Secretary at: admin@ourcommunitycompany.com.au.

Are you a customer of the branch? If not, consider making the switch to Bendigo Bank. By choosing one of our Community Bank branches you'll have a big impact on our local community.



Above: On Friday 22 July our branch staff participated in National Pyjama Day by wearing their PJs to work and selling goodies for a gold coin donation to the Pyjama Foundation. The foundation supports more than 1,000 children living in foster care with educational resources and helps provide stable, positive relationships. www.pyjamafoundation.com

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