

Summer
2024

Hello Gold Coast!



Community Bank · Paradise Point and Pimpama–Ormeau

Keeping you safe online

Cyber security and scams have taken on a new intensity in the past few months. 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 you to visit the security section of Bendigo Bank's website to learn more:
bendigobank.com.au/security.

Customers can call their branch if they are suspicious of any communication. If a call, email, SMS or other correspondence feels odd, 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 at Paradise Point on 5577 4199 or Pimpama–Ormeau on 5549 1256.

Flow Cytometry Facility opens

In October we joined Griffith University's Institute for Glycomics to celebrate the launch of the Community Bank Paradise Point Flow Cytometry Facility.

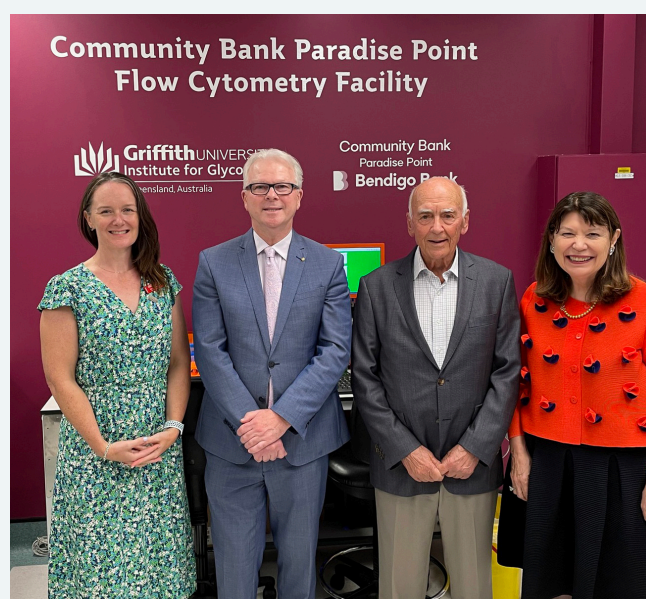
We were delighted to provide \$250,000 in philanthropic support towards the purchase of a new flow cytometry instrument for use by the institute's researchers.

Flow cytometry is a powerful tool in medical research which analyses the characteristics of cells and other particles in a sample. It is useful for studying cancer and infectious diseases, as it can quickly and accurately identify cell populations that are abnormal or diseased.

The facility will enable researchers to analyse large numbers of cells quickly and accurately, providing valuable insights into the underlying causes of disease and potential new treatments.

The Institute for Glycomics is one of Australia's flagship biomedical research centres. It is a world leader in the discovery and development of next generation drugs, vaccines and diagnostics to help combat diseases of global impact (including malaria and HIV).

There's over 200 staff, students and scientists who contribute to the institute's important research work. We are honoured to support the institute and this impressive new facility here in our Gold Coast community.



Better banking, big impact



2023 City Leaders Forum

It was a pleasure to attend the YP Gold Coast 2023 City Leaders Forum in October. Around 400 people joined us to hear from inspiring speakers like entrepreneur Mark Bouris (pictured above), Andrew Tang from Morgans and Adrienne Readings from the Gold Coast Exhibition Centre. There was plenty of networking and conversations about the future of business here in our community. We're proud to support YP Gold Coast and the young entrepreneurs they inspire. Learn more at: ypgc.com.au

Safe Haven Emporium

The Safe Haven Emporium sells women's pre-loved fashion, including some high end designer brands at a fraction of their original price. They also accept donations of clean clothing in good condition.

The emporium raises funds to assist women escaping domestic violence. We've supported Safe Haven by helping them to lease this shop in Hope Island.

You can visit the Safe Haven Emporium at 7/340 Hope Island Road. They're open from Tuesday to Thursday 10am to 3pm.



Festival of Lights: Diwali celebration

The Festival of Lights was a fantastic free community event and celebration held at Gainsborough State School in October. The event brought the Pimpama community, regional schools and the Indian community together to celebrate the Hindu festival of Diwali with food, music, dancing and a spectacular fireworks display.

Thank you to Gainsborough State School, Pimpama State Primary College, Pimpama State Secondary College and our fellow sponsors for making this wonderful event such fun to be part of.

Returning our profit to the community

Bendigo Bank's network of Community Bank branches are owned by local people and operated in partnership with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank. It's one of the world's largest social enterprise style businesses. Community Banks return most of their profit directly to their communities through grants and sponsorships.

If you want to feel good about who you bank with talk to us at:

- Paradise Point – 5577 4199
- Pimpama–Ormeau – 5549 1256
- or visit bendigobank.com.au

Oxenford Men's Shed

Many men, especially after retirement, find themselves needing to connect with their community and find new purpose. Men's Sheds are a great place for that. Everyone is welcome at the Oxenford Men's Shed. Their activities include assisting at community events, wood and metalwork projects, gardening, and socialising.

To learn more, call the shed President Keith Ward on 0410 639 184 or visit oxenfordmensshed.org.au

Runaway Bay Junior Rugby League Club

We love supporting the Runaway Bay Junior Rugby League Club. They do a great job of keeping local kids fit and active and families connected. Our Business Development Manager, Brodie, brings a personal connection to the club, having played there as a junior.



\$3.5 million reinvested



Pic courtesy HOTA

HOTA news: see icon John Williamson

Experience Australian music icon John Williamson live at HOTA on Saturday 2 March.

He's got a swag of accolades including: induction into the ARIA Hall of Fame and the Australian Roll of Renown, an Order of Australia, 28 Golden Guitar Awards, over five million albums sold, over one billion music streams and a catalogue of over 500 songs.

Book at: hota.tv/john-williamson

We're proud to support HOTA – the home of the arts here on the Gold Coast.



Supporting Gold Coast Hospital Foundation

Our branch teams from Paradise Point and Pimpama–Ormeau recently kicked their shoes off to reveal their 'Betty Get Better' socks in support of the Gold Coast Hospital Foundation.

These cute socks feature the foundation's mascot and every pair sold raises funds for the Gold Coast Hospital.

We're also delighted to support the foundation's nursing scholarship program, training Gold Coast nurses to help care for our community.



North Gold Coast Seahawks Basketball

We're proud to support basketball in the region through a sponsorship of the North Gold Coast Seahawks Basketball. Our support particularly assists the club with their referee development program.

Basketball is a great indoor sport and this impressive club has programs for children of all ages, plus competitive senior teams.

If your kids are keen to shoot some hoops, learn more at: seahawksbasketball.com.au



Stay active at Paradise Point Bowling Club

Lawn bowls is a fantastic way to keep active and fit, especially if you are looking for a low-impact exercise option. It requires precision and strategy more than strenuous physical activity, making it an effective way to stay fit. The repetitive motion of bowling is therapeutic and can help improve overall physical health without placing undue stress on your joints.

So why not join Paradise Point Bowling Club for a game? You could also enjoy the club's social atmosphere, food and entertainment. Learn more at: paradisepointbowls.com.au

We're proud to support

Arts, culture and heritage

HOTA – Home of the Arts

Sport and recreation

Coomera Hope Island Cricket Club

Crusaders Futsal Club

Coomera Magpies

Ormeau Shearers Junior Rugby League Club

Ormeau Bulldogs

Paradise Point Bowls Club

Paradise Point Sailing Club

Pimpama City Football Club

Runaway Bay Baseball Club

Runaway Bay Junior Rugby League Club

Seahawks North Gold Coast Basketball

Southport Croquet Club

Dolphins Social Bowls Club

Norfolk Village State School Rugby

Labrador Australian Football Club

Queensland Blue Light Association

Education and research

Australian Business Week

Coombah State High School

Financial Superwoman

Gainsborough State Primary School

Gold Coast University – Accelerating Critical Intergenerational Practice

Gold Coast University Institute of Business

Griffith University Institute for Glycomics

Griffith University Scholarships

Pimpama State Primary College

Pimpama State Secondary College

Starting Strong

St Francis Xavier Primary School

Study Gold Coast

Health and wellbeing

Fighting Chance Australia

Cycling Without Age – Gold Coast

Gold Coast Hospital Foundation

Oxenford Men's Shed

Oxenford Coomera Community Centre

Youth Care Teenage Adventure Camps

Emergency Service and support

For Kids in Care

The Legacy Club of Brisbane

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Safe Haven Emporium

Other

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Highway Church Ormeau

Envision Spiritual Prosperity Charity Inc

YP Gold Coast

Enriching Communities



Refinance, renovate or just re-evaluate

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

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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.

Ms Baker said the bank was proud to win back-to-back awards and was well positioned to continue delivering on its purpose and the privileged role we play supporting our customers and communities.

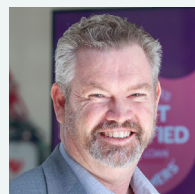
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Community banking is based on a 'profit-with-purpose' business model. It means our profits are returned directly to the communities that generate them.

**Shop local
and support
our small
businesses**

