



Celebrating 10 years of supporting our community.

Chair's message.

As the end of the financial year approaches, your local **Community Bank®** branch looks like producing another record profit, thanks to the efforts of all involved. We will be able to put aside over 70% of our profit for distribution into the Port Lincoln community for various projects. I expect the amount available for distribution into our community from the current year's profit alone to exceed \$500,000.

On top of that we have substantial cash reserves that will go into the community at some stage. Soon we will commence our annual grant round and local clubs and organisations will be invited to apply for funding various projects. One criteria for approval of funding is that projects need to be able to benefit the wider community. We are looking for "big ticket" items to fund – projects or programs or infrastructure that will have a lasting and positive impact on our community. We will still continue to provide funding for smaller projects as we have in the past but we need to be looking at the bigger picture to provide, or participate in, funding for bigger things as we now have quite a war chest!

We have commenced discussions with various key community leaders to try to find ways to use our available cash for maximum community impact. If you have an idea for a large-scale project that you think could benefit our wider community then we would like to hear from you. In the meantime, make sure you spread the word about what Port Lincoln **Community Bank®** Branch can do for your community. Remember that the more people who bank with us, the more money we can put back into our community.

Greg Eden
Chair



Branch Manager's message.

In the early part of 2018 we have witnessed two tremendous community events namely the evergreen Tunarama Festival and the Teakle Auto Sprint. Both these events attracted a huge number of visitors to our wonderful city and also gave a real boost to the local economy. The Auto Sprint was streamed live around the world and gave exposure not only to this unique event and our region but gave the opportunity to a group of local Port Lincoln High School tech savvy individuals to participate in running the big screens and the streaming.

Early in the new year we had Sara Edwards join our **Community Bank®** branch. She comes with a wealth of knowledge and a can do attitude that will greatly assist our customers. She has a rural background and is fitting in well in our lending section.

We have had two staff on maternity leave with both Brea and Sally bringing bright and healthy baby girls into the world. Brea has just recommenced on two days a week and Sally will start back part-time in September.

Our support to our community continues as we head toward \$2.1 million in total contributions. Our focus continues to be on youth community engagement, mental health issues and projects that bring a benefit to the wider community.

We would welcome you to become part of this wonderful community enterprise.

Phil Channon
Branch Manager



Port Lincoln Community Enterprises Ltd 34 Liverpool Street, Port Lincoln SA 5606 **ABN** 29 127 996 187 **Directors:** Greg Eden, Terri Christensen, Steven James, Anne-Marie Hammond, Pat Callaghan, Sandra Lukin, Diana Smith, Mark Carr, Di Baker-Tagg, Matt Noonan.

Celebrating with our community – 10 years.

On 11 March 2008 our Port Lincoln **Community Bank**® Branch opened its doors – since then we have grown the business substantially with our customers support and have continued from day one to provide our community with a **Community Bank**® branch they can be proud of. In March this year we celebrated providing over \$2 million dollars in funding and turning 10 years old with a community celebration at Ravendale Sporting Oval. The event was attended by over 500 people representing 56 of our local community groups. Each person who registered earned a donation of \$5 for their organisation or club. We had support from our local Rotary Club, RFDS Auxiliary, West Coast Youth & Community Services and EP Auto Sports Club, with photos taken by Brock Borlace of EP Sea Photography. We had bubble soccer, sumo suits, face painting, donuts, a sausage sizzle, ball giveaway for the kids and of course cake! We want to take this opportunity to thank all who attended and showed their support for what we do in our community.



Our people.

We celebrated 10 years working in our community this March. Our staff has grown to 11 and our Board is maintaining 10 Directors. We have had four Board members recognised for their service to our business. Steven James, Terri Christensen, Pat Callaghan and Anne-Marie Hammond – thanks for all you have contributed thus far to our business. Later this year Terri and Pat will resign from the Board and we have just completed recruitment of two new prospective Board members.

Our branch staff have continued to work hard to supply our **Community Bank**® branch standard of service. Phil Channon and Gail Bassham have both been recognised for their 10-year service to our branch. Sally Bronca is scheduled to be returning to work from maternity leave on 1 October for three days a week and Breanna Price is coming back to work on a full-time basis as of Monday 4 June from maternity leave.

Right: 10 years service recognised. L to R – Pat Callaghan, Terri Christensen, Greg Eden (Chair) and Anne-Marie Hammond. Missing: Steven James.

Far right: 10 years service also for Gail Bassham and Phil Channon.



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Port Lincoln Community Grants Program 2018.

Last year we funded grants for 15 community groups in the Port Lincoln and Elliston area as part of our 2017 Port Lincoln Community Grants Program, totalling close to \$200,000. This year we are planning our fifth Grants Program. We will open this year's applications with a Grant Information Evening and Launch on Monday 6 August at Ravendale Sporting Complex, where a specialist from the Community Enterprise Foundation™ who manages our program will be able to answer your questions. The Board have committed funds of up to \$500,000 to this year's program to celebrate turning 10. If you would like to attend this information evening or for more information, please RSVP to: plcemarketing@gmail.com

The Grant Program will be open for applications (online only) from 6 August to 4 September with successful grants awarded to groups at our AGM in November.



Local SES Group grant for portable lighting units.



Tunarama Inc. grant for marquee.

Port Lincoln Community Bank® Branch 2018 Scholarship.

Four Eyre Peninsula students again benefited from our 2018 scholarship program, which has supplemented their study costs in their first year of higher education. This year's recipients were: Jemma Pycroft (Major Scholarship) \$5,000 per year for two years and Tristan Ryan, Lucille Willsen and Brittany Doyle who all were given a \$1,000 bursary payment. To date we have supported 13 local students in their tertiary studies, totalling \$61,000.



Phil and Jemma – this year's major Scholarship winner, who is studying a Bachelor of Science (Physics) at Flinders University.

2018 Tunarama major sponsors.

We were proud to be the 2018 Tunarama Festival major sponsor. We participated in the opening of the festival, lead the parade and assisted with judging the floats, enjoyed an amazing 'Best of Eyre' dinner in the Bendigo Bank Marquee, Phil awarded the trophies for the Tuna Toss and our whole community and the many thousands of visitors who attended the festival had an amazing time! Thanks to the Port Lincoln Gymnastics Club, Community House, Red Cross and West Coast Home Care who supported us in the parade and of course special thanks to 'Piggy' who came to support us in the parade.



2018 Grants Information Evening

You're Invited

When: Monday 6 August

Time: 7pm

Where: Ravendale Sporting Complex

RSVP: Rae Moore
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plcemarketing@gmail.com

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Sponsorships awarded for 2018.

We continue to support and sponsor many groups, organisations and events. Please come and talk to us about how we may be able to work with your organisation through sponsorship. Below are just a few of those groups we have assisted so far this year.

EP Old Folks Home	Kirton Point Bowling Club
Williams Boxing Gym	Elliston Football Club
Mt Dutton Bay Progress Association	PL Cruise Ship Volunteers
Yarredi Services	EP Schools Gymkhana
PL Volley Ball Association	EP Community Foundation
PL Golf Club.	Squashed Cocky Ent. – Art Installation
LEP Baseball League	Lower EP Careers Expo
Port Lincoln Soccer & Sporting Association	Million Paws Walk – RSPCA
Navigator College – Pedal Prix	Streaky Bay Football Club
EP Auto Sports Club – Teakle Autosprint	Variety SA - The Children's Charity – Runaway Brides

Lower Eyre Peninsula Careers and Further Education Expo.



High school students from across the Eyre Peninsula were very interested to explore career options at the recent Career Expo held in the new Mangiri Centre in Port Lincoln. Port Lincoln **Community Bank®** Branch were only too pleased to be a major supporting sponsor for the event. Tim Kidney from our branch was kept busy answering student's questions and informing them on a range of careers within the banking sector.



Left: Mount Dutton Bay Progress Association defibrillator. Middle: Eyre Peninsula Community Foundation new laptop. Right: Teakle Autosprint big screens.

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