



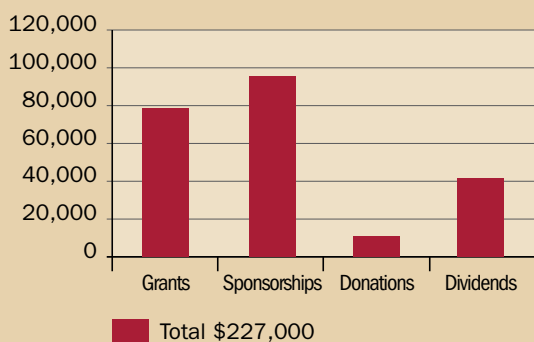
Community benefits grow.

The total amount of money distributed by the Mirboo North & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch to the Mirboo North, Boolarra and Yinnar Districts has now exceeded \$227,000 during the past four years.

Sponsorships to more than 60 clubs and organisations now total \$96,600 and have been used to support specific projects as well as general club costs. A total of \$79,000 has been distributed as community grants for larger projects to a wide variety of groups across the local area. Along with dividends to shareholders of \$41,000 and donations for special purposes of \$10,500 the overall total stands at \$227,100 since the branch opened in July 2010.

As business grows, and with increasing community and individual support by banking locally, these amounts will continue to grow and assist local projects.

Total distributions to local communities to June 2014.



Bankers and bakers join forces for Good Friday appeal.

At front of mind at Easter is the massive effort that Australians put in to donate to The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

People doing their banking at Mirboo North & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch on Thursday 17 April 2014, made sure to purchase a hot cross bun from staff.

Donated by Strzelecki Bakery, the hot cross buns were available for \$2 each and all proceeds and donations went straight to the hospital's Good Friday Appeal. Thank you to Andrew and Corrie and the staff at Strzelecki Bakery for your support.

Bendigo Bank has taken its support of The Royal Children's Hospital one step further, a partnership with RCH Foundation has resulted in the launch of the Community Choice Royal Children's Hospital Platinum VISA Credit Card.

Every time a customer uses their RCH credit card, Bendigo Bank will make a contribution to The Royal Children's Hospital Foundation.



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Strengthening local communities - Shire Partnership Forums.

One of the ways the Strzelecki Ranges Community Enterprises Limited Board connects with a wider set of community partners is through the South Gippsland Shire Partnership Forum. This Group meets quarterly and is chaired by Sophia Cole, Bendigo Bank Regional Manager – South West Gippsland. It includes representatives from Mirboo North, Toora, Inverloch and Lang Lang **Community Bank**[®] branches, key South Gippsland Shire and Bendigo Bank staff, Mirboo North and District Community Foundation, Leongatha RSL, and relevant Government departments by invitation.

The central objective of the Group is to develop collaborative strategic community projects. To this end the Group has discussed grants programs and a wide range of planned or funded projects; sharing a grantors' database; new frameworks for strengthening community and business resilience; the recently developed Shire-linked community plans; accessing opportunities through the Department of State Development, Business and Innovation's Putting Locals First funding program; and Shire community infrastructure policy for future developments.

Manager's report.

The results for the financial year ending June 2014 are now in and we have capped off a tremendous year with growth in the overall footings of \$10.2 million.

This equates to growth of 17.30% overall with the budget being exceeded in both lending and deposits.

We continue to support community organisations with sponsorships to over 45 groups exceeding \$38,000 and providing funds for grants to not for profit organisations of up to \$30,000 this year. By December this year our grants program will have distributed approximately \$107,000 to the community over three years.

This is just an example of how your banking contributes to the support of your community.

We put our customers first because we believe successful customers lead to successful communities and a successful bank in that order.

I thank all of you for your continuing support and I look forward to another year of strong growth and sharing with the community.

Alan Bannister
Branch Manager

Mirboo North & District Community Bank[®] Branch - new staff member.

The Mirboo North & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has recently appointed Sarah Lawson to join the team in providing you with excellent banking service at your local branch. This is a further demonstration of the strength of the business and its support of local employment, now employing six local staff members. Please make Sarah welcome when you next visit our branch.

Thank you

Peter Gardener - Executive Officer
Strzelecki Ranges Community Enterprises Limited



Mirboo North & District Community Bank[®] Branch - supporting local bushfire recovery.



The Mirboo North & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has resolved to make a community grant towards helping the local bushfire recovery effort in the Yinnar and Driffield areas. Assistance was given towards the costs of replacing boundary fencing by those affected in the recent fires. The donation responded to a request by the Yinnar and District Community Association to assist with costs incurred replacing boundary fencing destroyed by the fires. The Mirboo North & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch used part of a fund which allows

for donations for purposes including aid to emergency projects such as bushfire recovery projects.

This time it is to assist people in need in our 'own backyard'. We wish all those affected all the best with a full recovery in the aftermath of the fire.

Yinnar scouts.

1st Yinnar Scout group received a community grant of \$5,000 to help construct a store shed for equipment. It also provided an area for drying and maintenance, which will prolong the life of a variety of equipment and tools, as well as an under-cover work area.



Old Mill Site community grant.

A community grant of \$2,900 was used to purchase and install signage along the Old Mill Site walking track, Boolarra. Distances and information signs stationed at

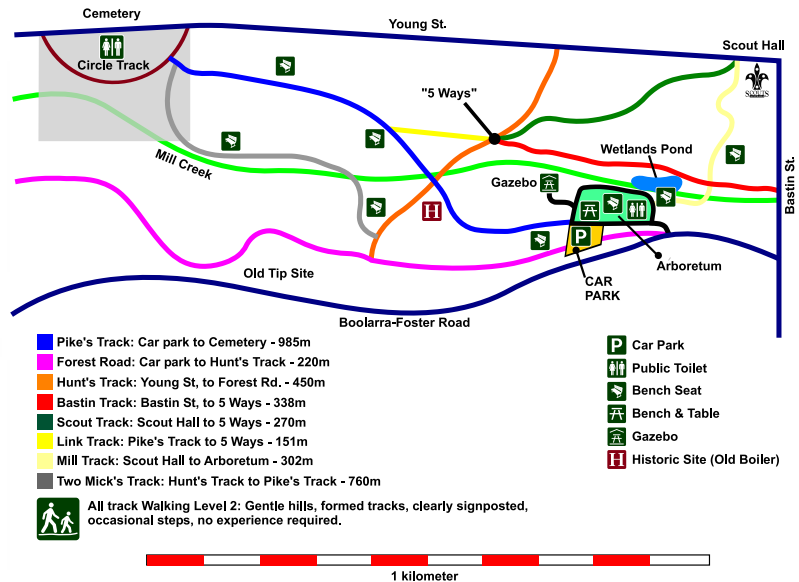
intervals along the track will be a safety feature as well as helping to preserve the local heritage and knowledge of past history.

OLD MILL SITE

Gazebo



Arboretum



CFA outlet points.

A community grant of \$6,000 to the Walter Tuck Recreation Reserve in Mirboo North was used to upgrade the water supply and also to provide two filling points for CFA and other water tankers during fire emergency.



How do we do it?

We will prosper through continued support of our customers. By banking with your local **Community Bank**® branch, you will contribute to the profits of a branch that supports its community. We all need banking services so why not choose Mirboo North & District **Community Bank**® Branch? After all, do you know of any other bank that contributes so much to its community?



Contact.

Call in and see us at 88 Ridgway Mirboo North or at Shop 3, 42 -44 Main St Yinnar (Wednesday afternoons) and you will receive the friendly, informed service for which Bendigo Bank is renowned.

The branch is staffed by the following team members:

Alan Bannister, Branch Manager

Adriana Tumino, Customer Relationship Officer

Kim Farquharson, Supervisor Customer Service

Susan Clark, Customer Service Officer

Tennille Francis, Customer Service Officer

Sarah Lawson, Customer Service Officer

For all your banking needs call in to The Mirboo North & District **Community Bank®** Branch or telephone us on 03 5668 1231, we welcome your enquiry.

Alan Bannister

Branch Manager

Lyric Theatre sponsorship.

As major sponsor of Leongatha Lyric Theatre, Mirboo North & District **Community Bank®** Branch is happy to provide ongoing support for the Arts and Cultural Events.



**It's switching your banking to us.
But it's bigger than that.**

It's \$227,000 poured back into Gippsland.

Our bank invests its profits into our community, so just by banking with us, you automatically become part of something bigger. **Bigger than a bank.**

Drop into your nearest branch at 88 Ridgway, Mirboo North or phone 5668 1231 or apply now at bendigobank.com.au

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