



Autumn
2026

Hello South Coast

Community Bank · South Coast

Come along to Spritz & Glitz

Spritz & Glitz is coming to Ulladulla... and it's designed to feel like a treat. Think girls' night out meets lifestyle learning, in a luxe, warm and friendly atmosphere, with food and drink at the helm.

Pop on your cocktail attire, bring your favourite people and get ready for a relaxed night out, with live music from 7.30pm. There will be door prizes and raffles to be had too.

What makes Spritz & Glitz special is we're bringing expert local partners together so you get practical, real-life advice across health, wealth, fitness and self-care. We're working with **Totally Fit**, **Delicious Vibrant Beauty**, and **Empower Wholefoods** to bring you this event.

The evening includes four short 15-minute lifestyle segments, each led by an event partner in their area

of expertise. It's going to be uplifting, engaging and importantly, lots of fun.

The Feel Good Factor!

Tickets are \$25 per person and every ticket sale is donated to the Cancer Support Foundation of Milton Ulladulla, with Community Bank South Coast also contributing funds to the recipient.

Places are limited to 100 women... so jump in early!

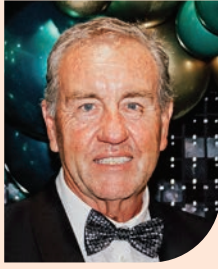
You can also make a donation (...think virtual ticket) if you can't come in person.

For more visit www.thelocalloop.org.au



Chair's message

I'm incredibly proud of what we've achieved together as a Community Bank. Over the past year, we returned \$330,000 of profit to local projects, supporting everything from better swim gear for local kids, to safer online banking for volunteers and free skin checks in Ulladulla.



In this newsletter, you'll see what that impact looks like on the ground. From Marine Rescue Ulladulla upgrading a vital response vehicle that supports rescues, evacuations and 24/7 capability, to inclusive play spaces with Noah's Inclusion Services.

You'll also meet inspiring local young people, including Brianna taking her 6G research to the world stage, plus student-led financial literacy and slam poetry events that prove leadership is really alive and well in our schools.

Keep an eye out for our "You are the difference" customer video currently in production and be sure to visit www.thelocalloop.org.au to explore our stories, resources and funding information in one place.

On behalf of our Board, thank you for backing a model that puts local at the centre of everything we do. We're looking forward to what the rest of this year brings.

Mike Devlin
Chair



You are the difference

Ever wondered what difference your banking makes in our community? Well, we took three customers and actually showed them the difference they're making!

And ... we captured it all for a new feature video that's currently being produced!

We can't wait to show you, but in the meantime here's some behind the scenes pics that Caz grabbed as we were going around!



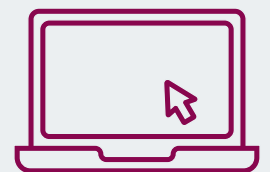
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Say hello to The Local Loop!

Caz has been busy showing us around the new home of our community company website and we think you're going to love it... if you don't already. This is us behind the scenes of Community Bank South Coast running a local, community company that exists for good!

www.thelocalloop.org.au

It's where you'll find:

- Our Community Impact Snapshot
- Stories of how we've returned \$1.6M in profits to local projects
- Details on our Social Traders certification
- How to apply for community investment funding
- A library of branch newsletters
- Inspiring local impact stories and practical resources!

Proudly local, always purpose-led and now just a click away at www.thelocalloop.org.au



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Seeing in the dark

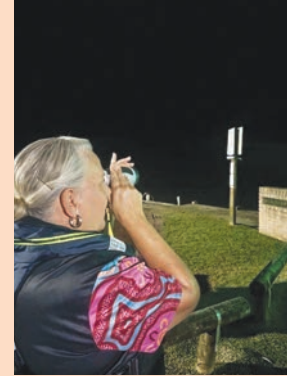
Talk about an out-of-hours excursion. We certainly don't work 9am to 5pm that's for sure.

We went out on the water with Marine Rescue Kioloa ... and wow what a way to see community funding in action.

Leah and Caz were lucky enough to jump onboard to see the impact of the two FLIR thermal imaging cameras we helped fund with \$8,000. These cameras are essential search and rescue equipment and help crews detect people or objects in the water and navigate safely at night.

Caz said "I loved it. I could see a canoe on the shoreline that certainly wasn't visible to the others onboard."

Read more www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/seeing-our-funding-in-action



Caz on the radio

We got Caz into the studio to re-record a few radio commercials (because who better to talk about how great the community banking model is?).

You'll hear them across Radio 2ST and 94.9 Power FM, so whether you're driving, cooking or half-asleep, Caz might just be in your ears.

Which makes now a pretty great time to book that home loan review you've been meaning to get to. Just call us on **4454 2659**.

Community impact stories

Rescue vehicle is response ready

From rescuing vessels on Burrill Lake to flood response across NSW, Marine Rescue Ulladulla is again ready to respond as they do. Thanks to support from our customers at Community Bank South Coast, they've just upgraded one of their most vital assets, a response vehicle.

The new vehicle:

- Tows rescue boats and fuel across Burrill Lake, Lake Conjola and Narrawallee Inlet
- Supports flood and fire evacuations when roads are closed
- Is suitable visible in the community with Community Bank South Coast signage on board.

Our Community Engagement Manager Caroline Boland and volunteer Director Gavin Hart headed over to Marine Rescue to meet the latest edition and really understand the impact this vehicle has for everyday operations.

"We have such a great partnership with Marine Rescue, particularly because of the professional manner in which they understand our Community Investment Program and at the core, get about saving local lives. They are such a pleasure to support and we're so pleased our model of community banking allows for profit to be put back into worthwhile organisations such as Marine Rescue", said Caroline.

With over 150 lives saved each year and 24/7 response capacity, this team is local, committed and ready to go when it counts most.

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/rescue-vehicle-is-response-ready



Recognition for inclusive play

Our Community Engagement Manager (oh, and Acting Branch Manager) Caz, recently attended Noah's Inclusion Services and was really thrilled to receive recognition on behalf of Community Bank South Coast for our support toward their Indigenous playground project.

As we say, we're making change one project at a time. But this was a really important one... building inclusive, welcoming spaces for children and families in our region.

In many respects, providing the funding is the easy part, we really appreciate what everyone at Noah's has done behind the scenes to deliver this project.

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/recognition-for-inclusive-play



Community impact stories



Young voices take the stage

We were proud to support a student-led Slam Poetry event at Ulladulla High School organised by Rachel Darvell through the Big Picture program.

Rachel led it all. She booked the venue, brought in poet Andrew Cox to run a workshop and created a space where students could speak freely.

Our Community Engagement Manager Caz was there and said, "The room was full of courage and talent. Rachel showed real leadership and the students didn't hold back. It was really powerful."

Their poetry explored social justice, identity and lived experience. And they absolutely nailed it. We should mention our volunteer Director Michael Ramsden also had a bit of involvement.... kudos to him!

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/young-voices-take-the-stage



Local student takes research global

From Ulladulla to the world, Community Bank South Coast has been so proud to support Brianna, a local student from Country Universities Centre, who presented her ground-breaking 6G networks research at the OFC Conference in San Francisco last year.

At just 28, Brianna is:

- One of the top students in Deakin's School of IT
- The first Australian Honours student in her field to present at this global event
- A passionate advocate for women in STEM and regional education.



With a WAM of 96, published research, and a PhD on the horizon, Brianna is showing young people across the region just how far hard work and local support can take you.

Our Community Engagement Manager Caz was on hand at the graduation celebrations.

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/local-student-takes-research-global



Practical learning that sticks

We were thrilled to support Ulladulla High School's Financial Literacy Day, organised by a small group of students with support from teacher (and Community Bank Volunteer Director) Michael Ramsden.

From planning the sessions to cooking an incredible curry lunch for everyone, these students showed what leadership and initiative really looks like.

Our Community Engagement Manager Caroline attended, ran a session and said, "The day was thoughtful, hands-on and full of energy. And the curry was so good."

This is the kind of learning that sticks and we're only too happy to instill early financial literacy and education at this stage of life.

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/practical-learning-that-sticks



Community impact stories

Gym upgrades for a stronger SLSC

We said 'yes' to supporting a stronger team at Mollymook Surf Life Saving Club with the provision of upgraded gym equipment for their growing Youth Fitness Program.

With over 900 members and 927 volunteers, the new gym is already a game-changer for the club and our Community Engagement Manager Caz dropped in for a tour (and a few reps).



This upgrade:

- Helps young members stay fit and mentally strong, especially during off-season
- Supports volunteer patrols by keeping lifesavers engaged year-round
- Encourages long-term health, leadership and connection for youth.

"Our clubhouse is a local hub and this upgrade helps future-proof it for the next generation of lifesavers," said the Mollymook SLSC Committee.

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/gym-upgrades-for-a-stronger-slsc



From strings to symphony

The Milton Ulladulla Symphony Orchestra delivered their first-ever performance as a full symphony orchestra and it was incredible.

What began as a string group has grown into something truly impressive. More than 250 people came together for a night of community and music that hit all the right notes.

Our Community Engagement Manager Caz was there and said, "It was a stunning performance. This is why we support the arts because these events really matter.

They connect people and build pride in our town and greater region."

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/from-strings-to-symphony



Milton raises over \$60K

A massive shoutout to everyone who supported Pink Up Your Town - Milton last year. Together our incredible community raised a staggering \$60,563 for the McGrath Foundation last year.

Our Community Engagement Manager Caz, made it back from her overseas trip just in time to join the final celebration and she wasn't disappointed.

From pink shopfronts to epic fundraisers, every raffle ticket, crochet square and shared post added up to something pretty impressive.

This is what community looks like when it shows up for each other. As Community Bank South Coast, we're proud to support a cause that ensures no one faces cancer alone.

www.thelocalloop.org.au/post/milton-raises-over-60k-for-mcgrath



Need assistance?

If your community organisation has a bold idea, but needs support, get in contact with our Community Engagement Manager Caroline Boland by email caroline.boland@bendigoadelaide.com.au



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