

Spring 2013



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Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch



Message from the Branch Manager



I would just like to say a huge thank you to all our wonderful customers and shareholders who has made the last financial year an absolute delight and of course extremely successful!

As you know we are very unique in the way that we can return 80% of our profits directly into our lovely little town of Sarina and we have really made a difference to a lot of people which makes everything we do worthwhile.

Please follow us on Facebook and encourage people to be a part of our successful family who are making a difference to our community!

Roanna Brady
Branch Manager

\$30,000 Contribution towards the up and coming Skate Park at Brewers Park

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch has partnered with Rotary, Norton's Earthmoving, Council and State Government to provide a new Skate Park in Sarina.

As soon as this opportunity was presented to us we were on board immediately, our community has been driving this project for a number of years and now it is becoming a reality. The skate park is an exciting, interactive new attraction for our younger community and we can't wait to see it completed!



\$3,000 Sponsorship for Sarina & District BMX District Carnival

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch were Major Sponsors of the recent BMX District Carnival which was held in Sarina on the weekend of 10 and 11 August.



Welcome to our new staff members



Joy



Tess



Mel

Major Sponsors for this year's Alligator Creek School Fair!

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch is this year's major sponsor for the Alligator Creek State Primary School fair which will be held at the school on Friday night 8 November 2013 from 6.00pm – 10.00pm.

It's a fantastic family night so come along and support Alligator Creek Primary School.

Other schools in the local area have been invited along to raise funds for their own school also. Hope to see you there!

Grant and sponsorship recipients

Total approximately \$215,000

This year's successful grant, sponsorship and donation recipients to date include:

Sarina and District Men's Shed
Sarina Saints Football Club
Sarina State High School P&C
Sarina State Primary School P&C
Koumala State Primary School P&C
Sarina Community Tourist Arts and Crafts
Wongabeena
Sarina Aged Residential Home
Sarina and District Community Kindergarten
Sarina RSL
Sarina District Schools Chaplaincy
Sarina Surf lifesaving club
Alligator Creek School
Sarina Festival
Sarina Show Society
Sarina State High School Technology Challenge
Sarina Fibre Arts
Sarina Bowls Club
Sarina and District BMX Club
Sarina Golf Club
Cancer Council Relay for Life
Sarina Police Charity Golf Day
Sarina Art Council
Sarina Mud Trials
Sarina State High School Technology Challenge
SES
Armstrong Beach Association
Sarina Athletics Club
Sarina Rugby League Junior and Senior
Sarina Country Music Association
SIDS
Zonta Club
George St Neighbourhood Centre
Circus Quirks
Mackay Chamber of Commerce

\$1,200 Sponsorship for Sarina Fibre Arts Group's Quilt Show

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch sponsored the Sarina Fibre Arts Group Inc. with their biennial Quilt show which was held on 27 and 28 April.

An abundant mix of traders were present and their guest artist was Nikki Tervo from Brisbane.

A two-day workshop was also conducted by Nikki Tervo two days after the quilt show, where members of the fibre arts group were taught new techniques and gained information on many aspects of quilt making.

Many quilts made by members over the past two years were on display, as well as a Queensland Challenge Quilt display of approximately 50 mini quilts.

The Quilt show was very successful event for the group.



CQU Market day and O'week

Roanna and Kerry attended 'O' Week and Market Day at the CQ University in Mackay to show support to our local university and educate the students that we can assist them with fee free accounts and all other banking services to make their lives less stressful.

'Branch of the Year' and 'Manager of the Year' for 2013

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch are proud to announce that we have again won 'Branch of the Year' for North Queensland and Roanna Brady has again won 'Manager of the Year' for North Queensland. Woop Woop!



\$5,000 Sponsorship towards the Men's Fours Carnival 2013 for Sarina Bowls Club

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch were proud to be the major Sponsor for the fourth year in a row investing now \$20,000 into the club plus purchasing new seating as well.



Mater Little Miracle's

We helped raise funds for the Mater Little Miracle's foundation by selling their merchandise at the branch and also setting up a stall outside the local Sarina IGA.



Shave for a Cure!

Our own staff member Tyson Limpus shaved his head for a cure for and raised \$2,017 for the Cancer Foundation. What a great effort!



Australia's Biggest Morning Tea May 2013

Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch hosted a morning tea which raised approx. \$270 for the Cancer Foundation.

Thank you to the staff and Directors for providing sweets and savouries for us to sell and also a big thank you to Sonja Solli for providing a basket of beauty products for us to raffle which was won by the staff at the Sarina National Bank.

Last but not least our customers and locals who supported us by way of purchasing morning tea and also giving donations which assisted us in raising what we did for such a worthy cause!



New Coin Machine

We have recently purchased a coin counter which will be available for use for our local community not-for-profit organisations at their community events. Contact Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch for more information on 4943 2634.



Relay for Life Team 2013

The Sarina **Community Bank**® Branch provided a team in the Relay for Life held at the Sarina Showgrounds in 2013. Our theme was characters from the TV series 'MASH'. We won Best Tent.



Under 8's Day Alligator Creek Primary School's

Alligator Creek Primary School held an Annual Under 8's day to welcome new students that may be attending the school in the next year to take part in the activities and see what the school has to offer.

We provided the children with balloons, colouring pages and a lucky dip, which included various merchandise, was also thoroughly enjoyed.

Megan and Mr Keys were kept busy keeping up with the demand for balloons! They were a great hit!

BBQ Trailer

Sarina **Community Bank®** Branch has provided a sponsorship of \$14,000 to The Rotary Club of Sarina to provide a community BBQ Trailer for use by not-for-profit organisations at no cost to assist with their fundraising. For booking enquiries please contact the branch on 4943 2634.



Sarina Community Bank® Branch Grants for March 2013

We had a very successful Grant Round this year with many worthy applicants, which made it difficult for the panel to make their final decisions.

It started off with a Grants Information Session in February held at the RSL Sarina, followed by applications opening online on 1 March closing on 31 March 2013.

Our applications were reviewed by the Community Enterprise Foundation™ and then a panel was selected which included.

The panel decided on challenge grants for majority of organisations in order to share the money around as there were many worthy projects that would benefit our wider community as a whole.

The final decisions were made and the recipients were advised and presented with their certificates by Karen May at our Grants Presentation Night in June.

Important Dates to Remember

15 October	Sarina Community Bank® Branch Community Forum – Bob Wood Hall, Sarina 5.30pm
9 November	Annual General Meeting – Sarina Bowls Club 1.00pm
8 November	Alligator Creek State Primary School Fair 6.00pm – 10.00pm
Early December	Primary School Bank Account Presentation for graduating year 7's



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'Hollywood' style Grants Presentation Night at the Sarina Bowls Club.

Our theme was 'Hollywood' and a fun night was had by all.

We launched our 'Community DVD' on the same night which was well received by our audience. Logie awards were presented to the Best Actor and Actress in our DVD. Our winners were Kent Street from The Sarina Surf Lifesaving Club and Gloria Murray from Sarina Arts and Crafts Centre.

Our \$4,000 CQU Scholarship recipient for 2013/14, Madeline, was presented with her certificate on the night and shared her story with us. Madeleine also spoke about how the scholarship and relationship she has built with Sarina **Community Bank®** Branch has had such a positive impact on her life.

Our Best Dressed prize was won by Jeff Burt as 'Fred Flintstone', and Best dressed Female was won by our own Roanna Brady as 'Elizabeth Swan' which were both chosen by Beccy from the Sarina Bowls Club.

A fundraiser was also held on the night for The Sarina Wildlife Carers and \$300.50 was raised to assist in the rearing of our local wildlife who have been left behind.

Last but not least, we would like to say a big thank you to our MC on the night Mrs Eileen Adams (Dame Edna) who kept our audience entertained with her wittiness.



Time to put on your thinking caps

All the not for profit organisations should 'get their thinking caps on' for any up and coming projects that you may need assistance with next year so you are prepared for our next Grants Program Round!



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