

2006 annualreport

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Chairman's report

For year ending 30 June 2006

Beginnings

Acacia Ridge **Community Bank**® Branch will have its first year anniversary on 23 November this year, and what a busy year it has been!

You, the shareholders of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited, have much to celebrate.

As at the end of our first financial year, we had approximately 140 shareholders with a total holding of \$508,000. Your shares are listed on the Bendigo Stock Exchange (BSX). Shares are still available for a short time until 29 October 2006 for those who wish to buy more. A copy of the prospectus is available at the branch.

Can you all remember what it was like in our Elizabeth Street shopping area over a year ago? We had no bank branch, no supermarket, no video shop.... empty shops, unhappy businesses and very unhappy residents.

Thanks to you and your investment in this Company, vitality and prosperity has been restored to the Acacia Ridge area.

The present year

We are on target to reach our budget for our first financial year. We had a great start to the business with the efforts of the agency staff in the Chemmart Pharmacy prior to opening – our thanks to Linda Beaumont and her girls for looking after our customers!

Special thanks go to all the fantastic Bendigo Bank personnel who made this all possible - Malcolm Frizzell who held our hand along the way and was always available and Bettina McMahon, our Relationship Manager who was always there to do business with any customer and went the extra mile. There are many more.

Thank you to the Board of Directors - Linda Beaumont, Peter Henderson, Joan Rae, Trevor Loft, Mark Ledwidge and Paul Knight. They have given freely of their time to guide our business.

During the year we have completed the Policy and Procedures Manual for our Company, attended national and state conferences and undergone Director training, and provided a rest area with shade cloth at the rear of the branch.

We have had our challenges in personnel changes in the Branch. Our Manager left in May. Our new Branch Manager Bernie Nicholson joined us in July and is keen to meet with you to discuss any banking needs you may have. By now you will be familiar with our Customer Service Officers, Kelly, Coby and Debbie.

It has been wonderful to see the impact that our branch has had on the Acacia Ridge community in this past year - it has restored prosperity to the shopping centre and the immediate community. Minimovers has established its head office at the centre, a new IGA food store is trading well and the post office and newsagency and other shops have been revamped. Our community church has purchased its premises and the shop keepers have experienced good business growth.

Chairman's report (continued)

The Brisbane City Council celebrated the opening of our Suburban Community Improvement Program (SCIP) on Saturday 2 September with a street party attended by our Lord Mayor Campbell Newman.

This upgrade of our Elizabeth Street shops area was jointly funded by the council and the property owners in the area.

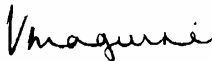
The future

The **Community Bank**[®] branch has approximately \$20 million dollars worth of business to date. We are looking forward to doing a similar amount of business in the next year, but we need your help and your business to achieve this.

What will this mean to you as shareholders? If we can achieve this, the branch will then be profitable. Once we repay our set up costs, the Company will be able to return funds to community projects and pay dividends to you as shareholders of the Company.

As shareholders, we also encourage you to come on board as a customer. If you are thinking of transferring or renegotiating a loan, come and see Bernie about this or any other banking or insurance need you may have.

Help us to become profitable, return dividends to you as shareholders and enrich our community. I invite shareholders to identify projects in our local community for your **Community Bank**[®] Company to support. We need to focus our efforts and spread the magic of **Community Bank**[®] model. You, our shareholders are the key to our growth.



Vicki Maguire

Chairman

Your Directors submit the financial report of the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2006.

Manager's report

For year ending 30 June 2006

Since opening on the 23 November 2005 it is timely to reflect on what our community's own bank branch – Acacia Ridge **Community Bank**[®] Branch – has achieved.

It has been a solid year for the business, with the people of the Acacia Ridge clearly welcoming the return of friendly and personal branch banking to the area. But, the fact that the branch is community-owned has contributed significantly to this success.

Over the last seven months, we have seen our total book grow to approximately \$20 million.

Our customer numbers continue to grow with our total customer numbers growing to more than 1100. We continue to track well against our prospectus targets and would like to think we will be in a break even position later this year or early next year.

There are many people in our community that have contributed to this success. The obvious partners are you, the shareholders, and in particular those shareholders that have shown total commitment by transferring their personal and or business accounts to the bank branch.

If you haven't already done so, I urge you to consider the move - the earlier we reach profitability, the earlier we can return a dividend on your investment.

Should you wish to discuss any of your banking requirements please feel free to contact me.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts and support of Chairman Vicki and her team of Directors. Many people don't realise the many hours of work that they have put in, not only in establishing the **Community Bank**[®] Company, but also in getting it to this level of business.

It's a huge commitment, made all the more significant because it's an unpaid position. The position is very difficult at times, as Directors are asked to run a Company of which they are given little information due to privacy legislation.

Our Board is not permitted to see any personal accounts of any nature and have access only to normal Company reports and public information such as our share register from which to work.

In conclusion I would like to thank my staff, Kelly, Coby and Debbie - they are the face of your **Community Bank**[®] branch and without their continued support, commitment and effort, the branch would not have been able to report to you the success it has achieved to date.

I would also like to farewell Katelin who on her return from her overseas trip will take a position in Bendigo Bank's Regional Office. We also farewell David, who has taken a full-time Customer Service Officer position in the Edward Street Branch. I am sure you will join me in wishing them well in their new careers within Bendigo Bank.

Manager's report (continued)

I recently joined Bendigo Bank after 28 years with one of the big four banks. I am an experienced Manager and I am looking forward to growing Acacia Ridge **Community Bank**® Branch into a busy and profitable enterprise. Ultimately, the community will benefit from successful customers and a successful bank branch.

Please let your family and friends in on the Bendigo way of banking, I'm sure they'll be pleasantly surprised.



Bernie Nicholson
Branch Manager

Message from Bendigo Bank Group Managing Director

For year ending 30 June 2006

Eleven years since bank conversion (and eight years since introducing **Community Bank®**) it has been extremely pleasing to announce a further improvement in our profit performance – and to demonstrate how we are able to focus on enhancing the prospects for all stakeholders and produce solid returns for Shareholders.

It has taken considerable commitment and effort by the Bank and its partners, but we have built a credible Australian banking alternative which is now producing improved outcomes for customers, for communities, and for other stakeholders associated with the Bendigo Group.

Our F06 result has shown the market that we have been able to sustainably improve profit performance while also undertaking substantial investments over the past eleven years. We have done so with a consistent strategy – and, while the \$100 million net profit is a milestone for us, the market continues to remind us that this is well under that being produced by the majors. We accept this, but we are making good progress.

Our ROE (excluding significant item) was 14.2% – where the majors are currently delivering higher returns. However, we are producing improved results year-on-year, and the prospects for our Group and our partners are even greater than when we started the strategy. Therefore we have not used up our credits, taken customers and communities for granted, or cut our cost base to produce our improved shareholder returns. This gives us greater opportunity to continue our progress.

The **Community Bank®** contribution has steadily improved. It is also helping to convince the financial markets that the model has merit, and that communities across Australia are able to respond to the challenge our model ascribes to our local partners. I have maintained my consistent message – that we have great partners and have never doubted the ability of communities to respond to this difficult task.

Community Bank® branches have now produced 27% of the Group's business footings and are contributing around 13% of our profit. As individual sites mature, I would expect the profit contribution to move closer to the overall business volumes serviced through the **Community Bank®** network.

In the past year Bendigo Bank has paid \$76 million to **Community Bank®** sites as their share in revenue, and the majority of this revenue now stays in the local community and its economy.

Many earlier **Community Bank®** sites are now generating solid surpluses and making distributions – not only to local shareholders but to local community projects and support services. We are now also able to leverage the sustainable revenue these communities are generating to multiply the money available for community activities.

Our Community Enterprise Foundation enables gifting to be undertaken tax-effectively, and the work we have been undertaking with the various governments is also enabling us to assist in seeking match-funding to further improve the amount of money available to direct to local projects. It is most pleasing to see this occur, and I expect many new strategic initiatives and projects will be undertaken in the coming decade.

I am extremely proud of all of the communities who have undertaken the difficult task of launching their own **Community Bank®** branch. I also fully understand the contribution made by the local leaders who are involved in the Community Banking network for and on behalf of their communities.

It is particularly pleasing that the market is now acknowledging the strength of this model – although they are still expressing some doubt concerning our joint ability to remain united as a strong collaborative force – or whether the model will be as effective if we experience less buoyant economic times. Of course, we believe we will be able to maintain our joint commitment in whatever economic environment emerges.

Message from Bendigo Bank Group Managing Director continued

We are convinced – even if this model is not being used anywhere else in the world – that the benefits for all stakeholders will be substantial and that the relationships developed in this Business & Community Partnership will be enduring.

I am confident we can remain united and committed to improve the prospects of communities – and this in turn will improve the local support for each **Community Bank®** site and strengthen the connection we have with customers and communities around Australia. This has to be good for our business – and I think the recent result is proving this.

At the Bendigo we are convinced it is possible to produce Triple Bottom Line outcomes on a sustainable basis – if the outcomes for the broader stakeholder base are a result of the particular strategy and business model rather than something pursued independently.

As our **Community Bank®** partners – and as representatives for your local communities – you are truly the local champions who are making this happen. I know how difficult it is to create a new business of any kind – let alone a new publicly-owned business shaped like the Community Enterprise that is **Community Bank®**.

I can confirm that Bendigo Bank, your business partner, is committed to the building of more prosperous local economies. If together we can build a sustainable local enterprise, we will have built a source of reliable local revenue that can be directed to the ongoing improvement of your local marketplace for many years to come.

When we built the **Community Bank®** business model we did so with great faith in community and its role in the future marketplace. Today we hold that same view – but also an ever-increasing belief that community has so much to offer in the development of the communities of the future.

We also believe that many of the things that challenge us can be addressed at the local level. I understand there is still much to be done to improve the financial outcomes for communities and for the Bendigo Group and we look forward to working with you on activities to secure our respective futures.

We will continue our efforts to identify and assist you to address many of these challenges and – on behalf of the Board and Management at Bendigo Bank – I thank you for the effort you have expended over the years on behalf of your community. We feel confident your community will profit from this effort for many years to come.

We have always held the belief that banks were originally formed (back in the 1400s) to help build a more prosperous village. We are confident our **Community Bank®** Business & Community Partnership is working to that same objective and that we will all benefit greatly from this joint commitment.

I wish you well in the future and pledge our ongoing support to help ensure your Community Enterprise develops into a sustainable entity and a lasting contributor to your local market.

Thanks for your efforts in F06 and for your ongoing commitment.

Rob Hunt
Managing Director
Bendigo Bank Group
18 August 2006

Directors' report

Directors

The names and details of the company's directors who held office during or since the end of the financial year:

Victoria Louise Maguire

Chairman

Age 57

Licensed Post Office Operator

Peter Geoffrey Henderson

Treasurer

Age 60

Accountant

Linda Anne Beaumont

Company Secretary

Age 47

Pharmacist/Pharmacy Proprietor

Paul Douglas Knight

Director

Age 32

Chiropractor

Trevor Maurice Loft

Director

Age 64

Minister of Religion

Joan Margaret Rae

Director

Age 59

Business Operator

Mark Ledwidge

Director

Age 50

Optometrist

Directors were in office for the entire period unless otherwise stated.

No Directors have material interests in contracts or proposed contracts with the company, except for Victoria Maguire who is the sole director of the landlord of the premises occupied by the bank; and Peter Henderson whose firm provides accounting services to the company.

Directors' report continued

Company Secretary

The company secretary is Linda Anne Beaumont. Linda was appointed to the position of secretary on 31 August 2006. Linda is a Community Pharmacist and a Managing Partner of the Elizabeth St Chemmart Day & Night Pharmacy.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the company during the course of the financial year were in providing community banking services under management rights to operate a franchised branch of Bendigo Bank Limited.

There has been no significant changes in the nature of these activities during the year.

Operating Results

Operations have performed in line with expectations. The loss of the company for the financial year after provision for income tax was:

Year ended
30 June 2006
\$
(148,429)

Remuneration Report

No Director receives remuneration for services as a Company Director or Committee Member.

There are no employees who are directly accountable and have responsibility for the strategic direction and operational management of the entity.

There are therefore no specified Executives whose remuneration requires disclosure.

Dividends

Directors recommend that no dividends be paid or declared for the current year.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

In the opinion of the directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the company that occurred during the financial year under review not otherwise disclosed in this report or the financial report.

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the company, in future years.

Likely Developments

The company will continue its policy of providing banking services to the community.

Directors' report continued

Environmental Regulation

The company is not subject to any significant environmental regulation.

Directors' Benefits

No Director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the company, controlled entity or related body corporate with a Director, a firm which a Director is a member or an entity in which a Director has a substantial financial interest. This statement excludes a benefit included in the aggregate amount of emoluments received or due and receivable by Directors shown in the company's accounts, or the fixed salary of a full-time employee of the company, controlled entity or related body corporate, except for Victoria Maguire who is the sole director of the landlord of the premises occupied by the bank; and Peter Henderson whose firm provides accounting services to the company.

Indemnification and Insurance of Directors and Officers

The company has indemnified all Directors and the Manager in respect of liabilities to other persons (other than the company or related body corporate) that may arise from their position as Directors or Manager of the company except where the liability arises out of conduct involving the lack of good faith. The premium paid in respect to this policy is \$2,860.

Disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium is prohibited by the confidentiality clause of the contract of insurance. The company has not provided any insurance for an auditor of the company or a related body corporate.

Directors Meetings

The number of Directors meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the year were:

| | Number of Board Meetings eligible to attend | Number attended |
|--------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Victoria Louise Maguire | 7 | 7 |
| Peter Geoffrey Henderson | 7 | 7 |
| Linda Anne Beaumont | 7 | 7 |
| Paul Douglas Knight | 7 | 6 |
| Trevor Maurice Loft | 7 | 6 |
| Joan Margaret Rae | 7 | 6 |
| Mark Ledwidge | 7 | 6 |

Directors' report continued

Non Audit Services

The company may decide to employ the auditor on assignments additional to their statutory duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the company are important. Details of the amounts paid or payable to the Auditor (Andrew Frewin & Stewart) for audit and non audit services provided during the year are set out in the notes to the accounts.

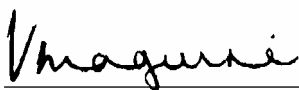
The board of directors has considered the position, and is satisfied that the provision of the non-audit services is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the Corporations Act 2001.

The directors are satisfied that the provision of non-audit services by the auditor, as set out in the notes did not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 for the following reasons:

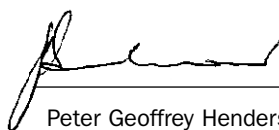
- a) all non-audit services have been reviewed by the audit committee to ensure they do not impact on the impartiality and objectivity of the Auditor;
- b) none of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in Professional Statement F1, including reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, acting in a management or a decision-making capacity for the Company, acting as advocate for the Company or jointly sharing economic risk and rewards.

A copy of the auditors' independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 12.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors at Acacia Ridge, Queensland on 13 September 2006.



Victoria Louise Maguire, Chairman



Peter Geoffrey Henderson, Treasurer

Directors' report continued



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Auditor's Independence Declaration

In accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited.

As lead auditor for the review of the financial statements of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited for the year ended 30 June 2006, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- a) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- b) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

David Hutchings
Auditor

Andrew Frewin & Stewart

Bendigo VIC 3550

Dated: 13 September 2006

Financial statements

Income statement

For year ending 30 June 2006

| | Notes | 2006 \$ |
|--|-------|------------------|
| Revenues from ordinary activities | 3 | 103,241 |
| Salaries and employee benefits expense | | (130,353) |
| Advertising and promotion expenses | | (4,414) |
| Occupancy and associated costs | | (7,701) |
| Depreciation and amortisation expense | 4 | (16,424) |
| General administration expenses | | (156,994) |
| Loss from ordinary activities before income tax credit | | (212,646) |
| Income tax expense/credit | 5 | 64,217 |
| Loss from ordinary activities after income tax credit | | (148,429) |
| Loss attributable to members of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited | | (148,429) |
| Earnings per share (cents per share) | | |
| - basic for loss for the year | | (0.28) |

Financial statements continued

Balance sheet

As at 30 June 2006

| | Notes | 2006 \$ |
|----------------------------------|-------|----------------|
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash assets | 6 | 139,695 |
| Trade and other receivables | 7 | 6,374 |
| Total Current Assets | | 146,069 |
| Non-Current Assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 8 | 144,714 |
| Intangibles | 9 | 8,831 |
| Deferred tax assets | 10 | 64,217 |
| Total Non-Current Assets | | 217,762 |
| Total Assets | | 363,831 |
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Trade and other payables | 11 | 2,703 |
| Borrowings | 12 | 1,185 |
| Total Current Liabilities | | 3,888 |
| Total Liabilities | | 3,888 |
| Net Assets | | 359,944 |
| Equity | | |
| Contributed equity | 13 | 508,373 |
| Accumulated losses | 14 | (148,429) |
| Total Equity | | 359,944 |

Financial statements continued

Statement of changes in equity

For year ending 30 June 2006

| | 2006 \$ |
|--|----------------|
| Total equity at the beginning of the financial year | - |
| Net loss for the year | (148,429) |
| Shares issued during period | 508,373 |
| Total equity at the end of the financial year | 359,944 |

Financial statements continued

Statement of cash flows

For year ending 30 June 2006

| | Notes | 2006 \$ |
|---|--------------|------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Cash received from customers | | 91,881 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | | (291,519) |
| Interest received | | 2 |
| Interest paid | | (257) |
| Net inflows from operating activities | 15(b) | (199,893) |
| Cash flows from Investing Activities | | |
| Payment for intangible assets | | (10,000) |
| Payments for property plant and equipment | | (159,970) |
| Net cash outflows investing activities | | (169,970) |
| Cash Flows From Financing Activities | | |
| Proceeds of share issues | | 530,487 |
| Payment for share issue costs | | (22,114) |
| Net cash inflows from financing activities | | 508,373 |
| Net increase in cash held | | 138,510 |
| Cash at the beginning of the financial year | | - |
| Cash at the end of the financial year | 15(a) | 138,510 |

Notes to the financial statements

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRSs), other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

Application of AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS)

These financial statements are the first Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited financial statements and also the first to be prepared in accordance with AIFRSs. AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards has been applied in preparing these financial statements.

Revenue

Interest and fee revenue is recognised when earned. All revenue is stated net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST). The gain or loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment is recognised on a net basis and is classified as income rather than revenue.

Income tax

Current tax

Current tax is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable or recoverable in respect of the taxable profit or tax loss for the period. It is calculated using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. Current tax for current and prior periods is recognised as a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

Notes to the financial statements continued

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Income tax (continued)

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the comprehensive balance sheet liability method in respect of temporary differences arising from differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax base of those items.

In principle, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable amounts will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unused tax losses and tax offsets can be utilised. However, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences giving rise to them arise from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities (other than as a result of a business combination) which affects neither taxable income nor accounting profit. Furthermore, a deferred tax liability is not recognised in relation to taxable temporary differences arising from goodwill.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period(s) when the asset and liability giving rise to them are realised or settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. The measurement of deferred tax liabilities reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the consolidated entity expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they related to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the company/consolidated entity intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax for the period

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense or income in the income statement, except when it relates to items credited or debited to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised directly in equity, or where it arises from initial accounting for a business combination, in which case it is taken into account in the determination of goodwill or excess.

Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable for the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet. Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis.

The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operation cash flows.

Notes to the financial statements continued

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Employee entitlements

The provision for employee benefits to wages, salaries and annual leave represents the amount which the company has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees' services provided up to the balance date. The provision has been calculated on undiscounted amounts based on wage and salary rates expected to be paid and includes related on-costs.

The Company contributes to a defined contribution plan. Contributions to employee superannuation funds are charged against income as incurred.

Intangibles

The cost of the Company's franchise fee has been recorded at cost and is amortised on a straight line basis at a rate of 20% per annum.

Cash

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Comparative figures

Where required by Accounting Standards comparative figures are adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year. However, as this is the first financial reporting year for Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited, no such comparatives or adjustments to such are disclosed.

Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment, leasehold improvements and equipment under finance lease are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the item. In the event that settlement of all or part of the purchase consideration is deferred, cost is determined by discounting the amounts payable in the future to their present value as at the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided on property, plant and equipment, including freehold buildings but excluding land. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost of each asset over its expected useful life to its estimated residual value. Leasehold improvements are depreciated at the rate equivalent to the available building allowance using the straight line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method is reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period.

The following estimated useful lives are used in the calculation of depreciation:

- leasehold improvements 40 years
- plant and equipment 2.5 - 40 years
- furniture and fittings 4 - 40 years

Notes to the financial statements continued

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, the consolidated entity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the consolidated entity estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired. An impairment of goodwill is not subsequently reversed.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

Payment terms

Receivables and payables are non interest bearing and generally have payment terms of between 30 and 90 days.

Receivables and Payables

Receivables are carried at their amounts due. The collectability of debts is assessed at balance date and specific provision is made for any doubtful accounts. Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost that is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Company.

Borrowings

All loans are measured at the principal amount. Interest is recognised as an expense as it accrues.

Notes to the financial statements continued

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the economic entity has a legal, equitable or constructive obligation to make a future sacrifice of economic benefits to other entities as a result of past transactions or other past events, it is probable that a future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

A provision for dividends is not recognised as a liability unless the dividends are declared, determined or publicly recommended on or before the reporting date.

Contributed Capital

Issued and paid up capital is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received by the Company. Any transaction costs arising on the issue of ordinary shares are recognised directly in equity as a reduction of the share proceeds received.

2. Financial Risk Management

The Company's activities expose it to a limited variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The Company's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the entity. The entity does not use derivative instruments.

Risk management is carried out directly by the Board of Directors.

(i) Market Risk

The Company has no exposure to any transactions denominated in a currency other than Australian dollars.

(ii) Price Risk

The Company is not exposed to equity securities price risk as it does not hold investments for sale or at fair value. The Company is not exposed to commodity price risk.

(iii) Credit Risk

The Company has no significant concentrations of credit risk. It has policies in place to ensure that customers have an appropriate credit history. The Company's franchise agreement limits the Company's credit exposure to one financial institution, being Bendigo Bank Limited.

(iv) Liquidity Risk

Prudent liquidity management implies maintaining sufficient cash and marketable securities and the availability of funding from credit facilities. The Company believes that its sound relationship with Bendigo Bank Limited mitigates this risk significantly.

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2. Financial Risk Management (continued)

(v) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

Interest-bearing assets are held with Bendigo Bank Limited and subject to movements in market interest. Interest-rate risk could also arise from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the Company to cash flow interest-rate risk. The Company believes that its sound relationship with Bendigo Bank Limited mitigates this risk significantly.

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3. Revenue from ordinary activities

Operating activities:

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| - services commissions | 102,008 |
|------------------------|---------|

| | |
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| Total revenue from operating activities | 102,008 |
|--|----------------|

Non-operating activities:

| | |
|---------------------|-------|
| - interest received | 1,233 |
|---------------------|-------|

| | |
|---|-------|
| Total revenue from non-operating activities | 1,233 |
|---|-------|

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Total revenues from ordinary activities | 103,241 |
|--|----------------|

4. Expenses

Depreciation of non-current assets:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| - plant and equipment | 4,172 |
|-----------------------|-------|

| | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| - leasehold improvements | 11,083 |
|--------------------------|--------|

Amortisation of non-current assets:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| - franchise agreement | 1,169 |
|-----------------------|-------|

| |
|---------------|
| 16,424 |
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5. Income tax expense

The prima facie tax on loss from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax credit as follows:

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Operating loss | (212,646) |
| Prima facie tax on loss from ordinary activities at 30% | (63,794) |
| Add tax effect of: | |
| - non-deductible expenses | (423) |
| Income tax credit on operating loss | (64,217) |
| Deferred tax asset carried forward | (64,217) |

6. Cash assets

| | |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Cash at bank and on hand | 39,695 |
| Term Deposits | 100,000 |
| | 139,695 |

7. Trade and other receivables

| | |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Trade receivables | 3,918 |
| Other receivables | 2,456 |
| Total | 6,374 |

8. Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| At cost | 24,207 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (4,172) |
| | 20,035 |

Leasehold improvements

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| At cost | 135,762 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (11,083) |
| | 124,679 |
| Total written down amount | 144,714 |

Notes to the financial statements continued

8. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

| | 2006 \$ |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Movements in carrying amounts: | |
| <i>Plant and equipment</i> | |
| Carrying amount at beginning | - |
| Additions | 24,207 |
| Less: depreciation expense | (4,172) |
| Carrying amount at end | 20,035 |
| <i>Leashold improvements</i> | |
| Carrying amount at beginning | - |
| Additions | 135,762 |
| Less: depreciation expense | (11,083) |
| Carrying amount at end | 124,679 |
| Total amount written down | 144,714 |

9. Intangible assets

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| <i>Franchise Fee</i> | |
| At cost | 10,000 |
| Less: accumulated amortisation | (1,169) |
| | 8,831 |

10. Deferred Tax

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Deferred tax asset | 64,217 |
|---------------------------|---------------|

Notes to the financial statements continued

| | 2006 \$ |
|--|------------------|
| 11. Trade and other payables | |
| Trade Creditors | 303 |
| Accrued expenses | 2,400 |
| | 2,703 |
| 12. Borrowings | |
| Bank overdraft | 1,185 |
| 13. Contributed equity | |
| 530,487 Ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each (2005: 0) | 530,487 |
| Less: equity raising expenses | (22,114) |
| | 508,373 |
| 14. Accumulated losses | |
| Balance at the beginning of the financial year | - |
| Net loss from ordinary activities after income tax | (148,429) |
| Balance at the end of the financial year | (148,429) |
| 15. Statement of cashflows | |
| (a) Reconciliation of cash | |
| Cash at bank and on hand | 39,695 |
| Tem deposit | 100,000 |
| Bank overdraft | (1,185) |
| | 138,510 |

Notes to the financial statements continued

15. Statement of cashflows (continued)

| | 2006 \$ |
|--|------------------|
| (b) Reconciliation of loss from ordinary activities after tax to net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities | |
| Loss from ordinary activities after income tax | (148,429) |
| Non cash items: | |
| - depreciation | 15,255 |
| - amortisation | 1,169 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | |
| - (increase) in receivables | (6,374) |
| - (increase) in other assets | (64,217) |
| - increase in payables | 2,703 |
| Net cashflows used in operating activities | (199,893) |

16. Auditors' remuneration

Amounts received or due and receivable by the auditor of the Company for:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| - audit & review services | 3,750 |
| - other services in relation to the Company | 3,365 |
| | 7,115 |

Notes to the financial statements continued

17. Director and Related party disclosures

The names of Directors who have held office during the financial year are:

Victoria Louise Maguire

Peter Geoffrey Henderson

Linda Anne Beaumont

Paul Douglas Knight

Trevor Maurice Loft

Joan Margaret Rae

Mark Ledwidge

No director or related entity has entered into a material contract with the company. No director's fees have been paid as the positions are held on a voluntary basis except for Victoria Maguire who is the sole director of the landlord of the premises occupied by the bank; and Peter Henderson whose firm provides accounting services to the company.

| Directors shareholdings | 2006 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Victoria Louise Maguire | 50,001 |
| Peter Geoffrey Henderson | 25,501 |
| Linda Anne Beaumont | 7,501 |
| Paul Douglas Knight | 15,001 |
| Trevor Maurice Loft | 901 |
| Joan Margaret Rae | 501 |
| Mark Ledwidge | 26,001 |

All directors subscribed for the relevant shares during the year. Each share held is valued at \$1 and is fully paid.

Notes to the financial statements continued

18. Earnings per Share

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Loss per share for the financial year were:

(28)

19. Reconciliation from equity reported under previous Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP) to equity under AIFRS

Entities complying with AIFRS for the first time are required to restate their comparative financial statements to amounts reflecting the application of AIFRS to that comparative period. Most adjustments required on transition to AIFRS would be made, retrospectively, against opening retained earnings as at 1 July 2004.

In the Company's opinion, there have been no material impacts in relation to the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2006. There are no impacts to be disclosed.

Impact on the income statement

Nil.

Impact on the balance sheet

Nil.

20. Subsequent events

There have been no other events after the end of the financial year that would materially affect the financial statements.

21. Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at the date of this report to affect the financial statements.

22. Segment reporting

The economic entity operates in the financial services sector where it provides banking services to its clients.

The economic entity operates in one geographic area being Acacia Ridge, Queensland.

23. Registered office/Principal place of business

The registered office and principal place of business is:

Registered office

Shop 5, 28 Elizabeth Street
Acacia Ridge Qld 4110

Principal place of business

Shop 5, 28 Elizabeth Street
Acacia Ridge Qld 4110

Notes to the financial statements continued

24. Financial Instruments

Net fair values

The net fair values of financial assets and liabilities approximate the carrying values as disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position. The Company does not have any unrecognised financial instruments at the year end.

Credit risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position and notes to the financial statements.

There are no material credit risk exposures to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the economic entity.

Interest Rate Risk

| Financial instrument | Floating interest rate | | 1 year or less | | Over 1 to 5 years | | Over 5 years | | Non interest bearing | | Weighted average effective interest rate | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|------|----------------|------|-------------------|------|--------------|------|----------------------|------|--|------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | % | % |
| Financial Assets | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash assets | 39,695 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.05 | N/A |
| Term deposits | - | - | 100,000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5.35 | N/A |
| Receivables | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6,374 | - | N/A | N/A |
| Financial Liabilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Payables | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2,103 | - | N/A | N/A |

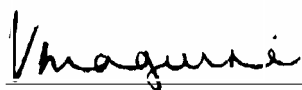
Directors' declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited, we state that:

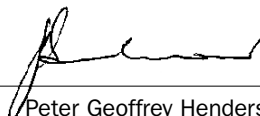
In the opinion of the Directors:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the Company are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2006 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



Victoria Louise Maguire, Chairman



Peter Geoffrey Henderson, Treasurer

Signed on the 13th of September 2006.

Independent audit report



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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the members of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited

Scope

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2006.

The company has disclosed information about the compensation of key management personnel ("compensation disclosures"), as required by Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures ("AASB 124") under the heading "remuneration report" in the directors' report as permitted by the ASIC class order 06/50. These compensation disclosures are identified in the directors' report as being subject to audit. The remuneration report also contains information not subject to audit.

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Act 2001. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate financial records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report. The directors are also responsible for the compensation disclosures contained in the directors' report.

Audit approach

We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report and compensation disclosures in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the company. Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement and the compensation disclosures comply with AASB 124. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal controls, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Act 2001 so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations, its changes in equity and their cash flows and whether the compensation disclosures comply with AASB 124.

Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates made by the directors.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion:

1. the financial report of Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2006 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Regulations; and
2. the compensation disclosures that are contained in the directors' report under the heading "remuneration report" comply with Accounting Standard AASB 124 *Related Party Disclosures*.


DAVID HUTCHINGS

ANDREW FREWIN & STEWART

61-65 Bull Street, Bendigo, VIC 3550
Dated this 13th day of September 2006

BSX report

Share Information re Acacia Ridge Financial Services Limited

In accordance with Bendigo Stock Exchange listing rules to Company provides the following information as at 28 September 2006, which is within 6 weeks of this report being sent to shareholders.

The following table shows the number of shareholders, broken into various categories showing the total number of shares held.

| Number of Shares Held | Number of Shareholders |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 to 1,000 | 86 |
| 1,001 to 5,000 | 43 |
| 5,001 to 10,000 | 14 |
| 10,001 to 100,000 | 6 |
| 100,001 and over | 0 |
| Total Shareholders | 149 |

Each of the above shareholders are entitled to 1 vote, irrespective of the number of shares held.

There are no substantial shareholders (holding more than 10% of voting rights) as each shareholder is entitled to 1 vote. Normally holding more than 10% of total issued shares would create a substantial shareholder, but this is not applicable due to the voting restrictions for the Company.

There are no restricted securities on issue.

All shares on issue are ordinary shares fully paid to \$1 per share. There are no unquoted equity securities.

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The following table shows the 10 largest shareholders.

| Shareholder | Number of Shares | Percentage of Capital |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|
| Bruce Andrew Chadfield <Medidraft Super Fund> | 50,000 | 9.39 |
| Genereale Pty Ltd <Antonieff Family Super Fund> | 50,000 | 9.39 |
| Victoria Louise Maguire & Dr James Lewis Lander <Tennyson Super Fund A/C> | 48,000 | 9.01 |
| Michael O'Hagan & Linda O'Hagan <O'Hagan Family S/F A/C> | 20,000 | 3.76 |
| Peter Douglas Smith & Robyn Deneice Smith | 20,000 | 3.76 |
| Linda Anne Beaumont & Philip Richard Whiteoak <Elizabeth St Pharmacy, Acacia Ridge A/C> | 15,000 | 2.82 |
| Samuel Ancri & Aliza Ancri | 10,000 | 1.88 |
| Bardera Pty Ltd | 10,000 | 1.88 |
| Ronald James Butler | 10,000 | 1.88 |
| Jennifer Lindell Curtis | 10,000 | 1.88 |
| | 243,000 | 46 |

Registered Office and Principal Administrative Office

The registered office of the Company is located at:

28 Elizabeth Street
ACACIA RIDGE Qld 4110
Phone: 07 3255 6773

The principal administrative office of the Company is located at:

28 Elizabeth Street
ACACIA RIDGE Qld 4110
Phone: 07 3255 6773

Security Register

The security register (share register) is kept at:

Computershare Investor Services Pty Ltd., Yarra Falls, 452 Johnston Street
Abbotsford Victoria 3067
Phone: 03 9415 5000

Other Information

Please refer to the Directors Report, within the Annual Report, for details of the Company Secretary and main corporate governance practices of the entity.

There are no material differences between the information in the Company's Annexure 3A and the information in the financial documents in its Annual Report.