

Heathcote & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch **Bendigo Bank**



Milestones for Heathcote Community Bank

The Heathcote and District Community Bank is expecting to pass two major milestones in the coming weeks.

With more than 900 accounts now open at the branch in High St, Heathcote, the Community Bank is expecting to open its 1000th account within weeks.

And with continuing strong support from district residents, the branch is well on the way to achieving the milestone of \$20 million in banking business.

Branch manager Sally McGaffin said this week both milestones were occasions to celebrate.

"To mark the opening of the 1000th account, the Community Bank will contribute \$100 to that account as a bonus," Ms McGaffin said.

She said the branch had experienced extremely strong growth in the few months it had been open and the support from district residents had been gratifying for everyone concerned with the project.

"By the end of November, the Community Bank had passed the \$17 million mark and with consistent enquiries and tremendous support from both business and individual customers, was showing every sign of being about to pass the \$20 million mark in the near future," Ms McGaffin said.

In other community bank news, Ms McGaffin said district residents were now able to make appointments to speak with Bendigo Bank consultants on business, agribusiness and financial planning at the Heathcote Community Bank branch.

"Local clubs and organisations also can have access to Bendigo Bank experts on community sector banking, with appointments made through this branch," she said.

District residents are also able to discuss insurance needs with local staff at the branch at any time.

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