Rye & District Community
Financial Services Ltd
ABN 67 095 766 895













annua report

Rye & District and Dromana

Community Bank® branches of Bendigo Bank

Contents

Chairman's report	2-4
Manager's report	5-7
Directors' report	8-13
Auditor's independence declaration	14
Financial statements	15-18
Notes to the financial statements	19-33
Directors' declaration	34
Independent audit report	35

Chairman's report

For year ending 30 June 2007

The financial year 2006/2007 saw another huge growth spurt for our Community Company and several milestones achieved as we continue to contribute to our Peninsula community.

As Chairman of one of the most successful **Community Bank®** Boards in Australia, I am extremely grateful for the tireless work that my fellow Board members, the Dromana Steering Committee and Gary Sanford and the staff at Rye have carried out throughout 2006/07.

During the last financial year, we have managed to increase our account base at Rye, carry out a feasibility study and pledge process, refurbish and fit out our building acquisition in Dromana, select and train staff and, along with Bendigo Bank Chairman Robert Johanson, open Dromana - our second **Community Bank®** site - on 29 June.

Dromana became the 200th **Community Bank®** branch of Bendigo Bank in Australia, an excellent effort in anyone's terms I'm sure you'll agree.

Whilst all of this was going on of course, we never lost sight of the needs within our community and during the year, made contributions of approximately \$396,000 by way of sponsorships, donations and grants.

This amount brings the total community contribution and commitment by our **Community Bank®** branch to approximately \$1.8 million since its beginning back in 2001. This amount also includes an additional \$100,000 set aside for a grants presentation night to be held at our AGM this year.

Fantastic! And there's more to come...

Our youth centre is being well attended by young people eager to learn about the alternative hobbies and pastimes available in our community. Michelle has introduced several new programs for youth in the past year and we can see this current year being another successful one for the youth centre.

In conjunction with Rye Primary School, it's been agreed that the youth centre will be able to use the school transport bus to get participants to and from the various venues and activities they will attend - another great joint activity in our community.

Well done to Michelle and her team for the difference you are making for Rye youth through your hard work and dedication.

This financial year, we welcomed two new Board members recruited from the Dromana Steering Committee to give our Company Board some balance. Dromana Steering Committee Chairman Stephen Edmund and Committee Secretary Andrew Emerson joined us late last year to assist the Board with ideas and information on needs of our Dromana community.

Both Stephen and Andrew have worked extremely hard in their Committee positions along with the other Steering Committee members to assist with the successful Dromana campaign and eventual opening. We thank them all on behalf of our communities and shareholders for their efforts.

Chairman's report continued

I guess proof of their hard work in getting the message of community banking across to Dromana residents, was in the sale of the shares in Dromana which broke all records (even Rye's) when they were all sold out and oversubscribed in only one week.

What an effort! Congratulations.

Before I move on to the next part of my report, I'd like to publicly thank past Board member Brian Earles for his fantastic effort in the refurbishment and fitout of the Dromana branch.

I'm sure that those who have visited our Dromana branch will agree that it is a delight to be in.

Brian resigned from the Board following the completion of the building works and prior to this was an integral part of the Asset Management Committee. Our thanks again to you Brian.

I'd also like to congratulate Gary Sanford on his promotion to Group Senior Manager. Although Gary will now be working from our Corporate Centre on the upper level at the Dromana branch, he will still be accessible to all of his valued clients right across the Peninsula.

Julie Toward, who is well known to her Rye customers and shareholders, has done a remarkable job in supporting Gary during his six years as Manager in Rye, so much so that the Board was unanimous in its decision to offer the Rye Manager's position to Julie when the time came. She accepted with the same enthusiasm that she has always shown to her role in our **Community Bank®** branch.

With Dromana opening in the latter part of the financial year, new staff were selected to fill the various positions and we congratulate Branch Manager Neil McKinnon and his staff at Dromana. We wish them well in the coming years of service to the community, through Dromana **Community Bank®** Branch.

We saw some more community projects on the Peninsula pop up as a result of funding or sponsorship through our **Community Bank®** Company. Just a couple of these were the Tootgarook Primary School Community Hall and the boardwalk for the disabled on the Rosebud Foreshore.

I'm sure that as our profitability increases again with Dromana branch growing steadily, our **Community Bank®** contributions will also increase and more community funding will be available for other significant projects.

Our shareholders can be proud of the closing balances and net profit for 2006/07. As a Board, we are happy to announce a fully franked dividend for the fourth year in a row. The amount of \$0.03c per share will be paid for all shares held at 31 October 2007. This dividend should be received by all shareholders by 20 November 2007.

To our shareholders who held shares prior to the Company revaluation and bonus share issue, this represents a total dividend of \$0.12c per initial share, a great result considering what we have achieved during 2006/2007.

To our new shareholders, this is only the beginning of what we believe to be a great opportunity for the southern end of the Mornington Peninsula and all who believe in the **Community Bank®** model.

Chairman's report continued

Your Board of Directors will continue to carry on its due diligence in all decisions we make which affect the Company and its shareholders.

We urge you to continue encouraging your friends, neighbours and business acquaintances to change their banking to the Rye or Dromana **Community Bank®** branches and support the bank that supports its community.

Regards and best wishes to all.

Peter Van Duren

Chairman

Manager's report

For year ending 30 June 2007

If I thought our first five years were amazing our sixth year has exceeded my expectations. We grew our business by a further \$27.17 million.

While this growth was going on we were also working with the Dromana Steering Committee to open our second branch at Dromana. The opening of Dromana **Community Bank®** Branch on 29 June 2007 was a very satisfying achievement. We now have two **Community Bank®** branch sites to look after the Southern Mornington Peninsula area.

As at 30 June 2007, we experienced growth in all areas of our business in excess of what was budgeted. We increased total accounts by 1,099 to 8,396, which includes over 1,227 loan facilities. Our combined balances totalled \$194.10 million, which included total deposits at \$94.65 million and total lending at \$88.76 million, maintaining our good mix of business. Reported financial planning products currently under management were \$10.69 million, assisting to make up the \$194.10 million. These balances reflect a 16.20 per cent growth in deposits and 15.37 per cent growth in lending over the financial year, against a budgeted growth of 9 per cent in both areas.

The work that has been done over the last 18 months with the opening of the Dromana branch has involved many hours and now ongoing involvement with the Dromana Steering Committee. With all this activity, a large portion of the new business during the year at the Rye branch can be attributed to our Dromana expansion.

When the Dromana branch officially opened on 29 June 2007, \$12.6 million of business was re-domiciled from the Rye branch.

Approx \$11.73 million of this were lending facilities. This was all the new business written at the Rye branch from new customers wanting to support our Dromana branch.

As at the 30 June 2007, the two branches' total balances were:

- Rye & District Community Bank® Branch \$180.49 million
- Dromana Community Bank® Branch: \$13.61 million

The business growth has been achieved at the same time as taking on new staff for both Dromana and Rye. Most of the staff started around April to May, spending time at Rye branch to gain experience. This proved to be a challenge to maintain customer service standards and meet the needs of all new staff.

We managed to achieve both staff training and business growth at the same time, while ensuring our customers received the best possible service.

With the split of business, our Rye branch remains Bendigo Bank's largest individual **Community Bank®** branch in Australia, which I'm sure the Dromana branch will be chasing quite quickly.

I am very pleased that we have been able to maintain our growth during this very busy period and still ensured customer satisfaction levels remained a priority.

Manager's report continued

Board support

The Board has also had a very busy year with behind the scenes work related to the second branch in Dromana, valuation of the Company, raising capital as well as managing the day to day business of the Company.

The re-development of the Dromana property has created our new Dromana branch with head office and business centre, located upstairs. This head office will provide a base for support and administration of both branches along with the expansion of our business banking network.

I would like to particularly thank Brain Earles as the Asset Management Director for overseeing the development and construction of our new branch and head office.

As well as maintaining the management of our Company and the above expansion, the Board has provided tremendous support to my team and me personally. They have also continued to support the community with sponsorships, donations and grants, which has ensured our continued growth.

I thank Chairman Peter Van Duren for his leadership and support of not only the Rye & District and Dromana **Community Bank®** branches but also his Board members.

Staff

First there were six and now there are 16! We now have 16 employees at both the Rye and Dromana branches

During the year one of our original employees, Carol O'Connell, retired to travel the world with her husband. I had no hope talking her out of that choice! As one of the original employees, I would like to thank her for her support over the first five and half years of our business.

Christine Gray commenced full time employment on 29 January 2007 and has proven to be a very pleasant and happy addition to our team.

With the expansion of a second branch, the Board decided my role would be to oversee the two branches as the Group's Senior Manager. Rye needed a new Branch Manager, and I was extremely pleased that my Assistant Manager for the last six years in Julie Toward has been appointed to replace me.

Julie has been the backbone behind our success since opening and her appointment as Manager of the largest **Community Bank®** branch is Australia is a success story in itself. I congratulate her on what she has achieved so far.

With Julie taking over the Branch Manager's position, a new Customer Relationship Officer has been appointed at Rye. Mary Rentsch commenced on 14 May 2007 and has already impressed with her management skills and I welcome her to the team.

Manager's report continued

The new staff at Dromana were all selected and the following appointments were made:

Manager Neil McKinnon

Customer Relationship Officer Michelle Woolven

Full Time Customer Service Officers Peter Davidge

Chris Broderick

Part Time Customer Service Officers: Melissa Oorloff

Valarie Jarman

Lynda Lowe

We wish them all the very best and hope they enjoy not only their work, but the fact they are helping to support the community.

I have relocated to the upstairs office at Dromana and will be joined by Bronwyn Ralph from Rye Branch, who will assist with process our large volume of lending.

Our staff Julie Toward, Bronwyn Ralph, Elizabeth Marriott, Tim Ling, Cheryl Rogers, Deborah Harper and Melissa Oorloff have all been with us during all of last financial year. I wish to thank and congratulate them for what they have helped achieved during this period.

I congratulate all our staff on how they have approached the last 12 months and hope they are looking forward to the challenges and rewards ahead.

Summary

The last 12 months have been a very busy period for both the Board and the staff. I feel the foundations have been laid for Dromana to emulate some of the achievements that Rye is so well known for. If they do, we will all see the benefits in the service provided, community funding and return to our shareholders.

One of my challenges at present is not only business growth and customers service levels, it is letting all our customers know that it is their banking and support that is helping the community in so many ways.

We have been nominated for the 2007 Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Community Business Partnerships. Just being nominated is an achievement and recognition of some of the community things we have done. More importantly, it is recognition of what our own customers have helped achieve and what you as shareholders have created. I congratulate everyone.

This has been another challenging and very satisfying year.

Boulud

Gary Sanford

Manager

Directors' report

For year ending 30 June 2007

Your Directors submit the financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2007.

Directors

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

Peter John Van Duren

Chairperson
Age: 52
Real Estate Agent
Licensed Estate Agent

Shares Held: 48000

Eileen Naylor

Secretary Age: 59 Retiree

Shares Held: 50000

Shane Christopher McCarthy

Deputy Chairperson & Director

Chair, Sponsorship & Marketing Committee

Age: 55

Solicitor, LL.B GA/CD Shares Held: 7404

Trevor William Lloyd

Director & Chair, Youth Club Project

Member Asset Committee

Age: 55 Builder

Reg Building Practitioner & Licensed Plumbing Contractor

Shares Held: 16000

Patricia Tonks

Treasurer Age: 65 Retiree

Former Councillor Flinders Shire

Shares Held: 42236

Janet Iris Hall

Director & Chair, Audit & Governance Committee

Age: 60

Interior Decorator Shares Held: 4800

Guiseppe Oscar Glavici

Director & Chair, Grants Committee

Age: 54

Dental Surgeon BDSc Shares Held: 6800

Brian Earles

Director & Chair, Asset Committee

Age: 55

Building Designer

Reg Building Practitioner Shares Held: 105000 Resigned 30/6/07

Barry Leonard Irving

Director & Member, Marketing Committee

Age: 64

Photographer

Shares Held: 4100

Stephen Bernard Edmund

Director

Age: 56

22years exp Retail Hardware, previously served on National Marketing Committee of Home Hardware Paul Harris Fellowship of Rotary Club Dromana Chairman Dromana Chamber of Commerce

Shares Held: 7200 Appointed 24/01/07

Andrew Ross Emerson

Director

Age: 60

Home Furnishing Industry

Shares Held: 4000 Appointed 24/01/07

Directors were in office for this entire year unless otherwise stated.

No Directors have material interests in contracts or proposed contracts with the Company.

Company Secretary

The Company Secretary is Eileen Naylor. Eileen was appointed to the position of Secretary on 24 November 2004.

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 continued to perform in line with expectations. The profit of the Company for the financial year after provision for income tax was:

Year ended	Year ended
30 June 2007	30 June 2006
\$	\$
(13,427)	28,114

Remuneration report

The Board is responsible for the determination of remuneration packages and policies applicable to the Senior Manager and all the staff. The Senior Manager is invited to the Board meeting as required to discuss performance and remuneration packages.

The Senior Manager is paid a base salary, which is between \$80,000 and \$90,000 including the use of a Company car. In addition the Senior Manager receives a bonus if the Company exceeds the budget estimates established by the Board. During the year a bonus was paid in the range of \$20,000 to \$30,000.

Directors remuneration

For the year ended 30 June 2007, the Directors received total remuneration including superannuation, as follows:

	\$	
Peter John Van Duren	20,000	
Patricia Tonks	15,000	
Eileen Naylor	10,000	
Janet Iris Hall	7,500	
Shane Christopher McCarthy	7,500	
Guiseppe Oscar Glavici	7,500	
Trevor William Lloyd	7,500	
Brian Earles	7,500	
Barry Irving	7,500	

Dividends

	Year ended	30 June 2007
	Cents	\$'000
Final dividends recommended:	3c	87,948
Dividends paid in the year:		
- Interim for the year		
- As recommended in the prior year report	14c	74,241

The Directors have resolved that a 3 cents fully franked dividend be paid to ordinary shareholders from the previous year profits. The dividend will be paid on the 20 November 2007 based on the shareholdings as at 31 October 2007.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

During the year, the Board approved and oversaw the building development of the property acquired during the 2005/06 financial year at 239 Point Nepean Road, Dromana, 3936 with a view to opening a branch of the Bendigo Bank **Community Bank®** in Dromana.

The Bendigo Bank process of community consultation, which commenced in December 2005, continued during the year, including completion of a pledge process and a community feasibility study, both designed to measure the level of community support for a new **Community Bank®** branch in Dromana.

After positive outcomes from this process, it was decided to seek additional capital to fund this expansion by the issuance and allocation of new shares in the Company

In order to ensure equity with existing shareholders and after an independent valuation of the Company was undertaken, the Board decided to make a bonus issue to existing shareholders, awarding three bonus shares for every share held as at 15 December 2006. Bonus share certificates were issued and despatched on 12 February 2007.

The Australian Securities and Investment Commission approved a prospectus developed to offer new shares in the Company and this document was launched in Dromana with overwhelming success on 24 April 2007. The share issue was oversubscribed within seven working days and closed on 1 May 2007 with 810,441 new shares in the Company being issued at a par value of \$1.00 and an additional 255 shareholders being added to our share register.

The new Dromana Branch of the Bendigo Bank **Community Bank®** was opened by Robert Johanson, Chairman of Bendigo Bank Limited on Friday 29 June 2007 and the branch opened for normal business on Saturday 30 June 2007.

In the opinion of the Directors there were no other 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.

Environmental regulation

The Company is not subject to any significant environmental regulation.

Directors' benefits

Director, Brian Earles, through his Company Planned Living Pty Ltd, was contracted to provide project management services over the construction and redevelopment of the premises at 239 Point Nepean Road, Dromana. The Company paid Planned Living Pty Ltd \$14,275 for the provision of their professional services.

No other 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.

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.

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	Number	
	eligible to attend	attended	
Peter John Van Duren	12	12	
Patricia Tonks	12	10	
Eileen Naylor	12	11	
Janet Iris Hall	12	12	
Shane Christopher McCarthy	12	7	
Guiseppe Oscar Glavici	12	9	
Trevor William Lloyd	12	12	
Brian Earles	12	11	
Barry Irving	12	7	
Stephen Edmund	6	6	
Andrew Emerson	6	6	

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, in accordance with the advice received from the audit committee 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:

- 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;
- 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.

Auditors' independence declaration

A copy of the Auditors' independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 14.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors at Rye on 18 September 2007.

Peter Van Duren

Director

Patricia Tonks

Director

Auditor's independence declaration



PO Box 454 Bendigo VIC 3552 61-65 Bull Street Bendigo VIC 3550 Phone (03) 5443 0344 Fax (03) 5443 5304

Fax (03) 5443 5304 afs@afsbendigo.com.au www.afsbendigo.com.au ABN 51 061 795 337

Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial statements of Rye & District Community Financial Services Ltd the year ended 30 June 2007, 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 audit; and
- b) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Graeme Stewart

Andrew Frewin & Stewart

Bendigo

13 September 2007

Financial statements

Income statement

For year ending 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Revenues from ordinary activities	3	1,478,936	1,236,440	
Charitable donations and sponsorships		(396,000)	(428,223)	
Salaries and employee benefits expense		(582,793)	(427,547)	
Advertising and promotion expenses		(28,574)	(22,952)	
Occupancy and associated costs		(73,661)	(47,565)	
Systems costs		(65,083)	(30,383)	
Depreciation and amortisation expense	4	(32,992)	(58,659)	
General administration expenses		(273,295)	(157,089)	
Profit before income tax expense		26,538	64,022	
Income tax expense	5	(39,965)	(35,908)	
Profit /(loss) for the period		(13,427)	28,114	
Profit /(loss) attributable to members of the entity		(13,427)	28,114	
Earnings per share (cents per share)		С	С	
- basic for profit for the year	18	(0.62)	1.33	
- dividends paid per share		14	16	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Balance sheet

As at 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$
Current assets			
Cash assets	6	443,839	286,884
Trade and other receivables	7	177,749	185,093
Total current assets		621,588	471,977
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	1,403,840	891,392
Intangible assets	9	46,000	50,000
Total non-current assets		1,449,840	941,392
Total assets		2,071,428	1,413,369
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	10	85,222	129,144
Borrowings	11	86,573	93,078
Current tax liabilities	5	670	-
Provisions	12	30,485	29,675
Total current liabilities		202,950	251,897
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	11	456,040	463,234
Provisions	12	20,964	14,330
Total non-current liabilities		477,004	477,564
Total liabilities		679,954	729,461
Net assets		1,391,474	683,908
Equity			
Contributed equity	13	1,299,400	504,166
Retained profits	14	92,074	179,742
Total equity		1,391,474	683,908

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Statement of changes in equity

As at 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		683,908	740,641	
Net income/expense recognised directly in equity		-	-	
Net profit for the year		(13,427)	28,114	
Total recognised income & expenses for the year		-	-	
Shares issued during period		810,441	-	
Costs of issuing shares		(15,207)	-	
Dividends provided for or paid		(74,241)	(84,847)	
Total equity at the end of the financial year		1,391,474	683,908	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Statement of cash flows

As at 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Cash flows from operating activities				
Receipts from customers		1,458,596	1,202,065	
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,358,209)	(1,160,939)	
Interest received		20,340	33,481	
Interest paid		(40,231)	(5,902)	
Income taxes paid		(39,395)	-	
Net cash inflow from operating activities	15	41,101	68,705	
Cash flows from investing activities				
Payment for intangible assets		(8,000)	-	
Proceeds from property plant and equipment		16,741	-	
Payments for property plant and equipment		(548,866)	(842,040)	
Payments for office furniture & equipment		(1,315)	(837)	
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(541,440)	(842,877)	
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from issue of shares		810,441	-	
Proceeds from borrowing		(63,699)	542,500	
Payment of share issue costs		(15,207)	-	
Dividends paid		(74,241)	(84,847)	
Net cash inflow from financing activities		657,294	457,653	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		156,955	(316,519)	
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		286,884	603,403	
Cash at the end of the financial year	6(a)	443,839	286,884	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

For year ending 30 June 2007

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations and the Corporations Act 2001.

Compliance with IFRS

Australian Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). These financial statements and notes comply with IFRS.

Historical cost convention

The financial report has been prepared under the historical cost conventions on an accruals basis as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

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.

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.

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

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).

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the comprehensive balance sheet liability method on 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 there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax and when the balances relate to taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Company/consolidated entity intends to settle its 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.

Note 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. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

Comparative figures

Where required by Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

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

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

There are no estimates or assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Payment terms

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

Trade 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 initially measured at the principal amount. Interest is recognised as an expense as it accrues.

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 of 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 equity

Ordinary shares are 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.

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.

Note 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.

(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.

	2007	2006	
Note 2 Povenue from ordinary activities	\$	\$	
Note 3. Revenue from ordinary activities			
Operating activities:			
- services commissions	1,439,435	1,199,340	
Total revenue from operating activities	1,439,435	1,199,340	
Non-operating activities:			
- interest received	20,340	33,481	
- rental revenue	7,373	894	
- sundry revenue	11,788	2,725	
Total revenue from non-operating activities	39,501	37,100	
Total revenues from ordinary activities	1,478,936	1,236,440	
Note 4. Expenses Depreciation of non-current assets:			
·	5,221	5,853	
Depreciation of non-current assets:	5,221 1,022	5,853 1,121	
Depreciation of non-current assets: - motor vehicles			
Depreciation of non-current assets: - motor vehicles - office furniture & equipment	1,022	1,121	
Depreciation of non-current assets: - motor vehicles - office furniture & equipment - leasehold improvements	1,022	1,121	
Depreciation of non-current assets: - motor vehicles - office furniture & equipment - leasehold improvements Amortisation of non-current assets:	1,022 14,749	1,121 41,685	
Depreciation of non-current assets: - motor vehicles - office furniture & equipment - leasehold improvements Amortisation of non-current assets:	1,022 14,749 12,000	1,121 41,685 10,000	
Depreciation of non-current assets: - motor vehicles - office furniture & equipment - leasehold improvements Amortisation of non-current assets: - franchise agreement and start up costs	1,022 14,749 12,000	1,121 41,685 10,000	

	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Note 5. Income tax expense			
The prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax expense as follows:	•		
Operating profit	26,538	64,022	
Prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities at 30%	7,961	19,207	
Add tax effect of:			
- different tax treatments of depreciation	360	5,570	
- non-deductible expenses	3,600	3,000	
- amortisation start up costs	(912)	-	
Timing differences deductible when incurred			
- provision for holiday pay and accrued wages	52	15,087	
- STS adjustments	28,904	(6,956)	
Income tax expense on operating profit	41,972	37,914	
Deferred tax asset carried forward	-	-	
Note 6. Cash assets			
Cash at bank and on hand	4,104	52,117	
Term deposits	439,735	234,767	
	443,839	286,884	
The above figures are reconciled to costs at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cashflows.			
6(a) Reconciliation of cash			-
Cash at bank and on hand	4,104	52,117	
Term deposit	439,735	234,767	
Bank overdraft			
	443,839	286,884	

	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Note 7. Trade and other receivables			
Trade receivables	113,757	116,931	
Current tax assets	61,129	66,299	
Prepayments	2,863	1,863	
	177,749	185,093	
Note 8. Property, plant and equipment			
At cost	1,344,895	837,656	
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,504)	-	
	1,343,391	837,656	
Motor vehicles			
At cost	38,477	36,093	
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,803)	(15,934)	
	36,674	20,159	
Office furniture & equipment			
At cost	13,362	12,047	
Less accumulated depreciation	(2,909)	(1,887)	
	10,453	10,160	
Leasehold improvements			
At cost	211,673	208,523	
Less accumulated depreciation	(198,351)	(185,106)	
	13,322	23,417	
Total written down amount	1,403,840	891,392	

	2007 \$	2006 \$
Note 8. Property, plant and equipment (continued)		
Movements in carrying amounts:		
Land & buildings		
Carrying amount at beginning	837,656	-
Additions	507,239	837,656
Disposals	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	(1,504)	-
Carrying amount at end	1,343,391	837,656
Motor vehicles		
Carrying amount at beginning	20,159	26,012
Additions	38,477	-
Disposals	(16,741)	-
Less: depreciation expense	(5,221)	(5,853)
Carrying amount at end	36,674	20,159
Office furniture & equipment		
Carrying amount at beginning	10,160	10,444
Additions	1,315	837
Disposals	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	(1,022)	(1,121)
Carrying amount at end	10,453	10,160
Leasehold improvements		
Carrying amount at beginning	23,417	60,718
Additions	3,150	4,384
Disposals	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	(13,245)	(41,685)
Carrying amount at end	13,322	23,417
Total written down amount	1,403,840	891,392

	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Note 9. Intangible assets	•	•	
Franchise fee			
	100.000	400.000	
At cost	108,000	100,000	
Less: accumulated amortisation	(62,000)	(50,000)	
	46,000	50,000	
Note 10. Trade and other payables			
Trade creditors	-	478	
Other creditors & accruals	85,222	128,666	
	85,222	129,144	
Note 11. Borrowings Current lease liabilities Non-current lease liabilities Current bank loan Non-current bank loan	9,293 30,975 77,280 425,065	15,798 - 77,280 463,234	
	542,613	556,312	
Bank loans are repayable monthly with the final instalment due on 22 May 2016. Interest is recognised at an average rate of 7.5% (2006: 7.5%). The loans are secured by a fixed and floating charge over the Company's assets.			
Note 12. Provisions			
Provision for holiday pay	28,822	29,675	
Provision for dividend	1,663	-	
Provision for long service leave	20,964	14,330	
Number of employees at year end	13	7	

	2007 \$	2006 \$
Note 13. Contributed equity		
1,340,732 Ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each		
(2006: 530,291)	1,340,732	530,291
Less: equity raising expenses	(41,332)	(26,125)
	1,299,400	504,166
Comprising:		
Share Issue - 2001		
530,291 Ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each	530,291	530,291
Less preliminary expenses	(26,125)	(26,125)
	504,166	504,166
In addition to the above a bonus share issue on a 1:3 basis		
(1,590,873 shares) was issued to all existing shareholders		
on 12 February 2007.		
Share Issue - 2007		
810,441 ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each		
Issue of share capital fully paid of \$1 each	810,441	-
Less preliminary expenses	(15,207)	-
	795,234	-
Note 14. Retained earnings/ accumulated losses		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	179,742	236,475
Net profit from ordinary activities after income tax	(13,427)	28,114
Dividends paid	(74,241)	(84,847)
Balance at the end of the financial year	92,074	179,742

	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Note 15. Statement of cashflows	•	,	
Reconciliation of profit from ordinary activities after tax to net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities			
Profit from ordinary activities after income tax	(13,427)	28,114	
Non cash items:			
- depreciation	20,992	48,659	
- amortisation	12,000	10,000	
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
- (increase)/decrease in receivables	7,345	(59,931)	
- increase/(decrease) in payables	6,748	(6,902)	
- increase in other liabilities	-	48,765	
-increase in provisions	7,443	-	
Net cashflows provided by operating activities	41,101	68,705	
Note 16. Auditors' remuneration Amounts received or due and receivable by the Auditor of the Company for:			
- audit & review services	4,460	2,700	
- non audit services	4,800	-	
	9,260	2,700	

Note 17. Director and related party disclosures

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

Peter John Van Duren

Patricia Tonks

Eileen Naylor

Janet Iris Hall

Shane Christopher McCarthy

Guiseppe Oscar Glavici

Trevor William Lloyd

Brian Earles

Barry Irving

Stephen Edmund

Andrew Emerson

The Board has adopted a policy in respect to Director fees with the following objectives

- · To attract and retain appropriately qualified and experienced Directors
- · To remunerate Directors in regard to their responsibilities

In accordance with Board policy, Director remuneration comprises a base fee together with a 9% superannuation guarantee charge.

Directors fees are determined by the Board and are not to exceed \$90,000 in aggregate, the allocation of which is determined at the discretion of the Board. This was policy was approved by the shareholders at the 2006 Annual General Meeting held 31 October 2006.

Directors shareholdings	2007	2006		
Peter John Van Duren	48,000	12,001		
Patricia Tonks	42,336	10,559		
Eileen Naylor	50,000	10,500		
Janet Iris Hall	4,800	1,000		
Shane Christopher McCarthy	7,404	1,251		
Guiseppe Oscar Glavici	6,800	1,000		
Trevor William Lloyd	16,000	4,000		
Brian Earles	105,000	26,250		
Barry Irving	4,100	500		
Stephen Edmund	7,200	-		
Andrew Emerson	4,000	-		

Directors shareholdings altered during the year due to a 3:1 share issue together with additional shares purchased, both due to the capitalisation associated with the Dromana branch.

2007	2006	
\$	\$	

Note 18. Earnings per share

(a) Reconciliations of earnings used in calculating earnings

per share

Basic earnings per share		
Profit attributable to the ordinary share holders of the Company		
used in calculating basic earnings per share	(13,427)	28,114

	2007 Number	2006 Number	
(b) Weighted average number of shares used as the denominar	tor		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the			
denominator in calculating basic earnings per share adjusted			
for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.	2,170,012	2,121,164	

Note 19. Events occurring after the balance sheet date

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

Note 20. Contingent liabilities

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

Note 21. Segment reporting

The economic entity operates in the service sector where it facilitates community banking services pursuant to a franchise agreement with Bendigo Bank Limited. The economic entity operates in one geographic area being Rye district, Victoria.

Note 22. Registered office/principal place of business

The registered office and principal place of business is:

Rye & District Community Financial Services Ltd 2349 Point Nepean Road Rye, VIC 3941

Note 25. 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

				Fixed i	interest :	rate ma	turing ir	1				
Financial instrument	Floating interest rate			1 year 0		Over 1 to Ov		ver Non		nterest aring	Weighted average effective interest rate	
	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 %	2006 %
Financial												
assets												
Cash assets	3,704	51,917	439,735	234,26	67 -	-	-	-	400	200	5.40	5.90
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	113,75	7 116,931	. N/A	N/A
Financial liabilities												
Interest												
bearing												
liabilities	-	-	- 1	15,797	40,268		502,345	540,51	4 -	-	7.50	7.50
Payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	85,222	129,144	N/A	N/A

Directors' declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Rye Community 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 2007 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.
- (c) the audited remuneration disclosures set out in the remuneration report section of the Directors' report comply with Accounting Standard AASB174 Related Pary Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

The Directors have been given the declarations by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer as required by section 295A of the Corporations Act.

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

Peter Van Duren

Director

Patricia Tonks

Director

Signed at Rye on 18 September 2007.

Independent audit report



PO Box 454 Bendigo VIC 3552 61-65 Bull Street Bendigo VIC 3550

Phone (03) 5443 0344 Fax (03) 5443 5304 afs@afsbendigo.com.au www.afsbendigo.com.au

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Rye & District Community Financial Services Ltd

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Rye & District Community Financial Services Ltd which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2007, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the Directors' Declaration.

Directors Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Act 2001. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report so that that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

Our audit did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by directors or management. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independent Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Rye & District Community Financial Services Ltd is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including giving a true and fair view of the financial position of Rye & District Community Financial Services Ltd as of 30 June 2007, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended and Complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

GRAEME STEWART

ANDREW FREWIN & STEWART 61-65 Bull Street, Bendigo, 3550

Dated this 13 th day of September 2007

