



Thank you.

A big thank you to all of our customers and staff who contributed to the collections at both branches of Christmas gifts and food that has now been distributed to those in the local communities who are doing it tough. These were distributed via Rowville Baptist Church and Foothills Community Care. Each year the staff is amazed at the generosity of our supporters with how much is collected. It certainly is an example of how the Christmas spirit of giving is alive and well in this community.

Both organisations held Christmas lunches that were well attended by locals who otherwise may have spent the day alone.

From all of us, thank you.



Getting ready for lunch at Rowville Baptist Church lunch.

Yering Meadows annual Pro Am.

The Yering Meadows Pro Am was held in early December. CEO John Surridge, Rowville Branch Manager Mick Spruhan and Scoresby agency's Adrian Ferris participated in this event that is sponsored by Knox **Community Bank**® Group. Although the weather was a little unstable, a fun day was had by all. The event was won by Jarrod Lyle.



Yering Meadows golf club (top) and the course (above) in the beautiful Yarra Valley.

Annual Community Grants.

Each year, the Knox **Community Bank**® Group gives back to the community via its Community Grant Program. In just the last three years more than \$106,000 has been returned to the local community through these grants. This money has been put towards improving sporting facilities, providing defibrillators to a number of different groups, funding upgrades to facilities, providing fishing experiences for the disabled, providing sporting opportunities for those otherwise unable to participate, feeding the disadvantaged on a regular basis, funding schools and kinders for educational needs, church groups, community groups etc.

The grants are awarded to local charitable and not-for profit organisations. If your organisation or one you know could use a little extra funding, go to our website, www.kcbg.com.au for an application form. Grants are available to customers of our Ferntree Gully and Rowville branches, and also customers of our Scoresby agency. Applications open 1 February 2015 and close 5.00pm 31 March 2015.

Another defibrillator in the community.

The Knox **Community Bank**® Group is committed to helping community groups to further the chances of their participants in the event of an unexpected cardiac event.



Piece of mind for staff and parents.

Recently, Mick Spruhan, Manager at Rowville **Community Bank**® Branch handed over a defibrillator to Park Ridge Primary School. This piece of life saving equipment will give staff, parents and visitors to the school peace of mind that all possible can be done if someone were to suffer a cardiac event.

The provision of defibrillators is just one amongst many projects and is only possible because of the strong support for the branches from within the community. The larger our deposit and loan books the more that is able to be returned to the community. If you support us, we support you in return.

Valley Potters Award.

The Valley Potters is a club of approximately 60 potters from beginners to professional potters who live across the east of Melbourne. They have group workshops, social outings and exhibitions throughout the year. The exhibitions are open to all of their members. Their aim is to share knowledge, inspire one another and build relationships within the ceramic and broader community.

They recently held their annual exhibition at the Kingston Arts Centre in Moorabbin and it was the highlight of their year. The Ferntree Gully **Community Bank**® Branch sponsored their main prize, the Valley Potters Award, donating a \$150 bank voucher for the winner. This year the competition was judged by prominent potter Jenny John who awarded the Valley Potters Award to Jill Anderson for her beautiful piece that was a shino glazed vessel. Congratulations to Jill.



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