## Media Release



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## **ANZ opens new Rhodes Shopping Centre branch**

ANZ has opened a new a full-service branch in the Rhodes Waterside Shopping Centre providing convenient banking access to residents and businesses in the Rhodes area.

ANZ Local CEO for Inner West Sydney, Ms Jennie Gannon, said the decision to open in Rhodes was based on the popularity of the newly redeveloped Rhodes Peninsula.

"Rhodes Peninsula is a growing area with a number of new business and residential developments and a Shopping Centre with over 100 specialty stores. We felt it was important to open a branch to provide face-to-face banking services to local residents and businesses," she said.

Ms Laurencia Lamas has been appointed as Branch Manager of ANZ Rhodes. Ms Lamas has worked at ANZ for over 2 years as a relieving Branch Manager in the Inner West area and is looking forward to managing the new branch.

"We're committed to delivering a high level of service to our customers," said Ms Lamas. "Our branch will be situated conveniently in the Shopping Centre and we will offer a full range of banking services.

"Until 31 March, we will be offering an opening special – any customer who opens an ANZ Access Advantage Account will go into the running to win \$2,000 credited to their account," she said.

City of Canada Bay local mayor Mr Angelo Tsirekas will officially open the new branch in a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Saturday, 19 February at 12.00pm. ANZ Local CEO Ms Jennie Gannon will also donate \$500 to the Rhodes Shopping Centre's fundraising appeal for Concord Hospital as a part of ANZ's ongoing commitment to support the local community.

The new ANZ Rhodes branch will be located at Shop 55 in the Rhodes Waterside Shopping Centre and will open from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm Monday to Thursday and until 5.00 pm on Fridays.

ANZ Rhodes will be a full service branch, handling all types of customer transactions and enquiries, with specialist staff to handle home loans, business lending and investments, financial planning and insurance services. Other features include an in-branch ATM that accepts deposits, with another ANZ ATM located in the Shopping Centre food court.

What: New ANZ branch opening in Rhode Shopping Centre

When: 12.00pm - Saturday, 19 February 2005

Where: Shop 55, Rhodes Waterside Shopping Centre, 1 Rider Boulevard, Rhodes

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