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Celebrating in style One year anniversary for The Arts & Cookery Bank

The Arts & Cookery Bank in West Lorne, which opened July 17 last year, celebrated its first anniversary in style during the Cactus, Cattle and Cowboys event July 16.

"It was really a wonderful day," says Grace McGartland, chair of The Arts & Cookery Bank. "We were so happy with the 200+ visitors who came out to help us celebrate our special day."

Visitors enjoyed a variety of festivities, including a Photo Shoot Out, where people could get their pictures taken, complete with western gear and horse saddles. Photos were uploaded to The Bank's Facebook page, where the photo with the most votes by July 31 wins a 'Go Bank Certificate for a Free

Birthday Cake.'

"It was a very creative way to get people in the western mood," says board member Mary Simpson, who climbed onto a saddle and had her picture taken. "We hope this will encourage more people to join The Bank's Facebook page and stay up-to-date with all the great events, recipes and updates that we have."

Just after 11am, The Bank's Cake Walk began on Graham Road from the corner of Monroe Street all the way to Main Street.

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Board members Anne Kenny (left), Jerry Galbraith, Mary Simpson, Duncan Morrison and Grace McGartland cut the cake at The Arts & Cookery Bank anniversary July 16.

(Photo by Sharron Little)

With eight cakes donated to The Bank for the event and 100 people invited to participate, the Cake Walk was quite a spectacle, with people dancing and weaving up and down the street around the cakes, waiting for a chance to "take the cake." When the music stopped, numbers were drawn, and if your number was called, you won the cake that was closest to you.

Concluding the day after the Cactus, Cattle and Cowboys pa-



rade was the official celebration of The Bank's first anniversary, with lemonade and cake donated by West Lorne Foodland.

Terri-Lynne and Paige Wardell of Rodney had their photo taken for The Bank's Photo Shoot-Out competition.

(Photo by Sharron Little)