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### Media Release

#### Official Opening of Bannister Down's Creamery Facility, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The Hancock Group's Executive Chairman Mrs. Gina Rinehart joined Matt and Sue Daubney and guests to officially open the new Bannister Downs Creamery Facility in Northcliffe, West Australia today.

The Daubney family are a proud traditional family spanning four generations, which founded Bannister Downs Dairy in 1924.

The new state of the art facility sees the Daubney's vision come to life, after being in the pipeline for a number of years when they saw the need to build a new facility that their team could focus on growing their business safely while remaining focused on product quality. The creamery could not be possible without the support from Hancock Prospecting.

*Sue Daubney of Bannister Downs said "today's opening of our new creamery facility could not have been possible without the support and assistance from Hancock Prospecting and especially Mrs. Gina Rinehart. This partnership based on shared values and friendship with Mrs. Rinehart – has contributed so much to our business and story. Our successes to date, our awards for our products and being able to produce the highest quality dairy products possible, is thanks to Hancock Prospecting and Gina Rinehart's belief in us. To be here with you all to officially open the facility with Gina Rinehart is just the cream on the top!"*

The successful partnership between the Hancock Group and Bannister Downs stems from a long-standing friendship between Mrs. Rinehart and the Daubney family. Following this, in 2014, the business partnership was born, which has since seen many awards over the years for their milk, cream and various other products.

*Mrs. Gina Rinehart said "We're here opening this new significant investment, an investment which will see increased Bannister production and many more job opportunities for this region...We are excited for the future of good quality dairy in south West Australia, and I have huge pleasure being with you today to open this creamery. I would like to wish the bannister staff and Creamery all the very best for the future - including happy cows and Aussies best fresh milk and cream!"*

For more information regarding Bannister Downs Dairy: <https://bannisterdowns.com.au/>