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GOLD COAST LOCAL RICK CAVANAGH AWARDED AFG BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Suncorp Bank Business Development Manager Rick Cavanagh has been awarded the Business Development Manager of the Year for 2011 by Australia's largest mortgage broking group, Australian Finance Group (AFG).

Rick, who was born and bred on the Gold Coast, beat his peers to take out the award for Northern New South Wales, Queensland and the Northern Territory, which was presented at the AFG Gala Awards Night held at Brisbane's Cloudland on 24 August 2011.

The award is based on votes from individual brokers for the Business Development Manager who provides the best service to AFG.

Rick, who also won the award in 2010, said he was delighted to be recognised by the industry once again.

"It is a huge honour to win the BDM of the year award for the second year in a row and I am so proud to be recognised for doing what I truly love," Rick said.

"At Suncorp Bank, we pride ourselves on genuine relationships, good service and honesty, and I think that's really appreciated by brokers.

"Winning this award is extra special to me because the Gold Coast has a large number of brokers who all make significant contributions to the industry and it's great to be able to support them.

"Thank you to the AFG for presenting me with this award," he said.

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