



Stallholder Newsletter - May 2021

Site fee increases

It's been five months since our last newsletter and we finally feel we're back on our feet after the disruptions of 2020. We hope you are enjoying our markets and enjoying meeting the customers who travel to Yamba all year round.

We introduced our new online payment system in August 2020, after which there was a 3-month discount on fees. In January, we deferred our annual CPI-linked fee increase as we all got ourselves re-established after the 2020 shutdown.

Nevertheless during this time, operating costs have risen - in particular the cost of insurance - and so from **1st July 2021**, we shall be applying the following site fees:

- Standard stall site: \$30 (previously \$25)
- Food vendor standard stall site: \$40 (no change)
- Extra frontage: \$15 (previously \$10) per extra 2 metres (2 metres minimum & no single metres)
eg. 6m x 4m site = \$45
- Charity / Community stall site: \$10 (previously \$5)

Charity and community stalls are now limited to a maximum attendance of 3 markets each year at the \$10 rate. Charity stalls may attend more than 3 times per year either on payment of standard site fees, or at the \$10 rate if a member/members volunteer to assist with market setup / packdown.

For a complete list of fees, extras and general guidelines, please read the Market Guidelines on our website yambarivermarkets.com.au



Live Prawn Productions AGM

Live Prawn Productions Inc. has held the licence to operate Yamba River Markets since 2008.

We have an AGM coming up in early June and if you're local to Yamba or the Lower Clarence, we would ask you to please consider getting involved.

From a committee member perspective, it's a fairly light commitment and also good fun; we meet on alternate months at a Yamba restaurant and have dinner together while conducting the meeting.

Among the officer bearing roles up for election, is the Treasurer role. This involves paying invoices and booking keeping. Full training and systems handover can be provided to a willing candidate.

Aside from the committee roles, some tasks attract payment on a contract basis, especially around marketing and promotion, with scope to increase payment in line with resulting revenue increases.

Remember that as an Incorporated body we are able to apply for all sorts of grants that can be put to good use in the community in line with our Objective to promote arts and culture in the Clarence Valley (we used to produce Surfing the Coldstream Festival and have organised or funded all sorts of activities since then such as film nights, concerts and circus workshops for kids).

Such initiatives can also deliver paid contract work for members, where appropriate. It's already self-sustaining and someone with a little motivation could easily grow it into a one day a week paid role.

If you would like to know more, please get in touch. Ring Phil Nicholas on **0412 273 004** or email **hello@yambarivermarkets.com.au**