



OAKLEIGH ROTARY SUNDAY MARKET

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

First – thanks for your ongoing support of the Market – it's been difficult as we came out of lockdown along with new Council requirements and we appreciate your perseverance with us.

Please comply with the Market COVIDSafe Plan. The latest changes in Covid rules means that the wearing of masks in the market is no longer mandatory but masks must be carried and worn when social distancing is not possible – please follow other hygiene requirements

The Market is a Rotary project – **its purpose is to raise funds which Rotary can distribute to assist worthy local and international community organisations which Rotary supports.** The atmosphere you create with the variety of goods for sale make the market one of the best and a great community event for Oakleigh. Your participation also helps our Rotary Club support those in our community who are less fortunate.

We realise that the weather has not been kind to us recently but hopefully it will improve and that 2021 will be a better and smoother year. A reminder of where we are:

- The new Monash City Council licence, which allows Rotary to run the Market on the Council car park, for the next five years (with an option for a further five years) gives us long term certainty BUT imposes many new obligations on Rotary & through Rotary on Traders - as set out in the Market Terms & Conditions.
- The Market is run by Rotary Volunteers who donate their time to achieve the purpose of the Market. The new Licence & Covid19 management requirements have imposed significant additional time and cost commitments on Rotary.
- The existing site rental cost of \$20 has been in place for many years. Rotary has given three months' notice of a price increase effective 7th February. Even with a price increase the Market would be one of the cheapest markets in Melbourne that includes a wet weather policy that other markets do not provide.

Rotary has reviewed the proposed increase in light of the ongoing Covid19 situation & your concerns and has therefore limited the increase to only \$5 per stall.

Effective Sunday 7th Feb 2021 the cost per stall will be \$25 + an Insurance Surcharge of \$5 per stallholder is now being levied for stallholders without insurance (this is to cover the cost of Rotary taking out additional cover on your behalf which has been operative since 22nd November 2020.)

Our preferred method of payment is EFTPOS – (A new scale of fees for the whole market addressing half sites and multiple sites will be issued within the next few days)

By the way to take out your own insurance you can contact any of the following Insurance companies – the costs are very reasonable, you ARE THEN protected, AND the insurance can be used for other markets.

www.stallinsure.com.au;

www.stallholders.com.au

www.cgu.com.au

www.marketstallinsurance.com

www.marketsandfairs.com.au

www.mymarketinsurance.com.au

www.aami.com.au

www.localcommunityinsurance.com.au

www.tradersvoice.com.au

www.market-stall-insurance.com.au

We know that we have asked a lot of you regarding the new conditions and we want to thank those of you who have complied and for your understanding and support – we still have a bit of work to do but we are getting there. Guidelines and requirements were in previous newsletters – thanks for complying and good trading,

Details can be downloaded from <http://rotaryoch.org.au/home-gallery-item/36466/oakleigh-rotary-sunday-market> ,

Best wishes, for the New Year and stay safe.

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