Adelaide Hills Farmers Market

Treasury Report July 2023-2024

This year although demanding and emotional at times has been another good year for the market financially in times of the uncertain happenings in the world and current cost of living crisis. The Markets finances have remained solid and we look forward to putting some funds into marketing and future proofing. With the upcoming involvement with the Christmas Parade and Twilight Markets we are hoping to be a bigger part of the community in the every changing and growing Mount Barket and Adelaide Hills

Next year we will be re reestablishing the connection with the Mount Barker Council to encourage new stall holders through the producers in residence funded by the council. We also hope to have a monthly youth presence also supported by the council.

As with last year, the cost of living has affected many but the regulars are here rain or shine and overall Membership has increased again this year. Overall our income has increased by around \$8000 from the previous year. \$2000 up on Stallholders Fee Farmers, Down Slightly on Artisan and the rest on Membership fees and Sponsorships.

We thank the following for your support and sponsorship: Farm to Fridge, Half a Cow, LJ Hooker, Peet Mount Barker PTY and Mount Barker Council .

Another winter market at Cornerstone. This year continued to be well organised and easier for stallholders. Thanks to all who supported this couple of months

A small increase in stall holder fees and membership this year and again for next year will be needed to cover staffing and general running cost. Wages including superannuation and work cover have increased and with the changes and some added staffing costs with Kara Jane sickness and new staff learning tasks the staff wages both waged and contracts have increased. The Market being in a good position was able to cope with this increase and not put too much pressure on the committee and staff.

I would like to personally thank Geoff Page our chairperson for support through the year. We have had to make some decisions quickly and with another supportive committee we have managed another successful year. Kara Janes passing has affected us all in different ways and the market has shown to be a support to so many people during this time. It is certainly our happy place for many of us. Thankyou to all Committee Members for your help and support and friendship over the last 12 months.

With an overall profit at June 30 and the last 3 months looking the same the Market looks set up to be able to continue to give back to the market community.

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