

# MEDIA RELEASE

## Wednesday 27 September 2017

## Willows Rotary Markets

Market at Willows Shopping Centre are held every Sunday from 7.30 am to 11.30 am. The Willows markets are renowned for provision of large selection of fresh fruit and vegetables. The number of stallholders continues to grow and now total 170 stalls.

Our main entertainer, this Sunday is Tomi Gray. Tomi is currently travelling through Queensland and entertaining at various markets. Since 2014 TOMI GRAY has been steadily building a reputation as the sought after, charismatic singer and front man of Sydney Indie rock bands Bonez and The Ruckus

Tomi also involved himself with numerous charity events, in particular the National Headspace campaign 2016, where he wrote 'Steady Hands' with his band and donated all proceeds of the single to the youth mental health foundation. After releasing 2 EP's with a modicum of success his love of song writing, storytelling, and poetry began to call a different tune.



SES will also feature during the morning splaying one of their vehicles at the markets.

### **Strand Market Coming**

Strand market held on 1 September was a tremendous success with a full capacity of stallholders on hand and a crowd in excess of 10,000. The Mendi trucks, a Townsville construction company ditched its trademark green for bright pink in a nod to its support of women in the industry as well as two local charities. Mendi Constructions launched its Think Pink Week to support women in the construction industry and raise money for charities Unlock the Lachs and The Sky Foundation at Strand market.

The next strand market will be held on Friday 6 October and bookings and stall booking have closed with all stalls booked out. The number of food vendors of 23 is at capacity. Management are looking at repositioning tables and chairs to allow more room for visitors to get to the food vendors. Picnic Bay Surf Live Saving Club will be doing a demonstration during evening.

### **Annual General Meeting**

At the AGM held on Wednesday 20 September 2017 the current office-bearers, Vic Bayer (President), John Larkin (Secretary) and Roger Dunstan (Treasurer) were re-elected unopposed. Vic Bayer (Markets Coordinator), John Larkin (Operations Manager) and Charmaine Binnie (Media and Marketing Manager) were re-elected onto the management committee for 2017-18.

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