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To all SAGE Farmers Market Stall Holders

## FARMERS MARKET MORUYA

## "Our Shared Table" fundraiser

We have been approached by One Village to participate in a fundraising initiative called "Our Shared Table" that also promotes farmers markets. One Village raises funds for projects that support Ugandan communities to initiate, drive and sustain projects to improve their quality of life.

The SFM Committee thinks this is a very worthwhile cause and it will provide an excellent opportunity to illustrate that farmers markets and eating locally is part of a global movement to build resilience in our communities.

We will be hosting a "meal" at the market on Tuesday 22 October. Visitors to and customers of the market will be invited to share our "meal" for a donation. We would like our stall holders to cook or prepare a dish for our "meal" from the produce you sell, as your contribution to this fundraising effort.

Please let me know what you intend to contribute (and in what quantity), so we can estimate how many people we can cater for. For more information, ask me when I come around to your stall. You can also visit their website at <a href="http://oursharedtable.org/">http://oursharedtable.org/</a>.

## Redrafting of Rules 1 and 5

It has become apparent that Rule 5 concerning the exclusion of art, craft and non-food products is overly prescriptive when it comes to farmed products that are not food eg. essential oils and fibre. The SFM Committee feels that a farmers market should not exclude non-food products indiscriminately, but they should be permitted as long as they are farmed by the primary producer who sells them. As such, we intend to remove Rule 5 altogether and append Rule 1 as follows:

- 1. The SAGE Farmers Market is expressly open to *primary*, *secondary* and *tertiary producers* from within the *local region* for the purpose of selling locally sourced food products to the general public.
  - 1.1. Non-food products that are farmed eg. essential oils, fibre etc. are permitted, on the condition that the stall holder is the *primary producer* of those products.
  - 1.2. Non-food products that are made from food products or food by-products eg. beeswax candles, goats milk soaps etc. are permitted, on the condition that the stall holder is the *primary producer* of the key ingredients.

Rules subsequent to Rule 5 will be renumbered.

Please consider this rule change and let me know if you have any concerns. These changes will be adopted at the next SFM Committee meeting in the first week of October.

That's it for now.

Regards,

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SAGE Farmers Market Committee

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