



Rotamart News And Views March 2017

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Hi Everyone,

The proposed car park renovations between the already completed areas and around McDonald's have been delayed but are due to start again early April. The car parks will be completed in 3 stages, 2 areas between the recent renovation and the road near McDonalds and then the area surrounding McDonalds will be the last area completed. Works will also commence on the facade on the near future. The new facade on Belmont Ave has given us a preview of the "New look Belmont Forum". It looks great, have a look if you haven't seen it.

A matter of greater concern is that a car driven though the market, 2 week ago hit a pedestrian. As a result the management of Belmont Forum have been forced to impose great safety rules on the Market.

We are not permitted to close off the entry at Wright St and we can't have any stalls adjacent to the driveway used by cars entering Belmont Forum from Wright St. We have negotiated to use that area for parking with minimal car movement. As a result the area nearest to Wright St must be a "stall free area". The area will be delineated by safety tape. Seller's cars will be able to use that area as a car park but not as a selling area.

See map on the reverse

I have been informed some drivers have moved safety cones near the Woolworths loading area on Wright St resulting in deliveries not being able to be completed. A security guard has now been employed and offending cars may be towed to allow those deliveries. As previously stated we indebted to Belmont Forum Management for the use of Belmont Forum car park but their retail stores must be able to run their businesses without interference from our market.

We will face another 3-4 months of reduced selling bays, please work with us to minimize the disruption.

I remind sellers of the following conditions:-

- Bays will again be at a premium, please share bays to accommodate all sellers. We are aware some sellers hold extra bays and reduce the number of bays when we collect to pay a smaller fee. That is dishonest, reducing our charity collections and we will remove those who continually steal in this way.
- The market must close for selling at 10.30 and all sellers should be packed and gone by 10.45. Fines can be applied to those still in position after 11.00 am, and all rubbish or unsold goods must be taken with you. The first horn will be sounded at 10.15 and final horn at 10.30am.
- Sellers are reminded that saving of bays will not be tolerated.

Belmont Rotary Club has investigated other locations, discussed the idea of temporarily increasing the bay fee (\$15-20) to reduce the size of the market, alternately closing the market during the renovations. We are even canvassing the opportunity to run Rotamart as a night market. But we prefer to continue as is and we believe with your assistance, and patience we will overcome. Please work with us during this period, as the easiest alternative is closure.

Speak to the Rotarians "on duty" each Sunday if you need any clarification on the changes for the coming period. A map is on the reverse.

Thanks

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