

The 5 Ways

If you regularly travel to and from Stokers via the Five Ways, you would be aware of the dilapidated state of the advertising sign and the poor presentation of the roadside parking area in general. The whole area looks run down and neglected and gives an uninviting look to the main entry point to Stokers Siding Village.

The Stokers community has a strong connection with this sign. It's an important part of our cultural history, and so we are taking steps to rehabilitate the area.

To date we have obtained agreement from Council to include the site in their roadside maintenance schedule to ensure it gets slashed regularly. We have also requested that the bus shelter be painted and the site sealed.

The advertising sign needs effort from the community. We are interested in your feedback and assistance on where to go from here. Would you like to be involved in the planning process or join in on a working bee? Are you interested in reserving a spot to advertise your business?

Please contact the Secretary, Peter Holmes on 6677 9047 or email holmespa@bigpond.com



Stokers Village Market Day

13 June 2015

Our winter market is less than two weeks away. Join us for a browse and buy of beautiful handcrafts, plants and produce, bric'n'brac and more. Indulge in the warmth of our country kitchen cooking. Sing, drum or dance along with local musicians.

We are still taking stall bookings for only \$10.00 per stall + \$10.00 insurance if you need. Share a stall with your neighbours or send your kids out to earn some pocket money – kids' stalls (16 and under) are FREE!

Please contact Graham Burton by phone on 0407 242 587, or email grahburt@gmail.com.

The Village Market is our sole means of raising funds for community projects. Please give it your support.

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A Newsletter from the
Stokers Siding and District Community
Association, Incorporated

June 2015

Celebrating Nature, Cultivating Community

Your Community Association

The Stokers Siding and District Community Association is a committee made up of residents who are interested in contributing to the future directions of our community. It grew from a series of community workshops held throughout 2010, though it is not the first residents association that has served Stokers Siding and Dunbible over the years. The workshops culminated in a Community Development Plan that defines the sort of community we want Stokers Siding to be, and outlines a number of projects to work towards achieving that goal.



What we have achieved so far...

Since 2010, the Association has:

- Established the quarterly Stokers Siding Village Market.
- Designed and developed the Stokers Siding web site (www.stokerssiding.com.au).
- Established a community garden at the Stokers Siding Public School.
- Supplied the Community Hall with new tables using funds generated from the Village Markets.
- Worked with TSC to introduce re-usable shopping bags in the village
- Installed bike racks at the Post Office and General Store.
- Represented Stokers Siding on the reference panel for the Tweed Shire Council Rural Villages Strategic Plan.

Our current projects include:

- Refurbishing the Five Ways signage, parking area and bus stop.
- Support for new developments in the Old Pottery Building
- Planning for a Community Information Centre and Local Business Centre (internet and office away from home)
- Support for the Northern Rivers Rail Trail to extend from Murwillumbah into the village

If you would like to know more, why not come to a committee meeting? We meet on the first Wednesday of the month (except January) at 5.30pm in the Community Hall.

Note: Our Annual General Meeting is on **Wednesday, 1st July at 5.30pm** in the Community Hall.

ONYA!

Congratulations to Nola and Gary and Rhonda of the Post Office, General Store and Tea Rooms on achieving a 5-Star rating from TSC in their "Scores on Doors" food hygiene star rating process.

