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Guim Tales
December 2015

DARRAWEIT GUIM COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Saturday 5th December
From 6pm for tea
(a BBQ tea will available to buy all proceeds going direct to our CFA)
at Darraweit Guim Primary School

As usual dinner will be
followed by a great evening of
entertainment and a visit from
a special celebrity. BYO
drinks, seats, rugs, bug
repellent etc.

Can you lend a hand?
If you are keen to help out in
any way please give Viki
Spedding a call on 5789 1237.
We will need lots of help
setting up and packing up on
the big day.

If you feel the urge to
perform and have not
already done so, please
contact Viki Spedding (5789
1237) so that you can be
included in the line up.

Con’s getting into the
spirit

New letterboxes for
Corrigan’s Lane
residents.

Residents of Corrigan’s lane got together to
produce a wonderful new letterbox station.
Many of the boxes were damaged by the
fires. What a great example of community
members working together.

If you are thinking of putting in a new
letterbox the local postie, Lorreine, can help
with guidance about size and placement.

The Guim Tales is proudly supported by
Macedon Ranges Shire Council
Happy Birthday in December to Charli Laity 18th

Bookclub
Wednesday November 18
10:00am

This month: In a world of danger and deception, she walks the line--between seductive passion and scandalous… *Naked in Death*, the first of a popular series by Nora Roberts writing as JD Robb.

Next month: *The Sunne in Splendour*, a historical novel written by Sharon Kay Penman. So keen on the concept of Richard the 3rd she wrote the whole book twice, (after the first version was stolen from her car!)

We will discuss the book, and chat about this and that, and maybe you could come along just to suggest a book we may try next time? The new time worked well for all so we are going with it. Come along to the tennis club and, if nothing else, have a cup of tea!

Our community on Facebook
Put into the Facebook search:
Darraweit-Guim-CFA for CFA News
DarraweitGuim The Where’s the Fox Hat site including the latest Guim Tales and other news
DarraweitGuimPS our Primary School
Old blankets, towels and old pillow cases wanted

If you have any old blankets, towels (even with holes) and pillow cases (without holes) that you are not using or throwing in the bin or taking to the op shop Helen Callahan is collecting them for a shelter.

Please, no pillows or cushions because they cannot be used.

If you have any please ring Helen 5789 1305 and she will pick them up from you.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council is seeking comments on a new planning scheme amendment—Amendment C110—that seeks to manage rural living opportunities in the shire to 2045.

The amendment proposes changes to the Macedon Ranges Planning Scheme, including:

- a reduction in minimum lot sizes for nominated land in existing Rural Living Zones around Gisborne, Gisborne South and Riddells Creek and a small area in Romsey, north of Ochiltrees Road
- the introduction of Development Plan overlays that will coordinate development in line with existing features and characteristics, and provide for an integrated pedestrian, cycle and vehicle network
- the rezoning of land from the Farming Zone to the Rural Living Zone south of Kyneton, and north of Kyneton-Springhill Road.
- the introduction of minimum setback controls.

Council’s Director Planning and Environment, Sophie Segafredo said that the amendment proposes to implement the recommendations outlined in the In the Rural Living Zone Strategy that was recently adopted by Council.

“People are attracted to this shire for both the urban and rural landscapes so it’s important that the Planning Scheme provides for a range of housing and rural living opportunities in the long term, which this amendment is designed to do” she said.

Residents are encouraged to view the amendment on Council’s website, mrsc.vic.gov.au/amendmentC110 or at one of Council’s service centres. A factsheet is available to explain the key changes.

Residents can also drop-in to the Gisborne office to speak with one of the project team during business hours throughout the exhibition period. Team members will also be available to speak with at the Kyneton and Romsey offices on the dates below:

**Romsey Community Hub:** Thursday 26 November, 9.30am—5pm, 96—100 Main Street

**Kyneton Administration Centre:** Monday 30 November, 8.30am—5pm, 129 Mollison Street, Kyneton

Comments are invited until 5.30pm on Wednesday 23 December 2015 and submissions can be sent to mrsc@mrsc.vic.gov.au or PO Box 151, Kyneton VIC 3444.
What: Free Fire Ready Safety Information Session
Where: Darraweit Guim Memorial Hall - Bolinda/Darraweit Road
When: 7:30 PM - 7:30 PM Wednesday 2nd December 2015
For more information: Contact CFA District 18 Office (1800 820 118)
Find out: Must-have fire information for this season

Fire Restrictions

In case there was any doubt, the Fire Danger Period is now in effect for the Shires of Mitchell and Macedon Ranges, no fires not in accordance with the ‘Can I, Can’t I’ information proudly displayed on your fridge. If your fridge lacks this try here:

www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/can/

Santa is coming to town

Early intelligence on the coming fire season has revealed that on Sunday December 20th 2015 Santa will be visiting the children of Darraweit Guim to conduct a last minute check on the naughty & nice list. Santa will be setting off from the fire station at 6.30pm on board the towns fire truck. If you would like Santa to visit you, can you please make contact with Danielle Craig (Brigade secretary) on 5789 1321 or via email danielle.craig@members.cfa.vic.gov.au so that we may plan accordingly.

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In emergency call 000
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