Darraweit Guim Cemetery Trust

New Members wanted

Did you know that our cemetery is managed by a Trust of local volunteers?

No, I bet you don’t because they have been quietly working away in the background to manage our cemetery.

It is now time to add some new members to the Trust. Please consider whether you are interested in serving on the Trust.

The Trust will hold a public meeting to elect new members early this year.

Watch this space for more details.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Duncan or Patience McDonnell on 5789 1210.

DARRAWEIT GUIM MEMORIAL HALL
Notice is given of a PUBLIC MEETING

To be held at the Darraweit Guim War Memorial Hall on Tuesday 17th March 2015 commencing at 7:30 pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to nominate no less than three (3) or more than nine (9) persons as the Committee of Management for the Darraweit Guim Memorial Hall for a term of three years. The current committee’s term will expire on 15th May 2015.

All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night.

For further enquiries please contact Chris on 5789 1373 or Viki on 5789 1237

Advance notice
Sale of Gifts
Saturday 9th May

Anzac Day 2015—Poppy project

Darraweit Guim War Memorial Hall

We would like to decorate the entrance to the hall and hopefully the memorial in the school grounds with hand made poppies. This is inspired by the 5000 poppies project.

Patterns for poppies are available at http://5000poppieswordpress.com

Contact Viki Spedd on 5789 1237 if you would like more information or to drop poppies off.
Fire Survival—Radiant Heat

The single biggest factor in fire survival? Avoiding radiant heat.

Obvious next question: what is radiant heat, and how do I avoid it??? Radiant heat is the heat you feel from a fire. Until they encounter it most people would expect they are safe enough if they avoid the actual flames, but the radiant heat of a fire reaches out and attacks you long before the flames get there. Have a look at the Salvador Dali inspired droopy front of our Tanker 2 to see what radiant heat can do, a souvenir of a recent grass fire!

The best protection is distance. If that isn't an option a solid object can provide some protection. Preparation is key, cover your skin. Shorts and thongs may keep you cool before the fire arrives, but give you no protection. Cover up! On the other hand, even if you are covered, and sheltered, your safety is not guaranteed!

Even holed up in your car radiant heat can strike through the windows. Woollen blankets and getting down below the window level are high priorities.


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In emergency call 000
Creating safer communities

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.

Why is Santa's plane still there?

Because it has been entered in a hay bale sculpture competition.

Vote if you like it TODAY. Voting closes 5th February.

Vote at www.bendigoadvertiser.com.au
It is entry number 5
**Craft Group**
Saturday 14th February
Due to another booking a the hall craft will be held at Viki Spedding’s from 12:30pm
Contact Viki on 5789 1237 if you need directions.
Everyone welcome

**Bookclub**
Tuesday 17th February
Read the book? Forgot to come? Lucky you, this month’s book is still Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn.
Next month is still the return of Don Tillman in The Rosie Effect by Graeme Simsion. The charming and hilarious romantic comedy of the year.
Come along to the tennis clubrooms at 7:30pm. We 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?

**Happy Birthday**
Roma Heanly 6th
Allannah Smith 11th
Hannah Findlay 11th
Alannah Smith 11th
Ethan Scott 15th

**Living well with arthritis**
On 19 March, Macedon Ranges Shire Council, in partnership with Arthritis and Osteoporosis Victoria (AOV), will host a ‘Living well with arthritis’ seminar in Woodend.

If you or someone close to you is affected by arthritis or another musculoskeletal condition, you will understand the impact it can have on your health and wellbeing. This seminar will provide you with information and resources that will assist you in managing your condition and pain. You’ll also have the opportunity to try Nordic Walking.

The seminar will be held from 1–3.30pm on Thursday 19 March at the Woodend Community Centre, corner of High and Forrest Streets, with registration from 12.30pm. The cost is $5, or attendance is free for AOV members.

Registration is essential and closes Friday 13 March. Please call Georgia Sackville at AOV on 1800 263 265 or (03) 8531 8022 or email programs@arthritisvic.org.au.

Council and AOV would also like to gauge interest in establishing an arthritis peer support group in the Macedon Ranges. This would allow people with arthritis, osteoporosis and other musculoskeletal conditions to come together to improve their health and wellbeing by sharing information and other activities of their choice. These might include listening to guest speakers or even exercising together. If you think you might be interested in participating in such a group, please complete the Arthritis Peer Support Group survey which is available at Council service centres in Gisborne, Kyneton, Romsey and Woodend or online at mrc.vic.gov.au/yoursay

For further details about the seminar or the survey contact Stephanie Harper, Healthy Ageing Engagement Officer, on (03) 5422 0258 or sharper@mrc.vic.gov.au.
Free entertainment at 2015 cultural season launch

Get a taste of Council’s 2015 art and culture season program at a free event at the Kyneton Town Hall on Friday 6 February and receive a 25% discount on tickets purchased on the night.

Starting at 5pm, you’ll be treated to door prizes and free, locally-sourced wines, ciders and coffee. Entertainment will be provided by some of this year’s artists.

Council has programmed over twenty different events this year as a way for people to get involved in the arts and connect with their community.

Several outstanding performers are heading our way to share their skills in music, dance, drama, comedy, burlesque cabaret and family entertainment.

This is an opportunity to experience acts that might otherwise only be seen in major cities, without the stress of travel, and an ability to dine out in our local restaurants and visit places closer to home.

There are also exhibitions at the Kyneton Museum on topics ranging from women’s fashion to the intriguing world of body adornment.

Exhibitions at the Kyneton Museum will include educational programs and holiday activities. Teachers are encouraged to explore what’s on offer in the way of master classes and student workshops with visiting artists and artisans.

To attend the launch, please RSVP by Friday 30 January by calling 1300 888 802 or emailing kthtickets@mrc.vic.gov.au

Copies of the 2015 season brochure will be available for collection from Monday 9 February in Council service centres in Kyneton, Gisborne, Woodend and Romsey. Program details will also be published on Council’s website after the launch, mrc.vic.gov.au/arts.

40 years later and the mystery lives on

Celebrate Valentine’s Day and the 40th anniversary of Peter Weir’s ‘Picnic at Hanging Rock’ at the exclusive twilight viewing of the film on Saturday 14 February.

Pack a picnic basket and blanket, and enjoy the supernatural atmosphere of watching the film as the sun sets behind the Rock.

Based on the 1967 novel, the Australian classic was shot in 1975 and continues to intrigue with its eerie tale of vanishing schoolgirls.

Tickets are $25 per adult, $10 per child and $60 for a family. Gates open at 7pm with the film beginning on dusk around 8.30pm. The café will be open for coffee and light snacks before the film begins.

To buy tickets, phone 1300 888 802 or visit mrc.vic.gov.au/filmmight. For enquiries, phone Macedon Ranges Shire Council on (03) 5421 1468.