Darraweit Guim War Memorial Hall
Sale of Gifts
Saturday 14th May

The Sale of Gifts is a tradition dating back to the early 1900’s in Darraweit Guim. It relies on local residents donating their home produce, or skill to the auction and then coming along and sharing in the fun of the auction to sell it to a fellow resident. These days the donations take on many and varied things not just home produce.

You all need this event to be a success because it is how we can continue to keep hall hire prices low and still maintain and insure our community hall.

It’s a great night with a few bargains and lots of great home grown and baked produce.

If you have something to donate bring it along and we’ll sell it to your neighbour, if not, don’t worry, come along anyway and we’ll sell you something your neighbour donated.

So, come one, come all and please bring along:
✔ Any donation which you feel will bring money at auction
✔ An open mind and wallet to bid, and
✔ A sense of fun

Drinks and nibbles provided.

For more information or to have large donated items collected call Lorraine Dalton (5789 1367), Viki Spedding (5789 1237) or Christine Craik (5789 1373).
Happy Birthday in May to
Stephanie Craig 13th
Natalie Sorraghan 21st
Chloe Bosch 21st
Sarah Findlay 29th
Chloe Smith 30th

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.

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

Craft Group
Saturday 14th May
12:30pm at the hall

For further information contact Viki on 5789 1237

Everyone welcome

Sale of Gifts
Saturday 14th May
At the hall

CFA Trivia Quiz Night
Saturday 27th August
At the hall

REGULARS

Bookclub
2nd Monday of the month
7:30pm at the Tennis Club

CFA Committee Meeting
4th Monday 8:00pm
at the Fire Station

CFA Brigade Training
2nd and 4th Sunday mornings
9am at the Station

Craft Group
2nd Saturday
12:30pm — 3pm at the hall

Hall Committee
3rd Monday 8pm in Jan, Mar, May, July

Landcare Group
Committee Meeting
3rd Monday
8:00pm at the school

Playgroup
Wednesdays 9:00—10:30am
At the Primary School

Red Cross Unit
4th Monday at 9:30am
at the hall

Bookclub
Monday 9th May
7:30 pm

This month we discuss *Throwim Way Leg* which means, (in New Guinea pidgin), to take the first step of a long journey. The journey in this book is a wild ride full of natural wonders and Tim Flannery's trademark wit, a tour de force of travelogue, anthropology, and natural history. No penis gourds permitted at the meeting.

Next month: *The Third Policeman*, a comic trip through hell, in Ireland, as told by a murderer. An inspired bit of confusing and comic lunacy from the warped imagination of *Flann O’Brien*. If all else fails there is apparently an explanatory note from the publisher at the end.

Come along this month and talk about how you are going with it, or maybe chat about this and that, and maybe you could come along just to suggest a book we may try next time? . Come along to the tennis club and, if nothing else, have a cup of tea!
An interesting thing has been happening on the streets of Melbourne recently. A number of cyclists from Macedon Ranges who commute to Melbourne on a bike have noticed stencils of cyclists appearing on numerous back streets. These are not as a result of some guerrilla action by cycling campaigners but a concerted effort by local councils to remind car drivers that people are out and about riding their bikes to work, to school and to the local shops. It’s a simple message that we can all listen to and an initiative to be commended.

It sometimes surprises non-cyclists that the majority of cyclist out on our shared roads are using a bicycle as a form of transport and not just as a leisure activity. Perhaps in the Macedon Ranges, we are all need to remember that around each corner, particularly in our towns, there may be a mum or dad and their kids cycling to school or someone walking their dog on the side of the road. It’s something we all need to think about when we are behind the wheel and anything that can help to remind us all in our busy lives, such as the stencils, is a welcome addition in my book.

Jem Richards
Bike Safe Macedon Ranges

Important changes in the life of a young girl was the topic of the film at the April screening of Inside Out. As if moving house isn’t enough, Riley has a new school and neighbourhood to cope with. Joy, Fear and Anger are just a few of the emotions that assault our heroine as she navigates her way into her changed situation. This is a smart and compassionate film and won the Academy Award for the Best Animated Film for 2015.

In May, hold on to your hat for stellar performances from Meryl Streep and Julia Roberts as Director John Wells puts high drama in the Weston family on the screen in the 2013 film, August: Osage County. A rural area outside Pawhuska, Oklahoma is the setting for cat fights and unrest and much, much more.

The Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday of every month at the Woodend Community Centre. Film notes and an informal supper are part of the evening. MRFS is a membership-based club so initial enquiries must be made by emailing mrfilmsociety@gmail.com or by phoning Lorraine on 5427 0921 or Christine on 5427 1011.
Trivia Quiz Night—27th August 2018

Start chugging the Omega 3, or whatever else you do to prepare your brains for the task ahead. More details soon.

Fire Danger Period Over?

In a word, yes. Please see next item before emitting a relaxing, “Aaaaaah!”

Fire Safety in the Cooler Months

I am sure all you good, sensible people replaced the batteries in your smoke alarms last month, cleaned them, or replaced them if they were over 10 years old. And well done. Please remember that that was a month ago, so dig out a broom and TEST them, as you should every month. This is your Ultimate Fall Back in the cooler months, when other innocent decisions can create situations that could result in the loss of your home, or worse. A checklist of other considerations:

- Ensure anything that could potentially burn is placed at least a meter from your heater, particularly when drying clothes.
- Ensure all heating equipment is clean and in proper working order. Inspect electrical cords and replace if cracked or damaged.
- Switch off electric blankets before going to bed.
- Extinguish any candles before going to bed or leaving the room.
- When cooking, don’t leave cooking appliances unattended. If you need to leave the room for more than a few minutes, switch off the stove or oven.
- Use a mesh guard on an open fire to protect against flying sparks and embers. Ensure the fire has been completely smothered before leaving the room or house.

Donations
Target: $20,000
So far? - $15,051
75% achieved!

www.cfa.vic.gov.au
In emergency call 000
Creating safer communities