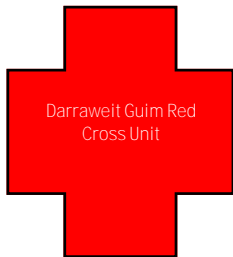


Guim Tales

September 2016



RED CROSS NEWS

The Darraweit Guim Red Cross Unit held their Annual General Meeting at the Memorial Hall on 22nd August 2016. There were 5 members of our unit who received their Long Service Medals and Bars which were presented by M.R.S.C. Mayor Graham Hackett. The Office Bearers of our unit are as follows. President - Marie Hoban, Vice President - Kevin Ryan, Treasurer - Bert Norman, Secretary - Helen Callahan and our Zone Representatives Marie Hoban and Margaret Lang. We hold our meetings on the 4th Monday of the month at 9.30 a.m. in the Memorial Hall and anybody is more than welcome to come along and see what we are about, a fresh face is always made welcome.

TENNIS CLUB NEWS

The Darraweit Guim Tennis Club held their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 23rd August 2016. Unfortunately we did not see any new faces on the night.



The Office Bearers for the Tennis Club 2016/2017 are President - Henriette MacDonald, Treasurer - Julie Smith, Secretary - Helen Callahan. If you have any questions relating to the tennis club contact one of our committee and they will be more than happy to assist you.

Please note that the Annual Memberships are now due and payable by 1st November, 2016. The committee has decided to keep the membership the same as 2015/16 which is as follows: FAMILY 2 adults and all dependent family persons \$120.00, SINGLE ADULT \$60.00, JUNIOR person aged under 16 years \$50.00. Court gate key cost is \$20.00 (\$10.00 refundable on return of key). Upon membership payment your old key will be exchanged for the current key (old keys to be handed in to prevent another new gate key charge).

If you are interested in joining the Darraweit Guim Tennis Club please contact one of our committee members: Henriette McDonald 57891217, Helen Callahan 57891305, Julie Smith 57891315 or Heather Bird 57891338.

Once the warmer weather is upon us there will be BBQ nights and functions to look forward to.



DIY Christmas Carols
Saturday 3rd December
Mark it on your calendar now





Darraweit Diary

Community Christmas Carols
Saturday 3rd December

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

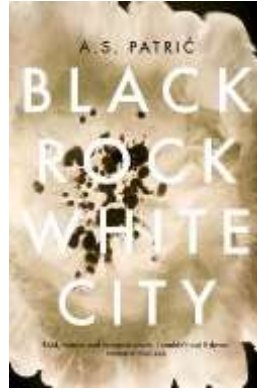
3rd Monday
8:00pm at the school

Playgroup

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

Red Cross Unit

4th Monday at 9:30am
at the hall



Bookclub

Monday 10th October

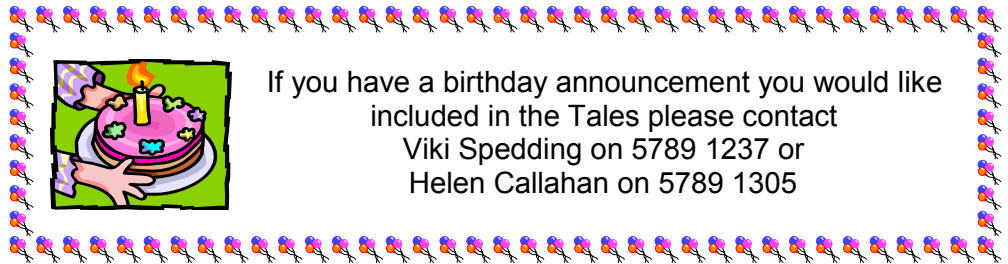
7:30 pm

This month: ***Black Rock White City*** by **A.S. Patric**, A novel about the damages of war, the limits of choice, and the hope of love. During a hot Melbourne summer Jovan's cleaning work at a bayside hospital is disrupted by acts of graffiti and violence becoming increasingly malevolent.

For Jovan the mysterious words that must be cleaned away dislodge the poetry of his past in Sarajevo.

Next month: ***The Woman in Black*** by **Susan Hill**

If you haven't read this months book please feel free to come along anyhow, (on the second Monday), have a cup of tea and maybe suggest a book we could read next time?



If you have a birthday announcement you would like included in the Tales please contact Viki Spedding on 5789 1237 or Helen Callahan on 5789 1305

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.



Craft Group

Meets at the
Darraweit Guim War
Memorial Hall on
Saturday 8th October
from 12:30pm

Everyone welcome



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



Council Launches Worm Farm rebate scheme



Are you interested in reducing your landfill, saving the environment and creating a beautiful garden? Council is inviting local residents to participate in a worm farm and compost bin rebate program.

Did you know that the average garbage bin in the shire contains more than 25% food waste? Council is making it easy for residents and businesses in the shire to recycle garden clippings and food scraps by offering a rebate on the purchase of worm farms, compost bins and associated accessories.

The Break It Down Worm Farm and Compost Bin Rebate Program offers residents and businesses who live and operate in the Macedon Ranges a rebate of 50% of the price of worm farms, up to a maximum of \$100.

Simply fill out a rebate form (available on the Council website and the Darraweit Guim Facebook page) and take it to one of the designated suppliers to retrieve your discount. Also, make sure you book your spot at one of our free workshops below.

To accompany the launch of our new rebate program, we are holding FREE workshops during September and October so you can find out how to get the most out of your worm farm and compost bin.



Kyneton: Tuesday 27 September, 6.30pm–7.30pm
Riddells Creek: Tuesday 11 October, 6.30pm–7.30pm
Gisborne: Tuesday 25 October, 6.30pm–7.30pm

2016 Seniors Festival: let's dance!

Music and dancing will be the focus of the 2016 Seniors Festival events in Macedon Ranges Shire.

The annual Grey Light Dance will kick off the celebrations on Wednesday 12 October at Kyneton Town Hall from 1.30pm, with music from the 50s, 60s and 70s by local band Growing Up Is Optional.

This dance is run by Council in partnership with Kyneton Police and has been moved from its usual date in May in order to coincide with the Seniors Festival. Transport to the dance will be available but must be requested when booking.

Just to make sure residents in the north of the shire don't have all the fun, Council will hold an inaugural Riddells Creek dance on Sunday 30 October at 1.30pm. It will be one of the first community events to take place at the newly refurbished Riddells Creek Community Centre (incorporating the Riddells Creek Senior Citizens). Once again, local band Growing Up Is Optional will provide entertainment.

Both events are free but bookings are essential. Call Stephanie on 5422 0258 or email sharper@mrsc.vic.gov.au to RSVP.

A range of other Seniors Festival events and activities will take place across the shire during October, including the following events at Goldfields Libraries:

Worried About Your Memory, Friday 7 October, 2pm–3.30pm (Gisborne library) and Wednesday 12 October, 1.30pm–3.30pm (Woodend Library)

Information about improving your memory and when you need to investigate changes.

Facebook for Seniors, Thursday 6 October, 2pm–3pm (Woodend library) and Monday 10 October, 2pm–3pm (Romsey Library).
An introduction to this not-so-new but very popular way of connecting with friends and family.

Bookings are essential and can be made online at ncgrl.vic.gov.au/events, in person at your local library or call 5449 2700.

Our aquatic and leisure centres will offer seniors the opportunity to try a variety of activities for free.

These include:

Aqua Aerobics, Monday 10 October, 9.15am
Gisborne Aquatic Centre

Zumba Gold, Tuesday 11 October, 1pm (followed by afternoon tea)
Buffalo Sports Stadium

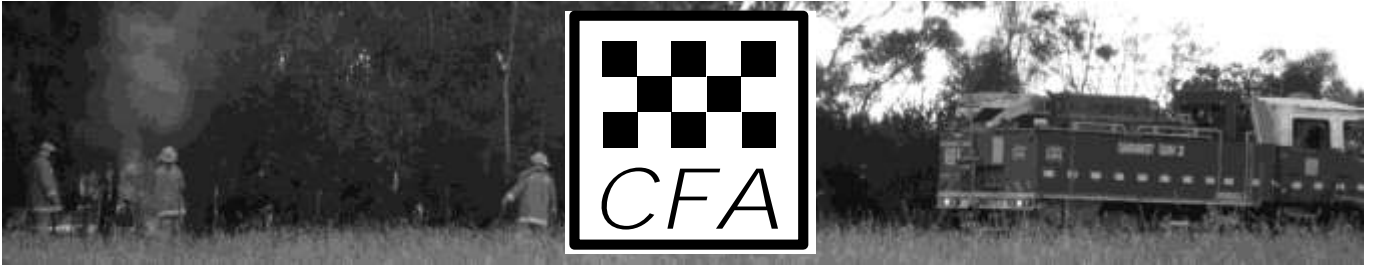
Tai Chi, Wednesday 12 October, 10.30am (followed by afternoon tea)
Romsey Recreation Centre

Strength for Health, Thursday 13 October, 10am (followed by morning tea)
Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre

Staying Strong, Friday 14 October, 10.30am
Gisborne Fitness Centre

Contact your local sports and fitness centre or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/leisure for more details.

To find out more about the 2016 Seniors Festival events in Macedon Ranges Shire, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/seniors



Preparations for the Fire Danger Period

Yes, fine, I understand. You can't use your mower at the moment in case it sinks out of sight into a mud-hole, but given a bit of sun the grass will continue to go mad, and next thing you know it is the fire season!



Woodpiles

Keeping the remainder of your winter stock for next year? Please keep it away from the house in case it is ignited by the embers of a passing fire

Other Flammables

Store flammable liquids away from the house, preferably in flame proof containers

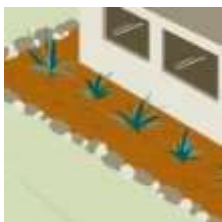


Leaves and Twigs

Dry grass, build ups of leaves, twigs and loose bark can be easily ignited by embers, then act as ignition sources for trees and structures

Keep the Grass Short

Fires can travel faster through short grass, but longer grass burning will release much more radiant heat. Nasty.



Garden Beds

Large shrubs next to your house? Near windows? Horrors! Mulch up close to your house can harbor embers and smoulder. Pebbles and rocks? Not so much.

for more tips and more detail
www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare

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