

CWA Gidgegannup Branch – Newsletter April 2018

Gidgegannup CWA celebrated their 65th birthday recently with a beautiful luncheon at our hall. Our celebration was very enjoyable and the hall was packed with CWA members from far and wide. Some of our members were reacquainted with ladies they hadn't seen for a long time and thoroughly enjoyed catching up with each other.

Our members all contributed to the luncheon by cooking delicious food for everyone to feast on. We also indulged in a decadent chocolate birthday cake which tasted delish and we all loved it!

Rod Henderson, Councillor from City of Swan, joined us for lunch and it was wonderful having a chat to him.

In other news, the CWA will be holding a Crafter's Day and Exhibition on 20th to 21st April at Bassendean Church of Christ (4 Ivanhoe Street, Bassendean). We would love to see lots of faces - everyone is most welcome to come and see some beautiful handiwork and say hello.

ANZAC Day is a poignant reminder of lives lost, battles fought and sacrifices made. The freedom we appreciate today is attributable to those brave men and women who fought for our country. Often when we think of the ANZACs, we think of mateship. With this in mind, the CWA along with Gidgegannup Primary School, are excited to join together to commemorate this year's ANZAC Day by filling our town with poppies.

The CWA ladies have been invited to the primary school to bake ANZAC biscuits with the students. Along with this, the school is fortunate to have representatives from ANZAC House visiting them to speak about the meaning of ANZAC Day and the importance of why we remember those fallen. The students will then be writing stories about ANZAC Day in their own words and these will be displayed around town. We encourage everyone to enjoy this wonderful tribute and spend a few minutes reading these stories written from our children's perspectives.

You will start to see poppies 'popping' up around town from early April. The CWA have been busy knitting red poppies to commemorate the soldiers and purple poppies in honour of the horses that served. Gidgegannup Primary School students will be making paper poppies and these, along with the knitted blooms, will 'pop' up in store windows and around the village.

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The annual ANZAC ceremony held by the primary school is taking place on 2nd May. The CWA have been invited to attend and we will be laying a wreath made out of native flora.

You're invited to join in this spectacular tribute and immerse yourself in the spirit of the ANZAC's by taking time to stop, read the students' stories and enjoy the sight of all the beautiful poppies in our village.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to call us.

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