

What's On

27 May—23 June Lynne Coade, Red Tree Gallery

10 June Nangara guided tour with Peter Ware

12 June Opening of Lynne Coade's exhibition, Red Tree Gallery

23 June Meeting to provide feedback to Shire

2 Oct Next Jindivick Country Market



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If you would like to include information about a local event, club, person etc please contact the editor by email via: newsletter@jindivick.org.au or phone 56 253556.

The deadline for the July issue is June 25th

JUNE 2021

At the time this issue was put together we were in our 3rd day of a

Victoria wide stage 4 lockdown. Where possible, dates for some events were altered to accommodate this. Please confirm times and dates with listed contact people if you are unsure of the status of an event you would like to attend. Meanwhile please stay home, wear a mask, wash your hands and keep our community safe.

Regular Events in Covid Normal

St James Anglican Church, Jindivick Have a cuppa at 11am before the service at 11.30am on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. For further information, Faye 0400014226

Atticus Health Jindivick Ph 56 285 445 for an appointment or go to: atticushealth.com.au/location/jindivick-medical-clinic

Jindi Craft Group meets on Thursdays in the hall 11am to 4pm, byo lunch, cost \$5

Monthly craft weekends. Space in these is limited so bookings are required. Nikki Cadzow 0447776178

Jindivick Hall is now open to 70 people in the hall, and 18 in the meeting (supper) room **Monthly Hall Committee Meetings** held on 2nd Thursday at 7:30pm

Jindi Jems (see p.3)

Jindivick Pool Nights Fridays from 7pm For further information call Phil on 0444 525 556

Jindivick Singing Group Meets Mondays 7:30 (see p. 6 for more information)

Jindivick Walking Group walks each Thursday, starting at 9am. Ph: Graham on 0417 434 464 for more details

Jindi Writers Group meets at The Jindi Caf' on Wednesdays 3.30-5 pm. It will meet fortnightly through June, and take a winter break for July and August, returning in September to begin again - and continue for the seasoned writers, and start out for beginners. Regardless of your stage or level of writing, you are most welcome to join in - the creative muscle is waiting to be flexed, and it is within us all. Contact jen.hutchison.home@gmail.com or ph 0488 300 423

The **Jindivick Yoga Group** meets on Thursdays 9:30—10:30am All welcome. For further information contact Janet on 0499 248 302.



Australia's Biggest Morning Tea In Jindivick

A group of over 20 women enjoyed the company and heaps of amazing food at the Jindivick Hall on May 27 — just before lockdown. Lots of cups of tea, cakes and chat and all in a good cause — to raise money for the Cancer Council. They also had a chance to buy Nikki's cakes, slices, biscuits and preserves, as well as cards by Delwyn, and many other goodies.

Nikki thanks all those who came and supported the day. "We will be sending a donation of \$472 to the Cancer Council for 2021".

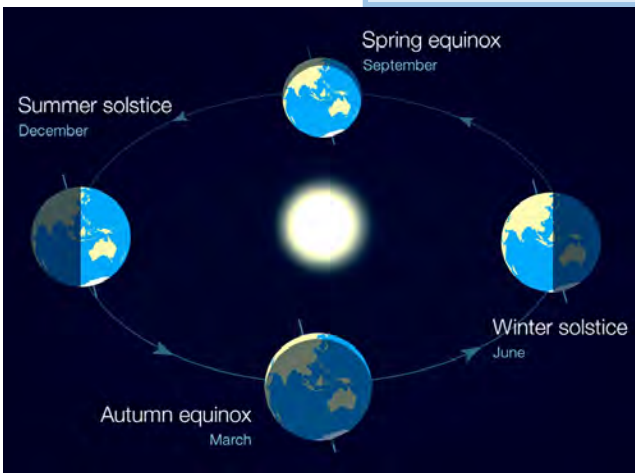


Due to Covid restrictions, **The Jindi Caf'** is only open for the post, bread, milk, newspapers, gas bottles, and takeaway meals, including the popular Sunday roast. Please wear a mask. For further information and to book your takeaway phone 56 285227. All meals will be offered as takeaway. Check The Jindi Caf' Facebook page for menus, times etc



Above Jindivick Walking Group at Glen Cromie Park in May

Local artist **Lynne Coade** is exhibiting recent paintings at **Red Tree Gallery** from 27th May until June 23rd. In her exhibition titled "Lasting Impressions", Lynne uses visual memory to interpret colours, light, and reflections seen within a cloud or a wave on the beach that had caught her eye. Lynne's art becomes an emotional response to that memory and the way she felt. The opening will be held on 12 June. A visit to see her beautiful paintings will overcome any winter blues.



Winter Solstice 2021, June 21 marks the shortest day (& longest night) of our year, when the tilt of the Earth (which varies across the year) is at its highest, causing the day to become much shorter in the southern hemisphere. This effect increases the further from the equator a location is; in the most extreme cases, the day in places like Antarctica becomes so short that there is a permanent night. The English word *solstice* comes from the Latin *solstitium*, meaning "sun standing still" suggesting a brief pause as the sun reaches its most extreme point (as experienced on Earth) before the direction of travel is reversed. The significance of this is reflected in monuments and rituals around the world eg Stonehenge's standing stones align along

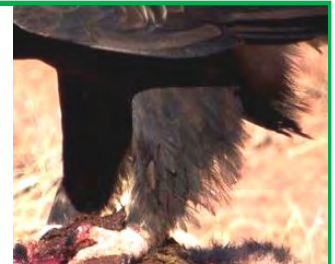
a solstice axis, with a sightline pointing to the December solstice sunset.

Cattle were slaughtered and eaten to reduce the need for feed in the austere winter months; wine and beer were fermented in time for the festivities. And in non-Covid times, the Jindivick Community celebrated with a

Mid Winter Get Together.

Debra H Clucker June 2021

We have a situation here readers: girls are missing. I have been gathering evidence. Collecting clusters of feathers that nobody will claim are theirs, littered about in neighbouring paddocks. Nobody will admit that they have been on the other side. Their beaks are zipped shut. But I have found a survivor. I haven't gotten her to talk yet, but I can be persuasive. Pulling her tail feathers to get her to talk is a no go as she doesn't have any left. They are missing. Hmm...more evidence of fowl play. She is also dazed and in shock.



My conclusion is that the girls have been abducted, but I don't think it was the aliens. Something else. I think I can also rule out those noisy plovers, the ram, COVID-19, and duck hunters. By deduction, that only leaves the Wedge Tail Fluffy Legs. I guess I will have to have a chat with them and give them the eagle eye.

First, I need bait, which is me. I catapult over the fence with just me, myself, and I, and set the trap. Pace up and down the fence line looking lost, distressed, and useless, which I'm anything but. Waiting, waiting, until at last the eagle has landed. He will hop and jump along, herding me up against the fence, where he can just pluck me up while I squat in terror. Rip off my head and feast upon my succulent breast. Never fear readers as I am Debra, Queen of Cunning, breaker of speed records, and meaner than a junk yard dog.

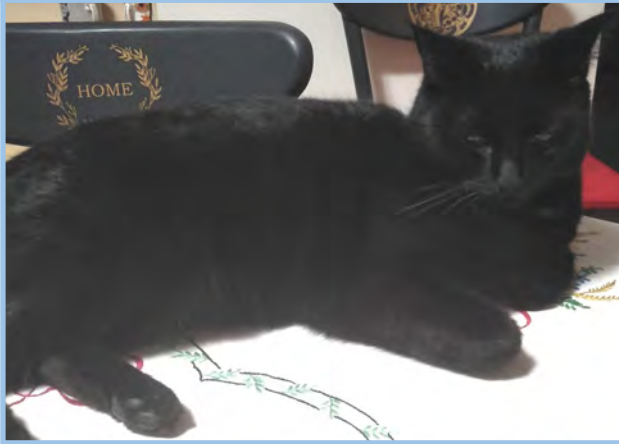


He lands. I run around behind. He hops around but already I am running rings around him. Jumping tires him. He is slow on the ground. I dart back and forth until he is dizzy. Disoriented, he has no choice but to listen to my tirade as I give him the facts. "Hunt rabbits and activists, not hens. We have an important job to do so nick off somewhere else." That's what I said and that's what he did!

That's all from Debra H Clucker, the eagle whisperer
Jindi Free Range Eggs ph 0402 981 478

On 5 May eight of the **Jindi Jems** met at Coco's in Yarragon and enjoyed coffee, then a bit of shopping, followed by lunch at the Yarragon Hotel and on 19th a couple of Jems met at Warragul Cinema and enjoyed the film 'June Again'.

In June we'll get together for coffee/lunch at a destination to be confirmed. We are going to drive to Sale and go on a boat trip in July! Call Maz on 0447491502 for further info. (Photo below: Shadow relaxing)



Anita's friend's Simple Rhubarb Cake

The rhubarb is growing back nicely now and it's time to harvest some of the fresh, tender new pink stalks that are emerging. Give this simple rhubarb cake a whirl. The recipe given to me by a friend who is an excellent baker and gardener.

125g. butter, softened and diced
 125g. caster sugar, plus 5 tablespoons for the rhubarb
 3 large beaten eggs
 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
 125g self-raising flour
 3 tablespoons milk
 700g. rhubarb, trimmed and cut into 2.5 cm. lengths.
 Icing sugar to dust



Beat butter and sugar together until plain and fluffy. Add eggs a little at a time, beating well after each addition. If the mix starts to curdle, add a tablespoon of flour.

Add the vanilla, and fold into the flour with a metal spoon, adding just enough milk to give the batter a thick dolloping consistency.

Scrape into a 20cm spring form tin lined with glad bake. Toss the rhubarb with the 5 tablespoons sugar and spread it over the top of the cake mixture. Bake 40 mins in a preheated 190C oven.

The rhubarb will be slightly singed in parts. The cake is ready when a skewer inserted into the middle of the cake comes out clean.

Leave the cake to cool in the tin. Remove carefully. Dust with icing sugar when ready to serve. A delicious dollop of Gippsland cream goes nicely on the side too.



The first **Nangara Guided Nature Walk**. On a glorious 23rd May, over 50 people joined the 4 expert guides, Wendy Savage, Peter Ware, Beau Meister and Greg Holliss, to explore the natural wonders in Nangara. Between them, the experts were able to answer the many questions and identify many of the plants, fungi, and the birds that were seen and heard. Greg was also able to educate us on the geology of the reserve.

The group included some serious fungus enthusiasts armed with some amazing camera gear, many having travelled long distances to be part of the walk. With fungus expert Beau Meister they took some amazing photographs many of which are on the 'Friends of Nangara' Facebook page. The afternoon concluded with a yummy afternoon tea with Anita Day's home made biscuits. There was general agreement that we should do it all again, perhaps in Spring?

One of the 4 experts, Peter Ware, will be hosting his semi regular walk in Nangara with the Jindivick Walking Group on Thursday June 10th, at 9am. All are welcome to join us.

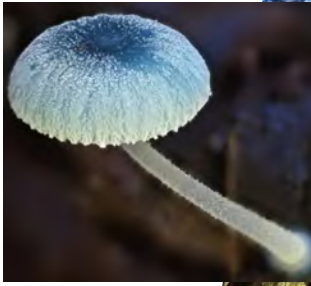
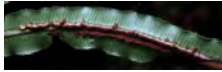
In other Nangara news, the Baw Baw Shire have obtained 'Offset' status for Nangara, raising its conservation status - it is one of only 5 or six such sites within the Shire. It means that Nangara can be used to 'offset' native vegetation removal elsewhere, and that the Shire is required to preserve its vegetation diversity.

Photos below and p.4: It's a good season for fungi
 Thanks to participants, including Tara Lamanna, Beau Meister, Jay, and Graham Duell, for their images



Nangara Notes—Fascinating Ferns

Ferns are of course some of the most ancient plant forms, the first appearing more than 300 million years ago. Ferns are members of the plant kingdom but unlike flowering plants which reproduce from seed, ferns reproduce from spore which is found on the underside of the leaves. (see above)



The standout ferns in Nangara Reserve are the two tree fern species, the Soft Tree Fern and the Rough Tree Fern. There is quite an array of smaller ferns that thrive in the shaded gullies.

One of the easiest to identify is the graceful Coral Fern. There are plenty growing on the side of the track at the bottom of Nangara Loop. Like most ferns, Coral Fern appreciates having wet feet but it also



seems to grow best where it gets some direct sunlight each day.



Peer a little deeper into the shade and you will see several



'water fern' species such as Strap Water Fern, Fishbone Water Fern, Gristle Fern and others.

A visit to Nangara Reserve just to appreciate the fascinating ferns is well worthwhile.

Friends of Drouin's Trees

Residents are reminded to book their free hard waste collection this month

(Message from BBSC, 28 May 2021) If you've got some unwanted items around the home, now is a great time to declutter and make use of your free kerbside hard waste collection.

All households can book one free on-demand kerbside waste collection each year for up to two cubic metres of waste. This offer is available to all households in Baw Baw Shire, whether you own or rent your property. Bookings can be made over the phone by calling WM Waste Management Services or 1800 969 278 or online at <https://www.hardrubbishmelbourne.com.au/baw-baw/>



The Garden and Nursery at Broughton Hall are open on Thursdays to Sundays from 10 am - 4 pm until June 19. We will then close for a winter break and reopen on September 3rd when the bulbs are flowering and stay open until Christmas.

It has been a busy and

incredibly beautiful Autumn season; there is still strong colour throughout the garden. We have welcomed many tour groups back and have had a steady flow of garden lovers come through the garden. It has been great to meet and talk to such enthusiastic gardeners from within Victoria, as well as from NSW, Queensland, South Australia and Tasmania. It is so good to be able to meet people again and we are glad all visitors enjoyed their time in the garden and nursery.



**You are invited
to the launch of the
brand new 'Birds of Drouin & District' book
& the opening of the
Drouin Mural**



"We need the Trees"

Painted by Dan Wenn 90 Degrees Art

Date: Friday 11th June 2021

Time: 4.00-4.45pm

At: Memorial Park Drouin



More information:

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friendsofdrouintrees@gmail.com

Have your say about services in your community. Do you live in Neerim District, Rokeby, Crossover, Jindivick, Nayook, Buln Buln or Noojee? If so, Baw Baw Shire Council would like to know what services you need, where and when you need them. As part of the Community Hubs Strategy, we are developing a survey to find out more about your service needs. This is your opportunity to shape the spaces and resources to be provided to your community in the next ten years. You can get involved by doing the survey online or picking up a hard copy at the local newsagent, aged care facility, bank or community centre. Complete it and return it to be included in the consultation. The survey closes on the 2nd June 2021.

We encourage you to complete the survey so we can take your needs into account in planning services for your community, now, and into the future. To make sure we get it right, we are also holding community consultations so we can clarify the information from the survey and find out your vision for your community. The community consultations will be held in: Neerim South, Wednesday 16th June from 7 pm to 8:30 pm in the Phoenix Room (Neerim South Recreation Reserve) Noojee, Monday 21st June from 7 pm to 8:30 pm at the Noojee Community Hall Jindivick, Wednesday 23rd June from 7 pm to 8:30 pm at the Jindivick Hall

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A community survey is available online from 19 May to 2 June 2021.

Scan the QR code

to complete the survey.

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Come tell us what you think.

**Neerim South
Wednesday 16 June**

7pm to 8:30pm,
Phoenix Room,
Neerim South Recreation
Reserve

**Noojee
Monday 21 June**

7pm to 8:30pm,
Noojee Community Hall

**Jindivick
Wednesday 23 June**

7pm to 8:30pm,
Jindivick Hall

New Jindivick Singing Group The Hills Are Alive... You may have driven past the Jindivick Cricket Club recently on a Monday evening from 7:30 and wondered about the sound of music emanating from the little wooden building. A few weeks ago, a small group of locals advertised on Facebook for expressions of interest for a local weekly singing group. It's entirely for fun, not a serious choir, but a group of people with a shared passion for music. The idea follows a fantastic series of community singing workshops run in Tonimbuk as part of their bushfire recovery project where people from bushfire affected areas came together to experience the harmony, 'escape' and enjoyment that singing. Soon after, 5 locals formed the Jindivick Singing Group. The group is expanding: you do not need to be 'able to sing', as long as you can speak, you can sing—if you want to join in, you can! There are no auditions and no solos, we just sing songs together with guitar accompaniment, or acapella with blended harmonies. We plan to have a go at singing a wide variety of genres. If you play any instrument, we'd love you to come along. While the space provided by the Cricket Club is great, plans for resurfacing of the grounds mean the group will need to relocate - if you can suggest somewhere with good acoustics suitable for us to gather (minimal \$ as we're a small group with variable numbers), please let us know. For more info. email jindivicksingers@gmail.com, or go to the Jindivick Singing Group Facebook page.

Fingers crossed we will soon be able to continue with regular services at **St James Anglican Church**: all are welcome regardless of religious background - or if you have none. You're probably thinking, "I'd love to know what they do in that cute little building. Why are they always so keen to get more people there? I wouldn't be able to go. I'd have no idea!" Well, if you are wondering or if you have any questions, you can always ring Faye on 0400014226, or be really brave and just turn up—you will be warmly welcomed and not brow-beaten into anything you don't want to be a part of. Hope to see you soon.

The Drouin West Cemetery was established in 1879 to serve the Jindivick, Drouin West and surrounding communities. The earliest graves within this cemetery date from 1880 (Isaac and Elizabeth Ramsdon) and Janet and James Ireland in 1882. If you have visited recently you will have noticed changes to the landscaping, and to the services offered. As well as planting trees along the driveway, the Cemetery Trust has created a Scatter Garden for ashes (as an alternative to interring cremated remains in the Niche Wall.) Concrete beams are available if a Granite memorial headstone in a more formal layout is preferred.

There are plans to create a reflective garden area in the north-west corner of the Cemetery. Even though a person may not have a relative or friend buried at the local cemetery we hope to make it a focal point to visit for a

time of reflection. The Cemetery, which was originally known as Whiskey Creek Cemetery, is fast approaching its 150th anniversary. The next project is to begin restoring the pioneer graves that have



suffered the passage of time. Many of them are over 100 years old. However Trusts are not to spend their funds restoring graves—it is the responsibility of the descendants of each grave to either donate money to the Trust to pay for the maintenance or to organise improvements themselves. As well as restoring the graves, the Trust is interested in gathering as much information as possible about those buried at the Cemetery. The early residents of Jindivick have a rich history. We are grateful to Jack Notman, and to the Petschack, Middleton and Mason families for providing us with information at the 2018 & 2019 History talks.

Contact Jill Bayly on 0427929947 if you are interested in forming a "Friends of the Drouin West Cemetery" to help gather the stories of our descendants or to lend a hand or expertise in restoration.

Council News.

To keep our community up to date, we're bringing Council News to you online, on air and in print.

Council Meetings

Council Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 5.30pm in the Fountain Room at the West Gippsland Arts Centre.

Community members can tune into the live stream from home. See what's on the agenda for the next meeting on Council's website.

Have Your Say, Baw Baw!

Have your say is an opportunity to provide your thoughts, feelings and ideas on a range of Council projects and activities. Your feedback is highly valued and will ultimately form part of Council's decision making. Visit bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/HaveYourSay

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