

What's On

4 Dec Jindivick Country Market (see p.3)

11 Dec Jessie McLennan Opening Red Tree Gallery

12 Dec Community Garden working bee (see p4)

18 Dec Community Carols in the Park (see p4)

31 Dec Community New Year Get Together

22-23 Jan Creative Harvest



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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 December issue is 30 December

DECEMBER 2021

23 Jan Community Garden working bee

Regular Events in Covid Times

(the majority of the information below is taken from <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au>, and confirmed by group contacts).

St James Anglican Church, Jindivick opens in December. However Christmas services will be held in Drouin only (see p. 2)

Atticus Health and 4Cyte Pathology, Jindivick

Ph 56 285 445 for an appointment or a Covid test or visit: atticushealth.com.au/location/jindivick-medical-clinic

Jindi Craft Group meets in the Hall, Thursdays, 11am –4pm phone Nikki Cadzow 0447776178

Jindivick Hall is open for those who are fully vaccinated Ph. Janet on 0499 248 302, or 5628 5449, or go to www.jindivick.org.au/bookings to book **Jindi Jems** (see p3)

Jindivick Pool Nights For further information call Phil on 0444 525 556

Jindivick Singing Group are having a Carols get together (see p 4) See also Jindivick Singing Group on Facebook

Jindivick Walking Group Ph Graham 0417 434 464

Jindi Writers Group will meet Wednesdays until Christmas then recess until mid February 2022.

Contact Jen for times etc Ph 0488 300 423

The **Jindivick Yoga Group** will be cancelled for 2 weeks over Christmas ph Janet on 0499 248 302.

Very special congratulations to Eileen Notman

Eileen recently celebrated her **99th birthday** at The Jindi Caf' with a special get together for some of the older families of Jindivick



So how are you preparing for the Festive Season?



Maz is whipping up Christmas cakes
David and Philip have decorated their tree
Peter is still searching for the illusive Christmas bush.
Sue can't wait to see her grandchildren who will have grown heaps in 2 years.

Jeff got a chipper at a clearing sale.



Anita is looking forward to seeing her sister and her family after 2 years, and Nikki is cooking, preserving, and assembling her renowned Christmas

produce and hampers



Join the **Jindivick New Year's Eve Get-together** at The Jindi Caf' 31 Dec. 6—10:30pm. Set menu. Buy your meal. BYO Drinks. Bookings essential. Ph Janet 56285397 or contact Sue at Caf'. Come and catch up after lockdown. ALL WELCOME

A message from Janet and Jim Simmonds

We would like to thank everyone who offered help and support when our shed caught fire, especially Drouin West Fire Brigade and other trucks that attended, Ross, Janet and Kathleen Chandler, Rob Willett, and David & Philip.



The Jindi Caf' has been very busy with Victoria's reopening. Currently, anyone sitting in the Caf must show their Double Vaccination Certificate or Immunisation History. All who enter the Caf must QR code in. We are able to seat more people. However bookings are still a good idea in the festive season.

The Caf' is still only open for take-away on Friday and Saturday nights.

The Caf' will close at 12noon on Christmas Eve and reopen on Tuesday 28th December from 8am—4pm. Time for a couple of days rest! However The Caf' will be open at the usual hours over the New Year break.

The Jindi Caf' would like to wish everyone a very merry Xmas and a Happy New Year. Hopefully 2022 will bring better times.

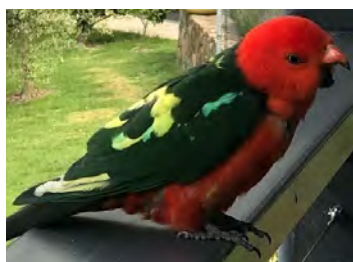
The Garden and Nursery at Broughton Hall

Christmas Greetings from Broughton Hall. It's been a wonderful spring season in the garden, and we have welcomed many visitors from all over the state to the garden at Broughton Hall in the past four months. Both the nursery and garden will close on December 20 and re open in early April 2022 for the Autumn season.

We hope everyone has a safe and happy Christmas



Best wishes from David and Philip



A number of people in Jindivick have noticed this different looking King Parrot visiting bird feeders. Notice the yellow feathers on its back? It also has feathers missing on its neck. Unfortunately this parrot

has Feather and Beak Disease and is highly contagious to other parrots. If you've seen this bird at your feeder, please disinfect bowls and perches as it will spread to other King Parrots. If you are in a position to capture these ill birds, please do so and take them to your local vet.

Debra H Clucker December 2021

Ho Ho Ho you merry old souls, rounding up another year and the flock are ready for the party festival to begin. I'm organising the menu. Sheep trodden plovers' eggs, mud-infused feathers, ripe dung beetles, fermented frogs, crushed rural crabs and yabbies. Served with freshly harvested rye grass salad on the side. Christmas pudding for dessert, topped with a thick layer of worms. Starter drinks to be stagnant puddle water punch to get the party swaying. It will be brilliant!

Now for the band. Ebony and Ivory. Ebony is the white chook and Ivory is the black. Hmmm... or is it the other way round? Anyway two new characters on the farm. You can't miss them and it's amazing that those pesky fluffy legs have not made them their latest targets. On the piano together they peck out all the dancing hits. Rock Around the Dock, Twisting by the Dam, Saltbush Risky Limits and Geese Lightning.

Now, getting Santa here on six deer was too expensive, so I settled on Old Man Emu coming in on a Flying Fox, with a sack full of sunflower seed and corn kernels to pelt at the girls. We should all have a grouse time!!

Merry Christmas and some kind of next year!!

Debra H Clucker, with bells on.

Jindi Free Range Eggs ph 0402 981 478



Jindivick Landcare Group held its AGM on 18th Nov by Zoom and is looking forward to 'in person' activities in 2022. JLG welcomed 3 new committee members

The committee now comprises;

Brian Morphet (President) 0407 341 595,
Beau Miles (vice-president) beaumilesfilm@gmail.com ,
Jeff Hyde Treasurer) jeff@jeffandjeanette.au,
Ronalds (Secretary) 0402 650 382, Byron de Cock, Adele Richardson & Ross Weber. If you have any suggestions, please get in touch with a committee member.

Good News for Jindivick. St James Anglican Church

We're BACK! Church services will resume in Jindivick from the first Sunday in December (Sunday 5th). Just to remind you, the service begins at 11:30am but we get in early for a cuppa at 11.00am - come at the time that best suits you best. We are very flexible like that - and we are friendly as well. How about that! If the first Sunday does not suit you, there is still a chance to come to the beautiful little St James Church on the Third Sunday of the month (Sunday 19th), at the same times.

Sadly we will not be hosting our traditional Christmas Eve service this year either. Covid uncertainty during planning laid waste to our plans and Christmas services were transferred to Drouin. Christmas will be celebrated at the Drouin Anglican Church on Christmas Eve at 7pm and at 11:30pm, as well as at 9am on Christmas Day. There are no limits to the numbers attending, however you must be double vaccinated. We look forward to celebrating Christmas in Jindivick next year.

Lastly we, the church family in Jindivick, would like to wish all readers of this newsletter a happy, healthy and holy Christmas.



December at **Red Tree Gallery** showcases a joyous exhibition of paintings and prints by **Jessie McLennan** celebrating her return to art making. Join Jessie at 2pm on Saturday 11 December for the official opening and celebration of her beautiful, colourful works



For further details contact Laurie on 56286224 or go to: <http://redtreegallery.com.au>

Figure Drawing at Red Tree Gallery

The last session for 2021 will be on 13 December . Ph 0401073049 for further information or to book.

Anita's Dried Fig Fudge

At Christmas, my Mother served her Dried Fig Fudge with a glass of bubbles.

Best always to stick with tradition, I think.

Cheers and Happy Christmas

220g unsalted butter
395g tin sweetened condensed milk
500g oatmeal digestive biscuits, crushed
2 cups of dried figs, approx.
375 g.

Icing sugar for dusting

Melt the butter in a large saucepan. Remove from heat.

Add condensed milk, crushed biscuits and figs. Mix well. Spread the mixture into a shallow tin (19 cm x 29 cm x 2 cm) lined with grease proof paper.

Refrigerate overnight, then cut into small squares. Dust with icing sugar.

Serve with your favourite bubbly tipple



The Jindivick Hall is now available – without capacity limits— for all bookings.

However, the Government has advised that under the current health directions, **the hall (as a community premise) can only be attended by those who are fully vaccinated.**

Phone Janet on 0499 248 302, on 5628 5449, or go to www.jindivick.org.au/bookings to book

Nangara Notes .

The 'Boundary Track' at the top of the reserve is very colourful at the moment. Sun Orchids, Goodenia, Tetratheca, Bauera, Prickly Tea-tree and



Trigger Plants are just some of our wonderful native plants putting on a show for spring.

Trigger Plants, Stylidium species, are grassy herbs that put up a flower spike each spring with a row of numerous, small, pink-mauve, sometimes white flowers. There are many species of Trigger Plants and all are endemic to Australia.

If you look closely, you will notice a column or

'trigger' usually situated just below each flower. On the end of the trigger is a 'packet' of pollen. The trigger is sensitive to touch. When a pollinating insect lands on the flower, the trigger springs toward the insect, striking it and in so doing, deposits some pollen on its body.

The trigger action can be as quick as 15 milliseconds. After striking the insect and unloading its pollen packet, the trigger slowly resets and awaits its next visitor and the insect flies on to the next plant. In this way, Trigger Plants are successively cross-fertilised.

Some recent research even suggests that some Trigger Plant species are carnivorous. They trap tiny insects using a sticky mucilage and then dissolve the body with an enzyme. In this way, the plant obtains small amounts of scarce nutrients. Most trigger plant species are hardy and make interesting additions to a native garden and are readily available at good native nurseries.

Seasonal best wishes to all readers.

Peter Ware, Friends of Drouin's Trees



Drouin West CFA Juniors will sell barbequed sausages and drinks at the Jindivick Country Market. There will also be an opportunity for all to ask questions and gain information at the community education table.

Eight of the **Jindi Jems** had a coffee catch up in Nov with lots of chatter and laughter as usual.

Our Dec get together will be lunch at the Neerim South Pub. Please call Maz for details: 0447491502



Jindivick Primary School With only 3 weeks of school to go the children and staff are very busy preparing for the Grade 1/2 sleepover, Fun Run at the Jindivick Cricket oval, the 'End of year Concert' (to be held and filmed in the Jindivick Hall without an audience), the Grade 6 Dinner at the Drouin Golf Club, and the Grade 3 – 6 school camp at Camp Rumbug! We will certainly all be ready for the holiday break!

Recently, ten of our boys competed in the AFLX at the Moe Racecourse, against schools from all over Gippsland. The boys were amazing! They were wonderful ambassadors for our school, displaying great teamwork and sportsmanship.

Our Grade 6 school captains (Lewis, Bradly, Charlie and Connor) led the whole school through a very moving Remembrance Day ceremony on November 11th. Our school captains should be very proud of themselves.

Above right: Grace, Sophie and Ella preparing for the concert

Thank you to everyone for your support over this challenging year, and looking forward to a more settled 2022.



Left Our AFLX Footy team with Eddie McGillivray (a past JPS student)



Below left School Captains: Lewis, Bradly, Charlie and Connor leading the Remembrance Day service.



Cub Scouts Helping Our Community Garden Grow

Our tranquil little Community Garden has been pounded by the rains and battered by the winds over winter and spring; but it's still a place you'll find a handful of fragrant parsley or dill, a sizeable bunch of crisp silver-beet, kale or rhubarb and a fantastic view. Nothing much has been happening in this snippet of paradise other than the usual dog-walking, occasional exercise-equipment use and a certain person pulling up great armloads of nasturtium, dandelion and other less-welcome growth from the garden beds (a no-poison version of 'weed and feed' - the harvest is consumed by two hungry cows). Sleepy, weather-worn and a tad under-utilised this pocket of heaven may have been over the past months, but that's all about to change! Friday December 3rd at 5.30pm, the Neerim South Cubs will help by tidying and planting some summer yummys - just in time to show off this special Jindi community asset to market-goers.. Feel free to pop by and help or just say hello and thank the young'un's for their kind labour.

Muck In & Get Social - Our Garden Needs You!

There'll be an opportunity to channel your inner Costa, doing some general gardening and jovial chatting with fellow locals on **Sunday 12th Dec, from 11am to 12.30pm**. Green thumbs not necessary - just bring a warm heart and a willingness to grow friendship in our community. Work will be followed by a (BYO) picnic and a scrumptious something to share (which will be provided by the Community Garden Fairy). Can't make it on 12th Dec? No worries! The Community Garden is the gift that keeps on giving - rock up and roll up your sleeves to work off leftover Christmas excess on **Sunday Jan 23rd, from 11.30am to 12.30pm**. Picnic and yummy something (see Fairy mention, above) will follow.

Do you have ideas, resources, enthusiasm to contribute to the development of Jindivick Community Garden?

Please email Jane at jellybeans860@gmail.com

Oh Come All Ye Faithful (and not necessarily faithful?!?)

It's that time of year when you're allowed to toss aside your woes and are encouraged to forget/suppress/drown your inhibitions. If you have none of those, all the better. Whatever the case, come and join The Jolly Jindi Singing Group for a very merry **COMMUNITY CAROLS IN THE PARK** event on **Saturday, Dec 18th at the Kydd Parke Reserve/Jindivick Community Garden from 11.30am to 2pm**. It's a total BYO event, so come prepared. Please bring your picnic or BBQ, or food from The Jindi Caf; drink, chair, sunhat, raincoat, and MASK in case the event needs to be moved under cover.

Jindivick Singing Group, has recently sung their blessed hearts out, practising Christmas songs and carols and we *invite all members of our community*, and friends to chime in with us on Sat 18th Dec. The frivolity will commence at 11.30 am, with a picnic lunch at 12 noon (BYO everything please, as there are limited seats and tables) and around 12.30 we will sing Christmas songs and carols till the reindeer come home (generally about 2pm, I believe). **ALL WELCOME!!! OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, FAMILY AND FRIENDS!!!**

As always, we will abide by Covid rules, singing and dancing with social distancing please.

The Jindivick Progress Association, and the Newsletter Editor, wish you all a safe, Covid-free and family filled Merry Christmas and a wonderful 2022.

Jindivick Country Market—Special Christmas Market

Saturday December 4th from 9am-1pm
We hope to see you there.

Nikki will have her amazing hampers, Christmas cooking and produce as well as lots of craft, plant, and other stalls to pick up some fabulous presents for family and friends.

Please observe COVID Safe guidelines.

Double vaccination is necessary for entry to the Hall

Ph. 0447 776 178, or email:
nikkicadzow@gmail.com



JINDIVICK COUNTRY MARKET

Upcycle, Recycle, Make It, Bake It, Grow It market

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 4th December 2021
9am till 1pm

Situated in the centre of Jindivick, with its stunning views and community feel, it's a great place to explore market stalls while enjoying local musicians and the very best handmade, home grown produce, from local makers and growers.

The Jindivick Country market is brought you by:



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CHECK THE "Jindivick Market" FACEBOOK PAGE FOR WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING

COME ALONG AND SUPPORT LOCAL MAKERS, GROWERS AND ARTISTS

Top left and left Nikki's hampers and jams

Below left Maz's wall hanging signals it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

Breaking news A saga is about to unfold in Jindivick. 29 Gnomes have finally had enough of the Melbourne Covid lock-downs, they have broken out from Cranbourne and

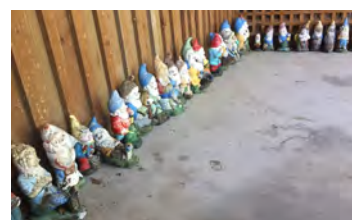
headed east, finally arriving last week in Jindivick - seeking rehabilitation and a more serene lifestyle. They are obviously in need of a makeover so, after a week of climatiza-



ing beauty treatments (right)

The next Newsletter will report on their progress.

tion, it is time to start work. Volunteers were called for and the first five were selected. First up - bath-time (left) After a scrub, they had to stand in the sun to dry off, in preparation for their upcoming



Santa will be visiting Jindi Market



Santa will be making a visit to the December Market.

Saturday 4th 10.00—12.00 only

Families will be able to take their own photos with Santa using your own camera or phone.

Donation of \$5.00 per family to Drouin West Fire Brigade



Nominations for the 2022

Baw BawShire Council Australia Day Awards

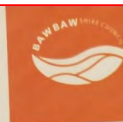
are now open! The awards are an opportunity for community members to acknowledge an individual or group for the noteworthy contributions they have made to Baw Baw Shire. For details go to: <https://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/Latest-News/Nominate-a-local-legend-for-a-2022-Australia-Day-Award>

Jindivick Progress Association would like to thank and acknowledge the local businesses and groups that value and support our newsletter and contribute to our vibrant community...**Atticus Health Services,**

Drouin West CFA, EnergyConsult, Jindi Free Range Eggs, and Red Tree Gallery. We encourage you all to support them.

We also thank and acknowledge 3 donors who have made anonymous contributions...we don't know who you are but you do, and we send our grateful thanks!

We are still seeking contributions to support this newsletter, and donations can be made to: the Jindivick Progress Association at BSB 633 000, account number 120 765 102



Community Development Grant 2021/22

Equipment Purchase

Baw Baw Shire Council proudly awards

Jindivick Progress Association Inc

with a grant for \$3,185 to go towards their project titled
"Community newsletter publishing equipment and lawn mower"

Cr Michael Leaney
Mayor of Baw Baw Shire
November 2021

The Jindivick Progress Association is grateful to the Baw Baw Shire Council for its new community development grant which it will be used to buy a lawn mower for the Community Garden and a laptop and software for the production of the Jindivick Newsletter.



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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