What's On

28 March Fire Danger Period lifted

April show at Red Tree Gallery.

2 April Jindivick Country Market

April 6 Jindi Jems meet April 7 & 8 Pre-release screening, Beau Miles films April 8 End of term 1 April 21 Guided walk

Nangara Reserve

April 24 Community Garden

Working Bee

April 25 Anzac Day Ceremo-

April 26 School returns for term 2



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 May issue is 27 April

This Newsletter is published by the Jindivick Progress Association We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of this land and pay our respect to Elders past, present and emerging

Wishing all readers a safe, peaceful and suitably

autumnal Easter. Whatever your beliefs, may you enjoy time with your loved ones in our beautiful area. Remember: Bilbies not bunnies

Regular Events in Covid Times

(as things are still changing quickly re Covid regulations, keep in contact with those listed for up to date details)

St James Anglican Church, Jindivick Church continues with our regular services on the first and third Sundays of the month. The Service begins at 11.30 so we gather for a cuppa and a bickie a bit earlier. Don't worry if you haven't had much to do with church before, you can come to St James any time you can make it. You will receive a warm welcome. For further details, ph Faye 0400014226 Atticus Health, Jindivick Ph 56 285 445 for an appointment: www.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 with at least two vaccination doses. There are no density limits. To book go to www.jindivick.org.au/bookings

Jindi Jems On Wed 6th April we plan to meet in Yarragon. If you'd like to join us please contact Maz for details on 0447491502.

Jindivick Knitting Group Our little group meets at the Jindi Caf every 2nd Tuesday of the month 10-12. Please confirm your attendance with Maz on 0447491502

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

Jindivick Singing Group See Jindivick Singing Group on Facebook

Jindivick Walking Group Ph Graham 0417 434 464 Jindi Writers Group The Jindi Writers Group meets on Wednesdays at the Jindi Cafe - sometimes from 11.30 am, sometimes from 3.30 pm. If you'd like to join in, please call Jen on 0488 300 423

The **Jindivick Yoga Group** meets at 9:30am on Thursdays for an hour. Ph Janet on 0499 248 302 for more information

Remembering former Jindivick resident Margaret Emery 1930—2022

Margaret Emery (nee Fitzpatrick) passed away a few weeks ago in February. She was a well-known Jindivick community member and contributor, moving to Drouin after the death of her husband Phil.

Fresh from Teachers' College, Margaret first came to the Jindivick area to undertake practical teacher training, and boarded with the Goodwin family. Margaret met and married Phil. They had six children while farming at Jindivick North. When Phil retired from dairying they built a house on Jacksons Track.

Margaret loved her career as a teacher, teaching at many local schools, including Jindivick Primary, where she became Principal in 1981, before retiring in the early 1980s. Her great love for JPS continued into her retirement. Margaret ran the popular weekly after school 'Rainbow Club' in the Anglican Church. It was attended by many primary school children who enjoyed a fun and educational time while learning the importance of respect and kindness. Margaret and Phil were very involved in the publication of the Jindivick history *Burst Asunder*, and other celebrations of the School's centenary.

So many Jindivick families will have very fond memories of Margaret and her care and interest in both the children she taught and their families.

She will be missed.

The Jindi Caf' over Easter

The Caf' will be closed on Good Friday. Activities on Saturday 16, Easter Sunday and Monday 17 April are yet to be confirmed. Please phone 03 56 285227 closer to the date for details. There will be no postal service over the Easter break. A reminder that as The Caf' is a hospitality venue all patrons are still required to QR code before entry and to show proof of vaccination.

Don't forget to visit the **Jindivick Country Market** on April 2. Its your last chance to enjoy some fabulous stalls and pick lots of local products this season, including Nikkii's cakes, preserves and hampers General enquires to Nikki: nikkicadzow@gmail.com Stall enquires and applications to Don: leeson_3821@hotmail.com See p. 6 for more info.



Jindivick is home to many creatives: Above and right: Another of our many talented locals (and 'son') has designed and made this very appealing "Pit Droid" from the Star Wars series.





Two Versions of One Story 1-27 April 2022



In April Red Tree Gallery features works by **Anita George** Including both paintings and calligraphic art, it is called "two sides of the story". Also on the 9th and 10th April we are part of open studios throughout west Gippsland which requires

booking online



Above: Clucker 357 joins the Not-So-Lucky Clucker 500 for a reunion selfie

April 2022, in which our old friend Clucker 357, sweeps aside current correspondent, Debra H Clucker

Well, here is a blast from the past. A force to be remembered. You do remember me readers, don't you? Clucker 357 here, taking back the blog this month. No, I'm not coming back from retirement, life's too good for that. I'm here for the reunion, and because I have aways had plenty to say, I have sharpened up my old quill to give you a good poke. I have all the news on the latest gossip, scandals and current arrests.

Meeting up in the local tractor shed with the hazard lights on for the disco and the wireless on for the tunes, fun was had by all. We needed name tags as there were a few baldies that I didn't recognise. Fatty ones and scrawny old birds too. Even saw Cookie there having a chat with Debra. Heather, however, preferred to go to her daughter's hen's night, hmm! Great to catch up with Lucky Clucker 500, although she must have dementia as she had forgotten me!!! Unfortunately for her, she took a nosedive off the tractor bucket and dislocated her beak. Poor Clucker, must have had one too many cockroach cocktails.

Henny Penny has swapped partners, Luscious Legs is now a rooster, Spineless Sally works as a stunt girl crossing the Monash Freeway, and Wormy Wendy is back from the dead!!

Some have gone on to prosper and are very happy, but I don't want to talk about those boring sticks in the mud. We danced on the Slasher which made a noisy but thrilling platform. The old dance moves a little slower, twisting with a grimace. The Nut Bush was embarrassing as always with everyone out of time and turning the wrong way. The Hokey Pokey had us stumped at the first line. 'You put your right hand in....' isn't that some kind of discrimination? Overall, lots of clucking, fun and blurry selfies.

Bye now from Clucker 357, it was fun, but I need a lie down! Jindi Free Range Eggs ph 0402 981 478

Anita's Berry Nice Muffins

For this month, I've thought of a recipe that our younger Jindivickians might like to try, needing just a wee help from an adult at home. This simple recipe will make 6 muffins. The muffins pictured have raspberries and sliced strawberries in them. Other combinations you could try are finely chopped apple and cinnamon or blueberry with a little mashed banana. If your fruit is lovely and sweet you can reduce the sugar content listed.

Happy Cooking 150g (1 cup) self raising flour Pinch of salt 110g (½ cup) caster sugar 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 1 egg - beaten 125 mls. (½ cup) milk 50 g melted butter 100g berries



Preheat oven to 180c. Line 6 x ½ cup muffin pans with paper cases.

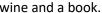
Mix flour, salt and sugar together. Add vanilla, egg, milk and butter.

Add your favourite berries.

Beat until smooth. Spoon mix into muffin tins and bake in preheated oven for 15-20 minutes, or until risen and golden. Allow to cool.

The Nursery and Garden at Broughton Hall are looking stunning with their autumnal colours. Besides being open in April from Thursdays—Sundays, 10 –4pm they will also be open over the Easter break on Saturday 16, Easter Sunday, Monday 18 and Tuesday 19, but will be

> closed on Good Friday. It's a lovely time of year to come with a picnic, a good bottle of



Ph:0417056110 for more information





cuisine at the Elephant Corridor. As receptionist Alison said, "Social time out with work colleagues makes for a happy work environment!

Nangara Notes

The action of the elements of weather, animals, and plants on surfaces of rocks to break them down biologically, chemically, and physically is called weathering. Granite is an igneous rock formed from molten material below the surface. If it is fine-grained granite, the molten rock cooled quickly near the surface. Coarse-grained granite has cooled slowly deep below ground level. The quarry in Jacksons Track was closed in 1998 and the area revegetated into the wonderful reserve we have today. Although this makes some of the exposed rocks quite 'young', look closely and you will notice forces of weathering already beginning to have their effect.

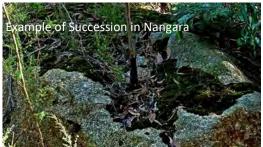
Lichens are capable of weathering hard rock surfaces. Lichens are strange organisms that are a combination of a fungi and an algae. Some Lichens contain acids that are capable of slowly dissolving rock. The



Lichen

fungi component is able to release chemicals that break down the minerals in the rock and the algae component consumes the minerals.

When the lichen dies and decomposes it forms a tiny layer of soil which mosses and other tiny plants can utilize. Eventually, the soil layer builds up and larger plants begin to grow on the rock and the wearing away of the rock and resultant soil building continues.



This process of larger and larger plants succeeding one another is known as succession. There is a great exam-

ple of succession happening on a rock at the intersection of Quarry Track and Tataleck Track in the reserve (just past the Wombats).

Large rocks have so much mass that they are difficult to heat up uniformly. The surface layers heat and expand during the day and then cool down and contract at night. Over a long time, this cycle of expansion and contraction can cause the surface layer of rock to split away a process called exfoliation.

One day, Nangara's rocks will all be weathered into soil. Friends of Drouin's Trees





Above: Grade winners Ash Zinnow (left) and Matt Ward (right), with Club's most valuable player, Jess Sanders.



Above: Grade 6 students with Damien Fleming Jindivick Primary School News

Term 1 is nearly over but we have been very busy at school. The Grade 6 students had a wonderful day at the Melbourne Convention Centre for The National Young Leaders Day where they listened to some very inspiring speakers including Damien Fleming – Australian Cricketer and Commentator.

The whole school enjoyed a great day at Gumbuya Animal Park. The students have been all working on a Sustainability Theme.

Above: Grade 3 students are fascinated by the lizards
The Grade F – 2 loved their two AFL clinics recently with
Eddie McGillivray (ex Jindi student). (See below) Term 1
ends on Fri April 8. Term 2 commences on Tues April 26.



Jindivick Cricket Club News

The cricket season has now finished up and the Jindivick Cricket Club can rest for a short time. The season presented many problems, and for the most part we navigated them pretty well. The two main issues we faced were not having our Jindivick headquarters available due to the major upgrade, and Covid's unpredictable weekly impact on player numbers resulting in last-minute changes of venues or drawing upon a large pool of goodwill to fill sides. The club now looks forward to renewal with the new drainage and sprinkler system getting ready for pre-season in September.

The impressive bore set-up allows us to keep the ground in good condition all year round.

Some of the year's cricket highlights included the opportunities for our younger players to participate in the upper grades, and the competitiveness of all our grades, particularly after Christmas when things were settling.

We ran an introduction to cricket skills program for a small but enthusiastic bunch of 5-6 year olds, and a combination under 14 side with Neerim South CC. In seniors, Division 4 was poised to take the final series by storm having easily accounted for the top 4 sides (apart from a fascinating struggle with top side Bunyip). The last round was called off due to rain and unfortunately the side was left outside the final four on percentage.

Individuals from the Div 4 side produced the league's best results in batting and bowling. Jess Sanders, has played in the men's competition from an early age and brought home the Cricket Association Aggregate of 23 wickets at an average of 11.35. Jess also won the club's most valuable player award as voted on by opposition captains. (See photo pictured with Ash Zinnow and Matt Ward who were grade winners)

Chris Stacey, who also plays veterans cricket for the club, blew up the Div 4 batting average for the Association with 129.67.

Kynan Lyddy, won the Div 5 bowling average with 21 wickets at 9.14 while Alyssa Lyddy was the Young Female Cricketer of the Year (her best figures were 5-24.) We look forward to rest and regrouping as we plan the next phases of the club's development when the ground has been finished. Once we've got the ground back we'll be scheduling an opening for the facility and everyone will be welcome. Mark Braddick, Secretary

Right
A parrot
enjoys
chewing on
Amelia's
hat!



14TH March 2022

RE: YARRA VALLEY KNACKERY - 32 BEATTIE ROAD JINDIVICK

It has been 7 and a half years since this application went to VCAT. VCAT ruled that a change of the effluent plan was needed to satisfy the EPA, which would have then allowed a new planning permit to be submitted. We have been following the EPA & Baw Baw Shire Planning websites, and in the 7 years there has been no new applications.

Up until 2 years ago an application was still with the EPA. We were advised that the Applicant was working on changes. The Applicant has now withdraw the application with the EPA.

Until now we have held onto the remaining funds in the Jindivick Action Group in case we needed to fight a new application.

We received a letter from the Bendigo Bank where our account was held advising that it would be closed and the money would become part of government funds, as no transactions had occurred for 7 years.

To the best of our knowledge there has been no new application for a knackery, so we are refunding 31.8% of everybody's donation, as this is what was left in the bank account after our costs fighting the planning application.

Thank you for your support over this long drawn-out process.

Kind regards, Jindivick Action Group

The **Jindivick Action Group** was formed about 8 years ago in response to a planning application to establish a knackery in Beattie Rd. (there was, and still is, no knackery in BBS) The *above photo* of the Group's recent letter, which marks the end of activity by many living in Jindivick 7 years ago, was sent to the editor so that all locals may be updated on the result of the long process.

Figure Drawing at Red Tree Gallery has resumed. April session on Monday 4th. Ph 0401073049 for further information or to book.

Over the next 6 months Beau Miles will host a series of 'Secret Screenings' film events at the Hall on specific Friday and Saturday nights: pre-screenings of his new films before they go live on YouTube.

There will be a minimum of two films each session, and viewers can learn about both the films and their production through a Q&A and talk from Beau. Drinks and food will be available for purchase from 6pm on the night. The first Saturday screening (9/4) is booked out so Beau is holding another session on Friday 8 April, starting at 7:30 pm

The event is strictly ticketed so that everyone gets a seat . Book on line at www.eventbrite.com.au Select Film and Media and then search for Beau Miles NB No tickets will be sold at the door This site also allows you to book for the following 2 screenings in June and August.



JINDIVICK WEST

GNOMES LEAVING JINDIVICK!?

It has been rumoured that the expat city gnomes who recently settled in Jindivick, now consider themselves fully rehabilitated and are planning to return to the city. They have apparently discovered a longlost local railroad service and can be seen here queuing at the station. Is this the end of the Jindivick Gnomes?





Drouin West CFA End of 2021/22 Fire Danger **Period**



For many people, burning-off vegetation is an effective way to prepare and maintain properties. Unfortunately each year CFA crews are called out to help people who lost control of their burn-off.

Have you checked the weather?

Check the weather forecasts for the day of your burn-off and for a few days afterwards. If more than light winds are predicted, postpone your burn-off. Also check it won't be too windy on the following days, as the wind can reignite your burn.

Do you have an adequate water supply?

You need to have enough water to extinguish a possible outbreak. For small fires, it's recommended you either have access to a hose or at least 10 litres of water. For larger fires appropriate firefighting equipment and/or machinery may be required.

Have you cleaned up around your burn site?

Create a 3-metre clearance of all flammable material around your whole burn-off site.

Have you registered your burn-off?

Register your burn-off by calling 1800668511. This will ensure CFA won't be called out unnecessarily

Have you notified your neighbours?

Be considerate of your neighbours. Notify them if in close proximity and the smoke may affest them. Burning wet or green items may cause excessive smoke.

Have you put your burn-off out properly?

Make sure there are enough people to monitor, contain and extinguish your burn-off effectively. Ensure that your burn-off is completely extinguished before you leave it.

Jindivick Community Garden is holding a working bee, Sunday April 24th, 10 to 12 noon. The garden needs a bit of love, so please join us to do a bit of a tidy up, have a chat and plant some winter vegetables. No need to bring anything (our shed is pretty well equipped) but if you have a favourite implement bring it along. Also bring a thermos and some morning tea to share. Contact us via the Jindivick community Facebook page or website, call Jane on 0408 808 466, or Graham on 0417 434 464.

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...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

Country Market

Opcycle, Recycle, Make it, Bake it, Grow it market

EASTER MARKET

Saturday 2nd April 2022 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:



STALL ENQUIRIES TO DON ON 0427 968 503

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COME ALONG AND SUPPORT LOCAL MAKERS. GROWERS AND ARTISTS DROUIN WEST CFA WILL HAVE A BBQ AND



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