

Jindivick NEWSLETTER

May 2025

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

The deadline for the June 2025 newsletter is 28 May

This Newsletter is published by the Jindivick Progress Association.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of this land and pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

WHATS ON

- May** Helen Timbury prints at Red Tree Gallery
- May 3** Voting at Jindivick PS
- May 3** Democracy sausage at Jindivick Primary School
- May 4** Sustainable House Day
- May 4** Opening Helen Timbury work, RTG
- May 7** Print workshop, RTG
- May 15** Biggest Morning Tea

Regular Events

St James Anglican Church, Jindivick

Services on the first and third Sundays of the month. The Service begins at 11.30: we gather for a cuppa and a bickie a bit earlier. Further details contact John Webster Ph:0448 499 093

Atticus Health, Jindivick Make an appointment at: www.atticushealth.com.au/location/jindivick-medical-clinic or call the clinic on 56 285 445 Open Mon—Fri 9-4:30, Sun 9-3. Closed Saturdays & Public Holidays

Jindi Craft Group Meets in the Hall, Thursdays, 11am –4pm phone Nikki Cadzow 0447 776 178

Jindivick Hall To book go to www.jindivick.org.au/bookings. **Committee** meeting 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30pm

Jindi Jems Meets 1st Wednesday of each month at Warragul County Club. New members welcome. For more information contact Maz: ph: 0447491502

Jindivick Knitting Group Meets on the 2nd & 4th Tues of the month at Supper room at Hall. from 10-12. Don't knit? Don't worry, just join us for a cuppa and a chat.

Jindivick Pool Nights Friday nights contact Phil 0411 433 450.

Jindivick Progress Association Meets monthly in the Jindivick Hall at 6:30 2nd Thursday. New members welcome

Jindi Writers Group Meets on Wednesdays 11am at the Red Tree Gallery. No experience necessary. BYO lunch, pen and paper. If you'd like more info call Mandy on 0419 384 600 or Amanda 0417 188 694

Jindivick Yoga Group meets at 9:30am on Thursdays for an hour. Ph Deb on 0439 598 987 for info.



Back to Jindivick Gathering

The Jindivick Hall was full to overflowing on 12 April as about 100 folk gathered to join the *Back to Jindivick* celebrations, organized by Heather and her team of helpers. A long time resident described the event: "most of the older farming families were represented, the hall had a real buzz about it, easily the friendliest most lively event I've been to lately... With the help of a couple of others, the knitting group ladies looked after the food and kitchen. Seemed to me like old days when the community of Jindivick worked together. All in all, a fantastic day."

The crowd sang *Happy Birthday* to Eileen Notman and Jack Pretty, the oldest present.

Attendees were able to read about early farming families, exchange memories and record their own stories and histories on forms provided. See p. 7 for more info.



Eileen and Jack



Anzac Service in Jindivick

On 25 April over 50 people gathered to remember the sacrifices made by members of the Australian Armed Forces during their involvement in various wars and conflicts. The ceremony included CFA Captain, Tony Pinelli raising the flag, BBSC representative Ben Lucas, SES's Amanda Allen and a member of DWCF, as well as a representative for the Parke family, laying wreaths on the cenotaph, and the Jindivick Primary School captains reading an Anzac poem.



ANZAC DAY
Left We Forget





Drouin West CFA

100% Volunteers Keeping our Communities Safe



Drouin West Fire Brigade has been very busy over the last few months, starting with **Paint Baw Baw REaD**, an early literacy initiative that encourages the community to engage with children, ensuring they are ready for school, at Warragul Arts Centre. We were able to show the kids over the truck and had awesome fun with the water; we even had Captain Koala attend the event. (see left) On the 5th of April the DWCFB ran a barbeque at the **Broughton Hall Rare Plant Fair** as well as their customary sausage sizzle, information and advice service, and raffle at the Jindivick Country Market. Big

thanks to those volunteers who made a very busy day a lot easier. (see right)

On the 12th we were invited to attend **Olivia's Place** where the little kids took turns getting up in the truck and had a go being Captain with a big red. They were able to take home show bags and red buckets. (see left)



We were also invited to the park by **Glen Cromie's** new owners on 19th

April to have some fun with the campers over the easter weekend. DWCFB had a great day showing the campers over the truck and handing out show bags for the kids. (see right)



Baw Baw Sustainability Network Curious about how to make your home more energy-efficient, comfortable, and future-ready? Join BBSN for a one-hour talk by Malcolm McKelvie, followed by a guided tour of our retrofitted community meeting hub on May 4, 1.30 pm-2.30 pm.

Our building has undergone a range of sustainability upgrades in recent years—from getting off gas to solar PV installation, car charging, lighting, insulation, draught proofing, and a variety of window treatments. You'll get to see real-life examples of what a retrofit can look like and how it can benefit your home.

Malcolm McKelvie is a founding member of BBSN and leads the Home Energy Doctor). A long-time advocate for sustainable building, Malcolm owner-built his own mud brick home in the 1990s. He's a certified Residential Efficiency Scorecard assessor, Level 1 Thermographer, and accredited air tightness tester. With years of experience in home energy assessments and retrofitting advice, Malcolm brings a wealth of practical knowledge and a passion for helping people create healthier, more efficient homes.

Location: Uniting Church Hall, 9 Campbell Street, Yarragon.

Stay for a cuppa! After the talk, there'll be plenty of time for questions and informal chats over tea and coffee

Further information on the Planned Burn - State Forest near Jindivick.

Forest Fire Management (FFM) has started the planned burn in the State Forest north of Jacksons Track, McDonold Road and Forest Road. The planned burn is within the non-motorised zone of the Labertouche State Forest. They have burnt a small area near the Forest Rd from 10 to 12 April. The larger area will be ignited after some rain. The burn objective is to develop fuel-reduced areas of sufficient width and continuity to reduce the speed and intensity of bushfires. The target area is 260ha to 650ha. Walkers and horse riders often use this area. To obtain updates on the exact timing of the burn, register on the site: <https://plannedburns.ffm.vic.gov.au/burn-site/3006518>

Jindi Jems On 2nd April, 9 of the Jems enjoyed morning tea at Warragul Country Club.

Due to its convenient location & easy parking we've decided to make it our regular spot. Our next meeting will be Wed 7th May @ 10 am. We are always ready to meet new ladies so if you'd like to join us just give Maz a call on 0447491502 to confirm details.

Jindivick Primary School has had an Exciting Start to Term 2

We're thrilled to be back and hope all of our families had a relaxing and enjoyable break. We're looking forward to another fantastic term filled with fun and learning.

Our junior students are kicking things off with their Junior Sports Day, held at Labertouche Primary School — a great way to start the term with energy and enthusiasm!

Looking ahead, we're excited to announce that the **democracy sausages are back** for this year's Federal Election! If you're heading up to vote at Jindivick Primary School on **Saturday, 3rd May**, be sure to plan your visit between **10am and 2pm** to enjoy a delicious sausage. This is a wonderful chance to support our school's fundraising efforts and help us continue providing a vibrant learning environment for all our students.

Enrolments are now open for 2026 Prep students. If you know any children currently attending 4-year-old kinder and looking for a fantastic little school, please spread the word! Families are warmly invited to join a school tour on **Thursdays at 9:30am**, or they can contact us to book a time that suits them best.



OPEN MORNINGS FOR 2026 PREP ENROLMENTS

TERM 2 OPEN MORNINGS EVERY THURSDAY AT 9:30AM OR BY APPOINTMENT



WE SUPPORT EVERY STUDENT TO SUCCEED WITH:

- DEDICATED AND FRIENDLY STAFF
- SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY
- SMALL GROUP INTERVENTION
- STRONG CONNECTIONS TO THE ENVIRONMENT
- ARTS/MUSIC PROGRAMS



SCHOOL FACILITIES:

- ALL PURPOSE WEATHER COURT
- UNDERCOVER PLAY SPACE
- MUSIC ROOM
- VISUAL ART SPACE
- 11 DEVICES
- NATURAL PLAY SPACES
- VEGETABLE GARDEN

MORE INFO:

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ENROL BEFORE:
FRIDAY 25TH JULY 2025

Red Tree Gallery Helen Timbury, the driving force behind open studios and wonderful Linocut artist. (Print-maker) is filling RTG with her colourful art in May. Helen's show *Travelling Through* is about spending time in the Gippsland bush, and features recent linocut prints, monoprints and paintings. You are invited to the

opening event at 2pm Sunday 4th May.

Helen is also holding a free printmaking workshop: Wednesday 7th May 11-1pm
RTG is open 10am –4pm



Landcare: Exploring the Hidden Value of Farm Dams

Jindivick recently played host to a fantastic Landcare event, organised by the Western Port Catchment Landcare Network, which focused on the often-overlooked value of **farm dams**. The day brought together landholders, environmental enthusiasts, Jindivick Primary School students, and experts, to learn how farm dams can be managed for biodiversity, farm productivity, and climate resilience.

The morning featured talks from experts Josh Griffiths (enviroDNA) and Dr Martino Malerba (RMIT University). Josh spoke about farm dams as important biodiversity refuges in agricultural landscapes and introduced participants to cutting-edge environmental DNA (eDNA) techniques for monitoring aquatic life. Dr Malerba shared some recent research helping to highlight how good dam management can improve water quality, farm productivity, biodiversity, and contribute to carbon management outcomes.

Participants also got hands-on with water bugs under microscopes as well as a water flow model provided by Melbourne Water, which helped illustrate the impacts of land management and contamination on water movement and quality. New faces are always welcome at Landcare – please reach out to Helen Barclay or Peter Ronalds to get involved email: jindivicklc@gmail.com In the afternoon, participants headed to a local farm dam for a live eDNA demonstration as well as discussing practical ways to manage dams for both farm and environmental benefits.

New faces are always welcome at Landcare
Please reach out to Helen Barclay or Peter Ronalds to get involved Email: jindivicklc@gmail.com

Photos Left: Top Morning presentations
Lower Discussions at a local farm dam



Your chance for input to the upcoming Baw Baw Shire Budget Community feedback is now being sought on Council's 2025/26 Draft Annual Budget and other key strategic documents for the year ahead.

For full media release, visit: Draft budget endorsed and now welcoming community feedback

<<https://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/Latest-News/Draft-budget-endorsed-and-now-welcoming-community-feedback?transfer=95a34904-1763-461b-90c7-e96a43179926>>

To review these key strategic documents and provide a feedback submission, go to bawbawconnect.com.au/hub-page/budget

[Apprentice Editor did not find any mention of Jindivick in the provided highlights]



Message from Jindivick Country Market Coordinator

On behalf of the Jindivick Progress Association, I would like to thank everyone who came and supported the market during the 2024 –2025 season.

It was great to see many locals also enquiring and attending as stall holders themselves.

Our last market was held on 5th April and included Clydesdale cart rides with “Bailey”. Bailey was very well received with people coming down from Traralgon just for the ride. We look forward to seeing him again regularly next season.

If you haven't already, follow us on Facebook and Instagram (Insta page only started last week!) to keep up to date with our market and events. Our next market will be held on Saturday 4th October 2025. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me on 0438 390 633 or through our social media pages.



Thanks for your support and see you in October.

Debbie Robertson, Jindivick Market Co-Ordinator

Ph: 0438 390 633 Email: market@jindivick.org.au

Market dates for 25/26 season

5/10/25, 1/11/25, 6/12/25, No Jan Market, 7/2/26

7/3/26, 4/4/26

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

11:30am - 3pm
Thursday 15th May

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea—Jindivick

Join your friends or meet some new residents while sharing a cuppa and some delicious food. Your donation will help raise vital funds to make a big difference for those impacted by cancer. At the Jindivick Hall. For further information contact Nikki Cadzow 0447 776 178





Gippsland Rare Plant Fair at Broughton Hall

The Gippsland Autumn Rare Plant Fair was once again held at the garden at Broughton Hall on April 4th.

It was a fabulous day with so many visitors and an excitement about the place, a very happy and successful day for stall holders and garden visitors alike. We will be holding our Spring Rare Plant Fair in September this year and hope you can attend.

The garden remains open now Thursdays to Sundays 10 am till 4 pm until June 18. Other times are available by appointment.

Ph: 0417 056 110 We then close for winter and re open September 2 for our Spring season.

If you would be interested in being a garden guide or a volunteer just email (jindigardener@bigpond.com) and let us know. We have many activities volunteers can be part of and it's always great to be around garden lovers sharing our joy of gardening!

Happy Autumn



Eileen Notman and Jack Pretty were very special guests. By the time you read this Jack will have turned 99, while Eileen will celebrate her 103rd birthday in October. Their upcoming birthdays were celebrated with both song and cake.

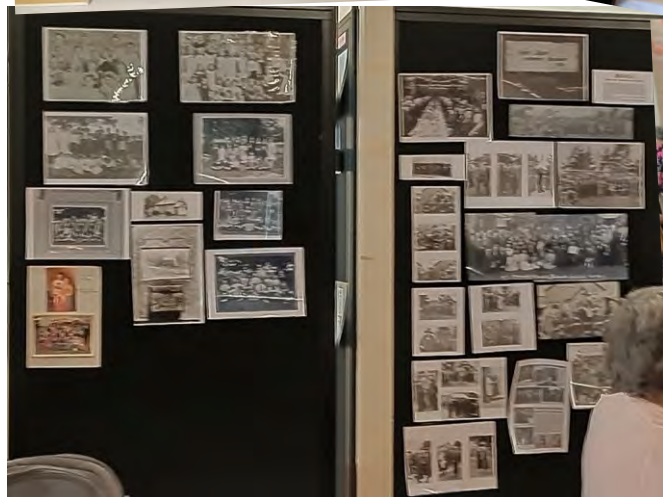
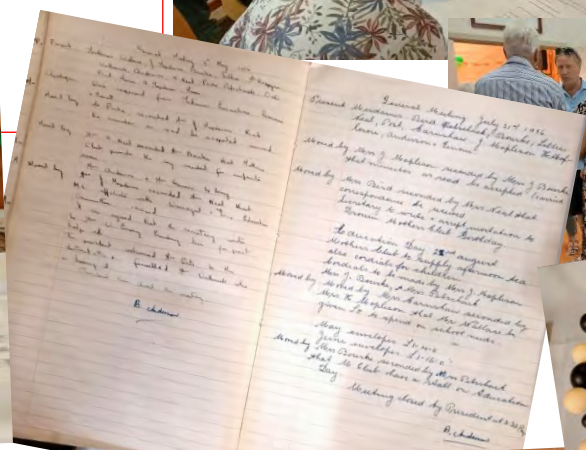
Heather, who co-ordinated the event, would like to thank all those who attended and made the event such an amazing success.

She would also like to thank the following people who provided generous support behind the scenes:

- Wayne Farnham who provided financial support
- The Knitting Group and all others who made sandwiches, sausage rolls, scones, cakes, slices, and the best "powder puffs", as well as making and serving tea and coffee.
- Robyn, Ros and Evelyn who spent the day at the door welcoming people.
- Phillip R, Bill N, and Scott T, for putting up tables, chairs and photoboard on Friday, and all who helped take them all down and store them again.
- The Baw Baw Singers for their lovely music and songs, and the Happy Birthday song for Jack and Eileen.
- all who sent information about their families. Also, thanks to my friend Col Neal for the 1957 school photo and to Bill Petschack for identifying locals in photos
- Steve Ronalds from Gippsland Jersey for supplying the milk and cream.
- Linda B for typing, and distributing flyers
- Jane who recorded the event by taking photos on the day

Photographs from the Back to Jindivick Day

If you have not yet received a copy of your photos, please send your email address to Heather at jindivick20@gmail.com (nb no capitals). If you do not have an email address, please ask a friend or relative to email Heather on your behalf.



And one last message from Heather:

Also, the proceeds from the day will be donated to local organizations.

What outrage is this? A blank page at the end of the newsletter.

The Editor is starting to seriously question the Apprentice's skills but in an attempt at saving face for the JPA suggests readers use the unsullied space to write their weekly shopping list, design a new chook shed, practice drawing the dog or keep the Autumn joining records.