

Jindivick NEWSLETTER

November 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 December 2025/January 2026 newsletter is 24 November

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

Oct 27 Fire Danger Period starts
Nov 1 Jindivick Country Market
Nov 7 Eileen Notman's Birthday celebration

Nov 9 Opening Cathy Smith's work, Red Tree Gallery

Nov 15 Neerim Sth Garage Sale

Nov 26 Landcare AGM

Nov 26 Landcare Pizza & Ocean film night

Dec 6 Jindivick Country Market

Dec 7 Community Xmas event

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 bikkie 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, Ph Clinic for Sunday times. 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 NB 16/10 in October

Jindi Jems Meets 1st Wednesday of each month at Warragul Country Club. New members welcome. For more info contact Maz: ph: 0437126876

Jindivick Knitting Group Meets on the 2nd & 4th Tues of the month from 10-12 in Supper room at Hall. 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. NB 16/10 in October New members welcome

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

Jindivick Yoga Groups meet at the Hall

A Tues 9:30 - 10:30 Ph Alex 0437 359 564 for info

B. Thurs 9:30 - 10:30 Ph Deb 0439 598 987 for info.

NEW Pilates Mat Class at the Jindivick Hall.

Wednesday at 10am, from 8th October. BYO mat & drink bottle. Suits all abilities. Ph: Shari 0418349106.

Dec 13 Drouin Carols by Candlelight

Please note The next newsletter, scheduled to be distributed 4th December, will be a combined December/January issue. Please advise the Newsletter staff of events planned for January 2026, as the first newsletter for next year will be printed at the start of February



Congratulations to our eldest resident in Jindivick, **Eileen Notman**, who will be **103 years young on the 28th October**. There will be a brunch/afternoon tea to help her celebrate this wonderful occasion at the Jindivick Hall on Friday, 7th November. All are invited to 'pop' in and wish her a happy birthday and an exciting 104th year.

11.00 am - 3.00pm approx. *Please bring a plate.* Sandwiches, cakes, slices. *No presents please* Contact 0438029351 for more information.

Jindivick Country Market Don't miss our next market to be held on Saturday 1st November, Melbourne Cup weekend. Browse the collection of local stallholders selling fresh produce, cakes, slices, handmade crafts, upcycled items and everything in between. Catch up with friends and family while enjoying all the Jindivick Market has to offer. Any enquires: contact Debbie on 0438 390 633



Did you know that the Fire Restriction Period (27 October 2025—1 May 2026 in Baw Baw Shire) is different to a Total Fire Day? For details go to <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions>



KICK OFF YOUR FESTIVE SEASON! A VERY JINDI CHRISTMAS

Sunday 7th December from 4pm
Jindivick Hall on Jacksons Track

Come and be a part of a Jindivick Christmas
community event, **kicking off at 4pm with
our family fun hour!**

- Big jumping castle and Christmas
Inflatables zoo
- Free Christmas craft and carnival games
- Bubble dance party
- Glitter tattoos and hairspray
- Family Santa photos
- Drouin West CFA BBQ and Dawn to Dusk
Coffee truck will be there!

Sing your heart out during our **Karaoke
Christmas Carols from 5pm to 7:30pm**
inside the hall, including a sneaky visit from
the Grinch and Santa. BYO drinks and
snacks welcome. *Donation entry (Free entry
if you put your name down to sing a song!)*

Finish off your night with a free screening of
the classic Christmas movie, **The Santa
Clause**, from 7:30pm to 9pm. Popcorn and
choc-top cones available!

**ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TO OUR
LOCAL DROUIN WEST CFA BRIGADE**



6pm, 26th Nov - Pizza and 'Ocean' film night at Jindivick Hall

With the impressive new audio visual set up at the Jindivick Hall (thanks
Jindivick Progress Association), we are excited to host some amazing
cinematography on the big screen locally.



Wednesday 26th November schedule - join for all or some of the evening

5.30-6pm (Jindivick Landcare AGM)
Members & others welcome.

6.00pm-6.30pm pizza dinner - FREE - all
local community welcome - **RSVP please**

6.30pm-8.15pm -film screening - FREE -
all local community welcome.

KIDS are very welcome to join and
leave early if needed. BYO movie
snacks.

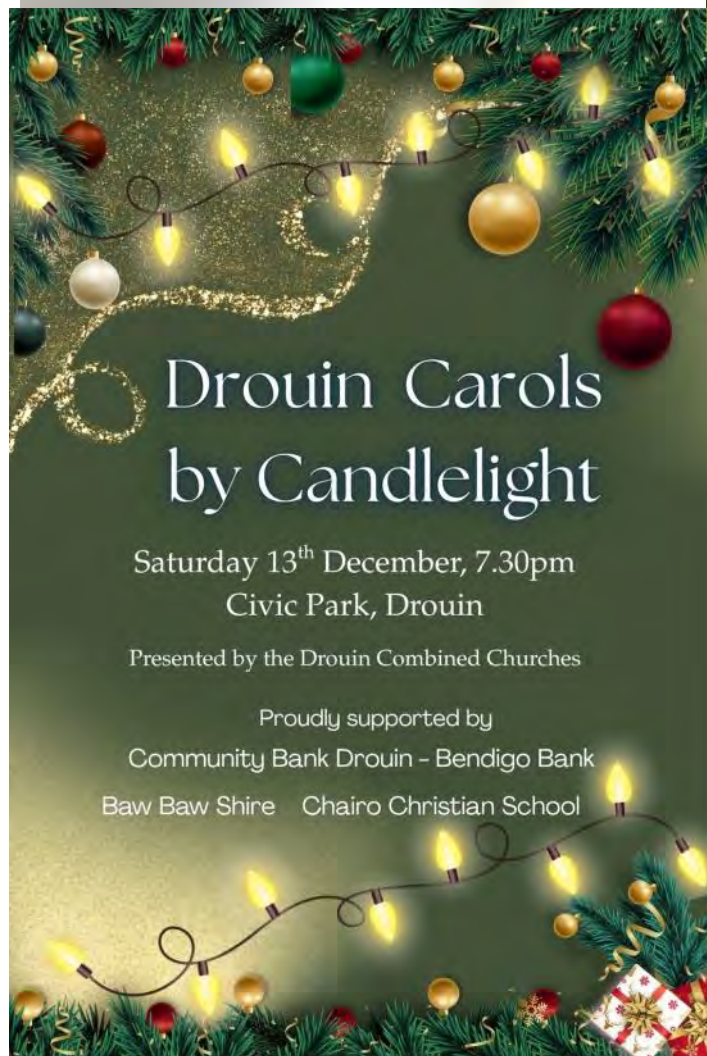
SEATING Hall chairs available but
BYO bean bags or comfy chairs if
you would like.

RSVP for pizza link: <https://tinyurl.com/y83ht6ew>



Any questions please contact your hosts:
Jindivick Landcare Group - Angela Steele 0419 190 964 or Helen Barclay P 0410 123 405,
JindivickLC@gmail.com

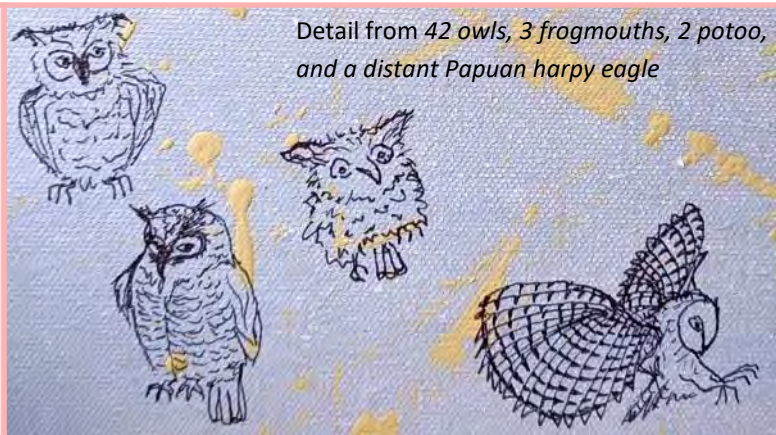
Note: copyright permission has been approved for the Jindivick Landcare Group to show Ocean as part of a community film night



Don't miss the **Jindivick Landcare AGM** from 5.30-6pm
on 26 Nov at the Jindivick Hall. Then stay for pizza and
film. RSVP for pizza to: <https://tinyurl.com/y83ht6ew>

In November Red Tree Gallery will exhibit **Keep your hat on:** recent drawings, paintings, photos and sculptures by **Cathy Smith**. Made during 2025 and influenced by Bbaa's drawing class, this art is varied in it's depiction of Cathy's response to spring flowers and birds, drawing class exercises and excursions, Mondrian and Bosch, and keeping animals in a dry year.

You can meet the artist at the opening on Sunday November 9, from 2-4pm, or drop into Red Tree Gallery & Laurie's Sculpture Garden 7 days a week, 9-4pm



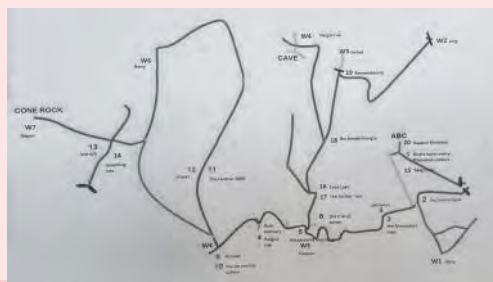
What is Armstrong 500?

Armstrong 500 is a statewide Venturer Scout event (for youth aged 14-18) held annually, running through Nangara Reserve and along the Aqueduct Trail. Despite its name, it's not a motorsport event, but a challenging hiking and navigation competition where teams carry their own gear and work together to complete different challenges across the bush.

Designed to build resilience, teamwork and leadership, Armstrong brings Venturers from across Victoria to test their skills in a safe, supervised outdoor environment. Nangara's terrain provides the perfect setting for this adventure-based challenge. The 2025 event was one of our biggest yet with just over 100 hikers and many more

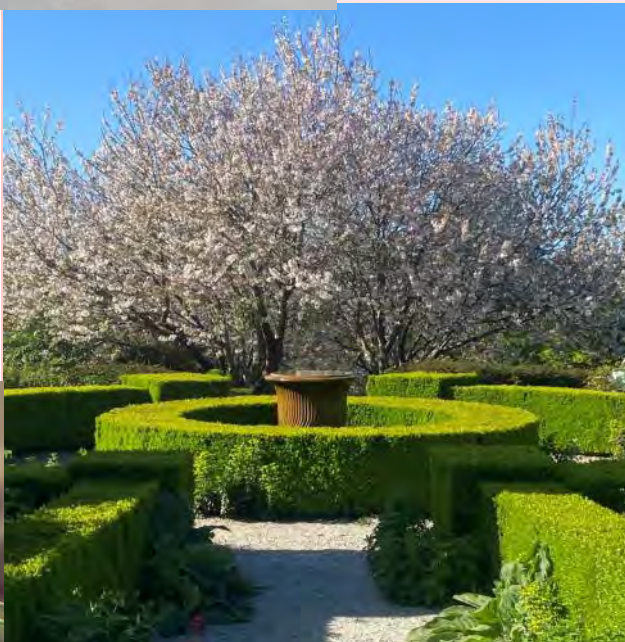
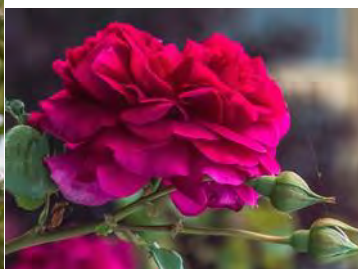


stunt staff and committee members on site! If you noticed increased activity in the area over the weekend of 17—19 October, it was likely part of this exciting statewide youth event.



The Garden at Brought Hall is looking lavish. The garden is open until December 14. October has featured the cherry blossom season but soon enough it will be roses that shine in the garden. Roses are always at their best first flush around cup weekend so grab a picnic and some friends and come spend the day enjoying all that the garden at Broughton Hall has to offer.

For more information Ph :0417 056 110
jindigardener@bigpond.com





COUNCIL News

Spring into action and explore

BAW BAW THIS NOVEMBER.

The weather is warming up and there is lots to see and do across Baw Baw Shire. Visit Council's website for the low down on the region's favourite walks, cycling trails, parks, playgrounds, arts and events.

Looking for inspiration? Explore Baw Baw's temperate rainforest and experience the beautiful flora and fauna along the newly completed Rokeby to Neerim Trail upgrade.

Remembrance Day

A number of commemorative services will be held across Baw Baw Shire on Tuesday 11 November in honour of Remembrance Day. Guests are encouraged to arrive 15 minutes prior to the beginning of the service.

To find your nearest service, visit www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/RemembranceDay

For enquiries, please contact your local RSL or Baw Baw Shire Council on **1300 229 229**.

Upcoming Council Meetings:

The following Council meetings will be held in November 2025 in the Fountain Room, West Gippsland Arts Centre.

Wednesday 12 November – 5.30pm
Statutory Meeting to elect Mayor and Deputy Mayor

Wednesday 26 November – 1.00pm
Ordinary Council Meeting

All community members are welcome to attend in person or tune in via the Live Stream on our website.

For a full list of the meetings for 2025, visit www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/CouncilMeetings

Upcoming Events:

For a full list of the current events, visit www.bawbawshire.co/Events-Calendar



Latrobe Community Health Service Carer Programs provides FREE short term supports to people in an unpaid caring role. Carers may be looking after a family member or friend with disability, a medical condition, mental illness or who is frail due to age.

We can help to give carers a break by providing free tailored supports such as in-home respite or counselling. We also offer a full monthly calendar of events FREE for carers and their care recipients to provide social connections, education/information and supports around the caring role. For information on programs in November and December contact

Tania Mitchell Ph 1800 242 696 m: 0428345025

www.lchs.com.au <<http://www.lchs.com.au>



Our Roads. Your Roads. Better Baw Baw Roads.

Have you spotted an animal on the road?

Every now and then pets, livestock and wildlife make their way onto our roads posing a serious hazard for road users. If you spot a domestic animal or livestock causing a problem on our roads, please report it by phoning Council on **1300 229 229**.

If you come across injured or orphaned wildlife on the road you can contact Wildlife Victoria on **(03) 8400 7300** or Help for Wildlife on **0477 555 611**.

Local Hands Power Landscape Renewal in Neerim South

On 9 October about 1,500 native saplings found their forever homes at Heath Strating's property in Neerim South. What was once a steep, grazed gully is now part of a 3,000-plant revegetation project that began in 2021. Already, insects are buzzing and crawling through the new growth, birds are returning, and even reptiles have been spotted exploring their reclaimed habitat.

"The planting area is on fairly steep land – it's one of the least practical areas to graze and manage on my property" said Heath, local maker of recycled timber furniture. "Planting it out is something I've always wanted to do. It's now a beautiful patch that's good for the land and good for the wildlife."

Regenerating less-productive corners of farmland brings more than beauty. Native plantings help:

- * Stabilise soil and reduce erosion on steep country
- * Filter runoff, improving water quality in creeks and dams
- * Create natural pest control through returning insects and birds
- * Form habitat corridors that connect wildlife across the landscape

Powered by community A huge thanks to the incredible volunteers who made it happen — around 10 Landcarers from Jindivick and Neerim District Landcare groups and 15 staff from Gippsland Water who left their day jobs.

Don't miss the Jindivick Landcare Group's AGM and Film Night

Your local Landcare group will hold its AGM at 5:30pm on Wednesday 26 November at the Jindivick Hall. All welcome to join others interested in sustainable farming and land management practices in Jindivick and the wider community, as well as protecting and enhancing your local environment.

Then stay for pizza and movie. See poster on p3. Please RSVP for pizza,



Jindivick Primary School

Welcome back to Term 4! It's shaping up to be a very exciting term with plenty of wonderful learning opportunities and special events to round out the year. Our senior students are looking forward to participating in **District Kanga Cricket** over the coming weeks, followed by our **Urban Camp** in partnership with **Neerim District Rural Primary School**. To finish the year on a high, we'll celebrate with our much-loved **End of Year Concert** and **Grade 6 Graduation**.

We have also welcomed our **2026 Prep students** to their first **POP into Prep transition sessions**. This is always a special time for our school community, and we're thrilled to begin getting to know our newest students and their families.

It's set to be a wonderful Term 4, and we look forward to sharing these experiences with the Jindivick community.

Left: Angela Steele & Rob Taylor plant saplings with canine supervision. Right: Young Angus planted his first tree with maternal supervision. Below: Last ones standing: L-R: Helen Barclay, Angela Steele, Phil Darton, Rob Taylor, Beau Miles, Mitch Drummond and Heath Strating



IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM BAW BAW SHIRE COUNCIL

The 2025-6 CFA-declared Fire Danger Period will commence in Baw Baw Shire on Monday 27th October at 1am. Baw Baw Shire residents and property owners should ensure their property is well prepared and bushfire risk is minimised in anticipation of the upcoming fire season.

On Monday 27th October, fire restrictions will come into force, requiring a written permit from the CFA to burn in the open air with some conditions in place.

From 27 October, Council's Fire Hazard Inspection Program will commence with the aim to reduce the risk of bushfires and their potentially devastating impacts to life and property. As part of the program, properties deemed a fire risk will be issued Fire Prevention Notices directing owners or occupiers to remove & clear vegetation or other potentially flammable materials found on their land. To keep Council-owned land maintained and safe from fire risk, Council runs a grass cutting program throughout the year.

When travelling through the region this summer period, all visitors are reminded to take note of fire restrictions in force relating to campfires and barbecues.

For more information about the Fire Danger Period please visit the CFA website www.cfa.vic.gov.au



Drouin West CFA

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What We've Been Up To at Drouin West CFA

It's been a busy few weeks for us here at Drouin West CFA! Our Open Day was a huge success, and we were thrilled to see so many friendly faces from the community come along to show their support. We've also been out and about, cooking up sausages at the Rare Plant Show and the Jindivick Market.

On top of that, we've spent some time at the beautiful Glen Cromie Caravan Park, chatting with visitors and sharing fire safety tips. A big thank you to everyone who stopped by to say hello — we really appreciate your support!



*Photos from the
Drouin West CFA
Open Day*



Santa is coming to Jindi market



Santa will be at Jindivick's December market for families to take your own photos for Christmas. Bring your phone or camera. Pets welcome too.

Saturday, December 6th 9:00am — 11:00am

Bookings are not required.

Donations of \$5.00 per family to Drouin West Fire Brigade.

Cash or EFTPOS facilities will be available on the day at the CFA stand.

