

Jindivick

NEWSLETTER

July 2023

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 0417 188 694.

The deadline for the August issue is 25th July.

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.

What's On

Jul. Red Tree Gallery—
Exhibition Paintings by Peter Saunders.

Jul 8th The Winter Market
Algie Hall, Neerim South 9am
-1pm

Jul 15th Working Bee
Community Garden 9am

Jul 27th Winter Walk
Nangara Reserve 9am

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, ph Faye 0400 014 226

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. Sat & Sun 9-3.

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 Billiard Room bookings contact Ros Ph 0439 008 501

Jindi Jems Will meet Wed 5th July. If you'd like to join us please call Maz Ph 0447 491 502

Jindivick Knitting Group Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tues of the month at the Hall from 10-12. Don't knit? Don't worry, just join us for a cuppa and a chat. Call Maz on 0447 491 502

Jindivick Pool Nights For further info. call Phil on 0444 525 556 Bookings via Ros: 0439 008 501

Jindi Writers Group Meets on Wednesdays 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 Janet on 0499 248 302 for more information.

FAREWELL COMMUNITY BUS

The Jindivick Progress Association has announced the end of the Community Bus service. After 14 years of service to the Jindivick (and adjacent) communities, the bus has moved on.

A regular user, the Nilma Darnum Football Netball Club has taken over ownership of the Toyota Hiace Commuter Bus and the Secretary, Trish Price is looking forward to many more years of service.

The Bus was donated to us after the Black Saturday Fires and has been seen regularly plying the highways and byways of the area. The Jindivick Community Bus has been meticulously maintained by Phil James and the service efficiently managed by Derek Burridge. Well done and thank you from the Jindivick community.

Community Garden

The Working bee on Saturday the 17th of June was a success.

This completes stage one of the clean up. In attendance was

Anita Day and her husband. A couple from Main Neerim Rd. Myself and Brian Goodwin. Stage involved mainly spraying for weeds and pulling out all the weeds and other growth out of the raised garden beds to make room for some colour. Special thanks to Brian for supplying a trailer and getting rid of all the green waste. Another special thanks to Anita Day for returning on the Sunday to plant seeds for California poppies into the raised garden beds. Future plans are to add some solar lights, fixing up the paths, adding some more colour. I plan to run another working bee on the 15th of July weather permitting.



This working bee will involve removing all the dead plant material from the previous spraying and trimming back any bushes or trees that need to be trimmed back. 9am start. If you will be joining us could you please call or txt me to let me know you will be there. 0407 343 849. Cheers Trish.

St James Church Jindivick News

Okay here we go!! It might be Winter and cold, cold, COLD, but Little St James is always cosy and warm the



first and third Sundays of the month. Why don't you come and check it out? There is a warm welcome awaiting you. For more info contact Faye 0400 014 226.

A LITTLE SOMETHING FROM JINDIVICK WRITERS GROUP This month we have chosen a couple of items that may appeal to children. Both are written in 'Animal Voice' The first during COVID when we had to wear masks even walking in the bush (by Amanda). The other an extract from Bobby's Diary, life of a dog training to become a Service Dog (by Ken).

NELLIE AND HER MUM'S MARCHING SONG

(Through the eyes of a local Border Collie

I'm marching along on my lead today
Hooray. Hooray.
I'm marching along with my Mum again
Hooray. Hooray.
Every day we must march along,
By ourselves, because COVID is strong
So, we go a different route each day
Hooray. Hooray.



We're marching into the bush today
Yippee. Yippee.
The bush is my favourite place to be
Yippee. Yippee.
I do hope we see 'Skippy Doo'
Oh, Skippy Doo is the kangaroo.
I'd LOVE to bounce like Skippy Doo TOO!
Yippee. Yippee.

We're marching near Mr wombats 'digs'.
He does his business on rocks and twigs,
Pooh wee. Pooh wee.
I hope I find some wet ones too,
Pooh wee. Pooh wee.
I LOVE to roll in fresh wombat pooh,
Then Mum has to wash me.
Pooh wee. Pooh wee.

We're marching along in the simmering heat
Jeepers Creepers.
Mum sees Jo Blake
Her heart skips a beat
Jeepers Creepers.
Jo Blake's the snake
We better find a different track to take.
Jeepers Creepers.

As we march along, a rustle,
I stop to look.
Oh dear. Oh dear.
Susanna goanna has a chook
Oh dear. Oh dear.
Where did she steal that from?
Poor thing. Well now she's gone
Oh dear. Oh dear.

We're marching along, when on the side of the track
I must look back,
Prickly. Prickly.
Edwina echidna won't come up to say
A simple 'hello' to me today.
Prickly. Prickly.
She hides her head beneath her spines
And buries herself between the vines.
Prickly. Prickly.

We're marching along, almost home,
When Felix joins us to march along.
Meow. Meow.
His tail is up as he struts along,
Meow. Meow.
For he won't come far from where he belongs.
Meow. Meow.

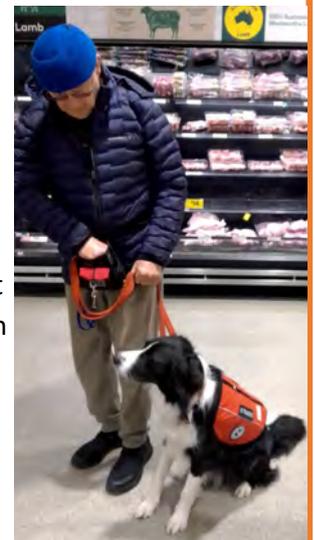
Well, that's the end of our march today
Woof. Woof.
Now it's time to bark at the goats to say
'Hurry up to the dairy, this way'
Woof. Woof.
My work is finished, time for my ball and play!
Woof. Woof.

BOBBY'S DIARY.

Bobby goes to the RSL Warragul

'Hey Nellie, guess where I am going tonight?' 'I have no idea Bobby you have all the fun I just get to stay home again!' 'I have an important job to perform, I have to look after Ken, and he needs all the help he can get. I have to guide him down stairs. The RSL will have a 100 people attending tonight's dinner. I will have to be on my best behavior, I will stay under the table on my mat. Everyone will want to talk to me, they are not allowed to pat me. There is a sign on my red jacket not to pat me. I like all the attention and, I am the only dog allowed. Mum and Ken will have a feast of a meal. I get a pigs ear and some kibble treats. All of a sudden the bugle will play and the adults stand to, I will stay where I am, I cannot get in trouble there. The Ode will be read, it is very solemn. Mum will bring Ken a Guinness in a can, I think he likes that beer.

It has been an interesting week, I was taken out to the Downtowner, Mum had won a \$100 voucher. She invited friends from the club. What a gadabout I am. Oh and I almost forgot about the exciting lesson I had at Brickworks shopping center with Rob and his Labrador Tommy, who is training to be a service dog too'.



LOCAL BUSH WALKS TO EXPLORE AND ENJOY

Nangara Reserve to Labertouche Horse float park.

This is 6.5km one way through the non-motorized zone, although I encountered several trail bikes yesterday, and will take approximately 2 hrs one way. For the first time I suggest arranging a vehicle at each end or if you are to be picked up then ring from the top of the hill on Border Track as from there to the car park takes about 15 minutes.

The fungi on route are beautiful and diverse. Always different wildflowers, and on Border Track a stand of paper bark. I often encounter wallabies, and other wildlife.

Go through the Nangara Reserve and up to the Pipeline (BOW, known to our older community as Board of Works track). Turn left following the sign to Bunyip State Park. Continue along the pipeline until the last track on the right about 3km. (a concrete inspection pit 15 is on the left, unmarked Gypsy Creek Track on the Right) turn right and go about 400m over the short hill and almost to the bottom. There is a scrape followed immediately by a single horse track on your left, turn left and follow the horse track, see the entry photo and termite mound about 20 m in, (don't turn here if you are doing the Full day hike up over Gypsy Creek Track). This is known as Border track and is easy to follow as there are always hoof prints and manure along it, and it runs parallel to the farms that border the Forest. Continue over the creek (to the right about 30m is a platypus burrow) and up the long steep hill, about 2km. Soon the beautifully scented boronia will flower and it is



amazing the diversity of wildflowers as we move into Spring. When you come to the track junction turn left to head down the hill (this intersection is the best way to come back if you opt for the full day hike, see Bobby's head). Continue down past the clearing with views to Mt Cannibal and the Strezlecki Range, the end of this trail is back on the Labertouche end of the pipeline. Turn right and go around the gate or over the cavaletties to the car park.



To locate the car park at the Labertouche end. Drive along Mc Donald Rd to the end, turn right at Forest Rd continue to just past the power lines and take first right (Horse float parking sign) up to car park.



If you are doing the full day hike over Gypsy Creek Track and back Boarder Track this includes a much tougher uphill climb and due to wild dogs, that I have encountered, is safer with another person. The vegetation is very diverse as the soil and microclimate changes. I have come across plenty of wildlife on this route, including a koala once! You can come back straight down the ridge line and back via the track indicated in the photo (with Nellie's head in it in which you would turn left) or if you miss this you will end up at the car park and can return via the route above. This route is about 10km so a round trip from Nangara Reserve is about 16km and will take 4 – 5 hrs. This is well worth the effort.





Drouin West CFA News



Is there a working smoke alarm in your bedroom?

You've updated your bedrooms with the latest tech and furniture, but have you considered that the most important item is a smoke alarm? Some people think the smoke alarm outside their bedroom is enough to alert them to fire. Research has revealed that when a fire starts in a bedroom with doors closed, the smoke alarm outside the bedroom will not activate.

Keeping Our Communities Safe.

At Drouin West we are always seeking opportunities to enhance our knowledge and skills not only on the fire-ground, but with other fires such as homes, buildings and other structure type fires. Recently we held our Wednesday training night at Neerim South using the kitchen fire training prop. These types of training sessions are a great opportunity for members to train with actual fire, especially those that don't get a chance to respond on a regular basis. As we were able to secure breathing apparatus (BA) training cylinders our BA operators had the opportunity to train wearing BA. This session was facilitated by Lt Tony Pinelli and Firefighter Cooper Davis who had completed the induction training and ran the prop. For more information about Drouin West Fire Brigade visit our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/drouinwestfirebrigadecfa> you can also visit the CFA website <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au> for how to keep you and your family safe this winter.



Remember to download the Vic Emergency app and stay up to date with any emergen-



Thursday 27th July - 9.00 a.m.

A Winter Walk in Nangara -

Join Peter Ware from Friends of Drouin Trees as he takes us on a Winter stroll around Nangara Reserve. Please bring a thermos of hot water and a cup and we'll bring the rest so, we can enjoy a cuppa together after the walk. Please check the Nangara Reserve facebook page for updates and changes if any, particularly if the weather turns miserable.

NB.....as we'll be bird watching, this will be a no dogs event. Contact Anita 0409589416 for more details.

Anita's Banana and Maple Syrup Muffins

You can pop a nice cream cheese and maple syrup icing on these, but if you just need to deal with 3 sad, overripe bananas immediately, then this is your base recipe. On another day, you could add a handful of chopped walnuts or when in season, some blueberries. The recipe makes 10 but as you can see in the picture there's only 9.....quality control check.

3 or 4 very ripe bananas

160g caster sugar

1 egg

1 tablespoon maple syrup

1 teas vanilla extract

75g melted butter or dairy alternative

225g self-raising flour

Preheat oven to 180 c and line a muffin tin with 10 paper cases. Melt butter and allow to cool. Mash bananas with sugar in a bowl. In a separate bowl, beat the egg, vanilla, maple syrup and butter together and pour over banana mix and add flour. Stir until combined. Spoon mix into prepared tin and bake for 20 minutes or until golden and risen.



Farhat Firdous Elected

Following a countback process undertaken by the Victorian Electoral Commission, respected community leader Farhat Firdous has been elected to Baw Baw Shire Council's Central Ward, filling the extraordinary vacancy created by former Councillor Joe Gauci's recent resignation.

Ms Firdous brings a wealth of relevant expertise to her new role, and will serve for the duration of the current Council term, which runs until November 2024.



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Drouin, Yarragon and Trafalgar parking recommendations adopted.

Changes to parking restrictions in Drouin, Yarragon and Trafalgar are on the cards following community consultation and Council's adoption of study recommendations.

The adopted changes to parking conditions will be implemented in stages over the next financial year.

For more information, scan the QR Code or visit bawbawshire.co/ParkingRecommendations



Annual Pet Registration

Baw Baw Shire's pet registration/renewals are due annually on April 9. All cats and dogs over the age of 3 months are required to be registered with Council. To register your pet, please visit: bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/Animals

A Big Thank you to Peter Ware

The Nangara News is a popular segment in the Jindivick Newsletter, written by Peter, naturalist, conservationist and member of Friends of Drouin's Trees. How we've loved his monthly observations

of the birds, trees and fungi that inhabit our wonderful Nangara Reserve. Peter is retiring from his column and we sincerely thank him for his contributions over the past 3 years.



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Phone Paul on 56 285449

Jindivick Hall is run by volunteers, your support is needed.

Jindivick PS News

We have had a very busy term. The Grade 3 – 6's excursion to the Dandenong Market was very successful. Using the ingredients they bought, they created an amazing feast of multi-cultural foods. The children set up a restaurant in the classroom and enjoyed their food.

We have had trips to the West Gippsland Arts Centre. The juniors went to see the production of 'Wilfred, Gordon, McDonald Partridge' and the seniors went to see the production of Roald Dahl's, 'The Twits'. We also had a group of 8 seniors students attend the 'Baw Baw Youth Summit' where they discussed climate change, loss of habitat, land development and other topics that concern them in our area.



Delicious food prepared by the students



The Classroom Restaurant



To finish the term the students were involved in 'Jump Rope for Heart'. All term the children have been working on their skipping skills, and on Wednesday 21st we had a whole school 'jump-off', while raising money for the Heart Foundation.



Grade 1 ready for their skipping display.

Everyone is looking forward to the school holidays: Saturday 24th June – Sunday 9th July.