

Jindivick NEWSLETTER



August 2023

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The deadline for the October issue is 25th September

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

Sep. Red Tree Gallery—
Exhibition of paintings by
Joan Price

Sep 6 Jindi Jems

Sep 16 Community Garden
working bee

Sep 14 School Soiree *This will be the best opportunity to farewell Wendy Arno as much loved Principal of Jindivick Primary School and thank her for the many years of dedicated service to our school community.*

We all wish her the very best for the future.

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Regular Events

St James Anglican Church, Jindivick Services on the 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

Bus Health, Jindivick Make an appointment at: www.aushealth.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 Cra 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 6th Sep. 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 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 Janet on 0499 248 302 for more information.



Work ongoing on our new Community Playground. Use the Kidd Parke reserve in the interim.

The Jindivick Pro-

gress Association has new office bearers after the AGM on 10 Aug. The previous chair, Alan Greig and secretary, Sue Goodwin, decided not to nominate again. Thank you to them for all their efforts. Nikki Cadzow is the new chair, and Trish Radivo is the new secretary. Lindsey Robison remains the treasurer. Help is still needed to set up the coming Community Markets, which will be held from October this year. Please let Nikki know if you can help by putting up the signs around the area over the week before each market or on the day of the market. **0447 776 178**

A LITTLE SOMETHING FROM JINDIVICK WRITERS GROUP

This month we tried something for fun. We each wrote an opening and passed it on for the next person and so on around the group, a bit like "Chinese Whispers" The one I have included for this month was a perfect example of different interpretations. Grace was thinking about wild dogs (this area has plenty), I about dingoes and Mandy, Wolves. This was great fun, we had stories ranging from ghosts and lightning strikes to an abduction of a child occurring in a sleepy country town. Why not have a go yourselves? You will be surprised where your imagination goes. *Have fun reading the next page.*

Jindi Jems Jindi Jems enjoyed lunch at the Warragul Country Club for our August get together. For September we're having afternoon tea at the home of one of the Jems. Please call Maz on **0447491502** for details.



Community Garden Unfortunately the August working bee had to be cancelled due to rain. There will be another on 16th September 9-12 and if anyone would like to bring a thermos with tea or coffee, we will have a cuppa and chat when we have finished. Please call or txt me on **0407343849** if you will be attending. Cheers Trish

St James Church Jindivick News Spring has sprung, the grass is green, don't wonder where the birdies is. The birdies are on their perch, singing their hearts out and so do we at church, So come along and sing with us, why don't ya? Every first and third Sunday at 11.30 or more info contact Faye **0400 014 226**.



The sun glistened green sparkles as it reached through the canopy of the bush. Birds danced and sang, celebrating another morning risen. The day felt strong, not a breath of wind to disturb the peace.

I, however held a bottomless pit of hunger within my stomach. It had been weeks since our last feed-a deer, caught by my brother. Only a young one; between seven of us hardly enough to dull the ache.

I had just stepped up as Alpha. This hunger also burnt deep with feelings of failure to my pack family.

I changed my thinking. Knowing that focusing on the deep hunger would only make it stronger.

I knew as Alpha female the pack relied entirely on my skill and leadership. Although their bellies had something for now, we would have to work hard and be better coordinated as a pack, if we were to survive. As days slowly increased in length, especially the heavily pregnant bitches would need better and more frequent nutrition for hope of any pups surviving.

The cleared land beyond the forest had plenty of sheep, much easier to catch than deer, but man with those metal sticks that made an explosive bang, were an enormous risk. Seared into my brain the vision of my father—the bang, his blood-soaked chest unmoving on top of the sheep he had killed for us. We had all slinked back to the camouflage of the bush, hungry. How had man known we were there, we'd been quiet, he had selected one that was away from the others and crept up, straight for the throat and down, dead.

I thought for a long time. How did man know we were there? Had he seen us approach? Was he waiting for us?

I walked away from the pack past a slight rise and looked back, I knew they were less than 100 metres away, but I could no longer see them. An idea formed. Perhaps we should select our kills by using this dead ground where we were invisible. Perhaps if we practiced well, we would be able to use the same technique to travel unseen by man further into the cleared land and have a feast of poultry from the pens near their dwellings and escape pack intact. The thought of sheep and plump chicken was making me drool.

This should all be possible. Now to think about the technique we would need to employ. If we were to travel single through the dead ground, I would still need control. Ok, so I will send two scouts out in front separated by about 50 metres from the remainder of the pack. Whilst I from a higher vantage point could see all and control the direction of movement using my snout to indicate where they needed to go to keep within the dead ground. If the scouts ran into danger, we would retreat. This should work. Now to practice before the hunger and weakness overtook the pack's desire to learn.

The moon's silvery glow bathed the land, with caution, my pack and I ventured forth, drawn by the scent of prey.

I am Wolf, leader of my pack and my primal instincts surge through me like a wild river. The night was alive with whispers, carrying promises of a feast that would stave off our hunger. Paws danced lightly on the dead earth, each step calculated and graceful, as we approached the farmer's chicken coop.

The scent of fear only stokes our determination, our hunger burning hotter.

My packmates gathered around me, eyes locked in an unspoken understanding. With a low throaty growl, I signal the attack and the world around us erupted into frenzy.

The wire worn wire fencing gave way easily under the power of our combined strength and suddenly we were amidst a flurry of squawks and panicked clucking.

Feathers erupted into the air like snowflakes caught in a gust, and the scent of our prize enveloped us. My jaws snapped, catching a plump hen with precision, the taste of warm feathers and delicate skin honing my senses. Around me, my pack tore into the coop, each member claiming their prize.

The farmer's shouts and cries were distant and meaningless, mere echoes as we revelled in the rush of the chase. We are hunters and this dance of predator and prey is etched into our DNA.

The taste of victory, and the unity of my pack quells my earlier doubts of leadership. I rest now, our bellies full and feel a deep sense of nibbana that echoes through my soul.



Homemade Baked Beans on Sourdough

When we ran the B and B, I'd make a batch of baked beans for guests as a Winter breakfast option with eggs cooked to order. Served on toasted sourdough with plenty of butter, this breakfast certainly warmed everyone up.

2 tablespoons of olive oil
1/2 red onion finely chopped (you can use brown onion)
2 cloves of garlic finely minced
1 tablespoon of tomato paste
1/2 teaspoon of smoked paprika (if you haven't got any don't worry)
1 teaspoon of sweet paprika
1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh thyme OR 1/4 teaspoon of dried
1 tablespoon of tamari or soy sauce
400g of red cannellini beans - drained
1 can cherry tomatoes with juice, place in bowl and mash (I use Muja's as they're nice and sweet)



Gently warm oil in saucepan and add onion and garlic. Cook gently for about 5 minutes or until soft. Add tomato paste, paprika, thyme, brown sugar and soy. Cook gently for a few minutes until ingredients slightly caramelize. Add beans, mashed tomatoes with juice and a good grind of black pepper. Simmer gently for about 10 minutes until mix has reduced and thickened. Turn off heat and let it sit for a couple of minutes before serving.



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Drouin West CFA

Keeping our Communities Safe

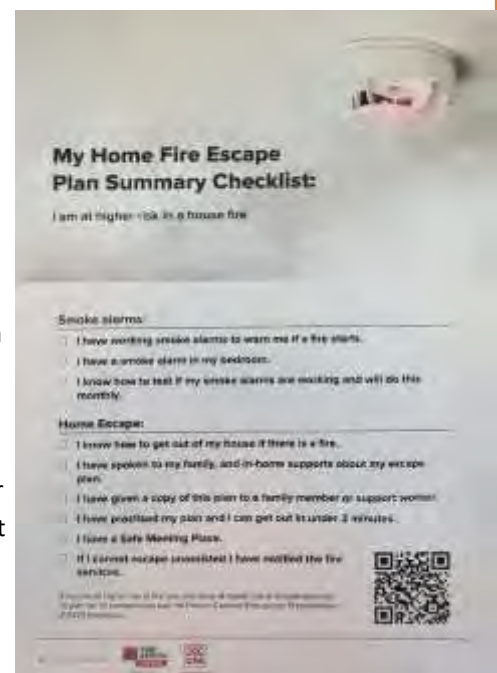
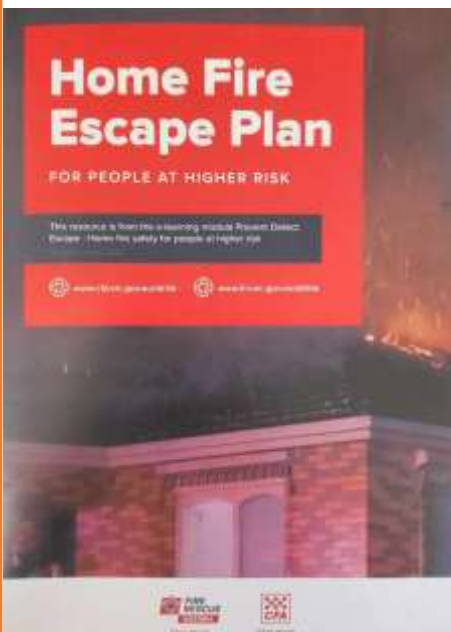


When planning for household fires, it is vital you and your household know what to do if a fire occurs in your home.

As part of your plan, all family members should know:

- the two quickest ways out of every room
- how they will exit from upstairs if your home has a second storey
- an agreed-upon meeting place outside, such as the letterbox
- how they will call Triple Zero (000.)

It is even more important to have a Plan if you are at a higher risk. People at higher risk are our elderly, people with a disability, and Children. Visit the CFA website <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/> at risk for your copy of the Home Fire Escape Plan for People at Higher Risk. Or for more information about Drouin West Fire Brigade visit our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/drouinwestbrigadecfa>



Can you help operate the new Jindivick FDR sign?



The Drouin West Fire Brigade has applied for a manual Fire Danger Rating (FDR) sign to be potentially established in our town later this year. FDR signs are designed to improve public safety and reduce the impact of bush fires by alerting people to the potential level of danger should a bush start.

Depending on the daily forecast in the fire danger period, each day the sign will need to be updated to make sure our community (and travellers passing through) are informed of the fire danger and total fire bans. The Jindi Caf used to provide this service for our community on a small sign at the café entrance, and also notify of Total Fire Bans with an A-frame on Jacksons Track.

If we are to go ahead and establish a sign, we would need to rely on a responsible and committed community volunteer who is able to update the sign on a daily basis over summer and early autumn. Could this be you?

Training will be provided on what someone would need to do to update the sign based on information provided by the CFA on the forecast fire danger rating. The FDR arrow must be updated with the correct FDR for our district, by 7:30 am each morning (but can be updated any time after 2230hrs the night before). Expressions of interest are welcomed from those who can be a 'back-up' too.

If you, or someone you know who lives locally, is prepared to commit your time to help your local fire brigade in our efforts to keep our community safe, please email the captain, Brendan Wilson on drouinwest.capt@cfa.vic.gov.au, or talk to a local CFA member Tony Pinelli on [0427 688 119](tel:0427688119). We also welcome residents' thoughts on the ideal location for the proposed sign if we are successful in our application to proceed with this project.



THURSDAY
28TH SEP
AT 7PM

Presented by
Terry and Tira
Avery

Tips on how to
cook with these
plants and herbs

BBSN
HOW TO GROW
SUBTROPICAL
PLANTS IN
GIPPSLAND!

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Join us for our next BBSN event: How to Grow Subtropical Plants in Gippsland

Thursday September 28th at 7pm

Yarragon Uniting Church Hall - 9 Campbell St, Yarragon

BBSN Members \$5, General Admission \$8

Join us for an informative session all about the unique subtropical vegetables and herbs you can grow in Gippsland!

Presented by experts Terry and Tira Avery, this session will cover the WHY and HOW to grow subtropical plants, AND you'll get on how to cook delicious meals with these garden delights!

Book your place now, limited places available.

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Local Bush Walks to explore and enjoy

Another walk to whilst there is less t c using Stolls Road park either outside the gate on Laber-touche Creek Track or at the road end of Caves road. Why not go out up over South Hells Gate along the Robinsons Creek Track and back via South Hells Gate Dugout Rd and back on Bullock Link Extension to your car. Years ago I found a huge smokey quartz geode that had been crushed by a

dozer near the top of South Hells Gate, keep your eyes peeled if you enjoy fossicking. There are good views over North Hells Gate and Baw Baw as you go down the other side. Although you return via road o en you will sight wallabies and other animals grazing along the edge. If you are not sure where to go or would like someone to go with feel free to give me (Amanda) a call on 0417 188 694



Nangara Notes You may have no some star pickets in the Nangara Reserve with white caps and signs, they are for photo monitoring points. It is good to see the Shire are taking ve interest in our fauna and ora. It is wonderful to see that the Shire has put up a plaque commemo ng Lyn Childe's work Kids Wombat Seats.

COUNCIL News.

Join the Biodiversity Blitz
 We're taking part in the Biodiversity Blitz this September, and you're invited to join in too!
 The Biodiversity Blitz is all about getting out in nature and recording as many plant and animal species as possible during September.
 The project isn't only fun, but helps to identify the diverse flora, fauna, and fungi found in Baw Baw - plus, you will be flying the flag for Baw Baw and competing with other Shires in a friendly competition to see who can record the most species.
 Here's how you can get in on the action:
 • Download the Naturalist App
 • Register to be part of Team Baw Baw
 • From 1 September, get snapping!
 For all the app and registration links, head to our website at <https://bawbawshire.co/biodiversityblitz>

What's on in Baw Baw
 If you're looking for something to do, look no further. Our events calendar is all kinds of events across Baw Baw Shire, from shows at the West Gippsland Arts Centre, to farmers markets and community-run events. Visit <https://bawbawshire.co/events-calendar> to see what's on.

Pop-Up Playgroup
 We're excited to launch our brand new Pop-Up Playgroup program!
 Over the next 12 months, this program will pop up at parks, playgrounds and community centres across Baw Baw.
 To find out more, visit <https://bawbawshire.co/swabs-calendar>

Get in touch with your Councillors

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Work on the safety fence for the playground at Kidd Parke Reserve and the bollards around the picnic area.



This area is available to be used whilst the remainder of the work are carried out at the playground opposite the school.

Jindivick Primary School News

We have been very busy at Jindi in the last few weeks. Grade 3 – 6's had an amazing camp at Sovereign Hill, followed by a visit to the school from the Variety Club Bash, and then our Book Week celebrations. We will finish the term with our annual whole-school 'Soiree' on Thursday 14th September, starting at 7.00pm.



Dear Community,

As you may be aware I have been the Principal at Jindivick Primary School for 12 years. It is now time for me to have a change of pace. As of the 15th September (end of Term 3), I will be resigning. This has been a very emotional decision for me, but it is the right one.

How lucky I have been to work with so many dedicated people – colleagues, parents, community and most especially, the children. I know I will take many wonderful memories from Jindi and will hold them very dear.

Jindivick Primary School is a very special place, and one that I am very confident will continue to flourish under the direction of a new Principal.

I will have the chance to say goodbye to everyone at the Primary School 'Soiree' on Thursday 14th September at the Jindi Hall.

Once again, my sincere thanks to you all – it has been such a pleasure to be part of the Jindivick School Community.

Wendy Arno

*Wendy Arnott
Principal
Jindivick PS*

