

THE JINDERA NEWS

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JINDERA BUSH FIRE BRIGADE



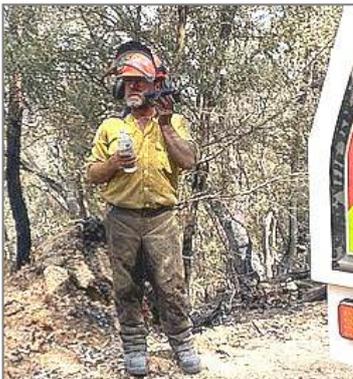
by "Poppa Pomegranate"

2026 FIRE RISK

As we celebrated Christmas and New Year, the Jindera Brigade reflected on the fire season and the potential risk level we face in 2026. With little to no rain over the past few years, the dams in the area are nearly dry, creating a significant issue for firefighting. This means we often must travel some distance to replenish water in the fire tankers, which takes more time.

2026 has started out keeping the Brigade very busy. The weather has aided the development of significant fires in Jindera, across the Southern Border Team area and in Victoria. We have responded to several fires that have presented potential problems for our crews.

Recent Jindera Bush Fires



An exhausted Mat Hicks

The largest fire in Jindera area burnt just under 20 hectares. The brigade was thankfully able to stop this fire with the help of Lavington, Glenellen, Bungowannah Brigades, and the Greater Hume Shire Bulk water tankers. **The Brigades put in an excess of 170 crew hours in controlling this fire.**

The extreme heat we have experienced has left fallen leaves, grass, and general combustible litter tinder dry. This makes the ignition of fires a lot easier. We ask that you remain vigilant and constantly monitor the fire risk on your property. With thunderstorms forecast, **dry lighting** has the potential to start fires anywhere. We have also had several **haystacks fires** this year which generally results from spontaneous combustion in the stack.

Many of the fires started around **Jindera** were from the use of **mowers, angle grinders, chainsaws, and vehicles** on high or extreme fire danger days. Please consider the level of fire risk any time you are working outdoors for the next 2 to 3 months, especially if you need to use power tools. **If you are not sure if it is safe to do that job due to the fire risk, please do not do it**; or call the captain or a member of the brigade, to discuss options before you accidentally start a fire on a high-risk day.



Chainsawing Tree Branches

If you need to chainsaw a branch that has come down across your driveway, or your property access road, **wet down a 3 metre area** all around the worksite  before you start the chainsaw. You may not notice the sparks that come off your chainsaw in the day light, but you will see this if you run your chainsaw at night. Please make sure you have additional help on site to keep an eye out for fires. Also, **have a hose ready that reaches all around the area you are working on.** The best protection you can have is a mobile firefighting unit ready to go, just in case you start a fire.



The **safest plan** if you must undertake the work, is to do the work early in the morning or later in the evening when the weather is a bit cooler. **If the weather forecast is for medium to strong winds, please do not do the work at all.** The NSW Rural Fires Act clearly states that if you start a fire on your property, and it escapes into other properties

.... you are responsible for all damage the fire causes.

Fire Brigade continued - page 10



Brett Milthorpe after days of fire fighting



Headlines and Happenings

By Lizzie Pogson. (Secretary, RCL).

The new year is already in full swing can you believe it?! Rural Care Link Op Shop and Office reopened from the 20th of January after a break over Christmas. Holly and Jason said how wonderful it was to swing open the doors and welcome you all back in for a browse or just a chat!

Community Assist Team Works Through Office Closure.

Christmas can be an extremely hard time of year and Rural Care Link kept system in place so that despite being closed, our community assist team was still able to support those needing hand. Just prior to our closure, our local butcher Brad donated us 2 hams which were gratefully received by two local families. New member of Rural Care Link Alison, and her two children, generously volunteered their time to distribute a number of Christmas Hampers to families within Greater Hume. A huge thank you to all who donated goods towards the Hamper Drive which is a team effort between Greater Hume Council, Rural Care Link and our volunteers. The recipients were delighted with the goodies and good cheer that came with it. Another *huge thanks* must go to Dawn, member of Walla Walla Lions Club who we worked with to create and distribute even more Christmas Hampers (and some Christmas cheer!) to those needing it most.

Community Assist

RURAL CARE LINK GIVES BACK!

The end of 2025 and beginning of 2026 have already seen Rural Care Link provide **donations** to a number of worthy causes close to our community and hearts.

Contribution to St John School Defibrillator: Rural Care Link has been able to provide a monetary donation to St Johns Lutheran School towards obtaining a Defibrillator for use within the school and community. These life saving devices provide immediate first aid by trained persons in the case emergency services cannot arrive quickly. Rural Care Link is considering organising training for our members and members of the community in how to use the defibrillators available which in turn may just save a life. *Feel free to contact our office if you are interested!*

Jindera Christmas Carols: Our Christmas Carols provided an opportunity for our community to raise funds for a family in need. Rural Care Link **donated \$500** on top of the community funds raised towards medical expenses for the young family (See Christmas Carols *page 38*).

Bush Fire Awareness and Support: In the face of a terrifying fire season starting in January, so many within our community have reached out to help those affected by the bushfires at Mt Lawson and Walwa. Rural Care Link provided a **\$1,000 donation** to the Thurgoona Fire

Brigade who were able to ensure this money went directly to those affected by the Walwa fire. We'd also like to acknowledge and thank **Brad Taylor** of the **Jindera Butchery** for his generous donation of large hams to Carevan in support of those affected by the fires.

Australia Day Celebrations

This year the Greater Hume Australia Day celebrations were held in Jindera at the new Netball Club Rooms. A fabulous but hot day giving our local community the opportunity to celebrate all the amazing nominees who contribute so much, and our newest citizens. A huge congratulations to all the nominee and winners. In particular Rural Care Link wishes to congratulate our own Julia Martin, Editor of The Jindera News for being awarded **Volunteer Of The Year!** We cant' thank Julia enough for all her hard work and this recognition is so deserved. More Australia Day on pages 24-25.



OP SHOP News

By Jason McKenzie (Op Shop Coordinator, RCL)

With the reopening of our Op Shop (see **Sale** advert *page 5*) from the 20th January came the huge task of working through all the early new year donations. It is incredible to see our donation trolleys filling up every single day, multiple times a day! You may notice that at times the Op Shop will have a sign informing customers that donations are closed for a certain period.

Please be aware that this is purely to ensure we can sort and organise all the donations that have already been received. Our team has a very small space in which to work and we need to ensure their safety at all times, and ensure they are not too overwhelmed! As soon as we clear room we will always be reopen for donations immediately.

Check out these hot tips on how to make sure your donations are useful and of great value:

- ◆ If you wouldn't gift it to a friend, chances are an Op Shop can't find it a good home either. Items that can't be sold add to congestion and waste costs instead of helping our community.
- ◆ Where possible, wash clothing before donating items. This ensures you can check for any damage and you may be inspired to mend or upcycle it before donating.
- ◆ Check for missing parts, broken pieces or damage on items before donating them. If the item is still usable and in good condition but missing an unimportant piece, let our team know so we can communicate this to customers who may be interested.

A **HUGE Big THANK YOU** to ALL the volunteer **Firefighters from our Local Brigades**, for their ongoing support of our Victorian counterparts, whose bravery in the face of unknown dangers is humbling and inspirational! Also recognising the faith put into them by their families, as they head off to help, into uncertain conditions and events. Along with caterers and donors, there are so many who give their time, spontaneously make offers of re-housing for animals, feed, machinery - the list is endless.

HAVE YOU OR YOUR FAMILY BEEN AFFECTED BY THE RECENT FIRES?

We know many people within our community have loved ones living in fire affected areas who may have been deeply impacted and lost personal items, homes, animals and everything in between. If you are looking for support in helping your affected family please come and see us at the **Rural Care Link Op Shop** or contact our office on **0475 594 073**. We are here to help and can provide clothing, house hold items and more to help support you and your loved ones.

If you or someone you know needs a referral to a specialist mental health service, including the **Disaster Recovery Clinicians** and **Farm Gate Counsellors**, call the NSW Mental Health Line on **1800 011 511**.



Op Shop Volunteer Chrissy has close family directly affected by the recent fires, losing all they own in the blaze. With help from our Op Shop Team Chrissy will be able to support her family with a car full of necessities.

YOUR DONATIONS TO OUR OP SHOP HELP IN SO MANY WAYS!

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL COMMUNITY!

DEFIBRILLATOR'S in Jindera

TWO Defibrillators are available **24 Hours a Day**

- ★ **Jindera Hub Building**
- ★ **Jindera Country Golf Club** easy to access from carpark

Other Defibrillators are available during the follow Jindera Facilities **Open Hours**

- ★ Jindera Pre-School
- ★ Football Club
- ★ Swimming Pool
- ★ Tennis Club
- ★ Fire Brigade
- ★ Anglers' Club
- ★ Jindera Medical Centre
- ★ Jindera Public School



In case of EMERGENCIES please familiarise yourself with these above locations.

Jindera Preschool's new Defibrillator

The Jindera Preschool Committee are happy to announce to the Jindera Community that we have purchased a **AED Defibrillator**. This AED has both adult and child function and is now registered for public use.



It is available for public emergencies and includes a paediatric key for child and infants.

It is located at the Preschool entrance in an alarmed cabinet.

A big *thank you* to Brad Cantor from Quick Response Training for donating and installing the cabinet.



For general **RCL (Rural Care Link) Enquiries** including Volunteering, Hardship, Personal Assistance and **Community Assist**.
Please call the RCL Office
0475 594 073

**Op Shop ONLY enquiries
(02) 6026 3001**

This is the dedicated Op Shop number and therefore, if you need assistance outside of trading hours, please use the RCL office number 0475 594073.

Op Shop Trading Hours:

Tues - Fri 10am to 4pm (closed for lunch 1pm to 1.45pm)

Saturdays - 10am to 1pm

83 Urana Street, Jindera NSW

[Op Shop Facebook](#) - please click on this link

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A SNAPSHOT from JINDERA'S PAST

Below is a relevant extract from our local newspaper noting **Bush Fires, Australia Day** and local **Council**

... *40 Years Ago!*



PREVENT THAT BUSH FIRE

The Bush Fires Act, 1949, provides for a bush fire danger period for the whole of the State of New South Wales from October 1st to March 31st. During this period, unless the bush fire danger period is revoked, there are additional restrictions on lighting fires in the open.

The issue of bush fire permits has been stopped by Council as from December 7th, 1984, except to bush fire brigades for fire prevention burning which ceased on Friday, December 14th, 1984. Therefore, residents are prohibited from burning in the open until further notice. •



WHAT IS AUSTRALIA?

Australia is your country and mine, whether we be descendants of the native born, or migrants over the last 200 years. To each of us it presents a different picture.

Is it the roar of mighty machines dredging up coal for electricity, uranium for nuclear power, iron ore for steel, factories turning out cars, refrigerators and furniture? Well partly,

Is it the lowing of cattle as they settle for the night by a splashing mountain stream, or the sight of new lambs gambolling in the fresh green grass, or the fisherman gently rocking in his small boat on some waterway with a line between his hands, listening to the steady lap-lap of the water and the bird calls along the banks? Well partly,

Is it the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Brisbane's Storey Bridge, Melbourne Cricket Ground or any other city landmark? Well partly,

Is it the roar of the finals crowd at the footy, the cricket, the tennis or just the local country teams playing with the same zeal as the Lillies, Jacko's or Cash's.

Yes, it's all these and more. The Aboriginal place names, Anzac Day, Melbourne Cup, Monday morning on the tram, a mother and child feeding the ducks on the lake, a farmer driving tractors day and night to beat the wet weather or again to beat the hot, drying winds of the drought.

All these things and more make Australia, and make it what it has become. Let us be proud of our land and strive to keep it the great democratic country that it is, where people are free to express their views and demonstrate their dislikes!

JINDERA RATEPAYERS SEWERAGE COMMITTEE..

Next Public meeting to be held on third Friday in January (18th) at the School of Arts Hall, Jindera.....

Please attend as the rate structure decided on by Council will be discussed as will the results of the Poll circulated around town prior to the Estimates being decided by Council.

Please also remember that you are ALL ratepayers within the Shire and as such are entitled to an explanation of rating structures set by Council and are also entitled to voice disapproval of any actions or decisions you do not agree with.

+++ JINDERA CARD & GIFT SHOP+++
GIFTS TOYS SOUVENIRS VIDEOS

WE WERE ASKED

In September 1983 our local councillor asked the Progress Assocn to specify priorities in respect of road work to be carried out at the end of 1984. This was done recommending the upgrading of Watson St., and the Health Centre portion of Creek Street, and the sealing of Jindera Street.

You all know what happened, don't you! Council decided to resurface, quite unnecessarily, Ada. Street, even timing it so that the sewerage pipeline construction would necessitate the road being dug up after the resealing (at our expense).

Do you really think the H.S. reply to the press was good enough? Isn't it time H.S. were a little more accountable to us for what they do with our money? There's no game in earning it!



OP SHOP

\$2 DOLLAR SALE
ALL Ladies Clothing

Ladies Clothing - \$2.00 per Item
TUE 10th to SAT 14th February

Jindera OP SHOP - Open 5 Days

Tuesday to Friday 10am - 4pm (lunch closure 1.00-1.45) Saturdays - 10am - 1pm

Phone 02 6026 3001 - 83 Urana Street, Jindera

**A bush fire in
Albury can drop
embers in Jindera.**

**ONE
EMBER
CAN
END IT.**



Jindera Community Diary

FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>Jindera Museum Tearooms from 11am Jindera Craft Shop – 11.00am - 2.00pm Jindera Golf Club - MENS & LADIES Comp 8.30am Jindera Blokes Walk – Jindera Oval - 7.45am</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Jindera Golf Club - Ladies Comp 9 Hole 8.30am</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Morgan Country CAR CLUB BBQ precedes 7.00pm meeting - Club House - Jindera Rec. Reserve Sit "n" Knit Ladies Knitting Group Jindera Hub Library 10.00am -12.00pm Aqua Aerobics Jindera Pool - 6.15pm - 7.00pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Jindera Golf Club Vets – 8.30am Stitch & Chat Craft Group - Jindera Hub 2.00 - 3.30pm Aqua Exercise Class Jindera Pool -3 - 4.00pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Jindera Golf Club - Ladies Comp 18 Hole 11.30am Aqua Aerobics Jindera Pool - 6.15pm -7.00pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Gentle Exercise Class Jindera Hub – 10.00am Jindera Golf Club Chook Run – 2..30pm and 4.30pm Jindera Anglers Club Club House, Jindera Reserve - 5.30pm Aqua Exercise Class Jindera Pool -3 - 4.00pm</p>	 <p>ROSE DAY</p>
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Do you have an event you would like added to the Jindera Community Diary
CONTACT US ON: jinderanews@ruralcarelink.org.au



St Mary MacKillop College *TOPS* regional NAPLAN results

Jindera's St Mary MacKillop Catholic school has achieved standout 2025 NAPLAN results due to old-fashioned teaching and strict limits on screens, according to its principal, Ian Smith.

St Mary MacKillop College Albury, with 216 students and founded just 17 years ago was the highest performing secondary school in the region with a score of 633.2.

The school was in 50th place across the entire state and Mr. Smith said the culture of treating classrooms as places of real human connection was key to its outstanding academic results. He said the school looked set to host 240 students next year and its growth was the product of a deliberate decision to turn away from digital distractions and focus on the fundamentals.

"Our style of teaching is around direct instruction," Mr. Smith said. *"One teacher per class. We have very little technology. We do have some laptops here but there is no bring your own device or no iPads. This is about a teacher instructing students in how to do something and they do it together, and then the students do it independently."*

The schools approach is ... I do. We do. You do.

"The evidence is that screen time is deleterious to the cognitive development of young people and that the effect of pen in hand and paper and direct instruction from a real teacher is the thing that is actually going to produce academic achievement," he said.

Mr. Smith said that modern life had stripped many children of real human contact. He noted that *"everyone is talking about being connected, but actually they are not connected at all."* Mr. Smith told us that smaller class sizes reinforced connection and created an environment where students thrived.

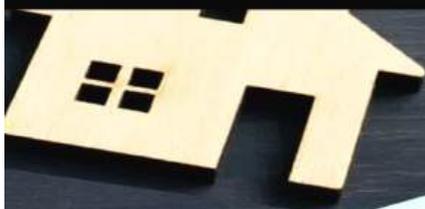
The school's results add fuel to a national debate about educational standards and the use of technology and AI in classrooms, as opposed to a more traditional approach. Critics have said that technology is overwhelming classrooms while also eroding attention spans. Supporters of traditional education are saying that hi-tech teaching is failing children from the earliest years.

Mr. Smith advised that his school's model was working because it rejected fads and focused on what has always delivered results. Parents wanted stability, so apparently do students, according to the St Mary MacKillop College philosophy.



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Assistant Priest: Fr. M Perry

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7am - Mon & Tues
8.30am - Wed & Thur
9.15am - Friday
8am - Saturday
Confessions before Mass

Baptisms and Weddings
by Appointment



BURRUMBUTTOCK
LUTHERAN PARISH



Growing Where We are Planted

Sunday Worship Service Times

Bethlehem Jindera 9am
Adams Street, Jindera

Trinity Bethel, Holy Cross Burrumbuttock and St Peter's Gerogery: please check our website for worship times

<https://burrumbuttock-parish.lutheran.org.au>

Contact: Pr Christian Fandrich 0457 841 123

You're welcome at

Lavington Baptist Church

Youth Group- 13 years +
7:30 - 9:30pm

Good News Club 9 - 12 years
6 - 7:30pm

Sparks 4 - 8 yrs
6 - 7:30pm

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10am (AU) & 12:30pm (AF)

Where: Corner Union Road & 1108 Corella Street, North Albury

ALL WELCOME!   

AROUND THE TOWN

UPDATE

with
Jenny O'Neill

Welcome back to a very hot and dry New Year. Unfortunately, there is a shortage of green grass around the town and council staff are spending many hours a day watering trees.

Local Eateries

It is good to have all our eateries back in action after the break. Thanks to the Bakery for being open during the holiday break time. We are extremely lucky to have a wide choice of places to eat and drink at.



2026 Australia Day

Australia Day was a special event especially as it was held in Jindera (*see pages 24-25*). The new netball facility was showcased which made the logistics of the celebrations much easier and all who attended enjoyed partaking of morning tea in airconditioned surroundings. A special mention to the Council Parks and Gardens team who worked tirelessly to have the whole township and Recreation Reserve looking immaculate for the occasion. Thanks to other council staff who helped in the setting up and taking down.



E-scooter Concerns

Concerns are still being felt regarding the number of e-scooters riding around town and a disregard for other people whether pedestrians or car drivers with scooters zig zagging in front of them on the road. A reminder that they are only **legal on private property** and the fines are considerable. The NSW Govt. website advises that:

- **Fines are:**
 - Ride on footpath **\$140**
 - Ride e-scooter whilst under minimum age of 16 years **\$140**
 - Fail to wear a helmet **\$423**



Council Footpath and Road Works

Work on **Jelbart Road** will be commencing shortly

The footpath from **Urana Street** to **Cade Court** will be constructed in March/April.

Greater Hume Facebook

To be informed as to what is happening join the Greater Hume Facebook page and let the Council know what your email address is. The Jindera Community page is also a good source.



Fire Brigade's Electronic Noticeboard

Thank you to the Jindera Fire Brigade for the use of the electronic noticeboard to advertise up and coming community events.



New Bus Stop

The new **southbound** bus stop is located at the corner of Hawthorn and Urana Road.

The **northbound** stop is still at the Hueske Rd intersection on the side.

This follows many years of discussions with Martin's Bus company and Transport NSW and provides a safer option.



KEEP COOL and BE FIRE SAFE!!

Friends in Action (Caritas) Diary: 2026

A Group that can offer emotional and spiritual support and opportunity for growth through caring and personal relationships.

11th February **AGM and Eucharist** – St Pauls Jindera.
M/tea 10.00am St Pauls Jindera.
AGM.
Lunch
Contact: Jane Barlow 0438 262 480.

18th February **Ash Wednesday.**

6th March **(Woman's) World Day of Prayer.**
Start 10.30am. Bring a plate of food to share, please.
Theme: "I Will Give You Rest: Come".

Friendship in Action



JINDERA BUSH FIRE BRIGADE continued.

Jindera Brigade Attends Bush Fires



Over this fire season the Jindera Brigade has also assisted with fires at Oaklands, Goombargana, Burrumbuttock, and were crewed and ready to go to Corowa. The Brigade has also assisted with the **Walwa** fire in northeast Victoria with the rotation crews over an 8-day period. Our crews were working in many areas of the Tallangatta and Kiewa valleys. The chainsaw crews completed some fantastic work and fire-

fighters strengthened containment lines and assisted in making the roads safe around the fire edge.

Are You Bush Fire Aware?

Again, we ask everyone to remain vigilant and monitor the fire danger ratings, keep your eye on our electronic notice board at the fire station; check it daily to inform you and your household about fire conditions in the district. Your **Family Bushfire Survival Plan** needs to be ready to help support you in the event of bushfire on, or near, your property. Remember, a fire burning 20 kilometres away, when there are high winds, can drop embers on your property, starting fires in your own back yard. Go to the RFS websites for more information:

[NSW Rural Fire Service](#)

Jindera's New Members

In recent weeks we have received several new membership applications. **Mel** has already attended several fire calls and is enjoying what volunteering has to offer; **Lilly** is working through her initial training and **Hanna's** application is being processed. If you've been thinking about becoming involved, or are willing to join other community minded residents, you can start the process by applying for membership on line at Join the NSW RFS - NSW Rural Fire Service, or drop-in and have a chat to us if you see us at the station. We have many roles that you can help with if you do not want to get on a fire truck.

JOIN US AS A VOLUNTEER

Thank-you for your ongoing support of the Brigade. **Let's work together to minimise the chance of fires developing in Jindera for the rest of this season.**



Mat Hicks (AKA Cr, Hicks) at Walwa Fire



The recent Walwa Fires were attended by our Brigade.



LIVE BUSH FIRE READY

PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE.

MAKE A PLAN





Your People Working Well

2026 Training Schedule

JANUARY

21 & 22 MHFA
(ONLINE)

FEBRUARY

17 RFAST

MARCH

4 & 5 RFA
17 MHFAR
24 & 25 HART

APRIL

14 & 15 MHFA
23 PRE
30 RFAR

MAY

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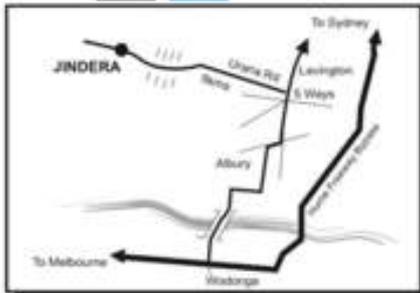
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- **When:** 2pm 1 March 2026.
- **Where:** Holbrook Sporting Complex function room.
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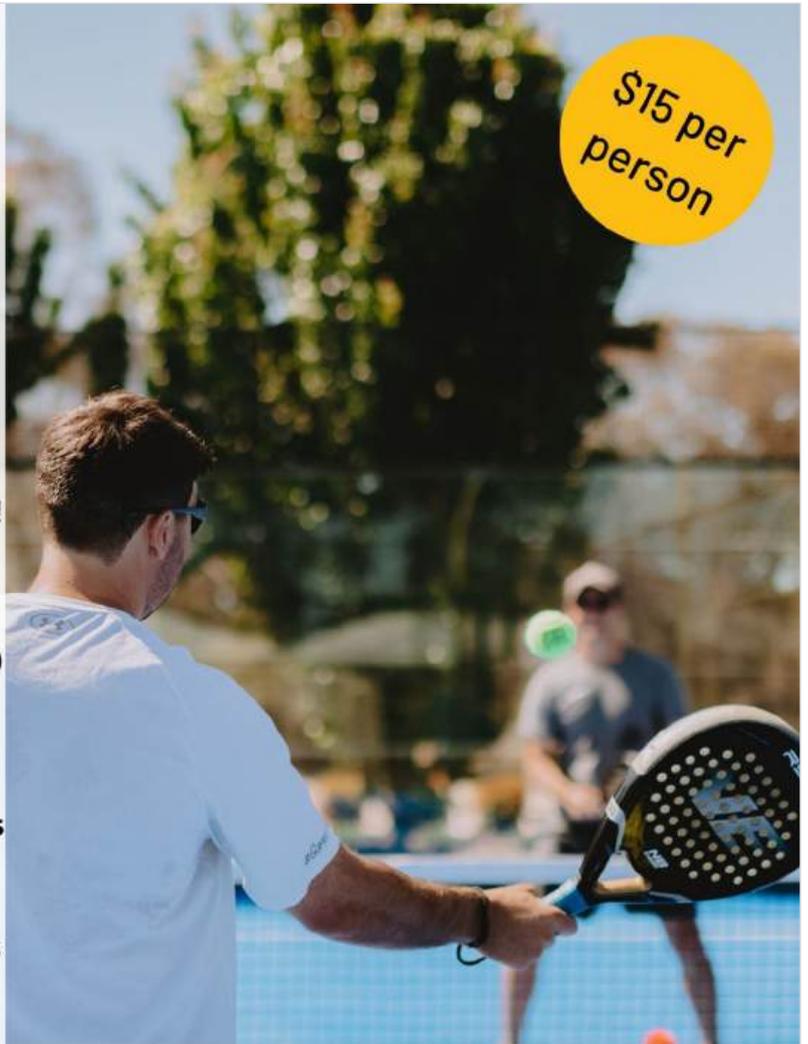
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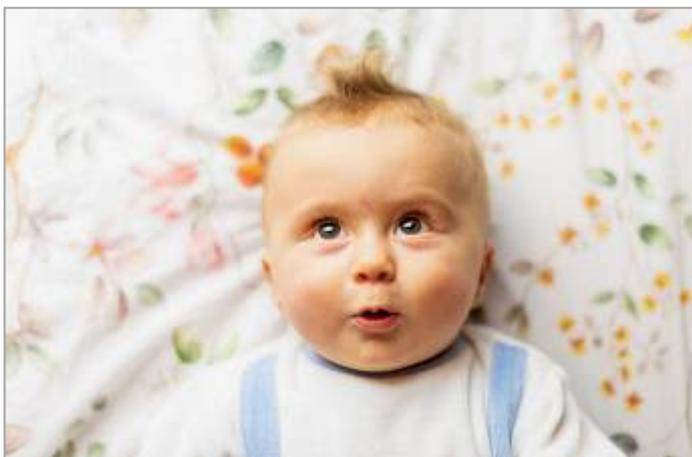
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Term 4 2026

Wednesday 14th October
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Australia Day Awards

The Museum has been honoured as the recipient of **Volunteer Group of the Year** at the Greater Hume Australia Day Ceremony, (see pages 24-25), held on Monday 26th January, at the Jindera Recreation Ground. Although the weather was hot, the Council had gone to considerable lengths to provide shade and water, and a light breeze ensured we were all able to remain fairly comfortable for the ceremony.



We are very blessed with volunteers at the museum who provide an extensive variety of tasks that assist the museum to remain interesting and viable. The addition of the **Jindera Men's Shed** to our membership has had the added bonus of providing a group of skilled folk who can fix, repair and tinker with a wide variety of items at the museum.



This group meets every Wednesday morning and other folk interested in seeing if it suits, are welcome to come along and meet the other folk who gather.

The museum is fortunate to have a group of dedicated people who provide a wonderful array of baked goodies on a Sunday for the **Tea Room**, and others who are happy to come along and serve and engage with our loyal patrons. The large garden always needs attention, and we have another great group who spend time ensuring that it looks its best, which is no small task given the weather recently.

There are others who come along regularly to open and close the museum and greet visitors and assist with cleaning. And there are also others who are happy to work at our events, functions and with the groups that visit over each year. There are also the myriad of 'behind the scenes' jobs, like promotion and book-keeping, history tracing and photo scanning, cataloguing, exhibition management and research, that are all done by our volunteer group.

In the last months of 2025, the museum was also recognized as **Business NSW Riverina Murray's Best Community Organisation**, winning against nine other finalists from the Riverina Murray region. The museum also holds a wide variety of events through-out the year, which attract other groups of visitors to the town and gives an enriched environment in which locals can participate. **The Lantern Festival**, held each year in August, is a large free community event, that provides opportunity for all to show off their lantern making skills and to consider the importance of compassion and kindness in this often bleak world. None of these could be held without the extensive participation of our **volunteers**.



The museum simply could not function without this band of wonderful, enthusiastic, committed volunteers who keep all of the wheels turning to ensure the museum remains a brilliant icon for Jindera. *"Their collective effort ensures the museum is open seven days a week, offering locals and visitors alike, a rare year-round destination in regional Australia. This accessibility strengthens tourism, supports local businesses and positions Greater Hume as a place where history and hospitality thrive, side by side."* **Vanessa Hayden, Travel Writer.**

This recognition is a very fitting accolade for a great group of people.

The Mural

The large rear wall of the new shed along Dight St is being adorned with a brilliant mural, depicting some of the historical people and aspects of the town. We were fortunate to receive grant funding from the Glenellen Solar Farm for this work which commenced in December. **Kristina**, our mural artist, works tirelessly, despite the adverse weather conditions. She is endeavouring to have the work completed by the end of February. This will provide another attraction for the township to herald in the future months.



Christmas Wreath Making

The end of 2025 saw another very successful series of Christmas Wreath Making Workshops - see event details and participants photos on page 37.

Twilight Opening

For all the event details and photos see page 37.

Upcoming Events

And so, the year is away and already embarking on its second month. We have decided to cancel our Valentines Day Dinner due to the extreme and ongoing hot weather, which has left many listless and uninspired, and leaves us with few opportunities to insure comfort. This weather has also led to the early closure of the museum on many days as the site is mostly without air-conditioning.

Our next events will be our **Easter Egg Workshop** on **28th March** and our **Autumn High Tea** on **Sunday 29th March**. **Trybooking** will be open for bookings for both of these events, from Monday 9th March.



The museum **Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Monday 9th March** in the **School of Arts Hall** Supper Room, to which you are all invited. Elections are held, yearly reports are provided, and of course, supper is served.

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Jindera's Barefoot Vet Retires

50 years ago, **Daryl Klein** graduated from University as a **Veterinarian**. For over 40 years Doctor Daryl Klein has provided Jindera, and the surrounding areas with compassionate and professional veterinary services. Located on Urana Road in central Jindera, Daryl and his team are renowned across the wider area as being one of the best when it comes to animal care, whether for our tiny furry friends to bigger bovines.

Growing his team over the years to include Dr Brigit, vet nursing staff and administrative professionals, The Jindera Veterinary Clinic is one of the longest operating businesses in Jindera.

And after owning, managing and working in his clinic for decades, our favourite local vet Daryl will be retiring to a life of leisure! While the team will continue on, including Dr Brigit, there may be a few new faces joining the experienced team. Working quietly behind the scenes to ensure continuity of care for all his patients, Daryl will be leaving the clinic in the very capable hands of Hannah and Michael.

New owner and veterinarian Dr Hannah says it is an exciting venture, with her husband Michael making the astute observation that *"at least there's no shoes to fill!"* (you may have noticed Daryl's iconic shoe-less style over the years!).

Literally the shoes may not exist but Dr Hannah acknowledges the fantastic reputation of the business and will be using her 9 years of extensive experience working in and managing clinics to ensure all patients, existing, and new, have the best possible care.



Joining Dr Hannah will be Dr Nick, adding further experience and expertise to the clinic's professional services. Living locally as a farming family with their 2 children and fur children, Dr Hannah understands the needs of locals and what it takes to ensure the highest levels of care for the thousands of patients that Jindera Veterinary Clinic cares for each year. We wish Hannah and Michael all the very best in this new venture.

The community of Jindera would like to extend a **huge thank you** to Daryl for his years of dedicated service caring for our pets, livestock, and injured wildlife.

We wish Daryl and his wife Stephanie all the very best in the future and lots of luck on the golf course which we hope you get to enjoy very much.



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Jindera COTTAGE CRAFT Group News

By Vivien Naimo

Wishing everyone our very best for 2026 from all at the Jindera Cottage Crafts Group.

Looking for a gift or thinking about *Valentine's Day*?

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For the **ladies**, we have a lovely range of jewellery, felted silk scarves, bowls and flowers, paintings, and practical items for the home. We have some lovely cheese boards for entertaining.

As well as crocheted heart key rings in assorted colours. Could be used in a variety of ways; in your car, backpack or on your keys!!

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Jindera Pool News



What a tremendous season we have had so far at the Jindera Swimming Pool! It was a very busy December with many of our local schools using the facilities as they celebrated the end of the school year. We are very grateful for your continued support!

January proved to be just as busy with many families enrolling children in the annual **Swim Vac** Swimming Lessons. Parents and kids alike loved this opportunity and it was great to see the development of those very important water skills over the two weeks! **Congratulations!**



We would like to take this opportunity to thank the team of **volunteers** who have been staffing the pool canteen this season. To **Jenny, Miranda, Lou, Lisa, Karen, Sally, Alexis, Marita** and **Michelle** we say a very big **THANKS** for giving up your time and being welcoming and friendly faces *and expert chip makers!*

We would also like to acknowledge our latest junior volunteer, **Sienna**, who gladly gave up her afternoons to assist with canteen duties in January. You did a great job Sienna.



Finally, our thanks goes to the Chairperson of The Jindera Pool Committee, **Ruth Dunn**. Ruth not only volunteered at the canteen, but was also leading the **Aqua Fitness** groups whilst supporting and guiding the Pool Committee ensuring the pool is the very best it can be.

We especially thank Ruth and design expert Lou, for the fantastic new Jindera **Pool Canteen shirts** that were purchased this season.



To Ruth, Allana and the loyal supporters who have turned up for Aqua classes each week- we are indebted to you again for making the pool a dynamic place that continues to offer a range of activities for locals to participate in. Another great season of Aqua Fitness!

Aqua Exercise Classes at the Pool

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Tuesday and Thursday: 6.15 - 7pm
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To our fabulous team of **Lifeguards** at Jindera Pool - we are all so very thankful for you and all that you have done to keep the pool and the grounds in such great condition. Your efforts, friendliness and expertise make the pool a delight to be at and we know it would not be the same without you!



WALLY WIPE OUT

Wally Wipe Out has continued to make a splash in the 2025/26 Season at Jindera. The pool had around 300 people support Wally on January the 4th (more news **page 23**). It was a fantastic day to cool down and relax in the New Year.



Then again on **Australia Day**, the pool looked exceptional with the Aussie bunting as the town hosted Wally (see **pages 24-25**). The free entry and the sausage sizzle were a great way for friends and family to catch up before the business of school started again. The kids were certainly exhausted! A big shout out to the volunteers who assisted on the day and the extra lifeguards who were kept extra busy!

A few friendly reminders...

The **last day** of the pool will be **Sunday March 8th**. To help us celebrate what has been a massive season, **WALLY WIPE OUT** will be in operation **from 2.30 pm**. We look forward to seeing you there for the final time this season!



Please also check out our **"Lost and Found"** table to collect any items that you may have misplaced. All items without a home will be donated.

Jindera Pool Opening Hours & Admission Fees - Ph: 02 6026 3900

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Jindera hosts Greater Hume's Australia Day

Australia Day 2026 in Greater Hume was held at the fantastic Jindera Recreation Grounds utilizing the ideal facility of the Jindera Netball courts and new club rooms. Pastor John Borchert opened proceedings with a message and prayer.

Although the day was predicted to be exceptionally hot the huge marquee and two smaller structures provided excellent shade cover for over 300 people. Cr. Jenny O'Neill as Master of Ceremonies ran the official ceremony, announcing the nominees and winners for the award categories.

White Line, the local band, entertained the crowd, before, during and after the ceremony. A delicious breakfast, and later, morning tea was provided by the Multi-Purpose Hall Committee ably helped by the Jindera Football Netball Club. The airconditioned club rooms were well appreciated by all enjoying the morning tea.

The award nominations included four from Jindera; Julia Martin, editor of the Jindera News, Patrick Hayes, Dr Glenn Mobilia and the Jindera Museum Volunteers. The Australia Day Ambassador, Giancarlo de Vera, gave a speech about Mental Health and Disabilities and the role Australians should play.



Michelle Milthorpe raises the Flag



GHC Mayor - Cr. Lea Parker



Local band White Line entertained us



Citizen of the Year Alan Odewahn

Mayor, Cr. Lea Parker and the two captains from Billabong High School gave thoughtful addresses and the Australian flag was unfurled by local Michelle Milthorpe. Aimee Keogh strongly led the singing of the National Anthem.



Fourteen residents became new citizens of Australia. A local Jindera family, the Clarks (see page 25) was among them. Mayor Parker presented all the new citizens with the official certificate and a bunch of native flowers.

Congratulations to all the award nominees and winners who were recognized for their hard work on behalf of the Greater Hume community. The winners were:

- *Citizen of the Year* **Alan Odewahn** -Walla Walla
- *Young Citizen of the Year* **Lilysh Retallick** - Culcairn
- *Volunteer Group of the Year* **Jindera Pioneer Museum**
- *Joint Volunteers of the Year*
 Julia Martin - Jindera and **Rita Bowler** - Holbrook
- *Sports Person/Team of the Year*
 Hamish McKinlay - Holbrook
- *Sports Volunteer/s of the Year*
 Geoffrey Whitty - Burrumbuttock
- *Event of the Year* **Burrumbuttock 150th Celebration**

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Some of the local Jindera Australia Day participants.



Jindera Museum Volunteers



Pat Hayes



Julia Martin



Dr Glenn Mobilia



Amelia-Mae Gilcrst

Greater Hume's Australia Day - *continued.*

The local Jindera school recipients were:

Louise Jarick - St John's Primary
Emiliana Byrnes - St Mary McKillop College
Amelie-Mae Gilcrist - Jindera Public

A certificate from the Henty community was presented to the Kilo family in memory of their son Henry.

WALLY WIPEOUT continued the celebrations at the **Jindera Pool** where entry was free during the afternoon and kept the younger generation entertained. Shade structures protected the many eager participants as they waited in line for their turn. The swimming pool committee provided a free sausage sizzle. Thanks to the cooks for slaving over a hot BBQ. At the end of the allocated time adults were given a chance to show their athletic skills by going on Wally themselves.

A big thank you to:

The Jindera Community, Jindera Football and Netball Clubs, for their outstanding job of working through the logistics of holding our Australia Day in such a lovely setting and for providing a delicious breakfast. Our Master of Ceremonies, Cr Jenny O'Neill - Jindera Rural Fire Brigade - Morgan Country Car Club - St John's Ambulance - Australia Day Councils of NSW and the National Council.



Jindera's new citizens, the Clark family

Mr. Daniel Clark, a Jindera local and carpenter, made his way to NSW after falling head over heels for an Aussie lady. They met in New Zealand on a snowboarding trip out on the slopes and the rest is history. The Clarks have been married for 15 years and have seven children, the youngest four being born in Australia. The oldest three, born in New Zealand, received their citizenship alongside their father. Daniel said that there were many reasons for this decision but mainly for the kids, to give them full inclusion as they get older and later in life. He is also on the board of our local Jindera Theatrical Society and helps the community put on shows.



Our *Christmas Carols* were held on Friday 12th December 2025

A balmy, still evening set the perfect scene as hundreds of people arrive to take part in the Jindera Ecumenical Community carols on the Village Green. Family groups gathered together meeting friends and neighbours. Excitement filled the air, particularly among the children preparing to perform their school items.

Local musicians and singers impressed the crowd with their wonderful harmonies, while performances from St John's School, Jindera Public School, the Jindera Play Group St Mary McKillop College were warmly received. Local young singer Molly Ginnivan also delighted the audience with her entertaining performance.

The Jindera Angler's Club helped keep hunger pangs at bay, providing a popular sausage sizzle throughout the evening. Everyone was reminded of the "real reason for the season" with input from Jindera Lutheran Church, St Mary's Catholic Church and St Paul's Anglican Church.

For the first time at the Christmas Carols, Jindera Fire Brigade transported a special person dressed in red, accompanied by the Grinch and a cute elf. The trio handed out Chuppa Chups to an orderly line of excited children, adding to the festive cheer.

A collection was taken up by the Jindera Fire brigade volunteers in support of Ellianhi Haws and her family, raising a generous total of just over \$600.

The Village Green looked particularly festive, with new bunting supplied by the Cats Pyjamas strung throughout the trees, new baubles and tinsel decorating the stage, and a real Christmas tree kindly supplied by the **Schmidt Christmas Tree Farm**.

Sincere thanks goes to Jindera Rural CareLink, Hume Bank, Greater Hume Council, the local churches, Albury Sound and Lighting, for their support, as well as the members of the Carols Committee, the talented band and MC Kristy Wenke for making the evening such a success.

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Principal: Emma Andrews

WELCOME BACK TERM 1 2026

We warmly welcome all students, families and staff back to school after the Christmas break. We hope everyone enjoyed a safe, restful holiday and had time to recharge with family and friends. Term 1 is always an exciting time as we set goals, establish routines and begin new learning journeys.

This term, we will be focusing on building strong foundations - academically, socially and emotionally. Teachers are working closely with students to set expectations, support wellbeing and encourage a love of learning from the very start of the year!

Over the recent holidays, we have upgraded our security systems, including the installation of cameras and improved gate controls. For the safety of all, our gates will be locked daily from 9:25am until 3:25pm. Entry during school hours will be via the intercom at the pedestrian gate beside the bus bay on Dight Street.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Our staff (along with Howlong Public School) began the new school year by participating in a two-day professional learning workshop delivered by the Salutogenic Schools Alliance.

The workshop provided valuable information, skills and practical strategies to support staff in understanding the foundations of neuroeducation. Staff explored the strong links between brain function, wellbeing and learning, and how these connections can be applied in the classroom to better support student engagement, resilience and success.



Major Road Upgrades for Hume Highway-Table Top Intersection

Justin Clancy MP recently announced that \$25 million in funding has been secured from the NSW Government for safety upgrades on the Hume Highway at Table Top. Thank you to the community for your continued strong and persistent advocacy. Any improvement that makes this stretch of road safer is a positive step.

Ultimately, we need to keep pushing for continued safety upgrades, including working towards a future full diamond interchange. Mr. Clancy acknowledges the Minister for Roads & Transport NSW and will continue to work constructively as we pursue further improvements.

Details that have been released: Work will be completed in **three stages**, include improving the road surface, upgrading drainage and installing safety barriers on a three kilometre stretch of the Hume Highway at Table Top.

Work on the first stage will commence in February 2026, with the upgrade of two temporary crossovers at both ends, before major work starts on 1.65 kilometres of the southern half of the northbound lanes.

Transport for NSW will also be carrying out a comprehensive investigation of the Hume Highway intersections with Tynan Road and Burma Road to help plan for future road upgrades.

Following fatal crashes at the intersection, the Table Top Safe Interchange Action Group prompted the community to rally for a solution. The safety groups preferred solution is an upgrade of the intersection to a full diamond interchange, removing the need for local traffic to cross the highway.



Another fatal crash at the dangerous intersection



Concerned locals rally for changes to the intersection

Jindera Public School - Continued

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STAFF ROOM

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Glenellen Solar Farm



Update

1st February 2026

Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to provide an update on the timing of the vegetation buffer planting at the Glenellen Solar Farm.

Recent site assessments have confirmed that planting during the January – February period would be unlikely to succeed due to unfavourable weather conditions and below average rainfall experienced over the past two years. Proceeding during this period would present a high risk of poor plant establishment and would not achieve the intended screening outcomes.

As a result, the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) has agreed to a delay in the planting of the vegetation buffer required under Condition B10(a) of the project approval.

Planting is now scheduled to commence no later than May 2026, with completion by the end of July 2026, when seasonal conditions are expected to provide the best opportunity for successful establishment and long-term viability.

We appreciate your understanding and will continue to keep neighbours informed as the planting program approaches. Further information will be provided closer to commencement.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Glenellen Solar Farm project team.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Beattie
Stakeholder Engagement
Mob: 0488 215 575

Glenellen Asset Pty Ltd

Phone: 0488 215 575 (Philip Beattie – Community and Stakeholder Engagement)

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JINDERA COMMUNITY FORUM

Next Meeting is at the **Jindera Community Hub** (entry via rear carpark) ON

Tuesday 17th FEBRUARY 2026

at **7:30pm**

Items for the agenda are welcome by emailing jinderacommunityforum@gmail.com



Come and join a group of locals who are interested in our community and its people, and who would like to help improve the facilities our community offers to both visitors and residents alike.

Welcome to 2026

At present we are trying to lock in a speaker for our February meeting, however, may only be able to confirm via email - [Facebook](#) early February - so keep an eye out for further info.

Enquiries please email: jinderacommunityforum@gmail.com
or phone Kathy Anderson on 0407 357 082.



We would love to hear from you if you have any news of interest to our local community!

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We are ready for the start of the 2026 school year and cannot wait to see our wonderful St John's students again when we welcome them back to school on Monday 2 February and Tuesday 3 February for our Kinder students.

We also welcome **New and Returning Staff**



Mustafa Aygun

As announced earlier in Term 4, we welcome Mustafa Aygun to St John's as Year 2 teacher for 2026. Mustafa joins us from Wodonga South Primary School where he has been teaching Year 1/2 and brings a positive, compassionate approach to teaching. Having grown up on a farm at Yerong Creek near Henty and in the Lutheran Church, Mustafa is excited to come to our school, surrounded by paddocks!



Emma Gaul

We welcome Emma Gaul to our teaching team as Year 3/4 teacher in 2026. Emma has a wealth of experience as a coach of athletics, fitness and girls' and boys' AFL for various clubs in Melbourne. This coaching experience has led to Emma's emphasis on building supportive relationships with students to help them grow in their confidence and providing engaging learning experiences. Working with Emma will be Karmen Lukins as learning coach.



Charlene Walsh

We welcome Charlene Walsh back from her year of maternity leave! Before going on maternity leave, Charlene was our Kinder teacher and now she will be teaching on Thursdays to provide release off class for our Coordinator. Charlene has taught at St John's for 7 years (Kinder and Year 5/6) with a calm, relational approach and sense of fun, and has had a range of middle leadership roles over that time. We look forward to having Charlene back with our staff team at St John's!



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A message from our Little Saints Service leader Penny Pettit



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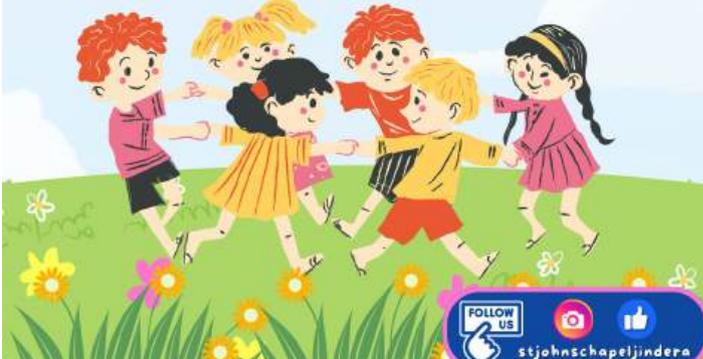
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After much planning, fundraising, hard work, and funding assistance from the Australian Government, the new *Bishop Brennan Wing* has come to fruition. The new buildings consist of four new classrooms, staff study and kitchen areas, office spaces and extra amenities. These areas will help cater for SMMC's growing enrolments and we are thrilled to begin using them from the beginning of Term 1 this year.

An official opening of the new buildings was attended by the Hon Sussan Ley MP and blessed by local Parish Priest, Rev Sean Byrnes, at the college Presentation Night, late last year. Attendees at the event were then invited to walk around and view the new spaces.

The buildings are now surrounded by new grassed play areas and we are also looking forward to the use of a new sport playing field in the coming months.



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Jindera CWA News

February 2026

Jindera CWA first meeting for 2026 will be on Wednesday, 4th February in the School of Arts hall at 10am. The meeting will be chaired by - President Margaret McMaster, Secretary Amy Kelly and Treasurer Olivia Hanel.

This year the subjects of study are:-

COUNTRY – Fiji.

FAUNA – *Glossy Black Cockatoo*.

FLORA – She-Oak

FOE – Escaped garden plants.

An Australian fauna and flora is chosen each year by the Head Office Agriculture and Environment Committee to encourage members to discover more about some of our native species.



A Foe is also chosen to bring awareness to the pests having a negative impact on our land and waterways.

PRIMARY PRODUCT – Wattle Seed – is chosen as a way of promoting Australian grown products.

NSW – CWA STATE CONFERENCE – will be held from 4th – 7th May 2026 in FORSTER.

**OUR BRANCH WILL WELCOME VISITORS
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Yours in CWA Friendship,
Bev. Blair
Publicity Officer.



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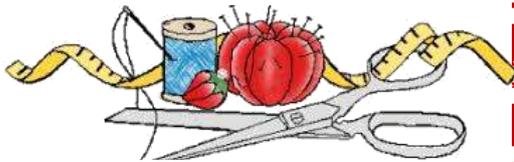


This group meets on the first Wednesday afternoon of each month at **2.00pm** at the Jindera Hub.

All welcome, just bring whatever you are working on & come along for a chat and cuppa.

We usually finish around 3.30pm

Judy Gray
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Jindera Museum's Twilight Opening

Although our first night for Twilight opening was hampered by considerably hot weather, we were able to celebrate Sue's birthday in style on the night, with much laughter and enjoyment. Members worked hard to ensure this was a lovely evening for our guests, despite the heat. Our second night of opening was exceptionally well attended with many groups intermingling and renewing old friendships. White Line did a great job of entertaining our guests, with the weather easing to ensure a more comfortable night for fun and frivolity. This was a very pleasurable evening, for both guests and hosts, and how we have always envisaged these events should run.



Christmas Wreath Making at the Museum

The wreath making workshops are run by Alison just prior to Christmas and provide a wonderful opportunity for attendees to construct beautiful wreaths to adorn doors or table over the Christmas period. Alison goes to considerable lengths to provide a wide range of natives to build these wreaths with exceptional results. No-one leaves unfulfilled, and it provides a great occasion to get together with friends in a creative atmosphere.



Jindera Christmas Lights Competition

Wow! What a spectacular and beautiful display of Christmas lights was put on by our Jindera community in the lead up to Christmas. It was a delight to drive and/or walk around with family and friends to look at the many varied displays of lights. Our old friend Santa even made a visit to say “*Merry Christmas*” at some of the displays to the delight of many.

Rural Care Link sponsored the 2025 Christmas Lights competition held in December with judging undertaken on the 19 and 20 Dec. The themed categories with entrants this year were: Traditional/Nativity, Festive Fun and Business displays. The caliber of the entries was fantastic, with many of the beautiful and varied displays around town entered. This obviously made the job of the judges to choose our winners extremely difficult.

Judges looked at the overall layout, the brightness and colour of the lights, theme and general feel to help choose, it was a very close competition!

2025 Christmas Lights Winners were:

Traditional/Nativity:

- 1st Lorraine Morgan - 133 Urana Road
- 2nd O’Hea Family – 144 Dight Street

Festive Fun:

- 1st Brendan Newnham – 66 Dight Street
- 2nd Alannah Hayes – 107 Pioneer Drive

Business Display - Magnolia Holistic Wellbeing

Thank you to ALL of those who took time and put in the effort to put up wonderful Christmas light displays and gave us that magical ‘*Christmassy feel*’. The real winners over Christmas being our whole community.

A special commendation and thank you to **Trevor Lieschke – Urana Road**, who has been sharing a Christmas Lights display covering both the themes of traditional and festive fun for approximately the last **24 years**.



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Beating the Heat at our Community Gardens

The days might be hot, but our gardens are staying fresh thanks to an amazing group of watering volunteers and our handy sprinkling system.

Early mornings and late afternoons, our volunteers are out making sure every bed gets the water it needs to keep growing, flowering and thriving. The sprinkle system helps cool the soil, protect roots, and keep plants happy even through the toughest heat.



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A huge *thank you* to everyone who helps keep Jindera Community Gardens green, colourful and growing strong all year round.

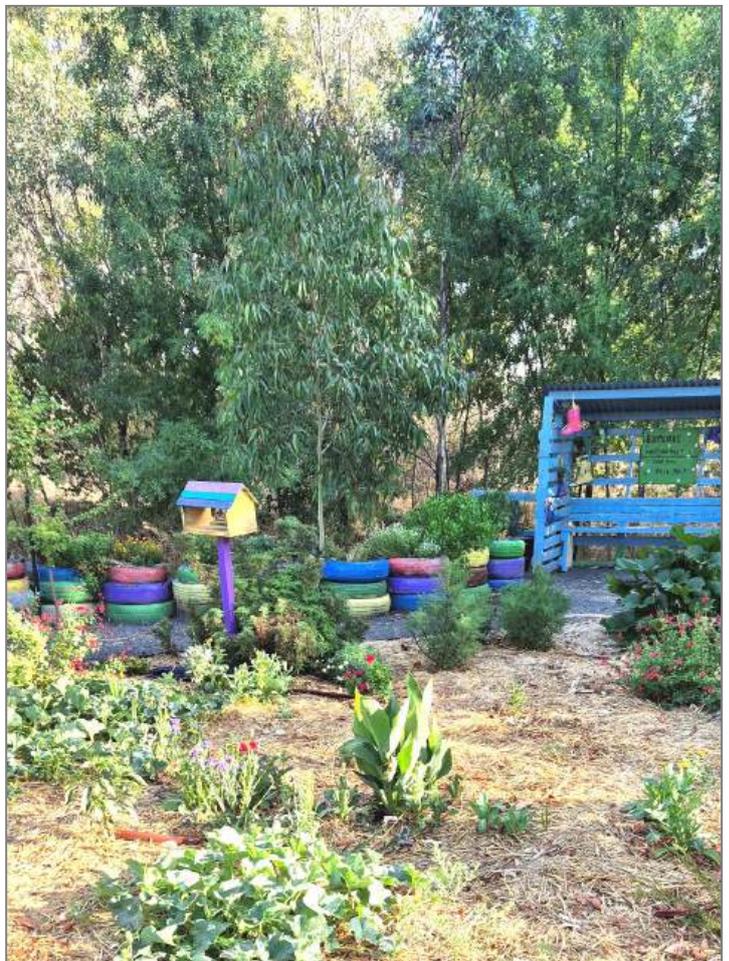
New Ideas are ready once we hit cooler months ...
Can you guess what ??

Our Native Garden at Jindera Community Gardens

This space is all about celebrating local natives that are built for our climate. With natural mulch, thoughtful planting and smart watering, these plants are thriving ... even through the summer heat.

Native gardens like this one support local wildlife, attract birds and pollinators, and need less water once established - making them perfect for our region.

It's a beautiful example of how we can garden sustainably while still keeping things green and growing.

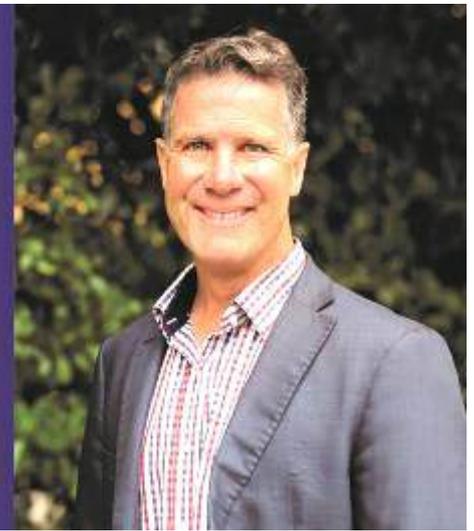


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PROBUS Club - February 2026 - Update!



The **Henty-Culcairn Probus Club** met at Henty Bowling Club on Wednesday 14th January 2026.

Our five minute speaker was Ron Wellington. Ron told us of living on family farms, of working as brickies labourer and builders assistant to turn local timber and bricks into a family home. He told of a big fire in the 1950s, travelling from Barnawartha to Wodonga overnight with people having burn injuries and much time in hospital. Ron told of working on farms dealing with rabbits and bare earth, of foot rot and ailments of cattle. Ron moved on to Pleasant Hills and then to Henty.

We thanked Ron, for sharing his life of farming and his family and presented him with our Probus pen.

Our main speaker was Jane Manning. She brought beautiful lace knitting to show us, along with spinning wheels and fleeces and there was lots of discussion about fine ply yarn, and how some was made from eucalyptus and bamboo and merino wool as fine as fifteen microns.

The works that we saw took hundreds of hours, starting with washing fleece and on to spinning yarn and the lace knitting which is Jane's special interest. Jane belongs to Albury Wodonga Spinners and Weaver's.

Yvonne presented our Probus pen as a token thank you to Jane, and conversation continued through lunch.

Our next meeting is to be at **Culcairn Bowling Club** on **February 11th at 9.30am** for a 10.00am start.

We always welcome visitors.

Walla Men's Shed UPDATE!

The Men's Shed aim is to provide a safe, supportive and friendly environment for people of all ages to gather, volunteer, work, teach, learn and seek fellowship with other like-minded people. To maintain an open door policy and will not reject any person on the basis of race, cultural or religious identity, sex, gender, disability, religion or age.

New members are welcome to join us from neighbouring towns.

The winners of the Walla Men's Shed Christmas Raffle were:

- ◆ 1st prize Richie Symmonds of Culcairn
- ◆ 2nd prize Shane Cogdell of Albury

Even though no one from Walla won a prize, the raffle was a great success with all the funds raised to go to the Walla community. We wish to thank the businesses who donated to the prizes and to all who bought tickets and donated to the raffle.

The Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA) is funded by The Health, Disability and Ageing Gov. Dept. The Walla Men's Shed has recd. a grant from AMSA to purchase a Defibrillator for use by our Community.

We continue to offer help for Citizens to take rubbish to the tip who cannot manage that themselves.

SAVE the DATE

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It takes the contributions from many people to run such a successful club. Great thanks to the hard working executive committee from Robin Weldon – President, Tony Corrin – Vice President and licensee, Craig McMillan – Club Captain, Daryl Klein – Vice Captain, Ros McMillan – Treasurer and Ladies captain, Marita Christensen – Secretary, Peter Penny and Graeme Moore led the Grounds Committee, Heather Chaston – Ladies President, Judy and David Gray – Catering Coordinators, Dave Castles – VETS Coordinator, Trevor Freeman and David Gray – sprinkler and general experts, Virginia Ebert – RWGA representative, Ash Paech – MDGA representative, Joan Jamison - social ladies, Kate Wookey – Ladies vice-Captain and all members of the general committee, club members and life members.

Welcome to a new year at the Jindera Country Golf Club. 2025 saw a consistent 4 competitions played weekly, which is more than 200 competitions that have been held over the year. Our member numbers are looking very encouraging with over 200 members.

The club held a very successful main tournament over 4 days in September.

We had a productive year with many changes to improve the course including new epoxy toilet floors and doors, new indoor bar facilities, improvements to the sprinkler systems, new tee boxes on 3 holes, outdoor taps installed, new Toro and Zero turn mowers making the course look a picture from the grounds staff, new competition flags and poles, lots of new sand buckets, new course signs and many other items courtesy of our hard working volunteers.

Major club winners for the year: A grade, scratch Simon Cossor won our main prize with Tony Corrin winning the handicap division. B grade saw Peter Penny taking out the scratch competition and handicap winner; Robin Weldon. C grade top players were Rhett Prescott, scratch and Craig Christensen, handicap. Captains award to Garry Spurr.

In the Ladies, the scratch winner was Rawinia Smithenbecker, with Heather Chaston taking out the handicap competition. The 9-hole ladies saw Joan Jamison winning with Judy Arendarcikas, handicap. Captains award went to Marita Christensen.

The VETS play consistently all year and run their own competition on a Wednesday.

We *thank the volunteers* who coordinate events, the course mowers and blowers, grant writers, those who managed tree limbs, weeds, spraying, watering, cleaning, and the computer technicians. The coordinators of tournaments, those who purchase and collect products, those who cut and stacked the firewood and kept the fires burning. We thank the money counters, the fixes of things, the problem solvers, the security system monitors, the collectors of rubbish and recycling, the water fillers, the bird feeders, the trench diggers, the turf layers, the cooks and those who collect the prizes we love to win.

We are also extremely grateful to our major sponsors: **Jindera Vet Clinic, North Albury APCO, Jindera IGA, McMillan Electrical, Monster Plant Sales and Pixal Accounting** for which your support is vital to the running of our community club.

We especially thank all the regular golfers who just love to play golf! We extend an invitation to Jindera locals to come and join us in our regular weekly competitions.

- **Sunday Men's 9/18 holes** – 8:30-9:00am tee off
- **Monday Ladies 9 holes** - 7:30am tee off (*Summer Only*)
- **Wednesday VETS 9 holes** - 8.30am tee off
- **Friday Chook Run - 9 holes** - 2:30-3:15pm or 4:30-5:15pm - *All Welcome*

Competition fees: **\$15 for 9 holes** and **\$20 for 18 holes**.

Members and guests are all welcome at our weekly tournaments, players both with and without a handicap. Social golf can be played at any time the course is open with card or cash payments available at the clubhouse door \$15 - \$17 a round. **The club has an electric golf cart available for hire by members and visitors.**

Membership – To join our great community club download a membership form from our website www.jinderagolfclub.com Adults \$140 yearly, Juniors \$35. Please email admin@jinderagolfclub.com for any enquires.

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Jindera Country Golf Club

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SCORES Summary - January 2026

SUNDAY COMPETITION

SUN 4/01/2026 Stableford – 5 Players

Postn	Player	DLY Hcap	Gross	Nett	18-Hole Result	9-Hole Result FRONT
1	James PHELPS	40	97	49	W, \$30	R/U, 23, 2B
2	Daryl KLEIN	23	74	41	R/U, \$10	W, 25, \$20
3	Sarah ROGERS	34	102	39	B	
4	Craig CHRISTENSEN	22	89	39	B	
5	Marita CHRISTENSEN	41	87	38	B	
6	Dee OSOJNIK	37	106	38	B	

SUN 11/01/2026 Stableford – 13 Players

Postn	Player	DLY Hcap	Gross	Nett	18 Hole Result	9 Hole Result BACK
1	James PHELPS	35	84	40	W, \$30	W, 19, \$20
2	David GRAY	21	88	39	R/U, \$10	R/U, 19, 2B
3	Craig CHRISTENSEN	22	87	34	B	
4	Russell GUEHO	19	81	30	B	
5	Simon COSSOR	9	85	30	B	

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Update from Morgan Country CAR CLUB

The Morgan Country Car Club wrapped up a busy 2025, with a Christmas party held at Thurgoona Golf Club, with about 70 members and family in attendance. A great time was had by all, with a great collection of cars on display.

The club car of the year was drawn by the Club manager, with the proud winner, **Pete Moran** with his magnificent **FC Holden**.



January 2026, saw a farewell dinner for a long time member and cruise director **Dave Clark**, this was enjoyed by over 40 members and family. Dave is leaving us to go to South Australia to join his family. We bid him farewell and all the best for his new adventures, we will miss his cruises.

Australia Day was held at the Jindera Recreation Grounds and was attended by over 25 cars from the club and numerous family and friends. The turn out was great with some outstanding vehicles on display covering all eras of motoring.

The **Swap Meet and Show & Shine** (see page 13) is shaping to be another big event on the **29th March 2026**, with over 150 sites already sold. More information on **Facebook**.

New members are always welcome,
Club meets first Tuesday of the month at the club house at the **Jindera Recreation Grounds** at **7.00pm**.



Jindera Country Golf Club - continued

SUN 18/01/2026 Stableford – 8 Players

Postn	Player	DLY Hcap	Gross	Nett	18-Hole Result	9-Hole Result FRONT
1	Ian PERTZEL	27	97	36	W, \$20	
2	Jason STEINKE	28	101	34	B	
3	Daryl KLEIN	22	96	33	B	
4	James PHELPS	29	66	31		W, 22, \$10

CHOOK RUN – Friday afternoon – 9 Holes STABLEFORD

CHOOK RUN 2/12/2026 - Stableford - 21 Players

Postn	Player	Dly Hcap	Nett	Result FRONT
1	James PHELPS	20	22	W \$40
2	Matthew WILLIAMS	11	20	R/U \$20
3	Peter PENNY	9	20	B
4	Kade STYLES	19	19	B
5	David GRAY	11	19	B
6	Marita CHRISTENSEN	21	19	B
7	Simon COSSOR	4	18	B
8	Neville BRAND	11	18	B

CHOOK RUN 9/01/2026 - Stableford - 13 Players

Postn	Player	Dly Hcap	Nett	Result BACK
1	Trevor FREEMAN	10	20	W \$30
2	Kevin WALSH	15	20	R/U \$10
3	James PHELPS	18	20	B
4	Lucy PHELPS	23	19	B
5	David GRAY	11	19	B

CHOOK RUN 16/01/2026 - Stableford - 24 Players

Postn	Player	Dly Hcap	Nett	Result FRONT
1	Lucy PHELPS	24	21	W \$40
2	Kade STYLES	14	20	R/U \$20
3	Peter PENNY	9	20	B
4	Donald SINGLETON	15	19	B
5	Kevin WALSH	14	19	B
6	Craig MCMILLAN	4	18	B
7	Walter PAECH	17	18	B
8	Daryl KLEIN	11	18	B
9	Shannon ROBERTSON	9	18	B
10	Trevor FREEMAN	9	18	B

VETS COMPETITION – Wednesday morning – 9 Holes.

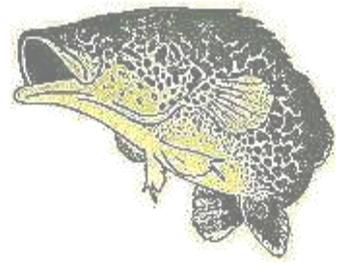
VETS Wed. - Summer Recess

LADIES - Monday morning – 9 Holes

LADIES 12/01/2026 Birdie Dash - Stableford

Postn	Player	Dly Hcap	Nett	Result FRONT
1	Jane VERBUNT	17	25	W
2	Joan JAMISON	26	23	RU
3	Marita CHRISTENSEN	20	22	
4	Judy ARENDARCIKAS	30	21	
5	Leanne QUINN	30	17	
6	Judy GRAY	24	15	
7	Helene WALKER	30	x	

JINDERA ANGLERS CLUB INC.



It's been a busy couple of months for our Anglers.

Our **Xmas Raffle** was again another great success for the club and we had some very winning happy locals !!

WINNER WINNER !!

- * 1st Prize \$500 IGA **Libby Alexander**
- * 2nd Prize \$100 Jindera Hotel **Ronette Richardson**
- * 3rd Prize \$50 Jindera Butcher **Rob Escott** (kindly donated back to the Jindera Anglers)
- * 4th Prize \$50 Jindera Bakery **Allen Davison**

Congratulations to all winners and thanks so much to each and everyone one of you who bought tickets. It makes a huge difference to our little club !!

Fish restocking for 2026 took place at the 12 mile in January a great job by the 20 odd members with 7 boats that released over 6,500 Murray Cod fingerlings.

Releasing cod helps ensure future generations have sustainable opportunities and something the club will continue to do annually.

The first comp for 2026 was the Australia Day long weekend. It was fantastic to see so many members out fishing.

There were plenty of nice cod caught and released over the three days.

Congratulations to Jacob for biggest fish with a nice 107cm!

Ladies winner was new member Tash with a 55cm cod. Biggest bag went to Laz with 4 nice cod (3 released and one kept for tea).

Also plenty of donuts too, well done to everyone.

Next competition is our big one !!

The **Daryl Girling Comp** at the 12 Mile is on **20, 21 & 22 February** (see advert page 47). We have a great turn up of people every year and welcome anyone to come and be apart of the weekend. Saturday night will be our **annual yabby races**, plenty of raffle prizes and a great night of entertainment.

For more info contact President Kerrie on **0427 238 281** - see [Facebook](#) or email - jinderanglers@hotmail.com

Tight Lines!



2026 Jindera Anglers restocking fish with over 6,500 Murray Cod fingerlings.



JINDERA ANGLERS CLUB

DG MEMORIAL COMP 2026

FEBRUARY 20th, 21st & 22nd
@ 12 Mile Reserve

Starts at 5pm Friday, Weigh in is 11am Sunday at the boat ramp

SATURDAY NIGHT
 yabby races
 lots of raffle prizes
 bbq tea

Members \$40
Non Members \$50
includes entry, food & stubbie holder

Catch the biggest Cod & Win

Closed Comp - Must register with officials prior to fishing or camping due to permit and insurance

Additional Enquiries Contact Club President Kerrie Lynch on 0438 930 285



Anglers Club Christmas Raffle Winners!



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SUNDAY

19th APRIL 2026

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