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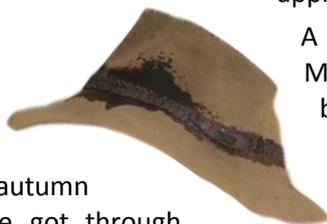
JAMIESON COMMUNITY GROUP

President's Report

As we move into autumn with its cool crisp mornings, the trees just starting to turn from green to their magnificent autumn colours, we can be thankful that we got through another summer without fire threatening our community. We thank our local Fire Brigade volunteers who made themselves available over the fire season and fortunately only had to attend two major fires, one north of Benalla and the other near Mairdample.

The year got off to a great start with our local community and visitors coming together on a beautiful sunny morning on the banks of the Jamieson River to celebrate Australia Day.

After a few early hiccups causing a slight delay to the launch, it's great to see the new Jamieson Community website www.jamieson.org.au up and running online. If you haven't already seen it I encourage you to check it out and continue to use it for research and information, such as on upcoming events.



Gerrans Res. Your work is noticed and very much appreciated by the community.

A big day was put in by about ten volunteers at Matthews Reserve where blackberries were cut back, fallen trees, low branches and rubbish were cleaned up, and a beautiful walking track was opened along the old road. This area is already being used by many locals and visitors with very



The reopened pathway through Matthews Reserve

positive feedback. We will continue to clean up and maintain this area, to seek funding and assistance for resurfacing with crushed rock and to create a safe off-the-road walking path from town all the way to Gooley's Bridge.

Congratulations to the small syndicate of locals who banded together to set up and run *Jamieson Arts & Garden*. The plant nursery and outlet for local art, craft and local produce was officially opened in Perkins Street on Saturday 7th March. A warm welcome to *Mingo's at the Junction*, another new business in Jamieson that opened on Friday 6th March. I encourage you all to support these new ventures as they are great assets to our community and add further places of interest for visitors.

During 2015 as we commemorate 100 years of ANZAC, the Jamieson Community Group, working with the ANZAC Day committee and supported by Mansfield Shire Council, plans to upgrade and improve Gerrans Reserve and the War Memorial. The Fran Wilson trust monies (donated by her family and friends) will be used to fulfil her wish to upgrade the memorial and to list the names of the men and women from Jamieson who served in the armed forces.

We are currently working on an application to the ANZAC Centenary Grants Program for further funding to complete the project. Should our application be



Upcoming events		LOCAL EVENTS
5 Sun	EASTER SUNDAY CRAFT MARKET APRIL 2015 @ 10:00am-2:00pm @ MEMORIAL HALL Held annually in the Jamieson Community Hall. Come along and sample locally made wares including arts, crafts and produce!	Jamieson prides itself on the quality of the events it hosts. Whether it is the Australia Day celebrations by the river, the moving Anzac Day march, the Autumn Festival or the Hot Rod Muster, the character of the Australian bush town is epitomised by Jamieson. Locals and visitors are welcome at all community events. Not a week goes by without something going on...
25 Sat	ANZAC DAY APRIL 2015 @ 6:00am-6:00pm Sat, Apr 25 - Sun, Apr 26 @ Commences At Gerrans Reserve The moving Anzac Day ceremony attracts visitors from far and wide.	Read more about our weekly monthly...

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We have held a couple of very successful working bees over summer, the first at Gerrans Reserve where we cut back dead and over-hanging branches, weeded and generally cleaned up the garden beds. Thanks to STOJL who continue to work at the reserve setting up a watering system, sourcing and planting many small trees, shrubs and flowers. Thanks to those of you who see a need and quietly go about doing the job, like Murray who repaired and painted the garden seats at

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successful and we have sufficient funds, our initial plan would be to: retain the existing memorial rock and affix bronze plaques listing the appropriate names for each of the wars; replace the existing gravel path with a natural stone or brick paved walkway culminating in a paved circle around the memorial stone; relocate the information board; reposition the existing bench seats and add at least two more on the grass area around the memorial; top dress and seed the grassed area to bring it up to paving height.

We appreciate that the War Memorial is a very important and sensitive project to a lot of people. We also recognise that this is on the main street in our town centre and therefore very important to the whole community. I believe this garden square should be the centrepiece of our town and reflect the natural beauty of Jamieson. Over the next few weeks using the community notice board and other forms of communication we hope to display information on the project including drawings or plans and a list of the names compiled so far for the memorial plaque. If you have any suggestions or concerns about the project or can help with the list of names for the memorial plaque we encourage you to contact us in writing or via our email address jamocommunity@gmail.com

Working together for an even better community

Chris Badrock

President, Jamieson Community Group

JAMIESON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



From the Secretary's Desk

The Historical Society is delighted to collaborate with the Community Group in dedicating the current issues of both *The Chronicle* and the *Jamieson News* to the men and women who served in The Great War, and in particular those who fought at Gallipoli.

We know that both readerships will appreciate reading about WW1 soldiers with a Jamieson connection.

Karen Alderson

Secretary, J&DHS

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Reminders

April 2015

5th 9:00AM Easter Market at Community Hall

25th 6:00AM ANZAC Dawn Service at Gerrans Reserve, followed by Gunfire Breakfast at Hall 11:00AM Parade

May 2015

2nd Jamieson Autumn Festival

28th 10:00AM Biggest Morning Tea at Hall

Next issue will be in July 2015

Jamieson Community Group 2014/2015 Committee

President	Chris Badrock
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FELIX VAGUE

1881—1915

Felix Vague was the first of four generations to serve their country. He was born in 1881 at Creswick, Victoria. Felix, a bachelor, enlisted at the age of thirty three. He died a hero on the very day of the invasion at Gallipoli, on 25th April 1915.

Felix's medals, awarded posthumously, were:

- 1914-15 STAR
- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

Felix was also awarded the ANZAC Commemorative Medallion, quoting this decoration:

"In commemoration of the heroic deeds of the men of ANZAC at Gallipoli in 1915".

All of these medals are on display in the Museum.

Since Felix served in WWI, his descendants have served in WW II, Malaya, Singapore, SE Asia and more recently The Middle East.

Footnote: Felix Vague is the Great Uncle of Jamieson resident, Murray Vague



AVELYN MOUNTFORD

1890—1960

Thomas Henry Avelyn Mountford was the son of William and Mary Mountford of Jamieson. He was also the grandson of Charles Mountford, a member of the Howqua District Road Board and owner of the Lauraville Brewery.

Avelyn enlisted in the 1st AIF 3rd Pioneers in June 1917. At the time he was living in Jamieson and working as a miner.

Avelyn returned to Australia in May 1919 and was



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officially discharged in June 1919. He was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Avelyn married Maud Mary Twidale in 1920 but served for 2nd time in WWII until his return and discharge in 1948. Avelyn lived in Jamieson from 1937 until his death in 1960.

JOHN KING MOFFETT

1896—1962

John King Moffett (Jack) was the son of John Moffett, miner in Jamieson, and Sabina Jane Hartley.

Born in 1896 in Carlton, John lived in Jamieson before moving to Western Australia.

John King Moffett enlisted in February 1916 with the 10th Light Horse Regiment and sailed in June 1916.

He was involved in the fall of Damascus, October 1918, where he obtained a Turkish WW1 Ottoman Army Enlisted Man's belt buckle (on display in the Jamieson & District Historical Society museum). He returned to Australia in July, 1919.

John also served in WW2 and was in Darwin with his son, Kingsley Moffett, during the Japanese bombing raids. John died in 1962 in Corrigin WA but his son Kingsley is still alive and kicking at 93 years old!



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Letters from the Front

Mrs Vincent, late of Jamieson, received the following letters from her husband, Corporal Vincent.

(The letters were published in *The Courier*)

5/7/17

Things are going on as usual; been in mud knee deep for 36 hours; nothing to what the infantry boys have had, but in a couple of days all forgotten. Chris M' Kinstry is well, Tom Anderson, Early Garratt and Chris Fraser the same. Very little sickness in camp, considering the number of men there are - no fever so far; no doubt the inoculation has saved us.

8/7/17

E. Garratt and C. M'Kinstry met in hospital; not too bad, as they are back in the line again. Did I mention Bert Martin was killed! Hard luck after all he went through. King George and Holman came this way last week, gave them cheers; Fritz nearly sent the latter to the top of the sky, but an account will be in the papers. Met Billy Moyes: he won a military medal; he looks very well.

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He was hospitalised with battle injuries on several occasions, but always returned to active duty until one operation in April 1918 when he was part of a raiding party which was hit by a shell from their own side. Lieut Davis received a direct hit. When his 2 comrades arose after the impact, there was no trace of Davis where he had been standing.

His name is on the Menin Gate at Ypres among the list of soldiers whose remains were never recovered.



MABEL JUSTICE

1884–1976

Mabel Justice was born in Ireland but grew up in Gaffney's Creek, while going to school in Jamieson PS814.

After giving up a teaching career for nursing, Mabel spent 2 years looking after injured soldiers on WWI hospital ships. After a break of a year, she signed up for service in India, spending another 2 years nursing injured soldiers in the Afghan Frontier War.

Mabel led a very active life right through to her death in 1976.



Mabel (2nd from right) in Egypt in 1915

WRB DAVIS

1890–1918

Lieutenant William Robert Berry Davis was another local who had a very active involvement in WWI from Gallipoli through to 1918. He was part of an intelligence unit in the 8th Battalion who made many raiding parties behind enemy lines between 1914 and 1917.

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CRAFT GROUP

We started back for 2015 at the beginning of February, and are busy getting ready for the Easter Market.

We have finished our project of *Poppies for Anzac Day*. This was begun late last year, so we had a head start.

Also the Autumn Festival is not far away, so our



thoughts are turned in that direction. This year we will be in the Memorial Hall, and as well as demonstrating some of the things we do at Craft, will also have some of our work on display.

We meet each Wednesday at 10 a.m. Visitors are always welcome so do drop in for a chat one morning.

Contact: Jude Ridley on 5777 0655

CFA NEWS

Jamieson CFA members and friends.

There had been some fears that February might prove to be a challenging month for fires, but in the end, we had a relatively cool February especially with low dew-laden overnight temperatures.

That said, the fire restrictions are still in place, except for specific crop burning for which permits are required.

Jamieson Brigade activity was quite low, as indicated by Chris in his President's Report. While this is invariably good news for the community, it means that the brigade members get little practice either in procedure or in fire-fighting itself.

The Brigade elections come up in a few months' time. If anybody is interest in making an active contribution



to the brigade, this is a good time to think about what they'd like to see happen.

Grant McRostie, CFA Captain, Jamieson Brigade

Contact: Secretary, Max Berry 5777 0583

Meetings: 8pm, 2nd Wed of each Month, at Fire Station

JAMIESON TENNIS CLUB

Social tennis Wednesday mornings.

(Note from Ed: I bumped into Brian Dixon and Ray Groom playing tennis one evening in February. Clearly the happening spot for retired footballer-politicians.)

Contact David Lean 5777 0883



ALPINE COUNTRY CAR CLUB JAMIESON

We kicked off 2015 with a planning meeting, held on a beautiful day in a beautiful location.

The location was the DEPI hut near Kevington and the turnout was impressive. What a fantastic location, organised by Bernie Anstee.

It doubled as the planning meeting for 2015 events, and was so good that it's likely to become an annual planning/social meeting to kick off each year.



Bernie Anstee's 1957 Morrie by the Goulburn River

Club meetings are held first Wednesday of every month at the Courthouse Hotel Jamieson. Come along and see what you are missing!

Contact: Noel & Jenny McLaughlin on 5776 2257

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TIPS FROM THE LONG ARM

Duck hunting season has just started again (21 March to 8 June), so take care with your own guns and be conscious of other hunters, especially city folk who get a bit over-

excited

when they visit the country.

Always call 000 for urgent matters. 000 will automatically contact Paul, the area Sergeant, or a patrol car that happens to be near the area.



We were even more excited when we heard that Lloyd Spiegel would be playing the guitar at the Jamieson Autumn Festival.



Giant Redwood before



Giant Redwood after

FISHING CLUB NEWS



At 12:00 noon on Easter Sunday, the Lakeside Fishing Club is hosting a free kids' event at the Caravan Park swimming pool. Equipment will be provided and club members will show kiddies how to fish. There will be prizes and lollies. Parental supervision is a must.

The fishing will be followed by an Easter Egg hunt.

Also a club members' fishing competition over Easter.

Club meets at the Courthouse Hotel every Thursday night starting at 6:00 PM. SEE YOU THERE!

For further information contact:

Harry Drew on 0418 628 668 or Dick Laidlaw

JAMIESON by COLE-CLARK

We were really excited to hear in the last few weeks that the first of the Cole-Clark Jamieson Redwood guitars has been made and played. These guitars, you might remember, were being made from the Giant Redwoods that had to be felled in the old Police Paddocks in 2011.

SCHOOL NEWS (PS814)

On the 12th of March Matilda, Bella, Michael, Mitchell, Breanna and Mrs. B all left Jamieson at 5.45 am to go to Melbourne Convention Centre for the Grip Leader Ship Conference. They had to sit in a big green room with 2100 other people. They listened to people talk about being a leader. Later on the people came around the room with a microphone and asked the students questions.



Students learnt about Stand up when there is an opportunity, Stand up for what is right, Stand up for yourself and Stand up for others.

They also had to get out of their seats and meet students from other schools. The leadership group is now called Double- Grade 5, 5 people.

GRIP: G= generosity R= resilience I= integrity P= people

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Please check the names of WWI service men and women who were either born, lived or enlisted from Jamieson, Howqua, Gaffneys Creek, Ten Mile and Kevington. Let us know if there are any errors or omissions. These names are to be inscribed on the plaque at Gerrans Reserve War Memorial when it is upgraded this year.



**HELP
NEEDED**

NAME	INITIALS	NAME	INITIALS	NAME	INITIALS
Anderson	John Thomas, <i>Lance Corp</i>	Franz	Arthur Edward, <i>Pte</i>	Lindsey	Bruce, <i>Driver</i>
Angus	Archibald Eric, <i>Pte</i>	Franz	R Bertrand Leopold, <i>Pte</i>	Lloyd	Benjamin Frederick, <i>Warrant Officer</i>
Angus	Robert Lawrence, <i>Pte</i>	Fraser	Charles, <i>Lance Corp</i>	Lloyd	Alexander Aiton, <i>Pte</i>
Angus	William David, <i>Gunner</i>	Gaffney	WJ, <i>Gunner</i>	Lloyd	Douglas
Axton	Albert, <i>Pte</i>	Garrett	Early, <i>Corp</i>	Malone	J
Barrow	David Edward	Garrett	John Stephen, <i>Corp Light Horse</i>	Markham	Percy, <i>Pte</i>
Bohun	Harry, <i>Corporal</i>	Gerrans	George Slocket	Marrow	Herbert John William, <i>Pte</i>
Brosnan	JP, <i>Sapper</i>	Gilbert	J	McEffer	Henry, <i>Sapper</i>
Calvert	Jas, <i>Gunner</i>	Grainger	Alexander Thomas, <i>Trooper</i>	McInstry	CM, <i>Pte</i>
Cantieni	George Jacob, <i>Pte</i>	Hampton	JG <i>Pte</i>	McNamara	John, <i>Sapper</i>
Coate	John Clive	Handford	Robert, <i>Pte</i>	McQuilten	AA, <i>Trooper</i>
Cuthbert	William, <i>Pte</i>	Handford	Joseph	Moffatt	Robert Thomas, <i>Bombadier</i>
Davis	William Robert Berry, <i>Lieut</i>	Hennesey	S	Mountford	Avelyn, <i>Pte</i>
Dellar	Gilbert, <i>Lance Corp</i>	Hennesey	T	Moyes	William, <i>Corporal</i>
Dellar	Lawrence, <i>Pte</i>	Hodgkinson	C	O'Leary	William John, <i>Trooper</i>
Dennis	WL, <i>Corp</i>	Hoskin	P	Payne	JR, <i>Pte</i>
Diggins	Allan Stanley, <i>Serg</i>	Hoskin	S	Peterson	Clive Alfred Michael, <i>Driver</i>
Dobson	James John, <i>Pte</i>	Hoskin	William	Peterson	Thomas John, <i>Gunner</i>
Ducrow	Thomas Emos	Jefferies	Charles King, <i>Pte</i>	Prendable	J
Ducrow	William Charles	Justice	Mabel, <i>Sister</i>	Regan	J
Dundas	Roy Gordon, <i>Serg</i>	Justice	John Bolton, <i>Lieut</i>	Robinson	V
Edwards	B	Justice	Ralph, <i>Lieut</i>	Still	Henry Wilfred, <i>Pte</i>
Edwards	G	Justice	Thomas, <i>Chaplain-Major</i>	Tisdale	Samuel John, <i>Pte</i>
Ellis	P	King	W	Todd	Edward John, <i>Driver</i>
Fenton	C	Kosky	E	Vincent	L
Fitzgibbons	William Thomas	Kosky	M	Ware	R
Foots	John Moffatt, <i>Pte</i>	Kurtzmann	Louis, <i>Pte</i>	Wrench	Edward John R (Ted), <i>Pte</i>
Foots	Sidney, <i>Pte</i>	Kurtzman	Richard Victor, <i>Pte</i>	Wright	A
Foots	George Jamieson, <i>Pte</i>	Lawson	Robert Cecil, <i>Gunner</i>	Wright	T
Forman	J	Lawson	Brant, <i>Gunner</i>		

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AUTUMN FESTIVAL 2 May 2015

Gold Panning



Blacksmithing



Whip Cracking



Cole-Clark Jamieson



Art Workshop



Haybale Race



Jamieson is hosting its

2nd Autumn Festival

For 2015, the Festival will be a few weeks later, so that the Jamieson's famous autumn leaves are at their most colourful.

Saturday, 2nd May 2015

Same same as 2014, but different

- blacksmithing, - bush cooking,
- stationary engines, - classic cars and tractors,
- whip cracking, - bush poetry,
- photography, - art workshop,
- pottery, - fly tying & fishing,
- gold nugget throw, hay bale race,
- historic trees heritage walk
- lot of buskers, etc.

Specific times and venues set out in the 2015 Autumn Festival Program.



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Sunday Morning

- Guided walk among Jamieson's historical trees
- Quiz walk round and about the township
- Open gardens

The Pubs & Cafe



Music & Poetry

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