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Join the Crocs at Kuranda Festival

Kuranda Festival Event Program 2015
Sunday 18th October 2015

8.00–9.30am Kuranda Poets' Breakfast (Frogs Restaurant – Heritage Markets)
10.00am–4.00pm Kuranda Envirocare – Plant Display (Centenary Park)
10.00am–4.00pm Kuranda Conservation – Cassowary Awareness display (Centenary Park)
10.00am–1.00pm Sea FM (Outside Broadcast) with Mark & Juanita (Centenary Park)
10.00am–3.00pm Face Painters located Centenary Park, Original Markets & Heritage Markets
10.00am–3.00pm Kuranda Arts Co-op, Art Displays & Demonstrations (Kuranda Arts Co-op, 20 Coondoo Street)
10.00am–3.00pm Horse & Carriage Rides around the village (Departs Therwine Street in front of Kuranda Visitor Information Centre)
10.00am–4.00pm FREE 2 x Jumping Castles (Centenary Park)
10.00am–4.00pm FREE mini golf in the Original Rainforest Markets
10.00–11.30am Bash of the Barron River Raft Race & The 100m Crocodile Swim (Banks of the Barron River – team registrations from 10.00am)
10.00am–2.00pm Heritage Market hosts local artist during the day doing an interactive sculpture and painting around the "Circus Comes to Town theme"
10.10–10.50am Danny Simony, Kids' Magic Show (Centenary Park)
10.30am–2.00pm Kuranda Bike Show & Live Music (Car Park Opposite KORM & ANZAC Park)
10.50–11.00am Circus Aerial Performance
11.00am– 12.00 noon Dream State Circus Performance
11.15–11.45am Kuranda Candy Making Demonstrations (21 Coondoo Street)
11am–11.30am Honey and Spice Ukulele Group performing outside the Kuranda Arts Co-op
12.00 noon–12.30pm German Tucker Sausage Eating Competition (Centenary Park)
12.00–12.45pm Cycas Circus Workshops
12.30–1.00pm Kuranda Ice-cream Eating Competition (Original Rainforest Markets)
12.50–1.10pm Cycas Circus Aerial Performance
1.10pm (present the Best Dressed Clown and other awards)
1.15–1.45pm Kuranda Candy Making Demonstrations (21 Coondoo Street)
1.15–3.30pm Dream State Circus Performance & interactive Circus Workshops

For more information:
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Tropical North Queensland's bravest will be competing in the inaugural Croc Swim at the Kuranda Festival on 18th October.

Tourism Kuranda Executive Officer Marc Sleeman said the upper reaches of the Barron River at Kuranda were the habitat for a number of freshwater crocodiles with the reptiles regularly seen by visitors on the Kuranda Riverboat cruise.

"Kuranda locals happily coexist with these crocodiles and swim in the Barron River so we thought we would put out a challenge for a 100m swimming race in this beautiful stretch of the river," he said.

"As well as the Croc Swim we will be having some of the popular events, Kuranda Festival is known for including the Bash of the Barron River Raft Race and the German Sausage Eating Competition.

"We have organised a full day of free entertainment themed around the 'Circus Comes to Town' to mark the 127th anniversary of the official survey of Kuranda.

"There will be free circus workshops in Centenary Park with Dream State Circus, Cycas Circus and aerialist Louise Kohn teaching circus tricks and showing off their amazing skills with performances throughout the day.

"Four face painters will be transforming children's faces into clowns and the person with the best costume will be awarded Best Dressed Clown.

"Free mini golf at the Original Rainforest Markets, magic shows, jumping castles, horse and carriage rides and an ice cream eating competition are included in the festivities.

"The day kicks off with the Kuranda Poets' Breakfast at Frogs Restaurant and then a great line-up of bikes will roar in for the 8th Kuranda Motorcycle Show in Therwine Street between the two markets.

"The Kuranda Arts Co-op will have an art display at their Coondoo Street gallery, Honey and Spice Ukulele Group will be performing and Kuranda Candy will be holding lolly making demonstrations.

"Kuranda Festival is a great community event celebrating the colourful lifestyle we enjoy sharing with visitors to our village in the rainforest."

Farewell Robin...

A world traveller as a young man, Robin Dods left his roaming days behind him once he and wife Joan found Kuranda in 1964 – that is save for his daily walks through the rainforest on the Myola property he called "God's Paradise". Earlier this month he took his last walk, at the age of 85, along his beloved creek where he was found through the tireless efforts of SES and police searchers.

Although his smile was well-known, his history and the energy he, and Joan, gave to Kuranda over 51 years might be less so.

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Bumblebee Praise

I would like to extend a big thank-you to Norm and his crew at Bumblebee Motors in Kuranda.

I was given extra help after service and I would like to thank them mainly for putting my husband's car back on the road after a major breakdown.

My husband had decided to consign the vehicle to the scrap but the mechanics had done pretty good job.

Thank you all.

– Iveta Svihla

Ergon Price Gouging?

No doubt everyone has just recently received their Electricity Account from Ergon Energy.

Have you checked out their latest charges? Noticed the 20% plus increase in connection fees? Haven't yet? Well they have, from 1st July increased from 91.72 cents/day to $1.17 cents/day. Think that's a "rip off"? I agree with you.

Ergon and the other power providers across the country have gone cap in hand and crying poor to the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) claiming "difficulties" no doubt. My question is (and your's too I hope) that with a GUARANTEED 10% clean return on their investment (that's yours and mine remember) that times are "obviously difficult" so while the rest of us endeavour to reduce our costs together with reducing our carbon outputs by installing more energy efficient appliances, turning off appliances and also overall becoming more aware of our consumption etc Ergon, from the "goodness of their hearts" (now don't ask me where they are), have cried "foul" at our endeavours and convinced the incredibly gullible Australian Energy Regulator to grant them the costs increases on our power bills in order to continue to support their dying industry.

I guess we can draw an analogy of you the consumer purchasing a more efficient car, thus saving on costs and CO_2 emissions and the fuel companies crying foul and asking the government to increase our rego's in order to reimburse them for their financial losses…doesn't gell does it, and neither does this opportunistic gouging by Ergon.

Time to contact our State Government to let them know of our disdain at Ergon's cynical moves on your/our wallets. After all, so far for Ergon and the others, the more they "invest" the greater their bottom line returns and remember that is 10% of – as much as they want to put in.

Feel free to call me a cynic but I know a rip off when I see one.

Is Ergon perpetrating this on each and every one of us and with the State and AER's blessings – UNTIL that is WE (yes you and I), object and make our displeasure known?

So go and check your Ergon Bill now and see how much more YOU are now being "ripped off".

– Cheryl Tonkin, Myola

Cats Roaming Free In Kuranda

The ever-increasing problem of cats freely roaming and hunting day and night needs all of our attention and input quite urgently. Kuranda is becoming more and more heavily populated and residential blocks are becoming smaller and smaller. The size of allotments and the size reductions being allowed is another problem that all Kuranda residents should be aware of and possibly address? The only people benefiting from reducing lot sizes are land developers. While on the subject of those who profit from selling real estate in Kuranda, why don't you all take some responsibility and alert potential new owners to how the Kuranda Community feels about cats left free to hunt day or night?

Many new Kuranda residents are bringing their cats with them. Most new residents probably think this is a great place for their domestic pets. They have purchased acreage (even if barely one acre), that is surely a better situation for their dogs and cats? They are right; it is a great place for their pets! The family dogs may be a bit put out because Kuranda (and its residents) are very strict and 'all over' keeping your dogs fenced and within your property and on leash when out for a walk. The family cats however will, sadly, be in Cat Paradise once they relocate to Kuranda, to the detriment of all our native fauna. Only the most educated of cat owners think to lock up or restrict their cats and understand that the only real way to do this is some kind of cat enclosure. The family home is not a suitable cat enclosure, even though our council deems it to be. Environmentally aware cat owners have the foresight to re-home their cat before coming to Kuranda or the intelligence to do so soon afterwards.

Why are so many cat owners so irresponsible? Surely we are not only attracting the very unaware or ignorant? Legislation requires you to ensure your cats and dogs do not stray from your property but we all know that while enforceable with dogs this is basically a useless law when it comes to cats. At this point one would ask any cat owner to please do the right thing and enclose your cat completely, allow it no free access day or night to surrounding properties but I would suggest this has been tried and ignored. We are privileged to share a unique and vulnerable ecosystem, as a community, we should have the enforceable right to demand that cats are not free to devastate the fauna that is left. What can we, as a community, do?

– Name supplied

Mareeba SHIRE COUNCIL

WATER METER REPLACEMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF AUTOMATED READING EQUIPMENT PROGRAM

As part of Mareeba Shire Council's ongoing water meter maintenance program, the aged water meters throughout the Shire are to be replaced within the next 12 weeks.

Please refer to Council's website for more detailed information about the program.

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Annual General Meeting

Saturday 31 October 2015 – 10.00am
The Kuranda Paper Office, Shop 2 The Red House Arcade
24 Coondoo Street, Kuranda

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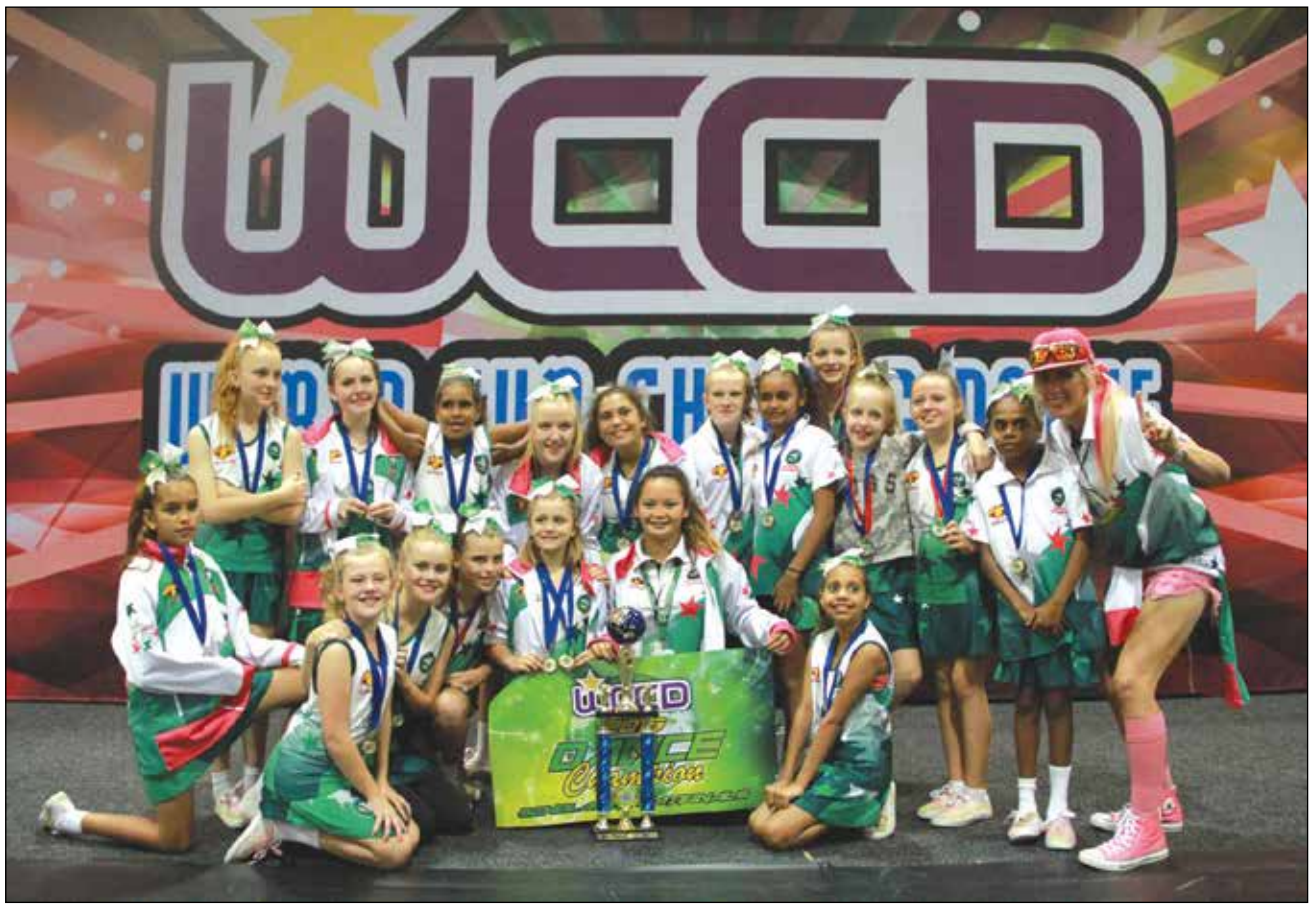
Kuranda Stars–Winners Again!



Background of Team and Current Competitions *by Linda Gough*

- I formed Kuranda Stars Cheerleading team back in 2009. I have been training the team Monday and Friday afternoons for two hours. We have done this training since 2009, with different girls in the group.
- We have now been to three National Schools Championships. First in 2010 where we were placed 5th in our division. In 2013, we placed first and now in 2015 we were placed first! All Championships have been held in Brisbane (2010 and 2015 held at Boondall Entertainment Centre and 2013 held at Chandler Sporting Complex).
- The current team is aged between 8 years and 13 years with Indigenous and Non Indigenous students that attend Kuranda District State College.
- We had been training for two years to perfect this harder routine before entering the Nationals. The girls learn how to focus, develop new friendships, leadership skills, communication, dance skills and so many more life skills. We are not just a cheerleading team, we are a family support group. Not only the girls, but the families have also become a big part in my life too. They have been showing continuous support and always there to help with fundraising, trainings and also coming along to the competition.
- We fundraise money through BBQs, Discos and raffles to help with the costs of the trip. The parents and girls have developed excellent fundraising skills.
- I always push and encourage the girls to do their very best and to learn that hard work and dedication/enthusiasm will enable them to be successful. When we were awarded the main trophy for our group event, many of the girls asked later: "Miss, why are we the only ones crying?" (We all broke down crying when we heard that we were placed First.) I told them that we are a team of emotions and hard work. We did our all on the dance floor and we have worked so hard to come this far. That is why we cried so much. It was a beautiful moment. When your whole team cries with happiness and joy and all cuddle you at once, this is why I do what I do. I am there for them 100% and want the best for them. They truly deserve it.
- I had other coaches come up to me and saying what a wonderful job my girls did and how fantastic their uniform looks (our uniform is very different – thanks to Ric Doo from Breakthrough and Controlled demolition, our main sponsor.)

Picturesque Henry Ross Lookout

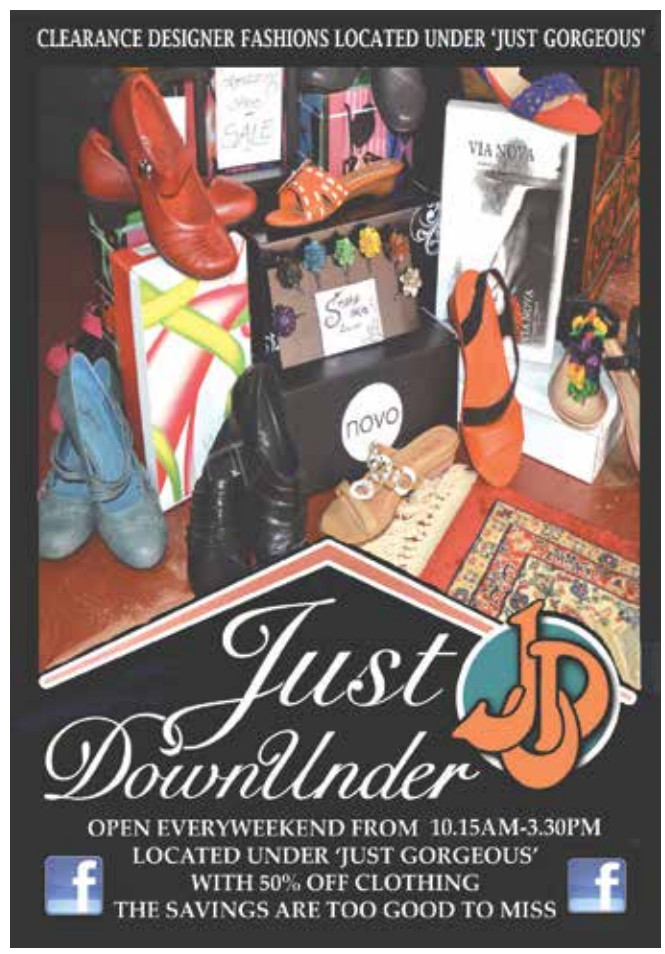
The above photo by Stu Klemke, copied from a social media site, shows the typical mess around the CRC-controlled lookout – great introduction to visitors to World Heritage Rainforest?

What we won:

- FIRST PLACE: Kuranda Stars Pom Group Performance
- FIRST PLACE: Justice Martin – SOLO – HIP HOP (primary division)
- SECOND PLACE: Shae Butler – SOLO – HIP HOP (primary division)
- FIRST PLACE: Jazzy Canny and Nikki Whipp – DUO – HIP HOP (primary division)
- SECOND PLACE: Mattli Smith and Indianna Donnachie – DUO – HIP HOP (primary division)
- THIRD PLACE: Cayla Canny and Ella Whipp – DUO – HIP HOP (secondary division)
- BANNER: highest overall points in ALL Primary divisions of cheer, pom, dance, jazz, hip hop
- SECOND PLACE OVERALL: for all POM routines from Prep, Primary and Secondary

Here are the names of the girls in the team:

Coach: Linda Gough, **Team**: Kuranda Stars Cheerleading Team; **Team Names**: Penny Kronkenberger, Amy Kerr, Ayla Coss, Cayla Canny, Jazzy Canny, Chloe Dyer, Olivia Brim, Charlie Collins, Rita Hunter, Monique Riley, Indianna Donnachie, Justice Martin, Karlaine Wason, Shae Butler, Mattli Smith, Nikki Whipp, Ella Whipp, Michelle Cook (assistant coach).



Crane Week Competition Winners 2015

As part of the Tablelands Regional Council's Crane Week, a photographic competition is held annually. Judges Stanley & Kaisa Breeden and Juergen Freund chose the winners from over 100 entrants, and they are shown here in the five categories. Kuranda's own **Helen Douglas** took out the first prize for Tablelands Wildlife.

Tablelands Birds – Adult
1st Prize – Colin Moon,
Purple Swamphen Wading
2nd Prize – Tim Corin, *Blue Bullet Bird*

Tablelands Birds – Secondary School
1st Prize – Tim Corin,
Forest Kingfisher

Tablelands Landscapes
1st Prize – Sandy Carroll,
Misty Sunrise at Hasties Swamp
2nd Prize – Rebel Warren, *Golden Sunrise*

Crane Behaviour
1st Prize – Wiert Mensinga,
At the End of the Day
2nd Prize – Sandy Carroll, *Landing Gear Down*

Tablelands Wildlife
1st Prize – Helen Douglas,
Striped Possum
2nd Prize – Sandy Carroll, *Green Ringtail Possum curled up on a brisk winters night*

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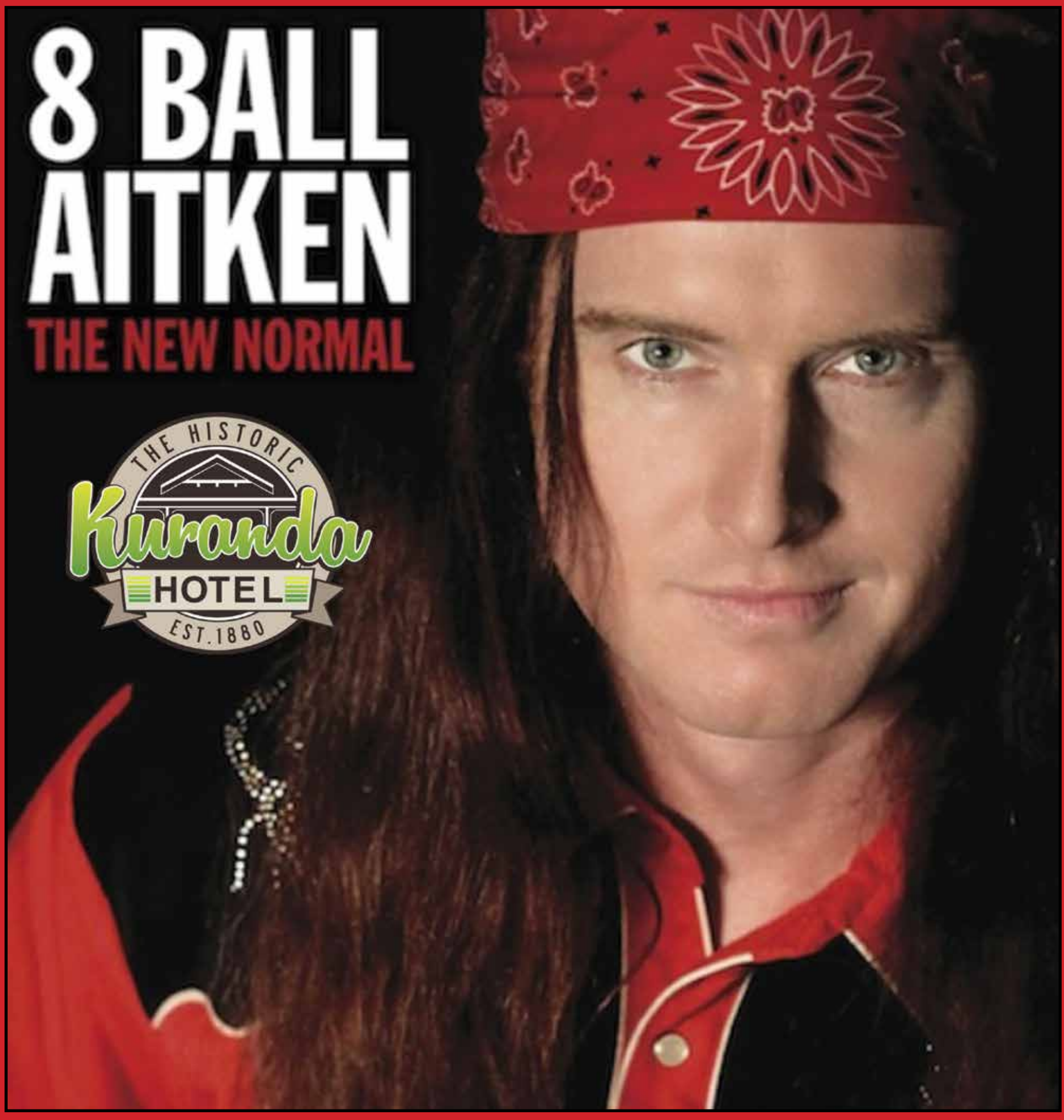

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KURANDA DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Do you operate a business in Kuranda, Speewah, Koah or surrounds?

If so, the Kuranda & District Chamber of Commerce would like to hear from you. In short, we need new active members if we are to continue to exist.

Why join the Kuranda Chamber? Chambers of Commerce are essential to the economic growth of our communities; through making introductions, facilitating projects, maintaining data on the areas served and their economic climates and keeping abreast of pending development projects.

The Kuranda Chamber wants to continue this role for the business community of our area but we need your support.

Please contact John Robinson (4093 9200) or email jrobinson@beagle.com.au for further information.

CAFE Kuranda Project: September

The **Cafe Kuranda** project sponsored by Regional Arts & Development Funding, a partnership between the Mareeba Shire Council and Queensland Government, held three highly successful Creative Arts Workshops at Centenary Park in Kuranda during the September school break and local and visiting youth from all over Australia have helped to create some fantastic banners and flags to be displayed in the park on **Kuranda Day 18 October.** The project includes local artists Anne Fitzpatrick, Sheila Brim, and Gail & Anika Betts who mentored and worked with youth to help create the colourful display.

Kuranda 8-Ballers Pocket Win

Photo above: *Kuranda Intercity Representative Team defeated Innisfail on Saturday 19th September at the Kuranda Recreation Centre.*

kuranda eightball

IMPORTANT DATES

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER
GRAND FINAL -11.30 AM START

SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER
AGM 5.30PM
BREAK UP & PRESENTATION
6.30PM
KURANDA KUT
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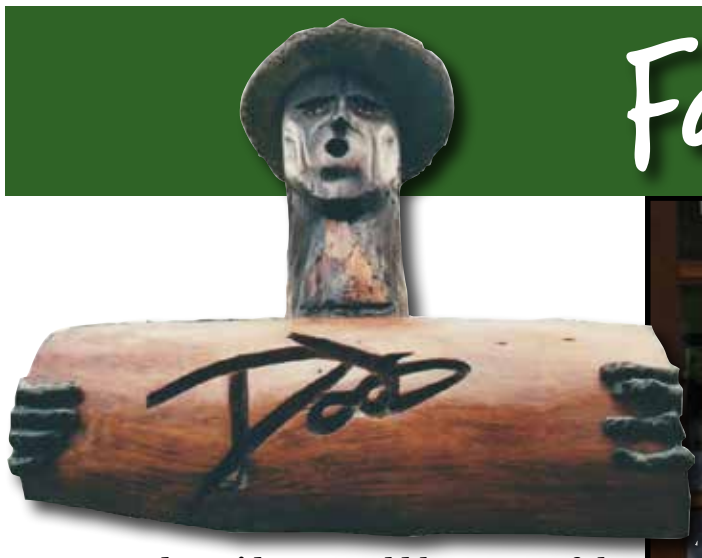
Farewell Robin



Few Kuranda residents would be aware of the fascinating life of Robin Dods prior to his taking up residence here with his wife Joan in 1964.

Robin was born in Sydney on 11th August 1930, second child and only son of Lorimer Fenton Dods (later Sir Lorimer Dods MVO) and Margaret Kathleen ("Margot") Walsh, who was born in the famous Raffles Hotel in Singapore.

His Brisbane-born father was an eminent paediatrician, a pioneer of specialised health care for children, who co-founded the Children's Medical Research Foundation of Westmead. He was famously know as "the ambassador for the children", the kindly Doctor Dods. Prior to his medical career he attended university and then enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force in 1918, working in field hospitals in the Middle East and hospitals in Port Moresby and back in Australia.

Robin's paternal grandfather (and namesake) was the New Zealand-born architect Robert Smith ("Robin") Dods who is known as the "man who built Brisbane". He achieved early recognition of his domestic work. His houses, when built, were soon noticed and admired. His other works include numerous churches, public buildings and the Brisbane General Hospital at Herston and Brisbane Grammar School.

As a boy "our" Robin spent much of his childhood at his granny's place at Southport and was schooled at Shore Grammar at North Sydney.

He achieved a degree in wood technology and undertook a degree in architecture – at the same time working at Channel 7, behind the camera and as a technician. He appeared almost daily in the Sydney social pages, pictured with a different girl on his arm every night.

He was asked by a Japanese TV station to take up a job as a technician. Typically he jumped at the opportunity and somehow he ended up in front of the camera appearing in various TV shows and movies – generally as the evil white man/villain!

Then in 1959 he travelled by boat to Thailand and started an unheard of (for those times) two-year walk through Cambodia, India and Nepal before heading to the Middle East, spending time in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and Jordan.

He lived in Crete for six months, then travelled with his pet donkey through Europe before boarding a ship to America. It was on this ship he met his soul mate and future wife, the lovely Joan Dupuis. Denied entry to America, Robin's next adventure took him, with Joan, to Australia where they bought a VW beetle and set out to explore.

Their travels came to a halt when they fell in love with Kuranda. In Kuranda their attention was taken by a beautiful little house at Myola. After finding them admiring the house from the gate, the owner Mrs Austin invited them in for tea and asked if they were interested in buying the property.

They married at the court house in Cairns in 1964 and became part of the Kuranda community. Robin worked tirelessly on the property, they planted orange orchards and macadamia trees. The old Queenslander was extended to accommodate the arrival of two daughters, Nicola and Tracy.

Robin's great passion was his garden which he developed over many years. It was a living work of art, greatly Japanese inspired, with many ponds as well as Robin's quirky sculptures. A visit to the Dods always included a garden tour with Robin as guide. A description of his doctor father doing his medical rounds might echo the experience of a stroll through the Myola garden with Robin. "He had a very busy practice but he knew everyone and greeted all at the hospital with a cheerful salute. To walk the corridors with him was like a royal progress."

In the early 70s he and Joan had an idea to develop an outdoor performance "soundshell" for Kuranda. Robin created a design, and with Joan was a driving force for years, bringing about what is now the Kuranda Amphitheatre.

Another of Kuranda's most well-known attractions was a Robin creation – the wonderfully eccentric little red ice cream van, which he built for Joan and Beverly Henderson.

He started building the "creek house" in 1983 – his architectural dream.

He also had a great love of photography, drawing, painting and sculpture. His creative talent in any medium was obvious and seemed to flow naturally – just like his landscaping and building.

After Joan and a group of Kuranda residents founded the *Kuranda Community News* (now known as *The Kuranda Paper*) in 1991, Robin was also the "rainfall man" recording rain daily and providing the regular monthly total – often pasted onto the copy board at the last minute by Joan just before the paper was sent off for printing.

Robin never left Australia again once he found his self described "God's Paradise", and it was hard to even get him out of Kuranda – only the lure of family could entice him to make a trip or two to Sydney or Southport.

In his later years, and following Joan's passing in 2008, he found peace and fulfilment in the forest and the garden.

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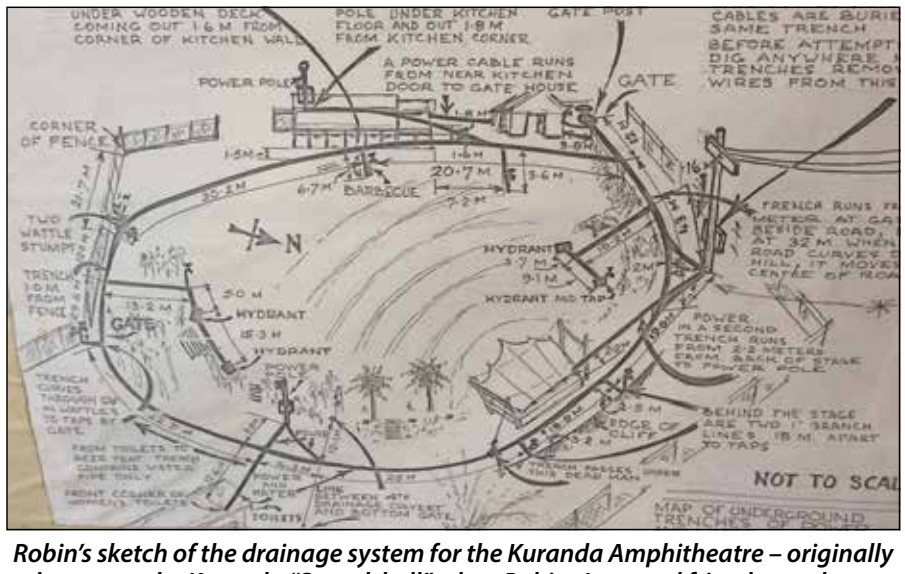
Robin was found deceased near his beloved creek on Saturday September 19th 2015. He died as he lived...out walking in the forest. He is survived by his sister Rosemary Manchester, his daughters Tracy and Nicola Dods and his granddaughter Grace Espie Dods Armour.

His family wishes to express their deep gratitude for the efforts of the SES and police force in locating Robin, as well as friends of Robin for their love and support and the entire Kuranda community for their assistance and heart-felt condolences which are gratefully received.

It is of some consolation to imagine Robin and Joan reunited in spirit as they were united in life.

Robin and Joan moving the ice-cream van September 1983.

Robin and Joan on the boat when they met.



Robin's sketch of the drainage system for the Kuranda Amphitheatre – originally known as the Kuranda "Soundshell" when Robin, Joan and friends set about to make an outdoor performing space a reality in the late 1970s.

Robin and Joan at Barron Falls Lookout five decades later.

Kuranda Community Precinct Advisory Committee

Library Relocation About to Happen

After years of community consultation, dealing with safety issues on the site, knocking down old buildings and planning meetings between the Advisory Committee, Councillors and Council Officers, the Kuranda Community Precinct (old Primary School site) is about to host its first new tenant.

In October/November the Council Library and Kuranda Office will move from its present location to the ground floor of the main Precinct building. This will approximately double the size of the library. The new carpark has been completed by Council staff and renovations of the ground floor by contractor Shane Smith is nearing completion.

Kuranda Community Precinct Advisory Committee members Peter Thompson, Arch Mc Arthur and John Baskerville inspect building progress at the new library site.

If you are a Kuranda resident please set aside some time between 11.00am and 2.00pm on **Saturday 21st November** for our family oriented Official Opening Event. We hope to have food, stalls and presentations from a range of community organisations on the day. If you are a member of a community organisation and would like your group to be involved, please contact me (details below) or Stacey Maisel, Mareeba Shire Council Events Officer (staceym@msc.qld.gov.au 0427 673 954).

The Advisory Committee understands that a library does not a Precinct make, however we believe that it will make a great focus to build a Precinct around. We still have access to funds committed by the Council for Precinct development from the sale of the 2 blocks associated with the old Pre-School. The committee has access to years of consultations showing the sorts of things the community would like to see on the site, however we are always open to new ideas. We hope to unveil plans for the next steps in future months.

– ***John Baskerville*** (Chairperson)
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The ***Jewels of Nature*** exhibition by Kuranda artist **Buck Richardson** opened to a large crowd from Kuranda on Saturday 26th September, and continues throughout October at the Centre of Contemporary Arts in Cairns. Pictured at the opening (above) are fellow Kuranda artists Cathy Harvey, Mollie Bosworth and Jana Iriyadi.

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Jaide and Davini demonstrating one of the Pilates poses

Gary Davis and Hamish Watson presenting Cosmo with his trophy

SOCCER wrap up

Congratulations to all Kuranda Rangers players for competing in another successful soccer season. The Rangers held their presentations and break up on Sunday 20 September at the KRC. We look forward to seeing all the kids back for the 2016 season! Well done everyone and to all the coaches, managers and parents for their dedication!

ATHLETICS

RECOMMENCING

Saturday 10 October 2015
9-10.30am at Hunter Park at the KRC

$3 KRC members $5 non-members

Registration of participating children essential. Parents/guardians required to sign-in children each week.

Parental assistance required to help run each event station.

Contact Nathan 0430 080 090 for details.

Local talent on display

The KRC 'New Look' Launch on Friday 4 September was a great success with many locals coming out to celebrate the photographic talents of *(L-R)* Greg Watson, Alan Henderson, Paul Curtis, Hans Van Veluwen, Gerhard Hillmann and Steven Nowakowski. The KRC would once again like to thank these local photographers for allowing us to use their images of Kuranda to brighten up our decor.

WHAT'S ON

Due to a very full calendar, we are unable to fit all class and event times here. Please go to our website krc.org.au or our Facebook page and check our 'What's On' calendar.

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Gardening in Kuranda with Alectura

CTOBER, and with warmth returning, stirring the sleeping treasures of amorphophallus, caladiums and kaempferias to flaunt their unfolding beauties. With some of the more frenetic nesting activities of brush turkeys waning, gardeners may be a little more confident that mulching will stay in place to protect plantings against the vicissitudes of the drier months ahead. However the golden-footed scrub fowl and bandicoots find the mulch layer brings their evening repasts to the surface so be prepared for holes dug, large and small.

Many gardeners are daunted by the scientific naming of plants which is generally in Latin. However the binomial (two part) classification of **generic name** (starting with a capital letter) and **specific epithet** (lower case letter) gives a precision that allows firstly identification of the plant grouping and then distinguishes a particular plant in this grouping eg: ***Rosa rugosa var. alba*** giving one the identification of the rose with rough or wrinkled leaves (rugose) and white (alba) flowers, commonly known as the Hedgehog Rose (probably given by gardeners pierced by its extremely prickly stems). Unfortunately, common names are often shared by a number of plants and common names may even vary from place to place.

PLANT OF THE MONTH: Phaius tankervilleae, the Swamp Orchid, is an endangered native orchid formerly widespread throughout coastal Queensland, possibly near extinct in north-eastern NSW and increasingly depleted throughout New Guinea and its Asian habitats.

Growing naturally in swampy grassland, large, broad, pale-green pleated leaves arise from above-ground plump fleshy bulbs. In season, flower stems rapidly arise up to 2m carrying numerous large showy flowers.

Preferring warm conditions, this spectacular orchid takes easily to cultivation, either in-ground or as potted subject and may be grown in morning sun to dappled light. A good potting mix with bark and composted material suits and, given its native habitats, heavy watering is required during its growing season (early spring/ summer) with some growers standing pots in shallow water filled trays. After flowering, watering should be tapered off allowing a resting period before growth begins again. Phaius are heavy feeders, particularly fond of organic fertilizers such as fish emulsion or manure teas. Easily propagated from bulb division or vegetatively from the spent flowering stem cut into several pieces, above an eye, and placed on damp sphagnum moss in a shaded diffused light.

With its 40+ species and increasing hybridization, the Phaius family presents an interesting challenge to both the amateur and dedicated plant fanatic and should be considered more for use in the garden landscape.

Q & A: ***Dear Robyn***, The choosing and planting of a tree is a long term investment, particularly in the smaller garden. A number of practical and aesthetic considerations should be taken into account. It is essential that the tree chosen is suitable for climatic conditions. Remember that tree roots can cause damage to building foundations, sewerage/septic and other underground services as well as paving and paths. Also consider eventual height and spread as well as the future shade pattern cast across the year, potentially blocking out light or views, branch and leaf fall in terms of roof/guttering maintenance as well as proximity to overhead power lines and whether, in extreme weather conditions, the tree itself might come down on the house. Considerations of tree shape, whether upright, pendulous, single or multi-trunked, its branching formation, bark and foliage as well as blooming should also be considered.

Dear Anita, Thank you for the plant identification as it answers a number of readers' question. The pendulous tree growing on the footpath outside Limberlost Nursery and forming a bower is *Pterocarpus indicus latifolius*. In season it bears small scented yellow flowers and tends to shed its foliage over a number of weeks.

Dear Olwyn, Over the past few weeks, there have been at least two vines growing around Kuranda flowering with red flowers. From your description, the vine appears to be *Mucuna bennettii*, the red jade or flame vine (right), with its flowers in pendant clusters, hanging under the foliage – specimen flowers may be seen in the KNC garden alongside the driveway. The other vine is *Passiflora coccinea* (below), the red flowering passionfruit with its scattered single flowers, with a number of these vines flowering along Masons Road. The other possibility, more remote, may be *Passiflora racemosa* with its typical passion flowers in pendant racemes. Both *Mucuna bennettii* and *Passiflora coccinea* are extremely vigorous in growth and have high potential for rainforest invasion, while *Passiflora racemosa* is decidedly more restrained in growth habit and likely requires a cooler climate.

Erratum: Last month's column mentioned "removing oracles, the ear-like structures" this should of course have been "auricles, the ear like structures"

For plant sourcing, identification or general gardening questions, contact Alectura C/- Kuranda Paper or email alectura2015@bigpond.com

Friends of the Earth Kuranda

FoE Kuranda NEXT MEETING
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Panic Clearing Continuing in Great Barrier Reef Catchments

A new report by WWF scientist Martin Taylor has found that the relaxation of vegetation clearing laws has led to many farmers doing panic clearing in Great Barrier Reef catchments after the Labor Party said that they would reverse the clearing laws if they won the election. Clearing had more than tripled from 78,000ha a year in 2009-10 to 280,000ha in 2013-14 with some of the clearing on Cape York threatening, with coral-killing sediment run-off, the last major section of the inshore Reef deemed to be in excellent condition.

Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk committed to restore tougher clearing laws before the election, but as yet has not done so – throwing into doubt prospects of the Federal and State Governments being able to meet UNESCO demands to stop coral and seagrass dieback. The latest report card for the Great Barrier Reef shows the inshore marine environment remains poor and progress towards water quality improvement targets has slowed dramatically. A report released by Environmental Justice Australia lawyer Ariane Wilkinson, which was compiled by Australian and international lawyers, says the Reef World Heritage Area should now be listed as in danger by UNESCO due to degradation and overdevelopment.

Drought-Weary Graziers and Barra Fishers Have to Compete with IFED for Gulf River Water

A recent ABC Lateline report found that barramundi are not biting this year in the Gulf of Carpentaria and commercial fishers worry the situation will only get worse with new competing demands for irrigation from vital Gulf rivers. Three years of drought have starved the big Gulf rivers of the heavy monsoonal rains needed to flush out algae and get the juvenile barramundi out of fresh water tributaries and lagoons and back into saltwater. Despite the drought the fishing industry is now facing the prospect of less water running into the ocean if a controversial Integrated Food and Energy Development Pty Ltd (IFED) is approved.

This $2 billion, privately funded development plans to draw enough annual flood water from the Gilbert River catchment to irrigate 650 square kilometres of sugar cane and guar bean crops. The Queensland Government has now undertaken to make no new water allocations from the Gilbert River system, the fourth biggest river in Australia, until the IFED project has been environmentally approved or rejected. As this decision could take several years it means that graziers in the Gilbert catchment now say they worry that they will be left without enough water as they struggle with the drought.

One of five mango trees cut down in Munro Martin Park – Photo by John Gleu

Cairns Council Cut Down Nine Historical 125-year-old Trees in Munro Martin Park

A number of people took turns camping in an old mango tree for a week to order try to prevent the Cairns Council cutting it down as part of the Council's plan to redevelop the park as a new outdoor entertainment area. Ironically these five mangoes and four other trees, laden in flowering pencil orchids, had been planted in either 1890 or 1892 specifically to provide shade for people watching outdoor entertainment such as sports and other events there. According to an article in Cairns Historical Society Bulletin 511, Munro Martin Park was Cairns first recreational reserve and the site of many important events with most of Cairns sporting clubs tracing their origins there.

There are some unresolved questions about whether the Council had obtained the correct planning permits and approvals before cutting down these heritage trees with the issue being referred to the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection. Many people have become concerned about the large number of trees that have recently been cut down around Cairns which has led to calls for a Community Heritage Action Plan to be developed with the aim of documenting all the historically significant trees around Cairns and to highlight the importance they play in creating an attractive shady tropical ambience around the city.

One of nine trees cut down in Munro Martin Park – Photo by John Gleu

Kuranda Garden Club Inc.

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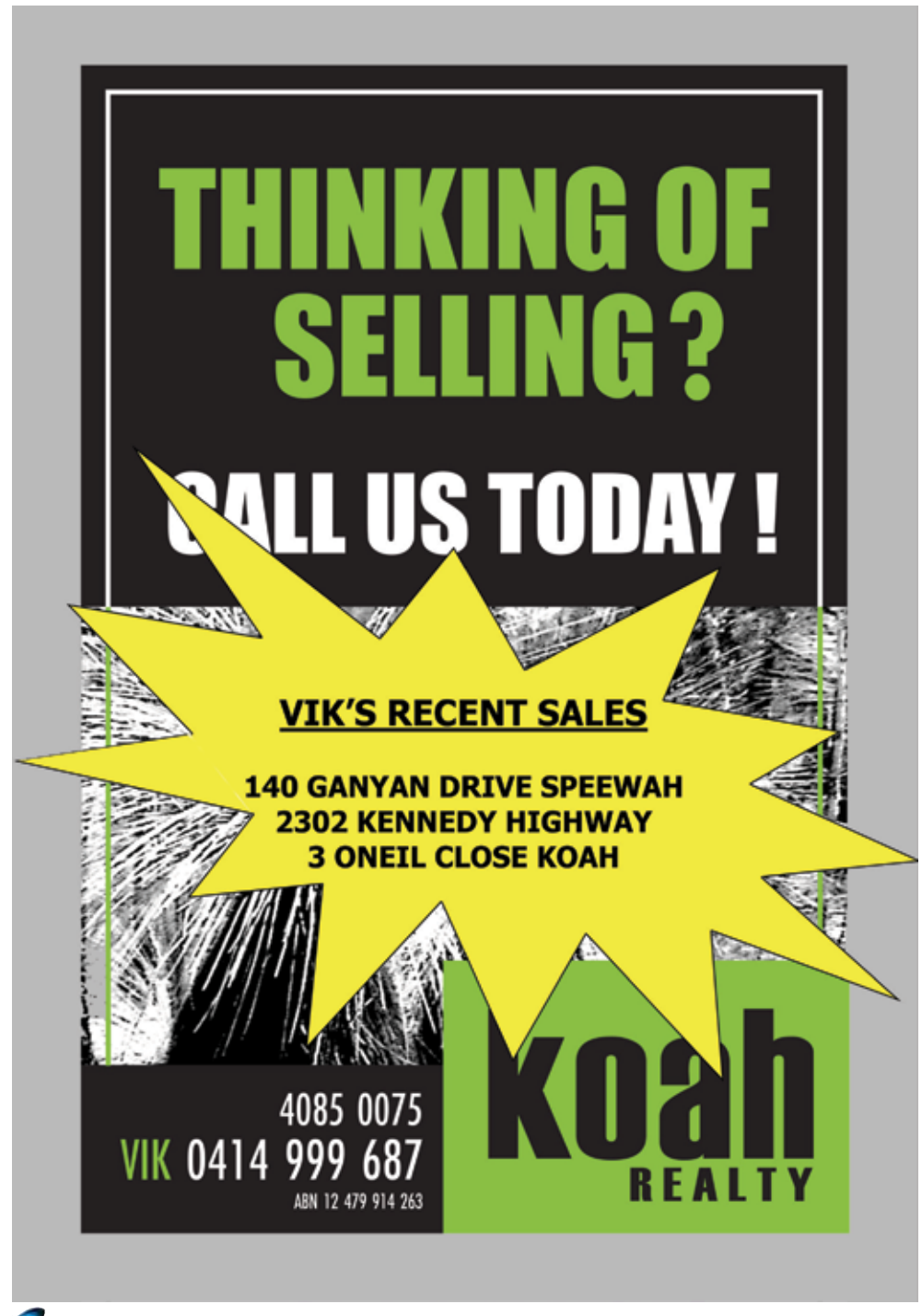

the Arts Page

Annie's Tube Design

Annie left Germany in 2009 and met husband to be, Ollie, in Broome. When she saw the multitude of tools and broken machinery in his shed, she decided there and then that she would like to do something creative, but different. Rubber Art was her choice, but an industrial strength portable sewing machine was impossible to find. Then, in December 2013, they decided to travel - on a sailing boat no less, doing her art along the way, and selling it at local markets. To her delight and surprise, the sailing boat carried a portable industrial strength sewing machine, for repairing sails of course! She has owned one ever since.

This was all very well, then they reached Kuranda, and instantly fell under her spell. They have been living here for some months now, "I can't imagine a nicer place to be", says Annie. Ollie is a great musician and can often be seen serenading passers-by at the Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets, where Annie now has a permanent studio/outlet. It's down the steps, turn right, third stall on the right. (her stall was established within 1 hour of arriving in Kuranda!). Annie says she has been overwhelmed by the great, supportive, and friendly Kuranda vibe, and she loves the peacefulness of the surrounding environment, providing her with much creative mind space.

Her rubber creations include fashion hand-bags, wallets, cases, coolers, and all sorts of novelty items. All her creations are one-off originals. She does commissions too, so if you want a quality rubber "anything", Annie is the person to see. She also does repairs to leather, vinyl and canvas items, and will do bulk orders. And if you happen to have any old bicycle inner-tubes, I'm sure Annie would love to turn them into functional works of art. Annie's Tube Design, Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets.

Annie can be contacted on 0488 940 975, email: annies.tubedesign@gmail.com.

Hello fellow Kuranda villagers! Ktown productions has been working hard and has now moved into the world of multi-track recording. Every Thursday we hold "Sound Scribe", which involves recording and creating a press-kit for local musicians. Our most recent Sound Scriber to attend was a local by the name of *Peter McCabe*, who professionally performed six original songs on the day. The sounds were crisper than ever! Bookings are available now. Progressing into a new phase of learning, Ktown Productions have created their own theme song with the help of one-man-band Lunar Sun, who wrote and produced the whole song. It certainly has a Kuranda feel, and goes by the name of "Do It With Heart". It is on the Ktown Productions Sound Cloud page *(https://soundcloud.com/ktown-productions)* with a cover of *Eagle Eyed Cherry's* "Save Tonight", sung by Seb and Jenna, with guitar by Ross.

Day Time Jams! We are currently taking expressions of interest for "Day Time Jams", to be held at the Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage and will resemble the same structure as the previously held jam space.

Kind regards and one love from the Ktown Productions crew! For more information please text Jenna at 0478 242 110.

Amphitheatre News

Kuranda Amphitheatre News
October 2015

Members and Friends,

THE APRIL MAZE returned to the Understage in September for yet another successful night of entertainment.

Ron Bruce designed a volunteer car park proposal in 1988 and recently gave the Amphitheatre the originals of this for our perusal and archiving. Now after all these years, the car park is actually happening, thanks to Jobfind's assistance.

The supervisors for this Jobfind program have initiated an incentive called *"Worker of the Month"*. This person is elected by peers, and awarded with $50 (sponsored by members of the community or local businesses).

Worker of the Month:

Nurse Terry Eager would like to congratulate **Glenn Parke** who was voted Worker of the Month by his peers at the Kuranda Amphitheatre.

CONGRATULATIONS GLENN!

To contribute to this incentive please contact us. This monthly event rewards the Worker of the Month with $50 or the equivalent, for example, a voucher, a meat tray, etc...

COMING UP IN OCTOBER

Saturday 31st October

MUSIC and COLOURS FESTIVAL

(See Music Page for details...)

Website Update: We are currently undergoing some upgrades to the Kuranda Amphitheatre website and looking forward to seeing the end product. Please be aware there may be some hiccups while this upgrade is occurring, but the end result will be awesome!

There was a meeting...

...of a wonderful band of community minded, creative and living people who set out to make the village of Kuranda a landmark gathering place of all things cultural - in the middle of the rainforest - in Far North Queensland. That was over 30 years ago - and so it continues - still retaining the same community spirit - loved by all who have been a part of its existence...

The Amphitheatre is a multipurpose community arts venue voluntarily managed by the people of Kuranda since its inception in the late 1970s and still powering ahead over 35 years later.
Volunteering your time ensures its sustainability.
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Support enquiries are accessed by the admin team on a daily basis.

KAS ADMIN TEAM

R.I.P. ROBIN DODS

Kuranda Amphitheatre farewells a great friend.

What a story! What a life!
What an extraordinary man...

Robin and Joan both gave major input and energy to the Kuranda Amphitheatre, being heavily involved in the initial inception (c.1979), gaining approval to lease the Recreational Reserve for an innovative soundshell, forming a not-for-profit community organisation, planting trees, seeding terraces and the list goes on and on for close to thirty years.

The most outstanding of these gifts to the Amphitheatre is the WALL OF DODS, designed, engineered and supervised by Robin through the 1986 CDEP Scheme.

This particular rock wall encompasses "The Grotto" (or Robin's Folly to some) which unfortunately needed to be filled in for the venue to become re-insured in 2001.

As you take the path to the bottom amenities blocks, or the main driveway itself, have a look around and admire the work and skills of a small group, who alongside Robin created a masterpiece.

Another recent legacy to the Amphitheatre from Robin is a huge variety of historical memorabilia – photos, plans, sketches, posters, original Kuranda Paper clippings and much more! Many thanks go to Tracy and Nicola Dods for this generous donation.

A gathering in honour of Robin was held at the Amphitheatre on a beautiful sunny afternoon which went into evening. Friends of old and new all had a great time catching up, telling many stories, looking at the vast amount of photos and collections in celebration of Robin's life.

Thank you Robin

The Wall of Dods

Kuranda's Creative Young People

Our village can be proud of **YAK YAK YAK Youth Arts Kuranda**, resident youth arts ensemble at the Kuranda Amphitheatre. YAK YAK YAK are the recipients of a 2015 Mareeba RADF grant and they recently won 1st prize in the non-motorised float division of The Cairns Festival Grand Parade. Their impressive stilt costumes were designed and constructed under the tutelage of Kuranda artist, Danny Simony.

In addition to the work of the core ensemble, Kellie McBride and Justine Schlicht (co-founders of YAK YAK YAK) facilitated two workshops at the Koah Hall for 40 home-schooled young people from across the region. Families travelled from as far as Ravenshoe, Herberton and Edmonton to participate. Children and their adults made papier-mâché masks and costumes to the design theme "organic cyborgs, insectoids and mini beasts".

"We chose this design concept because the home-schooling groups from the Tablelands and Cairns have participated in local mini beast workshops. Further, we as a community of artists and home schoolers exist within our microcosm but are influenced by an ever changing social ecology. Oh, and bugs make for great costume design!" says Kellie.

The colour scheme that tied the various designs together was green, silver and white. The resulting parade entry was both unmissable and unforgettable – seven shiny stilt walkers, several prams, two roller bladers, dozens of costumed walkers, huge fluoro banners, four-metre Bali flags. It was a spectacle and a celebration of youth culture and families.

"It was great, the crowd were so excited to see our costumes, they just looked so happy, there were so many people smiling at us and cheering us on", says one young stilt walker.

The entry also won 2nd prize in the education category. Justine Schlicht said, "It was a wonderful opportunity to share the dynamic home schooling culture and community with a broader Cairns audience – 20,000 people in the crowd – fantastic!"

YAK YAK YAK next appears at Wallaby Creek Festival and then presents their new show "Interrupting The Internet" at Kuranda Festival, Sunday October 18th, 12.30pm. The show is supported by other local young performers including 12 year old violinist, Lyndon Brown.

Youth Arts Kuranda's next horizon is a statewide audience when they perform in Brisbane, January 2016 at the Backbone YouthArts 2high Festival. They are fundraising and applying for grants in support of their tour and recently raised $500 by selling delicious food at the Understage. Follow their adventures on Facebook or visit their website youthartskuranda.weebly.com.

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'ROCKTOBER' IN KURANDA - THREE FESTIVALS - ALBUM LAUNCH - LIVE MUSIC

Kuranda comes alive with festivities during the month of October starting with the Rock This Country Blue Festival at the Billabong.

Tour in a Million

Friday 23rd October
The Firefly Bar, Kuranda Hotel

"A real deal character who rattles the roof, stomps the planks and gets his audiences whooping, hollering in a frenzy of pure exuberance." Triple J

Multi-awarded global troubadour**, 8 Ball Aitken**, returns home for the **Tour In A Million** this October armed with his eighth album, **The New Norma**l, for an extensive four month; all states, coast to coast road trip.

8 Ball Aitken is impossibly dedicated to his six string muse, and absolutely devoted to entertaining the masses at every show. He unleashes the party vibe with his funky, foot stomping energy, infectious blend of hurricane blues and driving country rock, devilish wit and endearing laid back charisma. Inhibitions dissolve and before you realise it, you're on the packed dance floor, singing the chorus, sharing the spotlight and playing a red kazoo in unison.

8 Ball Aitken

Aitken has garnered numerous accolades, awards, rave reviews and chart recognition since his debut album in 2003, **Behind the 8 Ball**. With two Queensland Music Awards and a Southern Star already under his belt, **The New Normal** has just been announced as a finalist in three categories of the Southern Stars Australian Independent Country Music Awards, APRA/AMCOS Single and Male Artist of the Year for the achingly beautiful ballad, "**Girl In A Million"** and Album of the Year.

For one night only rock on in to the Firefly Bar at the Kuranda Hotel on Friday 23rd October. *Free Entry: Starts 8.00pm: Dinner from 5.30pm*

Music & Colour Festival with King B Fine

Kuranda Amphitheatre
Saturday 31st October

The Music and Colour Festival is coming to Kuranda!

The Music and Colour Festival is set to be a festival to bring all genres of music together focusing on Reggae, Soul and the local art of Didgeridoo.

King B Fine

Featuring Australian artists from across the country as well as international artists performing to bring people together with their music.

To name a few, Melbourne based **King B Fine** (from West Africa) is headlining together with his 6 piece **Royal Movement** reggae band; **Terra Official** are set to get your body moving with their delicious fusion of flamenco and reggae; featured are our own **Howlin Dingoes** with the blues, and **Jimmy Didge** from Kuranda. Top performing DJs including **DJ Beat Junkie** with his latest R'n'B, Hip Hop and Reggae will be sure to get you grooving.

The Colour Festival comes from the Hindu legend of Holi where it signifies 'good over evil' and brings people together from all walks of life in peace and harmony. It is also known as the *Festival of Love* as it cultivates a 'one-ness' in mankind.

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THE BOOGIE BROTHERS CD REVIEWS

Dawes: "All Your Favourite Bands"

Is it whip smart pop? Is it smooth Californian ? Is it slick new wave? Is it classic country rock? This is a genre-defying set of songs that gets you thinking – what if cowboys and indie met in Laurel Canyon? What if Elvis Costello fronted the Eagles? Or if the Doobie Brothers got with Joe Jackson in Nashville?

Young American band **Dawes** drop a most powerful but subtle album that super-glides through your ears with reverence and gloss. This stylized serenity has good roots though the band surely know how to play, and this grand set of songs are worked from their very successful live act.

The heart of the band are two brothers; **Griffin** the drummer, who sings beautiful harmonies with main man **Taylor** who writes the songs, sings lead vocals and plays lead guitar. He has the skills of a polished pop singer, but his young though wise voice never becomes too 'schmick' or emotionally distant. There is too much honesty pouring out of him for that. The lyrics are of considerable depth and are well worth listening close to. And he plays lovely guitar; the album is full of sun drenched riffs and marvelous solos. The unforced power of this talented man never diminishes the band and in their restrained though strong playing, its plain a great combo has come together here.

Dawes are easy on the ears, with lyrical guitar solos, sweet voices and crisp playing. This is perfect beach, verandah, car, or cruising music but they are never on auto-pilot or come off sickly sweet. Their ability to deliver songs that address the inner life of us all with such stylish aplomb is a real feat of love. The box is beautiful but what's inside is sublime. Taylor Goldsmith and his fine band want to make music that lasts and has some meaning and it's sure difficult to imagine that there are not quite a few albums of this quality yet to come from them. **Dawes** are wonderfully like, and yet beyond, all your favourite bands.

The White Buffalo "Shadows, Greys & Evil Ways"

Imagine, if you will, Eddie Vedder in his intense "Into the Wild" phase, doing a concept album deep into outlaw territory about, to quote the liner notes, "*Our broken hero, Joseph White through his many trials and tribulations from young adulthood to death… a tale of love; war; murder and the search for redemption… a lifelong experiment of good and evil… it is ultimately a story of hope and the power of love.***"**

The White Buffalo is **Jake Smith**, writer, vocal and guitar, **Tommy Andrews**, Bass, and **Matt Lynott**, drums. That's it. With additional musicians on violin, cello, pedal steel, various keyboards and extra guitars and bass.

The story rolls thru 14 tracks and we can't recall a better concept story album since *Willie Nelson's "Red Headed Stranger"*. It's that good.

It's raw; intense, and so rich in the emotional roller-coaster of a life lived seriously hard-core. Full walls of sound and rich in its poetry.

First lyric: "***H**e brushed against her dastardly, son of a catastrophe, he shot the lights right out of her eyes*'" and last track, last lyrics: "*I'd pray to you now, but I don't know how, it ain't in my heart, it is too late to start*".… Oh, it's rich and raw and damn fine music.

All CDs reviewed are available from Colly Dolly Music I.G.A. building, Mareeba, ph 40 923 245

The Boogies

KURANDA ARTS CO-OP

Jewels of Nature – Exhibition by Buck Richardson

Tropical Queensland is where the natural wonders of reef and rainforest meet as two World Heritage areas of international renown for their extraordinary biodiversity.

For many years Buck's practice as a photo/digital artist has been to share his passion for the region's secret nightlife in particular. The little creatures –- moths, beetles and shield bugs – fill his palette with an infinite array of forms, colours and patterns. His greatest joy is to discover, 'collect' via photography, and to use them as elements to weave into designs.

On the surface these 'eco-systems' are meant to satisfy the need for aesthetic integrity. At a deeper level they reveal the hidden little creatures that inhabit our place in the world in their myriad forms. The individual diamond pieces in ***Jewels of Nature*** are designed together as one display specifically for the Kick Arts feature wall.

Buck Richardson extends an invitation for those who live in our region to his solo exhibition ***Jewels of Nature*** at the Centre of Contemporary Arts, Cairns. The exhibition is now open and runs to 31st October.

Kuranda Day – Sunday 18th October

Kuranda Arts Co-op will be holding demonstrations and a street stall on Kuranda Day. Artists included will be Buck Richardson, Dorothy Clews, Susan Doherty, and Cosi Faludi.

Honey and Spice Ukulele group will be performing in front of the Arts Co-op Gallery at 11.00am on Kuranda Day. Join us for some fun and toe tapping.

A New Look at the Front of the Gallery

Our thanks go to Henri Hunsinger for the fresh, crisp, new look at the front of the Arts Co-op Gallery. Co-op members feel strongly about our visitors recognising that we are a local gallery and that all the artworks are handmade by local artists. After all, it is really what Kuranda has always been about. Kuranda's history and character as an arts community is acknowledged extensively overseas.

Quote from Artist Susan Doherty

Every day there is a wealth of junk being thrown out. I collect and 'Up-cycle' others' leftovers into new meaning and another value and statement.

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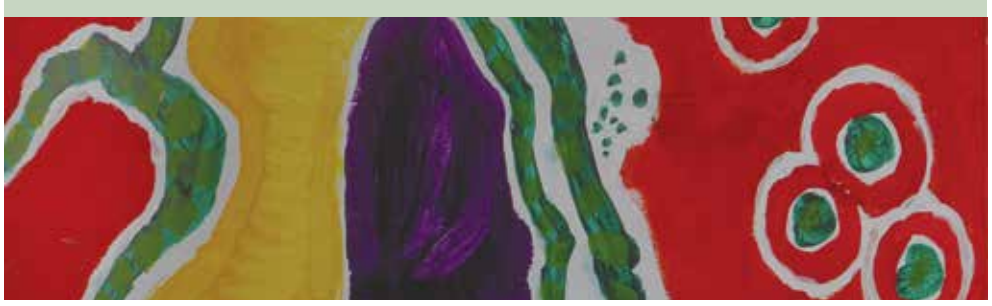

Action on Yellow Crazy Ants

STAKEHOLDERS who travelled to Canberra earlier in September to argue for the long-term eradication of yellow crazy ants in and around the World Heritage Wet Tropics Area are pleased with the outcome of their meeting with Environment Minister Greg Hunt and others.

Wet Tropics Management Authority (WTMA) executive director Scott Buchanan and the coordinator of the Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program, Lucy Karger, outlined the details of a ten-year costed eradication plan to Minister Hunt.

They were supported by a local landowner and representative for the rural community, Frank Teodo, and the LNP's Candidate for Kennedy, Noeline Ikin, together with Queensland Senators James McGrath and Ian Macdonald, before going on to meet with representatives from Labor, Independents and the Greens.

"The group left the Minister in no doubt about the environmental, ecological, economic and social impacts of an uncontrolled yellow crazy ant infestation," Member for Leichhardt, Warren Entsch said.

Mr Teodo gave a graphic account of how the ants had invaded his home, including coming through the light fittings in the ceiling and forming super-colonies around his property.

"I woke up one night with ants on my face – spraying formic acid into my eye, which ate away at the surface of my cornea and left me temporarily blinded," Mr Teodo told Minister Hunt. "The pain was horrendous."

Mr Entsch described the meeting as "very successful".

"Minister Hunt committed to working with all the stakeholders, so we now have authority to approach the State Government – in particular, the Queensland Treasurer and Member for Mulgrave, Curtis Pitt MP," he said.

"We'll also be asking the Cairns Regional Council and the Mareeba Shire Council to contribute – this threat has to be tackled at all levels, with a non-partisan and multi-pronged approach."

Ms Ikin said she was pleased to be working with WTMA, Mr Entsch, Minister Hunt, and Senators Macdonald and McGrath to lobby on behalf of the eradication program.

"As Minister Hunt said, this is not just a worthy goal, it is an indispensable goal. I'll continue to work with the other stakeholders to push for investment at a federal, state and local level because when it comes to yellow crazy ants, doing nothing is not an option."

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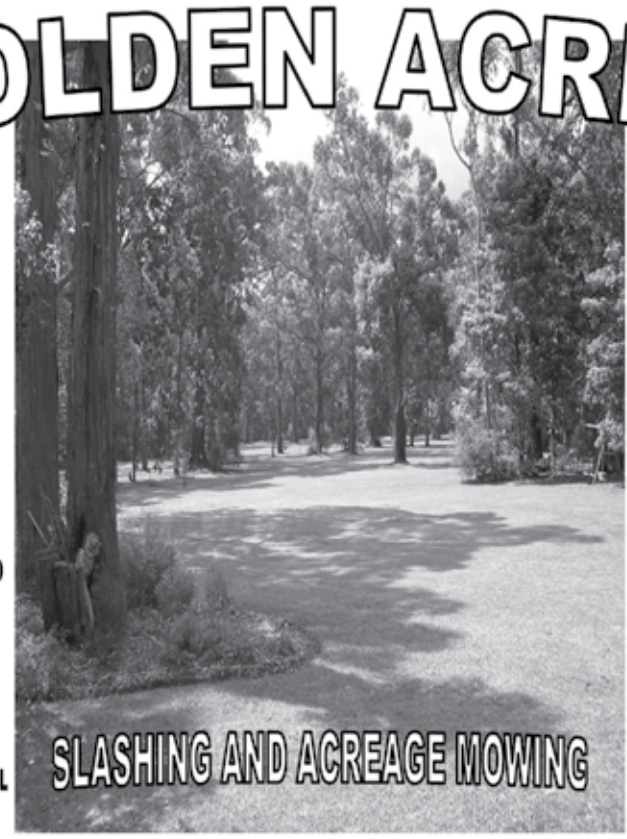

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Whether we are cool with it or not, technology is a big part of life these days. Computers, tablets, game consoles, laptops and TV. Screens can take up hours of our kids' time during most weeks. But, we can work with or against these devices. Yoga postures can be a part of your child's screen time. Many postures are seated ones. These can be held for as long as comfortable to do so. Taking time to relax into a pose can help the body to go deeper. Doing so at a slower and more controlled pace. There are quite a few poses that work well for screen time. Kids are encouraged to colour in, read, write and rest in a yoga pose during class. This helps bring awareness to yoga being an anytime, anywhere activity. It is not just a practice you do in yoga class. It can, and should, be practised on and off the mat. Bringing yoga into screen time also creates an awareness of our natural sitting position. We may not realise how hunched or awkward we sit when engaged in our electronics. Bringing awareness back to the body can help with poor posture habits. When your child is using a device at home try setting a timer and gather a list of poses for a bit of a challenge. When the timer goes off, change poses or switch sides to get an even stretch. Your child will find, with time and practise, that each pose held will become easier and more comfortable. You may even need to increase the holding time as the poses are able to be held for longer. Be careful not to hold poses too long. 20-30 seconds is a great start. Work up to longer holds slowly. When we constrict our body we are also constricting blood flow. Coming out of a pose that has been held for some time can create a pins and needles sensation in the limbs as the blood rushes through after release. Poses like lotus are best avoided unless well practised. Make sure there is no pain. If you notice any sign of pain on your child's face, get them to modify the pose. Yoga should always be a comfortable stretch that feels good. If a pose hurts or is creating discomfort, modify to release tension. Not every pose is good for every body. In the five photos below are a few that are adaptable to a bit of screen time. There are many others that can be used. This article was typed whilst holding *Upavistha Konasana. Wide angle seated forward bend. * Seen in photo with pink ipad. Modify by sitting up straight or lean forward and come down onto forearms.

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One of the biggest killers in our society is heart disease and luckily for the most part heart disease is preventable. This month's topic is heart disease and how we can prevent it.

We are going to cover some of the risk factors for developing heart disease and how we can try and prevent these for a better health outcome.

Some of the risk factors for developing heart disease include but are not limited to: smoking and alcohol, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, being physically inactive, being overweight.

All of the above mentioned risk factors are essentially reliant on each other. i.e. smoking, increased alcohol intake and being physically inactive may lead to you becoming overweight. Being overweight can cause high blood pressure, diabetes and eating the wrong foods can cause high cholesterol levels.

Unfortunately there are also some unmodifiable risk factors which we cannot change and these include: age, ethnic background and family history of heart disease.

It is estimated that nine out of ten adult Australians have at least one risk factor for heart disease and one in four (25%) have three or more risk factors.

Prevention Is Better Than Cure

The most obvious risk factor that we can look at modifying by ourselves or with the help of others is our body weight.

By eating healthy, reducing our alcohol intake and conducting regular moderate intensity exercise on most days of the week can help reduce our risk of developing heart disease by reducing our blood pressure, decreasing the risk of developing type 2 diabetes.

It is estimated that with 1% reduction in body weight lowers systolic BP by an average of 1 mmHg. Weight loss and exercise will also help our bodies to process the bad cholesterols in our system although sometimes they need a bit of a help along with either natural and/or prescribed medications.

Essentially the best way to prevent heart disease is to remain fit and maintain a healthy body weight, making dietary and lifestyle changes if necessary.

There are some cardio-protective supplements you may wish to consider should you have risk factors. Good quality fish oils, with a high strength EPA/ DHA and good quality control standards, could be very beneficial for cardiovascular health.

Many studies have been conducted on fish oil and its health effects which include being anti-inflammatory and reducing joint pain, lowering of cholesterol, reducing cardiovascular disease and improving brain development.

Fish oil supplements can also be beneficial if your dietary intake of fish is low. The National Heart Foundation recommends that all adults consume 500mg per day of combined EPA/ DHA and this increases when there are cardiovascular risk factors present.

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Other nutrients that are very valuable and important to remember when considering cardiovascular health are magnesium and taurine.

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So...Who Decides?

We have lived here in Kuranda for about eight years. Every now and again a substantial portion of the Kuranda Spectacled Flying-fox colony decides to camp in our back yard, which runs down to a relatively inaccessible gully.

As bat and wildlife enthusiasts from way back, we don't mind at all – in fact wife Helen is delighted. Over the years there does not seem to be a discernible pattern. One seemingly random morning there will suddenly appear a couple of hundred flying-foxes, usually staying for a month or so.

This year, in about early August they turned up in the largest numbers I think we have had.

However, one Sunday morning about a month later we woke up to no bats to be seen or heard. We know they were unperturbed by mower and other occasional machinery noises; we are also pretty sure they hadn't been deliberately scared off by noise or intrusion – after all it's our back yard with no access to the colony from behind, and we hadn't heard or seen anything that would have disturbed them.

So...who decides that it's time to move somewhere else? When a colony leaves its roost for the night they travel in all directions to food sources. It's a bit uncanny to think that everyone in the colony knows that they are going to a new roost that night. Not even the odd dozen or so bats "didn't get the message" – not one returned 'home'.

So...who decides. It's an intriguing question that even the most ardent of bat behaviourists argue about. If a large group of other mammals wanted to move en masse they would contact each other by electronic means, or jungle drums or perhaps just grunts – but certainly by some sort of physical means. But after dispersing from our back yard these bats would not be within calling distance of each other, and even if they were, again I ask "who decides".

Does one particularly bright bat find a better roosting spot somewhere and shrieks to his mate, who shrieks to his mate, who shrieks to his mate and so on? Or do they all gather back at their usual camp at dawn, and before they all settle down 'someone' says to the others 'I've found a better camp over the hill. I know you're all buggered, but follow me anyway!" And they all apparently blindly follow.

Then, just as mysteriously, about two weeks later – theeeey're back!

Makes me think that probably someone else somewhere else is thinking "I wonder where all the bats are that have been here for the last couple of weeks? Where did they go? Who decided?"

Please Note: The nomadic Little Red Flying-foxes are presently visiting the tropics. They travel long distances following the flowering cycles of eucalypts and melaleucas. Many Little Reds are being trapped on barbed-wire fencing across the region. If you see a bat caught on barbed-wire do not attempt to rescue it yourself. Please call Wildlife Rescue or Batreach and an experienced, vaccinated carer will help.

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The Moth of the Day

It is an unfortunate fact that while just as ecologically important, moths typically don't get the same 'airtime' as their close relatives the butterflies. This may be due to the fact that the majority of moths are nocturnal and active when many of us aren't, or more likely, that most moths don't match butterflies for colour and visual impact. While our region's postcards regularly feature the spectacular Cairns Birdwing or Ulysses Butterflies, they tend not to feature too many moths! Personally I find moths just as interesting as butterflies, despite their low profile.

One of our local moths however, is an exception to the norm. The Four o'clock Moth (*Dysphania numana*) is a visually spectacular species with a mix of black, blue, purple yellow and orange. Like other colourful species, these moths are using colour to communicate and in this case it is with predators that would typically feed upon a moth of this size. The bright colours suggest that this species is distasteful, and as a result many vertebrate predators, particularly birds, avoid it.

The advantage of advertising that you are not really edible is that it enables a species to be active by day when visual predators are actively seeking food. The majority of nocturnal moths use camouflage as their major defense against visual predators, and spend the daylight hours motionless blending into their habitats.

The name 'Four O'clock Moth' has been coined due to the apparent peak in activity of this species in the late afternoon. It is uncanny how many times I have personally observed these moths active very close to 4.00pm. While they certainly are more commonly seen in the late afternoon, they may fly earlier and sometimes well into the evening and even after dark.

The caterpillars of the Four O'clock Moth are equally as spectacular as the adult moths. They are bright yellow with black spots along the body. Like the adults, they are using the same survival strategy; advertising themselves as distasteful and not worth eating. They certainly don't blend into the greenery in which they reside. The caterpillars feed on the plant Corky Bark (*Carallia brachiata*), a freshwater mangrove common in the Kuranda region. While not feeding the caterpillars usually cling to the stem or leaves with their rear claspers and hold the rest of their body up off the plant. They pupate by silking the leaves together to form a protective 'purse'.

With the temperatures now rising and with the wet season approaching, many invertebrate species are becoming more active and visible. This attractive moth is certainly doing so, so keep an eye out for them in the late afternoon sunshine.

Alan Henderson
Minibeast Wildlife

A pair of Four O'clock Moths mating
(this photo was taken recently at around 4.30pm)

A Four O'clock Moth caterpillar at rest in a typical pose.

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Kuranda Horse and Pony Club

Well, the weather was great on the 12th September 2015 for the Kuranda Horse and Pony club Annual Gymkhana and we had riders attend from Malanda to Tully – it was great to see. We would like to thank you all for coming and riding so well and helping and supporting Kuranda to make the day a success. We had all the events which included show jumping, sporting and rider class. Our Kuranda riders Jamie, Olivia, Kristy and Lene all rode very well and won ribbons and trophies in their age groups – Jamie overall Kuranda and Rider on the day. Congratulations.

A huge thank you goes to all the family friends and other clubs for helping us from the canteen, set up to pack unreal effort. Also our Show-Jumping Judge Ms Julie Shepherd and the following businesses for their support in Ribbons and Trophies:

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We would all like to wish Di Curtis, our President and Club Instructor, a speedy recovery and are looking forward to the next event. Check out our facebook page for updates and photos.

Fionna Lane,
Club Instructor

Roadside Stalls

Mayor of Mareeba Shire Tom Gilmore said that over the past few days there have been considerable comments surrounding two roadside stalls in the shire.

"There has been significant traffic on Facebook where comments have been made about issues surrounding Council's dealing with two roadside stalls in the shire. There have been two separate issues that have been joined together in the online debate," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"Let me make it abundantly clear that council has no intention of closing down roadside stalls. In fact Council recognises the importance of these; not only to the producers, but also to the community at large," Cr Gilmore said.

"In the first instance one stallholder was advised they needed to apply for a food licence to manufacture and sell food. The owner of this stall who was manufacturing jam was informed that there was no need to shut down the stall but, simply to make application for a food licence," Mayor Gilmore said.

"Anyone manufacturing food for sale requires a food licence. Their premises are inspected to ensure that they are able to comply with the Food Safety Standards (Food Handling Practices and Premises and Equipment) to produce safe food," he said.

Mr Gilmore said that this is not an isolated case. Community market organisers also require that all stall owners selling prepared food for sale have a licence as well. It is there simply to ensure that the food is made safely.

For clarity, the requirement to hold a food licence is regulated by section 48 of Queensland's Food Act 2006 and the standards for handling practices and premises and equipment are the same for all food businesses across Australia, which can be found in Chapter 3 of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code. The administration of this Act is shared between State and Local Governments throughout Queensland.

"In the second instance, following an official complaint being lodged with Council that someone was selling produce from a new stall, that had not been produced on the property. This stallholder was advised they needed to apply for planning approval if they wished to sell produce on their property. Council Officers investigated this complaint, as is required by law.

In this specific instance, the operator was selling produce not grown on the property and this activity is defined as a Shop under the Mareeba Shire Planning Scheme 2004. A shop is Impact Assessable development in the Rural zone of the Mareeba Shire Planning Scheme 2004.

The Mareeba Shire Planning Scheme 2004 also provides for the establishment of new roadside stalls within the Rural zone where such stalls are for the purpose of displaying or offering for sale agricultural products grown on the same site. Roadside stalls are Code Assessable developments within the Rural zone," Mayor Gilmore said.

Any land owner may make application to Council to establish a new roadside stall to sell produce that is grown/produced on that property. Council supports this and recognises the importance of such stalls and is taking action to further reduce the level of assessment for many roadside stalls under the new Mareeba Shire Planning Scheme, which is scheduled for adoption in late 2015, early 2016," Cr Gilmore said.

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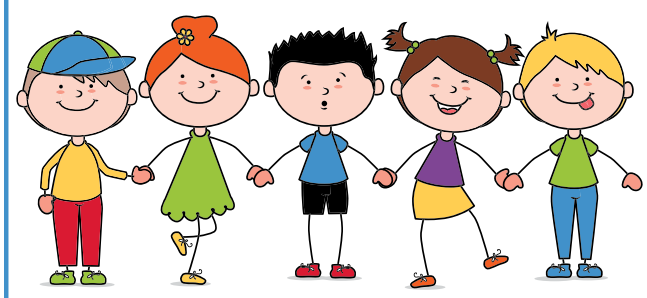
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PROFILE

Jimmy the Blues Singer and Music-Maker

You might know **Jimmy Mounier**, our profile of the month. You may have seen him at his stall in the Heritage Market, or you might have seen him playing the didgeridoo or otherwise performing his music by himself or with his band, or have listened to one of his recordings, or seen him on his motorbike or out in the bush with Aboriginal friends. With his physical size, beard and presence, plus his strong French accent, he is a bit hard to miss.

Born in Nice, France to a French colonial father and a Madagascar creole mother, he was brought up and educated in the French Riviera. From there he went to University in southern France, completing a Bachelor of Mathematics and Science, followed by three years post-graduate study. But he soon concluded that he could never spend his life working indoors. Compulsory military service of one year followed in Brittany. After that he worked as a truck driver for a period, but found music to be his main interest. He became the front man of a band, singing and playing the double bass. His interests were later extended to the guitar, to the electric bass and to an African percussion instrument called a cythar. He also organised functions.

He met an Australian girl and in 1993 he followed her to Sydney. They became partners and had two boys. The boys are doing well, one studying to become a criminal lawyer and one in grade 12 hoping to be a vet. In Sydney, Jimmy bought a didgeridoo and learnt to play it. Activities surrounding music kept him busy. He was involved in building stages for performances, and he joined a band "THC" as bass player and back-up vocalist.

In 1995 they were contracted to play in Cairns at the Play Pen. Jimmy liked the north and decided to stay on. He worked at the Night Market and at Johnnos Blues Bar, becoming increasingly interested in Aboriginal music and culture. In 1997 he moved to Kuranda, working at the Heritage Market, and running the Cultural Theatre at the rear. He played the didge and sang. He also ran the Barron River boat cruise for some years. By this time he had separated from his partner. He sponsored a Dutch girl to come to Australia and they became partners, having two girls. One goes to school at Smithfield and the other is at the Steiner School.

In 2000 Jimmy opened his own stall at the Heritage Markets, "Kuranda Didgeridoo School". He sells genuine Aboriginal didgeridoos and other artefacts and teaches the didge.

Since coming north he has travelled extensively both in Australia and overseas, performing at gigs. He has been to Japan, New Zealand, PNG and Europe. He was a member of the band "Taralinga Lila", or "rhythm act" in Indian, the band including a sitar player. He also travelled and performed on his own. In 2005, when he separated from his second partner, he was part of the formation of a local group named the "Howlin' Dingoes". That group has performed live over the last two years and is currently recording an album at Mareeba. Altogether he has recorded five albums in Australia with others, including "Gudju Gudju" with Michael Quinn. He also recorded one album in France. He composed many of the songs.

Jimmy now has a partner of Aboriginal descent; her name is Beverley and she came from Tolga. She has worked for the Government and at the Neighbourhood Centre. They live on his own acreage in Greenforest Road, where he renovated the house. He enjoys the company of Aboriginal people and often goes bush, cutting wood for didges, camping with elders and learning the culture. He then finishes the didges ready for the chosen Aboriginal artist to paint. He prides himself in selling genuine Aboriginal artefacts and leads a busy life that does not leave much time for community involvement. He used to help at the Amphitheatre, and he is an office holder in the NQ chapter of BACA or "Bikers Against Child Abuse". He has Yamaha and Kawasaki motorbikes.

Part of his life has been the search for self-respect. Because of his origins he used to feel racially discriminated against. But he has grown in inner strength and this no longer concerns him. He says you get what you give in life. He is a man of strong views. He is a supporter of peace in the world, as is evident from the display in his stall of the Dalai Lama's image, and even if this is not popular with Chinese tourists. Respect for yourself and for others is his key belief, but respect has to be earned.

Howlin' Dingoes will be performing in the Billabong in Kuranda on 4th October at the Rock This Country Blue Music Festival along with many other artists if you would like to hear them. Also at a festival at the Amphitheatre on 31st October, opening with Jimmy's didge solo, and then Howlin' Dingoes will support a 16-piece reggae band from Sydney called King' B Fine.

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Inside My Studio

Interview and Photographs by Toni Rogers

*He made it look very easy, but as I watched the quick and deft hand movements of local Kuranda potter **Chris Long**, years of experience are clearly visible. The colours in the glass bottom of each finished piece take your breath away. Chris has a very unique style and procedure, a production line you could call it, handed down through the generations, but each piece, no matter how small, is carefully handcrafted and considered. It is very welcoming to see an artist doing so well in our competitive but creative community in which Chris Long and his family have recently chosen to live.*

Where is your current studio?
At my home in my rainforest setting in Kuranda. I have designated work tables to create my pottery pieces and I have built my kiln outside my storage room downstairs.

Do you work alone or with others?
I work alone now on the pottery. My wife Dianne was originally part of our small family business but it works well that I now do the pottery and I can attend our three school-aged boys to enable her to go back to her full-time work which she loves.

What are the essential features your studio has to have?
Firstly a kiln, it is essential to our business. I have a new gas kiln. I also need tables, glazes, coloured glass, and sunlight to dry the completed pieces before firing. Pottery needs to be completely dry before firing to avoid mishaps (cracks and at worst, explosions). In the wet season the procedure takes a little longer. I have been known to put some pieces in the kitchen oven when I have been pressed for time.

Describe your work pattern – hours/days/weeks.
I make our pottery pieces with every spare minute. I 'pot' early in the week or over the weekend. I allow the pieces to dry and I glaze and add the glass midweek. Firing is completed by the end of the week. I have a common pattern, however, with other business and family commitments it is not always possible.

Describe the works you do in your studio.
I make practical handcrafted giftware pottery. It includes dishes, platters, fruit bowls, mugs, candle holders and magnets, all of a similar style and appearance. I make kitchenware for gift shops, galleries and markets.

Why is pottery your chosen medium?
This unique and very popular pottery style is a family tradition. It was created originally by my mother and in turn she taught me. We, as a family, have been successfully producing it for over 35 years.

List three things you listen to while working.
I am usually listening to the radio while I am working, in particular local 'talk back'. I am a very practical, down to earth sort of a person and I like to keep up with what is happening in our local region. We have only been in this house for six months and I also listen to the sounds of nature, the birds, and I am starting to get to know the types of birdlife here and can now identify most of them. I also like the silence Kuranda offers.

Your favourite tool?
It is a pine cone. I create with it the texture on a rolled piece of clay. *[Chris demonstrated this action producing a pattern so quickly on the clay.]* Pine cones are in plentiful supply on my property and my favourite tool is easily replaceable.

How do you identify your work?
I identify my pieces using an iron oxide stain over my initials 'CL' on the back of each piece. After the drying process I put my identification on, add the coloured glass to each piece and place it in the kiln for firing.

How do you sell your work?
I don't have a website, I find it is not necessary for me as I very successfully sell my pottery at markets and through my established wholesalers. I also sell through ongoing home enquiries. It is my intention to put a sign up at the top of my driveway to welcome people to my studio.

Do you teach or sell from your studio?
I do not teach as I do not have time. Yes, I do sell from home whenever I am asked.

Do you have any other paid or unpaid work?
My wife and I have a Karate Dojo Club "Fudoshin Shitoryu Karate". I am also a half owner and co-pilot of a small air charter business. I have been flying on and off since the early 90s.

If you could change one thing about your studio what would that be?
My workspace is currently very 'upstairs and downstairs'. I will eventually get it all on one level, however, it is not a priority at the moment. It is all working well for me.

If you were not working with pottery what would you be doing?
I would be flying and having more time to do it. At the moment I am afraid I am on a treadmill.

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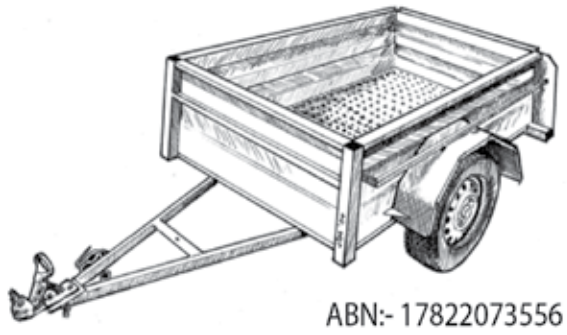

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Rail Tails

A History of Kuranda Rail by Ivana Andacic

Chapter 22

The Barron Falls Stop was never originally part of the Cairns-Kuranda railway line.

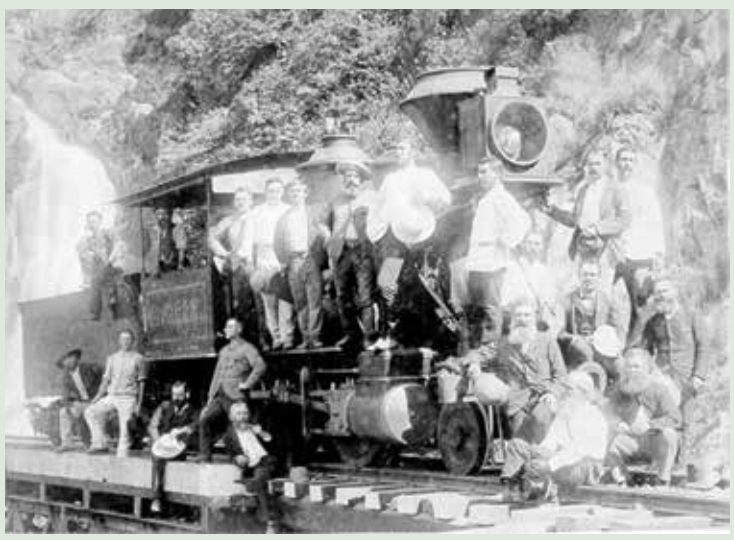
The issue occupied the journalistic attentions of *Cairns Argus*, which argued forthrightly of the tourist importance of the Barron Falls. He commented that the Barron Falls was a fashionable outing from Cairns and the scenery was "very grand" and that he would rather visit the Barron Falls by the Cairns-Kuranda railway. In 1893 a deputation of local representatives from the Barron Divisional Board met with the Railway Commissioners to discuss the location of the proposed halt and the rest they say is history.

The Commissioners are haughty,
They heed not duty calls
And with a speed of fifteen miles
They rush the Barron Falls
The people want a stopping place
The scenery to view,
But not a bit – the line they say
Was made for us – not you.

Cairns Argus 29 July 1893

Chapter 23

25th June 2016 will mark Kuranda Scenic Railway's 125th Birthday being in operation as a tourist train from Cairns to Kuranda Station. We pay tribute to both the celebrated heroes and the unknown workers who created one of the world's famous railway journeys!



Chapter 24

Rebuilding of the bridges began in early 1895. White ants were attacking the timber bridges and a mixture of arsenic and treacle proved successful in treating the ant problem. However the quality of the timber bridges was soon questioned. Minister for Works, John Mertagh Macrossan had warned that local scrub timber was unsuitable. "Great strength is required in the superstructure of a bridge, as in the piers of piles of the bridge, and none of that local timber will bear any strain after a few months," he said. "I have seen it after having been erected only a few months breaking in two quite easily, like a carrot." Extensive repairs were soon conducted after The Cairns Railway Timber Commission was able to source a suitable timber to replace the defective timber bridges.

Chapter 25

The Track

Kuranda Scenic Railway travels on a narrow gauge which measures 1067mm or 3ft 6in. Before 1901, each of the six British colonies was responsible for rail transport infrastructure. Queensland, Western Australia and Tasmania constructed narrow gauge railways which saved a considerable amount in construction costs. The other colonies built standard gauge or broad gauge railways. As a result of this legacy, Australian railways are a mix of all three gauges.

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MSC Draft Planning Scheme Consultation

Mareeba Shire Council will hold information sessions to discuss the draft MSC Planning Scheme.

"These information sessions gives the community a chance to speak with MSC Planning Officers and find out how Council has responded to the submissions surrounding the scheme," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"A community member may have questions around how the plan impacts a specific property, these sessions will give them the opportunity to speak one-on-one with a Council Planning Officer. Community members will also have the opportunity to speak to the Councillors and find out where to from here with the draft planning scheme," Cr Gilmore said.

The information sessions run between 3.00 and 8.00pm and will take place on **Monday 2 November** at the Kuranda Library and Customer Service Centre, which is relocated to the Kuranda Community Precinct, Arara Street, Kuranda.

Quotes of the Month

- Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me either. Just pretty much leave me the hell alone.
- The journey of a thousand miles begins with a broken fan belt and leaky tyre.
- Always remember that you're unique. Just like everyone else.
- Before you criticise someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticise them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.
- If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
- Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.
- If you lend someone $20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
- There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither one works.

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Petra's Pets

The Importance of Good Nutrition

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So what is a healthy diet for dogs? With the wide variety of options on both supermarket and pet shop shelfs this question can be difficult to answer. According to the experts, high-quality animal protein should be your first ingredient. If you elect to feed your dog commercial food, look for products that actually name the meat rather than using the generic name 'meat meal' or 'meat by-products'. Fats should also come from a named source, for example 'fish' and 'emu oil.' Choose products that contain whole fruit, vegetables and whole grains as well as natural preservatives like Vitamin E and C and rosemary extract. Avoid all by-products from meat and grain as well as added sweeteners, artificial preservatives, flavours and colours. Personally, I avoid commercial pet food that comes from supermarkets and opt to spend my money on holistic food from a quality pet shop. We use 'Blackhawk' at our boarding facility, because it's Australian made, natural and free of fillers and other nasties. While this type of food is more expensive, it goes a lot further and I strongly believe that feeding your canine the right diet will save you money on vet bills in the long run.

The same goes for your kitty. Domestic cats fed on commercial dry cat food may get up to 40% of their calories from carbs. However, cats are 'obligate carnivores,' which means they need to eat animal protein to obtain all the amino acids they need in their diet. According to Dr Marla J. McGeorge, a veterinarian with a special interest in felines, the vital amino acid Taurine is critical for a cat's normal heart, eye and reproductive function. While most mammals can make Taurine from Amino Acids other than meat, cats simply can't.

Nutrition plays a critical factor not only in your cats and dogs health but also their behaviour and the vitamins and minerals found in quality pet food work together to keep your pet's immune system and metabolism functioning normally. Vitamins and minerals work to reduce the damage done to body cells on a daily basis as well as promoting the normal functioning of cells that maintain health. Unfortunately many of us are not only feeding our pets the wrong foods, but are simply feeding them too much. Just like us, numerous of our furry friends are now suffering from the 'obesity crisis'. Obesity boosts your pet's risk of degenerative joint diseases and chronic pain. Studies have shown that an estimated 40-50% of dogs are overweight which significantly increases their chance of contracting serious diseases and illnesses. Keeping your pet in the correct weight range may also reduce the risk of cancer and heart disease.

Both cats and dogs like the same foods we do, but apart from giving them many empty calories, there are a number of human foods that are actually toxic to our pets. For instance grapes and raisins are poisonous to dogs and chocolate is a big no-no. As such, pet nutrition should not be taken lightly. However with a little research and some careful examination of labels and packaging, you should be able to successfully navigate your way through the endless options available.

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Mareeba Shire Council Planning Scheme

Council has approved the Draft Mareeba Shire Council Planning Scheme and will provide written notice to the Minister seeking approval to adopt the draft scheme.

"Public consultation of the draft planning scheme was conducted between January and March 2013. A total of 2047 submissions were received during consultation, 923 submissions were of relevance to Mareeba Shire," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"Council have considered and workshopped the submissions and minor changes have been made to the draft planning scheme in response to some submissions. Each submitter will receive a written response from Council advising how Council has dealt with their submission," Cr Gilmore said.

Council will now proceed with the following informal community engagement/education process following the provision of responses to each submitter:

- Council officers will prepare supporting materials such as FAQs, fact sheets and media releases, to ensure the community understanding
- During October 2015, Council's planning officers will conduct one (1) day walk in, face to face information sessions in Kuranda, Julatten and Mareeba to provide detailed information on how Council has responded to the issues raised during the formal public consultation of the planning scheme.

"This is a significant document and a significant moment for Council. Council would like to acknowledge the hard work and effort put in by Senior Planning Officer Brian Millard and Planning Officer Carl Ewin as well as the efforts of Cardno HRP (town planning consultants) and the TRC Planning Officers," Mayor Gilmore said.

This document is based on work done by the previous Tableland Regional Council over a considerable period of time when the community was consulted by way of community meetings and displays of the material in every community in the TRC and it will replace the previous planning scheme which gazetted in 1994 and brought into practise in 1995," Cr Gilmore concluded.

A copy of the entire planning scheme will be made available on Council's website and a hard copy will be made available at Council's offices and libraries.

Voluntary Recycling Scheme

Council has decided to extend the opportunity offered to households to enter into the voluntary recycling scheme.

"To date we have received a minimal amount of responses and this is an exciting opportunity for Mareeba Shire to begin a kerbside recycling scheme, in an attempt to reduce the amount of valuable resources going to landfill," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"The scheme proposed is entirely voluntary and it has been determined that we require approximately 50% of those properties currently receiving a kerbside pick-up for household waste to agree to join the scheme. This has been calculated on the basis of affordability and it is estimated that if we achieve 50% of uptake, the cost will be approximately $7.00 per fortnightly service," Cr Gilmore said.

"Further options are available in the event that less than 50% agree to take part. These options are more expensive and householders have been asked whether they wish to proceed at one of the other prices offered. I encourage all householders to take up this offer, which now closes on 2nd October," Mayor Gilmore said.

"I believe recycling is an important initiative and if we act locally we can contribute to reducing our environmental footprint. I am urging residents to seriously consider this initiative," he said.

You can opt in to the voluntary recycling scheme by visiting www.msc.qld.gov.au to complete the survey, email council info@msc.qld.gov.au, drop in to Mareeba Shire Council, 65 Rankin Street, or post the form to Council, PO Box 154, Mareeba Qld 4880.

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This Month's Trivia

- We went to the moon before we thought to put wheels on suitcases.
- A human could swim through the arteries of a blue whale.
- If you could fold a piece of paper in half 42 times, the combined thickness would reach the moon.
- On both Saturn and Jupiter, it rains diamonds.
- Saudi Arabia imports camels from Australia.
- You can line up all 8 planets in our solar system directly next to each other and it would fit in the space between Earth and the Moon.
- The youngest known mother was 5 years old.
- The Earth is smoother than a billiard ball, if both were of the same size.
- Nintendo was founded in 1889.
- If you take all the molecules in a teaspoon of water and lined them up end to end in a single file line, they would stretch 30 billion miles.
- In Australia, there was a war called the emu war. The emus won. (Yes, Google it!)

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Parents' Holiday Camp For Kids

I was browsing the internet the other day and came across this wonderful idea for helping bored kids on the holidays. Think of it like a kid's camp but rotating around each house. You'll need to get together with 3-4 other at home parents (I find over tea or coffee is pleasant) and work out who's doing what and when.

So here's the thing...each house hosts all the kids for a day, say from 10.00am-2.00pm (or 9.00am-12.00 noon if you want to avoid making lots of lunches), and puts on an activity.

The only rules are that the activity must be structured for and with the kids and there is a no screens restriction.

So for example a house with a pool could hold swimming activities or a parent who's a cyclist could get the kids to bring their bikes and take them bike-riding! The ideas are endless but here are a few:

- Gardening & Nature craft
- Neighborhood Photo Scavenger Hunt
- Act out your own skit or make a mini movie
- Dancing or storytelling workshop
- Baking cakes
- Lego creations
- Sprinkler Fun
- Board Games

Try and ensure the activities interest all the kids involved and one day of the week all the parents could get together and do something with the kids, say like a picnic or excursion to the beach.

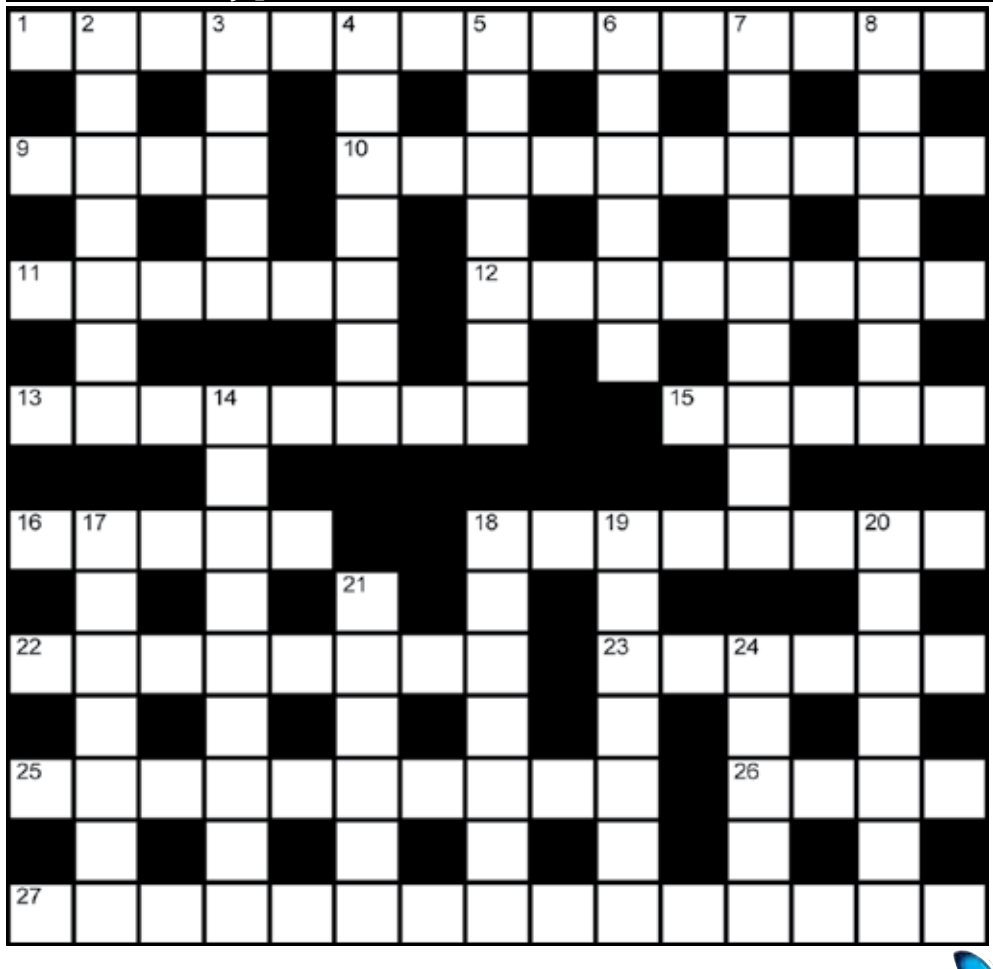
The big benefits of this DIY holiday camp are that:

a) the kids get out of the house,
b) they are NOT indoor on screens all day,
c) they get time with other kids and
d) each parent gets some (marvellous) time off!

For further activity ideas try these links: http://makercamp.com http://www.redtedart.com

The Imaginarium Chronicle is a Blog that explores ideas and creativity. It aims to pick up interesting and thought-provoking ideas from all over the world and briefly explore them. They may or may not be topical. The tone is light-hearted and informative.

Cryptic Crossword #18 BY DAVID



Across

1 Unnecessary advice to narcissists to have a good time? (5, 10)
9 Unit involved in massacre (4)
10 Bird strikes cause signs of fear (10)
11 Office furniture (6)
12 I am sitting and being impressive (8)
13 Aunt Bee takes knight craftily and is victorious (8)
15 Full up after chewing dates (5)
16 Socks and cuffs (5)
18 Overtake on a road and die (4, 4)
22 Small herb, chopped then scattered (8)
23 Religious centre takes in a quiet animal (6)
25 Officer takes flag to vessel (10)
26 Give vegetable to king and receive fruit (4)
27 Rival offer of marriage to shop assistant? (15)

Down

2 Music drops note in part of church service (7)
3 Girl in 13 very large, disorganised, and overweight (5)
4 Milk product found in deviant orgy hut (7)
5 To cast pain out would be ideal (7)
6 Guide takes woman to hospital (6)
7 Woman consumes man in American state (9)
8 Cost when previous partner takes coins, we hear (7)
14 Two men in collaboration describe era (9)
17 Polenta possibly scrambled at Mediterranean sea battle (7)
18 Push therapist out of bed (5, 2)
19 Clean counterfiet coin and rings (7)
20 Woman hosts three members of singing group in American state (7)
21 Man goes to church for spiritualist meeting (6)
24 Large mammal captured by whippoorwill (5)

SOLUTION ON PAGE 28

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○ – △ = 2
□ ÷ △ = 9

2 Find a nine letter word beginning with the centre letter.
Make 10 words with 3 or more letters using only the 9 letters provided.

N	E	G
G	L	A
S	U	A

3 If a building is 66m high plus half of its own height, how tall is the building?

4 A rule connects the numbers in the top row with those in the bottom row. What is the missing number?

12	5	1	4
16	2	–6	?

5 Each month 3 brothers are given pocket money. The middle son receives $5 more than the youngest and the youngest receives $12 less than the oldest. In total they receive $56. How much does the middle son receive?

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Residents are welcome to contact me in regards these or any other matters. Your opinions are always welcome. You can also contact any of your MSC Councillors if you would like to discuss any Council matters.

This month's edition of Jensen's Jottings has been provided by Cr Nipper Brown

Voluntary Recycling:

The Council has decided to offer the community an opportunity for recycling on a voluntary, fee-for-service basis. Letters seeking feedback from the community were posted on August 26, with the closing date of September 25. However, due to the disappointing response, at the Council meeting on September 16 Council resolved to extend the closing date to October 2. By way of a reminder, recycling bins are available at all transfer stations for the use of the community.

Recycling of Fertiliser Bags:

Council has entered into a trial for the recycling of fertiliser bags, which will be recycled into park furniture and rubbish bins, etc. Council is also seeking an opportunity for the recycling of farm waste such as irrigation fluming and plastic mulch. Council is always looking to explore cost effective ways to prevent valuable resources from going to landfill.

Refrigerators and Air Conditioners:

Refrigerant gas is now considered to be regulated waste and all refrigerators and air conditioners delivered to our transfer stations must either be de-gassed or there is a fee of $25 to cover the cost to Council of having these items de-gassed. There is no charge for the disposal of the item itself.

Tourism Kuranda:

On September 2, Council adopted the Tourism Kuranda Strategic Plan and appointed representatives to the Tourism Kuranda Advisory Committee. Continuing members of this committee are: Chris Grantham, Patricia Green, Terry Pates, Cathy Flambo, and Adrian Pancirov who will now be joined by Adam Letson, Peter Danford and Angela Freeman, who have been welcomed as new members. Due to the retirement of Melanie Wicks from the position of independent chair, a replacement will be named at a later date.

Kuranda Horse and Pony Club:

At the meeting on September 16, the Council agreed to provide $10,000 by way of a ten year interest-free loan as seed funding for the Kuranda Horse and Pony Club's application for grant funding for the construction of an under covered dressage arena at the Mantaka Pony Club grounds. This money will be made available once the grant application is approved.

New Water Reservoir:

The new one metalitre water reservoir on Myola Road has now been commissioned, providing certainty of a reliable supply of potable water to the community. The reservoir will be officially opened at 10:00am on Thursday, October 29.

Kuranda Library:

Building work associated with the new Kuranda Library at the Kuranda Community Precinct is quickly coming to a close. Work will soon begin on the transfer of the library from its existing site and the official opening will be conducted on November 21 at 11.00am. Remember to put this in your diary.

NDRRA:

Council has awarded the contract for flood damage repair to roads in the Kuranda area to FGF Contractors. A number of roads will be affected by this work to a total value in excess of $1 million.

NQ Games:

The NQ Games will be hosted in the Far North next year from 24-26 June. The North Queensland Sports Foundation is calling for applications from various sporting organisations to host a sporting event during these games. Information is available on the NQ Sports Foundation's website.

How Do I Contact Council?

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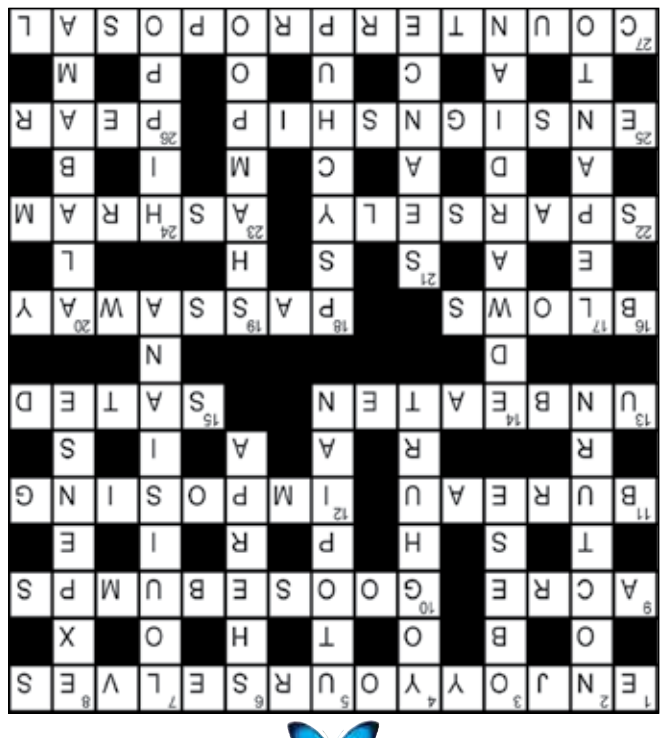

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- **During the closure library items can be returned through the chute at the current Kuranda Library site on Thooree Street**
- **From Monday 19th October all library items should be returned to Kuranda Library at the Kuranda Community Precinct on Arara Street**

FOR LIBRARY MATTERS PLEASE RING MAREEBA LIBRARY 4086 4622 OR FOR COUNCIL MATTERS MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL 1300 308 461

Mareeba SHIRE COUNCIL

Pet Food Drive for the Mareeba Animal Refuge

Kuranda and Mareeba Libraries are continuing their support of this worthy cause by collecting wet and dry dog food only this year for the numerous dogs being cared for by the dedicated staff and volunteers at the Mareeba Animal Refuge. All donations will be gratefully received by staff at either library for the month of October. To view current dogs, puppies, cats and kittens in need of adoption into loving homes, please visit http://www.mareebaanimalrefuge.com.au.

Storytime Theme for October is 'PETS'

Our regular Storytime & Craft session for under 6s, parents and carers (Fridays at 10.30-11.30am) for October will be 9th (at our current location in Thooree Street); CLOSED 16th; at the new location in Arara Street for the 23rd and 30th. Join us for stories, songs, rhymes and craft. New families always welcome!

Baby Rhymetime with Katrina

Next session will be held on Wednesday, 7th of October, 10.00-10.45am. Children from birth to 2 years and their parents very welcome.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who supported Kuranda Library's Great Book ***Swap & Big Book Sale*** between 2nd and 16th September.

Our members and visitors raised a fantastic total of $132.00 for the ***Indigenous Literacy Foundation***. Your generosity will help this charity to provide literacy resources and support to Indigenous children in remote communities.

On the 18th of September, we said **THANK YOU & GOOD LUCK to Wendy Levrier**, our Branch Supervisor, for her three years of expertise, quality customer service and friendship at Kuranda Library. We wish her all the very best for the next adventurous 'chapter' of her life's journey.

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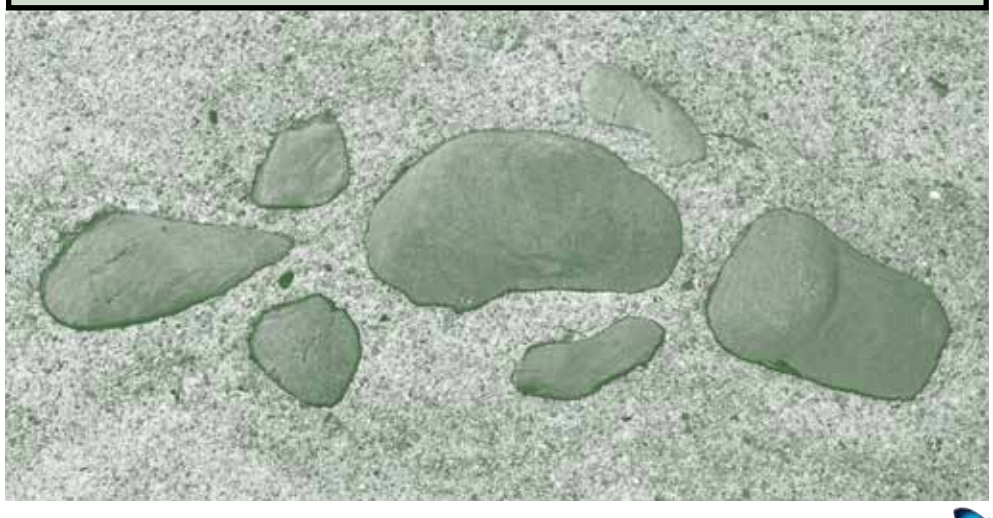

Crawford's Corner

Craig Crawford
MEMBER FOR BARRON RIVER

The Kuranda & District Chamber of Commerce facilitated a meeting to discuss issues about the Kuranda Range Road on the 6th August. From that meeting our local member Craig Crawford undertook to report back to us on his proposed actions. Following is a letter the Chamber received from the Member's office. Kuranda will have a presence at the meeting referred to, to ensure that we are seen and heard.

RE: Kuranda Range Road

Thank you for the invitation to attend the meeting held 6th August 2015 to discuss recent incidents which have closed the Kuranda Range Road. I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

The meeting raised the following points:

- 92% of accidents were locals indicating that the problem is a local and not one that requires advertising or messaging to tourists as a priority.
- Rubbish trucks operating between Cairns and Mareeba cause a traffic backlog and there were allegations of the trucks dropping liquid up the range.
- Concerns that not enough is done to ensure adequate police presence and the ability to quickly report bad behaviour and have offenders caught.
- Concerns that accidents remain in place for too long and that the road needs faster responses and faster processes to reopen quickly.
- Better signage to alert motorists of delays or closures.
- The state government look not only at the short term options for the range but also to the long term options of accessibility for Mareeba transport connection.
- Strong community focus on the range with strong emphasis on the beautiful rainforest drive that it currently is.

Moving forward, I will ask the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) to investigate whether CCTV can be installed on the Kuranda Range with links to the Cairns Traffic Management Centre and notification boards positioned well before the entries to the range to notify drivers of a problem and estimated length of the delay. I will call for workshop session with all agencies with an aim to develop a faster and co-ordinated response model to incidents on the range including Queensland Ambulance Service, Queensland Fire and Rescue Service, tow trucks and Roadtek with a view to minimising delays.

Advance Cairns will be running a workshop at Mareeba in October to develop a vision for the 20-30 year picture for the range, from this we will work with departments and the Wet Tropics Management Authority to develop a revised blueprint as the previous 4 lane model was contentious and is now perhaps outdated.

Yours sincerely,
Craig Crawford MP State Member for Barron River

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ANNOUNCING

GANG GREEN

GANG GREEN is the name the Jobfind team at the KCons nursery have chosen to call themselves. The gang has grown steadily over past months and now includes artists, builders, metal workers, wood turners and carvers, handicrafters, cane weavers, potters, herb and vege gardeners, hydroponics experts, chefs, sign-writers and confectioners. KCons is a busy place these days – noisy and productive. We're growing our own veggies and baking our own bread. Big cook-up on Thursdays.

We're building a kiosk to display and sell our wares at the KCons nursery. We're working hard and building businesses. Check us out.

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MISSING MISSY

Visitors staying at Christina and Thomas's place (Butler Drive) reported a 'sleeping cassowary' in the forest. On investigation, they found Missy dead, apparently for a couple of days. There were no outward signs of injury – no vehicle strike or dogs or fighting with another bird. Kuranda Vets carried out an autopsy reporting that Missy died from a ruptured bowel with early onset peritonitis. She had a scar showing previous chronic bowel injury. Thank you Andrew Easton of Kuranda Vets. Sue and Phil Gregory at Cassowary House, Black Mountain Road, will be particularly sad to hear this news. Missy has regularly visited their property for decades.

"Dad", Missy's mate, came forth with one chick this year, about 6 weeks ago. Dad is now well over 40 years old, about the age it is expected he will be losing his virility. It will be interesting to see how the home ranges which Missy and Dad have occupied for decades is populated by younger birds. This might see the end of the pattern we have enjoyed for so long. This year's chick may prove to be the thread that sees in a new era. Hopefully, if this does occur, the new birds will find themselves in a safer environment, made so by greater awareness by its human occupants for the need to travel slowly and restrain our dogs. If this is the case, we will have made some progress.

SNAKES

We had a request to remove a snake which had been ushered into a spare room in Kowrowa. It was brownish and maybe yellowish. Quite feisty. Jax's permit is for pythons and tree snakes so it was decided to hand the job over to the venomous snake experts.

Miss Hiss Reptiles called us some hours later to report that it was one of the largest taipans they'd ever seen – a beautiful snake, in prime condition.

The moral to the story is: don't take chances. Not that most of our callers do. That's why snakes get locked safely into broom cupboards and we get called in.

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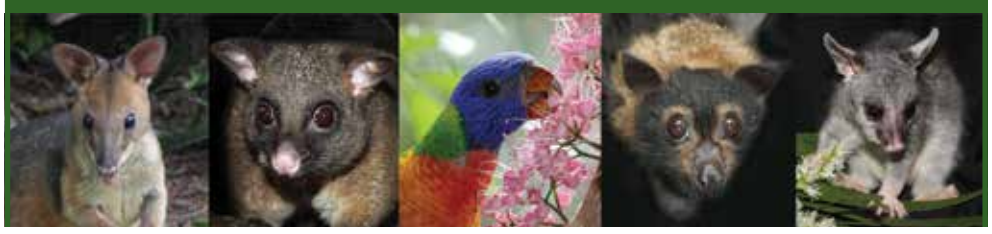

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Stamping out the Tramp Ants – update

Last weekend we helped spread baits for the Yellow Crazy Ants (YCAs) or crazies. This was a particularly important treatment as we needed to knock back the YCA numbers, especially along the creek and riverbank, before the wet season, to avoid any rafting and infestation downstream on the Barron. We started at 9.00am in Cadagi Drive, where Gareth Humphreys from the Wet Tropics Management Authority(WTMA) provided basic training. We ventured down treatment transects and distributed the bait pellets on foot throughout the infestation area, checking later to ensure that the bait had been picked up by the ants.

If you would like to join the yellow crazy ant community taskforce or if you know anyone who would like to help out with future activities, please share this and register through Kuranda Envirocare. Go to www.envirocare.org.au and click above the Crazy Ant

If you can't help out with the task force, you could help by requesting a free yard check, so please ring 13 25 23

Note the distinctive and extra long first segment of the bent antenna on the Yellow crazy ant.

The biological controls being developed overseas would not work in Australia, according to ant scientist Dr Lori Lach of JCU, so biological control research for here awaits funding.

WTMA CEO, Scott Buchannan and team have presented to the Federal Environment Minister Greg Hunt, requesting $5m over 3 years, to ensure we have an eradication program in place and adequate research is done on how to achieve this eradication in the Wet Tropics.

COMMUNITY PLANTING
In Memory of Mike Graham

In September we said goodbye to Mike Graham, who died after a lengthy illness; a kind soul, a friend, funny bugger and extremely active member of our conservation community. We celebrated his life and all of his outstanding achievements by planting 540 trees in memory of his wonderful life. Mike was an iconic activist in the far north and long time volunteer with Kuranda EnviroCare. Mike worked out that he had planted a tree for every day of his life...now that's a lot of trees. And we won't stop there! Thank you to our 25 volunteers who showed up on the day to plant the trees and to all of you behind the scenes who prepared the site, dug the holes and baked the scones. Without you volunteers, these events just wouldn't happen!

Plant of The Month

Candle Nut *(Aleurites rockinghamensis)*

This tree has been favoured for wood chop competitions. It is a tall tree with a straight trunk and buttressed roots. The large shiny leaves are rather distinctive. During the wet season some trees turn white with new leaves and flowers. The fruits will burn and can be strung together to make a primitive candle. Though poisonous, the fruit was cooked to reduce the toxins and eaten by aboriginal people.

Date Claimers

- Thursday October 1, General Meeting 7.00pm @ KRC, Fallon Road, Light supper provided, All Welcome.
- Sunday 18th October – Kuranda Day & Raft Race, visit our stall
- Frog Monitoring dates in the 3rd week of every month. Link to facebook page from our website

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Magic

Written by the children of Far North Queensland

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How to Draw a Cat by Adam Wallace

Draw a Bum, add a Birthmark & a person's back.

Their arms stick out bent at the elbow, now add the person's spine.

2 scars on the back that need 4 stitches. 5 freckles each side 3 hairs stick out. Body starts with the chin, neck & collar

Front legs come next. Make sure you do the knobbly knees. Big padded feet 3 pads not 4. Then each pad gets a nice sharp claw.

A curve for the belly - the belly button is just a dot. Back legs will help your cat to have fun, draw in the tail.

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A Thought for October

This month we read from St Mark's Gospel Chapter 7.verses 31-37

If ever there was evidence that Christians are called to a very inclusive stance in relationship to others, it is in these few verses. The disciples are alarmed. Someone is acting in the name and the spirit of Jesus, but he is not part of the organization! Obviously something has to be done about this. It simply cannot be allowed to happen! This is the attitude with which they go to Jesus.

Jesus' response shows his thinking to be totally different. This person is healing people. That is the point. To examine first the legalities of what he is doing is to fall into the very trap that caught the Pharisees. Jesus heals someone, and they point first to the calendar and announce indignantly that it is the Sabbath. The healing becomes irrelevant; the principle rules everything. Jesus' approach is to start with the person, not the principle.

"He that is not against us is for us." To say this is to take an inclusive stance toward the work of others, or the possibility of working with others in a project. Some Christians feel compelled to accept only those whose views correspond exactly with their own. Any deviations and the other is outside the circle. In contrast, Jesus' first consideration is to accept the other and cooperate until working together proves undesirable or impossible.

Jesus takes the opportunity to point out that real sin lies in a very different direction. To deliberately weaken or destroy someone else's faith is deeply sinful. It can be done, sometimes on purpose and sometimes by accident, unintentionally. If we hold a high place in someone's esteem, our cynicism or superior dismissal of their faith can be deeply damaging. Our behaviour, if it obviously betrays the trust or admiration of the other person, can be extremely hurtful.

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off." Jesus is very serious about what he is saying here. To get it across he uses image after image – first the hand, then the foot, then the eye. He is emphasizing the absolute necessity of dealing with certain issues in our lives, even if that means cost to ourselves. We cannot have life both ways. Choices must be made. Certain things must be dealt with, if only because not dealing with them is more costly than the sacrifice involved in dealing with them. Jesus can give us the grace to do this.

Jesus teaches us that his grace is present in some surprising places and people. He also teaches us that certain issues in our lives must be dealt with, even if there is a cost to us.

News from St Saviour's Church

St Saviour's is gearing up for a very busy October. To celebrate the birthday of the patron saint of animals, St Francis of Assisi, a special **Blessing of the Pets** service will be held this Sunday, October 2 at St Saviour's Church.

In 1206 Francis, the wealthy son of a cloth merchant, decided to forsake all his worldly possessions and founded the order of Franciscan monks. He claimed he found his affinity with God through animals, and would often call birds, animals and even flowers his brothers and sisters.

Blessing of the Pets coordinator, Chris Wright, said people can bring pets of all shapes, sizes and species - as long as they are on a leash or in a box or cage. "You don't have to belong to any church to come and join in the fun. Events like this connect people in the community who don't normally see each other or have things in common, and that's fantastic. The event gives the community an opportunity to meet together, share their common love of animals and make new friendships. It's really about shared humanity."

The Blessing of the Pets service starts at 9.30am in the area at the back of the Church.

St Saviour's Church Kuranda will be celebrating the **Centenary of its Dedication** on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th October 2015.

St Saviour's Church was designed by Mr Harvey Draper and built by Mr Arthur Newman, Mr W Moule and Mr A De Graf. The Church was dedicated on the 22nd October 1915 by the Rt Rev'd John Oliver Feetham, Bishop of North Queensland.

Many descendants of pioneering families and others with links with St Saviour's will come to together for special thanksgiving services on both days. The present Bishop of North Queensland, Bill Ray, will be present.

The *Cairns Post* of 22nd October 1915 printed the following about the dedication of St Saviour's: "An event of some interest will take place in Kuranda today where the Bishop of North Queensland will dedicate the new church of St Saviour. The ceremony will take place at 8.00pm, and on Saturday morning; the Bishop will celebrate the Holy Communion at 7.00am. The building has been talked of for many years, but was only put in hand and completed during the last few months. The plans and design were prepared by Mr. Harvey Draper and the work was done locally by Messrs. T. A. Newman, Moule and de Graf. The cost has been about £900."

A new Stained glass window will be dedicated to commemorate the centenary.

Baha'i Thought for the Month

It is self-evident that humanity is at variance. Human tastes differ; thoughts, native lands, races and tongues are many. The need of a collective center by which these differences may be counterbalanced and the people of the world be unified is obvious. Consider how nothing but a spiritual power can bring about this unification, for material conditions and mental aspects are so widely different that agreement and unity are not possible through outer means. It is possible, however, for all to become unified through one spirit, just as all may receive light from one sun. Therefore, assisted by the collective and divine center which is the law of God and the reality of His Manifestation, we can overcome these conditions until they pass away entirely and the races advance. *– Baha'i Writings*

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LAST month we crossed a threshold through the eclipses and Equinox. So many tears; so much released and cleansed. On the day of the Jupiter-Neptune alignment the symbology was beautifully played out by the politicians in Canberra… Another one bites the dust!

October begins with a retrograde Mercury conjunct the Sun in Libra. Redressing imbalances that have crept into our lives. Perhaps a touch confessional, but a necessary step to cleansing and purifying. Steadily building towards a very impactful time mid-month. The New Moon and Sun in Libra on 13 October align exactly with Uranus in Aries; Mars and Jupiter are conjunct in Virgo on 18 October. During that week the sense of breakthroughs and genuinely enlightened agreements is very strong. It seems as though a lot of legal, constitutional and bureaucratic matters are getting sorted, minus the rhetoric. Boring! But maybe necessary.

Venus, Mars and Jupiter continue to shine brightly in the pre-dawn eastern sky. Three very powerful morning stars. All in Virgo, emphasizing the coming time of healing, purification and respect of the sacred. Then, as the Sun moves into Scorpio on the morning of the 24th with a waxing Piscean Moon, we sense an intensification of purpose, an embracing of the whole and maybe, just maybe, an actual smoothing out of the tensions and conflicts that beset us on planet Earth. Saturn is now settled into Sagittarius: a two-year window of opportunities to prepare for the laying of foundations for a whole new set of structures on all levels.

The month ends with a Taurus Full Moon, Hunter's Moon, on the 27th. Watch for wildlife on the roads now and feel the pulse of life through all of nature. A powerful moon this one: "Exalted", as old astrology puts it, and it's as good a description as any of how we may feel at this time…

Then the Scorpio Sun joins in a water trine with Neptune in Pisces on 31st. Deep, deep still waters with shafting golden lights beaming through onto treasures below. Chakras aligned and aglow. A beautiful time to connect above with below and for awakenings that reveal rich treasures. And the meeting point of the Sun and Moon and Earth on our relative orbits, the Moon's node as it's called, sits exactly on the zero Libra point of perfect balance.

Let's zero in and find the centre…

Blessings.

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Community Calendar

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First Saturday
Garden Group 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

Every Sunday
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Speewah Country Market 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361
Yoga with Aileen 10.30am Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 4093 7401

Second Sunday
Uniting Church Recreation Centre 4.30 pm, Krishna 4093 8730

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Kuranda AA meeting Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, 7.30pm

Second Tuesday
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Second & Fourth Tuesday
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Every Wednesday
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Kuranda Playgroup 9.30am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. New families please phone Lynda 4093 0891 or 0410 337 932.
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Mah Jong at KNC 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome
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First Wednesday
Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting 2.00pm at KNC
Kuranda and District Chamber of Commerce 4.30pm Kuranda Hotel

Second Wednesday
QCWA meeting 12.00 at QCWA Hall Ph: President 4093 8215, Secretary 4093 8362
Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group – 10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Every Thursday
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SPEEWAH	9.25am	4.10pm	6.30pm	9.25am	4.10pm	4.10pm	6.30pm
MAREEBA	9.55am	4.40pm	6.55pm	9.55am	4.40pm	4.40pm	6.55pm
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