

Issue 135 JULY 2003 55 cents Same Koala Gardens welcomes its latest edition to the

Kuranda Koala colony...

this little boy, as yet unnamed, is now eight months old.



STOP PRESS !!

Come One, Come All...
The Annual KurandaFest is on its way, join in for the fun and festivities...

Read all about the impending re - opening of our beloved Amphitheatre on page 4

ALSO

(John Butler Trio on the way up here)... Wahoo !!



COMMUNITY LETTERS PO BOX 66 KURANDA 4872

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Dear Kuranda Paper,

An open letter to Council, Chamber of Commerce, and fellow Kurandans. Please take the time to drive down lower Coondoo Street at dusk or later in the evening, to enjoy the blinding white lights, [conveniently situated at a driver's eye level] which are part of the Tourist Levy Refurbishment.

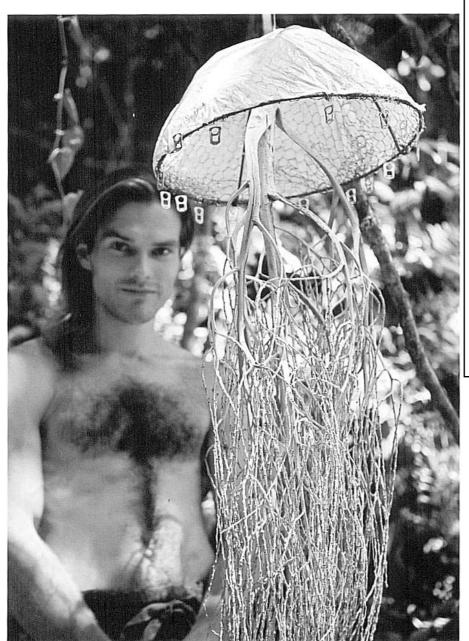
Might I suggest the ferocity of their glare is an accident waiting to happen? - to alleviate the discomfort one suffers when undertaking this journey, might not the powers that be consider exchanging the blinding whiteness for a welcoming orange glow? - safer, smarter, and more appropriate to what is left of our 'village'.

Please consider Sincerely Zaiga Gardiner

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Mareeba Shire Council is asking that the residents who come into the town are given the opportunity to respond to a survey being undertaken by the Chamber of Commerce regarding the movement of buses through the town. In case you don't notice this item in the Chamber's regular column, I'm repeating it here to ensure you don't miss your chance to state your opinion. You'll find survey forms in all the places in town you are likely to visit, such as the BP servo, the chemist/newsagent, the foodstore, the post office, the bank and the library. Please take a moment to mark the option you would prefer, note your name and residential address and leave the form with a reliable person at the same place you collected it from, or drop it off at the library. You will need to do this before Tuesday 1st July. Sorry about the short notice but please make the effort because your opinion is important. Thank you.

Jax Bergersen, President, Kuranda Chamber of Commerce & Tourism



This is the second media release regarding the Envirofiesta. We are beginning to broaden the awareness of the special content of the festival. It is only through the support of media outlets like the Kuranda Paper that community events such as Environfiesta have a chance of success. We appreciate any help you can give us in making this a succesful, fun and educational day for the whole FNQ region.

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COUNCIL TO IMPOSE WATER RESTRICTIONS

Mareeba Shire Mayor, Mick Borzi announced that Council had at its meeting today voted to impose water restriction on all water users in Kuranda and Mareeba.

"We have acted in response to the low water level in Tinaroo Dam. it is unlikely that any substantial rains will fall in the dam's catchment between now and the end of the year, so we have acted to help try and preserve what water remains," he said.

Cr Borzi said that he was very concerned about the deteriorating water supply situation and was asking all residents to minimise water usage and to conserve supply. "Both Mareeba and Kuranda are supplied with water from Tinaroo Dam so it is critical that residents reduce demand and help minimise the draw-down of water from the dam."

"While Dimbulah also depends on the dam for its water the supply system is such that it would be unable to meet the peak demand that would be generated should usage be restricted to certain hours. So, to avoid supply failure it is best that we ask residents to restrict water use without imposing formal restriction," he said.

From 1 July 2003 the following water restrictions will be imposed on all water users in Kuranda and Mareeba:

The use of sprinklers, watering systems and fixed hoses is restricted to the hours of 5.00 am to 7.00 am and 5.00 pm and 9.00 pm daily;

Hand held hoses may be used at any time;

Council and commercial operators with drip and/or auto irrigation systems may only use them for a maximum of four (4) hours per day. This applies to all town areas excluding Davies Park, Borzi Park, Centenary Park (Kuranda) and median strips in Mareeba and Kuranda; and

Commercial operators may apply to Council to have these conditions varied. These restrictions will remain in force until they are revoked by Council.



DEADLINES

FOR AUGUST PAPER

EDITORIAL: WEDNESDAY 23 JULY

ADVERTISING: WEDNESDAY 23 JULY

CLASSIFIEDS: FRIDAY 25 JULY

PAPER OUT: THURSDAY 31 JULY

Community Groups and Businesses can register their interest by contacting; Naterlie Geering 4093 0608 or Geoff Thomas 4093 8899

THE KURANDAFEST IS COMING





Be a part of this years music entertainment...register now...

Picture shows Una Chambers with Ray Langford, examining an original **KURANDAFEST** painting of the former hotel. Ray Langford ph 4091299 2003 **SPONTANEOUS ARTISTS COMPETITION**

From 9.00 am on the morning of Friday, August 29 you will be able to present your medium, stretched canvas, canvas board, watercolour paper etc. to be stamped with the date and time. when you are happy with your masterpiece you return it to the desk where you will be given a receipt and number for your work. the work will then be hung in an exhibition space which will be open to the public all day, Saturday August 30.

The Kuranda residents and visitors will then be asked to choose the artwork that best represents the character and essence og Kuranda and vote in a secret ballot. At the end of the Exhibition the winner will be announced and an award will be presented. There will be a \$5.00 entrance fee and the voters will be charged \$2.00 for one voting card per person.



Comments and enquiries..4093 7290



The theme for this month is definitely YES. Yes we now have complete Public Libility insurance after the unanimous decision to push forward at the General meeting on June 10. Yes we are well and truly back in action, and will be opening, and, Yes The John Butler Trio is coming to town.

In August we have a huge Community Re-opening Day Ceremony on the 3rd, which will be graced by Snake Gully, fresh from their European tour, along with many other brilliant local talents. Anyone interested in becoming involved should contact our bookings June - a pat on the back to all concerned. officer Di Russo on 4093 8761. Following that will be the John Butler Trio on the 23rd, and then a Recovery Party for the Kurandafest on the 31st. There are also whispers that Fun Jungle will soon be returning to Kuranda for a reunion, and the Waifs are pencilled in for some time in the not too distant future.

Until the official opening on the 3rd of August, we are getting busy on the grounds, hooking around in our fang-dangled new yellow ride-on mower, refurbishing the kitchen, and getting the place ship-shape and ready for action. Mareeba Shire Council has agreed to provide us with \$4000 worth of inkind support, for which we are very grateful, but we still need a lot of help to get it all happening, so if you have any spare time, and any skills at all, WE NEED YOU! From weed pullers to plumbers to structural carpenters to electricians, please let us know how you can help out by calling Dianna Monaghan on 4093 9778. Anything you can contribute is greatly appreciated.

Our Monster Garage sale was a complete success. So good in fact that it would be a shame to not have another one, so by popular demand, on 28th June we will be holding phase 2 of the K.A.S Monster Garage Sale. Same place, same time, same deal. Donated items can be left at 21 Barang St, or call 4093 9778 for pick-up. Also, we would not say no if somebody wanted to donate a fridge to us, nor would we turn away any old paint that wasn't being used (or new paint for that matter).

Steph from the Kuranda Village Cafe is the lucky winner of our most recent Raffle, and will be off with a friend to see "Black Grace", New Zealand's foremost dance company, at the Cairns Civic Theatre. If you are one of those unlucky people who missed out, there is no need to despair...there is always the next raffle. You can be sure that a member of our cunning and committed fundraising committee will be hunting you down in the not so distant future.

> Our heart felt thanks go out to Phil Finkelstein for his ongoing

-support and advice,

-Mareeba Shire Council for their much needed help,

-Anyone who will donate to Phase 2 of the Monster Garage Sale.

Kuranda Amphitheatre Society





VILLAGE GREEN LINES

by JACK McBOWL

The next date-claimer for Charity Bowls at Kuranda Bowls Club (Fallon Road) is Thursday night 3rd July. Team registering should be completed by 6.45pm as game commencement is 7 pm. Game cost is \$7 P.P. The extra fund-raisers for this evening will be the ladies from our local branch of Q.C.U.A. The Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre team were the winners on 5th

Of course social lawn bowls is held on other Thursday evenings at 7 pm (register by 6.45pm) and each Sunday register by 1 pm for 1.30 start.

With a new financil year commencing on 1 July, we remind members and prospective members that the membership fee of \$35 is due. Sunday 13 th July is the date for our next monthly meeting commencing at 12.30 pm. The A.G.M. will be held in August.

The 8-Ball Challenge proved to be a fun evening - of course the 8-Ball team were the winners!!

Ten students from Year 11 at the Kuranda High School have been learning the skills associated with Lawn Bowls as part of their Recreational Course to learn about different sports, origins of such sport and competitiveness. The group had four sessions on a fortnightly basis and they did enjoy the experience. Of those who picked up the game and the rules particularly quickly were

Taka Donahue Ian Bosen **Ashley Levers Anthony Riley**

I wonder if any from this class will he future champions? Time will tell - afterall, lawn bowls is a young persons' game at which older persons excel! A big THANK YOU to the KBC volunteers who assisted. .Telephone President 4093-8057 or Secretary 4093-7117 (evenings) if further information is required. Bowls are provided and flat smooth-soled shoes or bare-feet are part of the casual attire.

Kitty and I look forward to seeing you at the Kuranda Green.

Community Playgroup



Children's play is very valuable. Children learn through play. It is through play that they explore their environment and develop understanding about their world. Playing alongside or with other children also contributes to children's social development.

The Kuranda Playgroup is a Steiner Playgroup. We are also associated with the Playgroup Association of Queensland. This gives the group access to the

resources of Playgroup Australia such as the toy libraries and liability insurance. What differs between Steiner playgroups and others is the provision of an atmosphere that allows the children the space to experience life without any pressure towards forced intellectualisation.

The Kuranda Playgroup meets every Monday from 10 am to 12 noon at St Christopher's Catholic Church hall (behind the church) on Barang Street. The activities are aimed at children under 5 years of age. Cost is \$1 per child. New families welcome. If you would like any information feel free to phone either myself (Faith) on 4093 8172 or Julie on 4093 8433. May I take the opportunity to thank all those who have kindly donated items for craft activities. If anyone has any items such as shells, string, pieces of material or yarn plus any cushions or mats we would love to have them and of course we are always happy to receive toys made from natural materials.

Don't forget our next excursion on Monday 30th June when we will be taking a boat trip on the Barron River, departing from the pontoon at 11.30 am. We will meet at the hall in Barang street at 10.30 am.

Nurture well those little spirits given into your care. Like sparkling jewels, they reflect back all that is placed before them. Rich and varied are their facets. Enjoy! (Rudolf Steiner)

COMMUNITY GRANTS UP FOR GRABS

Australia's Open Garden Scheme is delighted to announce that it is running its Community Grants Programme for the sixth successive year in a row. In Queensland \$10,000 will be distributed in grants out of a national pool of \$55,000. The Brisbane metropolitan area, and regional Queensland will each be allocated one grant of \$3000 and two grants of \$1000.

Australia's Open Garden Scheme is a self-funding not for profit organisation dedicated to promoting the knowledge and pleasure of gardens and gardening across Australia. Each season more than 250,000 people visit more than 700 private gardens which open for the Scheme around Australia. Surplus funds are returned to the community in the form of the Community Grants Programme.

To be eligible, the garden project must be of lasting benefit to the local and wider community, and be accessible to the public on a permanent or semi permanent basis. Projects should involve volunteers and community based groups and should enhance the knowledge and pleasure of gardening.

Since its inception, the Scheme has funded \$550,000 worth of projects across Australia. "The type of projects that fit within the criteria varies enormously, "said Hilary Neill, the Scheme's Co ordinator in Queensland." Last years metropolitan winners included the Goon'thal'ba Garden - an indigenous culture garden in Nambour, and the Logan West Community Care Inc - a respite centre and skills training facility for the disabled. In the past we have funded school, community and historical gardens."

If you know of a community garden project that needs funding you can find details and an application form at all ABC shops and centres, ABC radio stations and from the Scheme's website: www.opengarden.org.au.

Applications close on Friday July 18, with judging completed by Thursday August 7.

For additional information: email qld@opengarden.org.au

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA (CHURCH OF ENGLAND) ST SAVIOUR'S KURANDA

Invites you to Worship

Sundays

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Sung Eucharist
9.30 am Sunday school
5.00 pm Afternoon Worship
Holy Communion (July 6th)
Informal Praise Service (July 27th)
all other Evening Prayer

Thursday

10.00 am Holy Communion

Activities

Home Groups Alpha A life Worth Living Sunday School

Eng Fr Warwick Letchford -Tel 4093 8735





St Cristopher's Catholic Church Barang St

Our Sunday Mass will be held at 6 pm

1st Wednesday of each month Mass 7.30 pm

FLOWER SHOW

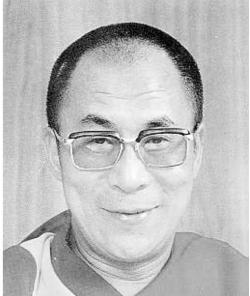
Schedules are now available for the Mareeba/ Uniting Church flower show, and can be obtained from the Shire library. Catergories include cut flowers, shrubs, native plants, orchids, pot plants and floral art, cooking and craft work. Enteries will be received at the PCYC hall in Walsh street Mareeba between 1pm and 9pm on Friday, July 25. There is a 20 cent entry fee for each exhibit with a maximum fee of \$2.00. The show is now in its 40th year and the organising committee plans an exhibition of momorabilia, so any contributions for this would be appreciated.

> Leslene Woodward, Organising Committee.



Dream of the spirit that lives within us for it is in the dream that the spirit grows





We all want happiness but we encounter ceaseless streams of suffering. If we try to find out where these sufferings come from, we realise that the source is internal afflictive emotions, residing within our own minds... The whole of Buddhist teaching is actually the method or mechanism to combat our internal enemy.

The Dalai Lama.

"A MIND THAT IS STRETCHED TO A NEW WAY OF THINKING CAN NEVER RETURN TO ITS OLD WAY OF THOUGHT"....

ROB.

Bahá'í Scripture Christ and Bahá'u'lláh

A friend asked how the teachings of Bahá'u'lláh contrasted with the teachings of Jesus Christ. "The teachings are the same", declared 'Abdu'l-Bahá; " It is the same foundation and the same temple. Truth is one, and without division. The teachings of Jesus are in a concentrated form. Men do not agree to this day as to the meaning of many of His sayings. His teachings are as a flower in the bud. Today, the bud is unfolding into a flower! Bahá'u'lláh has expanded and fulfilled the teachings, and has applied them in detail to the whole world.

"There are no solitaries and no hermits among the Bahá'ís. Man must work with his fellows. Everyone should have some trade, or art or profession, be he rich or poor, and with this he must serve humanity. This service is acceptable as the highest form of worship." Page 92 'Abdu'l-Bahá in 'Abdu'l-Bahá in London. Anyone needing further information should ring Roofia on 4093 0396.

Best wishes, Roofia.

If someone in your family has a drinking problem, you can see what it is doing to them. But can you see what it is doing to you?

AL-ANON can help you

Meetings:

Kuranda 10.30 a.m. Sunday Neighbourhood Centre Cnr. Coondoo & Barang Sts. Ph 4093 0462

Our vocal ensemble "HERMITAGE" a

cappella (voice only)

consisting of six professional singers (6 males) from Russian Orthodox churches, choirs and opera companies performing for all music lovers and experts of the Christian vocal tradition and of the Russian Orthodox church music and singing in all corners of the world.

We are trying to bring together friends of such historical art and culture by singing in ecumenical worships traditional liturgical Russian hymns like Gloria, Alleluia, Sanctus, Lord's prayer etc. using masterpieces of the famous Russian composers such as P. Tchaikovsky, S.Rachmaninov, -D.Bortniansky and others. Our concerts last about one hour (in case of two-part concerts 1 1/2hours including a short interval). The first part

of our concert consists of Russian Orthodox sacred music, the second part is Russian folk songs.

In spite of the fact that our audience can not always understand Russian the people are frequently moved by the beauty of the melodies.

We have already achieved our success in Germany, Switzerland, Denmark, the U.K. In Spring 2004 we will perform in the U.K again. In Autumn 2004 we are planning to visit Australia and we should be grateful for your kind assistance in promoting this initiative in Australia.

All participants of " HERMITAGE"

The project manager Natalie Aksuticheva

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Rare Book Revisits Early Kuranda

Some of the early history of Kuranda was resurrected recently with the launch of a book which had been out of print for nearly 90 years. In 1913 a young female schoolteacher arrived in Cairns by coastal steamer, travelled by steam train to Kuranda and spent two weeks exploring the town and surrounding natural areas. The following year she published a booklet describing her visit, writing under the pen name of Margaret Clow.

Until recently, only three copies of the original booklet were known to exist. By a chance meeting with Ross Hunter the son of the original author last year, Tableland historian Ray Langford saw one of these copies, realized the work had a very special significance and was at risk of being irretrievably lost.

Together they set about organizing a reprint and the new edition, renamed "The Mecca Of Our Desires - Kuranda And The Famous Barron Falls ", was officially launched at the Kuranda Railway Station on

Saturday 7th June. Guests of honour included local State Member Dr.
Lesley Clark, Mareeba Shire Mayor Cr.
Mick Borzi, and Queensland Rail's NQ
Traveltrain manager, Gary Young.

All who attended the ceremony agreed the book has considerable merit, both because of its historical content and the excellent English expression employed by the author to describe her excursions in and around Kuranda prior to the Great War. The perspective she provides in relation to modern Kuranda today is truly unique. Her book essentially was Kuranda's first tourist guide.

Margaret Clow stayed in the Barron Falls Hotel in Kuranda in 1913, then recently built by mining entrepreneur Ernest Hunter (the pair were eventually to marry). This grand establishment was sold to the Fitzpatrick family in 1921, the building was demolished in about 1970 and replaced by the modern Fitzparticks Tavern. Una Chambers is the current proprietor of the tavern. Book available at the greenhouse and Kuranda Railway Station.

Wait- A-while By Dr Lesley Clark MP

I don't believe that two State Government Ministers have ever spent a day in the Kuranda District, so I was very pleased to welcome Minister for Housing Robbert Schwarten and Minister for Families, Seniors and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy in May. The visit was very productive and helped the Ministers gain a greater appreciation of the issues facing the community in Kuranda and in particular the indigenous communities of Kowrowa and Mantaka. Judy Spence together with elders Melvyn Hunter for Koah, Winnie Brim for Mantaka, Raymond Lawson for Bottom Kowrowa, Thea Buthman for Lower Kowrowa and myself cut a ribbon across the new culvert providing all-weather access into Mantaka to mark the completion of \$1m of improvements to roads, lighting, water supply and sewerage in the communities of Kowrowa, Mantaka and Koah.

The final stages of this project will be the installation of a small sewerage treatment plant to service the communities in Myola. This year's budget also provided \$767,000 to begin construction of the 12 detached houses planned for Top Kowrowa to replace the existing old homes there. This 3-4 year project will significantly improve the quality of life for residents and also create local employment opportunities. The Department of Housing will work in partnership with ATSIC to plan for more houses to be built in the future to alleviate the shortage of Aboriginal housing in the Kuranda District.

The morning tea at the Neighborhood Centre enabled the Ministers to appreciate the great work that Cherry and her volunteers are doing and see for themselves the nature of their accommodation problems. One option under consideration was the extension of the Kuranda Library to make room for community organizations, but lack of funding means that will not be possible, so it is back to the drawing board. Both Ministers have pledged their support to me in my continuing efforts to provide a suitable permanent home for the Neighborhood centre.

Other local budget news was an additional \$904,000 for ongoing planning for the Kuranda range upgrade. Preliminary design work is finished and it is hoped that all State and Federal government environment approvals will be obtained next year. The Department of Main Roads will be conducting community information sessions' including one in Kuranda, but no date has been set just yet so watch out for details in the press.

Kuranda State School received funding for air conditioning, painting and roofing repairs, which will be welcomed by staff and students.

State-wide the big winners from the budget were the areas of health and disabilities which received big increases. There was an additional \$3.7m for the Cairns Health Service District which will result in improved services at Cairns Base Hospital. The Clark Report to be delivered soon has full coverage of the budget and more information flyers are also available from my office.

Finally, it was my pleasure to launch "The Mecca of Our Desires - Kuranda and the Famous Barron Falls" the recollections of a two week holiday in Kuranda in 1913 by Florence Ross, then a young school teacher. The re-print of her little book first published in 1914 under her nom-de-plume of Margaret Clow was the result of a collaboration between her son Ross Hunter now aged 75 and living in Mt Molloy and Ray Langford, with support from QR. I just loved the book with its beautiful poetic language and descriptions of rainforest walks around a much more pristine Kuranda district with the magnificent falls, which were awesome all year round.

Long time locals will enjoy trying to identify various places in the book which have different names today and if anyone can tell me where Milne Dell is/was I would love to hear from them. If I say too much more I'll spoil the experience - just get yourself a copy!! Books are available from the Kuranda station and local retail outlets. Thanks to Ray and Ross for preserving this wonderful piece of our history from the brink of oblivion.



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TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE AT OUR NEXT MEETING (and it's free)

(1) WONDERING ABOUT THE WEATHER

Where are we on the Climate Change graph?

What should we be reading into the long drought

and the unseasonal winter rain?

This is a recurring topic that always elicits a lot of interest and intense debate. It's in the global news and affects us all. Jacqueline Balston, Climate Research Scientist from the Queensland Centre for Climate Applications (Dept Primary Industries) will be guest speaker at our meeting on 2nd July. Jacquie's career centres on the factors that affect weather, what the likely forecasts are for years into the future and what we should be doing to prepare ourselves. OR is it business as usual?

Everyone is most welcome to sit in on Jacquie's presentation and join in the discussion which will invariably follow. Light refreshments will be available. See venue and time details below.

(2) THE KURANDA RANGE ROAD

There are some interesting graphics floating around which depict the new alignment of the Range Road. The road designers, Paul Jones and Margaret Kelly of the Department of Main Roads will take us for a virtual spin up the road using their mind -boggling quantum graphics. We will float over bridges and slide through tunnels. We'll get an idea of the magnitude of the engineering required for this project. We'll also get a preview of the environmental costs and benefits of constructing this road.

This is a preliminary peek for us. A community-wide meeting will be held later in July or early August.

PS: You might like to bring a seat belt to keep you in your armchair.

National Tree Day-Sunday 27th July-Kuranda High School

KURANDA **EnviroCare** will be putting its weight behind the 4Ss (Sustainable Society Schools and Sawmills) field day on National Tree Day with information on tree planting techniques, local native tree species and resources for teachers. Of course, we'll be more than happy to tell you all about the other things we do.

Head for the High School, Myola Road, between 10am and 3pm. Bring the family and enjoy a picnic. There's a lot of future wrapped up in this project and it brings together the communities of our local schools, commerce, art, craft and the environment.

World Wide Fund for Nature

We enjoyed networking with representatives of this well known and respected organisation and strengthening links that we hope will lead to a better informed and stronger voice on environmental issues.

Planning for Development

Watch for public notices to comment on Mareeba Shire Council's planning scheme under the Integrated Planning Act (IPA). You might not know what all this means, but when the neighbours get in the bulldozers and turn their farm into a housing estate, it'll be too late. At least make the time to sit in on one of the workshops we'll be having during the period of public consultation. Watch this space for details.

How the Weeds Field Day in Speewah Went

Margaret Woodland, who coordinates the Landholders & Neighbours Group for the Wet Tropics Management Authority (WTMA) organized a most interesting day on Saturday 21st June. Many thanks to the Speewah Rural Fire Brigade for allowing us to use their shed. Sid Clayton of Mareeba Shire Council was his usual wonderful self, full of information and eager to share it. There was a great deal of interest in the organic segment, thanks to Pam Norman and Bob Madden. Thanks, too, to Nigel Tucker for his tireless inspiration.

Our next meeting (all welcome) will be on Wednesday 2nd July at Kuranda Primary School, 7pm (Arara St entrance)

Two fascinating presentations—Climate Change and a preview of the Kuranda Range Road upgrade

Queensland Fire and Rescue Service



Vacancies

Auxiliary Fire Fighters Kuranda

The Kuranda Fire Station currently has a number of vacancies for Auxiliary Fire Fighters.

Main Duties

- * Work as a member of a team which crews a fire appliance or other emergency response vehicle in order to respond to emergency incidents (for example, fires, vehicle entrapment, chemical spills, salvage operations).
- * Provide basic first aid, if required
- * Promote community awareness in fire prevention by participating in public education lectures/demonstrations

Requirements

- * Police Record check
- * Hold a current "A" class license and obtain a MR within (12) months
- * Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- * Able to obtain a medical fitness certificate
- * Live or work within 5 minutes travel from the fire station

For further information please contact: 0417 138 576 QFRS is a Equal Opportunity Employer

THANK YOU RAY WINTOUR

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY OF KURANDA
QUEENSLAND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE
THANK YOU TO RAY FOR YOUR COMMITTMENT TO KURANDA FOR THE
PAST 21 YEARS OF SERVICE

Ray joined the QFRS on 13 July 1982 as an auxillary firefighter. After 10 years of service Ray was promoted to Captain at the Kuranda Fire Station on the 13 July 1992. Captain Wintour received a National Medal in 1997. Captain Ray has also been nominated for a certificate of appreciation for his outstanding service and contribution to the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service. Captain Wintour retired this year (2003). A retirement function will be held in the coming weeks.

Please join us in wishing Ray all the best for the future.

FIRE AWARENESS WEEK STATION OPEN DAY ON SUNDAY 24 AUGUST STARTING AT 10:00 AM

Kuranda Fire Station will be holding an Open Day on the 24 August to promote Fire Awareness Week. During the open day we would like to show visitors and the community of Kuranda their Fire Station. We will hold displays of fire fighting techniques, have a sausage sizzle, show videos, have giveaways, L'il Squirt fire engine will give rides and Blazer Bear is reported to show up on the day. We hope that you will come along, meet some of your local Firies and have a good time.



Kuranda Lions
Members
watch as past
President
Dug Stratford
presents
cavel to new
President Bruce
Vanderweyde.



KURANDA FRESH WHOLEFOODS WIDE RANGE OF Fresh Fruit & Vegetables Including Organics.

Pre Pak Fresh salads Gourmet Cakes, Pastries & Quiches Delicious Homemade Jams & Chutneys Assorted dried Fruits & Nuts Dolmades & Fresh Pasta Sauces Lge Variety Hashams Dips & Baklava Mungali Bio Dynamic Milk, Yogurts, Quark Etc Free Range Eggs, NEW! "Organic Sodas" Specialty Breads: Gluten, Yeast, Dairy Free Sour Dough's, Spelt Flour & Organic Breads

Fresh Cut Flowers, Plants & Blooming Bromeliads/Great Gift Ideas!

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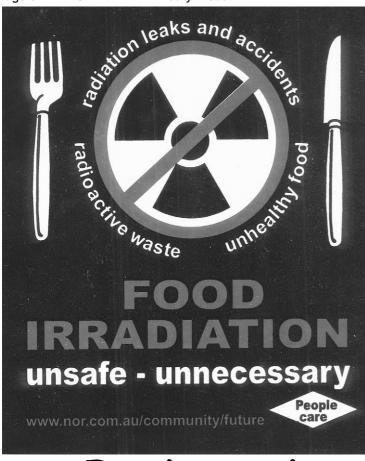
....NEW - ITALIAN WOOD FIRED BREAD, FAT & PRESERVATIVE FREE, FRESH SUSHI....
EASY PARKING AT BP COMPLEX, - PRE PACKED PH: ORDERS/HOME DELIVERIES AVAILABLE
"BECAUSE YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT"!

Above: Garth Gleeson zone Vice -President conducts Lions Members Induction.

KURANDA LIONS CLUB

Kuranda Lions held their changeover on 31 st May, 2003. Garth Gleeson, Zone Chairman did the inductions, Garth and his wife, Rhoda, Mayor Borzi and Mrs Borzi were guests on the night, Carol Jeanes was chairman for the proceedings and most members and other guests were also present. Bruce Vanderweyde is now our new president, taking over from Dug Stratford. A very enjoyable time was had by all present. COL'S BACK, please support 100 club board. Interested groups such as: school, youth or sporting groups, etc. please contact the Lions Club for Sponsorship to assist with materials and such to construct a raft for the race in The Kuranda Fest raft race to be held at the end of August.

Yours in Lionism Carol Jeanes



Radiation is a carcinogen, mutagen and teratogen. At doses of 100,000 rads to fruits and vegetables, the cells of the fruits and vegetables, will be destroyed, but fungi, bacteria and viruses growing on the fruits and vegetables will not all be killed or inactivated at these doses. they will be mutated, possibly leading to more virulent contaminants. Has anyone addressed this problem?

Geraldine Dettman. Ph D. Radiation Safety Officer, Brown University.

I am opposed to food irradiation because it is clear that this process increases the levels of mutagens and carcinogens in the food. The inevitable consequence of this is that in 2-5 decades in the future, the incidence of cancer will increase from what we see now, in direct proportion to the amounts of irradiated food consumed... Thus, food irradiation becomes very expensive both in terms of human lives, as well as health care costs....

George L.Tritsch, Ph.D. Rosewell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, NY

There are potentially serious concerns abuot the issues of waste disposal, engineering safety, transport of radioactive material, production of new isotopes, handling by poorly trained personnel, and others we haven't even thought of yet. Sheldon Marge, MD Professor Emeritus, University California, Berkley.



Yes, gamma can kill harmful bacteria in food, but one big problem is that they kill microflora, too. Bacteria are not just agents of disease... One need not be a luddite to recognise the cult of nuclear idolatry.

Geoffrey Sea, Director of Atomic Reclaimation and Conservation Projects.

Food Irradiation by Star. What you should know about food irradiation to make an

informed choice for you and your family.

WHAT IS FOOD IRRADIATION?

Food irradiation involves exposing food to ionising radiation either from gamma radiation from a radioactive source or alternatively electronic beam (e beam) which is machine sourced. Both sources of ionising radiation have harmful effects on food. Currintly herbal teas are being irradiated using radioactive material.

The radioactive material, Colbalt- 60, is produced in Canadain nuclear power reactors over a 2 year period. Cesium- 137 is used in other countries. Proponents of food irradiation promote the technology for:

- Decontamination and sterilisation
- Prolong the foods shelf life
- Prohibit sprouting and/or germination of weed seeds.

What Foods Will Be Irradiated ?

Application A413 for the irradiation of herbs, spices and herbal teas has been approved by FSANZ by nuclear irradiation company STERITECH PTY LTD. Application A443is currently pending with FSANZ for tropical fruit (breadfruit, carambola, custard apple, lichee, longan, mango, mangosteen, papaya and rambutan) by Surebeam using e-beam. If surebeam's application is approved, Steritech can then irradiate tropical fruit using radioactive material.

It is anticipated that further food irradiation applications will follow. It is also expected that the upcoming FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (FTA) between Australia and the United States will open the floodgates for irradiated food imports. email the Stop the FOOD IRRADIATION Alliance for further information.

Who approves Food Irradiation?

Our Health Ministers lifted the moratorium (temporary ban) on food irradiation in 1999 by amending Standard A17 in the Food Standards Code.

Food irradiation approvals are made byour Health Ministers when meeting as the Food Standards Australia New Zealand Ministerial Council (FSANZ). They obtain their advice from the irradiationcompany and their department (FSANZ).

Each food irradiation application is open to two rounds of public submissions. For example, during the first round of the submission process for application A413 (herbs, spices and herbal teas) 257 submissions were received by FSANZ with only 18 in favour of the application.

Is Irradiated Food Safe to Eat?

Irradiation destroys essential vitamins and nutrients. Vitamins a, B1, B2, B6, B12, Folic acid, C E and K are significantly damaged. Essentiial amino acids and polyunsaturated fatty acids can also be depleted. Numerous food irradiation studies conducted on test animals have indicated that consumption of irradiated food can cause serios health risks with potentially fatal results such as cancer, still births, internal hemorraging, radioactivity, genetic mutations and chromosomal damage.

Labelling

Hilde Hemmes' Herbals (www.herbalsupplies.com.au) are irradiating their products which are labeled to FSANZ standards, for example a box of peppermint tea states:

'This product has been treated with ionising electrons to destroy harmful micro-organisms'.

The international symbol for irradiated food is the Radura symbol as seen below.

For loose items such as fruit it is still unclear as to how they will be labeled. Initially FSANZ indicated that a label would be placed 'near' the produce, however in the final assessment this issue is not addressed. Restaurant, cafe, takeaway food will not require to be labeled in Australia. However, this is a requirement in the united Kingdom. Iradiated food is also being introduced into United States Schools unlabeled by the Bush Administration with no consultation with students or parents.

Alternatives to Food Irradiation.

There are alternative food hygene and quarantine methods available. Research and development of alternatives to irradiation technology and chemical methods is a far more sustainable objective than the use of a technology that has not been proven safe.

Alternatives to irradiation include cold storage, heat/steam, hot water dips and atmospheric control such as with oxygen, carbon dioxide and nitrogen. There are also physical disinfestation methods and inspection and cullin of infected fruits. Combinations of these methods may also be used.

WHAT YOU CAN DO.... Food Irradiation

-Contact your Local Member and/or Health Minister and voice your concerns. -Contact your local food shop/restaurant and enquire if they sell irradiated

Environment minister Dr David Kemp D.Kemp.MP.@aph.gov.au ph: (02)6277 7640 Fax: (02) 5273 6101

Qld Premier: Mr Peter Beattie

thepremier@premiers.qld.gov.au ph: (07) 3224 4500

The International Picture.

There is an increasing push for the 'harmonisation' of international food standards to facilitate trade pushed by the Worle Trade Organisation. Food irradiation supports a centralised food system which is trade-oriented and

BAD TASTE, a report by US Public Citizen group reveals the involvement of the international Atomic Energy Agency's and the world Health Organisation's in the promotion of food irradiation. www.citizen.org

European Union (EU) Rejects Food Irradiation

On the 17 December 2002 the EU rejected further food irradiation applications until adequate scientific research proving irradiation's saftey is conducted. Currently EU permits the irradiation of spices, dried herbs

Campaign Contact

Stop Food Irradiation Alliance - stopfialliance@yahoo.com.au www.foodirradiationinfo.org for updates and example letters. or 0411 118737



KURANDA DISTRICT STATE SCHOOL

DISTRICT SPORTS

Kuranda students had an enjoyable day at the Barron River District Athletics carnival recently held at Barlow Park. There were a number of successes with Sam Kluk and Sarah Vekula being chosen to represent Barron River District in high jump. Sarah came first in the 10 year old girls and Sam second in the 12 year old

Mitchell Holland and Dylan Schacher were unlucky to miss selection with third placings in shot put and high jump. The relay teams also competed well scoring an overall second placing at the carnival.





REGIONAL TEAM ATHLETICS

Kuranda District Primary School will be holding the Regional Team Athletics final at the school on Thursday. The event is for year six students and involves participation by thirty students, fifteen boys and fifteen girls. Activities include target throwing and obstacle relays, involving as many students as possible in a fun environment. Kuranda will receive \$500.00 worth of athletic equipment from

PRESCHOOL BUDDY READING

Senior Guy has been continuing the tradition from the Big Buddy Book Fest and regularly reads with the Preschool students. Each senior student is a buddy for a preschool child. We read twice a week with them in different places around the school. The senior students are enjoying the company of the "little ones" and vice versa. This will continue for the rest of the year and help with the preschoolers' transition to the big schoo



ENVIROCARE PROJECT

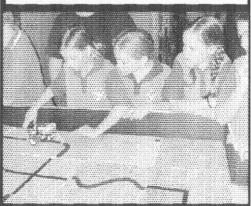


Year 6/7 classes have been linking with ENVI-ROCARE to establish a small sustainable plantation of trees for the 4S project in Myola Road. The three classes spent 1 hour each at the site planting, watering and discussing the development with ENVIROCARE volunteers.

Each class will visit the site regularly as the plants begin to grow. This long term project, an idea from ENVIROCARE, encourages the students of Kuranda to think about the future will use these trees in years to come at the High School to make products in woodworking that they can sell, keep or give as gifts. The classes enjoyed the day outside and really cared for their saplings. (K Guy)



DIGITAL EXPO



The middle school and 3 senior kids went to Cairns High for the Digital Expo. The high schoolers put on some digital movies that they had made. The primary kids went round to all the computers to watch different movies and digital art they had made. They also took a picture of a student and teacher from Kuranda and cloned them and the high schoolers also made a robot that followed lines. By Sean Rankine

SCHOOL CONCERT

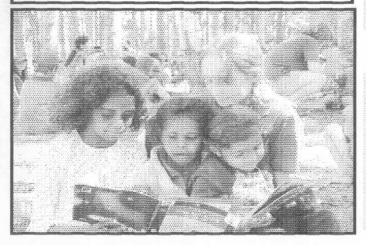
A few weeks ago the whole school got together for a concert. Each class presented an act. There was singing and dancing and even jokes. There were lots of people there and everyone had a great time. Thank you to everyone who came along to support the school



BIG BUDDY BOOK FEST



To celebrate Education Week the school held a Big Buddy Book Fest. The entire school was involved in this celebration. The older students buddied up with a younger student and they read books together in the forest. Later on we celebrated with a BBQ. It was great to see so many happy faces, and some of our older studetns looking after their younger buddies with care and concern. Thanks to everyone who made this celebration such a success



School Performance Report

At the recent P&C Meeting, The "SCHOOL PER-

REPORT" was tabled. The improvements noted here

are good examples of what happens when we work together.

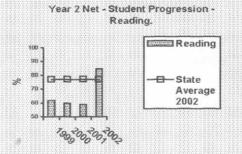
Literacy and numeracy are the most important foundation skills our children need during their education. Parents are important partners with teachers in helping young people gain these skills of literacy and numeracy. That places a major responsibility on people in schools, on teachers and on parents to see that our children learn these skills well.

The School Performance Report shares some information on how we are doing. It also includes other important information which is vital to share with you.

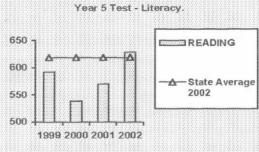
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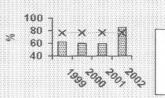
Literacy & Numeracy



Many more year 2 students were reading at appropriate levels



Year 2 Net - Student Progression -Number.





Results in Number were also above state averages. Also, one of our year seven students scored at the top of the state in the Number strand of the Year 7 Test.

WHAT OUR STUDENTS & PARENTS SAY ABOUT OUR SCHOOL. (Source - School Opinion Survey).

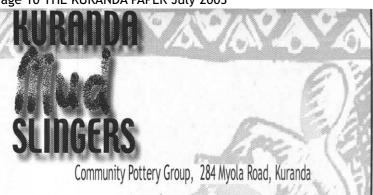
The programs and activities undertaken by the school were reflected on positively in 2002. School Opinion Survey data (parents) included:

- Overall rating just below "very satisfied" (3.17).
- School-community relations (significantly above state averages for the first time in 2002).
- School's Learning Climate (significantly above state averages for the first time in 2002).
- School's Curriculum just below very satisfied range (3.20), {Very Satisfied = 3.21}).

Results for Parents and Students generally increased in 2002 compared to 2001, with the overall parent score in excess of state averages.

The results from parents were generally above those from students. Parents: In many areas scores were <u>in excess</u> of state averages for the first time (Key: b), with quite a number being significantly above state averages:

- Developing Child's Literacy Skills.
- Developing Child's Numeracy Skills.
- Developing Child's Social Skills (significantly above state average)
- Your Child is safe at this school (significantly above state average).
- The quality of teaching your child receives.
- This is a good school.
- School's learning climate (significantly above state average)
- Behaviour of Students at this school.



Firstly, a reminder to all Mud Slingers that the Locks at the Stables will be changed this month, as promised in the last mail out. This is because we are losing track of heaps of keys. From when the new lock is installed, members will be able to collect a new key for a \$10.00 deposit. Keys can be collected from Ian Whittaker, or at pottery workshops.

Coming up this month, for the first time in ages, a POTTERY WHEEL WORKSHOP, with guidance by LEON CARTLEDGE, a local experienced production potter. From beginners to advanced, come along to develop and share skills at your own level. This one won't be on the first Saturday of the month, due to Leon's commitments, we will gather at 10.30am on the third sunday: SUNDAY, JULY 20th. Cost is \$10.00 members, \$15.00 non members. Clay supplied. Bring old clothes, an old towel if possible, and snacks.

A big thankyou to the mysterious phantom cleaners from Russett Park who have tidied the stables! Also, after extraordinary delays, the kiln has been firing again. Thanks for your patience, and thanks again to the supporters of the Evening of Elegance last month that helped pay for expensive repairs.

> Any Queries, Phone Ian Whittaker 4093 9652

Love Pours

Love pours dripping off me you are golden like honey soft, gentle as the monsoon rain I long to reach out & touch you you sparkle luminous dust love is a many faceted diamond

meaningless days and nights spent without you nothingness, limbo... then I smell you hear your voice watch you face me our souls have kissed all else is maya our thoughts have met united as one sweet as nectar you exist, I exist simply so we could find each other you set me free again transcending the mundane plane evolving the ancestral line

inside love drips like honey.... OM Star

cycles are repeating within us

the golden threads of our existence

have merged to become one love

outside moist monsoon rain falls

That Day
I remember that day I was searching high and low for the proper place to go,

I felt like I would pee an internal sea and was straining physically, Then I found the proper place provided for such emergency, With the belief of relief, I stood in a line along the directional urinal Only to find....

> On opening my fly to my utter dismay, an impenetrable wall that I could not get through,

Not a chance and the pressure was starting to make me do a tip toeing dance, I was struggling to find an opening, This tug of war was what my fellow pee'ers saw, on my face was pure panic.

Cold sweat was starting to pour the look of surprise, from these viewers eyes, as I bungled a fumble with my belt, My trousers dropped there I stood in jocks and socks, Only to discover that, that was the day I put on my underwear around the wrong way.

Loony Poet

DM Jones



Sustainable Society, Schools and Sawmills (The 4Ss Project)

The First Trees Planted in Kuranda High School Forestry Project

On Friday 6 June 2003, eighty students from Kuranda Primary School planted the first 200 trees of the Sustainable Society, Schools and Sawmills (4Ss) project. All the High School students will plant their trees early next term, in the week before National Tree Day on Sunday 27th

The 20-year project will see 500 trees planted each year in plots around the High School property. This represents one tree per child per year from both the Kuranda Primary and High Schools. The purpose of the project is to plant local native tree species (the right tree in the right place) for their timber, fibre, fruits and medicinal uses. In due course, the trees will be selectively harvested while planting continues. When this cycle is achieved, in say 10-15 years, the message of sustainable timber production will have been demonstrated.

Sunday 27th JULY is NATIONAL TREE DAY and 4Ss FIELD DAY

You're invited to inspect the first planting and to learn why the species have been chosen. Sawmilling and site preparation equipment will be on display and experts will be on hand to answer questions about growing the right trees in Kuranda for timber production and environment.

10am—3pm, Myola Road (Kuranda High School)

This project is initiated jointly by KURANDA *EnviroCare* INC., Private Forestry North Queensland Inc. and Kuranda's Primary and High Schools. It is being supported by the community both financially and in practica on-ground ways.

For more information contact:

Jax Bergersen, Pademelon Lane, Kuranda 4872 Phone: (07) 4093 8834 Email: envirojax@optusnet.com.au Web site: ssss.org.au

KURANDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & TOURISM INC **KURANDA A PLASTIC BAG FREE TOWN?**

Support is coming from all sides for the green tourist town of Kuranda to lead the way in this region to eliminate plastic carry bags from our shopping trips. Envirocare and the Chamber are joining forces on this one. We can't claim to be the first to come up with the idea, but we can copy the initiative taken by other communities and set the pace in the Tropical North. Anyone in the community who would like to add their weight to this project can do so through Korina at the Foodstore or Jax on 4093 8834. Check out where and when we'll next meet to take this idea a step further.

CALL FOR OPINION OF RESIDENTS RE MOVEMENT OF BUSES THROUGH THE TOWN BY 1ST JULY

Mareeba Shire Council is asking that the residents who come into the town are given the opportunity to respond to a survey we are undertaking regarding the movement of buses through the town. Survey forms can be found in all the places in town you are likely to visit, such as the BP servo, the chemist/newsagent, the foodstore, the post office, the bank and the library. Please take a moment to mark the option you would prefer, note your name and residential address and leave the form with a reliable

person at the same place you collected it from, or drop it off at the library. Please note that your view is needed before Tuesday 1st July.

THE KURANDA FEST

Plans for this annual event are taking shape. The date has been set for 29-30-31 August. Some great new ideas are coming forward for an art show and photographic show to be judged by the public. There'll be a repeat of last year's super grand parade, and the amphitheatre will be able to be a major player this year too. Let's know if you want to get involved. SPECIAL PREVIEW OF KURANDA RANGE ROAD

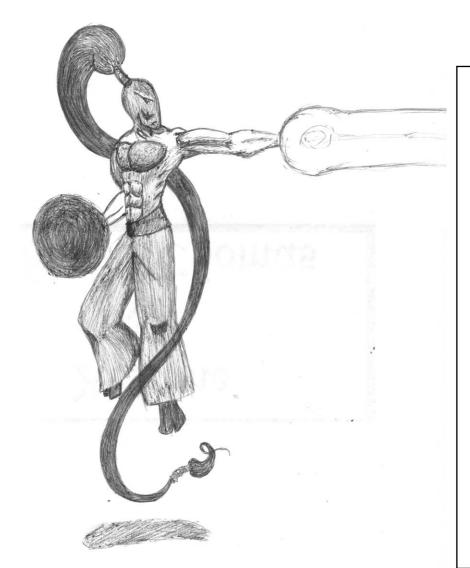
At our meeting on 1st July, Paul Jones and Margaret Kelly of the Department of Main Roads will give a most interesting graphical presentation of what it's going to be like driving up the Range Road on the new alignment. This will take about half an hour, starting from 5pm. All welcome. A whole of community presentation will be given in the coming months. OUR NEXT MEETING will be at 5pm at Billy's Bar on TUESDAY 3rd JUNE commencing with the Kuranda Range presentation.

4093 8834 President Jax Bergersen Vice President Anja Bakker 4093 7575 Secretary Steve Caught 4093 9311 Treasurer Louise Mabbutt 4093 7231





Above: Kuranda fest is coming to town...by Jordy



Youth for a NO GO zone for proposed Food Irradiation Plant for Cairns MOBILISE NOW This is Your Future !!!!

more informed info: www.foodirradiationonfo.org

WE DEMAND CLEAN FOOD

Above: Martial Chi Master By Ahimsa.

Little Day Out Youth Music Fest

Original Bands, turntablists, & hip hop artists as well.

Bands, D J's & Mc's are encouraged to pick up an application form at Graft 'n 'Arts Media Lab, 124 Grafton St. Cairns. Call Bre 4051 4023 or email:

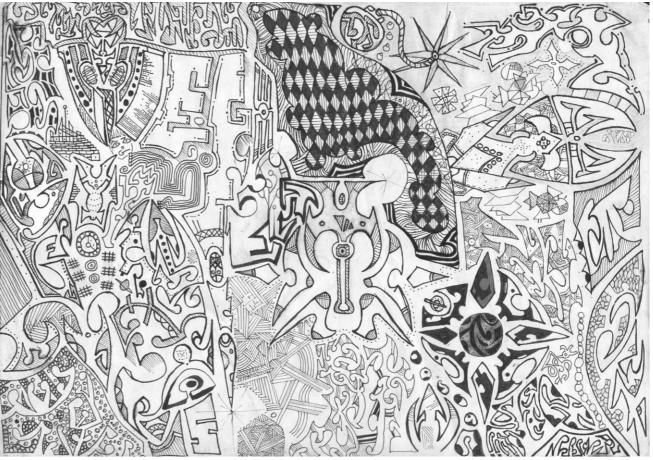
littledayout@hotmail.com







Below: Cosmic Trip out by Adam.















Improving Asthma Care

Asthma continues to cause significant ill health for many Australian people. A combination of spasming bronchial tubes & excessive mucous production will cause breathlessness, cough, wheeze, poor sleep patterns and poor exercise tolerance. Unfortunately asthma remains a major cause of longterm ill health & occasionally death. My concern is for the numerous people with under-treated asthma & chronic symptoms because there is now plenty we can do about it.

Dr Liz Chappel & Practice Nurse Terry Eager have established a new asthma clinic & this will run along the lines of the service provided for our diabetic & cardiac patients. These clinics run on a cycle of ATR (Assessment, Treatment & Review) and will aim to improve the symptoms & quality of life for the multitude of Kuranda asthmatics.

Treatment is not only based on medication but also advice on breathing exercises & physical exercise programs. Medication delivered by inhaler is becoming ever more sophisticated with new products like Spiriva, Symbicort, Oxis & QVAR now available.

Kuranda Medical Service is a strong proponent of preventative health care & with this philosophy in mind, the clinic will aim to keep patients well rather than waiting for sickness. **Dr Dave Cuming**

Kuranda Tennis Club News

Junior fixtures are going well. Both competition and coaching is combing to a conclusion this school term, but will be running again next term.

Our plans for the Fun Doubles Tournament on 13/14th September are under-way with some local sponsors on board. Thanks to the Bendigo Bank and the Bottom pub. The exhibition match with some QLD champs Marinet Morgan and Nadia Johnston went very well. As did the doubles they played with our locals Bill Woolley and Ryan Pratt. Mazza and Bill won!!!

I understand all the kids that participated in the coaching at the school with Mal Anderson and the girls had a great time. Mal has competed and won many national and international tournaments in his lengthy tennis career. Thanks to TQ for sponsoring the visit. Kuranda Tennis Club certainly benefited. Any one interested in coaching do not forget to contact our chief coach Jackie Conroy 4093 9218. Current members - tea and coffee making facilities now available at the club - lower level. DON'T FORGET OUR AGM - AUGUST MEETING - MORE IN NEXT PAPER Next meeting at the Ambulance station at 7 pm Monday 14th See you there. Barbara Houston.

Adult Community Education @ KURANDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL- myola rd

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS

START TUESDAY 5/8/03

END THUR 14/8/03 (TUES/THURS/TUES/

THURS TIME 6PM-8PM

COST \$78.39

LOCATION: KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL

Learn computer basics. Mouse operation, windows environment, creating folders & saving files

INTRODUCTION TO INTERNET & EMAIL

END THURS 21/8/03 (TUES/WED/THURS) START TUES 19/8/03

TIME 5.30PM-7.30PM

COST \$66.94

LOCATION: KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL

Learn to access the Internet, create an email address, and basic surfing the net.

INTRODUCTION TO WORD PROCESSING - USING MICROSOFT WORD

START TUES 26/8/03

END 11/9/03 (TUES/THURS)

TIME 5.30PM-7.30PM

COST \$109.94

LOCATION KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL

Produce simple word processed documents, including preparation and production of short routine letters, notes, memos and records.

DESKTOP PUBLISHING

START TUES 7/10/03 TIME 5.30PM-7.30PM END THURS 21/10/03 (TUES/THURS/TUES)

COST \$94.16

LOCATION KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL

Learn to produce various business documents using a range of functions on a computer application.

EXCEL - INTRODUCTION

START TUES 28/10/03 END THURS 13/11/03

TIME 5.30PM-7.30PM

COST \$109.94

LOCATION KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL

Learn to create and use simple spreadsheets and charts through the use of Microsoft Excel.

CREATING WEBPAGES WITH DREAMWEAVER

START TUES 18/11/03 END THURS 27/11/03

TIME 5.30PM-7.30PM

COST \$78.39

LOCATION KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL

Learn to use HTML code to create a web page, create professional style web pages using dreamweaver software.

Gardening Group

The last meeting was held at the home of Bob Nevins, again a very large attendance, wonderful to see such interest in gardening. A pleasure to walk around this well maintained garden with something different to see around every tree. We all learnt a lot about orchids and how to grow and maintain

Our next meeting will be at the Cairns Botanical gardens. We will meet at the Cafe at 2 pm and finish the day with 'smoke' at the home of David and Edwina Hulme, 2 Tallow Wood Close Redlynch Cairns. Ph 40390762. Please bring a plate to share and any questions or information you may have. Attendance is free and everyone is welcome. No children please.

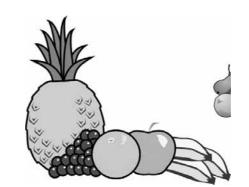
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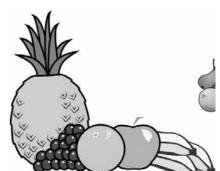
Healthy Though Elderly

Most elderly people have a pet of some sort which motivates them to exercise as they take their pet on walks. The pets provide company and love and support. They act as a warning system when visitors have arrived and are essential for well being and happiness in the elderly person at home alone. Sadly, I have just lost my beloved Bessie to a tick. Dog owners be warned! ticks are very active at the moment. If anyone is looking for a home for a small short haired de-sexed dog or kitten, please phone me on 4093 7205 M Spear

Organic Gardening

Now is the time to be planting seedlings and seeds in your garden for harvesting prior to the summer heat. Most vegetables grow well at this time of year. Give seeds a light mulch when planting. As they grow, increase the mulch. It is essential to keep them moist at this stage, so keep up the watering. HINT - when growing tomatoes, plant seedlings into a pot first until roots are well established and the stem is strong and straight then transplant into a garden bed. This gives them a better chance for survival. M Spear 4093 7205





NEWS FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Hello Everyone,

It has been a busy month at the Centre with the last of our programs for this financial year. We are open to any ideas or suggestions on what you would like to see us offer in the next quarter between July and September.

"Working with the Problem Gambler Program" was a great success. deArn Dixon was co-presenter giving us an indigenous view of gambling which happens in quite a different social and cultural context from the mainstream. deArn explained how, compared to white people, indigenous people usually have more supportive networks in terms of family and friends, and this allows their gambling behaviour to continue longer. Indigenous people usually have much less to lose materially. deArn recalled the good times she had as a kid when families would come together and play cards for days while the kids played and 'went wild' together. She sees a connection between those times and problem gambling associated with card games on poker machines. Gambling Help (40504955) is also available to support the non-gambling family members and friends, as well as the gambler.

On Friday 27th June, Gaynor Ellis from the Mental Health Resource Service will return to KNC to show us the second half of the video "Beyond the Coke and the Smoke Syndrome" which has been fascinating so far. Dr Pat Deegan Ph.D. who was diagnosed with mental illness as a teenager explains a very different approach to understanding and treating mental illness from both personal and professional experience. She also has a great sense of humour and presents the information in a way that makes it interesting and sometimes very funny. Anyone interested in coming along is most welcome.

As part of my placement, I am conducting a research project for KNC which looks at how the Neighbourhood Centre can best serve the community. I have conducted 14 interviews with representatives from all the organisations that we are linked to in Kuranda. The questions ask how they are linked to KNC, what services, programs or courses they would like us to run and what they think of this newspaper article! If anyone would like to have their say and contribute to the survey, I would be most interested to hear from them ASAP on 4093 8933. The results of the survey will be completed in about 3 weeks and published in this column next month.

We have masses of pre-loved books for sale, so if you buy 10 or more they are only 50 cents each! We also have lots of 2nd hand children's shoes in good condition, warm baby clothes for winter nights and little kids clothes. so come in and grab a bargain!

Till next time

Tricia Innes, 3rd year Social Work student on placement (till mid July).

Tourism Update by Warren Entsch

Member for Leichhardt Warren Entsch has

welcomed a massive federal government funding injection designed to boost tourism marketing and promotion of Australia in key international markets.

"The Howard government's injection of \$10 million to promote Australia as an international tourism destination is a very welcomed and timely boost for tourism in Cairns and Far North Queensland," Mr Entsch said.

"The \$10 million in new funding for the Australian Tourist Commission will be matched by tourism industry partners, and compliments the \$13 million promotional campaign already underway in Japan, the USA and United Kingdom."

The new funding injection announced today by Federal Tourism Minister Joe Hockey will be used to target key markets in Japan, USA, Korea and New Zealand, as well as to reinvigorate travel from Asia to Australia.

"Inbound tourism activity in Far North Queensland has been under extreme pressure for many months now," Mr Entsch said.

"While there are some emerging positive local signs of a turnaround in international tourism activity, there needs to be a concerted and coordinated effort to promote Australia overseas and to rebuild international visitor numbers.

"Our injection today of \$10 million in new funding for this purpose is a clear demonstration of the Howard Government's commitment to supporting the tourism industry.

"Today's funding announcement couldn't have come at a better time for the Cairns and Port Douglas region as we enter our traditional peak tourism period.

"Tropical Far North Queensland is one of the world's great winter tourism destinations," Warren

Entsch said.

"I am particularly delighted to see that part of the new campaign material will feature Ian Thorpe, who is an immensely popular personality in Japan and other parts of Asia."

Mr Entsch has welcomed the launch of the Government's Tourism Green Paper, a draft medium to long term strategy for the tourism industry.

"The development and promotion of niche tourism markets, such as backpackers, indigenous tourism, and food and wine tourism, will be important in growing regional economies. Better access to protected areas, which are major drivers of tourism activity in regional and remote Australia, is also examined."

Copies of the Green Paper are available at www.tourism.gov.au or email tourismplan@industry.gov.au

AUSTRALIA

18th June 2003

Hello Friends & Neighbours!

LIBERTY RESORT – LOCALS NEWSLETTER #6

Great to see the locals taking advantage of our Restaurant. It is great to have you as our guests and judging by the amount of people who keep returning, you are obviously enjoying yourselves as well. I do need to remind you all that Liberty has an 18+ age policy. Unfortunately we do not accept children, toddlers or babies in our Restaurant.

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(Whisper) Christmas @ Liberty

With the cold weather – we thought it appropriate to have a Christmas Party @ Liberty. We will keep you informed when and what but perhaps keep a Saturday night free in August.....

Until next month - Warm Wishes from all @ Liberty Resort!

MICHAEL RUFF General Manager



A PRAYER FOR CHILDREN

BY INA J. HUGHES

We pray for children Who put chocolate fingers everywhere, Who like to be tickled, Who stamp in puddles and ruin their new pants, who sneak biscuits before dinner. Who erase holes in maths workbooks. Who can never find their shoes.

And we pray for those Who stare out, in photographs, from behind barbed wire. Who can't bound down the street in new runners, who never "counted potatoes" Who were born in places we wouldn't be caught dead in. Who never go to the movies, and live in an x-rated world.

We pray for children, Who bring us sticky kisses with fistfuls of dandelions, who sleep with the dog and give goldfish funerals. Who hug us in a hurry and forget their lunch, who cover themselves with Band-Aids and sing off key, who squeeze toothpaste all over the sink and slurp their soup.

We pray for those who never have dessert, who have no safe blanket to drag behind them.

Who watch their parents watch them die. Who can't find any bread to steal, and have no rooms to clean up. Whose pictures aren't on anybody's dresser, whose monsters are real.

We pray for children who spend their allowance before Tuesday, who throw tantrums in the supermarket and pick at their food, who like ghost stories, who shove dirty clothes under the bed, and never rinse out the bath.

Who get visits from the tooth fairy, who don't like to be kissed in front of their friends.

We pray for those children, whose nightmares come in the daytime, who will eat anything, who are never spoiled by anybody, who go to bed hungry and cry themselves to sleep. Who live and move and have no being. We pray for those children who want to be carried and for those who must.

We pray for those children, we never give up on and those who never get a second chance. For those we smother with love and those who will grab the hand of anyone kind enough to offer it. Kuranda Branch
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There are eight categories, entries close on Wednesday, 2 July 2003 and judging will take place on Friday, 4 July 2003. there is no entry fee.

A Presentation Morning Tea hosted by Mareeba Shire Council will behld at the Mareeba & Memorial Bowls Club oon Monday, 7 July at 10.00am. All entrants are invited to attend.

Entry forms are aavailable at the Council Offices in Rankin Street, the Mareeba Shire Libray in By rnes Street; the Tablelands Advertiser; and Radio Statioon 4AM, or by telephoning the Mareeba District Rodeo Association on 40 921 583.

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Kuranda Library July 21st

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The CIPTS Study team is seeking your comments on these strategies, actions and network plans by 25 July 2003.

Copies of the Summary Report are available by phone on 1800 015 086 or 07 4039 0874 during business hours or from the Queensland Transport website:

www.transport.qld.gov.au/cipts

You can also view the Summary Report at any Council library.





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The Kuranda P&C has been producing the phone book annually since the mid-1990's and the wide support it has received in the community has made a substantial contribution to the P&C and to our primary school.

This year's phone book is being compiled now. So if you have recently moved into the area, are not listed in the white pages, or have changed your address and/or phone number, please fill out the form below and either drop it off at one of locations shown, fax it to 40939347, or phone the school on 40937201 with your details.

KURANDA DISTRICT PHONE DIRECTORY 2003/2004 - CHANGES

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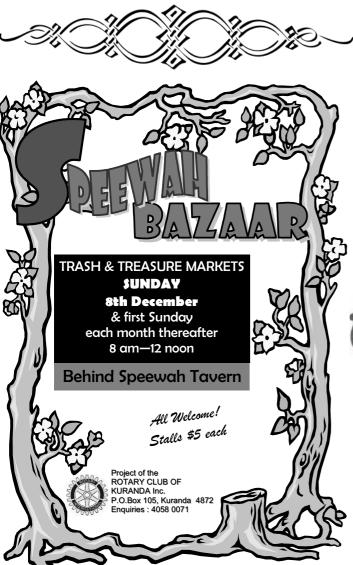
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QCWA KURANDA BRANCH NEWSLETTER JULY 2003

Just as we thought we were due for a breather - here comes July! A big month for our QCWA Division branches. With annual meetings being held from Tully to Thursday Island to Chillago, our Divisional Executives will be on the road right through out the month - attending as many of the branch meetings as possible - with 20 branches in the Far Northern Division, that is a lot of travelling. Thank goodness for understanding and supporting CWA partners.

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For our "crafty" people, July is also hectic with craft items (12 in all) being completed for entry in both the Innisfail and Cairns Shows. So, again, more travel up and down the Bruce Highway. In June, one of Kuranda QCWA members received her "Handcraft Teachers" badge from the Divisional President. Hopefully, more of our Handcraft members will be following in her footsteps soon.

Following a great win at the Charity Bowls night last month, there was a fall from grace in June. A dishonourable flogging was the description given but the Team Leader is unavailable for comment. Oh well, better luck next time.

July craft: a class in Candlewick Embroidery will be held on July 2 - QCWA Hall Kuranda, come along and

For Hall Bookings, please contact C. Jeanes on 40937187. For other queries, contact the Branch Secretary on 40937016.

MEMBERS PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE - TO BE PAID BEFORE 1 JULY 2003. KURANDA BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16 JULY 2003 1.30PM. VISITORS AND INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND MEETING AND AFTERNOON TEA.

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Departs -	Saturday (not Public Holidays)					
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Monday Wednesday

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7.00 am 7.00 am 1.00 pm

KURANDA TRANSFER STATION

OPENING TIMES

to 10.00 am 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm to 10.00 am 8.00 am to 12.00 pm to 5.00 pm

CELEBRATING THE WINTER SOLSTICE

For us in the southern hemisphere of the globe, the winter solstice is when we experience our shortest day and longest night. Conversely, this time coincides with the summer solstice in the northern hemisphere. It is a scientific occurrence, to which much religious and spiritual significance is attached. The event may be celebrated with bonfires and gingerbread or with spiritual rituals which welcome the return of the light of the longer days.

As darkness fell on Saturday 21st June, a number of Kuranda's young families gathered around the moderate fire we had built, with a fire permit and Council permission, on the banks of the Barron River (near the 'River Queen' jetty). Bit by bit other couples and individuals filled out the circle around the fire. Dorothy passed around her totally yummy gingerbread and set the scene of friendship and sharing.

It was delightful watching the children poke the fire sending up an explosion of sparks. It is not often that our children get to experience the simple act of sitting around a camp fire these days.

A musical/dance group called "B-Universal" came along with their drums and got us all humming and swaying in unison. For some, this lead into a spiritual phase, but for everyone it was a soothing and unifying experience. The children spontaneously moved to be with their parents and swayed and hummed with them. It was a calm night with a clear starlit sky. The air was pleasantly cool and the fire warm and reassuring.

When the young families decided it was time to drift off home and every crumb of the gingerbread was consumed, those who wanted to partake of the spiritual rituals were led by Geoff through the spirals that symbolised light overcoming dark - turning from the period of long nights into the period of lengthening days.

This simple, non-threatening, not particularly organised event provided for many levels of community involvement without any clashing of ideologies. It was a thoroughly refreshing experience. It's nice to know we'll be able to do it again, same time, next year.

Community Calendar Regular Meetings in Kuranda.

DATE CLAIMER Raw Food Gathering 20th July 11am 117 Cedar Park Road

Ph: 4093 7722

Monster Garage Sale-Phase 2 Saturday June 28th Amphitheatre Top Shed. For details Ph: 4093 9778 Mob 0415 936 948 Mareeba/Kuranda Flower Show July 26th PCYC Hall in

Walsh St. Mareeba.

Every Sunday Soft Ball, Hunter Park, Fallon Road 2.30 pm Ph 4093 7113

Al-Anon 10.30 am Neighbourhood Centre Cnr.

Coondoo & Barang Sts. Ph 4093 0462

Alcoholics Anonymous 10.30 am at CWA Hall Ph 4093 0462 Kuranda Bowls Club social games 3 pm (reg. 2.30 pm)

1st Sunday R.S.L. 5pm Sports and Social Club Family Service,

Uniting Church St.Christophers

Kuranda Bowls Club Monthly Meeting 2 pm 2nd Sunday

3rd Sunday "Potters do your own thing Day" Mud Slingers 10.30 am

284 Myola Road next to High School.Ph Ian 4093 9652 Every Monday Life Span exercise QCWA Hall 9.30 am

Every Monday Kuranda Playgroup, 10 am - 12 noon at Catholic Church hall, Barang St. Ph: Tonya 4093 9652 or Pam 4093 8595 or

Sharon 4093 8193.

1st Monday Kuranda Horse and Pony Club 7.30 pm Mantaka

Tennis Club 7.30 pm Ambulance Fallon Road

Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30 pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026

Kuranda Inter-Agency Network Meeting, 2.30-4.00pm Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, 7 Rob Veivers Drive

Ph 4093 8933

2nd Monday KNC (was KISC) 7.30 pm Management & 8.00 pm General

> QCWA 12.30 pm Ph 4093 8933 High School P & C 5.00 pm

2nd&4th Mon Kuranda Lions 7.30 pm S & S Club Fallon Road Ph 4093 7187 3rd Monday

Kuranda State Primary P & C Assoc 3.30 pm in school staff room KNC Management Committee Meeting 7.00 pm Rob Veivers Drive

Ph 4093 8933

EveryTuesday Taekwondo & Self Defence adults 7.00 pm

CWA hall Ph 4093 8682

8 Ball 7.15 pm at Speeway Tavern, Fitzies Tavern and

Sports & Social Club

FirstTuesday Chamber of Commerce 5.00 pm Billys BarPh 4093 8834 Rangers Soccer Club 6.30 pm Ph 4093 8803 Norman Guy 3rd Tuesday

Every Wed Craft classes at QCWA hall 9.30 am

Cub Scouts 5.00-6.30 pm Contact Clare Hennesy Ph 4093 9038

Dog Training 7.00 pm Kuranda Pony Club Ph 4093 8970

FirstWed Kuranda Envirocare, Primary School 7.00 pm Ph 4093 8834

2nd Wed QCWA meeting 12.30 pm at hall Ph 4093 7617 Last Wed Sports & Social Club meeting 7.30 pm

Every Thurs Joey Scouts meeting 5.00 to 6.00 pm Rotary 6.00 pm KURANDA HOTEL/MOTEL PHONE: 40937 206

Kurand Bowls Club Night Bowls - Casual 7.00 pm

Taekwondo & Self Defence 7.00 pm CWA Hall Ph 4093 8682

1st Thurs Charity Bowls 7 pm (reg. 6.45 pm)

other Thurs Social Bowls 7 pm (reg. 6.45 pm) 2nd Thurs Ambulance 7.30 pm Ambulance Centre Fallon Road

Respite Care QCWA Hall 9.00 am- 3.00 pm

8 Ball Competition S & S Club 7.15 pm 3rd Thurs

Pottery Workshop MUD SLINGERS 10.30 am 1st Saturday

next to High School 284 Myola Road Ian 4093 9652

Garden Group 2 pm July 12 at the Cafe Botanical Gardens Cairns 2ndSaturday

Phone David Hulme 4039 0762

3rd Saturday Ambulance Committee Stall outside St Saviours Church

(bi monthly)

EnviroCare 8-9 am tree planting bees Ph 4093 8834 **Every Sat**

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Kuranda Kryptic Krossword No. 44

Complied by John Brooksbank

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1. Harry was a Mudslinger?

- 4. Balanced by John Makepeace.
- 8. That's positive, says Zappo.
- 9. Pot required for this astrological member?
- 10. Members of Kuranda Computer Club.
- 12. Local eastern activity confuses Spanish artist.
- 15. Best place for Bottom Pub wine stocks. 17. You, pot and some cocktails would be ideal.
- 18. Siblings waterbird after LNG export.
- 20. Essential kitsch statuary for the garden.
- 23. Wise herb Marjorie? 24. Kamla's signature dish.
- 25. She's a not so secret agent for Barron.
- 26. Sounds like lads might be found in the Barron.

1. Jurn Rum egg layer.

- 2. G-string found on local Kuranda feet.
- 3. Garden found in biblical precedent.
- 5. Red Cross hides monster whales.
- 6. Ok place over the Clohesy.
- 7. Find one aboard the Kuranda Queen.
- 11. On a Hare Krsna one? the Veg Out Cafe is for you.
- 13. Annabel's rolls are, although they are not old.
- 14. Where 1 across might put furniture.
- 16. Local resort, free for all sorts?
- 19. Soft one hit regularly in Hunter Park.
- 20. Rage about New To You clothes.
- 21. Loonie Poet rendition.
- 22. Mostly crude and unbleached found at the Markets.

PLEASE CHECK IF THE DAY'TIME AND PHONE NUMBERS ARE CORRECT

JOHN'S KURANDA BUS "THE LOCAL BUS " MON/TUES WEDtoFRI SAT&SUN DEP KURANDA 0730 0730 0830 1230 0930 1500 1400

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PH JOHN. 0418 772953. A/HRS 40939278

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