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Kuranda Community Unites Against ICE

FRIDAY 6TH APRIL 2018 was the day people across the Kuranda community and elected representatives from Local, State and Federal governments came together to say “enough is enough”, and vowed to work together to address the tragedy of drug addiction, most especially “ICE” (crystal meth/methamphetamine). On a beautiful Friday morning Kuranda residents gathered to march together through the streets of Kuranda to Centenary Park to enjoy the company and fellowship of each other, to discuss the problems of drug addiction and to remember those lost to its menace and offer support for those who are struggling to overcome it.

While this happened in Kuranda it could happen any day in any town in this nation. ICE knows no boundaries.

Organiser Manny Ross, CEO Ngoonbi Community Services Indigenous Corporation, Glenis Grogan, Co-ordinator of the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre Marg Yandell, Mareeba Shire Mayor Tom Gilmore, Federal Member for Leichhardt Warren Entsch and State Member for Barron River Craig Crawford all had a common message – everyone needs to come together and work together to defeat ICE.

Manny Ross said there were few resources available to the community to assist addicts to get off the drug or prevent dealers recruiting new users. “I’m an Aboriginal man but the ice problem effects everyone in this community and the region; it’s just as addictive whether you’re black or white; the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities have to stand together to fight this terrible drug. We need proper facilities to deal with this drug, including a local detox and rehabilitation centre, we need a proper education and awareness campaign and we need to provide more hope for our young people.”

“We know we can’t beat this thing without help,” said Manny (via firstnations-telegraph.com).

On Facebook, Mayor Tom Gilmore said “Today I attended the March against the drug ICE in Kuranda along with my State and Federal counterparts... While the March was a show of unity against the scourge of ice, the community needs to tackle this problem from the ground up. If you know someone who is involved in the supply of the drug, report them to CRIME STOPPERS on 1800 333 000. If you or anybody else needs support call Alcohol and Drug Information Services Support on 1800 177 833.”

In a media release Federal MP Warren Entsch said all levels of government must take a bipartisan approach and work together to rid Far North Queensland communities from the scourge of ICE. “The scourge of ICE is tearing apart families, relationships and communities. It is happening every day.” “ICE use across Queensland, particularly in regional and remote communities, has skyrocketed in recent years – it has fast become the number one illicit drug in the State... Together, we must all work towards reducing the supply of ICE, reducing the demand of ICE and reducing the harms from ICE.”

Glenis Grogan said a next step in Kuranda’s anti-ice campaign would be a community forum where all our elected representatives and representatives from appropriate agencies can come to Kuranda to listen to this community’s experiences and what is needed to address the problem and come up with local solutions (via firstnationstelegraph.com).

While that forum is still in the planning stages, local residents have now organised a community come-together to discuss strategies and ideas to lift positivity in the community, most especially among the young.



Glenis Grogan & Manny Ross



PHOTOS SAM SMEATON



Craig Crawford, Warren Entsch
& Tom Gilmore

PHOTO VIA WARREN ENTSCHE



Marg Yandell

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Bank Siesta

Remember the 'bad old days' when banks were only open 10.00am to 3.00pm? Then they decided to flood everywhere with ATMs and EFTPOS and simultaneously closed down thousands of branches. Then, after a bit of public pressure, they thought that maybe they should offer a little more customer service, and extended the hours for their remaining branches to 9.30am to 4.00pm, and then later to 5.00pm.

Well, our one and only bank in Kuranda seems to think they deserve an hour's siesta during their busy day. They close daily 12.30 to 1.30pm.

Presumably it's essential for the several staff on duty there to have their lunchies together at the same time and cannot possibly roster it out for the sake of customer convenience — as does practically every other business.

The Bendigo Bank websites advertise Operating Hours as Monday-Friday 9.30am-5.00pm. Customers, particularly tourists, unfortunate enough to visit the bank during this 'Kuranda siesta hour' are stunned to see a note on the door proclaiming closure 12.30 to 1.30 daily.

Hey, if every business in Kuranda, or indeed throughout the tropics generally, wants to close for an hour's siesta daily, well, let's put it to a vote. I'm all for a relaxing snooze in the arvo.

In the meantime, how about it, Bendigo Bank Kuranda? Why the afternoon siesta? How about service as per normal banking hours?

Name supplied

In Response to Airstrip Criticism

Koah resident Marc Jaschok has published articles in this newspaper concerning my application for a Material Change of Use—Air Services (Private Airstrip) in regards to the existing lawful airstrip on my property at Fantin Road, Koah.

Mr Jaschok's articles contain a number of incorrect statements that were clearly designed to induce people to question the integrity of my application.

In his articles Mr Jaschok stated that my property which "shares a fence line with the highest populated area of Koah (the township)". The township of Koah is separated from the boundary of my property by some hundreds of metres of trees and the Clohesy River.

Mr Jaschok's articles refer to the impact of "700+ movements" and "700 flights" per year. My application is for 365 recreational flights per year

Mr Jaschok's articles refer to my intention to develop a "mini airport" and my "expansion towards commercial activities/a commercial enterprise". I have not applied for approval of commercial activities nor do I intend to apply for such approval.

I am merely seeking the approval necessary to allow me more recreational use of my airstrip, allow me to fly to my places of work and places of interest and also to allow occasional visits by my flying enthusiast friends.

Mr Jaschok's articles also refer to my "disregard for sticking to the current conditions of use" but I have at all times strictly complied with my existing conditions.

Mr Jaschok also drew a comparison between my application and an application that was rejected by a court in Rockhampton and then stated that based on that case, concerned residents "stand a bloody good chance at getting the airstrip shutdown completely."

The case Mr Jaschok was referring to concerned an application to facilitate a second airstrip and six aircraft hangars for and an aviation fuel storage and dispensing facility which is quite obviously distinguishable from my application.

Further, the lawfulness of the existing airstrip was not in issue in the Rockhampton case and the existing airstrip remains in use.

Mr Jaschok's articles otherwise refer to concerns about "increase in noise", "privacy invasion", "wildlife and stock considerations" and "land valuations" but there is no proper foundation for such concerns.

I consider Mr Jaschok's articles to have been improper, unjustifiable, unreasonable and lacking in bona fides and I am grateful for the opportunity to restore some sensibility to the debate in regards to the integrity of my application.

Pat English

Fantin Road Koah

Recycle!

As a part-time worker in Kuranda I am continually asked where the recycle bin is by customers looking to drop their empty glass and plastic bottles from drink purchases in.

Sadly I reply we don't have one. I'm not sure of other businesses but there appears to be no facility for such action on the streets even.

Customers, ie travellers/tourists, have paid good money for the experience of travelling in Australia — we are not a cheap destination — many of them have come from countries that are proactive in initiating action to slow climate change. They may go to the Great Barrier Reef. Let's show we care for our unique environment by taking action. Let's get the rubbish sorted. Recycle!

Name supplied

Bloomin' Grateful

To the wonderful, patient, plant whispering Council worker who in early March so carefully pulled out and removed months of weeds (which had pretty much covered the entire nature strip outside my house) AND mulched all the lucky plants. THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU.

I had hoped to get out and attempt to salvage the plantings Council had put in (thankful for that too) but a dodgy leg and a lot of sun and then a lot of rain meant I did not get there and was dreading seeing a whipper-snipped wasteland as it really was a big job. So it absolutely made my day when I came home to see your gardener's hands and eyes had been at work.

Now, after all the rain it's looking a treat. Thank you. And thanks to Council for employing someone who really knows plants. All the Council workers do a fantastic job tackling a huge workload to maintain our roadsides and infrastructure, often in terrible working conditions, and I really appreciate all their efforts. But it's just an extra joy to see such real green thumbed passion at work, and the results are a generous gift for all to enjoy.

Gayle Hannah, Kuranda



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Koah Airstrip Update

Is the take-off flight path for the Koah airstrip illegal? Aviation experts have advised Koah residents this is so and a letter of official complaint has been sent to council. They have been asked to review — and possibly annul — both the initial and recent approvals. No reply has been received at the time of writing.

The whole process has been perplexing. What appears to have been an administrative error has changed the original motion from a maximum of six flights a day and up to 12 visitor flights a year to one flight a day for an unlimited number of pilots. In the council meeting, it appeared that Cr Toppin's amendment (to reduce the number of flights a day) had the intention to restrict, not expand, the approval. No mention was made in the meeting of the number of other pilots allowed to use the airstrip. And councillors were not told in the meeting that the restriction of 12 visitor pilots had been removed.

Whether these strange procedures are due to loopholes in the Queensland planning laws or council oversights is not entirely clear. Mayor Tom Gilmore has been quoted in the local papers as saying 'Councillors always act in the best interest of the community within the commitments of the rules.' Now is the time to explain to the community what is going on — and attempt to restore faith in council's planning procedures.

Sarah Isaacs

Skyrail Closures Coming Up

MAY: Monday 14th May and Monday 28th May
JUNE: Monday 4th June; Monday 11th June; Monday 18th June and Monday 25th June



JMac Constructions Awarded Kuranda Village Revitalisation

Located north of Cairns, Kuranda is becoming an increasingly popular tourist destination with visitor numbers increasing daily.

With the town's transient population growing, JMac Constructions has been awarded the \$1.3 million project to redevelop Therwine Street, to enhance the atmosphere of Kuranda Village.

The project involves demolition of the existing streetscape, and the design and installation of new urban infrastructure and soft landscaping that will tie in with the township's heritage values. Upgraded retaining and stormwater management systems will also be installed, and new pavements constructed to use for alfresco dining.

JMac Constructions worked collaboratively with Mareeba Shire Council to develop a construction solution which best suited the client's needs and budget. The BMD Group's vertical integration strategy saw BMD's design division, Empower Engineers & Project Managers, work with the project team to deliver a design that would upgrade the village's infrastructure to suitably service visitor demand.

The project is expected to be completed mid-2018, weather and construction conditions permitting.



Council Supports Men's Shed in Kuranda

Council recently endorsed the Kuranda Men's Shed group to occupy a portion of reserved land in Kuranda to develop a safe facility for men to meet and socialise, promoting physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

For some time, the group has been in negotiations with Council to access a suitable parcel of land for their meeting place. Council had previously offered the portion of a reserve which holds what was the old Civil Works Kuranda Depot which is no longer used. Consequently, the section of land has not been used for a number of years and the group accepted the offer.

The portion of land includes an old shed which the group can use as an initial base of their operations and the site has sufficient area to allow for the erection of a new shed which has been donated to them by the Australian Defence Force.

Mayor Tom Gilmore said he was pleased the group accepted Council's offer. "Council certainly encourages the building of strong partnerships with the community and we are delighted to be able to assist this group who provide a wonderful service for gentlemen in our community," Cr Gilmore said.



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The Unfolding KUR-World Train Wreck

by Steven Nowakowski

KUR-World (*Kur meaning dragon in Chinese*), is a proposed \$650m integrated resort proposed for the Myola Valley, close to Kuranda. The development is the invention of former Macau casino executive Ken Lee, now a born-again real estate developer who also happens to dabble in the cattle industry.

The enormous scale of the development, including an 18-hole golf course, shopping village and 373 residential blocks, has resulted in the project being declared a Coordinated Project by the Queensland State Government. The draft EIS is now being reviewed by the Coordinator-General who has announced this week that the lapse date will be extended from 18th April 2018 for the project to 30th January 2019. This gives the community of Kuranda more time to gather the resources to fight the assault on our precious environment and the insult of this project on our social environment. To date there has not been any public consultation by the developer, although he has been required to do so.

The Myola Valley, in ecological terms, is a uniquely special place. It has the only known specimens of the endangered Myola Palm and Myola Tree-frog. To place such an intensive development in the heart of the Myola Valley will be fought tooth and nail by the majority of Kuranda residents, including Kuranda business owners who see this development as a threat to the existing tourist retail village.

The Kuranda community is a tough, resilient, resolute and determined bunch. But we are few. We need the support of bigger populations to secure our precious natural environment for all to share. The KUR-World development is just another play thing fantasy from an out of town developer. They come, they wreck forever change, then they leave. This battle can be won.

In what could be the first time in Queensland history, the developer has lodged four separate development applications over the same parcel of land. Firstly KUR-World has been lodged with the State Government, and secondly a 239 block subdivision application with Mareeba Shire Council under a 14 year old superseded planning scheme, thirdly, a Nature Based Tourism Material Change of Use to run

quad bike tours (*how this is nature based is anyone's guess?*) and more recently a Farm Tourism Material Change of Use.

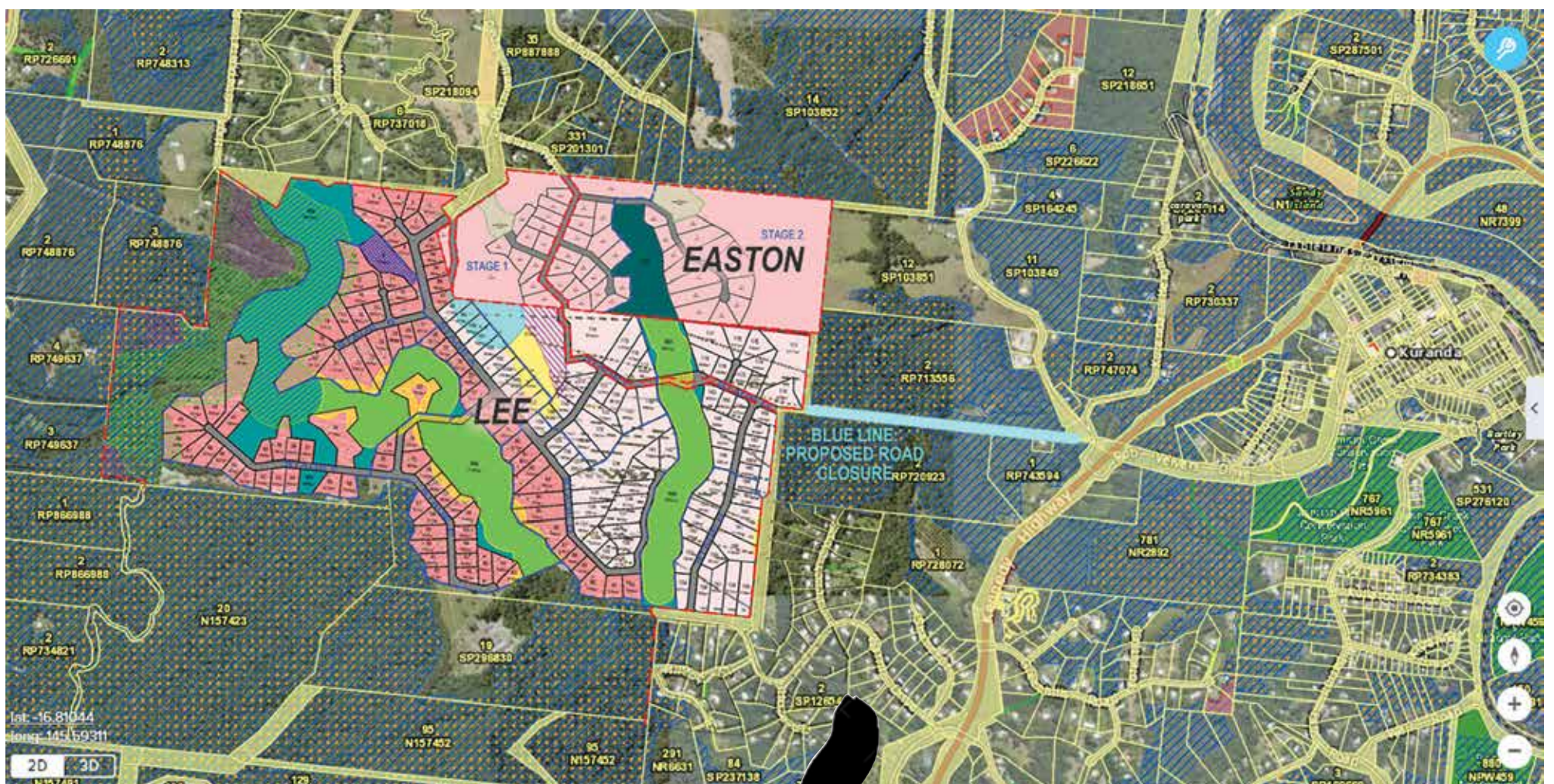
The small community of Kuranda is now fighting against four separate development applications over the same piece of land simultaneously! Many community members could accept a well thought out eco-tourism proposal that provides benefit to the community but this developer has shown by his own actions that eco "is just a meaningless word".

The proponent has clearly indicated that he seeks maximum return from the property and subdividing it into tiny pieces will do just that. The 239 block subdivision application was lodged and the application is Code Assessable and the CEO of Mareeba Shire has delegated authority, effectively locking out any community consultation. Meanwhile helicopters and tour buses are already shipping in Chinese tourists to the site without final approval from Council for the Material Change of Use who are ignoring community complaints.

The Kuranda community needs the representation of their state and federal parliamentarians more than ever. But 'jobs and growth' seem to exclude rather than include the reason that visitors come to our village in the rainforest. This community needs their voice, loud and clear, NOW.

The ongoing current state of play is this:

- The KUR-World EIS has been extended to 30th January 2019.
- A new 239 block subdivision has been lodged with Mareeba Shire Council with Council now awaiting further information requested from the developer.
- Nature Based Tourism to run quad bike tours through sensitive Myola Tree-frog creeks has been approved with unsatisfactory conditions by Mareeba Shire Council.
- Farm Based Tourism Material Change of use is awaiting Mareeba Shire approval.



A Brief History of Mareeba Airfield

THE MAREEBA AIRPORT is located 4.3 nautical miles (8.0 km) south of Mareeba Queensland, located on the Atherton Plateau near the Barron River. The Mareeba airfield was built in 1942 as a US Army Air Force base during World War II. The airfield had two runways, with a complement of taxiways, hardstands and



a containment area, and anti-aircraft gun pits and air raid shelters which were constructed but never used. The Mareeba Airfield housed both heavy bomber and fighter squadrons of the US Army Air Force Base in 1942 and 1943. The Americans referred to it as Hoevet Field in honour of Major Dean Carol “Pinky” Hoevet. Major Hoevet was based at the Mareeba airfield and was tragically killed with his crew when their B17 crashed into the sea about a mile off Yorkeys Knob in Cairns on the 16th August 1942.

Queensland was a frontline of Allied efforts in the Pacific War of 1941-45, and especially in the crisis year of 1942. On 9th March 1942, a partial blackout was enforced in Qld from Mackay north and districts 100 miles inland. In total, 12 Japanese air raids were conducted across Queensland, all but one between March and August 1942. Queensland became a military state. Traffic was



restricted, schools closed, radios banned, goods rationed and information tightly controlled. Queenslanders felt the threat of invasion keenly, and the state's military bases, airfields and ports were major launching points for the American-led counter attack on the Japanese in the southwest Pacific.

Airfields, supply depots and camps were built and coastal forts upgraded. The Atherton

Tableland was used for tropical training and convalescence facilities to treat sick and injured soldiers. During World War II the Atherton Tablelands was home to one of the largest staging bases in the Pacific. Beginning in 1942 with the Mareeba Airstrip being sealed and home to both Australian and American Airforce Squadrons, Mareeba airfield became the main operational airfield in Far North Queensland. In November 1942 the Chief of Australian Military Forces, Lt General Thomas Blamey, ordered a survey of the Atherton Tablelands for combined recuperation and jungle warfare training for Australian troops, of the 6th and 7th Divisions AIF, heading for New Guinea. It was to become the centre for cool climate recuperation of troops and to treat malaria and tropical diseases. It also allowed for the location of personnel and maintenance facilities close to the New Guinea frontline with access to railway and port facilities. This was known as the Atherton Project. From that point on, there was a steady increase of more troops from both Australia as well as the US. There were both Australian and US servicemen based in Kuranda, Mareeba, Atherton, Herberton, Ravenshoe and Tinaroo.

On 12th May 1942, the Main Roads Commission commenced construction of Mareeba airfield and just eight days later, through the efforts of 700 men, on 20th May, the Mareeba airfield gravel strip was first used by RAAF aircraft, and two days later RAAF No 100 Squadron (Beaufort Bombers) moved to the airfield.

On 1st June 1942, it was decided to make Mareeba the main operational airfield in Far North Queensland and on 15th October the Mareeba airfield was completed and sealed with bitumen.

Concurrent with the military buildup of the Tablelands, on 15th June 1942, the Cairns–Kuranda Road was completed and opened to military traffic. From Kuranda the roadworks continued to Mareeba by way of pre-war forestry tracks. Continuous use soon necessitated widening and sealing of the road. The Cairns–Kuranda road and railway became vital links in the military build-up on the Tablelands. Queensland rail traffic during the war jumped by 66% and had the highest density of rail traffic in Australia. Extensions to the main railway lines on the Tableland enabled troops and supplies to access their training camps. The Cairns–Kuranda section was so busy at one stage that in “one 24-hour period, a record 43 trains chugged up the range” (Timothy Bottoms, *Defending The North: Frontline Cairns*).

On 18th June 1943, the Australian government announced that Australia was no longer threatened with invasion; the Japanese no longer had the capacity. Not the

end of the war or the war effort but a change from less defensive to more offensive air operations. Then the end really did come. In Australia, Prime Minister Ben Chifley announced the news in a radio broadcast at 9.30am on Wednesday 15th August 1945, after six years of wartime privations and the loss of some 34,000 Australians.

With the departure of the American units, Mareeba was then used by Nos 5 and 100 Squadrons, No 5 Communication Unit and a variety of Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) support units, with No 24 Operational Base Unit disbanding in early 1946. After the war, much of the airfield reverted to agricultural use, while the southern runway remained as an active airfield. One of the two runways is still in use today as the Mareeba Airport. Around the former airfield are several air raid shelters and the outlines of gunpits. Today, the airfield also hosts a museum with several World War II vintage airplanes on display in a flyable condition and a major maintenance facility. Some years, the Mareeba Warbirds hold airshows at the field.

And now it appears the Mareeba Airport is about to enter into a new phase of development with that recent announcement of The Mareeba Airport Upgrade Project (see page 17).

Article compiled by Gayle Hannah



PHOTOS:

Top Left: 19th Bomb Group personnel on parade at Mareeba Airfield, Australia with B-17E 41-2462 (Tojo's Jinx) in late 1942, prior to the unit's departure back to the United States (Wikipedia).

Left: On 26th August 1942 one of eight B-17s took off from Mareeba Airfield at 4.00am piloted by Captain Kenneth Casper on a bombing mission against a Japanese convoy off Milne Bay. Over the target, this B-17 was hit five times by anti-aircraft fire in the wings and fuselage, disabling the hydraulic system, puncturing a tire, damaged two engines and the flaps. Returning from the mission, it circled Mareeba Airfield before landing. Unable to apply the breaks or flaps, one of the wheels broke off causing the bomber to spin to the right into a ground loop hitting a tree. Although smoking, the B-17 did not catch fire but was heavily damaged and written off (ozatwar.com).

Above: Post-war reconstruction saw a boom in agriculture on the Tablelands. Vintage postcard Mareeba crop dusting (courtesy Gayle Hannah).

Below: A young aspiring pilot enjoys the 2013 Mareeba airshow, with the Royal Australian Air Force's formation aerobatic display team “the Roulettes” lined up for takeoff (photo courtesy Gayle Hannah).



Force of Nature

The 2018 Wet Season

The effects of the wild weather of March 2018 are still everywhere to be seen. In creeks and rivers, and thankfully tanks and dams! Less helpful is the extensive damage to bridges, roads, homes and gardens. It will be quite some time before some are able to come to grips with such dramatic changes. For others though it will just remain one of THOSE Wet Seasons...a real one.

The Kuranda Riverboat is up and running again, with only an amazing eight days out of action despite temporarily losing gangway and pontoon and needing to rebuild the jetty. The very shape of the river and banks has also changed to deposits of sand, but with that too comes soil and nutrients.

Davies Creek is now mostly re-opened although sections of the Bike Park were still closed as of 18 April, and according to QPWS Ranger Rob Miller Davies Creek itself has been massively changed after the floods of March. Boulders and vegetation have been moved by the sheer force of water. How high that water came can be gauged by the fact the Davies Creek Bridge was briefly closed due to massive amounts of debris over the highway. But all that is a distant memory now and already the water is clear and we are entering the months of spectacular postcard worthy weather and lush green vistas.

For the record, March 2018 was recorded at the Kuranda Railway Station BOM weather station as the fourth highest March rainfall total (1216.0 mm) since records started in 1896. And with the accumulated rainfall for the first three months of 2018 (2080.5 mm) at the end of March we had already exceeded the total rainfall for 2017 (1794.0 mm). The highest rainfall total, for ANY month, since 1896, recorded at the Kuranda station was a whopping 2940.0 mm in January 1979 – another month like this March which experienced a cyclonic event at either end of the month. Many residents of Kuranda may remember January 1979, but now many more will also remember March 2018.

Photos below top: “Nature’s weaving: the intensity and volume of the March flood wraps debris around trees along the Barron River at Kuranda. The height of the debris is about 4metres above ground level.” Photo by Melissa Frances Clinton, Kuranda Riverboat Tours.

Photo below bottom: Thursday April 19th, sand deposits by the Kuranda Riverboat jetty. Photo Warren Clinton, Kuranda Riverboat Tours.



Wet Season Story

by Marc Jaschok, Koah

PART ONE: THE DRY

My eyes squint as they drift over the paddocks. The reflection of the sun from the brown blades of grass hurts behind my eyes. A familiar headache starts creeping in. I walk across the lawn that is now nothing but dust and the heat from the earth is close to unbearable on my shoe-less feet. I wonder how any microbes or fungi could possibly survive this oven-like dehydrator that surrounds me and my shoulders feel heavy. The thought of rain seems like a past life and I am sure that it will never happen again. This heat is so oppressive, there is no wind and the humidity has burnt off a long time ago ... it is just dry. I am sure the moisture is evaporating from my eyes, as the lids slowly scratch their way down and up like the cracked wipers of my car. There is a lingering smell of a faraway bushfire in the air that puts fear into my heart in a way cyclones don't. The thought of losing everything that is on my farm in one swoop makes me question the path I have chosen to take. I am amazed that the timber house hasn't already spontaneously combusted and disappeared with barely a puff of smoke. Mother Earth has been teasing me these past weeks by drifting nimbus clouds so close that I can feel their presence without having to open my dry eyes. My body acts like a barometer and I know the pressure is dropping, I want it to rain with all my heart and soul.

PART TWO: THE WET

I stand in the field watching yet another cloud drift by, teasing me; I close my eyes. I need it to rain or else I will implode. If the dry hadn't drawn all the moisture out of me I would probably shed a tear.

I DO feel a wetness on my face. Perhaps there was a drop left in me after all; that thought makes me smile. There it is again, another drop! I open my eyes to find my tears of joy falling from the sky. From the nearby tin roof a single note hits like a snare drum, then another, and another. Soon the sound is like a thousand enthusiastic kids playing out of rhythm on their first drum kit. I don't mind. The frogs try and sing along to its irregularity, but they are soon drowned out by the life that is now pouring from the crack in the heavens. My heart explodes open and I realise I haven't breathed in a long time? Weeks? Perhaps even months. The weight is off my shoulders and I feel light and giddy. I am wet to the bone and loving every moment of it. Is that a blade of green grass coming up already? A fungus showing its head? Soon the death that had seemed all around me has turned into life; the green is easy on the eyes, the pheasant mating calls are easy on the ears, the wet earth easy on the nose, and the moisture has returned to my body. I feel alive.

PART THREE: THE MOULD

The hot dry ground beneath my feet has turned to mud between my toes. The closet is now a fungal petri dish, my brown leather shoes are now green. Will this rain ever ever end?

Note: This story was an entry in *The Kuranda Paper* 2018 Short Story Competition. Thank you to Marc for permission to print. The photo is also Marc's and was taken on 3rd January this year, looking south from Marc's property at Koah, as the Wet Season began to arrive.



Mayi Wunba Wows at Commonwealth Games 2018

THE AWARD WINNING MAYI WUNBA DANCERS FROM KURANDA were chosen to take part in the Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony 2018 last month, and dance alongside the traditional owners, the Yugambah clan group of Gold Coast.

The Opening Ceremony provided a wonderful spectacle, representing all aboriginal tribes and cultures around Australia. The experience has meant a lot to the dancers, it is a great achievement by these individuals who are sharing their culture with the world, and were thrilled to be a part of something so big and spectacular.

The following four days after the ceremony, Mayi Wunba Dancers performed at the Gold Coast Festival 2018 in Broadbeach, showcasing their vibrant and energetic style in front of large audiences, their lively dancing enjoyed by enthusiastic crowds attending the free public performances.

Mayi Wunba Dancers' recent successes reflect the incredible commitment and dedication of the dancers. They are already preparing to share their traditional song and dance at this year's Woodford Folk Festival in December.

The Mayi Wunba Dancers would like to thank the Djabugay Tribal Aboriginal Corporation, *The Kuranda Paper* and Luther Cora for their support in making this experience possible.



Focus on Kuranda

Focus on Kuranda Photography Group is a Facebook group initiated by local resident Liz Tonkin.

The group aims to share images of Kuranda and the immediate region and is open to anyone – resident or visitor.

It's also open to photographers from beginners to professional and using any kind of medium from fancy cameras to smart phones.

The Moderator of the page has advised *The Kuranda Paper* that the photograph that has received the most 'likes' this month from 28 March to 24 April was Greg Hillman's Barron Falls. Greg said: "Waited two years to have a chance to shoot the falls in moonlight when flowing".



Artists of the North – Cairns Art Society TANKS

28th April – 13th May

Two Kuranda artists, Lieselotte Edwards and Buck Richardson, have works on display in this exhibition.

Lieselotte entered the theme "Contemplating the Environment" with her work *Dive In*, Oil encaustic.



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The very popular and expanding Kuranda ukulele group **Honey and Spice** recently helped celebrate Pacquita and Peter Ruch's 50th wedding anniversary. Pacquita is a member of the ukulele group.

Honey and Spice are performing again at the **CWA Biggest Morning Tea** at the **CWA Hall at 10.00am on Wednesday, 23rd May**. This is the Kuranda CWA's biggest annual event and is a must for village fundraising. All proceeds go to the Cancer Council. Come along, sing along if you like, enjoy and support this great cause.



Snippets from Mareeba Shire Council

A GROWING, CONFIDENT AND SUSTAINABLE SHIRE

On Wednesday 18th April Council adopted its Corporate Plan for the next five years. The Plan sets the strategic direction of the Council and highlights the performance indicators for measuring the local government's progress in achieving its vision for the future.

The document includes a fresh vision, mission and set of values and principals which will help define Council's direction over the next five years.

Council's mission is to: "provide cost-effective services, foster collaborative partnerships and maintain accountable governance to promote the prosperity and livability of the Shire."

Mayor Tom Gilmore said the strategic priorities start with financial sustainability. "We will continue to manage our finances efficiently and effectively to ensure long-term financial sustainability, while bolstering capacity to provide a high level of service across all areas of the Shire," Cr Gilmore.

Cr Gilmore said community engagement and promoting an active, safe and healthy lifestyle were also priorities over the next five years. "We will continue to assist the community to build its capacity to develop the area of arts, culture and heritage to enrich lifestyles and encourage economic development across the Shire."

Maintaining transport and Council infrastructure, focussing on and enhancing the Shire's resilient economy, being environmentally responsible and governing with ethical, accountable and transparent decision making are Council's other strategic principals included within the Plan.

CHANGES TO BUILDING CERTIFICATION

In keeping with current trends with other regional Councils, Mareeba Shire Council will no longer offer building certification services, with an exception for remote areas in the Shire.

Mayor Tom Gilmore said the private certification industry has grown. "An investigation into the market has revealed that there are sufficient private certifiers in the region to provide adequate service to the region," Cr Gilmore explained.

"For many years, Council has been offering building certification services however under Local Government Regulations, this service is not mandatory."

Council will continue to assist those remote communities that are not frequently serviced by private certifiers. "We understand that people living in remote parts of our Shire may find it difficult to obtain a private building certifier, so we will still be offering the service in those remote areas," Cr Gilmore said.

More information, including a map of the building certification boundary, will be available on Council's website.

BUDGET SET TO BALANCE

In preparation for the upcoming budget, Council today adopted several scheduled fees and charges for the next financial year.

Mayor Tom Gilmore said next year's budget would again be a safe and sensible one. "There has been a slight increase in fees as you'd expect across the board to keep in line with the rising cost of living and cost recovery," Cr Gilmore said.

"Our staff have been working diligently to ensure our budget puts Council in a sound financial position for a sustainable future."

Council is set to adopt the budget at a special Council meeting in June.



Batreach NEWS

As with many of Australia's native animals, the Sugar Glider is appropriately and imaginatively named: "Sugar" owing to its favourite diet consisting mainly of sugary foods, nectars and saps, and it "glides" by way of the patagium, a membrane that stretches from hindlegs to forelegs.

The Sugar Glider can be easily mistaken for its close relative, the Squirrel Glider, which is larger and lacks the white tip on the end of the tail.

The Sugar Glider is relatively widespread throughout northern and eastern Australia, New Guinea and parts of Indonesia. They are found in a wide range of

habitats, from rainforest to Sclerophyll forests – wherever there is an abundance of its main food sources – nectars, fruits and saps. The glider is omnivorous and particularly likes to snack upon various insects, the occasional lizard and bird eggs.

Very social animals, family and friends set up home in tree hollows, and this is generally how many Sugar Gliders and other species of Glider come to grief. Farmers and residents clearing trees, especially old growth trees, often find a family of Gliders crashing to the ground. Usually the adult members will run off in terror into other surrounding bush leaving the juveniles and babies to be gathered up and passed onto vets or animal welfare carers.

Other dangers to gliders are of course domestic animals and kookaburras, goannas, as well as nocturnal predators such as owls, and snakes. The feral cat is by far reputedly the biggest killer of gliders.

Ollie, pictured, was brought into care at Batreach Kuranda from Top of the Range estate in February as a 14 gram baby (adult fully grown males range up to 140g). Under Pam's care he is now a robust 50g and once paired with an appropriate mate will be safely released back to the wild.



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IN MEMORIAM

SPEEWAH RESIDENT MERILLI (SANDRA) EDWARDS (born 11/1/1943) passed away peacefully on Monday 19th March 2018. A memorial service was held at the Mareeba Garden Settlement chapel on Tuesday 27th March 2018. A reception was held afterwards at the The Australian Icecreamery, Emerald Creek, which was one of her favourite eating places. Her husband Saddhen thanks those who attended and all who have sent their condolences.

Merilli was one of three daughters born to doctors Robert and Natherli Johnson in Tarrytown NY. She was a very intelligent woman, being in the top few percent in the Mensa test.

After high school she attended Vassar College and later studied arts at Hawaii University before going to Japan to teach English for 12 months. This was to be her only paid work experience as her parents set up a trust fund to assist her in life. For many years she was a volunteer for the Peace Corp in Northern India.

She also studied ballet and loved modern dance as well and classical music. Her chosen sports were ice skating in the winter and trekking the Himalayas almost to the base camp of Everest staying close to where the Dali Lama resided. She painted well but never kept her works, she wrote poems by the hundreds and even a few stories, one of which was serialised in *The Kuranda Paper*. She played piano and had a great singing voice bringing many guests to tears at our wedding at Binna Burra National Park where she came down a staircase singing The Hawaiian Wedding song.

She would visit her parents most years and returned to Hawaii many times. It was here in Kuranda in the early 1970s that she heard of Bhagwan, later to be known as Osho, and after a bit of study applied for a Sanyasin name and was given the name Suchata, which enticed her to go to Poona, India to experience the scene first hand.

She sat with Osho with only three other westerners there. This was way before a commune was formed. Osho renamed her Suneeta and she sat with him for his talks even when in Hindi. She had to leave every six months owing to visa rulings, returning to NY. Eventually a commune was formed in Poona and she spent time working (a part of worship) in the kitchens, alternating with three or four different meditations a day. This to-ing and fro-ing between visits to NY and more trekking continued for a few years until the commune opened up in Oregon USA.

In 1982, the first world annual festival at the Oregon commune attracted many thousands of visitors. I went in '83 and again in '84 and it was then that I met Suneeta, my soulmate, and we became partners. I travelled with her to NY to meet her family and persuaded her to come back to Australia with me where we lived in commune together. Eventually the commune had to close down and we lived in Bondi for a few months before I talked her into travelling around Australia. We set off in an old Land Rover towing a semi foldable caravan. After five months we arrived at Kuranda and she fell in love with the area and we decided to stay.

Most years she would go travelling while I built us a house at Speewah and it was on one of those trips to southern India, Mother Meera gave her the name Merilli.

We continued to live and travel, sometimes alone and sometimes together. She loved cruises and we did some of those together. For many years and until a few weeks before passing over she attended meditations with Kuranda's Pat Chong and a group of friends.

Amen. May she endure in our hearts and rest peacefully.

Saddhen Edwards

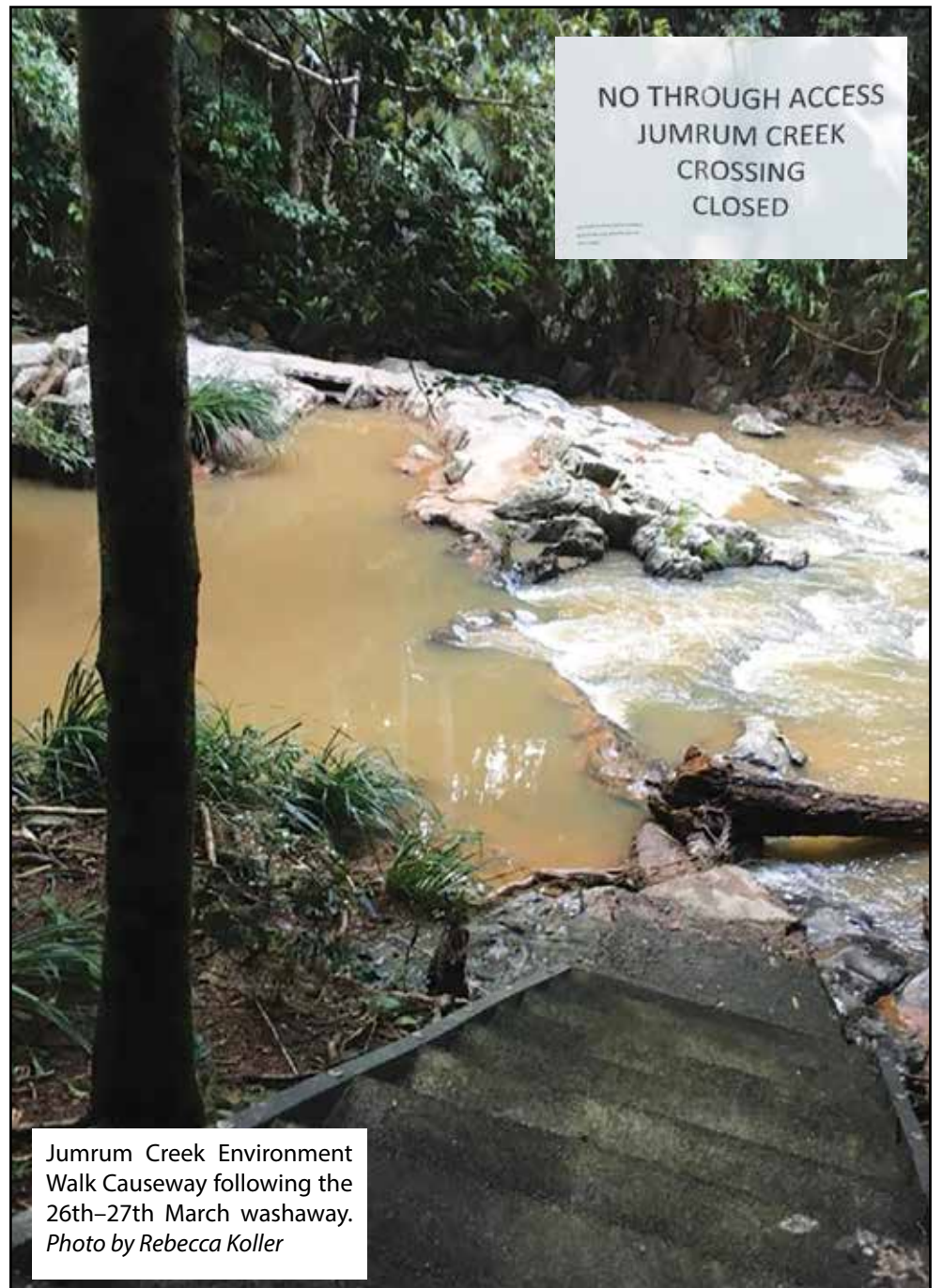
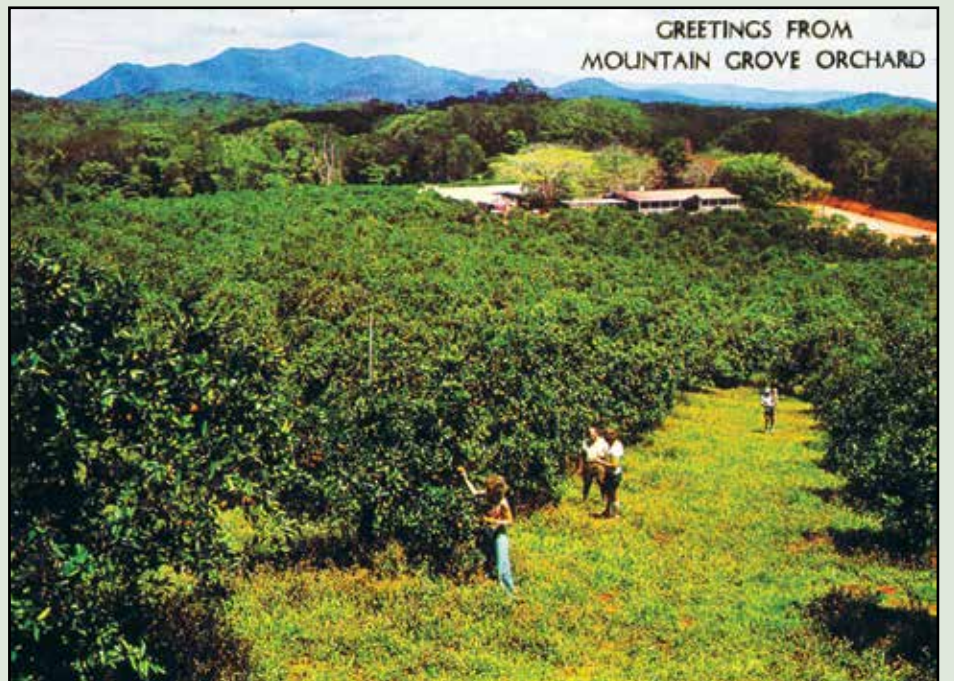
Kuranda Historical Society

— U P D A T E —

Thank you to all who have contacted us via email or Facebook. We are still working through the process of incorporation but now that the wild weather of March has passed, and our travelling working group members have returned to roost, we are hoping to be able to set up a public meeting in the near future. So stay tuned for dates via this Paper and our Kuranda Historical Society Facebook page.

Two members of our working group have been fortunate enough to be able to participate in a Digital Access to Collections workshop in Cairns in early May, through the auspices of Museums Australia.

Our blast from the past this month is a postcard (circa 1976-1983) of the Mountain Groves Orchard (more locally known as Orange Groves) which is now the world renowned tourist destination Rainforestation, on the Kuranda Range Road. The view is from the top of the then extensive orange orchard looking back to the Kennedy Highway (*postcard image courtesy Gayle Hannah*).



Jumrum Creek Environment Walk Causeway following the 26th-27th March washaway.
Photo by Rebecca Koller

GOLDEN ACRES

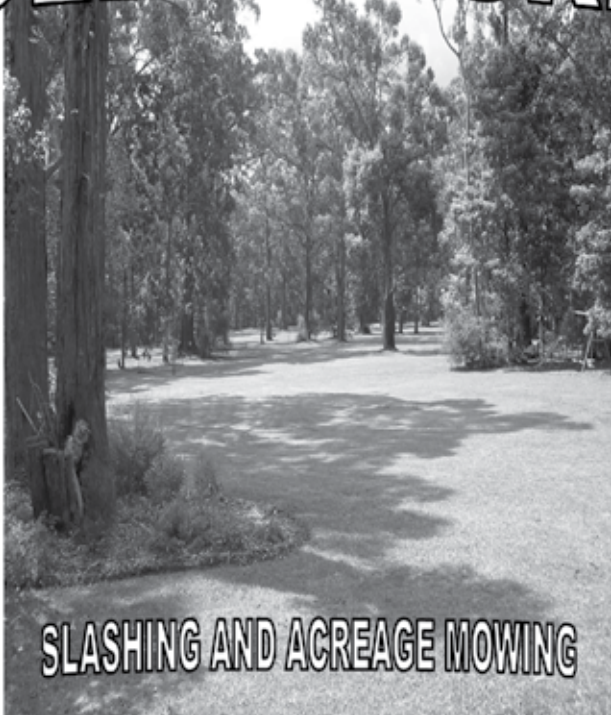
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Toolbox for Sustainable Development

What is Sustainable Development?

Perhaps the most complete definition is development that meets the needs of the current generation without degrading the ecological inheritance of future generations.

Is This What We Are Seeing in Our Region?

Over the last few decades, there has been an onslaught on the recovering rainforest and bush in Kuranda and the wider region. Cassowaries and other endangered wildlife have been killed by loss of habitat, traffic, feral animals and domestic cats and dogs. Just recently, large numbers of paperbarks have been cut down in the centre of Mareeba to evict flying foxes.

As habitats shrink, the clashes between humans and wildlife will increase unless a more collaborative and sustainable planning approach is taken. With this vision in mind, the Kuranda Region Planning Group (KRPg) has been set up. See www.kurandaregion.org for further information. This is a network of local residents, environmental groups and wildlife experts that aim to work with government at all levels. FoE FNQ is a member of this network.

ACTION: Support KRPg's Wet Tropics World Heritage Vital Corridor Buy Back Scheme – email info@kurandaregion.org for further information.

Opposing Environmentally Destructive Development

We have various options:

Engaging with the official governmental planning system at Local, State or Federal level

We can put in submissions to Mareeba Shire Council about potentially environmentally destructive developments that conflict with the Mareeba Shire Planning Scheme 2016. For a list of current development applications, see <https://msc.qld.gov.au/building-planning/development-applications/>.

If the development is still approved, we can then appeal in the Planning and Environment Court against the approval – but only if we were submitters. The Environmental Defenders' Office (EDO) offers legal advice, fact sheets and community handbooks prepared by legal experts. However, court cases can be lengthy and expensive. Mediation is another option to achieve a better outcome.

Very large developments are assessed by all three layers of government – and this is the case for the mega-resort KUR-World.

ACTION: Write a submission to the Coordinator General about KUR-World.

Email kur-alert@kurandaregion.org to find out more.

Non violent direct action

In the 50th year after Martin Luther King was killed, this remains one of the most powerful tools we have.

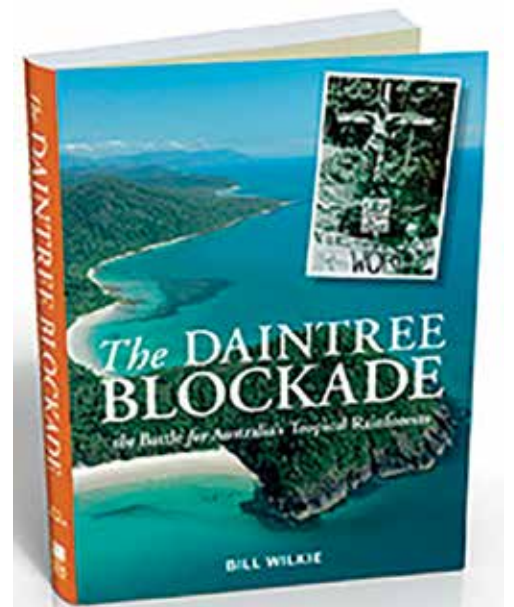
The Daintree Blockade in the 1980s was a local example of people risking their lives to protect the rainforest. Though it failed to stop the Bloomfield track being bulldozed through, it helped to save the Daintree and kick started the listing of the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area.

This inspiring local history has been chronicled in the new book *The Daintree Blockade: the Battle for Australia's Tropical Rainforests* by Bill Wilkie.

It is well worth the read with the added bonus of name spotting local eco-heroes who still live in the area.

As Bob Brown said "The sheer energy and commitment of those campaigners on the ground—that was the core to saving the Daintree itself."

As we battle mega-resorts and huge subdivisions and find out how weak and woolly the planning law is in Queensland, this may be what it takes to save the Kuranda region.



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"Epiphany"

- a moment of sudden and great revelation or realization

Come and have one yourself, at "Epiphany", shop 'A' Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets.

Meet Karsha, a 4th generation local, shoe maker, drum maker, menstrual educator.

"I opened the studio to share myself with the community and what I do - I could be creating shoes and drums at home, or I could do it at the shop - it seemed like an obvious choice to open the shop and create from there, meet more people and let them know



about the workshops we've got coming up, take bookings for *Adam's one-on-one students, and display his prints. (*Adam Scott Miller, Kuranda's resident visionary artist).



I LOVE making shoes. I use mostly deer hide. Deer is the most luxurious, but from now the supplier will no longer offer deer as they are all to be exported. I'll am still able to source a run of Kangaroo. The deer hide will become a rarity, so get in quick, it's just turned limited edition! The quality of the hides I use now is amazing. Come slide your foot into a handmade custom fitted shoe. I'll do a "shoe crafter's workshop" in about 2 months when some more leather arrives. Create your own custom pattern and make your shoes from scratch.

I mix perfumes based on your body's unique frequency response - the bio impedance reading suggests what your body could benefit from for physical, emotional and environmental aspects. I mix perfumes to create tangible products



Karsha with one of Adam's works outside the studio.



for young women who are getting to know their monthly cycle.

Almost 30 years of experience, I studied directly with Jane Hardwicke Collings at the School of Shamanic Womancraft.

I will be offering "Wisdom of the Cycles" workshops for maidens, and their mothers, to deepen the ease

and flow through the monthly cycles when we witness more closely the cycles around us - lunar, seasonal and times of day.

I also create drums for practitioners of sound healing and shamanic practices, but drums are available to everyone. Choose to create your own drum. "Birth Your Sacred Medicine". Your birth unlocks the keys to your creative process! Create your drum, discover the keys and apply them to your every day life - to the beat of your own drum!

"Spread Your Wings" Wing Set Tutorial - Learn the sacred art of wing-setting to preserve bird wings for keepsake or smudging tool. (I can preserve your feathered friend for you). By the end of this course you will feel confident to apply these skills and complete your own wing-setting at home.

Now and then I'll offer rogue weaving at no charge. We'll sit down and make little baskets at the markets - inquire for more information!"

Karsha

art by Adam Scott Miller



ALL IS ART

This month we are featuring Karsha, multi-talented Kuranda artist, and her new studio, Epiphany, shared by her friend and fellow artist Adam Scott Miller. Adam's visionary art is always an "experience" to behold so get along and take a look. I believe Adam also conducts one-on-one tutorials for anyone interested in learning this fantastic art style. Meanwhile have a jolly and creative May, art lovers, seren.



Visionary art by Adam Scott Miller



A Unique Concert Theatre in the Rainforest

Amphitheatre News - MAY 2018

Members and Friends, volunteering your time ensures our sustainability, KAS Thanks You!

Your membership and input assists the Society in keeping this unique place in our hearts and ensuring not only its existence in our village, but that it flourishes for generations to come.

THANK YOU FANS

Thankyou to those who ventured out in the wet weather on March 24th for a great night of dancing with **KOALITION**, and a special appearance from **Jerome!** A very enjoyable night.

event.

• **Bar** - (most hires, Members' Nights) Staff bar, RSA (KAS may assist with this if required), set up/pack down and clean up of bar area, stocktake before and after event. Liaise with Treasurer



or designated officer at the event.

• **Food** - (KAS Members' Nights) Organise menu and preparation of meals/snacks, staff temporary kitchen area. Safe Food Handling

certificate is desirable (KAS may assist with this if required), pack down and clean up area at end of event, liaise with Treasurer or designated officer at event.

• **Pack down** - (KAS Members' Nights)

Assist with venue clean up, pack up tables and chairs.

If you can assist with anything please contact the address below or the Kuranda Amphitheatre official Facebook page.

UNDERSTAGE UPGRADES:

In the month of April an upgrade of Understage facilities will be happening. The three-phase power and regular electrical utilities will be upgraded, which will make the Understage both safer and more reliable.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our next **Membership Drive** is scheduled for May 19th, with another talented local band, **ZENNITH**. Don't forget your dancing shoes. Food will be available on the night, and proceeds will go towards **KURANDA NAIDOC 2018 CELEBRATIONS** at the Amphitheatre on Thursday 12th July, so bring a few extra coins to contribute to this wonderful community day.

A big welcome to 2018 members!

Annual Membership fees:-

\$20 single, \$25 family.

Keep your eye out for news of an exciting event in June!

PLEASE NOTE: A Designated Smoking Area has been established for Understage events. We ask all guests to be considerate of others and use the designated area.

THE UNDERSTAGE:

We are still seeking volunteers to assist with Understage events. It is becoming harder to host/hire for events without the volunteer back up of membership to make this happen.

An Understage crew of regular or rotating teams of volunteers is required to assist with its sustainability and availability on a regular basis.

The following are the positions and tasks required for the UNDERSTAGE:

• **Set up** - (KAS Members' Nights)

Check venue and Foyer are clean and tidy, set up tables and chairs.

• **Door** - (KAS Members' Nights)

Manage and staff the venue entry (Foyer), collect entry fees, assist with membership registration, pack down and clean up area at end of event, liaise with Treasurer or designated officer at the

WORKING BEES:

This year Working Bees will be held on the **second Sunday of each month**.

If you can lend a hand with anything at all, e.g. gardening, the next Working Bee is on **Sunday 13th May**, starting from **10.30am**. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.



KURANDA NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS:

Over the last four years the Amphitheatre has provided the venue free of charge for the days' celebrations. This year is scheduled for Thursday 12th July. More info will be available closer to the date, so save the date for another great community day of fun, laughter, food, arts, dancing and more.

KAS ADMIN TEAM



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.



Membership Forms available from:
www.kurandaamphitheatre.org
or "The Honey House", Therwine St.

For all enquiries go to www.kurandaamphitheatre.org
email support@kurandaamphitheatre.org
Support enquiries are accessed on a daily basis.



GULGONG, NSW at its Best

Mollie Bosworth, Arts Co-op ceramicist, has attended and demonstrated her skills at **Clay Gulgong** in the historic town on the Western Plains, NSW. Gulgong boomed in the gold rush era of the late 1800s and this heritage town featured on the original \$10 note.

Clay Gulgong is Australia's greatest international ceramics festival and it once again presented an exciting week of demonstrations, talks, kiln firing and featured renowned ceramicists from around the world. Set in the historic gold-mining town, the festival inspires, teaches and engages the beginners and the professionals alike. This week-long event provided presentation and networking among 'people of clay'.

Mollie's work (pictured) has been selected by Marta Donaghey, Head Curator of the Contemporary Ceramics Centre, London to be shown in the **World Stage** exhibition.

Co-op fibre artist **Toni Rogers** attended **Fibres in the Raw**, an exhibition of sculptured and woven plant materials, over the same week, but in the neighbouring town of Mudgee. Toni caught up with Mollie in Gulgong. Both agreed that it was so good to see the businesses and the local community so engrossed in the **Clay Gulgong** event. In halls, in every shopfront and available window space, pottery artworks from 'everywhere' were being displayed. (Toni got her directions from the local butcher's shop which had artworks featured in the window). Tourism was at its best in this small town over the event period, with many people travelling vast distances to attend the event. Banners and flags were featured throughout the town, heralding this major event on the national arts calendar.

How good would a similar art event be in Kuranda? Would the businesses get behind it?



Friends Came From Everywhere

Marcia Bird, Co-op fibre artist, has been working every day with Pam Kusabs (Cairns) under the banner of **Saltwater Creek Basketry Group** on an installation as part of the **Commonwealth Games Festival 2018 Live Site** at the Cairns Esplanade. Taking the initial ideas from making previous circles, they invited interested members of the public to sit down and make **'Friendship Circles'**. A large 3x3 metre frame was erected and they created their installation within the four panels of the frame. The installation will be further exhibited in June at the Tanks.



InkMasters Cairns is offering the following skills development workshops and classes:

- Stone lithography and mokulito (wood lithography) with Theo Tremblay 3rd May–14th June
- Introduction to screenprinting on fabric with William Wakefield 19th–20th May
- Shaped-plate etching with Paul Bong 2nd–3rd June.

All workshops and classes are at InkMasters Print Workshop, 55 Greenslopes Street, Edge Hill. Book and pay online.

A Great Response

A young artist exhibits his work for the first time and a well known art critic is in attendance.

The critic says to the young artist "would you like to hear my opinion on your work?"

"Yes" the artist replies.

"It is worthless" the critic says.

"I know" the artist replies, "but let's hear it anyway".

*Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes
Art is knowing which ones to keep*

– Scott Adams

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SUPPORTING ART AND CULTURE IN REGIONAL QUEENSLAND

Over the last three years, Mareeba Shire Council has funded 33 community arts, heritage and cultural initiatives, to the tune of \$110,000, through Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) program.

After a recommendation given by the RADF Advisory Committee, Council today agreed to fund seven projects under the community grant round of the RADF 2017/18 strategy.

The funding is an ongoing partnership between the State Government and the Mareeba Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

Chair of the RADF Committee, Councillor Angela Toppin congratulated the seven successful applicants. "It is wonderful to see Queensland Government support art and cultural projects in regional areas, and I look forward to seeing these projects come to fruition," Cr Toppin said.

"Creative opportunities are essential to the cultural vitality and wellbeing of the community by decreasing social isolation and sense of belonging to the community."

From your Councillors

It has been a fantastic start to the year hosting the Queen's Baton Relay, the annual Kuranda Easter Festival and most recently Michael Portillo from the BBC's 'Great Continental Railway Journeys'.

Supporting Local Artists: Kuranda resident, Rebecca Koller was among seven successful applicants to receive funding from the Mareeba Shire Council and Queensland Government's Regional Arts Development Fund community grant round. The Wildlife artist will paint murals on six Ergon power boxes on Coondoo and Therwine Streets, Kuranda. This will increase the visual aesthetics of the town, promote the natural beauty of the region and encourage tourism. This project has the support of the Tourism Kuranda Advisory Committee. The Mayi Wunba Dance Troupe from Kuranda also received funding after they performed at multiple events at the 2018 Commonwealth Games at the Gold Coast. The performance showcased the group's cultural traditions and provided dancers with the experience of performing in front of large audiences. Congratulations!

Flood Damage: Council has worked hard to repair roads and bridges damaged in the flooding event we saw in March. Flaggy Creek Bridge, at Mona Mona, was damaged by flood water and debris, effectively closing Mona Mona Road at the Flaggy Creek Bridge. Accessibility to the bridge was restricted by flood waters and once it was able to, Council began removing debris and what was left of the bridge. While the bridge still remains closed, Council hopes to provide temporary access, however this depends on the findings of an engineering assessment. The bridge will be replaced when approval is received from Queensland Reconstruction Authority as it will be funded by the national disaster relief funding arrangements.

Kuranda Men's Shed: For some time, the Kuranda Men's Shed have been looking for a suitable parcel of land for their shed for a number of years. The group has now decided to accept the parcel that Council had previously offered which used to house the old Civil Works Kuranda Depot. The portion of land includes an old shed which the group can use as an initial base of their operations and the site has sufficient area to allow for the erection of a new shed which has been donated to them by the Australian Defence Force. A wonderful outcome!

Dog Registration: Dog registration renewal notices will be sent out at the end of the month. You can receive your renewal notice by email – contact council to register for this digital service. Remember every dog in Queensland needs to be registered by law and not only will failing to do so result in a fine but will make it very difficult for Council to reunite you with your animal should it go missing.

Therwine Street Upgrade: Work will begin soon on the exciting Therwine Street Redevelopment. Council is spending \$1.3 million, raised through the Kuranda Infrastructure Fund which comes from contributions from Scenic Rail and SkyRail, to improve the streetscape and amenity in Therwine St. The project forms part of Council's ongoing commitment to systematically upgrade infrastructure to adequately service visitor demand and enhance Kuranda's appeal as a world-class tourist destination.

Black Mountain Road, Mona Mona: Bridge No. 7 on Black Mountain Rd has been replaced. The old timber bridge was coming to the end of its useful life and had a very low load limit imposed on it.



KURANDA UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY 29TH APRIL
KURANDA RIVERBOAT CRUISE
++ Becci Nethery ++
Live Music Cruise
4.15-6.15pm



SATURDAY 5TH MAY
KOA HALL MARKETS
++ Blue Reed ++
Breezin' into your day
9.00am - 12 noon

SATURDAY 19TH MAY
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FRIDAY 22ND JUNE
KURANDA ROOTS FESTIVAL
PRE-PARTY
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SATURDAY 23RD JUNE
KURANDA ROOTS FESTIVAL
THE BILLABONG
+ SOOM T + KINGFISHA +
AURAMECHANIC
LICKWEED + KODIAK KID
THE MADTONES
TROPICAL FYAH + DJINNAH

THURSDAY 12TH JULY
THE AMPHITHEATRE
++ NAIDOC 2018 ++
Celebrations & March
See ya there !!

MUSIC PAGE



Aden, Willie & Astro Brim – Photo by Steven Nowakowski

ZENNITH Saturday 19th May The Understage Kuranda Amphitheatre

Australia's most exciting indigenous band is on home Agrown turf in Kuranda, and we are indeed lucky to share in their musical journey.

In so many ways **Zennith** express the very heart beat of Kuranda itself through their music. Embracing their roots and rock with their hip-hop reggae **Zennith** smashed into the spotlight on the national music scene back in 2007 with their EP **I Like It**.

Their music embodies all facets of life; love, respect, family, relationships, hardships and above all, the connection fostered through music.

Zennith band members are **Astro Brim** (songwriter, vocals, guitar, keys, drums), **Aden Brim** (songwriter, vocals, guitars, drums), Kuranda legend **Willie Brim** (songwriter, vocals, keys), **Josh Stone** (lead guitar), **Alec Stirling** (bass), **Zami Coleman** (MC, percussion), **Kapua Gutchen** (keys, backing vocals) & **Aaron Riley** (drums).

The Kuranda Amphitheatre is hosting a **Membership Drive Night** on **Saturday 19th May** to encourage locals to renew their memberships. Become a member on the night, and you **GET IN FOR FREE**.

Food will be available on the night, and proceeds will go towards **KURANDA NAIDOC 2018 CELEBRATIONS** at the Amphitheatre on **Thursday 12th July**, so bring a few extra coins to contribute to this wonderful community day. **Entry \$15, Members \$10, Doors & Bar Open 6.30pm.**

Kuranda Roots Festival Saturday 23rd June 2018 The Billabong

Kuranda Roots Festival is renowned for its stellar line-up of musical specialists layin' down the dub-wise, reggae, roots, bass heavy deliciousness interwoven with a fusion of hip-hop, raga, world and folk (to give you a hint of the flavour). Musical creativity with a line-up of local, interstate and international artists coming together for **Kuranda Roots Festival 2018**.

Headlining alongside Australia's premier reggae act **KINGFISHA**, is the exceptional vocal talent of Glaswegian dynamo **SOOM T**. Over the past ten years, this prolific Indo-Scot has generated a cult following with fans eager to commute from various countries to witness her rare public appearances. She has a quirky yet highly distinctive voice with strong political and spiritual viewpoints permeating her intelligent poetic writings.

SOOM T creates songs within the Reggae, Hip hop, Folk, Electronic and Dub genres with experimentations centred around activist intent, spiritual enlightenment, soul evolution and unique sound wave generation and manipulation utilising the voice, word power, rhythm and melody for inner cosmic tremor inducement.

THE MADTONES's music encompasses a fun mixture of reggae, ska and crooning island soul. Drawing on influences from Jamaican music, Motown and the South Pacific, **THE MADTONES** play an upbeat mix of reggae, ska and soul. Their style is unique and quirky, reflecting the band's vibrant personalities.

KODIAK KID is a key element responsible for the direction and development of the Melbourne's Bass culture. With a core resonating understanding between self and sound, laying the foundations for his unique signature style has placed **KODIAK KID** as one of the country's finest DJ's.

Known for his fearless array of genres from hip-hop to mid-tempo and drum & bass blending in an effortless harmony with styles like experimental downtempo and soulful roots. **KODIAK KID** continues to push new boundaries with each set, crafting an elegantly immersive journey and experience that is shared by both the artist and audience.

AURAMECHANIC With a dynamic blend of bass emphasis at its core, his DJ sets will continue to unravel and reveal themselves to be born from deep influences of experimental downtempo bass, instrumental hip hop, dub and even modern styles still emerging from within the bass culture.

This Melbourne born musician



The MadTones

(formally known as 'Altruism') finds the studio to be where most of his time is now spent. Amidst the isolation of its confines, it's here that the original production that lies at the heart of **AURAMECHANIC**'s uniquely expressive sound is carefully crafted and sculpted. The reward of hours, weeks and years spent tirelessly searching, digging, sampling, re-editing and developing a truly individual soundscape of low end bass melting flavours.

An **AURAMECHANIC** live performance is constructed using hardware analogue synthesizers, live finger drumming and a large range of sequencers and samplers all manipulated in real-time through a multitude of effects. This dynamic ensemble allows every performance to be completely unique with spontaneity and intention focussed directly toward the environment and time/space within each individual song, set and performance.

SELEKTRESS #27, the Cairns based founder of **TROPICAL FYAH**, will deliver an eclectic bass-heavy mash up of Dancehall, Afrobeat & Soca from Africa and the Caribbean, designed to keep your body in constant motion.

Other acts so far released include **LICKWEED**, **DJINNAH**, and **BILLY DREAD**.

Encouraging community consciousness, and a healthy respect for all, homage is given to the bama, and to tradition. This year **Kuranda Roots** will feature traditional arts workshops as well as some festival favourites.

Thinking to join **Kuranda Roots Festival** with a market or food stall? Enquiries can be made direct with our market stall coordinator Rachael on rsharaz851@gmail.com. Applications are made online @ www.kurandaroots.com. Tickets are available online @ <https://events.ticketbooth.com.au/event/kuranda-roots-festival-2018>.

Stay tuned for the next line-up announcement, and soon to be released news on our **Kuranda Roots Pre-Party** on **Friday 22nd June**. In the meantime, check out www.kurandaroots.com and Kuranda Roots Festival Facebook pages for more updates. KC



SOOM T



Are you new to Kuranda?

Wondering how to meet people or where to get your weekly fix of good food and fun activities?

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- Jaide 0488 229 700 and Davini 0414 994 123

TAI CHI - Monday 6pm - Les 4093 8276

TENNIS (KIDS) - Friday 4.30pm (Term 2) - Nathan 0430 080 090

TENNIS (SOCIAL) - Aileen 0419 726 955

WING CHUN KUNG FU - Wednesday 7.30pm - Grant 0414 966 823

YOGA FOR ALL - Wednesday & Sunday - Aileen 0419 726 955

Check "What's On" calendar on website/facebook for more details.

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Community Calendar

Every Month KNC Management Committee Meeting 5.30pm

Rob Veivers Drive; Ph 4093 8933 for details

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Texas Holdem' Poker Mareeba RSL, sign on from 12.00 noon, game

starts 1.00pm. Prizes for 1st and 2nd. Details Terry 045 990 9900

Pilates 8.15am at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Jaide 0488 229 700

Kuranda Envirocare Tree Planting, Ph 4093 9926 for details or check website www.envirocare.org.au

Every Sunday

Texas Holdem' Poker Mareeba RLFC, sign on from 12.00 noon, game

starts 1.00pm. Prizes for 1st and 2nd. Details Terry 045 990 9900

Kuranda A.A. Group CWA Hall 9.30-11.00am Ph 4093 7599

Yoga with Aileen 10.30am Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 0419 726 955

Every Monday

Dream Big Tiny Tots 2 Class (5 years and under) 3.45pm-4.30pm

Aerial Kids Trapeze 4.30pm-6.00pm Age 8+ Contact Sophie 0409 333 404

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

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Pilates 5.45pm at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Jaide 0488 229 700

General Yoga Class at Koah Hall 6.00pm. Ph Tanya 0428 590 203.

Tae Kwon Do & Self Defence 6.30pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196

8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

First Tuesday Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting venue rotates. 4093 8933

Second Tuesday Kuranda SES Training, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road. Ph John



Baskerville 4093 7246, 0407 144 213

Second & Fourth Tuesday

Mareeba Toastmasters meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone
Fran 4093 7288 or Lenore Wyatt 0447 757 336. Guests welcome

Third Tuesday Tourism Kuranda meets in the office, Centenary

Park 4.30pm

Every Wednesday

Rotary Club of Cairns Trinity: 5.45 for 6.15pm, Cairns Sheridan Hotel, contact Secretary
0402 253 673

Pilates 9.30am at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Davini 0414 994 123

Pilates 5.45pm and 7.30pm at the Koah Hall. Contact Jaide 0488 229 700

Yoga 5.30 pm Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 0419 726 955

Craft and Social Morning at QCWA Hall 9.00am. Contact Carol 4093 7187

Mah Jong at Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome

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Second Wednesday

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QCWA meeting 9.30 am at QCWA Hall Ph: President 4093 7187, Treasurer 4093 7393

Every Thursday

Pilates 9.00am and 5.45pm at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Davini 0414 994 123

Tae Kwon Do & Self Defence 6.30pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196

Capoeira Training and Roda. 7:00 pm-8:30 pm. Phone Ole 0468 408 963

Kuranda Rangers Soccer: training 4.30-5.30pm Linda 0437 255 229

Yoga at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

Second Thursday Ambulance 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

Every Friday

Pre-Natal Yoga at Koah Hall 9.30am. Ph Beth 0476 276 876

Mums & Bubs Yoga at Koah Hall 11.00am. Ph Beth 0476 276 876

Fourth Friday

Rotary Club of Cairns Trinity: 11.45 for 12.00 noon, Cairns Sheridan Hotel, contact
Secretary 0402 253 673

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Kuranda's Karate Success

Kuranda can boast two recently crowned State Karate Champions in mother and son duo Dianne and Sam Long, who won gold in their respective events at the recent Queensland Championships held in Brisbane. The two were part of a seven member team to contest the titles from Cairns based karate club Fudoshin Shitoryu Karate. Nine medals were won in total with four members qualifying to contest the National Titles to be held in Caloundra this coming August.

Chief instructor and club owner Chris Long was very proud of the result. He said, "It was their first major tournament, except for Di who has competed at National level



Dianne Long

before. We were told not to expect too much as the competition was very stiff and there were some very experienced exponents participating. So we prepared them as best we could and told them to show what North Queenslanders are made of and above all, to be good sports and enjoy the experience. They can be proud of their efforts and behaviour."

Chris continued, "We are a fairly new arrival in Kuranda and love the lifestyle. We don't have a branch here but have a big house in Warril Drive with a big room that would make a perfect boutique Dojo for smaller numbers or private lessons. Di and I have combined 70 years karate experience we would love to share with local residents kids and adults alike. You can find us on facebook: [www.facebook.com/Karate Cairns - Fudoshin Shitoryu](http://www.facebook.com/KarateCairns-FudoshinShitoryu) or call 0437 485 600."



Sam (in red) in action

Happy Birthday Ron

RON BRUCE had an 80th birthday party at the Kuranda Recreation Club on Saturday night, 7th April, attended by some 90 friends and relatives, many of whom had travelled from interstate for the occasion. The catering was excellently done by Terry Pates of Frogs and his team – while the dance music was courtesy of the band "Fun Jungle" – reformed for the gig after a long break from playing in Kuranda. Several of the musos flew up from Brisbane just to play at the party. Ron's sister Bet and wife Trish told tall tales about Ron's life, while son-in-law Brent also had a few nice words to say about him. The Rec Club proved to be a great venue for the party.



Gardening in Kuranda with Alectura



For those keen gardeners searching frantically for the regular "Gardening in Kuranda" column which usually appears on page 10, it is with great regret that *The Kuranda Paper* advises that our colleague and good friend, Peter North (a.k.a. Alectura) will no longer be supplying his monthly column due to ill health.

Peter has been supplying the very popular column for well over a decade and has been 'responsible' for fostering the interest and enthusiasm for many newcomers to the area in setting up their newly established gardens, as well as providing helpful advice to experienced gardeners through his extensive knowledge and research into all things botanical.

We know that readers, along with his fellow paper colleagues, will miss his column and wish Peter all the best for the future.

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Flying Ahead

MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL is soaring closer to completing the region's most anticipated aviation facility, with the next two stages of the Mareeba Airport Upgrade Project set to take off.

Council recently awarded a contract for the construction of airside infrastructure to local company FGF Developments Pty Ltd.

Mareeba Mayor Tom Gilmore said the \$14 million contract consists of the extension of the aviation commercial precinct (Stage 1) and airside works (Stage 2).

"The award of this tender is without a doubt the most significant milestone to date in the reconstruction of this World War II airstrip. The project is anticipated to support the transformation of the Mareeba Airport into a major pilot training and aircraft maintenance facility – probably the most important facility of its kind in northern Australia," Cr Gilmore said.

The Mareeba Airport Upgrade Project is jointly funded by the Australian Government (\$5 million) and the Queensland Government (\$13 million) and is



FGF Developments Director Blue Williams and Mareeba Shire Mayor Tom Gilmore.

being delivered by Mareeba Shire Council.

"This redevelopment is a result of generous contributions from the Australian Government and Queensland Government without which the redevelopment would not and could not have ever proceeded," Cr Gilmore said.

"On behalf of the community, I offer my sincere thanks to both governments for their input and their co-operation as we move towards the award of this tender."

Northern-based Federal Government Senator Ian Macdonald said the work is an important milestone.

"This initiative will give the Mareeba Airport a new lease of life and ensure future pilots in North and Far North Queensland have access to new and improved training facilities."

The key project deliverables include a 52-lot aviation commercial precinct, resurfacing the existing runway, upgrade to airfield lighting, construction of new taxiways and upgrades to surrounding roads, drainage, lighting and airport fencing.

Member for Cook, Cynthia Lui said the Queensland Government was proud to be working with Mareeba Shire Council on an important project set to deliver enduring regional benefits driving economic development, jobs growth and benefits for Far North Queenslanders.

"This project is building on the region's existing strengths in aviation and will help position Mareeba as an important provider of aviation services, pilot training and maintenance in Far North Queensland," she said.

"Awarding this tender marks an important milestone in the delivery of this project and I look forward to seeing the economic benefits for Mareeba realised once it's completed."

Cr Gilmore said Council is looking forward to working with FGF Developments. "The successful tenderer, which is of course a local firm and is well understood to be capable of the scope of works required to be undertaken. We are proud to partner with FGF and congratulate the company on the successful outcome," he said.

Company Director, Blue Williams said FGF was excited to be part of such an important project. "We are looking forward to working with the Mareeba Shire Council on this multi-million-dollar upgrade which will see further job creation and investment opportunities in regional areas such as Mareeba," Mr Williams said.

Cr Gilmore said the project had been a long-term dream of Council to have this relic of the war turned into a nursery for job creation for the community. "It is fair to say that we are unlikely to see a development of this magnitude again in Far North Queensland," he said.

"The process leading to the awarding of this tender has been long and complex, and I thank the Mareeba Shire Council staff and those departmental staff, both in Brisbane and Canberra, who have been working diligently to ensure we progressed to this point with minimal disruption.

"I am thrilled to see these next stages of the project get underway," Cr Gilmore concluded.



The very first **Speewah Community Car Boot Sale** at Roscommon was a great success and a chance for "much put upon residents" to come together after the floods of March. The next date is Sunday 24th June 8.00am–12.00pm. Queries to 0417 796 310 (photo courtesy Thomas Verfurth).



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A Bug's Life

When it comes to living long lives, we humans are near the top of the list. Only a handful of other animal species on the planet have a longer life expectancy than we do. Often it is the larger animals that live for longer, but there are numerous exceptions. Many people assume that the insects and their relatives (the invertebrates) have very short life-spans due to their small size, but surprisingly this is not always the case.

There are certainly many invertebrates which do not live long at all and have their entire life cycle over and done with in a couple of weeks. Some invertebrate's lives appear to be over in the blink of an eye. Some butterflies, for example, have only a few days of life on the wing. What many people do not consider is the length of their immature lives as caterpillars and their time pupating prior to emerging into the form that we know so well. Still, a few months is not exactly a surprisingly long life.

Cicadas take this a step further. They may only appear above ground for a matter of weeks over the summer months, but in fact many of these animals are quite long-lived. In some cases the young cicadas (nymphs) spend many years developing underground before emerging as the noisy adults we hear.

For other species, some individuals may live longer than others due to the roles they play in their communities. Social insects such as bees and ants are such examples. Worker honeybees live fast, furious lives of around six weeks in duration, however, the queen honeybee can live three or four years.

Cockroaches are relatively long-lived insects, with many species expecting to live a year or two. One Australian species, however, the Giant Burrowing Cockroach (*Macropanethsia rhinoceros*) lives up to ten years on a very simple diet of dry gum leaves.

In the spider world, many species are seasonal (living for less than a year) which includes the regularly encountered orb-weaving spiders common to our region. Some of those we encounter around the house such as huntsman spiders may live two or three years. The longest living species are actually the most primitive species; the trapdoors, funnelwebs and tarantulas. The tarantulas hold the records here; Australian species may live to around ten years, while some of the largest overseas species can live for up to twenty years.

Sex also has a big influence on the lifespan of many invertebrates. The females of many invertebrate groups including stick insects, praying mantids and spiders outlive their male counterparts, often by a considerable length of time. The pinnacle of the male's life is to reproduce and once he has mated it is often game over. The sexual cannibalism of mantids and some spiders is well known, but if not being eaten by a ravenous female, the male often simply hits his 'use by date' and dies naturally. Females on the other hand must live on to lay eggs or give birth, often doing this multiple times and living months, or in some cases, years longer.

Alan Henderson
Minibeast Wildlife

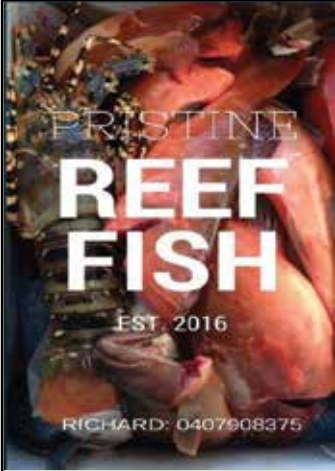
Top Photo: The Giant Burrowing Cockroach's ten year lifespan is longer than many reptiles, and mammals.

Centre Photo: A Honeybee worker has a hectic life which lasts around six weeks.

Bottom Photo: Females typically live longer than males in the bug world. This is certainly true with praying mantids. Even if they aren't consumed during mating (like this headless male) they still don't live as long as their female counterparts.

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Bob Heffey was born in Hamilton, Victoria in 1956. Educated in various schools throughout Victoria and New South Wales, he joined the Royal Australian Navy as a Recruit Weapons Mechanic on 6 February 1974 at HMAS *Cerberus* in Victoria.

Between 1974 and 1987, he served in most classes of RAN surface combatants, including HMA Ships *Supply*, *Torrens*, *Buccaneer*, *Wewak*, *Moresby* and Diving Tender Vessel *Seal*.

Interspersed during this period, he also served in shore establishments HMAS *Cerberus*, *Coonawarra*, *Kuttatubul*, *Waterhen*, *Moreton*, *Leeuwin* and the Defence Force Recruiting Centre in Brisbane.

He was the Commanding Officer of Diving Tender Vessel *Seal* between 1984-1987, operating out of HMAS *Waterhen*.

Bob was promoted to Leading Seaman in 1979, Petty Officer in 1981, and Chief Petty Officer in 1984, he was selected as a Commissioned Officer in September 1987 with the rank of Sub Lieutenant.

During 1988 and 1989, Lieutenant Heffey served as the Gunnery Officer and Senior Officer of the Watch in HMAS *Success*.

In February 1990, on completion of his Intermediate Navigation course, he was appointed Navigating Officer of the Fremantle Class Patrol Boat HMAS *Ipswich* in Cairns where he served for 18 months in Border Protection roles.

A posting to Darwin as the Executive Officer of Fremantle Class Patrol Boat HMAS *Launceston* followed, until January 1993.

Lieutenant Heffey then joined the Commander Australian Patrol Boat Forces (COMAUSPABFOR) Sea Training Group as Staff Officer Navigation, holding that position until November 1994, when he was posted as the Staff Officer Gunnery to COMAUSPABFOR. Both postings enabled him to utilise all his gunnery, seamanship and management skills to best effect.

Promoted to Lieutenant Commander in July 1995, he was posted to the United Kingdom for the Royal Navy International Amphibious Exchange billet on the Royal Navy Amphibious Assault ship HMS *Fearless* in December 1995 as the Bosun and Senior Dockmaster.

Returning to Australia in March 1998, he completed a short stint at Naval Training Command Headquarters in HMAS *Cerberus* conducting a review on Billet Pre-requisite Training, until he was appointed as the First Lieutenant of HMAS *Cerberus* in June 1998.

He was then selected for, and assumed command of, the Darwin based Fremantle Class Patrol Boat HMAS *Dubbo* in May 1999.

He departed HMAS *Dubbo* in September 2000 after an extremely successful command, which included 185 boardings of foreign fishing vessels of which 28 involved apprehensions, interception and tow of seven illegal entry vessels and the arrest and repatriation of 1394 illegal immigrants.

He still holds the record for the arrest of the largest number of illegal immigrants at one time, with the interception and arrest of the 'Harapan Satu' on 4 November 1999 with 357 illegal immigrants onboard.

Between October 2000 and November 2001, he was the Maritime Operations Officer at Headquarters Northern Command in Darwin, followed by an overseas posting to the Republic of Palau as the RAN Maritime Surveillance Adviser to the Marine Law Enforcement Division for the Ministry of Justice, managing and training the Palauan Nationals onboard the Pacific Class Patrol Boat 'PSS President H.I. Remeliik'.

Promoted to Commander on 1 January 2004, he returned to Australia in March 2004 where he was posted as the Minor War Vessel Operational Test Director at the Royal Australian Navy Test, Evaluation and Analysis Authority (RANTEAA) on Garden Island, Sydney.

His extensive portfolio of Projects included the introduction into service of the Armidale Class Patrol Boat, Mine Warfare Command Support System, Amphibious Watercraft and Hydrographic Ships.

In December 2006 he posted to the position of Chief of Staff and Deputy Commander Australian Navy Patrol Boat Group in Darwin.

He was awarded the Conspicuous Service Medal on Australia Day 2007 for his outstanding service whilst posted to RANTEAA for his contribution to, and successful introduction into service, of the Armidale Class Patrol Boat.

From December 2008 to January 2011 he was the Commanding Officer HMAS *Cairns*.

During this posting, HMAS *Cairns* was awarded the coveted Governor's Cup in 2008 and again in 2010 for the most efficient and outstanding Navy Establishment in Australia.

He was also awarded a Fleet Commander's Commendation for outstanding leadership on completion of his Command tenure.

Commander Heffey was then posted as the Director Australian Navy Cadets in Canberra between March 2011 and July 2015, which involved the personnel and financial management of 90 Training Ship (Cadet Units) throughout Australia and approximately 3500 cadets and civilian cadet staff.

He then returned to Cairns as the Regional Manager Personnel Support Unit, Far North Queensland until his retirement on 10 December 2016.

In his final week in the Royal Australian Navy, Chief of Navy, Rear Admiral Tim Barrett, visited HMAS *Cairns* and awarded Bob a Chief Of Navy Gold Commendation for his outstanding performance and leadership as Director Australian Navy Cadets.

Twenty one years of his naval career were spent at sea, the majority of the time in and around Minor War Vessels, as well as Sea Training Group.

Bob is now happily retired after 43 years of service and lives with his lifelong partner Ange and their loyal dogs, Labrador 'Pirate' and Golden Retriever 'Boo'.



Kuranda Woman Hit Hard by March Floods

During the March floods, Kuranda local Meredith Clarke's property in Myola was decimated by the floodwaters. "An inland tsunami swept in and washed everything I owned away whilst I was stuck near Mareeba, unable to secure or save anything. I was absolutely devastated with the loss as I have been slowly building my own little cabin on a tiny piece of land on my own. Most of my utilities run off either generators or gas bottles. The only things that survived were my dog, my truck and the clothes I had with me."

One can hardly imagine the despair at not only losing everything and having to start over completely but to also have have to first re-establish a place in which to live, Meredith's caravan was not only filled with mud but also knocked off its foundations. Although she has been supported by friends following the disaster, including being given temporary shelter, she still desperately needs some help to get back on her feet.

The main items that she is in desperate need of replacing or repairing (apart from the most basic and personal items, household goods and even food) are:

- GAS/2way fridge
- Lawn Mower
- 3.5 kg Clothes Dryer
- Cement Mixer
- Ukulele and tuner (for keeping of spirits up)
- Whipper Snipper
- Twin Tub Washing Machine
- 1500ltr Water Tank
- 2 Solid Clothes Cupboards.

The fridge is a big stepping stone in Meredith getting back into her home. Living with solar and small generator has its own challenges, so having basic refrigeration is a huge step towards regaining her independence. If anyone can help please contact Meredith through her Go Fund Me page or contact The Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre with an offers of help.

It takes a lot of courage to call out for help. Please consider if you can help. Her Go Fund Me page can be found at: <https://www.gofundme.com/meredithclark>.





After the floods of March this laid back Freshwater Crocodile, with a belly full of fish, was unfazed by the attention of passengers on the Kuranda Riverboat.

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A Grinter's Tale

Doggone it!

I seem to recall I started last month's article with a sentence that went something like "Yay, we finally have a wet season". I think that was something of an understatement and I'm fully aware that there are those who could have rammed those words down my neck in the aftermath of the sudden deluge I did not predict.

To those poor souls who lost everything, my heart goes out. It truly does. I wrote the column two days before frantically wielding a mattock, digging a trench to prevent putrid liquid mud flowing through the house. I was one of the lucky ones.

With Speewah Rural Fire Brigade I witnessed the utter devastation at The Billabong, absolutely soul destroying for Jake and the crew, but what a huge effort the guys had made before we even got there.

Earlier, the RFB guys had headed down to Cedar Park to help restore some semblance of normality. How soul destroying for the many householders around the Kuranda region whose lives have been turned around by that unheralded event.

So, my huge apologies to those who were inundated, to whom my comment must have been like salt in a wound. On the day in question, I arrived back in Speewah and crossed Grove Creek in the nick of time before it became a raging river. It was only one week after arguing with Youi Insurance about 4881 being a flood zone in toto. The customer service representatives must be sniggering into their lattes and replaying my recorded "Are you kidding me, I hope this message was recorded. I am up a mountain! I am on a virtual plateau no less! I have a creek down the road, not a lake or a tidal river, but a wee creek that cuts the road once in a blue moon."

I cringe now at the thought that my rantings will probably be used in future Youi advertisements. You know, the one that starts "Hey, you've probably seen this ad, it's been on television since January. Since then, over 60,000 people from all over Australia have joined Youie..." Behind 'Joseph', pictures of widespread flood damage on the Atherton Tablelands appear, with voice over of Grinter assuring Youi she lives in a desert.

Social media played a role in opening our eyes to the widespread damage and accompanying heartbreak. To the lowlifes

who stole a mower from a 'condemned' house in Speewah, where the owner lost everything, I feel sorry for you. Karma is like a magnet; believe me, it's on its way to your place right now, and it has horns, wings and the wrath of the entire Speewah neighbourhood behind it.

Talking of the wrath of neighbourhoods, our dog problem here in Speewah is getting pretty serious. Although Facebook is a great medium to advise people their dogs (or other animals) are out and causing a nuisance, threats of violence against the dog and pictures of instruments of torture aren't conducive to creating peace and harmony amongst residents.

I don't allow my dogs to use Facebook, and I'm pretty sure I'm not the only one, and although most loose dogs are blissfully unaware of threats floating around in the ether, the children of the family that own the dog/s may well see a picture of their dog and the accompanied threat. Their pet is lost, and besides that, there's adults around talking of cruel ways of disposing of it. There's surely enough violence in the world without us sowing the seeds of wrath in a small community and teaching our kids to do away with something that annoys them.

I dread going away, as I had a housesitter years ago, who, as it turned out, came home at 11.00pm, went to bed, and left at 6.00am, chucked charcoal briquettes (or that's what they looked like) into a bowl rather than feed the good meat left for them, and that was it as far as interaction with the dogs. My dogs went AWOL a

couple of times, jumping over the fence and being seen up the road. They were used to a long walk every day, ball throwing, and being fed. It happens. I was powerless to do anything, being in the UK.

But this is the biggest problem in the Speewah neighbourhood, and one which I am constantly asked to write about, that is dogs near their own property but just left to venture out of the front gate and wander around. So many people are loathe to walk their dogs now due to the presence of other people's dogs outside the confines of their properties.

Most of these dogs are in fact cowards, but there are several local residents who are genuinely scared of dogs, and have stopped walking as a result. Other dog owners carry a stick, and those with unreliable dogs who fear aggression, as a result of being attacked by another dog, cannot take their dog out at all.

The situation is made worse if the dog is walking on a lead, as it is aware it has no control over the situation and will normally react more violently and possibly involve, even injure, the owner as a result of the owner trying to save their pet, or being bowled over. That's why dogs will often get on much better when meeting off lead or on a very loose lead. It is a common thing to restrain a dog when walking towards another dog. However imperceptible this tightening of the lead is, it immediately alerts the dog, sending a message that something could be wrong and setting the meeting up for failure.

That's a subject for another day — I could talk about that for hours.

So many people say, "But my dog is friendly". Try telling that to someone who has been attacked by a dog, or whose dog has been aggressed by another dog.

No less than three people here on my road have been aggressed by three different dogs in the past few years, dogs that I personally never had a problem with, but fear is palpable for the person who is feeling it, and evident to an animal.

It's a sad state of affairs when you can't walk or drive around the block without passing three or four dogs wandering on the road. It is even more sad that responsible owners cannot exercise their dogs without fear. If more dogs on acreage were exercised there'd be half the amount of barking and escapism.



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Two of our riders spent the time riding for their club and zone at the State Level Equation and show jumping in Nambour. To them we say "Congratulations on your achievements."

Other club members pictured here are having lots of fun with their horses and their families.

Next rally day is on Sunday 20th May. Please keep an eye on Facebook for all updates.

See you soon

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Do You Eat Fair?

Our current times are being described as the Great Transition or the Great Turning and involves humans living in a completely new way on this planet or as Thomas Berry says in *The Great Work*, "Our challenge is to create a new language, even a new sense of what it is to be human." Food and the way in which we produce, distribute and consume it is a major player in this transition. Food needs to be ethical, ecologically sustainable, organic and socially just. In other words, food needs to be healthy, affordable, properly honoured, shared and not wrecking the planet to make it.

Communities can and are changing food for the better. Movements like the **Incredible Edible Network** which started in Todmorden in the UK are now found all over the world. The IE Network is a group of people from a small town, who, through food, strengthens its community and provides local opportunities and health. It promotes local growing and buying, has a green food walk through the town, plant out the streets, even the police and railway stations and puts on markets and educational talks all around food.

Sounds good... then why not start an Incredible Edible movement in your town:

<http://www.incredibleediblenetwork.org.uk/get-going>

But there are plenty of other ways to get involved too. Below are some ideas to get you started (with big thanks to *PIP magazine* – '10 ways to create a fairer food system' March 2016).

Learn to cook: Or learn a new dish. Make what you want, when you want and avoid packaging, sprays and food miles.

Spend most of your money outside of the big supermarkets: Look at the true cost of food and don't just go for cheap. Cheap has a big cost on people and the planet through unseen environmental and social impacts that mass food production creates. And the food is often tasteless and bad for your health. The cost will come back to you in doctor's bills. I've got my supermarket spending down to about \$50 with the rest spent at co-ops and markets.

Buy directly from a producer: Know where your food comes from. Have a relationship with the thing that keeps you alive! Farmers markets are a good place to start. Or purchase online through the Real Food Network: <http://www.realfoodnetwork.com.au> –and talk to Chris and Sjoerd, who do know where your food is coming from as they source it locally every week. The Atherton Community Co-Op does the same.

Grow your own – and share it: "This is the fairest food of all, and while this takes a little effort— growing your own food is a powerful thing."

Not keen on gardening alone? Then join your local Community Garden or Permaculture Group. Start your own thing with The Food is Free project: <http://foodisfreeproject.org> – which will 'teach you how to connect with your neighbours and line your street with front yard community gardens which provide free harvests to anyone.'

Host a dinner: "A person's consciousness of fair food is raised when food is restored as part of her or his culture. Having a dinner once a month, with friends, where everyone brings a dish made from local produce, allows people to brag about what they made and where they sourced it from (or what they grew themselves). This creates connections and good food and generates traditions and memories (culture)."

Invest in fair food – and divest from corporate food: "Increasingly, fair food farmers and enterprises turn to online crowdfunding sites to start or grow their ventures."

There are many platforms, such as Start Some Good, who have developed an ebook for food projects.

If you're on a tight budget, you can lend money to farmers through Kiva, the funds are returned to you." Or join a bank that supports the good stuff like Bank Australia and put your cash to work with no effort at all.

Lean on a polli: "Growing your own food is great, but to address systemic problems government policies need to change."

Ask your politicians – local, state and federal – what they are doing to address the consolidation of power in the supply chain; how will they promote healthy food environments; and how are they supporting fair food

farmers and enterprises? 'Corporate Food' has lobbyists – fair food needs people power! Become part of the fair food movement by joining the Australian Food Sovereignty Alliance."

And lastly – Be willing to forgo convenience: As Megan Ray Nichols says on her blog, "Supporting a sustainable food system isn't easy. When you commit to buying locally-produced foods and Fair-Trade foods and adhering to other tenants of sustainable living, these conscious choices may cost you time and money."

But ultimately, you're working toward a greater cause that will ensure you pass on a healthy earth to future generations."



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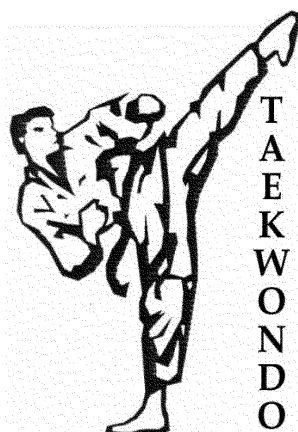
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Budget friendly cabbage and potatoes aren't cheap on flavour and are great to have sitting in the fridge where they last a long time. The hot dishes here also make great second day meals so you might want to double the quantities when making. So budget friendly are they that it frees up the purse or wallet for the odd impulse buy of a seasonal treat like asparagus, green beans or whatever looks and tastes great as an accompaniment to these healthy meals. Enjoy! – *Queenobeans*

Indian Cabbage and Potato Curry (Vegan)

via thewholesomefork.com

Serves 2-3

Ingredients: 1 tbsp coconut oil, 1 tsp cumin seeds, 1 tsp mustard seeds, 1 onion, finely sliced, 2 fresh garlic cloves fresh minced, 1/4 tsp cayenne, 1/2 tsp ground turmeric, 1 tsp ground coriander, 500gm gold potatoes, diced (scrubbed but not peeled), 1/2 small head green cabbage, cored and sliced, 1/2 cup diced fresh tomatoes, 1/4 tsp salt, 1/4 cup fine chopped coriander, salt and pepper to taste.

Method: Heat coconut oil in a large pan over medium heat. Add the cumin and mustard seeds and cook for 1-2 minutes. Add the onions and garlic stir well to combine, and cook for a further 2 minutes. Stir in cayenne, turmeric and coriander and cook for 1 minute. Add the potatoes, cabbage, tomatoes, 1/4 tsp salt, and 1/4 cup water. Stir well, reduce heat to low, cover, and cook until the potatoes are tender, about 30-35 minutes. Check it every now and then to make sure it is not sticking. If it is, add another tbsp water. Once cooked, remove from the heat, stir in the fresh coriander, and add salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste.



image via thewholesomefork.com

some fresh dill to taste, young potatoes peeled and cut in small pieces, 3 tblspns of apple cider vinegar.

Method: Wash the cabbage, discarding outer leaves, and cut onions into small pieces. Heat coconut oil in large cooking pan and add the onions into the cooking pan. Cook until the onions are soft and brown. In the meantime, cut the cabbage into small pieces. Once the onions are soft, add the cabbage into the pan. Add bay leaf and all spices and vinegar. Cook the cabbage for about 20 minutes on medium heat until it becomes soft. Once the cabbage is soft add one cup of water. Cover the pan now and let it simmer for another 20-30 minutes stirring regularly. Check water levels in between. When the cabbage becomes too dry, add one more cup of water. Cook cabbage until soft through and the flavours are well combined (taste to try). In the meantime, cook the potatoes until they are soft in a different pan with water. Cut fresh dill. Add 3/4 of fresh dill to the cabbage in the final minutes of cooking and stir. Serve the boiled potatoes and cabbage adding more dill over the potatoes. Add ground pepper and salt to taste.

Asian Slaw with Tofu and Potato Wedges (Vegan)

via organicempire.com.au

Serves 2-3

Ingredients: SLAW – 2 cups finely shredded green cabbage, 2 cups finely shredded red cabbage, 1 large finely shredded or julienned carrot, 1 cup fresh mint leaves roughly chopped, 1 cup coriander leaves roughly chopped, 2 cups bean sprouts, 6 spring onions finely sliced, 400g firm tofu, 2 tblspns sweet chilli sauce and 2 tblspns tamari sauce (for marinade), 2 tsp each garlic and ginger finely chopped. DRESSING – 4 tblspns sweet chilli sauce, 2 tblspns organic tamari, juice of 1 lime, 1/4 cup extra virgin cold pressed olive oil. Choice of potatoes for wedges (optional).

Method: Prepare ahead – Heat oven for potato wedges if making, these will need to be cut and baked around 20-30 minutes before you plan to serve. Chop the tofu into cubes and marinate for at least 1 hour in the 2 tbs sweet chilli sauce and 2 tbs tamari. When ready to serve, combine cabbages, carrots, mint, sprouts, spring onions and toss to combine. Heat a pan and cook the tofu for around 2 minutes each side or until cooked through, then add ginger and garlic, cook for another 2 minutes. Add tofu to salad. Combine dressing ingredients, and pour over salad and serve with hot wedges. Optional – Add finely chopped chilli to tofu when cooking. Optional garnish – crushed roasted peanuts (add on top just before serving).



image via organicempire.com.au

Polish Cabbage and Potatoes (Vegan)

via onegreenplanet.org

Serves 4

Ingredients: 1 large or 2 medium green cabbages, 3 onions, 1 garlic clove, 1 tblspn coconut oil, 1 bay leaf, 4-5 peppercorns, freshly ground pepper, 1/2 tspn salt, 2 cups of water, a dash each of dried thyme and marjoram (or a teaspoon each of fresh),



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Hard copies of the survey are available at KNC and the link can be found on our website <https://kurandanc.com>.

Furniture Exchange program: We have people in the community who need double, single and queen mattresses and frames/bases, dining tables and chairs, dressing tables and chests of drawers. Any items in good, working condition can be picked up or they can be dropped to the Centre. Please contact Tricia or Margaret/Ceri on 4093 8933 – Thanks!

Kuranda Family Day: Family Day in the park on April 10th went well with lots of smiles and full bellies. Thank you to all the services and individuals that helped to make the day a success. The next Family Day will be July 10th. If you wish to deliver an activity on the day or contribute in any way, please let the Interagency Network know via coordinator@kurandanc.org.au

KNC No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) Changes: Good Shepherd Microfinance has drastically reduced funding which affects our capacity for loan applications and processing. For the time being we have been forced to reduce our loans down to 1 or 2 per week with loans limited to car rego, fridges, washing machines and beds. Once the appointments are made we cannot do any more loans. We apologise for this, however it is not our decision and suggest any frustrations that people have about the limitations be directed to the Board of Good Shepherd: level 11, 350 Queen Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000 Email: info@gsmicrofinance.org.au Telephone: 03 9495 9600. We will inform the community when any changes occur as we are in negotiation with Good Shepherd and Shelter Housing Action Cairns to work on a potential transition arrangement to increase access for Kuranda applicants.

QuIHN Counsellor: A counsellor is at KNC on Mondays. Peter works as a psychologist for the Cairns Therapeutic Service offering a counselling service, providing support around drug use and mental health concerns, relapse prevention and management, referral to specialist services such as detox and rehab, self-care, stress management and enhancing motivation to change. There may also be some group sessions if there is demand. Referrals and appointments can be made directly to QuIHN on 4032 1463.

KNC Food Program and Pantry: KNC is still requesting donations of nonperishable food items for our food program and for distribution through a 'food pantry'. This is for those individuals and families in Kuranda who don't have enough food. KNC is partnering with OZ Harvest <http://www.ozharvest.org/news-location/cairns/> to distribute food to those in need in the District and so there will be items for people to take when available from the Centre. This will usually be on the table in reception or labelled items in the fridge in the kitchen. Items available will be determined by those that either are delivered by Oz Harvest or by other donations (eg surplus from farmers etc).

NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme): Connections Inc. is currently facilitating a program involving NDIS Sector Development – Provider Readiness Project for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. An information session will be held at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre on Wednesday 28th February 2018 Commencing at 10.00am.

Community and service providers are welcome to have a cuppa and light refreshment will be available. Contact: Laurie Perkins – Project Manager 0430 127 618 laurie@connectionsinc.org.au

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Tech Talk

WITH THOMAS

How Secure is your password?

In this day and age of digital technology we all require passwords to access personal information online, whether it be as simple as email, government services or our bank accounts, but how secure is your password, and what helps make your password more secure?

Before I explain the how-tos of creating a secure password, there is an important need to understand why you actually need a super-secure password. After all, you might be wondering who would want to hack your accounts and how your passwords can become compromised. Here are some possible scenarios:

- **Someone is out to get you:** There are many people who might want to take a peek into your personal life. If these people know you well, they might be able to guess your e-mail password and use password recovery options to access your other accounts.
- **You become the victim of a brute-force attack:** Whether a hacker attempts to access a group of user accounts or just yours, brute-force attacks are the go-to strategy for cracking passwords. These attacks work by systematically checking all possible passphrases until the correct one is found. If the hacker already has an idea of the guidelines used to create the password, this process becomes easier to execute.
- **There's a data breach:** Every few months it seems another huge company reports a hacking resulting in millions of people's account information being compromised.

Now that we have an understanding of some ways passwords could be breached, how are passwords deemed secure? Although data breaches are completely out of your control, it still is imperative to create passwords that can withstand brute-force attacks and "frenemies". In an ideal world your passwords would be at least 12 or more characters and contain a combination of numbers, symbols, uppercase and lowercase letters. Passwords should be free of repetition, common words, names



and pronouns, as well as IDs and any other pre-defined number or letter sequences.

Ideal passwords however are a HUGE inconvenience, I mean, how can we be expected to remember long passwords for each of our online accounts? Many people turn to password managers like LASTPASS, DASHLANE and 1PASSWORD. Applications that you can use to store your passwords, that encrypt the information, and you only require one password to access it.

How to create a secure password: A guide once written suggested creating a system that both allows you to create complex passwords, and remember them. For example: "I hope the Cowboys win the NRL grand final in 2018!" Then take the initials of each word and all the numbers and symbols to create your password. This resulting in: "IhtCwtNRLgfi2018!". The next option is to perhaps use a password generator. Many password generators as those mentioned above also have built in password generator tools. Of course, at the end of the day, the more complicated, and longer the password the more secure it will be.

In addition to password security, many online 'anytime' services like Facebook, Gmail and Microsoft offer "two-step verification". If it does – use it! When enabled, signing in will not only require a password, but will also require a follow up code that is sent as a text message to a mobile phone, meaning that someone attempting to access a service cannot complete the login without access to that phone. This is similar to how banks now process online transactions using security 'tokens'.

Recent development of facial recognition and biometric (fingerprint) logins are now also becoming popular trends as more and more devices enter the consumer marketplace, allowing users to interact more digitally and securely using unique features that are virtually impossible to replicate.

Some trivial facts about passwords

- A brute force attack can uncover a simple seven character password in 0.29 milliseconds whereas a simple nine character password can take five days. A simple 10 character password will take approximately four months, whereas 11 characters will take approximately one decade to crack. A 12 character password mixed with all the characteristics of a strong password (see above) would take over two centuries to crack.
- The password "123456789" can be cracked 431 times in the blink of an eye.
- "P@ssw0rD" would take 14 years to crack.
- "123456" and "password" were the most commonly used passwords in 2017.

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Another Billy Slater in the Making?

Warland Brim-Baird is a young man in a hurry. In particular he is in a hurry to get through the opposing team and over the try line. Warland, who is 12 and plays at fullback, has been chosen to represent Cape York Peninsula in his age group at the upcoming State NRL championships, to be held in Brisbane at the end of June this year.

He played all his early games and learnt his skills as a member of the local Kuranda Rainforest Raiders team. Warland has also been offered a Scholarship to Ipswich Grammar School and if he accepts will become a boarder at the school from next year.

Participants during the championships are required to pay all costs of the flights to and from Brisbane and to find their own accommodation as there will be no billeting offered.

The early cost estimate of nearly \$1,000 is a big hurdle for all those taking part and Warland's father, local man Clem Brim, is asking for assistance in getting Warland to the games.

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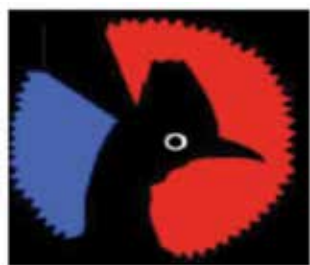
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Feeding Cassowaries

Further to Jax's article in last month's Kuranda Paper, we have received a report that one of our well-known birds, Elvis, is being fed.

For years, this bird was a regular visitor at the bus depot. He didn't ask for food and didn't receive any. He came to pick fruit around the property.

Now that bird, with its chick, has become aggressive and is looking for handouts. This is learnt behaviour. It's just the sort of behaviour we need to avoid because it could lead to his death.

Please think twice before handing or throwing food to cassowaries. There's a right way and a wrong way to feed wildlife. Please be responsible. PS: Dug is, in fact, Elvis.



ABOVE: Some of our stock ready for planting. The nursery is bursting at the seams with all the rain and heat we've had. We have many plants needing to go in the ground now and we're more than happy to do whatever it takes to get them planted at your place. Come and make your selection.

Wildlife Corridors

Behind the scenes, careful work is being done to map areas around Kuranda which might be connected to maintain wildlife corridors.

Many of us enjoy patches of good, healthy vegetation on our properties and bits of creeks which run through many adjoining properties.

You might like to consider protecting those bits that you are not actively using under voluntary covenants that will protect them into the future.

In June, we're planning a public meeting to discuss with landholders how this might be done. Everyone wins.

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KURANDA YCA COMMUNITY TASKFORCE



Ready set...survey

This month the volunteer taskforce completed a delimitation survey to determine the boundary area and ant density of the infestation. A huge thank you to the volunteers and WTMA team who showed up on the day to support the Taskforce. After lining up we then placed jam and cat food lures on the ground every 10m and returned an hour later to mark on a GPS the presence or absence of YCA. Data from the most recent monitoring results has shown a huge decline in crazy ant numbers and we hope to see a similar trend with the next treatment round coming up 12 May. I hope you can make it along to help out. No experience is necessary and morning tea/ cuppas supplied. If you would like to see the survey map when it is ready stay tuned for next month's story or sign up to the Taskforce by going to the website (details below). Join us on any of our upcoming activities or contact the coordinator below for more details.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. - Margaret Mead-

Date Claimers - Upcoming Activities

- **Sat 12 May** – Treatment Field Day, meet 9am @ Cadagi Dr
- **Tues 15 May** – Monitoring (every 3 weeks)
8.30 am at 60 Cadagi Drive

For more information or to get a check on a suspected YCA, email yca@envirocare.org.au or call project coordinator Sylvia Conway 0409 647 714



RANGERS r e p o r t

And we're off!

What a superb start to the 2018 soccer season for the Kuranda Rangers! Six teams took the field at Endeavour Park on 21 April and pulled out all the stops.

Playing multiple games for the first two Saturdays of competition for division grading, our U9s-U11s showed great skills and sportsmanship in very hot conditions.

Across the board we have some great little players and it's wonderful to see them having fun and enjoying the game – particularly our new recruits. The focus for our teams is to have fun whilst learning some new skills and keeping fit.

We are lucky to have dedicated coaches who volunteer to help develop our kids! Thank you.

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Bending with the Flow

We were very sorry to hear the stories of part and complete destruction of some people's homes in the rain event of late March. The Kuranda community rallied around those families most badly affected; what a great community we live in.

This show of the power of concentrated water lends support to the flood overlay mapping showing a fantastical 100 year flood line which some of us felt to be an exaggeration. Maybe not.



Warril Creek downstream of Little Road

Our river planting assessment revealed that new plantings had fared quite well. The flexible stems of less than two year old trees bent with the flow. Those 3 to 10 year trees were in the danger zone, with bushy ones pushed over in the direction of the flow. Larger trees stood tall with some limbs down; direct hits from loose logs caused most damage. Individual species are starting to bounce back, showing the value of planting the right trees in the right place, with new stools sprouting from any trunk which is not vertical.



Mantaka downstream of Russet Park bridge

Sustainable Community Grant

to enhance the riparian corridors in Russet Park. Starting soon and in conjunction with Bulmba Rangers, we'll be planting on a number of landholders' properties over the next three years. Watch out for community planting day events on Kuranda Envirocare facebook page. Join our planters mailing list by emailing info@envirocare.org.au or call Cathy on 0419 624 940/4093 9926.

Kuranda Tree Frog Community Action Plan

Draft review Workshop meeting – Thursday 3rd May 7.00pm

Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road

Led by the Action plan working group, advised by previously developed recovery planners. Come along and join in the review. Very few of these community action plans have been developed in Australia. All welcome.

We'll also show a short movie of the September workshop and an extract of Dr Conrad Hoskin's talk on the Myola frog. Light supper provided.

Date Claimers

- 3rd May, 7.00pm. Review workshop for Kuranda Tree Frog Action plan. Review of the draft Kuranda Tree Frog Action plan
- Frog Monitoring week 20th to 26th May – monitoring days vary. Check FB page or text Sylvia 0409 647 714
- Saturday morning activities/plantings – Change to 8.00am start time Various infill planting sites. Meet at nursery 284 Myola Road at 8am or Call Cathy on 0419 624 940 or 4093 9926 for details
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Wordsearch explanation and dedication

The Bama of this area shared a common ngirrma, language. The Djabuganydji, Bulwanydji, Nyagali, Yirrganydji and Gulunyndji have lived here for millennia. The Djabuganydji called it Djabugay. The Bulwanydji called it Bulway. The Yirrganydji on the coast called it Yirrgay. The 'ay' sound at the end of these words sounds like archaic English 'aye' for 'yes'.

Some of their stories go way back in time. The Djabuganydji believe that once their hunting grounds stretched to the Barrier Reef. At the end of the last ice age there was a rise in sea-level that pushed the people back inland and created the present shoreline. Nowhere else in the world have a people been able to reside continuously in the one place for so long, passing on their stories to the present day.

The actual word "bulmba" has many meanings: home, camping ground, territory, the world itself, time, the weather and the authority of the elders, upholders of the Law. This bulmba is constantly changing, depending on the time of year, the season, the weather.

Thanks to the Bulmba Rangers for this selection of words and to the Djabugay Tribal Aboriginal Corporation for its work in preserving the area's linguistic inheritance.

— Michael Quinn

MINYA BULMBA-BARRA Creatures belonging to place

Translation

BADJABADJA blue-tongue lizard
 BALABIRRA curlew
 BINANDJAL frill-necked lizard
 BUDAADJI carpet snake
 BUNDAARRA cassowary
 DIWIDIWI magpie lark
 DJALBAY long-nosed bandicoot
 DJAMA snake
 DJAMBUN witchetty grub
 DJARRUY bird
 DJIGUWA catbird
 DJILIBIRI barramundi 'eyes of fire'
 DJILIBULU owl
 DJILIBURAY edible green ant
 DJILIWIRI brown snake
 DJUNGGI freshwater shrimp
 DULBIL wallaby
 DUNDJI water snake
 DURRGIM white-tailed rat
 GADJIRRAGA taipan
 GADJU edible ant with nest on tree
 GALBALGALBAL red-eyed starling
 GANYAL goanna

GANYARRA crocodile
 GAYARRA brush-tail possum
 GIRAAGIRAA white-tailed kingfisher
 GURINGAYGU king parrot
 GURRGUDAY water dragon
 GURRINA echidna
 GURRUMBUN red-bellied black snake
 GURRUNGGA kookaburra
 GUYU fish
 MANUNGGUL edible ant in dome-shaped mound
 MAYBU quoll
 MINYA creature/meat/flesh food
 NGUNAL lace monitor
 NGUNBA platypus
 NGURRUY big mouth
 NYINGGARRA eel
 WALBURRI sugar glider, flying possum
 WULAM black brim
 WUNBA native bee/honey
 YALNGGAY jewfish
 YIDJI pademelon

Word Search

(Please note: some words may share letters)

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A Thought for May

THIS month's Bible reading is from St Johns Gospel Chapter 10 verses 11-18.

Of all the images which Jesus used for his person and his work, the image of the good shepherd has shone most over the centuries of the Christian tradition. The role of the shepherd became synonymous with such values as trust, faithfulness, dependability, gentleness. However, the role of the shepherd also requires tenacity, strength, courage, leadership. If these values are placed beside the others, we avoid childish images of a Jesus who is merely meek and mild. We have only to read the first sentence of this passage to hear Jesus define the reality of the shepherd's role with chilling foresight.

"The good shepherd," says Jesus "lays down his life for the sheep." To do anything less is to betray the flock, it is to "care nothing" for the sheep.



"I am the good shepherd." What might that be asking of my life? If a shepherd cares, then the question is whether I am becoming an essentially caring or a self-centred human being. That may seem obvious. Yet patterns of behaviour change in our lives, and we need to examine them from time to time.

Again, if a shepherd leads, then in what sense am I leading other lives, perhaps those younger than myself. Leading can be an exercise in ego and power. It can be domineering.

Obviously, Jesus pattern of shepherding does not call for that. Rather, are there vocations in my life that I could give some time to? Is there some aspect of youth formation, a Sunday school class, a Scout or Guide group, children of alcoholic parents — anything like this that I could be involved in to guide others? In terms of adults, could I give time to leading Bible study? Is there a self-help group to which from my experience I have something to give? All of these things are shepherding.

Such vocations may seem very tame and pedestrian compared with Our Lord's laying down His life as the good shepherd. But we are not all asked to do what Jesus did. To lay down one's life can mean many things at many different levels. One thing is certain. You and I are never going to lay down our lives for anything until we give even a small part of ourselves for something! Surely there is not one of us who cannot respond in some way to Our Lord's call to be a shepherd. There is not one of us who cannot in some way respond to Our Lord's call to shepherd other lives.

Baha'i Thought for the Month

"For man two wings are necessary. One wing is physical power and material civilisation; the other is spiritual power and divine civilisation. With one wing only, flight is impossible. Two wings are essential. Therefore, no matter how much material civilisation advances, it cannot attain to perfection except through the uplift of spiritual civilisation.

"Religion and Science are inter-twined with each other and cannot be separated. These are the two wings with which humanity must fly. One wing is not enough. Every religion which does not concern itself with Science is mere tradition, and that is not the essential. Therefore science, education and civilization are most important necessities for the full religious life.

"The world of humanity has two wings—one is women and the other men. Not until both wings are equally developed can the bird fly. Should one wing remain weak, flight is impossible. Not until the world of women becomes equal to the world of men in the acquisition of virtues and perfections, can success and prosperity be attained as they ought to be."

(Abdu'l-Baha)

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The Moon in May

THE month of May begins and ends on Full Moons, the symbol of enlightenment, check Buddha. So, this month this column will be different and we'll roll with the Moon phases. In each 28-day Lunar cycle there are 28 phases as the Sun-Moon angle waxes and wanes.

May begins with a Scorpio Full Moon waning into Sagittarius. The first three days of the month offer a practical, workable vision, or inspiration, which can be shared and activated through a shifting, changing variety of people and circumstances. Phases 1 to 3.

From 4th May through to 6th May with the waning Moon going through Capricorn, harmonious with the Taurus Sun, the changes are drawn together, a binding through commitment and a subtle sense of a gravity drawing it all to the centre. Then we are in the phase of the magician. Application of will, magnetism, vision and intuition concentrated points of power on 6th May.

May 7th to early 9th is the Aquarian Moon, Taurus Sun. A battle zone! Shifting, restless, looking for deeper meaning. The last-quarter Moon. May 9th–11th is the Pisces phase of the old Moon. Simple, reverence for the past, drawing together and teaching the truth.

A nice couple of days... Then, the last three days of the old Moon with a potent Aries sense of seeding; the best of the past seeds the future and the way is prepared, then, stillness, silence and contemplation on the 14th.

The 15th May is the New Moon. The uninhibited, the childlike, the joyful. This flows through as the waxing Moon goes through Taurus-Gemini, Cancer and Leo during the 16th to the 20th May; much exploring, action, spontaneity and flashes of insight. The best days of the month really.

A period of growth culminates on the 21st as the Sun leaves Taurus and goes into Gemini. How are we doing? Evaluation time...

Through the Leo-Virgo Moon phase on 21st–24th May and the first quarter. We are tested, challenged and the weaknesses are exposed. Battle through... On the 25th & 26th gibbous Moon phase there is inspiration, magnificent creativity and love. A nice mix.

Then it just gets more intense – Scorpio Moon on 27th and 28th oh, wow! And the final three days with the Moon going full in Sagittarius it all comes together and points the way... riding the Moon!

Blessings



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I wonder...
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SPEEWAH	6.55am	9.55am	4.25pm	6.55am	9.55am	9.55am	4.25pm
KURANDA	7.15am	10.05am	4.35pm	7.15am	10.05am	10.05am	4.35pm
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Departs From	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday	
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SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	9.00am	3.45pm	6.00pm	9.00am	3.45pm	3.45pm	6.00pm
KURANDA	9.20am	4.15pm	6.25pm	9.20am	4.15pm	4.15pm	6.25pm
SPEEWAH	9.25am	4.20pm	6.30pm	9.25am	4.20pm	4.20pm	6.30pm
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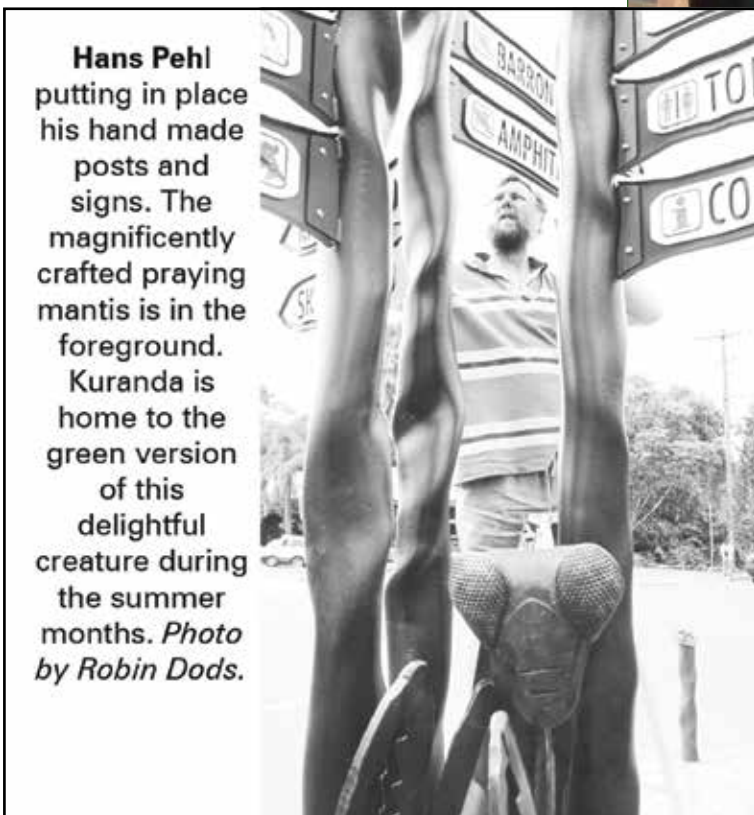


KURANDA'S WORLD-FAMOUS STEEL STREET ART is slowly being reinstated. The work of **Hans Pehl** is much loved by both locals and visitors alike and had been crying out for some TLC for years.

Adding to her impressive body of mural work, where she collaborated with other Kuranda artists in the Kuranda Roller Door project, Kuranda wildlife artist **Rebecca Koller** (*below, painting the Just Gorgeous Roller Door*) has been granted funding through the MSC Regional Arts Development Fund to create murals on six Ergon power boxes on Coondoo and Therwine Streets, showcasing both art and the natural beauty of the region as well as adding to Kuranda's deserved reputation as a beautiful place to visit. Congratulations Rebecca.

Adding to the already vibrant face of the Kuranda Arts Co-operative on Coondoo Street are **Henri Hunsinger's** colourful cut-outs and **Robyn King's** banners (*at right*).

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Hans Pehl putting in place his hand made posts and signs. The magnificently crafted praying mantis is in the foreground. Kuranda is home to the green version of this delightful creature during the summer months. *Photo by Robin Dods.*

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