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Thursday 19th February 2015

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Paper Out

Thursday 26th February 2015

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Thank You Kuranda

We, Mick Dziorobek and Reego Gabrang, students from Kuranda District College, would like to sincerely thank those people in the Kuranda community and the Kuranda Lions Club who donated so generously to make possible an educational trip with The Engineering Link Group to China and participation in an Engineering Program at East China Jiao Tong University.

President Lei (ECJTU) addressed us on Chinese Railways and Dr Fang gave a lecture on "Introduction to railway alignment and track structure" before our student group worked on our railway alignment assignments and visited the railway labs and testing facilities. Each group then had the opportunity to share their ideas and calculations with Asia Development Bank. An ADB representative gave the final results of all groups and Dr Zhou LiPing presented us with our certificates.

With our fellow students, during our China visit, we attended a number of Chinese cultural events, rode on a high speed train to Shanghai, saw the Great Wall, met the Terra Cotta army and were introduced to quantities of various delicious Chinese food.

Thank you again to all those who helped make this wonderful experience possible.

Mick Dziorobek and Reego Gabrang, Kuranda District State College



Happy Motoring 2015

Just quickly tell you all something good about someone. Trusted this person and believed this person, that the car they were selling me was a good one — "Two weeks tops, all yours, no worries". Eight months later, after a bit of a do and having to make it happen, effort instead of no worries, the car came into my garage. For six months this car has been in and out of my chosen mechanical place. Major work and replacements. In all that time I've had no worries. Been given freely their cars when mine was being fixed or tested. No charge for either one. Never a negative or stressful moment with these good people. Finally I drive with confidence knowing the work was done with integrity.

Thanks NORM of BUMBLEBEE MOTORS, KURANDA, and all your crew for saving me.

Bianca

Kuranda Envirocare AGM

Thursday 5 March 7.00pm

at the Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road Nomination forms available on request. email margzehntner@gmail.com or phone 4093 8393

Dogged

I wish you all a very happy new year. I have family here in Kuranda and I often come for a visit. You all live in a beautiful place. My only issue, or rather problem, is with the unsupervised dogs. Can council not look at enforcing legislation?

Many times on my walks I come across dogs that are out of their fenced gardens, on the road; even more of a problem was when I drove into OUR garage and there was a black dog sleeping on the cool concrete. My family tells me neighbours' dogs sometimes do that! Later a big brown dog was digging in the garden, looking for a bone. I was too scared to go out to do any work.

Some neighbours have four or five dogs. Often these roam around unsupervised. I find this totally unacceptable and dangerous, and would like to invite all dog owners to be more responsible PLEASE.

Looking forward to my next visit.

Danijela Hlis, Sunshine Coast

Gardens At Station

Just before Christmas I went to the Kuranda Railway Station to meet and greet a young French couple visiting our village for the day. The station is not one of the places I get to very often, in fact it is only, as a local, on a 'needs be' basis.

With the sunlight filtering through the gardens, the magic of it caused me to be grateful to have time while waiting for the train to arrive to enjoy the surroundings. The beautifully kept station gardens at the approach to Kuranda make such a strong statement about the values and beauty of our village.

It was pleasing to see some visitors from the train take time on their arrival to take in the colour and atmosphere at the station before bustling off to the commercial side of their visit. Their photographs will tell a lovely story.

To those who attend to the Kuranda Railway Station gardens, thank you. They are a credit to you.

Toni Rogers, Kuranda

Thank you to Michael Quinn...

...and co-performers, as well as those who came to the pre-Christmas "Wondermensional II" fundraiser for Medicins Sans Frontiers at Riverview House at Russett Park. We had a full house and raised a much needed \$750 for Ebola treatment.

Performers at the ever-popular bi-annual event were Michael, Zane Saunders, Bosco and Honey, MoZach and TrishMo, Kelly McBride, David Jones, Danny Simony, Helen Ramoutsakis and Peter McCabe.

Janya Royster

Make Your Vote Count

I hope other Kuranda residents will also be voting out Michael Trout at the forthcoming State election.

Mr Trout is arguably the most disastrous MP in Barron River's history. Worse than merely inept, inarticulate and ineffectual, this is the man who helped impose Council de-amalgamation on Kuranda against the wishes of the great majority of residents. This was done by the LNP without consultation with Kuranda residents – presumably to fulfil a pre-election deal made over our heads by 'Team Newman'.

Please makes sure your vote really counts by using ALL the preferences on your ballot paper, putting Mr Trout LAST so your vote can't possibly end up with the LNP.

Syd Walker, Kuranda

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Kuranda District Chamber of Commerce

General Meeting

When: Wednesday February 11 **Time**: 4.30pm **Where**: Barron Falls Hotel

Contact details:

Kuranda District Chamber of Commerce email: kurandachamber@gmail.com President: John Robinson

Local businesses are invited to join. The only requirement is to hold a current ABN. Membership is \$80 per year.



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Australia Day Award to Local Identity

Our congratulations go to Mike Graham who has received the Environmental Excellence award in the Australia Day celebrations in Mareeba on Monday 26th January.

Michael has been working on environmental activities in the region since the early 70s. He has been the vice-president and a committee member of **Kuranda Envirocare** for several years and with a group of volunteers designed and built the Envirocare nursery. He was actively involved in the campaign to obtain the **Wet Tropics World Heritage** listing.

He was first in the Kuranda area to promote planting and to provide a supply of local native rainforest trees and information about the trees. Michael has propagated local native rainforest trees on his Oak Forest property. During the years of 2007-2015 he has been a very active volunteer in the work of Kuranda Envirocare.

Michael was a founding member and the first president of **CAFNEC** (Cairns and Far North Environment Centre). He was awarded Mulgrave Shire's first environmental award, and received a bicentenary medal.

The full list of awards and recipients is:

2015 Citizen of the year – Sylvia Cockburn • Young Citizen of the year – Monique Ebner • Community Event of the Year – Mutchilba State School/Dimbulah State School • Development of Commerce and Industry Award – Gilbert Teitzel • Environmental Excellence award – Michael Graham • Community Service award – Mareeba Multicultural Festival Committee • Coach/Administrator award – Les and Jean Adams • Senior Sports award – Victor Madrid • Junior Sports award – Kayla Montagner • Arts and Cultural award – Mary Thompson.

The Glory of the Steam Train Era Returns!

The nostalgic era of steam train travel returns to the tropical north as Queensland Rail celebrates 150 years.

"Mareeba Shire Council in collaboration with the Queensland Rail 150th Anniversary are presenting a very special opportunity to journey through time in a historical steam train," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

Mayor Gilmore said it would be a fantastic and rare opportunity for the people of Mareeba to enjoy a piece of the railway's rich history and ride on a steam train in February.

"This unique experience will depart from Brisbane on January 15th and take about a month to whistle its way up the coast to Far North Queensland," Cr Gilmore said.

"Young travellers will compare it to something out of Harry Potter but this will be a very special holiday treat for all the family, with the smells, the steam and the sounds of the smoking giant of a bygone era," he said.

"The train will arrive in Mareeba on Monday, February 16th, providing locals the chance to hop on board and celebrate the contribution rail has made to connect regions through the state since 1865," Cr Gilmore said.

"It will also provide an economic boost to the region, as passengers travelling up the coast explore the local community and enjoy local accommodation and foods."

"The train, with two locomotives, arrives in Cairns from Innisfail on February 13th. On February 16th it will travel to Mareeba, stopping at Kuranda and returning to Cairns on February 17th.

It will return south to Brisbane on February 20th," Mayor Gilmore said.

"Railways have come a long way in 150 years and this year Queensland Rail will celebrate the retirement of the Sunlander after 60 years of service," he said.

"This special steam train service will be a chance for people to step back in time and experience the roots on which Queensland's rail industry was built," Cr Gilmore said

Queensland Rail Heritage senior manager Greg Fill said thousands of hours of painstaking work had gone into restoring the steam train to ensure it was in pristine condition for its journey.







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Tablelands Wildlife Rescue Inc. are holding snake courses in February.

These courses are designed for people wanting to obtain a DMP (Damage Mitigation Permit) to legally and safely relocate snakes. Trainers for the snake courses will be Hands On Wildlife from Townsville.

Dates set are 7, 21 & 22 February.

This will depend on numbers whether the three dates go ahead.
The first course will be held at Mareeba Turf Club,
1 Fenwick Street on Saturday 7th February.
The courses are one day and run from 8.00am until 5.00pm.

On completion of the course you will need a current First Aid Certificate to obtain your DMP, through

Cost is \$300.

DEHP (Department Environment and Heritage Protection).

For bookings or more information please telephone TWR's 24 hour hotline on 4091 7767 or email info@tablelandswildliferescue.com



Election 2015 Sarron Teiver

The electorate of Barron River covers the northern parts of Cairns and areas along the coast from Cairns Airport to Palm Cove. It also includes Whitfield, Brinsmead, Smithfield, Redlynch and Kuranda. The electorate covers 600 square kilometres.

Background

Barron River was first created ahead of the 1972 election and won at its first contest by the Labor Party. It was gained by the National Party's Martin Tenni at the 1974 Labor wipeout, and retained by Tenni (with some helpful electoral boundaries) until his defeat along with the National Party government in 1989.

Labor's new MP Dr Lesley Clark retained the seat in 1992 on Green preferences, but lost to the Liberals in 1995 in the state's only three cornered contest.

Clark was returned to Parliament in 1998 thanks to leakage and exhaustion of One Nation preferences. While Labor had been able to retain Barron River through the 1990s, its primary vote fell at every election from 1989 to 1998 before recovering in 2001. Clark retired at the 2006 election and was succeeded by Labor's Steve Wettenhall.

Barron River is an electorate where the Greens traditionally poll well, recording 12.9% of the vote in 2009, the party's highest level of support outside of the state's southeast. In 2012 the Green vote fell and the LNP first preference vote rose only 2%, but there was a 15% desertion of Labor vote to the Katter's Australian Party. After preferences LNP candidate Michael Trout was elected after a 2-party preferred swing of 11.8%.

(Courtesy of ABC)

Asphalt Overlay Programme Thooree Street/ Library Carpark Kuranda

Mareeba Shire Council notifies its intent to upgrade the Thooree Street Carpark to asphalt standard, the works to be achieved in 2 sections to allow continued use and minimal inconvenience.

Works scheduled for Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd February 2015; weather permitting. Please relocate any vehicles parked for extended periods to ensure these works can be undertaken. Enquiries can be directed to Chris Lea on Ph 4086 4710





Noel Castley-Wright: The Greens

Castley-Wright grew up in a small West Australian country town situated in a wheat/sheep farming community where his parents were successful small business owners (Retravision Store).

Castley-Wright is a Palm Cove small business owner, husband to Michele, his wife of 26 years, and father to their son who is presently in high school.

He is a highly awarded film producer/director and visual effects specialist. He has worked on Academy Award winning features, multiple Cannes Gold Lion and Emmy Award winning Advertising Campaigns. He has resided in Perth, Melbourne, Sydney, Madrid, London and Los Angeles. He has worked with the elite of the international film industry and renowned artists including Madonna, Jay-Z, Mariah Carey, Rod Stewart, Lenny Kravitz, the Rolling Stones and Michael Jackson.

Noel's production company, Oxygen Pictures has won best Production/Editing the last three years running in the Queensland Multimedia Awards for clients the Cairns Post, Catholic Education Diocese and Cairns Hardware.

He has been active in campaigns to save the heritage-listed trees at the Cairns Library and the historic trees at the Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort.

Craig Crawford: Australian Labor Party

I have been a Paramedic for 12 years now and was also a volunteer Firefighter when I lived in Victoria a number of years ago because I have always believed in standing up for my community.

I have spent the last number of years advocating for better conditions and resourcing for Queensland Ambulance personnel so that improved efficiency meant more lives saved.

As a father I have always understood the value of a good education and know that the educational opportunities that were afforded to my son should be available to all. However, as a frontline Paramedic I saw Campbell Newman and Michael Trout systematically destroy our health system through a series of broken promises.

As the kind of guy who has always been committed to being the change that he wanted to see I knew that I had to stand up and fight for the better health and education system that I wanted for my fiancé, my son and my community which is why I'm running for Barron River at the upcoming state election on January 31.



Andrew Schebella: Palmer United Party

Andrew Schebella boasts a successful career spanning more than 20 years in the hospitality industry, is a former business owner and active member of his electorate. He is passionate about politics and looks forward to representing the residents of Barron River.

Michael Trout: LNP

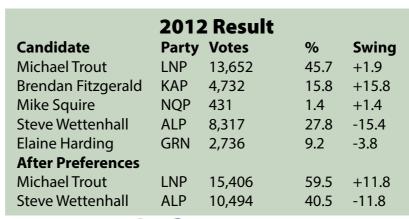
Born in 1963 at Chinchilla, Central Queensland, Michael Trout was raised on a cattle property. Michael has lived in the Barron River electorate since 1996, and has raised four lovely daughters.

With more than 20 years of small business and tourism experience, he has held numerous positions on tourism boards in North Queensland, currently sitting on the board of Tourism Tropical North Queensland (TTNQ) and Chairperson of Tropical Tablelands Tourism (TTT).

"Having lived, worked, owned small businesses in the tourism industry, and raised my family in this electorate, I have a passion for the region that drives me to make it the most liveable in the State. A great deal has been achieved, and will continue to be achieved. At no point will I become complacent. Creation of jobs is a major focus moving into our second term of government, and achieving a balance between conservation of our environment and development of infrastructure necessary for our economic sustainability.

In my first term, we've concentrated on significant improvements to education, health and combating crime. Although there is still much to do, we've seen huge improvements in those areas, and we can't afford to stop the momentum through change of government and return to the stagnation we had under a Labor government."

Michael was first elected as the Member for Barron River at the 2012 Queensland State Election on March 24, 2012.



Past Electi	on Results
1986 NAT	2001 ALP
1989 ALP	2004 ALP
1992 ALP	2006 ALP
1995 LIB	2009 ALP
1998 ALP	2012 LNP

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Kurandascope

Kurandascope is a Tablelands Regional Council/Mareeba Shire Council RADF video project currently documenting stories of Kuranda history by Kuranda residents. Twenty interviews have been conducted with a wide range of Kuranda residents who have shared their memories and experiences.

The project culminates with a community screening of a 40-minute video program featuring interview segments, historical documents and photos creating a new and fresh perspective of Kuranda community in 2015. The screening will be at the Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage on Saturday 14th February starting at 6.00pm with drinks and nibbles before the screening at 7.00. Everyone is welcome to attend.

"The value of this project is that people have an opportunity to reflect and share what is important to them about Kuranda", says project director and designer Peter McCabe. "We want to provide an alternative social media platform with an emphasis on our community in Kuranda. We've recorded around 12 hours of interview material which is fascinating, funny and far out. And one of the project outcomes is that the uncut interviews will soon be available on DVD at the Kuranda library."

"It's like having an opportunity to know about Kuranda residents you may not have met", says project manager and producer Cathy Harvey. "The interviews are more like conversations or having a yarn with an old friend and the value of this project is that it allows us to have a broader understanding of people who make up the Kuranda community."

WILLIE BRIM



"The future of Kuranda, you will see, is sharing cultural experience and practices with people who are non-indigenous because the spirit is spirit regardless of colour."

JUDY ANDREWS



"Back in those days people lived fairly primitively, no power, wood stoves, carting water and there was common interest from older established Kuranda residents who lived that way in earlier times."







Farewell and Best Wishes



February and Kuranda sees the departure of **Luc and Lena** from the Kuranda Coffee Kitchen. For several years, this couple with their early morning risings, has seen the daily production of wonderful pies, meringues, croissants and other offerings for the sweet tooth. Their contribution to dining in the Village will be sorely missed. Every best wish for your new venture. Au revoir!



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KAC would like to wish the Kuranda community, and in particular the arts community in the village, a very Happy New Year and extend our best wishes for a creative 2015.

The Co-op's short fundraising pre-Christmas raffle was won by 'Jill' who provided a Kuranda telephone number. We thank all those who purchased tickets in support of the Co-op.

Exhibitions Currently Showing

Many of our member artists are already in their personal 'salt mines' working on new arts processes and artworks for current and forthcoming exhibitions.



Mollie Bosworth is part of Chain Reaction Two which opens at Gallery artisan, 381 Brunswick Street, Fortitude Valley on 29th January. This exhibition is the second instalment of an artist-led selection of Queensland work, which celebrates the connections between Queensland artists based on who each artist finds inspiring amongst their peers. After the success of last year's exhibition, Gallery artisan has once again handed over curatorial control to a fantastic group of Queensland artists to continue the chain Chain **Reaction Two**, which includes the work of an amazing array of artists and reveals the connections between diverse mediums and practices.

Sasi Victoire's inspiring exhibition Foot Prints is currently showing at Vivo Bar and Grill on the Esplanade at Palm Cove. This is an opportunity to take in the seaside atmosphere, have lunch and enjoy this exhibition of Sasi's new prints, or just visit the exhibition which continues to 23rd March.



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What's NEW in

2015 @ the KRC

appy New Year everyone! 2015 is shaping up to be another

big year for us at the KRC. Our NEW website is now up

and running - see right. The website contains our general

information and the full 'What's On' calendar which will be

Facebook page which will always advertise any last minute

To start the year off we welcomed Jaide and Davini, who

commenced Pilates on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

Also new to Kuranda and the KRC is Wing Chun Kung Fu with

classes will commence on Wednesday 4 February at 7.30pm.

We also welcome back all of our regular hirers recommencing:

Grant Morris—an accomplished martial arts instructor. His

Davini has some venue changes until 25 February - please check

changes - so be sure to follow us!

with her directly on dates and venues.

KIDS TENNIS - Friday 30 January

ULTIMATE FRISBEE - Sunday 1 February

3on3 BASKETBALL - Monday 2 February

Facebook page for the latest times and changes.

8 BALL PRE-SEASON - 24 February

WING CHUN KUNG FU - Wednesday 4 February

COMMUNITY ATHLETICS - Saturday 7 February

After two years, 'Frogs at the Club' ceased operating at the

KRC. Our bar will be open on 'special' Friday nights - check our

YOGA - Sunday 1 February

TAI CHI - Monday 2 February

SOCCER TRAINING - 5 March

updated regularly. As we have so many activities on, we can no



www.krc.org.au

WHAT'S ON



Kuranda Recreation Centre



VENUE BOOKINGS - Janet 4093 7104 krc4881@gmail.com



longer fit everyone's contact details in our 'What's On' column in this paper. Please check our new website krc.org.au or our OF AGM

The KRC Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Sunday 15 February 2015 at 2.30pm at the KRC on Fallon Road, Kuranda. The AGM will provide an overview of our 2014 activities, present the accounts, receive nominations, and elect a new Management Committee. Refreshments will be available after the meeting.

All members and friends are welcome to attend. Please RSVP (for catering purposes) by calling 4093 7511 or email krc4881@gmail.com

Agenda

- Minutes of the previous AGM
- Business arising from the minutes
- President's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Election of office bearers and change of signatories

Committee positions up for re-election:

- President Secretary Treasurer Bookings Coordinator
- Marketing Coordinator Sports Coordinator Maintenance
- Membership Secretary Bar and Kitchen Coordinator. For nomination or proxy forms please email krc4881@gmail.com

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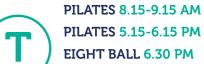
Kuranda 8 ball sign on at the KRC on Tuesday 10 February 7pm. Pre-season commences 24 February 2015.

SOCCER INFO DAY

Kuranda Rangers Football Club 2015 Sign On Information Days at the KRC on 21 & 28 February at 10am-12 noon. Training starts Thursday 26 February 2015.

TAI CHI 6-7 PM 3 on 3 BASKETBALL

KRC COMMITTEE MTG 7 PM - 2nd Mon/mth



BAR OPEN 6.30 PM

PILATES 9.30-10.30 AM

SOCIAL TENNIS 5.30-7.30 PM

YOGA 6-7.15 PM

WING CHUN KUNG FU 7.30-9.30 PM

PILATES 9.30-10.30 PM



7 PM 1st Thur/mth

KIDS TENNIS 3.30-5.30 PM

8 BALL PRACTICE NIGHT

BAR OPEN on special nights - check FB

PILATES 8.15-9.15 AM COMMUNITY ATHLETICS 9-10.30 AM

YOGA 10.50 AM

ULTIMATE FRISBEE 5-6 PM

SOCIAL TENNIS 5.30-7.30 PM **KURANDA FILM**

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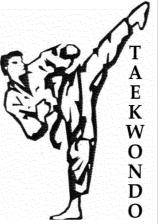
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pretty heavy stormy but patchy downpours and a very rare occurrence of light hail in parts of Speewah and Kuranda - but the Wet? Another very fleeting but eye-catching event was the recent large migratory swarms of the lemon migrant butterfly (Catopsilia pomona pomona) on flight to their breeding sites of

the favoured native cassias.

While there is no denying their spectacular shapes, exotic colourings and ease of growing, considerable thought should be given to the placement and planting of Heliconias, Etlingerias (Torch Gingers) and Zingibers (Beehive Gingers). These plants while conveying the essence of the tropics in their unique and colourful bracts, their vigour of spread, ratio of leaf to flower, height and need for annual clean-up of old canes and spent bracts, means these beauties can quickly become perennial monsters. Like me, the gardener new to the tropics, unaware of the potential drawbacks of these beauties, can position and plant them where they too quickly dominate and outgrow their welcome and dividing or digging out proves a major task. Before buying and planting, careful research of growth habit pays off in the

Plant of the Month: Fittonia. the Nerve or Mosaic Plant named from their intricate leaf veinings is a small genus of tropical perennial herbs from the Acanthus Dear Sandra, The plant in question is Strobilanthes hamiltoniana (syn. S. Family. Their major requirement is constant high humidity and a rich loose soil/ compost mix. With their small inconspicuous flowers beneath bracts carried on Acanthaceae family. Growing to about 1.5m, with a weeping habit and trumpet like small slender spikes, Frittonias are delightful slowly creeping ground covers for shady places and make excellent potted subjects, surprisingly hardy where moisture shady spots in the garden during cooler months. Easily grown from cutting and not is regular and plants not subject to temperatures much below 16C.

While there appears to be some dispute as to correct naming, the major grouping and derivatives seem to come from Fittonia albivenis with bright pinkish red foliage and a pinkish veins and patches of green. Fittonia verschaffeltii with oval leaves dull green with a network of deep-red veins, Fittonia verschaffeltii argyroneura with thinner, crisper leaves emerald green netted with silvery white and Fittonia verschaffeltii pearcei tissue-paper leaves brighter, lighter green with rose-pink veins. Increasingly, newer leaf forms and colorings are slowly becoming available although sometimes not as reliably hardy. There is also reportedly a yellow netted species (?) of Fittonia which seems to have been used in some of the fancier forms being developed in SE Asia.



O&A Dear Graham, Thanks for your very prompt ID provided on the spectacular flowering tree on the left below the Lookout on the Range Road. It is a wonder that more accidents did not occur on site during its recent flowering as eyes wandered off the road to its unexpected and solitary beauty. All up, eleven enquiries were received by this writer as to its ID with the tree in question being Ormosia ormondii (Yellow Bean), the only representative in Far North Queensland of this moderately large (over 100 species) mostly tropical, leguminous genus of trees family Fabaceae. It grows to 20m+ with large deep pink to red pea flowers - an absolute wonder to behold! The leaves are pinnate, organized in whorls on the stem. The bright red seeds are poisonous if eaten.

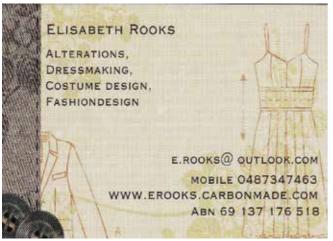


flaccidifolia), commonly known as the Chinese Rain Bell, a member of the large pinkish-purple flowers, this is an easily grown plant, valuable in bringing colour to particular as to soil, trim to shape.



Dear Tarlee, Ipomoea alba (syns: Ipomoea bona nox, Calonyction aculeatum), commonly known as The Moon Flower, is probably the large white, perfumed trumpet flower unfolding towards evening and then closing and fading early morning next day. This rapidly growing, twining vine can become quite vigorous in good soils at the cost of flowering and the plant flowers more abundantly in a leaner soil. Preferring an open sunny position, it unfortunately has considerable weed potential from the usually prolific seed set as well as from discarded prunings.





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





An innovative new way to protect and preserve the environment is to bestow legal personality to significant ecosystems.

Legal personality means that a person or entity has rights and duties in law. These rights commonly include the right to be free from unlawful interference, and the rights to exist, persist and reproduce. Where the rights of a legal person or entity are breached, they have the right to seek enforcement and a remedy through the legal system.

The concept of rights for the environment rests on the idea that a property based approach to the environment has often failed. Western property law regards the environment as a resource for us to exploit as we please. Any value placed on the environment is measured in terms of the value that we can derive from its use. Giving the environment rights is about recognising that these resources aren't endless and that we are part of (and dependent upon) our environment.

The most common example of an entity other than a natural person having legal personality is that of a corporation. Corporations are allowed to enforce their legal rights in court, in their own name, through representatives acting on their behalf.

The notion of giving the environment rights is developing in various ways across the world. In 2007-2008 Ecuador rewrote its Constitution to include the rights of nature to 'exist, persist, maintain itself and regenerate', as well as to be restored where it is damaged. In 2010 Bolivia passed a law recognising the rights of Mother Earth. Meanwhile in the USA, over 100 local municipalities have implemented local laws recognising the inalienable rights of residents, natural communities and ecosystems and banning corporations from engaging in particular activities that violate these rights. In New Zealand the Government has signed an agreement to give the Whanganui River and all its tributaries legal personality and on 27 July 2014 they bestowed legal personality on Te Urewera National Park giving it 'all the rights, powers, duties, and liabilities of a legal person'.

Australia now has the opportunity to build on the rights that have been granted to the environment in other countries. So far in Australia there have been no instances of natural ecosystems being granted legal personality.

The Environmental Defenders Office has suggested that Australia might consider granting outstanding ecosystems such as the Great Barrier Reef the right to exist and flourish, as well as the right to restoration. Just as corporations are represented by Directors, the EDO suggests that significant ecosystems could be represented by a board of trustees, legally required to preserve the integrity of the ecosystems and to act in its best interests.

For more information on the processes and reasons for obtaining legal personality for the Reef see the website at http://www.edonq.org.au/Campaign.html



FoE Kuranda NEXT MEETING:

4.30 pm, Thursday 12 February Cybercafe – Everyone welcome For more information call **John on 0499 207 492** or email: **info@foekuranda.org**

Wheelchair for Hire

The Kuranda Visitor Information Centre purchased a new wheelchair for visitors to Kuranda to hire when they go sightseeing around the village.

The wheelchair was bought with the prize money received from winning two awards at the Queensland Information Centre's Association Annual Conference held in October.



I am writing to express my thanks to *The Kuranda Paper* for its ongoing support to the Kuranda community. I don't think most people are aware of how much the paper contributes to worthy projects, activities and events for Kuranda in general, and also particularly to disadvantaged members of our community.

In December, KNC approached the paper for assistance with the Christmas vouchers that were being provided through the Mayor's Christmas Appeal, as we had heard that there were limited donations.

The Paper generously made a donation to assist us in meeting the needs of particularly large families and to infuse some Christmas cheer into the project. The Paper also provides financial assistance to a suite of other projects and activities including a substantial amount to the three Family Days that are held in Centennial Park each year.

I would like to acknowledge and highlight how diverse and valuable the Kuranda Media Association is to the Kuranda District and thank the amazing and committed people that work tirelessly for our community.

Kind Regards,

Margaret Yandell, Coordinator, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre

The (ultivation of Friendship

December 2014 saw the death of **Greg McKeown**, famous for his Open Gardens over many years at The Retreat, Kuranda. Greg's gardening passions saw probably one of the finest collections of philodendron and understorey palms in North Queensland as well as many other desirable and highly sought-after plants. To his many gardening friends, Greg was known for his passion and generosity in sharing the treasures of the plant world. Greg's knowledge and enthusiasm will be sorely missed. Vale.



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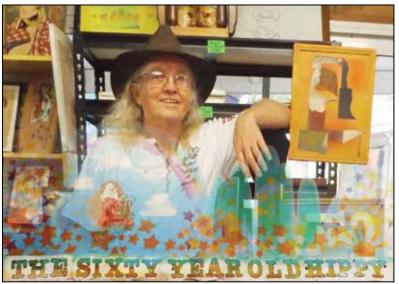


Je suis Charlie! Yes, the enemies of freedom know who their enemies are. It is us, the artists, musicians, actors, comedians. Those who seek power over others are frightened of the truth. They try in vain to silence the Arts because art speaks truth direct to the heart. Some use bombs and guns to maim our bodies. Others make laws to censor our words, and still others cut spending on the Arts and education Yes Tony Abbott, we know who our enemies are. In fact if it wasn't for you and you cronies channelling this nation's wealth from where it is needed: the poor, health education and of course the Arts, to the pockets of those who already have far too much, this would be a much better country for everybody. Je suis Charlie, Mr Abbott, you are our terrorist. How dare you make war on the Arts. How dare you make war on our country. If only you guys were not so blinded by your greed you might even see that life is not so bad. You would probably be a lot happier taking part in the creation rather than the destruction. And that's just what we artists will be doing regardless of the terrorism coming our way. What say you art lovers? seren

The Sixty Year Old Hippy,

and prolific artist, Ken Saville, opens a new gallery/shop at the Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets. He brings with him decades of artistic endeavours from the 70s to today. Anyhow, if you want to see something completely different get along to Ken's. He has also created a selection of native rainforest bonsais.

I asked Ken how he came to be in Kuranda doing art, and this is what he said...



'Some people come to Kuranda for a holiday and find they can't leave. The moment, back in 1969 when I drove over the Barron River bridge and up past the Honey House, which by

the way was the main, if not the only, tourist attraction back in the day.

'After a rewarding career as a chef, culminating in three years running the Trade Winds Restaurant, I felt the need for an environment with less stress and for all the wrong reasons chose to become an artist. Among the media I use are canvas, french archival paper, slate, plywood and metal.

"I recently achieved a Bachelor of Creative Industries Degree with a University Gong for outstanding work in the course. Classified as an 'outsider artist', the sometimes left of centre

art means that the mainstream outlets for artists have little or no idea how to critique most of my work, so the Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets was the perfect spot for a small workshop and gallery.

The shop is called 'The 60 Year Old Hippy' and is situated next to Kai's Japanese Tea House where the atmosphere

is remindful of the artistic Age of Edo when Kyoto was the Capitol and art was in the ascendant with the popularity of the Ukiyo-e woodblock prints.

"I opened the shop in the markets following the sale of the Speewah Art Gallery and Pilates studio. The large range of art for sale includes charcoal drawings (lots of nudes), oil and acrylic paintings, assemblage sculpture, computer art (posters and photos), wood carving, and some ceramics.

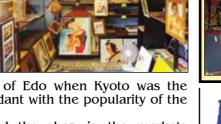
"Along with the static art forms are works from nature, namely a nursery

with a range of plants including; Moringa olifiera, Turmeric, Bromeliads, Palms, Vanilla Bean, Yucca and a small (sic) assortment of Bonsaied local flora.

The current stock must be sacrificed at terribly low prices to allow me to get on with new work. For a look at some of the work take a look at

the FaceBook page 'the 60 Year Old Hippy'

Ken Saville - The Sixty Year Old Hippy



there are many things needing assistance. E.g. painting, gardening, This year is looking exciting for Ktown with lots of new events and activities on the drawing board. Soundscribe Studio was

launched on 15th January. A studio recording environment to assist our local gifted musicians,

Hello Members and Friends,

enjoyable holiday season.

Coming up....

had a great time!

Welcome to 2015 and we hope everyone had a safe and

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2015 4PM Members are encouraged to attend the AGM and support our unique place. Consider becoming a member of the management committee Written nominations close on Friday 20th Feb at 5pm. Nominations to the Secretary, PO Box 500. Kuranda or hand in to the Honey House.

Sunday on the Terraces was a fantastic day, just look

at the pictures, with many family activities and local

entertainment. Once again, many thanks to EVERYONE

who assisted to make this day a special one. Hope you all

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH, 2015 - JOHN BUTLER TRIO

on the day, or clean up after please email:

support@kurandaamphitheatre.zendesk.com

you can spare some time it is greatly appreciated.

vent set up will be starting each Sunday from 1st February.

you wish to volunteer for anything, whether it be set up

PROJECTS AND UPGRADES - major works are underway at

the venue and therefore the Amphitheatre may be closed

at certain times. Please be aware of this if entering the

venue and keep note of any signage of temporary closure.

Many thanks to the Jobfind crew who are starting at the

WORKING BEES will be every Sunday for the month of

February in preparation for the JOHN BUTLER TRIO.

We need LOTS of help to prepare for

this event, many hands make light

work. Come along and lend a hand.

Whilst the venue itself looks amazing

Even an hour is appreciated!

This will not interfere with regular hirers of the venue.

Amphitheatre in the very near future.

available on Thursdays at the Understage. The service is free, with full consideration to the intellectual property of the artists. We encourage you to practice up. We will allow four runs at each of four songs. A self promotion video is also produced where desired. Go to KTown page on Facebook to see Wai

and Phill's new video from our first session and stay posted for further



assisting with construction projects, basic clean up and tidying etc. So if you have some time, even an hour, please come along. Amphitheatre volunteers make sure it's a



great day with lots of laughs to be had and always a yummy lunch.

Amphitheatre News

As you can see below, the Amphitheatre is being used on a regular basis by local community To ensure minimal

disruptions site works need to be completed outside of the regular hire periods and the venue may not always be available for use

Whilst the Amphitheatre is a community space, it relies heavily on venue hire fees to pay the bills, and volunteers for the venue maintenance, cleaning etc





So as not to disrupt the regular groups utilising the space we request people make an enquiry with the Amphitheatre before using the venue.

All you have to do is go to the website:

www.kurandaamphitheatre.org, click on Contact Us

and send an email KTown Records

MON -Kids Aerials 2pm - 5pm 9am - 11am Yoga Rehearsal space THU -

9am- 11am Rehearsal space



The Amphitheatre is a multipurpose community arts venue voluntarily managed by the people of Kuranda since its inception in the late 1970s. Volunteering your time and effort ensures its sustainability. You can obtain a Membership Form from: www. kurandaamphitheatre.org or "The Honey House", Therwine



For all enquiries and support please go to www.kurandaamphitheatre.org - Contact Us KAS ADMIN TEAM



developments. Please book in with Luna on 0419 175 147. We are also planning a "Brackets 'n' Jam" as a regular evening where an

introduces performances of virtually anything, followed by an all in jam. 'The Movie Club' for everything from cult classics to marathons, kids nights and documentaries. 'Little Night Out' for great local bands and unusual performance interludes. All Dates to be confirmed.



With thanks from the Ktown crew. Find us at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/KTOWN-RECORDS/468592749944626











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Seeing-Believing

Artist Ian Whittaker draws upon a wide array of media to convey and reflect on life-changing experiences in India.

As a young man, Ian Whittaker travelled to India. His two-year odyssey as a volunteer caused an internal shift that has permeated his work as an artist and educator over the last twenty years. In that time Ian has travelled extensively, however, it was his early relationship with India that required realignment. So in 2013, he revisited old friends and haunts with his family, giving form and substance to his romanticised tales and mythologies.

Whittaker's new exhibition **Seeing-Believing: Responses to a Journey through India** forms an eclectic, and extensive, travel diary unlike any other. Ranging from digital portraiture and video installation, to ceramic sculpture and painted works, the exhibition gives the audience an opportunity to begin to understand the complexity of India.

According to Whittaker, "Since working in India as an Australian volunteer twenty years ago, my mind has not stopped turning over the experiences I had there: remembering, analyzing, mythologizing, romanticizing.

And I'm not alone. Regularly I meet others who spend their time waiting for an opportunity to recapture, revisit and relive exotic experiences.

Seeing-Believing is the result of revisiting India, examining my responses as I found familiar old locations and friends as well as new ones; trying to answer old questions and make sense of a world so different from my own North Queensland home."

The exhibition will run from 9 February to 14 March and will be officially launched on Friday 13 February at 6pm.

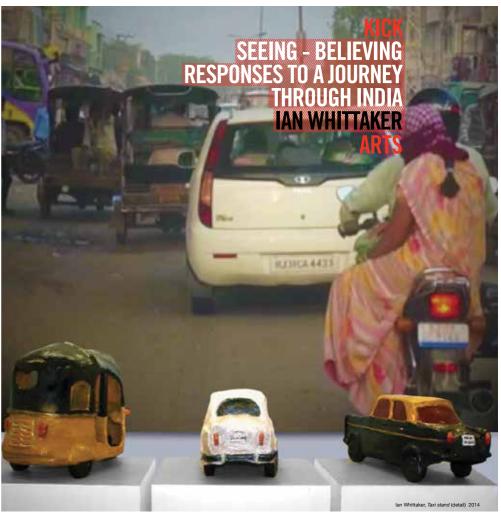
Entry to the KickArts Galleries is always free and everybody is welcome.

EXHIBITION LAUNCH:

- To be opened on Friday 13 February 6.00pm
- Location: KickArts Contemporary Arts' Gallery 1, Centre of Contemporary Arts, 96 Abbott Street (the building with the Jelly Babies!)
- Dates: Seeing-Believing: Responses to a Journey Through India runs 9 February to 14 March 2015.

About KickArts

KickArts Contemporary Arts is the leading contemporary visual arts organisation in regional Queensland and one of the most innovative in the state. Based in Cairns, with a demographic reach encompassing Far North Queensland and extending into the remote and regional communities of Cape York and Zenadh Kes (Torres Strait), KickArts is dedicated to facilitating and promoting contemporary arts and extending the experience and cultural life of northern Australians and the 1.5 million annual visitors to Cairns. KickArts' activities have become a recognised benchmark and a link for the local and transitory tourist community alike to experience the vital and unique contemporary visual culture of northern Australia.



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Underwhere

The Understage Thursday 5th February

In association with Underhouse, Mo B Us brings you Underwhere on Thursday 5th February 2015.

Featuring a selection of juicy musical **Prog Uke, Secret Tuesdays** feminine sea shanties, Faux Mo's 90s synth hop, Dave Cooke's earthy roots, along with Psychedelic Engine DJ Satoshi plus

acts including Bosko & Honey's unique special guest, Cairns visual artist *Hanza* (aka Priscilla Ong) making live art, and Wait For It a sideshow circus act from a

couple of Kurandacoots.

Underwhere builds on Bosko & **Honev**'s popular **Underhouse** series of house concerts in 2013 and 2014, which provided intimate and high quality nights of original and diverse music. The *Underhouse* series was inspired by Nick Mills' brilliant breeding ground for the far north alternative arts scene Arthouse.

Underwhere is a new expression of an old Kuranda tradition. In the spirit Loony Poets, Kuranda Verandah, Wondermentional, K-Town, Kurandacoots; Mo B Us (Trish & Zach) aim to please you with a night of music,

> theatre, art and culture. With the wealth of talent and skill in our small town, *Underwhere* is an outlet for artists to share their (under) wares. Be There.



www.johnbutlertrio.com

Kuranda Roots Festival The Billabong 13-14th June

Kuranda Roots, now in its 12th year will be back at The Billabong from 13-14th June. The festival is part of an exciting Far Northern festival circuit that lures an influx of people from interstate, starting at Happy Daze (29) May) in Mackay, Kuranda Roots, Laura Dance Festival (20-22 June) and culminating in Bushweek (23-29 June) in Rossville. Kuranda Roots' philosophy is about bringing together the creative community of North Oueensland to perform alongside an exciting bill

of national and international artists. This year Kuranda Roots organisers are hosting the biennial Bushweek festival near Cooktown and are excited to announce a combined festival ticket for both festivals available in March from the Rudekat Records website.

Confirmed to perform this year are Sydney Afro Hip Hop sensation TrueVibe Nation, Brisbane's 9 piece soul extravaganza Chocolate Strings and new Byron Bay reggae heavy weights The SkankStarz & The 420 Soundsystem.

Expressions of interest to perform or hold a market stall will open on March 1 from the Kuranda Roots website at www.kurandaroots.com

THE BOOGIE BROTHERS CD REVIEWS

"The Universe Will Provide" Bosko & Honey



🖊 ocal artists *Bosko & Honey* have done a remarkable thing... they've made an even better album than their first one! With this bulging (14 tracks) new offering they have taken all the strengths of their debut; virtuoso playing, great songs in many styles, cheeky wit, subtle sweetness, superior arrangements, and taken them to a new level.

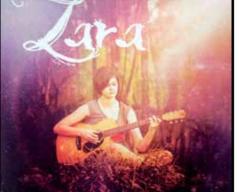
There is a crispness and clarity to the album with lots of space for each song to unfold in. Nigel Pegrum's production

sparkles but doesn't blind, highlighting the songs just so. The song writing is often deceptively simple, the playing at times unbelievably complex. Bosko and Honey have an ear for a great hook, total command of 'feel' and a canny knack of putting just the right elements into a song to make it glow. Their vocals are sweet-as, with harmony parts putting shivers in all the right places and care given to every phrase and word.

The music is eclectic. There's blue-grass and real country, spry reggae and punchy metal, 'rootsy' folk and island soul and everything 'kinda pop rockin' thang' in between. Genre hopping with ease Bosko and Honey delve into our psyches spot-lighting the wonder and confusion, the highs and lows of being human. There's the manic humour of 'Another Day in Paradise', poking a stick in the eye of the lotus eaters. Title track 'The Universe Will Provide' takes the swooning rush and breathless drops of doof and techno and uniquely melds it into a beautifully haunting epic of faith.

This is a smart and often slick album full of sonic gems but it avoids the trap of being too clever and calculated, as the real passion and depth of the performances shines through at all times. The balance between talent and soul is fully realised – the heart is not secondary to the head.

So if you're yearning for some joy and sweetness, some crazy laughs and thought provoking lyrics then don't bother asking the universe this time – Bosko and Honey have provided!



"Infinity" Zara

Kuranda has a well-deserved reputation for being chock full of good musicians and Zara's debut confirms this most resoundingly. This is an assured and confident album that belies her young age. With the help of family and friends, including her younger bro Ethan on very cool bass, NQ musical wizards Will Kepa and Kirk Steel, and production by Gail Betts, Zara begun what looks to be like a long and most interesting musical journey.

This collection is immediately accessible, radio-friendly as they say, with a confident grip on melody and arrangements and a nice twist to some of the lyrics. This is a real singer/songwriter showcase of roots, folk, and country with a couple of tracks like 'Just Another Boy' evoking the darker feel of cabaret. Our personal favourite song; the bittersweet 'Where It Ends', perfectly captures an emotional moment like a great song should.

Zara's voice at times is smoky and little tough, then sweet and pure, with phrasing and melodies that bring to mind some classics Patsy Cline, Maria Muldaur, Suzanne Vega, Michelle Shocked & Missy Higgins. Yet her vocal style is undoubtedly her own. She plays with words and syllables, stretching them into pure notes and melodies. And there's a kind of steely undercurrent in her voice that makes you wonder how she'd sound doing harder, rockier material.

There's nothing wasted on this album, no filler or fluff. No solos or distracting production tricks. The songs are short and to the point and it's most refreshing to hear the piano in there as a lead instrument. There is certainly a sense of grand tradition here; authentic echoes of previous decades but **Zara** has her own songs, her own style and her own voice. That she has started out so strongly is a wonderful indication of many years of great music to come. To infinity and beyond!

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The Healthy Kuranda-ite



Why Do We Say Namaste in a Yoga Class and What Does it Mean?

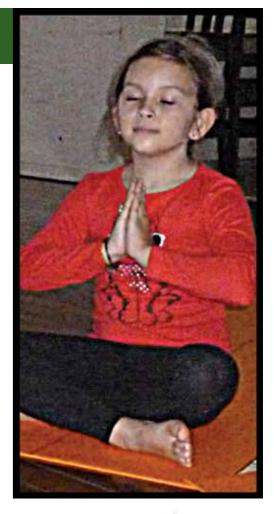
When we are practising yoga the word Namaste is often part of the class at some point. During our children's yoga class at the CWA hall we use it at the end, after relaxation. We all sit together and sing the namaste song. This signals the end of practise and helps to re-connect as a group. The song only has two lines which are repeated: "My inner light shines to your inner light" and "Namaste". Although it is a short song, the meaning behind it is ancient and humble. Namaste is a word derived from Sanskrit words. Namaha which means bow and Te which means to you. Namaste = I bow to you.

It is a non-contact, respectful greeting. It is simply a way of showing respect to others, just as we often use a hand shake or hug to say goodbye, hello or express gratitude. Namaste is widely used throughout India but also in many other countries around

Usually Namaste is said with eyes closed whilst slightly bowing towards the person or people you are greeting. The hands are pressed together in a prayer or Namaskar Mudra position at the heart centre. In countries like India, where this is common, just the Namaskar Mudra is enough. There is no need to speak the word as it is known that this signifies Namaste. It can also be expressed by placing Namaskar hands in front of the forehead, closing the eyes and just bowing the head in silence, after which the hands are lowered to the heart centre again.

When you bow and say Namaste you are honouring the place in others that is of light, peace, love and truth. You are recognising that in this place everyone is exactly the same. There is no difference between you and I. No one is better or more deserving than the other. Practising Namaste helps to become aware of reducing the ego while teaching humility.

For me the best part of saying Namaste at the end of our yoga class is (as the kids hear it) it sounds a lot like...Nah, i'm-a-stay.







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Helpful Local Facebook Groups

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KURANDA RANGE UPDATES (1,958 members)

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/1447262452225923/)

On the spot reports, in real time, about (and from) the Kuranda Range Road from members.

ALL THINGS KURANDA (648 members)

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/449193461759587/?fref=ts)

Info sharing on all kinds of subjects between Kuranda district residents - some restrictions on sale of items (see group rules). Helpful for real time info on weather, power outages, community events etc

SPEEWAH AND SURROUNDS RESIDENTS GROUP (239 members)

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/speewahresidents/?fref=ts)

Info sharing and support for Speewah residents. Helpful for real time info on weather, power outages, community events etc. Some restrictions on listing items for sale (check group rules)

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KOAH COMMUNITY (78 members)

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/Koah.Community/?fref=ts)

A group for those living in the Koah Community to advise, ask questions, barter, lost/ found animals, hazards etc in this area.

And for those wishing to trade items the following two local and three regional groups are helpful:

KURANDA BUY SWAP SELL (1,153 members)

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CAIRNS WANTED FREECYCLE (898 members)

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ATHERTON TABLELANDS FREECYCLE (755 members)

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Kuranda Discount Drug Store customers will now have access to health and vaccination clinics throughout the year, including the upcoming Sun & UV Awareness Clinic on Tuesday 17th February. In this one-on-one appointment, a nurse will take a photo to detect UV damage and provide customers with a personal risk analysis. The clinic fee is \$9.95, or free when customers spend \$20 or more on selected sun-related products. Book your appointment instore or call 4093 7480.

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The "Do it in a Dress Running Festival" aims to promote health. wellness and fitness among women, girls and their families. As an entrant vou receive a free 12-week training program and are invited to join in the group training sessions held on Saturdays and Wednesdays. You will also receive weekly training tips from running coach, Lorraine Lawson. But be quick to take up the Early Bird Entry, as race fees go up on 15th January.

The running events will take place in Redlynch Valley, Cairns. There is a 5km race and family

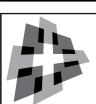
fun run/walk at 4.00pm on 11th April and a 10km race and half marathon at 6.00am on 12th April. Other activities are also being planned for the weekend. For more information go to http://dynamicrunning. com.au or phone 0417 798 444.

All proceeds of the Family Fun Run goes to the Ronald McDonald Family Retreat in Palm Cove and a portion of the race fees from the other events are being donated to the Marylyn Mayo Lodge that provides a home away from home for regional cancer patients who travel to Cairns for cancer treatment.

Ladies who run as a team receive a special gift at the finish line. This includes best friends, mum and daughter, sisters, etc.

Men who run with and finish with their female partner receive a special award at the finish line. This can be husband/wife, boyfriend/girlfriend, dad/ daughter, brother/sister, etc. And yes, men also have to wear a dress.

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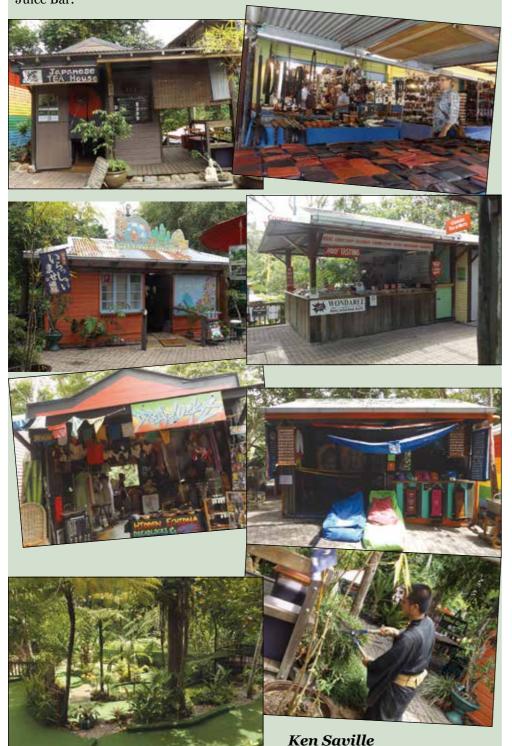
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THE KURANDA PAPER

(elebrating nearly 40 years in Kuranda, the Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets have become the Kuranda Icon, drawing thousands of travellers seeking where it all started from. The family of dedicated marketeers presents tourists with friendly smiles and attention and the atmosphere is more like a Hobbit Village Fair than a commercial venture.

Most stalls are open five or six days every week and range from several great cafes, local crafts like jewellery and art, hair care, massage, fresh organic gelato, Japanese sweets and a homey little green tea hut, not to mention Ithaca's Coconut Juice Bar.



Volunteer of the Year

The Heritage Bank is conducting an on-line vote for 'volunteer of the year', voting closing on 6th February.

Two of our very own local Atherton Tableland heroes have been nominated, and we urge you to vote for one of them.

They are: Karen Coombes of Tree Roo Rescue and Conservation Centre Ltd and Jenny Maclean of Tolga Bat Hospital.

Either organisation (which generally rely solely on donations) could certainly make great use of the \$10,000 prize offered.

Go to the site below, vote for your preferred person/animal. You will then receive an email back from Heritage, which you must respond to, or your vote will not be counted. It may end up in 'junk' so check a few minutes after voting and make sure

Go to: promotions.heritage.com.au/volunteeroftheyear/



Karen Coombes – Tree Roo Rescue and Conservation

Karen and her husband Neil have been wildlife carers for the past 25 years and started to rescue and care for injured tree kangaroos over 15 years ago when moving to Malanda, where Karen also studied for her PhD on Lumholtz Tree Kangaroos, the third study ever on the species and currently the most comprehensive and most recent. The numbers of injured or displaced tree kangaroos has been increasing over the last

few years and it was becoming too expensive for Karen and Neil to continue without help so they decided to set up Tree Roo Rescue and Conservation Centre as a non profit in 2012 to allow them to accept well needed donations and to build bigger facilities and the first tree kangaroo hospital in the World.

Jenny Maclean – Tolga Bat Hospital

Tolga Bat Hospital and Jenny work for the conservation of bats and their habitat. They do this by:

- · the rescue, rehabilitation and release of hundreds of bats each vear
- the provision of lifetime sanctuary for many bats that are too severely injured to return to the wild or have been retired from zoos
- education about bats through schools and the onsite Visitor Centre
- · habitat restoration work at two colonies, Tolga Scrub and Lakeside
- · facilitating research into flying-foxes by various universities and government bodies
- advocating for bats
- providing a rich volunteering experience at the hospital.

Tolga Bat Hospital is a not-for-profit community group, a Landcare group and a registered charity that aims to improve the public's perception and understanding of bats. The group takes its name from the nearby Tolga Scrub, a fragment of critically endangered Mabi rainforest.

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BULL ANTS Relics of a Bygone Age

With enormous jaws and a sting which brings searing pain, bull ants are both recognisable and feared by most Australians. They are among the largest ants in Australia and in the world for that matter, with only a few species overseas which rival them in size. There are almost 100 different species of bull ants in Australia, with a few species local to this region – including a large species found on the Tablelands and locally, the smaller but more aggressive Jumping Jacks.

Bull ants are considered to be among the most primitive of all ants in the world. Their colonies are relatively small, with numbers of individuals in the low hundreds rather than thousands like many other ant species. Their social structure is also quite simple compared to some of the more advanced species. They have a single fertile queen whose sole role it is to lay eggs, and infertile female workers who carry out all the work required to keep the colony alive. Seasonally, fertile male and female (new queen) bull ants are produced. These have wings and leave the nest to start new colonies.

These ants can be extremely aggressive when defending their nests, and have excellent eyesight enabling them to locate intruders. Many people who are stung believe the large mandibles inflict the pain; however, it is a sting located in the abdomen that causes this severe discomfort. Bull ants can sting multiple times – just like wasps – and use this for capturing insect prey as well as for defence.

They are active by day and night, and the workers forage over long distances on their own rather than in trails like many other ants. Workers collect insects which they overpower and sting, taking them back to the nest to feed the young. Despite their large jaws, the adult bull ants feed mainly upon sugars, such as nectar from flowering plants.

Bull ant 'babies' are called larvae. They are helpless, small white grubs which are kept deep in the nest and are tended to by the workers as they develop and grow. Dead and paralysed insects are brought to them to feed upon until they are ready to pupate. Pupation is the same process a caterpillar goes through to metamorphose into a butterfly. Bull ants do this within a brown paper-like case or cocoon. When the adult bull ants emerge they are fully formed, but just a little lighter in colour than their older counterparts.

Living within moist tunnels in the ground exposes bull ants to all sorts of bacteria which live naturally within the soil. Bull ants have evolved their own natural defence to this, and are able to manufacture their own antibiotics using specialised glands called metapleural glands. These secrete antibiotics onto the surface of the ants' bodies, preventing the growth of bacteria and fungi. Research into this and many other invertebrate-produced chemicals is a growing area of science, and these little creatures may provide us with some important breakthroughs in human medicine and technology in future years.

Alan Henderson Minibeast Wildlife



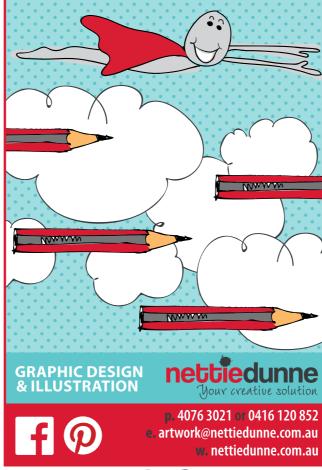


A huge bull ant (Myrmecia sp.) from Mt Hypipamee.
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A Jumping Jack (Myrmecia nigrocincta) guarding the entrance to its nest in Kuranda.









2015 Soccer Sign On

Are you ready for the soccer season? The Kuranda Rangers Football Club is looking forward to another exciting year and welcoming new and old players, coaches, and managers.

Sign on Saturdays

We will hold our Sign On Information

Sessions on Saturday 21 and 28 February from 10.00am -12.00pm at the Kuranda Recreation Centre. Meet our Club, learn about the 2015 season, and how you can be involved in junior soccer.

Uniforms will be available for sale and cheap 2nd hand boots. Cr Jenny Jensen will be available to help with *Get Started Vouchers. Come and have a kick and meet other soccer crazy kids!

On line registrations

This year registrations are online. Register at your own convenience – go to www. myfootballclub.com.au/ Our annual fees are \$195 per player (including Kuranda Recreation Centre membership). U₅s Squirts \$20. Discounts apply for families with three or more players.

*Get Started Vouchers

Our Club is registered for Get Started and Round 5 opens on Wednesday 28 January. This program provides eligible kids aged 5 up to 18 who can least afford to join a sport or recreation club with a voucher valued at up to \$150 for membership and/or registration fees per child.

Note: vouchers are issued on a first come, first serve basis; so get in early or you may miss out! Conditions apply - see if you're eligible and find out more at www. nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame/getstarted

Thursday Training

Training starts 5.30pm Thursday 5 March at the Kuranda Recreation Centre and Hunter Park. The season starts on 21 March at Endeavour Park in North Cairns (behind the Colonial Club), with two weeks off for Easter holidays.

Coaches!

Interested in coaching kids soccer? We would love to hear from you! Please call Gavin Brown on 0402 803 762.

Our next Club Catch Up is on Sunday 1 February out the back at the Kuranda Hotel Motel (bottom pub) from 12.00noon – all coaches and managers are invited.

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Kuranda Playgroup Coordinator Needed:

The playgroup that meets on Wednesday mornings at the KNC Garage is looking for a new volunteer coordinator. Historically the position has been held by a mum whose child attends playgroup. The current coordinator is looking to move on and can do a handover to a new coordinator. The playgroup sits under the umbrella of Qld Playgroup Association and has a range of resources that are funded by attendance fees (\$2 per session for family). Please contact Marg on 4093 8933 or drop into the Playgroup on Wednesday from 9.30am.

Veggie Seedlings:

The seedlings are back at a bargain price of \$1 per seedling punnet. We get a random supply so it is worth dropping by to see what there is.

Furniture Exchange:

If you have items in good condition to donate, please let us know and we will arrange for a pick up. Right now, we are seeking a number of lounges, tables & chairs and working washing machines. All items will go to families or individuals with identified needs and all items are welcome. THANKS.

Kuranda Interagency Network:

This network is comprised of a range of services, agencies and representatives from the local Kuranda service network and outside services who are interested in developing better services or who are funded to deliver to Kuranda. These meetings occur on the first Tuesday of each month at 2pm on a rotating venue arrangement. If you believe you could contribute or are interested in finding out more about the network, please contact Marg on 4093 8933.

Relationships Australia

Go Forward For Men Anger Management Program:

From Monday 2nd February 2015 there will be an Anger Management program delivered by Jackie from Relationships Australia. This will continue every Monday (except Christmas Closure period) ongoing and will include group and individual sessions. All sessions are strictly confidential. Please contact Marg for more information.

Salvation Army Financial Counselling:

There will be a financial counsellor from Salvation Army coming on Wednesday mornings to see people who are experiencing financial difficulties with debts, debilitating contracts, high interest loans or other problems that are causing financial stress. Again, all sessions are strictly confidential and appointments can be made by calling KNC on 4093 8933 and asking for Ceri or Marg.

KNC Curlew Family Success:

We have had a pair of nesting curlews trying to start a family in the grounds of the Centre since the beginning of last year. They lost a chick last season, a chick at the beginning of this season and hatched two live chicks at the beginning of December. Only one survived and has almost reached maturity – so look out for a lovely (but sometimes noisy) little family!

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Inside My Studio

Interview and Photographs by Toni Rogers

Event planning' is the application of the creation and development of events such as festivals, ceremonies, formal parties, concerts or conventions. The process of planning and co-ordinating the event can include budgeting, scheduling, site selection, acquiring necessary permits, coordinating transportation and parking, arranging for speakers or entertainers, arranging decor, event security, catering and emergency plans. It all needs to be undertaken before the event. Kuranda artist Kitty Clignett is a craftsperson who often assists with the décor at many Kuranda events venues, including the Kuranda Amphitheatre. She is a weaver of palm material, and in particular, her flower filled cornucopias feature at a number of festivals and concerts in the village. An artist, actor and dancer, Kitty Clignett is one who has not exhausted her dramatic potential and leaves audiences guessing.

Where is your current studio?

The veranda at my home in the centre of Kuranda village is 'the place of action' and provides me with perfect studio space. I need this space when weaving large coconut fronds. The copse of bamboo and the huge Poinciana tree alongside is presently giving extra afternoon shade and a light fall of brightly coloured petals.

Do you work alone or with others?

Alone mainly, however, when I am giving a workshop I have a number of attendees. I do pre-event and co-ordinate festival workshops.

What are the essential features your studio has to have?

I require mainly an undercover, well aired and bright space. My veranda is ideal as it is a large open but covered space.

Describe your work pattern - hours/days/weeks.

I am adept at working in with whatever else is in my day's activities. Harvesting coconut fronds needs to be done early in the day and I often carry them home on foot. Some are delivered when I put out a call for pre-events requirements. There is a lot of preparation with the fronds before weaving. I undertake cleaning between the leaves during the day and whittle down the frond spine while they are still pliable. All weaving is done while the fronds are fresh and green. My overall weaving work is on a 'needs be' timetable and I can weave in the evenings and early mornings. Some of my woven pieces are completed over a two-three day process.

Describe the works you do in your studio.

I weave coconut palm fronds into baskets of various sizes, platters, hats, cornucopias (the horn of plenty) and I look forward to mastering lidded boxes.

The other side of my coin is working with crystals, semi-precious stones and pearls, threading and knotting them on silk cord or hemp string. Most of my beads are resourced from overseas — thank heavens for Ebay. I have a collection of beads which I have accumulated over most of my life. My mother gave me my first beads when I was 10 years old. I am currently threading long strings as they wind so nicely on the body.

Why is weaving your chosen medium?

I had a passion to learn how to weave. I learnt to weave grasshoppers and birds from coconut fronds while still a teenager, and then in my twenties, I bought a basket from a Hawaiian weaver and I was determined to work out how to do it. From that pattern of weaving evolved the weaving of platters, hats and lampshades. I also bought a cornucopia and taught myself how to weave them. In the nineties I was consigned to weave props for a couple of movies filmed in Far North Queensland. While I was on site for *The Isle of Dr Moreau* I was given a special audition to join the cast as an extra; caught the producer's eye, and was immediately upgraded to a feature extra in that film starring Marlon Brando. I was also lucky to land a small role playing



a Dutch nun, Sister Anna, in the filming of *Paradise Road*. You could say acting was a diversion to my weaving the props. I discovered acting came to me naturally, and it was definitely fun performing in front of the cameras, rather than being behind the scenes!

List three things you listen to while working.

Although I am musically inspired I don't listen to music while I am working. I have no electronic sounds at all. So it is the natural sounds around me that I hear, like the sound of birdsong at dawn that enhances the meditative state I get into.

Your favourite tool?

It would have to be my staple gun or my whittling knife for the spine of the fronds. They are not very romantic tools but they are certainly purposeful and practical. For the cornucopias I staple the fronds as I go but the staples are concealed in the finished piece. This adds to the longevity and durability of the artwork.

How do you identify your work?

My bowls and baskets are 'signed' with a personal binding technique and my cornucopias with spirals and love hearts.

How do you sell your work?

I receive commissions and personal sales. A local boutique has my cornucopias as a shop feature. They are set up and laden with flowers.

Do you teach or sell from your studio?

I have conducted workshops in the past and have been asked to do a display at 'Carnivale on Collins' Cairns demonstrating my weaving techniques, in particular the weaving of small birds and grasshoppers.

Do you have any other paid or unpaid work?

I work part-time at Kuranda's boutique Just Gorgeous. I am also a columnist and

voluntarily produce the Music Page for the monthly Kuranda Paper. I volunteer my time at the Kuranda Amphitheatre and do the décor for different events and concerts held there and elsewhere.

If you could change one thing about your studio what would that be?

I would have some work tables. I would like to work with glass – recycling glass into useable attractive home ware. I would need a more secure and enclosed area for glass.

If you were not working with visual art what would you be doing?

I look forward to travelling overseas. I have designed jewellery pieces and would love to work with craftspeople to bring my designs to reality and increase productivity. I would combine lead lighting and wrought iron into multi-dimensional pieces.





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The film centres around a barn that is used by a group of children as a meeting place for singing practice. When the owner of the property comes into financial difficulty and considers selling the barn, one of the children comes up with an idea to raise money. The children dye sheep on his property and market the coloured wool as a naturally occurring phenomenon.

The coloured wool soon becomes sought by buyers all over the world. However, when the coloured wool runs thin, the owner is still in danger of losing his



barn. Two station hands sympathetic to the plight of the children decide to help by winning the remaining money in a sheep shearing contest.

Syriana

A missile disappears in Iran, but the CIA has other problems: the heir to an Emirate gives an oil contract to China, cutting out a US company that promptly fires its immigrant workers and merges with a small firm that has landed a Kazakhstani oil contract. The Department

of Justice suspects bribery, and the oil company's law firm finds a scapegoat. The CIA also needs one when its plot to kill the Emir-apparent fails. Agent Bob Barnes, the fall guy, sorts out the double cross. An American economist parlays the death of his son into a contract to advise the sheik the CIA wants dead. The jobless Pakistanis join a fundamentalist group. All roads start and end in the oil fields.



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I completed my PDC (Permaculture Design Certificate) with Geoff Lawton of the Permaculture Research Centre (PRI) of Australia in The Channon, NSW, and later became Geoff's farm manager at PRI where I stayed for 2 years before venturing out as an independent consultant. At PRI I also studied permaculture earth works and water harvesting, teacher training and helped develop the PRI Internship program.

What is Permaculture?

Permaculture is a system of designing both landscape and lifestyle through observing and mimicking nature. It's about reducing our impact on the environment and living in harmony with the beauty around us by the conscious design of productive agricultural ecosystems. In permaculture we take passive measures that help improve the landscape without the use of chemicals. Permaculture is a wardrobe with many coat hangers inside; the subjects that come under the permaculture heading it seems are almost endless. Many of the processes used in permaculture have been used by our global ancestors for centuries and until recently been all but forgotten.

Why Permaculture?

Humans are simply another species of animal on this planet, but our impact on the environment is devastating, and we are all contributors. The fact is Planet Earth cannot continue to sustain our existence the way we currently live. And most of the damage man has inflicted on the planet has happened in the past 150 years. In the long run the planet will be ok, she will shake and shimmer, sort herself out and get on with her existence, but we humans, well, the jury is still out as to our longevity. The real sad thing is how many species of beautiful wildlife, animals, fauna, flora will continue to suffer and may not even survive from our actions. It's an ugly picture I know but an important one to grasp in order to understand the concept of permaculture and realise we can take measures to rehabilitate the landscape.

Can a property be made drought proof?

In permaculture we design water catchment systems that capture and slow the water across the landscape. By slowing the flow of water to move more passively through the landscape we allow maximum penetration, which will rehydrate both your land and replenish the water table as well as reduce loss of valuable topsoil and erosion. These systems can also aerate the soil and increase soil biology building over time deeper humus rich topsoils. Many factors are taken into consideration in a design, and, which actual series of systems are used.

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So, as the rains come, is your property ready to absorb the rain and be fully hydrated without the loss of topsoil? Or will the rain hit the ground and take the path of least resistance, washing away valuable topsoil and eroding the landscape along the way?

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Craig Gallagher

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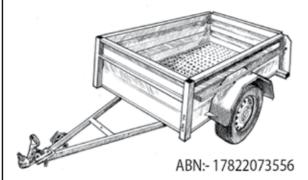
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Gossip Columns

The Morning Post often carried gossip columns from various districts, and these articles were usually written under authors using pseudonyms to hide their identities. The identity of the writers was often a matter of great speculation in the community, as can be seen in this article. This article was written in March 1901 under the pseudonym of "The Goat".

KURANDA NOTES

(By The "Goat")

A theatrical company from London or New York or some other similar village played here on Monday night to a fairly large audience in spite of heavy rains; it was their last performance an it is rumoured that the Opera House will be now closed for the season. If true this will be very provoking as we were hoping to have had a number of other good companies here.

The inhabitants are fairly rate at the interest you have taken in me and consider that you could have spent that half-crown more profitably. Just to show you how great minds differ, several people have Mr. Barson, our worthy police constable double that sum to shoot "The Goat" on sight.

That Mrs. S. should think I am Mr. Broadly is very funny. Never mind Mrs. S. after writing all the nice things I possibly can about you, I may then after a time divulge my identity.

Some of your host visited us from Saturday to Monday and our only wish is that they will come oftener.

The heat this week has been exceptionally great, and thunderstorms have been raging, which is very peculiar for this time of year.

Everyone is very anxious to know more about this coming divorce case. Can't you Mrs. Whitman of Greendale, who arrived to-night, is the guest of Mrs. Remilton. supply the names of the characters in the piece? [Not vet.—Ed. Post.]

"Bob" was fishing last Sunday when the usual monster was landed without capsizing the boat. I refrain from giving you any idea of its size as I am aware your readers would not credit it.

Mr. Walker's successor has a family of six, so the population will keep increasing. The school children have taken the flag-staff question in hand and I believe they are going to put it up themselves next Saturday.

KURANDA NOTES

This is the second article by the author writing under the pseudonym "The Goat"

We have had a fair amount of rain lately, but now the weather seems to have taken up, and everyone seems pleased with the prospect of cool weather again. While the rain was about the heat was good enough for anywhere, in fact I do not remember any summer like it in Kuranda here.

Mrs. Archibald, of Cairns, who came up past week has taken Mr. White's house for a while; her sister, Miss. Mills, is staying with her. Miss Perry and Miss Bridson were also her guests for a few days.

Miss Jessop left to-day on a visit South.

The Kuranda Tennis Club is now only in existence in name - the result of Mr. Standen's energy in getting the hotel ground in really perfect order, and through Mrs. Remilton's kindness in opening it to the public, which has afforded everyone here unlimited scope for healthy amusement; the craze has thoroughly caught on now, and the remaining few who don't play have sent for racquets.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor of Double Island, are expected up this week for a short visit.

Mrs. Newport of Kamerunga has arrived and is staying at the Kuranda Hotel.

It is rumoured that Mrs. Hobson and family are again coming to live here.

Owing to the reward out for me, I have had to keep well out in the scrubs of late, and in consequence find it hard to get hold of matter. But no matter, I'll chance my skin again.

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Changes to 2015 Kindy Enrolments

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We still have some places for 4 year olds, so contact our Director, Rachel McConnell, on 4093 8087 for enrolment details. Secure your child's place today at our beautiful, community-built and run Kindy.

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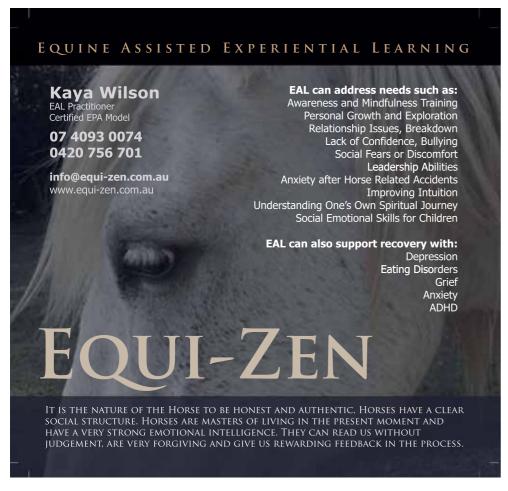


Flight Training School Coming To Mareeba

Council has approved the assignment of 'Lease C' at Mareeba Aerodrome to GBR Helicopters Pty Ltd.

"This is very positive for the area and Council is thrilled to have the flight training business join the region at the Mareeba Aerodrome," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"The lease area will be used for a commercial flight training business, including engineering, training (both flying and ground theory training), aircraft hangarage, office and administration," Cr Gilmore said.



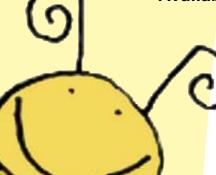


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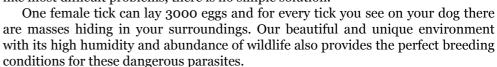
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The Paralysis Tick (Ixodes holocyclus)

Owning a pet in the tropics certainly attracts its share of challenges, yet nothing seems to strike as much fear into dog owners as the Paralysis Tick. Unfortunately, like most difficult problems, there is no simple solution.



The paralysis tick's natural hosts are native animals such as marsupials, birds and reptiles. It's when they attach to our domesticated animals, especially dogs, that they can cause serious problems. Paralysis ticks, which cling to grasses and foliage, attach to animals as they brush past them. As the tick sucks blood from its host it secretes a toxin via its saliva that affects the nervous system, causing ascending paralysis in dogs and sometimes other pets.

When engorged with blood, the paralysis tick takes on a bluish to light-grey colour. If you find a tick on your pet pull it off immediately (forceps or tweezers are good). Do not use irritant substances, just remove the tick as quickly as you can and keep searching for more ticks. Loss of coordination or wobbliness in the back legs, excessive salivation and a change in the sound of the bark or voice are all signs that your dog needs urgent veterinary attention and possibly tick anti-venom.

There is a huge arsenal of tick control products such as sprays, spot-ons, shampoos, collars and monthly tick injections, with a new tablet about to hit the market. The problem is different populations of ticks can be resistant to different chemicals. In addition, spot-on treatments, sprays and collars are hard pesticides and pose some degree of health risk to animals and humans, especially children. It's almost a case of "you're damned if you do and damned if you don't".

Personally I use a multifaceted approach to protect my dogs. Apart from clipping my German Shepherd's coat during summer, I use a natural tick collar from 'Natural Healing for Animals' in combination with the 'Pet Protector' disc which works on nanotechnology and creates a protective field around the animal. While I have been using Advantix during spring and summer, I have recently purchased 'Nexgard', a new monthly chewable tablet that doesn't wash off when your dog goes swimming. I also conduct a regular full-body tick search which includes the inside of ears and gums and between the toes. No prevention is 100% effective alone so combining a few methods gives the best form of control.

According to Dr Viki Dioszegi from the Award Winning 'Animal Options' Veterinary Clinic in Ormeau on the Gold Coast, keeping animals on a natural diet will reduce waste material build up and elimination through the skin, making body odour less attractive for parasites. The fresh food diet also increases natural immunity. Added to that, feeding supplements such as garlic will absorb to the bloodstream and repel parasites. The clinic also sells 'Tick Stop', a non-toxic homeopathic remedy which may limit the effect of tick toxins.

Additionally, guinea fowl, chickens or native fowl are vigorous tick eaters and can form an effective part of tick control. In the case of the paralysis tick, prevention is definitely better than cure and if you have any proven methods I would love to hear from you.

Petra Lovey is a qualified Animal Technician and Journalist – Ed.



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What is Freemasonry?

TELCOME to our second tour into Freemasonry, but first, all the freemasons of Cairns and the Tablelands would take this opportunity of wishing you and your family a contented and prosperous New Year.

To start with a lighter note, you may have heard the comment "Freemasons ride goats at Lodge meetings"; the fact is this is hogwash. The most likely reason for us to be associated with goats is that in the early days of Freemasonry a goat was often kept in the grounds of the lodge to keep the grass down.

Fairly mundane, but it allowed for plenty of speculation. Rest assured: there is no lodge goat. The degrees of Masonry are serious business to Freemasons, and there is no horseplay (or goat play).

Gentlemen, should you decide to become a Freemason you will progress through the first, second and third Degrees. Each degree is a cameo or play of events which all have a meaning, later explained once you have been invested with the apron of that degree. Firstly you would complete the Entered Apprentice Degree, after completing the second degree you would become a Fellow Craft Mason, on the completion of your third you would become a Master Mason.

All the degrees have a laid down ritual which will have been learnt by those taking you through the ceremony. Some candidates say I could not do that, the comforting thought is that every mason has been through exactly the same ceremony, including the Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

Back to our play/cameo, play is the best way to look at it, as with all plays there is a meaning or a search for an answer, the meaning is plain to see but in some cases it is you the candidate who continues looking for an answer by undertaking research.

There are many books written on Masonic subjects, which can be humorous or educational. Whichever ones you read, you will be amazed at the history contained in the plays. The ingenuity of freemasons to follow the ritual of Freemasonry during times of oppression and incarceration is outstanding. The ability they displayed was due in many ways to the research they had undertaken, giving them ideas on how to create items of ceremonial need and regalia so they could continue to hold a Lodge meeting in their place of confinement.

When you are taking part in the different degrees you will see various symbols around the Lodge. These symbols convey intrinsic messages. The most widely recognised by the public is the symbol of the square and compasses. This familiar motif reminds members of the ethical lessons they learn in lodge. It also points out the need for order and direction in life. The square teaches them to conduct themselves properly, as in "square conduct". The compasses teach them to control their passions and prejudices and keep them within due bounds.

During the lodge meeting a charity collection will be undertaken by the Almoner of the lodge. After the meeting comes the festive board where the brethren enjoy talking about their life over the last month plus any charity fund-raising projects they are involved in and in many cases supporting a raffle for charity whilst enjoying

Charity is a basic principle of Freemasonry, brethren have long been closely associated with the care of young people, orphans, widows, the sick, the aged and those affected by tragedy and natural disaster.

Queensland Freemasons have given support to many worthy institutions, such as Leukaemia Foundation, the Royal Queensland Children's Hospital, the Royal Flying Doctor Service, the Mater Mothers' Hospital Cord Blood Bank, the Geriatric Foundation and numerous others.

Masonic Care runs homes and facilities for aged people throughout the state. Masonic benevolence aids people who have encountered personal and financial difficulties. Masonic bursaries enable young people to pursue educational studies otherwise denied them.

The money for all this charitable work is raised at local, regional and state levels through diverse fund raising projects initiated and conducted by freemasons.

To show the total involvement of families to their Masonic relation, I would relate the facts behind a recent presentation to Youngcare. Mrs Carol Bacon, the wife of the Grand Master decided to hold a raffle to raise funds for this group. It was due to a segment of the current affairs programme 60 Minutes which she saw in 2005, which she still remembers vividly. In it there was an interview with a young girl who was battling with Multiple Sclerosis and struggling to find dignified care and accommodation. She was being forced into aged care as there was no other options. Youngcare was established following the 60 Minutes programme. There are more than 7,500 young people from 18 years onwards living in aged care simply because there are few alternatives. There are a further 700,000 young Australians being cared for at home, often with limited support.

The first prize in the raffle held by Mrs Bacon was a beautiful tanzanite bracelet valued at \$2,780 and the second prize was a silver and baroque pearl necklace.

You Know it is hot in Kuranda when . . .

- The trees are whistling for dogs
- You catch a cold from having the aircon on full blast all night long
- You learn that Shopping Centres are really temples to worship Air-
- Sticking your head in the freezer and taking deep breaths is considered normal

Lodges received raffle books to help swell the donation fund. The total raised was a staggering sum of \$8,045, which was presented to Youngcare. Mrs Bacon recently visited the Youngcare apartments at Sinnamon Park and met several of the residents amongst them Tanya Taylor who told Mrs Bacon how much she enjoys the independence and support the unit provides.

Cleveland Lodge No 74 which meets at the Masonic Centre in Townsville recently donated four wheelchairs and four TENS (transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation) machines to the Parklands Residential Aged Care Facility. The lodge was assisted in this donation by its Fete Committee and the District Board of Benevolence.

> Gregory Lodge, who meet at Cairns Masonic Temple, had a sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Cairns on, (believe it or not), Boxing Day 2014.

> The combined Masonic Lodges of the Atherton Tablelands recently donated much needed equipment for the patients at the Carinya Home for the aged. This donation consisted of three flotation chairs and one patient hoist valued at \$10,935. A previous donation had been made of two deluxe bed/chairs. The brethren and their ladies raised the sum by various fund raising activities such as cent sale, garage sales and street

> All these events show the family commitment to Masonic charity work. When we have held open days and mounted display stands at various shows like the Cairns Show and the Atherton Show, many of those who stopped to find out more about Freemasonry, were astonished at the amount of charity work and value of donations we made.

In this months' article I have tried to give you in the first section, an insight into what happens in the Lodge if you decide to join us. The second showing briefly the charity side, plus the Queensland Masonic commitment to help others.

The March article will cover 'The First Step", a Partners Guide to Freemasonry, plus further coverage of charity work undertaken during recent months.

Should you wish to start 2015 by getting more information or even wanting to join us please send your e.mail to barney-trinity@hotmail.com

My very best wishes to you all for 2015 and trust it will be a year of what you wish for yourself.

(To the curious, "Trinity Daylight" is my lodge and we meet at the Woodward Retirement Village at 9.30 on the first Monday in the month.)

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Welcome to the start of 2015 and already the Kuranda Horse and Pony Club has kicked off.

The AGM and sign-on was held on 9 January. The new committee for the year has been elected with myself, Di Curtis, remaining as President, Shanna Janz remaining as Secretary, and Raelene Shepherd as our new Treasurer.

Fionna Lane has stepped down after the last few years as Treasurer and I would like to thank Fionna for all her hard work keeping the books in order for the club. So with my elected committee we are looking forward to a great year and to seeing our members, new or returning, getting out and about, riding their horses.

What a great way to help us get going with a wonderful donation from The Kuranda Lions Club, courtesy of Col Jeanes, of \$500, which is being used to purchase the club's ribbons with their sponsorship printed on them for this year's events.

The first one that the club is hosting is on 7 and 8 February, which is a Show Jumping and Jumping Equitation weekend. So, if you're interested in watching some great jumping, come along and check out the action. The canteen will also be open for food and refreshments.

We would also like to welcome our new caretaker to the grounds, but not so much new to the area: Roy Pidgeon and his lovely wife Lyn. Roy is a show jumping instructor and he will be a great asset to the club, helping any members with jump lessons. Roy has been in this area over the years and is quite well known by many, he is also a very talented singer! So if you're after some live entertainment come over to the pony club to see him.

Our next rally day will be on 31 January. As this year is starting off so hot at the moment we will be starting a bit earlier at 8.00am and finish time will be disclosed on the day, weather depending!

As the weather can be very unpredictable this time of year, on the day of a rally I will either put out an email that morning confirming what is happening or you can ring me on 4093 0379. The club also has a Facebook page which is fun to check out.

Pony Club is run under PCAQ which covers all riders under their insurance, so a one off membership fee of \$85 is payable on your first day and any rider under 18 needs to have at least one adult join as a social member, which costs \$35.

To join pony club you need to own your own horse and gear, or have access to a horse. It is not like a riding school where horses can be hired for lessons. It is totally run as a volunteer organization.

So if you would like to know any other information about the club or are wanting to join, please email me at paulanddi@bigpond.com or more information is available at the zone 18 website which gives you all the details on the 14 pony clubs in this region. www.zone18ponyclubs.org.au

If you go and compete at other events entry fees apply or the club will sometimes get in instructors which will incur a fee. So it is up to you with what you want to do at pony club, but we always try and make it a fun experience.

So till next time, Happy Riding!

Di Curtis President/Instructor

Photo left to right, Kristy and Fionna Lane, Col in the middle and Di and Sophie Curtis, thanking Col for the wonderful donation.

Weed Targeted for Eradication Growing in Kuranda

Miconia racemosa is a serious pest plant that was first found in Kuranda in 2002. It is native to tropical parts of Central and South America and the Kuranda detection is the only known infestation in Australia. The scrambling straggly shrub reaches a height of about 3 metres and grows in rainforests.

Miconia racemosa is fast growing and quick to colonise disturbed areas. Its shade tolerance allows its seedlings to grow in gullies and partially shaded understories. The shrub can quickly dominate an area and affect the ecology of natural, agricultural and disturbed areas by displacing native flora and fauna.

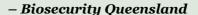
A national eradication program managed by Biosecurity Queensland is currently targeting Miconia racemosa in the Kuranda region. Miconia poses a serious threat to biodiversity in Australia and is a declared Class 1 pest plant. Biosecurity Queensland coordinates surveillance and control measures for Miconia racemosa and is on track to eradicate it with the cooperation of local residents.

Miconia racemosa leaves can grow up to 20 centimetres long and form in opposing pairs with leaf margins that are edged with tiny hairs. The leaves have five distinct veins that run lengthwise along the leaf that begin and end at the same points at the base and tip. The smaller veins make a deep 'quilted' pattern on the leaf surface.

Miconia racemosa flowers and produces fruit throughout the year. The flowers are found on multi-branched spikes which produce many tiny white or pink blossoms. Its fruit are berries, 3 - 5 millimetres in diameter, are purple or black and contain hundreds of tiny brown seeds.

Seeds of Miconia racemosa are mainly dispersed by birds and certain mammals that eat the berries, and also in floodwater, mud sticking to vehicles, machinery, footwear and animals.

If you think you have seen Miconia racemosa or want further information contact Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23 or visit www.daff.qld.gov.au.







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- 8 At university briefly, child is in concert (2,6)
- 9 Ancient city and mineral found in mountain range (4)
- 10 Monarch, surrounded by celebrities, brings out rubberneckers (7)
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Welcome 2015: Wishing everyone a successful year ahead, whatever that may mean for you. The new Mareeba Shire is now just over one year old and I would be very interested in hearing your feedback on how things are going. The next Council will begin in March next year and it is important for the Kuranda District to get involved in the future for this community.

Get prepared! Repeating again –If you have not done so already, it is time to get ready for the cyclone and fire season. Every household needs to have a "plan" and an emergency kit. Know what you will do in the event of an emergency or an evacuation. Council has a comprehensive Disaster Management Plan and staff have been trained in readiness.

Really important to remember that there are no official "evacuation centres" and everyone needs to consider where you would go if your home was not safe or you were asked to leave your home before a cyclone.

Have those important phone numbers ready! (if you would like a free fridge magnet with those important phone numbers, phone Council or ask at the Library.)

How do I contact Council? Phone 1 300 308 461, Email: info@msc.qld.gov.au, use the link on the MSC website www. msc.qld.gov.au or visit Council Service Centre at the Library. Even if it is AFTER HOURS, you can still use the same phone number as it operates 24/7.

Tourism Kuranda: Marc and the Tourism Kuranda Advisory Committee are already planning for the big Easter Event in Kuranda. Watch for more details. (I wonder how many Easter eggs there will be this year... will we get to 10,000?)

Therwine Street Changes: Consultation on the project has commenced. The project is funded by Infrastructure funds and will provide for the upgrade to Therwine St, ensuring greater safety for both drivers and pedestrians.

Footpath pavements will be greatly improved; the power lines will be placed underground and there will be improvements to the streetscape. Everyone in the community can have a say on what you would like to see in the area.

New Water Reservoir for Kuranda: The additional water storage reservoirs at Kuranda will be constructed in a staged approach with the first of the new reservoirs to be constructed during the 2014/2015 financial year.

The tender has been awarded and recently Council has received some additional "Royalties for Regions" funding to help fund the construction, with the balance to be funded from the MSC Water Reserves Fund.

Kuranda Community Precinct: Work on the development is about to begin. The Development Application to proceed with the first stage of the re-development of the Precinct is approved with work on the new Library to commence very soon. Members of the Advisory Committee are now focused on the Master Plan and future plans for the whole of the Precinct area. They would like your thoughts. Committee John Baskerville (Chair), Arch MacArthur, Mandy Dewey, Peter "Potter", John Robinson, Kellie McBride.

Get prepared! Repeating again – If you have not done so already, it's time to get ready for the cyclone and fire season. Every household needs to have a "plan" and an emergency kit. Know what you will do in the event of an emergency or an evacuation. Council has a comprehensive Disaster Management Plan and staff have been trained in readiness.

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Intersection Rob Veivers Drive & Morton Street: Residents are reminded of the new arrangements for traffic exiting and entering Morton Street from Rob Veivers Drive. The signage and line-marking to indicate the changes are now in place. Remember that 50 speed limit too!

Australia Day Awards: Thanks to those who submitted Nominations for Australia Day Awards. It is great to nominate someone from your community. If you didn't get around to it this year, make a resolution to do it for next year! Nominations can be made in the following categories: Citizen Award, Young Citizen, Senior Sports, Junior Sports, Arts & Cultural, Community Service, Environmental Excellence, Quiet Achievers Award.

Mayor's Community Appeal: Thanks to the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre for co-ordinating the Christmas hampers to assist needy families in our community at Christmas time.

How Do I Contact Council?

Email: info@msc.qld.gov.au, Phone 1 300 308 461, use the link on the MSC website www.msc.qld.gov.au or visit Council Service Centre at the Library.

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First of all, a very big thank you to all the children who attended our many holiday activities and events. Throughout these current school holidays we have seen many children take part in craft activities, Summer Reading Club activities and the *Maker Spaces Arena activities. We covered all ages, right up to 18, and it was great to see so many young people taking advantage of the different events.

All winners of the Summer Reading Club activities will be notified by phone.

This project has received financial assistance from the Queensland Government through State Library of Queensland.

The next big date for Kuranda Library, and many Libraries around the world, is **Library Lover's day** which we will be featuring for the month of February.

Kuranda will be hosting "Blind Date with a book". Library staff will wrap new and recently-added books in plain paper, and our borrowers will be able to select their 'Blind Date'. There will be a selection of both Young Adult and Adult titles. Adults who participate will each receive a heart-shaped chocolate... BUT... please be quick as our stock of special chocolates, and 'Blind Dates' is limited - (limited to one Blind Date per borrower).

You are then invited to review your 'Blind Date' and return your slip to staff. At the end of the month, we will do a random draw for a selection of prizes which have been donated by various business houses around Kuranda. We will include a list of all participating businesses in next month's *Kuranda Paper*.

CALLING ALL NEW MEMBERS – during "Library Lovers' Month", all new members joining during January and February 2015 will also go in the running for a random draw. At the time of joining, please provide two forms of ID showing your current address: it's as easy as that!

And for all our library members, we also appreciate any input about which titles you would like to see on our shelves; how we can improve our service; and we also appreciate any feedback about what we are doing well.

The ABC recently had a segment on its early morning news about a national insurgence of young adult readers. This is definitely a trend the Mareeba Shire Council Library Service is very happy to follow so, to all our Young Adult members, please let us know the titles we should be adding to our catalogue.

Our display this month is all about Australia: we have books about Australia, about Australians, and books written by Australians. Australia has many world-famous authors including Patricia Shaw, who writes historical sagas. She thoroughly researches all her books and bases her stories on true facts.

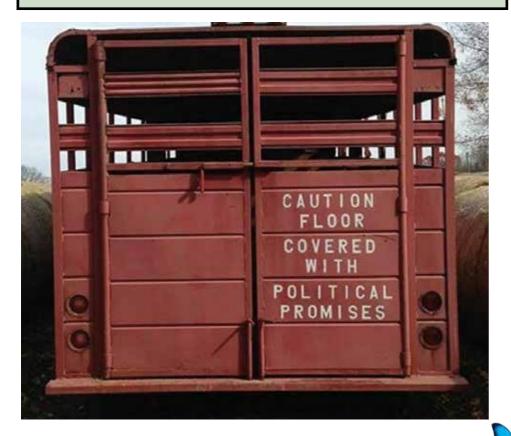
A little bit of trivia about Patricia Shaw: her books cover the length and breadth of Australia – from sheep stations in West Australia, to Tasmania, and to the Palmer River gold rush, right here in NQ.

At one time, Patricia Shaw featured prominently in the Top Ten of popular authors in Germany, which gives you some idea of the scope of her readership. Our "Australia" display features both Fiction and Non-Fiction titles so, please, come in for a browse: you never know what new authors may catch your attention!

Finally, a reminder that our regular **Storytime sessions** will be resuming on 6 February, 2015. These sessions are aimed at children under 6 and their carers, and include stories, action songs and rhymes, followed by a related craft. This regular Friday event starts at 10.30 and finishes at 11.30. If you are new to the Kuranda district, you are very welcome to come and join in. The theme for February: Farm

For all information relating to the Mareeba Shire Council please see www.msc.qld.gov.au and for specific information relating to libraries www.msc.qld.gov.au/libraries

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Join the Early Warning Network

Mareeba Shire Council has negotiated with the Early Warning Network (EWN) for them to provide households with free severe weather alerts.

"Mareeba Shire residents can now register for the EWN to receive free alerts about severe weather and other emergency events relevant to our area," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"The alerts are location-based, so you only receive warnings if your residential address may be impacted. The alerts are sent by email, SMS to your mobile, or voice message to a landline," Mayor Gilmore said.

"If you choose both the SMS and landline options, only extreme alerts will be sent to your landline. By monitoring the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) weather warning and other sources, EWN sends alerts based on potentially dangerous weather events," Cr Gilmore said.

"The alerts cover weather events such as; hail and severe thunderstorms, destructive winds and cyclones, and floods from a number of different sources.

The cyclone season is upon us and we all must demonstrate our personal commitment to our own safety, and to the safety of our property. This is the time of year when we look for, gather together and be ready to store away those items which might become wind borne debris in the event of a cyclone," he said.

"The key measure in weathering a natural disaster is to prepare in advance. This is about protecting residents and their property from floods and severe weather and will give people more time to take appropriate actions to protect their assets," Cr Gilmore said.

"Council has recently created a Disaster Management Facebook page to be activated and updated in the event of an emergency. Council is urging residents to 'like and follow' the page at Mareeba Shire Council Disaster Management," Mayor Gilmore said.

To register go to Council's website www.msc.qld.gov.au/early-warning-network/

Council also has free magnets which provide residents with all the relevant information and numbers to call in case of emergency. Magnets are available at Council Service Centres, Council libraries and Visitor Information Centres.



Butterflies...

Butterflies are quite possibly one of the best known insects with larvae. Where the caterpillars have normal jaws for consuming plant material, the adults have mostly lost their chewing mandibles and the rest of the mouth parts have been turned into a curled up double straw. Adult butterflies usually only eat nectar to fuel their flight. Butterfly wings are an engineering marvel. They appear to have only two wings but the two wings on either side of the thorax are connected with special hooks.

The surface of the wings is covered with numerous tiny scales that reflect light, thus creating the unique colour patterns on the wings. These delicate wings are easily damaged and adult butterflies only live long enough to mate and lay eggs. Caterpillars often have extra false legs on the abdomen. Apart from occasionally being pests, caterpillars are popular prey items for birds.

Words courtesy of Skyrail Kuranda; photo by Helen Douglas



You know it is hot in Kuranda when ...

- A cup full of ice is considered a great snack
- A black out is life threatening because your aircon and your fans no longer work
- No one cares if you walk around with no shoes on
- You keep anything in the fridge, including potatoes, bread and clothing
- The effort of towelling yourself off after a shower means you need another shower right away
- You worry your ceiling fan is spinning so fast it will fly off and kill you

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The KCons community nursery is nearly always open at 1 Pademelon Lane (cnr Fallon Rd and Kennedy Hwy).

The heat and moisture have conspired to push the nursery into overdrive. A good many of our plants are now in bigger pots and they are thriving. Now is the time to plant and with these more advanced plants, your efforts will be well rewarded. Check us out at (almost) any time.

If your trees are laden with native fruit, we'll happily exchange some seeds for seedlings. It's been a good year.

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TIME TO PLANT - PLANT - plant - Plant - plant - plant - Plant

With the help of the ever-growing JobFind team, our nursery is romping ahead. We've had some big sales lately, leaving room for a host of seedlings.

This season has been very good for fruiting and we've been setting trays and trays of seeds. There's nothing like storms to bring on plant growth and you can see it happening before your very eyes.

At right, Melina Clark, JobFind supervisor, holds up one of 18 Bunya Pine cones which thumped to the ground in January. Each cone is producing a bumper crop of fertile seeds. We'll propagate a good many of them and we'll just have to eat the rest. If you have a tree or shrub full of fruit, we'll happily swap you something you want for seeds we want. Pop into the nursery at Pademelon Lane (cnr Kennedy Hwy and Fallon Road) or give us a call on 4093 8834 to see if we can do a mutually beneficial deal. While the good plants are growing well, so are the weeds. Look out for Ardesia, a small bush loaded with brilliant red berries. It's very invasive. You don't want it! If in doubt, bring in a sample for identification.



CASSOWARY UPDATE

Dad, a well-known breeding bird near Black Mountain Road, lost one of his chicks to injury in October. Suddenly, the other chick, which was doing well, disappeared in December. Could have been a snake, vehicle hit, dogs or other misadventure. So, for two years in a row, Dad has lost all his chicks.

Planting out Cassowary Country

We are pleased to have been asked by Council to revegetate sections of Black Mountain Road in consultation with the Wet Tropics Management Authority. With the significant assistance of the JobFind crew, the job has been completed in double-quick time.

We planted cassowary food trees well back from the road and reinforced embankments and slopes with lomandra and vines. Water-loving trees were planted in soggy spots. Talk to us if you think this sort of selection would benefit your own property.

Snake Removal: Snakes are very active now, going about their business and are not interested in you at all. They're more interested in your cats (keep them safe indoors), chickens and small dogs. It's natural to be fearful but usually unfounded. If you simply can't live with them, call Jax on 4093 8834 to have them relocated. We'll do our best assist you.

THANK YOU SHARLENE

There are some very nice people in our community. Jax reports that she was called out to catch a 4m python which was stalking bats being cared for in an enclosure. The wildlife carer had an impressive snakecatching bag which, when strategically placed, snakes slide into to escape being caught. HAha! The cord is pulled and -Gotcha! The following week Sharlene arrived at the nursery with such a bag which she'd taken the time and effort to sew herself, complete with frame, which she presented to Jax to thank her. For once, Jax is lost for words.

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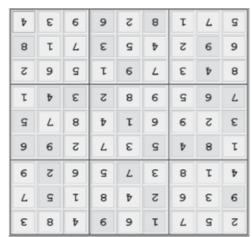
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We're pleased to have Sapphire McMillan Fischer visiting us from down south. Sapphire lived here for a year or so and started her PhD studies on fungi in north Queensland as little work has been done on fungi here and there are many unnamed fungi just waiting to be discovered (I guess they know who they are though discovered or not).

Plant of the Month Stenocarpus sinuatus (Firewheel Tree)

The Wheel of Fire is a very attractive tree that has unusual but spectacular red flowers which are show-cased amid the beautiful deep glossy green foliage. While slow to reach maturity the magnificent sight of the red flowers among the foliage is

It occurs naturally in moist rainforest gullies from the Bellinger River, North NSW, to the Daintree in Queensland. In the rainforest it is a tall slender tree that can grow to 20 metres. In an open sunny garden it grows to about 6 to 10 metres with canopy spread of 2-3 metres. We have a few left in the nursery.





Date Claimers

Lots on this month

Saturday 31 January & 28 February: Community Tree Planting, Aiming for 500 a session @ Mantaka site 7:30. Bring a hat, gloves and water bottle. No digging required. Meet at Russett Park underpass on Hickory Road 7.30am.

Sunday 1 February: Fungi Walk & Talk with FunGal Sapphire, 7:30am.

Ever wondered what those stinky fungi are that pop up in your mulch? Come on a Fungi walk in Kuranda learn what local fungi are doing and learn to recognise some of the common ones. Meet at Wrights Lookout.

Thursday 5 February 7.00pm: FunGal Sapphire talks "Fabulous Fungi" Fallon Road, Sport & rec centre. All welcome.

Sunday 15 February: Workshop 'Frog Identification' 4.00-8:30pm Fallon Road, Sport & Rec centre. Two hours learning local frog calls in a fun manner, a light supper, our monitoring program, then out after dark to test your new found skills.

Sunday 8 March: Workshop 'Rainforest Plant Identification', Old School Precinct, end of Arara St, Kuranda. Places limited. Please book with nursery 4093 8989

Regular Tree Plantings – Every Saturday, 7.30 am at KE nursery

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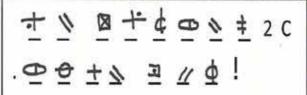
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Why was Jesus baptized? The question has haunted Christians for centuries. If he was the Word made flesh, if he was the Incarnation of God, why did he submit to a rite which essentially addresses the salvation of the lost, the healing of the sick, the renewal of the broken. If he was neither lost nor sick nor broken, why was he baptized?

The question rises from our broad vision of the role of the Saviour. I suggest today that our unsatisfactory answers are the product of our narrow vision of baptism. Today our narrow view is challenged.

The water of baptism is, for us, still and peaceful. It is, at best, a few litres in a bowl or the calm waters of the Barron. Even for Baptists it is only a few hundred gallons in a tank. It is contained, limited, harmless.

In the bible, water is always a symbol of power. In the bible, water is always ambivalent. The water of God's creation is both perilous and life-giving. The water of the flood was deadly, although Noah and his crew survived it. When the Hebrews crossed through the Red Sea it was a dangerous crossing, although it led to life. In the book of Genesis the waters of chaos before the first word of creation: they are a raging ocean, covered in darkness. Psalm 29 suggests the rainpocked, white-capped surf, driven by the edge of a storm.

Water speaks of the extremes of creation. Water both threatens and sustains life. Water is unbridled power. It also calms and cleanses the body, and quenches thirst.

Water defines the conditions of humanity, the beauty and the ugliness, the tranquility and the storm. The baptism of Jesus affirms and confirms the humanity of Jesus. He is no interloper from another world; he is one of us in every

We should note, however, that the story of the bible does not end with creation. It is a story of new life, new possibilities, beyond the limits of the old creation. That is why each of our three readings today speaks not only of the water of baptism but also of the presence and power of God's Spirit. Every reference to the Spirit of God is a reference to newness, to unexpected creativity, to life in new and fuller terms. Today's readings are telling us that God is making a new creation out of the old creation, a new human race out of the old human race.

The baptism of Jesus demonstrates his share in our humanity. The Spirit of God affirms him as the pioneer of a new humanity, whose profile he will determine in his life and death.

Christian baptism must always reflect this pattern: the water of God's creation and the Spirit of new life. When we ask. 'Why was Jesus baptized?" we miss the point, especially if we think of baptism only as a corrective, only as a medicine for ills. The baptism of Jesus, in water and Spirit, proclaims the inauguration of a new age and our baptism is admission into what he is. He did not stoop to be baptized. In our baptism God's Spirit took us by the hand and led us into that new world which was first seen in the baptism of the Lord. And all our longings and aspirations for love, and peace, and justice, and even fun, are longings for the realization of that new world. Amen.

News from St Saviour's

SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Sung Eucharist &

Sunday School 5.00pm Afternoon Worship

Holy Communion (Feb 1st)

all other Evening Prayer

Christmas was a joyful time at St Saviour's with wonderful joyful services. The Carols by Candlelight for Children on Christmas Eve was very special, this year we had to move out of the Church to the open area downstairs as the Church wasn't big enough to accommodate everyone.

St Saviour's' Children's programme happens every Sunday at 9.30am with Edith Audley and her helpers. Children start in church then goes down to the room under



the church for about 30 minutes for the lesson, children then return for the last part of the service which concludes at 10.35am.

Planning will soon start in earnest for the Centennial of the Dedication of St Saviour's Church in 1915. If you know of any people with links to St Saviour's over the last 100 years please do give Fr Chris their names. We are also looking for old photos of St Saviour's Church; already we have a photo of first wedding in September 1915 and of the Church in the 1930s when the Electricity was first turned on in Kuranda. We are at present planning events around the weekend of the Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th of October.

Possum Corner has opened up again this year and there are plenty of treasures to be found at the OP shop now open Monday to Saturday 8.30am to 12.30pm.

Baha'i Thought for the Month

"If we look with a perceiving eye upon the world of creation, we find that all existing things may be classified as follows: First - Mineral - that is to say matter or substance appearing in various forms of composition. Second - Vegetable - possessing the virtues of the mineral plus the power of augmentation or growth, indicating a degree higher and more specialized than the mineral. Third - Animal - possessing the attributes of the mineral and vegetable plus the power of sense perception. Fourth - Human - the highest specialized organism of visible creation, embodying the qualities of the mineral, vegetable and animal plus an ideal endowment absolutely minus and absent in the lower kingdoms - the power of intellectual investigation into the mysteries of outer phenomena. The outcome of this intellectual endowment is science which is especially characteristic of man. This scientific power investigates and apprehends created objects and the laws surrounding them. It is the discoverer of the hidden and mysterious secrets of the material universe and is peculiar to man alone. The most noble and praiseworthy accomplishment of man therefore is scientific knowledge and attainment." Abdu'l-Bahá

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Kuranda Acupuncture Community Tuesday – 1st Tuesday of the month. 8.00am-12.00 noon Health Care Card holders. Acupuncture, tea, support. Adults \$30, Kids \$5. 0404 206 788, 35 Barang Street. All welcome.

MYOB student available for Bookkeeping & MYOB work @ \$15 per hour. Contact Leila 0499 509 635.

For Sale: Kuranda House 1 acre. 4 brms (septic toilet & shower). Besser block \$480,000. PH: (07) 4093 7175.

House For Sale: Greenhills Road. www.rogatobros. com.au/buying/QLD/far-north-queensland/kuranda/ house/1P1156

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Monday to Friday 10.00am-5.00 (5.30 Tuesday) Saturday 9.00-12.00

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Monday to Friday 10.00am-4.30 Saturday closed

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Looking for something new?

A great way to support your community is to join your local SES. Not a lot of time out of your busy schedule, but a great feeling of helping those in need. Training held every Tuesday night at Fallon Road. Call Carol for details on 0427 037 054 or 0409 758 122

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1st Sunday of Month

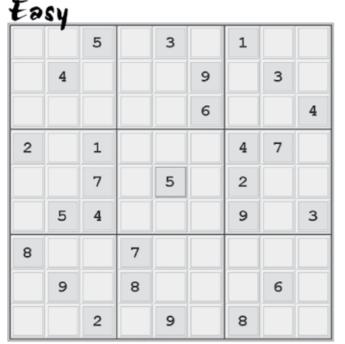
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SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 30



FELL, this **is** an interesting year, so far with the Mars square Saturn and Uranus square Pluto during January and the zero Aquarius New Moon, we had to expect some extreme savagery and bloody revolutionary outbursts around the globe, but who'd want to predict such atrocities? The rosecoloured glasses have fogged right up; the ephemeris is looked at with deep suspicion, and yes, "If suis Charlie". The Uranus-Pluto square continues through March, and there's a Moon-Venus-Mars conjunction right on the zero Aries point on 21 February. Damn! Don we need

The 19 February New Moon falls on exactly zero degrees Pisces. Perfect peace or total submission? Compassion or dissolution? With the Aries call to action following it looks more like a roll over and play dead option taken.

The Full Moon in Leo on 3 February follows one day after a Venus-Neptune conjunction in Pisces. Technically, Venus is exalted and Neptune in rulership in Pisces. Simply put: both very potent. Venus is the planet of love and beauty and Neptune is her "higher octave" and a more high-vibrational, or spiritual, activator of love, beauty, compassion and sacrifice. When they all come together? As the moon reaches fullness in Leo. and then we have a trinity of deep and beautiful female archetypes in the Priestess-Queen robes of Leo.

Does this soften the harsh warrior-revolutionary energy field? You'd like to think so, but right now optimism is stretched pretty thin.

Jupiter makes an exact inconjunct – a hard angle demanding change and adjustment, with Pluto on the 28 February. A tough end to the month and that particular tussle for control carries right through May - like two heavy weights circling and probing. More on that later.

Basically it's a train wreck, and if you can find any oasis of peace and understanding on your own journey then treasure it, nurture it. The planetary pattern is actually quite spectacular - a tight trine between Aries and Sagittarius containing all the planets apart from Jupiter which forms a grand fire trine from Leo. Sizzling, full-spirited and incendiary. It's like the whole of humanity is involved, as never before in a massive shift in consciousness. A golden gateway open to all who embrace the love of courage and truth. Zing! Fire-sign people feeling very feisty and the earth, air and water signs warming to the fire and applying momentum and continuity to the fireworks display. There's something quite beautiful and inspiring about this pattern and it's perfectly weighted to ensure a very efficient energy build-up and flow.

We must be heading, together, into the light, maybe a bit blinded by the fire bursts. Let some cooling, soothing waters flow as the Moon, Venus, and Neptune trinity pours forth its sacred female nurturing energy as the month begins. Could be a bit wet though. Blessings.



Rob Hart

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

First Saturday

Garden Group 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

Every Sunday

A.A. CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599

Speewah Country Market 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361

Yoga with Aileen 10.30am Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 4093 7401

First Sunday

Kuranda Film Society 4.00pm to 8.00pm, Kuranda Rec Centre Ph Hans 4093 8393

Second Sunday

Uniting Church Recreation Centre 4.30 pm, Krishna 4093 8730

Every Monday

Kids Aerial Circus with Louise Kohn. Bookings essential at the Amphitheatre 3.30pm,

Yoga – Gentle 8.15am for 8.30 start. Energise your life with HALS (Health across the Life Span) QCWA Hall, Phone Aileen 4093 7401 or Sheila 4093 7617

Third Monday

KNC Management Committee Meeting 6.00pm Rob Veivers Drive Ph 4093 8933

Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

Al-Anon Family Groups 6.00pm Ph Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON

Karate at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm to 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380 Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026

Every Tuesday

Yoga at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

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

8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

Second Tuesday

Tourism Kuranda meets behind St Saviour's Church.

Kuranda SES Training, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road. Ph James Partridge 0402 119 642

Second & Fourth Tuesday

Mareeba Toastmasters meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL.Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Joe 4092 2089. Guests welcome.

Every Wednesday

Yoga 6.00 pm Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 4093 7401

Lifeline Counselling at KNC (appointment necessary)

Craft and Social Morning at QCWA Hall 9.00am

Kuranda Playgroup 9.30am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. New families please phone Lynda 4093 0891 or 0410 337 932.

Karate at Koah Hall 6.15pm-7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380

Mah Jong at KNC 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome

Yoga for kids. Limited places. Please phone 4093 8283

First Wednesday

Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting 2.00pm at KNC

Kuranda and District Chamber of Commerce 4.30pm Kuranda Hotel

Second Wednesday

QCWA meeting 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016

Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group – 10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Every Thursday

Tribal Bellydance at Kuranda Community Precinct. Ph Lisa 0409 367 967.

Rotary 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206

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

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

Kuranda Rangers Soccer: training 4.00-5.30 Refer to Kuranda Rangers Football Club facebook page for more details.

Yoga at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

Second Thursday

Ambulance 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

CONTRIBUTORS: PLEASE CHECK DETAILS AND ADVISE CHANGES

Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother



I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes five years in a row.

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