

Yellow Crazy Ant Treatment Starts

YELLOW CRAZY ANT INFESTATIONS in the Russet Park area and the implementation of a treatment program were discussed at a community meeting recently.

About 25 concerned Russet Park residents with properties in or near yellow crazy ant (YCA) infestations met with Wet Tropics Management Authority staff on 22nd May to learn about the coordinated pest treatment program planned for their area.

Yellow crazy ants are a declared Class 1 pest under the Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002. The Wet Tropics Management Authority is coordinating a five year YCA eradication program for the Wet Tropics region, including Russet Park, with funding from the Australian Government.

The yellow crazy ants have been found in 27 hectares of rainforest across 16 Russet Park properties. Infestations have reached the banks of the Barron River and are close to the boundary of the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area.

The residents who attended the YCA community meeting were very positive and encouraged by the planned triple treatment program that requires three treatments a year for three years. Many talked about how fast the YCA had spread on their properties and were concerned that they may have been washed further downstream by Cyclone Ita.

Yellow crazy ant Program Manager Lucy Karger assured residents that Conservation Volunteers have conducted post cyclone YCA checks downstream and across the river and had found no evidence of more outbreaks. Ms Karger reinforced that the Kuranda community needs to be vigilant and report any suspected new outbreaks to Biosecurity Queensland on their pest hotline 13 25 23. Conservation Volunteers will continue monitoring YCA for the life of the project.

About The Treatment Program

The infestations will be treated by qualified pest technicians from Safeway Pest Control in the next week (subject to weather). They will apply granular baits using a hand spreader in yards. There is no need for the bait to be applied in houses and waterways will be avoided. It should take a week to treat all properties.

Residents are asked not to use any other pesticides on their properties to maximise the effectiveness of the treatment program, though surface spray can be used in houses and around cars.

"We are urging residents not to treat their own yards in this critical phase of the treatment program. Not only will it be money wasted on inferior pest control products, it will interfere with our coordinated treatment program," Ms Karger said.

Following advice from scientists at JCU involved in the yellow crazy ant eradication program, the triple treatment program has been timed to cause maximum disruption to the queen ants' reproduction cycle.



About the pesticides

The triple treatment program uses both 'knock-down' toxin pesticides and insect growth regulators. The treatments are timed for when the queens are active and will be most affected by the baits. With the triple treatment program, Russet Park properties will be treated around the months of May, August and October for the next three years.

The first YCA treatment will use a pesticide called 'EngageP' which has an active ingredient of S-methoprene. S-methoprene is an insect growth regulator (IGR) which affects the YCA's life cycle and prevents the queens from reaching maturity or reproducing viable eggs. Eventually the YCA colony collapses as the worker ants are not replaced. For this reason IGR's are considered biochemical pesticides rather than 'knock-down' toxin pesticides.

Residents will see a gradual decline in YCAs on their properties rather than immediate effects.

Impacts on the Kuranda Tree Frog

The Wet Tropics Management Authority is using *Engage P* in the first treatment because it will minimise impacts on the threatened Kuranda Tree Frog (*Litoria myola*). The treatment program is also being timed to consider the frog's breeding cycle.

What Can Russet Park Residents Do? Russet Park residents please:

- Return consent forms authorising entry to their properties by post to the Wet Tropics Management Authority PO Box 2050 Cairns 4870, via email <u>lucy.</u> <u>karger@wtma.qld.gov.au</u> or by fax 4241 0550
- Do not remove organic matter or disturb infested areas
- Read the Frequently Asked Questions for Russet Park at http://wettropics.gov.au/yellow-crazy-ants-faqs.html

What Can The Kuranda Community Do?

The Kuranda community is being called upon to be the 'eyes on the ground' and report ANY suspect ants immediately to Biosecurity Queensland on their pest hotline 13 25 23.

Yellow crazy ants can **spread** when they hitch a ride with people in timber, soil, vegetation, garden waste, pot plants, picnic and camping gear, vehicles or via waterways.

- Only dispose of vegetation, plants and soil at approved council sites – don't dump vegetation waste!
- Spray pot plants with insecticide when moving home
- Check your yard regularly for signs of yellow crazy ants

How To Identify Yellow Crazy Ants

- 5mm body length (or half the size of a green ant)
- long legs and antennae
- brownish-yellow or orange-yellow, with a brown abdomen, sometimes striped
- erratic, frantic, "crazy" movement (unlike other ants that walk in a line)
- can forage day and night but less active in intense heat and heavy rain.

Where To Find Yellow Crazy Ants

Yellow crazy ants nest on the ground in soil and prefer areas with access to water or some moisture, such as along creek banks, in and below woody debris and rocks, at the base of trees, underneath leaf litter on the forest floor, and in animal burrows and nests (e.g. bush turkey nests). They also lay their eggs in boxes, plant pots, fence lines, furniture and even wall cavities.

Learn more http://www.wettropics.gov.au/stamp-out-yellow-crazy-ants.html.



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Cyclone Ita Damage/Thanks To SES

On the 12th of April Cyclone Ita came to town and for the first time we were slightly kissed by her as she left a trail of detritus in her wake.

Unfortunately for us we received a smack with one very large old black wattle tree that fell from the council's nature strip in front of our property writing off a car, crumpling a garage and crushing a portion of the front fence in one loud muffled explosion. I say explosion because that's the kind of sound a near new tightly sealed car makes when a couple of tons of tree suddenly falls onto the roof. Glass was scattered for many metres. At that point we had no power and no way of getting off the property by car as the crushed car was parked close to the roller doors (we had hoped the garage would provide some protection for the car). The tree and car had now blocked our exit and would require a bloody big chainsaw and a few strong blokes to roll the car out of the way.

Not long after that tree fell another blasting gust of high wind brought down large and small branches from a few dead and mostly dead trees near our house. Those branches gouged and tore at the colour bond roof and cracked the skylight of our home

I was relieved that the branches did not penetrate the roof entirely but dismayed when not long after I found drips and then dribbles of water on the stairs and upstairs floor along with a little more seepage coming from the skylight. At one point on the Saturday, during the day I remember being transfixed with a mixture of fascination and horror as I watched the smaller twigs and branches flying directly, heavy point first into the skylights. I was amazed that they hadn't come straight through...and they didn't but on closer examination of the weeping windows, revealed the fine fractures throughout the fibreglass sheets. So a warning to those with similar skylight features in your house.

We made a call to SES and also called the council emergency number to request assistance once it was safe to do so.

On Sunday 13th of April, the cavalry arrived in the form of council workers to cut away through the tree and shunt the now munted car out of the way. SES arrived to place a bright yellow tarp over the roof followed by the arrival of Channel 7 sniffing out any juicy cyclone stories to share with the public.

We would like to give a big thank you to the SES for their professionalism and amazing dab hand at throwing weighted sand bag lines over our tall A framed roof in difficult location conditions...read, not a lot of room to manoeuvre and throw the line. The team were efficient, well organised and got the job done quickly. The tarp and another later added by our insurance company have made all the difference between just having roof damage and having potentially disastrous consequences of water leaking in through the beautiful timber lining of the inside of our roof. Also big thanks to the council guys for their help in freeing us from our entrapment!

When we purchased the house a few years ago we put a lot of time into researching the best house insurance companies before committing ourselves to Suncorp, based on many positive reviews both online and via word of mouth and can only say that we are not disappointed by the response to our insurance claim. Suncorp have been great to deal with and we would definitely recommend them to anyone in the market for house insurance. They may be a little more expensive than some of the other companies but it's hard to put a price on peace of mind!

The worst part of it all financially is the fact that we have a high excess charge, by choice to keep the premium down but unfortunately all the damage done was caused by trees not on our property. Whilst the largest tree just over one metre in diameter was a council tree, we were told that they were not liable for removing the tree unless it was specifically planted by the council. If the tree had fallen in the opposite direction and the way that it was leaning, it would have completely blocked the width of Barron Falls Road and council would have been responsible for removing it.

So which side of the property line do your council trees lean?

Kuranda Resident



ANZAC Day Congratulations

Respect is taught at a very early age in the home. I wish to congratulate the families who had their children (some of them early primary school age) beside them throughout the whole ANZAC Day ceremony. The young girl and boy in front of our Clohesy Rural Fire Group were, I think, with their Grandad. Our ANZACs in our two countries fought for the right for our children to be free and that is what it's all about. To show respect during the couple of hours (which must have been very long for children) on that one very special day is a wonderful tribute by the children of those families. Congratulations, there are some worthwhile citizens in the making.

Yvonne Thomson, Vol. Admin. Officer, Clohesy Rural Fire Group

Thanks For Medical Care

Recently travelling from interstate to visit my brother in Kuranda, I experienced severe shortness of breath. Combined with a host of other ailments consequent on ageing, I made an appointment at the Kuranda Medical Centre.

I was very impressed with the quality of service and in particular, the care with which Dr Deepa Gadhivi asked her questions and carefully listened to my account of symptoms.

The same attention and care was also shown by Cameron at the Kuranda Pharmacy.

Thank you very much for your concerns and the way in which I felt that my treatment was a partnership.

Anthony North, Sydney

Kuranda Range Road Stabilisation

Last month's letter by the "landslide denialist" has to be answered,

If the writer has lived in Kuranda for 23 years, he must drive the range road with his eyes shut.

The Kuranda Range is made of soft, crumbly, unstable schist. Constantly slipping and sliding onto the road and rail tracks, especially during the Wet.

I applaud the funding for this stabilisation of the banks for this important thoroughfare. It's a nice change from all the spending going to the south-east corner, which is the norm.

The company contracted has not only created employment but is doing a great job, with minimal inconvenience to road users and destruction of vegetation.

However if our "denialist" was in charge, some corners would be rounded to assist those who like to disregard the recommended speed or adverse weather conditions from falling off. But inevitably, without mitigation, we will end up using the Rex or Gillies, as the Kuranda road would have slipped off the mountain.

I am guessing our "denialist" does not need to work or study in Cairns, or catch a plane, unlike us mugs.

Kylie Moore, Kuranda



Kuranda Paper Office Is Moving!

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Phone: 4093 8942 and postal address: PO Box 66 Kuranda 4881 and email: mail@kurandapaper.com remain unchanged



Biggest Morning Tea

On Wednesday 21st May our ukulele group of eight, 'Honey and Spice', performed at the annual 'Biggest Morning Tea' held at the CWA Hall in Kuranda. We would like to thank the Kuranda QCWA members for their hospitality and for inviting us to play and sing a few numbers for their guests at the morning tea.

We are not a professional performing music group but rather a group of women who enjoy music, ukuleles, singing and each others company. We have 'performed' over the past two years during the Kuranda festival but a 'public gig' a couple of times a year satisfies our need and wanting to share our music. This occasion was one of them.

We enjoyed very much being part of 'The Biggest Morning Tea', after all there is no better morning tea than one produced by CWA ladies, and we were pleased to be able to make a contribution to your fundraising for Cancer Research.

Thank you again QCWA Kuranda ladies for your efforts to raise funds and awareness for this very good cause. We know we were able to uplift the spirit of the guests on the day with our music, many of whom were past and present cancer patients.

> Honey and Spice Ukulele Group, Kuranda



Action on Insurance in Far North Queensland

Premier Campbell Newman said he was "exasperated" with the Abbott Government's lack of action on the insurance crises in the Far North. In an extraordinary outburst on radio on 21 May, Mr Newman put Federal MP Warren Entsch on notice, telling him to "stop grandstanding" on insurance issues. "I'm sick of Mr Entsch's hollow statements," Mr Newman said. "It's time to sort out the insurance issue in North and Far North Queensland. "I'm not going to be silent when there's an issue Mr Entsch and other MPs have to pursue. I'll fight Canberra on insurance now."

Mr Newman said his government had done all it could to tackle the issue of price gouging in the Far North, having released detailed maps to insurers to allow them to carry out more accurate assessments as well funding local flood mitigation projects.

[The above was reported in The Cairns Post on 22 May. We at The Kuranda Paper are sure that fellow Kurandaites, irrespective of political differences, hope that some action is forthcoming on this important matter. Home insurance has skyrocketed in the last couple of years. Kuranda is mainly flood-free and has had little damage inflicted on property throughout the last two cyclones. Surely this should be taken into account when assessing insurance premiums.]





Annual General Meeting Sunday 8th June 2014 4.00pm at the Top Pub

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There's a new FROG in town...

The new look Kuranda Kindy is here! With a new logo and signage, it's hoped that our little community Kindy will be easier to find. The children unanimously chose this little frog for their new logo, with the voting process incorporated into a mathematical graphing exercise. They loved the colours and its cute smile...but it still needs a name. A big thanks to John Neller for erecting the sign, and Jake from Kuranda Couriers for donating his time and services to deliver the sign. Thanks to Nettie Dunne for designing the logo and sign. The kids LOVE it!



Persistence pays off!

Not even the council is immune to the charms of a bunch of four year olds, as Jackie and Christina from the Mareeba Shire Council recently found out! They couldn't



resist the desperate pleas of the adorable Kuranda Kindy kids, who requested that their pot-holed driveway and carpark be fixed. The children were super excited as they watched the transformation from bumpy dips to a smooth road. A big THANK YOU to the Mareeba Shire Council for making our driveway safer and smoother!

L-R: Adam, Malcolm, Jackie and Christina

Thank you to the Kuranda community for supporting our recent sausage sizzle at Foodworks. As a not-for-profit organisation we rely on fundraising to enable improvements to the Kindy and purchase learning material.

Kuranda Branch – June 2014

Several of our members recently attended the Northern Region School/Meeting which was held over several days in Atherton. And while the main purpose was to learn/ impart QCWA knowledge, discussions were also conducted

on how we can assist the community, fundraising ideas for our Rural Crisis Fund and lobby government departments on various issues.

These days were leavened by fun activities at night including a Rock 'n Roll evening (bobby sox and rope petticoats) and an auction night where a large number of handmade cushion covers – donated by members – raised a handsome sum of money to assist others in need in drought-stricken areas of Queensland.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

We must extend our grateful THANK YOU to the very generous Kuranda community who supported our Biggest Morning Tea fundraiser on behalf of the Cancer Council of Australia – together we raised our cups to become involved to beat cancer through the facilities of research. The amount raised was approximately \$600.00 which is wonderful.

The morning tea home baking was provided by the talented ladies from our CWA branch with such a variety of interesting treats with non-stop tea or coffee being available...thank you.

Live music was played by the ukulele ladies of 'Honey and Spice' who played well loved songs; the audience couldn't resist in singing along and even a wiggle or two was enjoyed! Thank you to the musicians who gave of their valuable time to give pleasure with such uplifting music...thank you (again).

We wish also to say thank you to the Kuranda Post Office who allowed us to facilitate their window space to advertise and display craft items made by our members and also to advertise our fundraiser. Thank you is also extended to the shops and organisations who allowed us to display posters and to have invitations placed on their counters.

Of course there is also those behind the scenes who work hard on publicity of the event plus husbands, partners and friends...thank you.

Craft mornings happen every Wednesday from 9am-12 noon and we are always happy to see new faces on the day. Come and learn a craft – or even better, teach us a new craft. We would also like to invite local ladies to join our branch of OCWA.

For Hall bookings, please contact Sarah MacPherson on 4093 7599 or Marion Hubbard on 4093 8215.

Great Wheelbarrow Race Has Record Shattering 11th Year

The eleventh annual Great Wheelbarrow Race has raised a jaw-dropping \$433,000 for charity, making the total raised in the past two years just under the one million dollar mark. A DVD of this year's massive event is in production and will be available for purchase shortly from Studio Productions in Cairns.

Results included:

- $\bullet \ Charity \ fundraisers: \ winner \ Indie Structables \ \$106,000.00$
- Best theme: winner Flying Ducks
- Talent Quest: winner Dad's Army
- Ladies teams: Weipa Wags 1, Fitness Divas 2, Wheelie Mad Women 3.
- \bullet Mixed teams: Streets Ahead 1, Pushin It 2, Ronald McDonald Fundraisers #2 team 3
- Men's teams: The Fit Bucks 1, Shake N Bake 2
- Over 40s: 72 Model (New Record) 1, Amalgamated Pest Control 2, Spirits in the Sky 3
- High Schools: Bad Boys 1, Trinity Anglican School 2, Trail Blazers 3
- Services: Blue Lightning 1, Flying Ducks 2
- Duo: The Lonely Jokers (New Record) 1, Fitzroy Express 2, Bolt & Elite 3
- Solo female: Busted Bird (Sonya Alba -Miller)1, NPress (Tracey Marcel) 2, Diggers Run (Marilyn McKell) 3
- Solo male: Jose Lopez 1; Hahn Solo (Shane Ross) 2, Jared Hohns 3
- \bullet Overall winning team: The Fit Bucks



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Celebrate and Fundraise with Lexy

Nearly 30 years ago I was a stinking, screaming newborn coming home from Mareeba Hospital to a half-built cottage in the 'freezing' of winter in 'Clay-Lane'. I have always hated people saying I look or am just like my mum, Terry Eager, but I guess the evidence speaks for itself...





Growing up in Kuranda, I've always been fiercely proud and protective of my 'village in the rainforest'. I went to kindy here, preschool, primary school and high school. I graduated with a single digit OP and gained two degrees in Indigenous Studies and Nursing – a feat thanks to the skills/passion of my teachers at Kuranda High School. I have nursed in the Torres Straits, Northern Territory and CapeYork – but had my heart set on volunteering overseas. After years of searching I found the Samoa Victim Support Group (SVSG).

SVSG was set up on a dream of a young single lawyer, who identified the difficulties faced by victims in Samoa; domestic violence, harassment in the work place, victims of poverty, etc. They care for pregnant teenagers and three

houses full of women and children who have been abandoned (due to the nature of their birth – with either medical/special needs or as a 'product of rape') or fleeing abusive

relationships. I am so excited and honoured to be going to Samoa in June, to volunteer my nursing skills for SVSG!

But I need the help and support of my home town!

On 20th June at 6pm, I am celebrating my 30th birthday and invite all of Kuranda to come celebrate and fundraise with me!

Please join me at the Amphitheatre understage to celebrate with live music, auctions and raffles. I have been lucky to receive beautiful artwork and donations from many Kuranda artists and businesses and beautiful Torres

Strait Islander prints from my Badu family (thank you Nancy Nona and Naseli Tamwoy).

Most of all, I would like to publicly thank my mum, Terry Eager, for being brave enough to seek adventure in paradise, so that I could grow up in such an amazing environment and community. For providing an amazing example of compassion, selfless volunteer work and dedication to just causes. For being the perfect example of 'the patients advocate' in nursing, as well as just being an awesome Mum in general. I am lucky to be anything like her, and without her, I would never be on the path that I am on now.

Raffle Tickets available @ the HoneyHouse, Just Gorgeous, Kuranda Medical, Arts Coop. Online donations: http://bit.ly/lexy-in-samoa

For updates: www.facebook.com/lexyinsamoa or email me lexyjcarroll@outlook.com



Kuranda Pedestrian Traffic and Parking Study

Mareeba Shire Council has authorised Council officers to address action plan strategies listed in the Kuranda Pedestrian, Traffic and parking Study by preparing the necessary documentation to enable projects listed as "immediate" and estimated to cost below \$50,000 to be delivered; and consider for inclusion in the 2014/15 budget \$340,000, for projects identified in the report, to be funded from the Kuranda Car Parking Developer Contributions Reserve.

"The steady increase in self drive tourism combined with the growth in the number of visitors arriving by Rail, Skyrail and coaches has created difficulties with traffic, parking and pedestrian movement within the

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Kuranda Village," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

The Kuranda Pedestrian, Traffic and Parking study was completed by Bitzios Consulting in April 2012 and to date a small number of these recommended projects have been addressed. Out of the 62 recommendations there are approximately 33 projects which fall into the category listed with a timing for delivery as "immediate" and estimated to cost under \$50,000.

"It is a suitable starting point in the delivery of the program and detailed design and documentation of this first round is expected to commence in June 2014," Cr Gilmore said.



Where: Kuranda to Cedar Park (Koah area) to Cairns, Tropical North Queensland, Australia.

When: 11-13 July 2014, then 10-12 July 2015. The inaugural race was held in 2012.

Pre-race get togethers: Tuesday, 8 July 2014 -Desert Runners film (introduced by Samantha Gash) at the Centre of Contemporary Arts; Wednesday, 9 July 2014 – Pasta Party, view maps and chat to the race directors.

Status: 3 day stage race totaling 126.6 km. The main event consists of three stages, each 42km, run over three consecutive days. A single marathon, the Cairns Marathon, is available on the last day.

Accommodation/Transport: Cedar Rainforest Estate, Speewah, Kuranda and Cairns. Book a spot on the bus to save you from driving to and fro each day.

Number of Starters/Finishers: 2012: 32/25, 2013: 39/32. Entries as of 6 May for the 2014 event:

Race Records: Male: Glen Robinson, 11:28:56 (2012); Female: Alison Whitehead, 13:56:22 (2013) In 2013 Trent "Marathon Man" Morrow (AUS) competed the 3M3D as part of his challenge to break the Guinness World Record for the most marathons run in one year. He ran 161 marathons in 2013 – four more than the previous record.

Race Directors: Lorraine and Larry Lawson

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Event Website: http://3marathonsin3days.com

In 2014 Samantha Gash (AUS), adventure athlete, qualified lawyer and social entrepreneur is coming to run the 3M3D. She is in training to run 2350km along the Freedom Trail in South Africa with Mimi Anderson (UK) from September 25 to October 27, 2014. They aim to establish a social enterprise business in South Africa that will employ women to make and distribute low cost feminine hygiene products in the Namahadi Community in the Free State Province of South Africa. Save the Children South Africa will act as Project Manager of the social enterprise business.

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Kirty (above) and other works by Erik (below)

Back in Issue 246, August 2013, I featured a multi-skilled artist, Kirty Bell, of the "Dreaded Fairy Lair". Well Kirty is not alone, and this month we feature partner Erik, a talented air-brush artist. That's his portrait of Kirty top right. Self taught, Erik has been doing free-hand fine art air brushing since he was 15, (20 years ago). His work is entirely free-hand, free-form, i.e. no templates or stencils, not even a fore-plan! He is inspired by the art of H. R. Geiger - the creator of the artwork for the "Alien" movies. In his work, Erik references the structures in nature, patterns and fractals, to create his own fantastic life forms, blurring the boundaries of where life begins and ends. A cosmic connectedness of infinite possibilities.

Before coming to Kuranda with Kirty early in 2013, Eric exhibited his work in various locations down south of the border in NSW and Victoria. He tells me he will paint on any flat surface, but

> he also does cars and bikes. Some of his work has appeared in "Heavy Duty", the motorcycle magazine. Erik grew up in the Riverina area of NSW amonast the wheat and sheep.

Could this be what has given him his interest in, and love of the nature of

life on Earth in all it's wondrous forms?

Until recently, Erik and Kirty shared a stall at the Original Kuranda Rainforest Markets. He now works his daytime job at the "Sweet Leaf"



cafe in those markets, where he can be contacted most days for commissions, info, etc. He will paint on "anything", e.g. walls, cars, bikes, all original designs, using only quality 2PAK paint systems. By the way, partner Kirty is having an exhibition of her own original oil paintings at the Red Chair Gallery, Cairns, starting 1st. August and running for 2 weeks. Check it out, and go check out Erik at the Sweat Leaf. He'll make you some yummy healthy lunch







CAFE Artists at work

Hello Members and Friends. WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!

BACK

with Koahlition, Pad Boys and Jay Jay Gilkerson providing wonderful entertainment. Our next Members' Night is on Saturday 7th

June and Zennith with be performing. Entry is \$10 members and \$15 guests. Become a member on the night and entry is free. Membership is \$20 single, \$25 family, and is due for renewal in February each year.

Lots of projects are nearing completion with the kitchen

almost finished, new amenities blocks done, a new small storage shed to make life easier for volunteers when setting up for outdoor concerts,



lights along the access road providing public lighting in the skate park area, new lighting inside the venue on its way, CAFÉ arts murals, and an Understage revamp! Phew! Have we been busy! We would like to take this opportunity to thank EVERYONE involved in all of these upgrade projects. In particular MAREEBA SHIRE enquiry will be assigned to the The CAFÉ project was recently staged in four towns across the Tablelands including COUNCIL who have been very supportive of the Amphitheatre by providing public amenities and lighting. Come along and have a look at the improvements.

Next Members' Night Saturday 7th, June "ZENNITH"

FUSION DANCE CLASSES - Every Friday and Saturday, Understage. For more information please visit www.creaturesque.weebly.com YOGA - every Tuesday and Thursday morning KIDS AERIALS - Every Monday afternoon WORKING BEES - Every third Sunday.

> **Next Working Bee** Sunday 8th June from 10 am

We have a couple of large events planned for the second half of the year, which will be

here before we know it! Help is needed in many areas of the venue to prepare for these events. We had a great Members' Night last month There are also many small jobs that need volunteer help. Painting, gardening, 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.

The Amphitheatre is a multipurpose community arts venue, voluntarily managed by the people of Kuranda since its inception in the late 1970s.

and still powering ahead over 30 years later! Your membership and input assists the Society in keeping this unique place in our hearts and ensuring not only its existence in our village, but that it flourishes for generations to come.

KAS, a multicultural and diverse Society, creates a sense of community and a sense of place and pride, knowing that you have helped in some way. Our members bring many talents, expertise and great ideas to the Amphitheatre. Volunteering your time and effort ensures its sustainability. KAS Thanks You! You can obtain a Membership Form from www. kurandaamphitheatre.org or House', Therwine Street, Kuranda.

As we are a voluntarily run organisation, our onsite office is unattended most of the time, so for all enquiries and support please go to:-

www.kurandaamphitheatre.org - Contact Us. Enquiries are accessed on a daily basis by the admin team. Your appropriate area.

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ADMIN TEAM

CAFE indigenous art for the Amphi





The "Creative Arts For Everyone" Project

Kuranda, Mareeba, Atherton and Herberton and sponsored by the Tablelands Regional Council and the Queensland Government.

The project was modelled on the success of the anti graffiti work done by New Zealand artist Shona Hammond Boys who worked with disadvantaged youth in Opitiki, New Zealand, to create beautiful art murals and has set up 'Childrens Creative Arthouses' throughout the world to provide a much needed creative outlet for youth.

In Kuranda, twenty two local youth attended workshops at the Kuranda Amphitheatre coordinated by Gail Betts, and worked with local artists
Radayne Tanna, Nicola Chin, Catherine Jacoby, Anne Fitzpatrick, Rhonda Brim and Willy Brim to create some stunning artwork and murals.

A beautiful waterfall mural is now in place at the Kuranda Amphitheatre and further vibrant artworks painted by Kuranda artists and youth will be added when an exhibition from the four towns currently at the Tablelands Council Chambers Gallery finishes at the end of May. Project Coordinator Gail Betts and the artists are looking to set up a 'Childrens Creative Arthouse' in Kuranda and currently looking for a suitable location. Please contact Gail if you would like to be involved or can offer assistance.

Gail Betts, Regional Arts & Cultural Coordinator, Arts Nexus.



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Unconventional Gas Fracking Planned for Mt Mulligan

A Coal Seam Gas exploration permit has been granted over Nguddaboolgan (Mt Mulligan) – 60 km west north west of Mareeba in the headwaters of the iconic Mitchell River. Nguddaboolgan is a very sacred place to the Djungan people and surrounding traditional custodians. This country contains numerous sacred and cultural sites that are listed on the National Heritage database and has endangered fauna and also plants that are found nowhere else. Mt Mulligan also holds significant historical value.

A coalition of concerned citizens is assisting the Western Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation and Nguddaboolgan Prescribed Body Corporate in holding a series of meetings to inform the public and to better understand the long term implications of this type of unconventional gas extraction for the region.

There is a growing community call to restrict inappropriate coal and gas mining considering that the latest mapping shows that half of Australia is now covered by coal and gas mining titles and applications. The vast scale and impact of what is planned in the next few years is almost unimaginable and has led to urgent calls to put exclusion zones around agricultural land, tourist icons and residential dwellings.

There are also growing calls from around Australia for a moratorium on all coal seam gas mining and other unconventional gas mining because of the terrible impact it has on the environment and underground waterways and aquifers.

For more information on fracking go to Lock the Gate Alliance website at www.lockthegate.org.au. To support the local alliance call Alwyn 0458-750-594 or Bood 0429-121-212 - email bood@tpg.com.au.

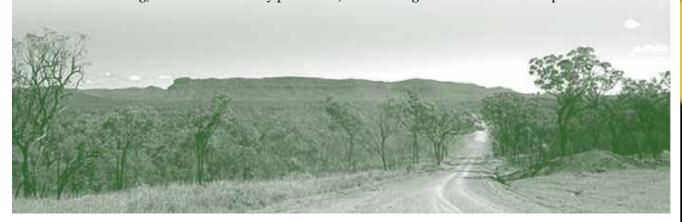
Friends of the Earth share the concerns of the aboriginal community and strongly urge everyone to support their call for help on this matter. This is especially so as fracking starting at Nguddaboolgan would set a precedent for opening up the rest of Cape York to this same type of destructive mining.

FoE Kuranda is affiliated with FoE Australia and FoE International. Friends of the Earth is the largest grassroots environment network in the world and is represented in 76 countries with over two million members and supporters.

Sustainable Living Expo at Fogarty Park, Cairns Esplanade, 11am-4pm, 22nd June

This free community event hosted by the Cairns City Council showcases environmental services and products offered by local businesses and organisations working on sustainability projects. It aims to support and encourage local sustainability-focused enterprise.

Last year's Expo featured over 50 exhibitors as well as live music, practical demonstrations, kids' activities and product displays and explored everything from renewable energy, green banking, and eco-friendly cleaning to sustainable building, reef and biodiversity protection, water saving devices and fair trade products.







Spring cleaning at Cedar Park

Our Rustic Resort and Restaurant looks almost BLING-BLING! After scrubbing and re-sealing all the floors (over 100 lt. slate sealer), painting walls and ceilings (more then 60 lt. of paint), fixing tables, chairs with hundreds of screws, bolts and nuts and all the other things, mulching, weeding, planting, pruning the garden.....etc.

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The Kuranda Roots Festival

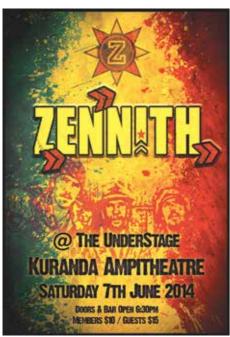
The Billabong, Kangaventure Friday 20th - Sunday 22nd June 2014

With an impressive line up of international and national acts this year's Kuranda Roots Festival is celebrating 11 years as Australia's longest running Reggae & Roots event.

New acts to add to the ever growing line-up of super talented artists include, the lyrical maestro Boover Banton (UK/Melb) is appearing with **Heartical Hifi**. Boover cut his teeth in the heyday of UK soundsystem culture in the 80's where you could find him rocking the mic on his system Lion Heart, as well as guest appearances for Gemi Magic (one of the UK'S biggest sound systems of the time), and the globally-respected **Naram** (Melb/NZ) an obsessive reggae fan with a penchant for vintage dancehall, analogue synthesisers and ridiculously heavy basslines.

Returning to Kuranda this year we are pleased to welcome the ultra smooth styles of **Griff** (Melb), the one and only **Zennith** (Friday night), Roots favourites Die Rude, Brisbane's loud & savvy dirty funk hip-hop rockers **Schoolfight** and **The Flumes**.

Straight from NZ, Dub Terminator & Ras Stone are set to keep the dance floor pumping on both the Friday and Saturday nites. **Dub** Terminator, widely known for his own distinctive mix of bass heavy roots, dubstep and future style reggae, is performing together with New Zealand based African vocalist Ras Stone. The duo performs



as a live two piece, Dub Terminator on the live dub toys & Ras Stone on the M.I.C bringing the full Rasta MC vibes. The sound is electrifying. The message the duo brings is one of unity, culture & positive vibration for the world. And all the way from the UK, international reggae singer and DJ Tippa Irie brings his own brand of dance hall entertainment.

Other headliners include Kooii, celebrating the magic of song and dance with their original Afro-reggae sound and Brisbane based dynamic nu-wave brass band **Bullhorn** with their high energy mix of funk, soul, hip-hop, jazz, reggae and dance. And deep minimal bass from NSW beat technician Interval to be served up alongside the bass heavy, funk laden midtempo breaks & glitch hop of Melbourne's Staunch.

Also joining the 2014 line-up of the Kuranda Roots Festival are Dillion James, Griff, Spankinhide, Essie Thomas, Lazarus, Solomon, Iniko, Afro

Galactic, Duos, DJ Innah, Elementary Hifi, Dubcide, Papa Bitcho, Whichway, The Dialers, Backwards Man, Wondermensional, Sound Bugz, and Old Man River.

An impressive line-up of local talent are ready to take to take to the stages at the Kuranda Roots Festival, including Zennith, Bosko & Honey, The Hot Wet Swing Set, Koahlition, Secret Tuesdays, the hilarity of Faux Mo, and Gudju Gudju (heading up the Cultural Connection with performances and workshops), the Mayi Wumba dancers and the **The Blackrobats** take to the mats to show off their skills, and **Little Z** make their debut on the Roots Stage on Sunday.

Ready to spin the discs and create the groove we welcome our Kuranda based DJs, VJs, and producers, including Ombudsman, Billy Dread, Grooveman, D.J.P. King, Dubcide, Jungle Funk Trio and Wildfoot playing tribute to the wealth of talent in our midst. Special performances with Lu Lu La Bent's incredible acrobatic skills on the silks that will keep the audience enthralled and the Cairns Fusion **Dancers** are sure to steal the lime light on the Saturday night.

The **Kuranda Roots Festival** offers a special Cultural Connection workshop with Gudju Gudju teaching to Sing in Language; 'Shake a Leg' Dance; Fire Lighting; and sharing knowledge of indigenous culture. Other workshops include traditional and contemporary weaving, a drumming workshop with **Spankinhide**'s Elliot Orr, dance workshops with Cairns Fusion Dance, a silks workshop with Lu Lu La Bent, Bush Tucker walks with Koah Windsong.

The Kuranda Roots Festival is a family friendly event with a onsite camping available and a shuttle bus service for festival goers to and from the Kuranda village, (bus stop opposite Centenary Park in Coondoo St). For more info and program go to www.kurandaroots.com



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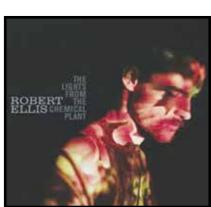
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THE BOOGIE BROTHERS CD REVIEWS

Robert Ellis "The Lights from the Chemical Plant"



k, it's country, and if the old-school country Ok, it's country, and it are call and a state of the nasal twang style vocals irritates you (as it can) then this probably isn't for you. The pedal steel, strings and piano are all prominent, but the songs; the ambience, the moody introspection and the rich stories in the lyrics are just magnificent. It gets eerie; sad; defiant and philosophical. More Rodney Crowell than Willie Nelson with a touch of the lost highway. A Californian sweetness and the hard-core Texas/ Nashville edge.

Never gets boring, never predictable and every song is a story. He's a master of his genre

and, speaking of masters, he does a beautiful, deep, introspective cover of Paul Simon's "Still crazy after (all these years)". God that's a good song! And the last track "Tour Song" is a rip-ya-heart out lament by a muso, on the road, thinkin' about the wife when he's left alone (again). Just reading the lyrics makes you want to cry. It ain't all fun out on the road. This could be the best that country gets... so far. And the music weaves and glides through funky bass grooves; sweet slide, and lush melodies of sound. "Both kinds – country and... yeah!

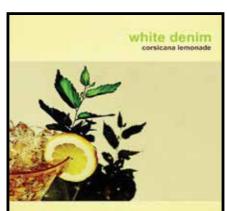
The war on drugs: Lost in the dream. Ah, the sweet rolling beat. Picks you up and just flows like a clear mountain stream right through the album. A fun different drummer through the 10 tracks but they all keep the beat running smoothly Eagleslike and smiling all the way. Rounded out with wurlitzers, synthesizers and a whole bunch of esoteric sounding instruments: Arp Zgoo; Mutron Rhodes; Space Rhodes; Arp, Omni II; Oberheim, just to mention a few! Lap Steel; Slide; Sax, and of course an array of guitars, basses, and percussion all present.

So, as you can imagine, it's a big sound. Adam Granduciel has a vocal style that owes a lot to Bob Dylan and the sweet Californian country rockers but nevertheless is guite distinctive. Both sweet and gritty.

And always the rolling beat. Songs of rich lyrical content that defy you not to tap along, grinning and bopping.

Played really loud you get to appreciate the complexity of the music. This not for the iPod or MP3. No – this is for a big seriously Hi-Fi system. A grand, panoramic rolling feast of sumptuous musical fare. Give yourself a treat – crank it up and enjoy. It's worth it. Rolling thunder to a fast and full 4/4 beat all the way. Fist in the air moments of pure exhilaration! robertellismusic.com

Corsicana Lemonade "White Denim" Downtown Records 2013



Cixth album in for quirky Texan rockers **White Denim** and mainstream success beckons. This sparkling collection of songs bubbles with mucho catchy riffs, real ass bopping boogie and brilliant playing to set your mind alight.

White Denim are superlative players everything is at their fingertips. Imagine the jumpy riffing of Thin Lizzy fused with the smooth changes of Steely Dan, the swagger of Steppenwolf or Bad Company melded with the sly groove of J.J. Cale. Then shone through the epic prism of The Band & topped

with mad Jeff Buckley vocals. And that's just in one song! Funk, jazz, and psychedelica flavours also add tang to Corsicana Lemonade but the real juice here is guitar rock'n'roll – but brainy, played right to the edge rock'n'roll.

These guys definitely go their own way structuring songs any which they want and the precise energy on display here makes any sudden twist or turn just work. Freaky, cool mid song tempo and time changes worthy of Zappa keep you on your toes. Strange but true lyrics get you thinking. White Denim play at a higher level but they never get too clever. Every flourish, every bit of tricky business is there not to impress, but because they just plain enjoy playing it. These songs are gutsy as they are cerebral.

White Denim have brewed up an indescribable but instantly refreshing rockin' sound here. This effervescent set brims with satisfying feel-good grooves, tingles with razor sharp playing and just stuns with its consistent rush of ideas. This fine album will surely quench many a thirst and truly bears playing again and again.

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Acappella Singing - what's that?

A cappella is Italian for 'in the chapel', although Jane was once told it meant 'without a hat'! But really all it means is singing without instrumental accompaniment. So Jane's singers sing in harmonies without a piano, guitar or other instrument as backing. This makes for light packing when they do a gig as all they have to take are their voices! However, it can be challenging too—the group is in charge of tempo, pitch, and the emotional feeling of the song—but that's also part of the beauty. They do occasionally cheat and add a drum to some songs!

Singing acappella is a great way to learn more about your voice and to hone your harmonising skills. Beginners are very welcome to come along to Jane's classes and get involved. She loves her class in Kuranda - it's a small group at the moment, but they all enjoy getting into harmony with each other. The KRC has great accoustics and is an inviting place for the group to do vocal warmups, learn songs from all over the world (as well as contemporary songs from closer to home), and of course have a good laugh or two. Jane also teaches a class in Cairns and regularly does concerts at the Khacho Yulo Ling Buddhist Centre in Cairns...which really is 'singing in the chapel'.

Classes are held at the KRC on Monday nights at 7.15pm. If you want to find out more, feel free to contact Jane 4093 0463.



Successful Grants!

We've had two successful grant applications for the KRC family! Firstly, the KRC has secured a Gambling Community Benefit grant for \$10,000 to install a solar hot water heater and a 3.3 solar grid system for the centre. This system will help to reduce our power bills.

Secondly, the Kuranda Rangers Football Club have also been granted \$5,500 from the Gambling Community Benefit Grants scheme which will help to purchase much needed soccer equipment and a marquee.

Many thanks to Arch and Sarah for your hard work in this area! And thanks go to Michael Trout and the State Government for get the applications across the line.



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Should you venture a little further inland from Kuranda, and make it to the town of Mareeba, you may be seeking more information about the local artists and craftspeople of this area. Come to Centenary Park in Byrnes Street and you will find the Mareeba Art Centre. Inside a veritable treasure trove of local arts and crafts awaits the cultural traveller. A vast spectrum of arts and crafts can be found inside the main building – paintings, woodwork, jewellery, pottery, glass art, to name just a few. You will also find a great variety of soft crafts too. On various days of the week you will find painters doing workshops and the (very) odd potter giving classes. The Centre is run entirely by volunteer members of MAS Inc., and is open most days of the week. It is quite an achievement that members actually own the centre, acquired by fundraising and grants over the years.

If you are really lucky there may also be an exhibition on display in Gallery 58 – this is an area set aside for one or multi person exhibitions that usually run for a month at a time.

This area is given free to exhibitors, to any artist from the area. There is only a small commission on sales, and no other costs to the artists.

Gallery 58 was named to honour the memory of a group of dedicated volunteers and artists who produced the first ever art exhibition in Mareeba in 1958. We believe the prize money on offer was 50 pounds. We now offer prizes to the value of \$5000.

These days we produce an open exhibition every year at the time of the July Rodeo Festival in Mareeba.

This exhibition is held in the PCYC Sports Hall in Walsh Street Mareeba. Entry forms are now available for this year's exhibition. you can access the forms from the Art Centre, Library and various art galleries.

So if you make it to Mareeba come and give us a visit, entry is free and you will be made welcome.



KURANDA ARTS CO-OP

Interstate Exhibiton Of New Work

Mollie Bosworth is exhibiting new work in the Australian Ceramics Association biennial curated exhibition "The Course of Objects: the fine lines of Enquiry" being held at Manly Regional Gallery, Sydney. Her proposal was accepted in a very competitive process and her work shows the development of her very intensive work with metallic salts on porcelain. It kept its promise as a very exciting exhibition featuring work from some of Australia's leading ceramic artists in an innovative new display style. The exhibition opened on 2nd May and continues until 8th June.



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Arts Co-operatives

The writer of this regular column was recently visiting Colombia and was interested to find an Arts Co-operative in the very small town to Esparzana.

An open air gallery displayed embroideries, paintings, woodwork, exquisite necklaces made from fish scales and handmade beads and very colourful souvenirs of their South American country. Young children in native costumes danced around the gallery space to the sound of local musicians. There is no artwork better than local, handmade pieces.

Innovational Exhibiton at Tableland Regional Gallery – date claimer

An exhibition of fibre art will be exhibited at the Tableland Regional Gallery in Atherton during July. Nine regional fibre artists will be assembling individual and collaborative artworks in the gallery at the beginning of the month. The exhibition officially opens at 1.30pm Saturday, 12th July.

Kuranda artist Kim Prentice and Arts Co-op members Toni Rogers, Marcia Bird along with six other regional artists from Cairns and Townsville are included in the exhibition. Watch this space in next month's Kuranda Paper.

New Gallery Space In Kuranda

Arts Co-op member David Stacey has taken the plunge and opened his own gallery space "David H Stacey Gallery' in the Village Centre in Coondoo Street. David in well recognised for his intricate representations of the natural world. We wish David well in this new venture.

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Property share loans - a new era in lending?

Since time immemorial people haven't always fit the 'nuclear family' picture when it comes to their living situation. Unfortunately though, banks generally draft their lending policies on what they consider to be 'standard' in terms of loan applications. This means that most loans written are for a house owned by one or two people who most often are related in some way, and so are happy to be legally liable for each other's financial interest in the purchase. So if one person defaults on the loan, then the other has to suffer the full consequences as if it was them who bailed out of the agreement.

But this is all about to change. With property prices being what they are, banks are starting to see that perhaps it is a good idea if a house could be bought 50/50 or 60/40 or 80/20 (or however you want to mix it up), where each purchaser is only financially liable for their share: protecting the more cashed up person's equity and giving the more cash strapped buyer the opportunity to purchase a share in the house. Suddenly - friends, single mums, tentative defactos, parents and kids, or buddy investors can start to think about safely buying a house together! One bank in particular has seen the light, and now accepts loan applications for house purchases that have a tenant-in-common ownership with up to two separate loans secured on the property (with more than one person able to be on each loan). Curious? Give me a no obligation call to find out more.

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Yoga and meditation for kids.



10 Poses For School Using Chair Yoga

YOGA BREAKS can be used in the classroom to restore concentration, memory, energy and focus. Yoga can also help with stress, tension, anxiety and exam preparation. A classroom yoga break is usually about 5-10 minutes in duration.

Many schools have implemented frequent yoga breaks during the day to keep the class attentive and alert. No mats, or other equipment are needed during these breaks. Students can use their chair and space behind desks to perform many yoga poses that positively promote learning abilities. These yoga poses are also beneficial to use before exams and assessments to reduce stress, anxiety and increase concentration. Bringing yoga into schools has shown to help students focus the mind, exercise the body and creates a calm space for learning. It provides tools for students to use as coping skills in stressful or uncomfortable situations. As students learn how to regulate emotions and stress levels on their own, schools have found a decrease in bullying, disruptive behaviours and loss of focus during class. There are many organisations that bring yoga to schools, after school activities or workshops for teachers on how to use yoga breaks during class. Some schools have regular yoga classes once a week as part of physical education. Following is a very short example and list of poses that can be incorporated into the school day.

Yoga breaks are often started by warming up the ears, activating the hearing. To do this the teacher will ring a bell or strike a singing bowl and ask the students to put up a thumb when they can no longer hear the resonating sound. This can also be used to signal the beginning of a yoga break. Next create awareness of the breath. To practise belly breathing ask children to hold a hand in front of their face like a mirror, and breathe out through the mouth. Try and fog up the 'mirror'. If they can feel the breath on their hand easily, switch to breathing through the nose only. Next, move on to relax the eyes. This is done by rubbing the hands together really fast until they feel warm. Place the warm palm of the hands over closed eyes and do three more deep belly breaths. These three warm ups are easy and fun to do. The bell awakens the hearing, the 'hand mirror' deepens the breath and the warm hands relax the mind. After this, move on to the poses and then finish the yoga break with a brief guided relaxation. If you are not familiar with these yoga poses or would like to know more about yoga in schools please visit www.facebook.com/TheLittleYogiSchool.





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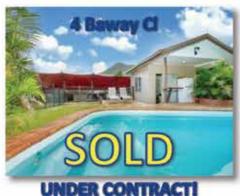
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Each year the month of May has been about Domestic and Family violence awareness month. A number of awareness events have been held throughout the district from as far north as Thursday Island south to Innisfail.

Events have included sausage sizzles at the local Bunnings store, DV community marches, family fun days, rugby league and touch football tournaments with DV information displays, Community and Men's Group educational presentations, fishing competitions, and media promotions.

There are many reasons why an Aggrieved does not leave and these include:

- Financial pressures she may not have access to money as her partner controls all finances or she may not have money for bond/rent or she doesn't want to be homeless;
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- Family Law Court issues;
- Fear for her own safety or for her children or others has been told by the Perpetrator that if she leaves he will hunt her down and kill her and/or children;
- Pressure from family and friends to stay;
- Pressures from cultural or religious communities;
- Pressures about the children or from the children;
- Isolation no immediate help from family or friends as they do not live nearby;
- Promises from partner that he'll get help or he may threaten to commit suicide;
- Drugs or Alcohol issues-dependent on the respondent to supply;
- Clients of Child Safety fear of losing children for disclosing

People supporting a person who is experiencing domestic and family violence can make a difference just by:

- Listening without butting in and trying to 'fix' things;
- Talking when they are alone and it is safe to talk;
- Focus on how they are feeling and coping;
- Letting them know the violence is not their fault;
- Focus on their safety and their children's;
- Respect their right to make their own decision;
- Read up on the subject and know the agencies/services to access help or advice; and
- Keeping their conversations confidential.

"If you know someone in a violent situation, or if you are concerned about a friend, family member or someone else you know who is being abused, don't wait until it's too late. Help and support are available."

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Neighbourhood Centre News - June 2014

Kuranda Family Day: The next Family day in the park will be held on the 8th July (second Tuesday of the school holidays). These are free events supported by the local community. If you would like to help out on the day or are from an agency that would like to showcase your service/program, please call Ceri or Marg or email knc@qld.chariot.net.au.

ATSILS Legal Clinic: The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Service comes up on a regular basis to provide advice on Family Law matters. They can also take general legal enquiries and referrals to other legal areas if required. Please contact Ceri for the next clinic

Free Numeracy, Literacy and Computer Skills Training: FNQ Volunteers are delivering free training on Thursdays (9-3) at KNC in the conference room. This includes certified Certificate 3 in Business. To register please drop in and fill out a form or contact Bryony Stockwell on 0420 806 388 or email makeithappen@hotmail.com. This program will run until December 2014 – with a view to continue if funding can be secured.

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.

Kuranda Playgroup: Meets on Wednesday mornings from 9.30. Fee is \$2 per week that goes back into purchasing resources and toys.

WuChopperen Counselling at KNC: There is a counsellor coming up to Kuranda on Monday mornings to see people needing help around substance misuse. Please contact Ceri/Marg for a referral – counselling is strictly confidential.

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 beds. Unfortunately for safety reasons we are unable to take bunk beds. We are also having our trailer fixed, so your patience with pickups is appreciated. All items will go to families or individuals with identified needs and all items are welcome. THANKS.

The Neighbourhood Centre Team

Gentle Thoughts for Today

A penny saved is a Government oversight.

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

He who hesitates is probably

Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are 'XL'..

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.

Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've travelled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.

You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being

Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.



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Gardening in Kuranda with Alectura

UNE and late, goodly soaking rains have encouraged growth in the garden as well as the weeds. The old adage so true of: one year's seeding – seven years' weeding suggests that prevention is better than cure. The workwise gardener ensures that cleared ground, either in established or proposed garden sites, is heavily mulched, preventing weed-seed germination and making any emergent weed seedlings easily removed. As

well, mulching conserves soil moisture and, when breaking down, adds valuable components to soil quality.

Helen, you have asked me to continue my bios on weeds – the list is nigh endless – remembering that a weed is often only a plant growing out of place and seriously taking over as lacking natural controls. Even the Plant of the Month mentioned last edition: *Strobilanthes dyerianus* or Persian Shield, despite its lustrous beauty, has weed potential here as do so many other ornamental introductions. To see how extensive this foreign invasion is, one only has to look at: http://www.daff.qld.gov.au/plants/weeds-pest-animals-ants/weeds/a-z-listing-of-weeds/photo-guide-to-weeds.

While one hears much about Singapore Daisy as a threat to the rainforest, a more pertinent threat is still being sold in local nurseries in its various colourful cultivars as an easily grown houseplant or garden ornamental. However this little beauty once unconfined quickly reverts to its natural form and starts its inexorable climb to the tree tops. Yes, you've guessed it – *Syngonium podophyllum* or Arrowhead vine and while not a declared species under Queensland legislation, local governments may declare it as such. This rampant threat, propagating even from the smallest eyed-length and also seed set, once established in trees is very hard to remove. A walk around Kuranda Village will quickly show its ubiquity. Careful hand removal will deal with it on the ground but from tree tops it's a different matter. Some readers report success with cutting stems at ground and placing ends in full strength herbicide to carry to plant top.

Helen, the moral here is keep a close eye on what you are planning to plant and once the plant is established, keep checking for its weedy potential such as prolific seeding and how distributed, suckering and ease of vegetative propagation.

Plant of the Month: *Wrightia religiosa*, commonly called Wild Water Plum or Water Jasmine (Family: *Apocynaceae*) will be familiar to travellers in South-East Asia where this shrub, sacred to Buddhists, is often planted around

temples and house gardens, grown potted, as a light hedging and extensively used for Bonsai. With its fragrant fruity scented pendant small white flowers and somewhat twiggy growth, this restrained shrub is worthy of any garden. Of easiest cultivation, *Wrightia religiosa* prefers well drained soil but requires regular waterings.

Blooming throughout the year, *Wrightias* are easily grown from cuttings taken in warmer months. In Asia, the roots of this plant are used for skin conditions.

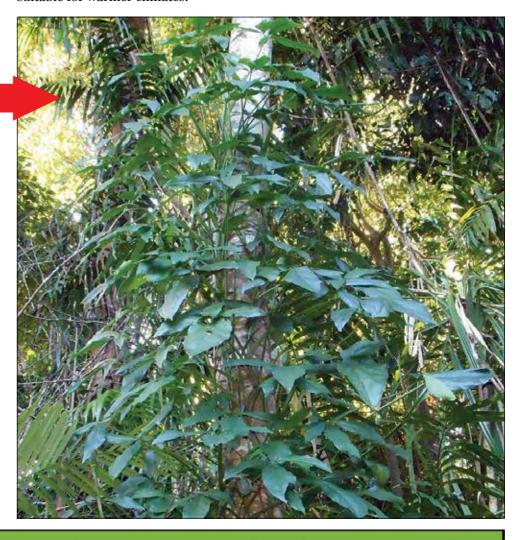
There are several forms including a very small leafed variety and a double flowered form, much desirable.





Q & A: Dear Loretta, A lovely idea for your mother's day gift, a living plant. Gustavia superba from the South American rainforests can grow up to 15m but is better kept as a multi-branched shrub so that its large waxy, highly scented flowers may be enjoyed. These are borne directly on the trunk and stems and are followed by interesting fruits, yielding a yellow pulp which, when fully ripe, is considered a delicacy in Columbia. An added bonus are superb new leaf flushes of a tawny red. One drawback is the vile smell of its cut wood giving it the local name of Corpse tree.

Dear Charlie, Coming from Victoria with its much colder weather, you will be struggling here with many of your favourite bulbous plants giving springtime colour. However, if you are prepared to treat most as annuals, a pre-plant chilling of 6–8 weeks in the drawer of your refrigerator should ensure flowering. I would recommend planting in pots so that flowering is not damaged by rain and mulch well to keep soil cool. Maybe a better and cheaper option is to consider bulbs more suitable for warmer climates.



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UNESCO DOESN'T BUY GOVERNMENT SPIN

UNESCO presented a draft decision on the world heritage status of the Great Barrier Reef recently. It recommends adding the reef to the World Heritage In Danger list in 2015.

Environment group Save the Reef urges the Queensland Government to strengthen promises to protect North Curtis Island and the Fitzroy delta as soon as possible to avoid the listing in 2015.

'It is also important to rescind the approval for a fourth LNG plant on Curtis Island,' Save the Reef spokesperson Dr Andrew Jeremijenko said today. 'UNESCO specifically mentioned that it was concerned about this and the approval of dredging at Abbot Point.'

'The only reason the fourth plant has not proceeded is because Shell concluded it was not financially viable in the present economic climate. If Shell's analysis changes then this will be one more cumulative impact inhibiting reef resilience.

UNESCO pointed to the lack of recovery of inshore reefs in the southern 2/3 of the GBR owing to past disturbances. It also expressed concern about state and federal governments giving these approvals before strategic assessment and Long Term Plan for Sustainable Development have been undertaken.

'We need a real plan of action with concrete measurable actions as soon as possible. That includes legislating protection of the Fitzroy Delta and North Curtis Island before the end of 2014.

'Unless such a plan is available for public scrutiny as soon as possible we fear that it will not be sufficiently robust to meet world heritage standards.

UNESCO has presented an excellent analysis of reef threats and has not been persuaded by government spin.

Save the Reef spokesperson Libby Connors pointed out this statement backs the position of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream, not Environment Minister Andrew Powell, who attacked the company earlier in the week over their concern about the state of the reef.

For further information: Dr Andrew Jeremijenko 0438 372 653 Libby Connors 0429 487 110

A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul.

George Bernard Shaw

Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys.

- P.J. O'Rourke, Civil Libertarian

Government is the great fiction, through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else.

-Frederic Bastiat, French economist(1801-1850) I don't make jokes - I just watch the government and report the facts. -Will Rogers

If you think health care is expensive now, wait until you see what it costs when it's free! - P.J. O'Rourke

In general, the art of government consists of taking as much money as possible from one party of the citizens to give to the other.

- Voltaire (1764)

Just because you don't take an interest in politics, doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you!

- Pericles (430 B.C.)

No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session.

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- Anonymous

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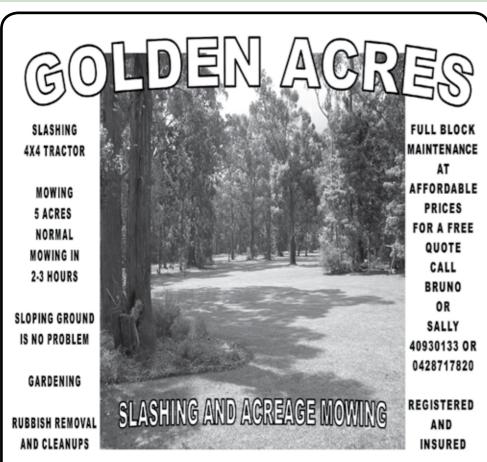
- Thomas Jefferson

We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office.

- Aesop

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Russell Slater

The Electrician Who Skippers Boats

Readers may know Russell through his electrical contracting business in Kuranda, Bomatu Electrical and Marine, in partnership with his wife Kate. But there is more to this man than that. He has led a quite adventurous life that has taken him to many parts of the world, mainly by sea. He is this month's profile.

Born and raised in Gympie, he did his apprenticeship in Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast, working in an electrical rewind shop and as an electrical fitter. Being attracted to the sea, he opened a surfboard factory on the Sunshine Coast. Then he worked in commercial fishing up the east coast, and then in the Gulf prawn fishing out of Karumba and Weipa. From that he moved into diving charters working as a marine engineer and skipper for Mike Ball Dive Expeditions out of Townsville and Cairns.

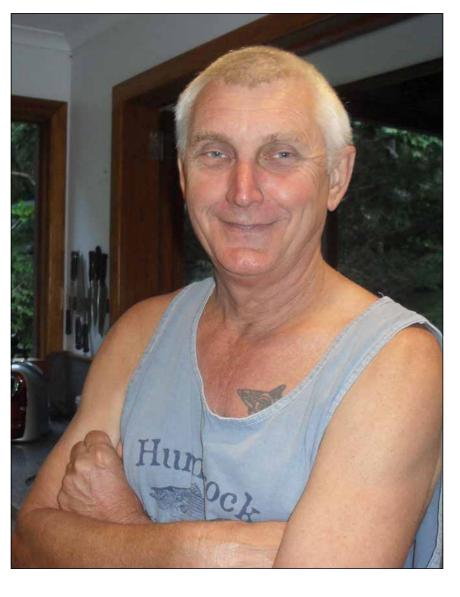
He obtained a Diploma of Marine Science from the Australian Maritime College in Launceston. When working on a boat he met his wife Kate, a travel agent from the USA. They were married in 1997 in Boston, then returned to north Queensland. They purchased their present property in Kuranda in 1999 to use as a base.

Russell was in Fremantle during the construction of a new 30 metre cat "Paradise Sport" for Mike, after which he and his wife moved to PNG working the boat on dive charters, accessing old wrecks and engaging in eco tourism, with Kate as chef and Russell as skipper. Russell remembers one incident when, in the company of all PNG locals, he went hiking in the jungle, arriving at a

clearing when one of the locals jokingly said that they were going to eat him now. He quickly realised it was a joke. Generally he got on very well with the locals.

Later Russell set up his own charter business in PNG, leasing a 20 metre monohull "Tiata" out of Milne Bay. But this business ceased to be viable when 9/11 happened in 2001, as most of the clients were from the USA. Kate was pregnant so they returned to north Queensland for the baby.

The whole family then went off to Fort Lauderdale in the USA to work on luxury charter yachts operating out of that country. With Russell again as skipper, they travelled the Pacific together for several years for the wealthy boat owners. At



one stage they acted as host to Team New Zealand for the Americas Cup, following the competing yachts around. Then followed a period back on PNG charters at Milne Bay and Kavieng, while Kate and baby came to live in Kuranda. They had their second child in 2004. Russell started up the electrical business Bomatu Electrical and Marine, working in the Kuranda region. In 2007/2008 they ran the dive resort "Tuwali" out of Milne Bay. Then Russell rebuilt on the Kuranda property, doing a lot of the work on the new house himself.

Russell still does occasional boat charters in PNG. This continues to be the pattern of their lives, with Russell combining both business activities with the help of an employee. He is due to go back to PNG shortly for a month. He also acts as relief skipper on a 30 metre cat "Spoilt Sport" out of Cairns, which won the award as "best live aboard dive boat", including the most environmentally aware, best crew and best food, given by the international Dive Magazine. Kate does voluntary work in Kuranda with Families as First Teachers (FAFT) and handles the business finances.

Russell feels at home in Kuranda even though the call of the sea is still strong. He comments that there are a lot of intelligent, well educated and well travelled people here, and when combined with the great freedom of the place, it makes interesting living. Being environmentally aware, he also appreciates the rainforest environment, as can be seen from his property in Kuranda, where he has planted many trees and enjoys the jungle

greenery and wildlife. He has a philosophy, derived from his Dad, of treating people the way he would like to be treated. His lifestyle does not permit him to be very active in the community, with two young children and being often away, but he fits in well into the Kuranda environment. A confident, pleasant man, he is most welcome here.

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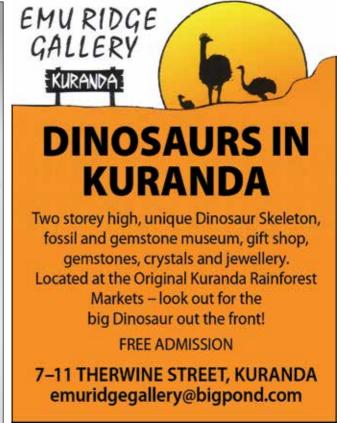
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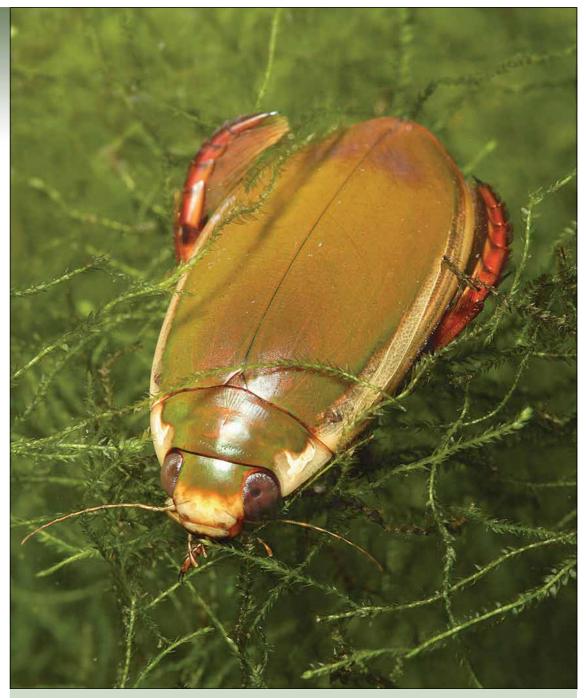
BEETLES make up the largest group of insects in the world and they are found in almost every habitat on earth. One place you may not expect to find them is in water, but in fact there are many beetles that spend their entire lives submerged under the water, coming to the surface briefly for air. Diving beetles are one such group and one of the largest local species is the Green Diving Beetle (Cybister sp), with the adults growing to a length of 35 mm.

Green Diving Beetles generally prefer slow moving or stagnant water, as they are less likely to be preyed upon by fish and other aquatic vertebrates. Both the larvae and adults of these beetles are predaceous, meaning that they feed on a wide variety of small aquatic organisms, sometimes including tadpoles and small fish. The beetles can release a powerful defensive chemical that can stun nearby fish, allowing the beetle to move in for the kill. The adults have amazing jaws that will lock onto their prey and their food will literally disappear before your eyes. Beetle larvae (also known as water tigers) don't have a mouth, but feed through long sickle-shaped jaws that suck fluids out of their prey.

The adults have a very distinctive body shape, with a hard, smooth oval body and the hind legs flattened with a fringe of hairs to act like a paddle. The beetles move through the water beating these hind legs simultaneously, like oars. Adult beetles are able to fly which they do at night, allowing them to populate remote bodies of water and increasing their habitat range throughout Australia. To breathe, beetles will swim to the surface and collect air by breaking the water surface with the tip of their abdomen. They then store the air in a chamber beneath their elytra (wing covers) to increase the amount of time they can stay submerged. They don't breathe through their mouths as we do, but through small holes in their abdomen called spiracles. The larvae have a siphon which acts as a snorkel to collect air with, and they stick this siphon out of the water to breathe.

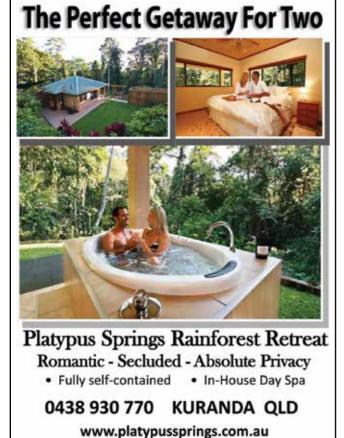
Although Green Diving Beetles may seem like small insignificant animals, they and many other kinds of aquatic invertebrates are very important to the fresh water ecology. Their presence in bodies of water indicates a healthy ecosystem. Not only do they provide food for larger animals such as fish, frogs and waterbirds, but they also play an important part in maintaining water quality. As well as the predatory beetles, there are grazers feeding on live plant and algae material and encouraging new growth, detritivores breaking down dead plant and animal matter, and filter feeders collecting tiny floating particles. Understanding the importance of these aquatic invertebrates is essential in the conservation of our wetland ecosystems.

> Deanna Henderson Minibeast Wildlife



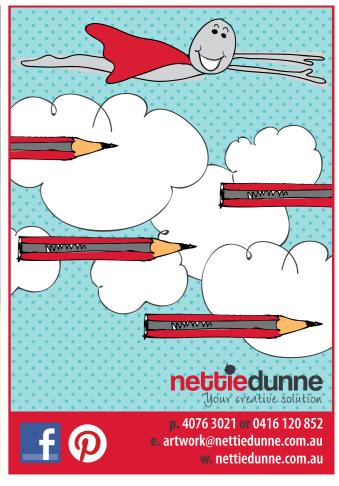
A Green Diving Beetle resting on water reed. **PHOTO: Alan Henderson**





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Join the team for a memorable camping experience taking in the sites on the way. Departing Cairns you travel to Cape York where long, long beaches and magnificent scenery await volunteers. Surprisingly there will be lots of marine debris in these remote, pristine locations and your efforts in collecting and cataloguing will assist in building a comprehensive database.

Cape York features landscapes of unsurpassed beauty and immense diversity, rich with Aboriginal traditions and customs, as well steeped in European pioneer history. This is a fantastic opportunity to help contribute to clean ups on the Cape – from Chili Beach adjacent to the Iron Ranges, to the remote wilderness of Captain Billy Landing to the beaches and river mouths surrounding Mapoon. We will be working in tandem with Tangaroa Blue and conducting surveys of the type and origin of debris at the same time as collecting the rubbish. As well as a chance to explore some of Cape York's natural and cultural wonders, this is a rare opportunity to mix and mingle with Cape York Communities, Aboriginal Rangers and like-minded travellers. Help us with the monumental task to clean up the beaches of Cape York and make sure we leave the area all the better from our visit.

Please note these are very remote sites with large amounts of debris. Volunteers need to be physically fit and have a passion for camping with limited facilities in remote locations. No television, mobile reception – just stars to take your breath away!

Dates of the Cape York Naturewise experiences are as follows:

1-11 June Captain Billy Landing – this is the first time this section of beach will be cleaned up

15-25 July Chilli Beach

5-15 September Mapoon

If you'd like to come and join the fun or need more information and a detailed itinerary please contact Brett Atkins batkins@cva.org.au or 1800 032 501 or www.conservationvolunteers.com.au/get-involved/holidays

Four Candlenut Steiner School Teams In The Great Wheelbarrow Race!

CONGRATULATIONS to not just our four teams who completed the Great Wheelbarrow Race this May, but to all the teams who participated.

There were over 70 teams entered in this massive event, the 11th annual race from Mareeba to Chillagoe. It's a fundraising event where teams gather sponsors and raise money for a charity of their choice. The four Candlenut teams were running to raise funds towards purchasing a bus for the school! Class 7's team, "Robyn and Her Merry Men", also raised a significant amount to be donated to "Save Our Sea Turtles" on Fitzrov Island.

We are so proud of our duo team "Bolt n Elite" comprised of Sarah Lees-Barton and Erin Reece, who won the event for their category!

We have been in training for this worthwhile event for a number of weeks. The students worked hard fundraising and we have also been supported by some very generous sponsors to whom we express our deep gratitude.

Thank you for your support!

Students and Staff, Candlenut Steiner School



Inside My Studio

I think the soft rain on the day gave the long tree lined driveway, leading me to **Rose Tambanis**'s home and studio, a pervading tone of the French masters, of the gardens we see featured on pages of glossy magazines and emotions evoked by works of art. I wondered at the large tropical pond, thick with bright rose coloured water hyacinths, large green leaves, ducks and geese, whether that particular coloured flower was purposely chosen and referenced for Rose personally. Rose Tambanis is a local artist of distinction. She has won many awards and commissions over the years and is currently working towards a solo exhibition in Melbourne. It was such a pleasure to sit with her on her verandah and talk about her paintings and her inspirations.

Where is your current studio?

My studio is attached to my home, the original homestead in Cardinia Estate at Speewah. It is now three years since we built the studio and it certainly satisfies all my artistic needs.

Do you work alone or with others?

Both. I work alone on my paintings but I also paint with other local Kuranda artists. We share our time and ideas. Without the communication with other artists you can become extremely insulated.

What are the essential features your studio has to have?

Good light, both natural and artificial. I can work with both but I find that when I am painting portraits, they sometimes need to be reworked the following morning in natural light as the colours are not always true. Light can play tricks on you.

Describe your work pattern - hours/days/weeks.

I can paint sometimes every day all day. However, when I am working on a commission and there is a deadline I just keep going.

Describe the works you do in your studio.

I previously painted most subjects, but I am now mostly drawn to the human form. I prefer to use live models whenever possible. It is so much more satisfying than working from photographs. My palette nowadays is reduced to fewer colours, making it more monochromatic which appeals to me more. If I am not working in oils then pastels are my second choice.

Why is painting your chosen medium?

I was just drawn to painting from studying the masters in my early years. My first course at TAFE in the Snowy Mountains happened to be a drawing class. Sharpening my pencil I thought that the still life in front of me was going to be a challenge. Imagine my shock and utter horror when I turned around and there was this man WITH NO CLOTHES ON!! I thought he should have been arrested! The still life turned out to be someone's lunch! Perhaps had my first male model been more fashioned akin to some of Florence's finer sculptures my first impression may have differed somewhat.

List three things you listen to while working.

Music, music and music. I always have my personal choice of music playing. I cannot concentrate without it. I enjoy Eva Cassidy, Annie Lennox, Enya and mostly

Your favourite tool?

My palette knife. It is nothing special but it has always been with me in my studio. It is very handy when painting with oils. It gives me a freedom that the brush does not. I can apply any paint with a palette knife – thick, thin and/or 'scrape' for special effects.



How do you identify your work?

Usually I just sign my name or on certain paintings I actually paint a rose, always red. I do not date my work unless it is a portrait and a request is made.

If you could change one thing about your studio what would that be? Nothing, I would not make any changes. It is now three years since we built this studio to my specifications and it is most suitable for my arts practice. I also have a large covered deck on the verandah for when I am working on large canvases. However, quite often the bush bees send me scurrying back inside. They are very attracted to the smell of the oil paint and can become an unwanted feature of the

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

If I was not painting I would probably be in a straight jacket! Artwork has always been a part of my life. With family living a fair way away working in my studio keeps me sane. The area we live in is such a source of inspiration and truly God's country. So I hope to have the ability to continue painting here for many more years to come. Rose Tambanis's paintings can be seen on her website Artworkaustralia.com.

In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm, and three or more is a government.

- John Adams

If you don't read the newspaper you are uninformed, if you do read the newspaper you are misinformed.

- Mark Twain

Suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of government. But then I repeat myself.

Mark Twain

I contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.

Winston Churchill

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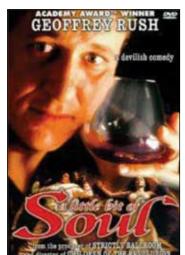
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A Little Bit of Soul

Dr Richard Shorkinghorn is on the verge of discovering the key that will unlock the aging process, but is running out of money for research. Funding may come from Grace Michael of the Michael Foundation, an aging beauty queen. She invites Richard to spend a weekend at her country estate to discuss the proposal. On arrival, Richard is outraged to discover that Kate, his ex-researcher assistant and ex-girlfriend, has also been invited to Grace's retreat and is chasing the same funding. As Richard and Kate compete for Grace's favours, they get a lot more than they bargained for.

A Ticket in Tat

George (George Wallace) gets fired from his job at a country grocer's shop. He is hired by the local stud farm, where he has a favourite horse. Hotspur is fancied to win the Melbourne Cup, but big city crooks want to prevent that. To get more information,

George pretends to be a waiter at a nightclub where all the staff are performers. The crooks kidnap

a jockey, so their preferred jockey can make sure that Hotspur loses. George uses his powerful whistle – to which the horse always responds with speed – to bring the new champion home. George can now propose to his sweetheart.

It is clear that the film's script was heavily influenced by real events – notably the attempt to kill the champion horse Phar Lap before the Melbourne Cup (see *Phar Lap*, 1983). George plays a stablehand who has to sleep with the horse to protect it. Tommy Woodcock was famous in Australia for similarly sleeping in Phar Lap's stall.



New Residential Development For Village

Big things are happening at the old Railway Heritage Building (next to the Settlement Building) built some 15 years ago and standing empty for most of that time.

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Lothar Ebbinghaus, a long-term resident in the area and noted for several existing and successful Village developments, did not want to see this striking building demolished but is setting about bringing his considerable expertise to fitting out each apartment for maximum light and air-flow and the comfort of residents.

Employing where possible local trades, completion of this project within a projected time frame of four to six months has been facilitated by the excellent services of Mareeba Shire Council.

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Forced to Trim Your Food Budget Further?

If proposed changes to the Australian Federal Budget 2014 are implemented, they will greatly change our current living and spending styles. Most people's knee jerk reaction is to automatically reduce their grocery budget (without looking at other aspects of their spending style), but you can reduce your food budget and still eat healthily.

Our recent dull and rainy days, and the gloom of proposed changes to the Australian Federal Budget 2014, made me remember my slow cooker which had languished in the cupboard, unused. But it was resurrected and while my chicken soup gently simmered during the day, it also created warmth in the house.

Ah! Chicken Soup for the Soul, but also for the body! You know the one, with immune boosting qualities that keep away any lurking cold or 'flu. Really, it's a great soup, eaten at anytime and a perfect surprise as breakfast for the whole family.

There are many different variations found on the internet; from basic chicken soup, to gourmet style Super Immune-Boosting Chicken Soup - with Shiitake mushrooms, astragalus, garlic, ginger, lemongrass and red chilli flakes.

Chicken is such a healthy versatile protein. As a soup, it can be made from any part of the chicken, even a fresh or cooked carcass and the giblets. In fact, savvy cooks have set personal challenges to make as many meals as possible from one roasted chicken, ending up with the cooked carcass being the last edible recipe -

Take a look at these two choices. From the original roasted chicken, you get a choice of 3 types of soup, a chilli bean or chickpea stew, curry, etc. That's a good variety. What type of meals and how many meals could you make from only one

1 Chicken, 17 Healthy Meals, \$26 Bucks, No Mayo That's US dollars by the way. Currently US\$1 = Aus\$1.07. Close enough. Don't forget to look at the Shopping List.

Lemon Roasted Chicken

Picadillo

White Chicken Chili

Sesame noodles with chicken

Chicken Curry in a hurry

1 Organic Chicken, 22 Healthy Meals, \$49 Bucks

Oven Baked Whole Chicken Dinner

White Chicken Chili (hmm must be popular)

Noodle Soup

Chicken and Lentil Soup

Chicken and Chickpea Stew

Now check out these other options on the internet, if you are still searching for inspiration.

10 recipes for roasted chicken drumsticks

Chicken Drumsticks: Cook Once, Use It 3 Different Ways

Shredded Chicken 40 ways

2 People 2 meals a day 2 weeks

There are alternative manufactured products for vegetarians and vegans. Seitan is nicknamed "wheat-meat" because it's not a soy product. www.peta.org/living/food/ favorite-products/

See how versatile it is.

Roasted, Grilled/BBQ, Fried, Stir fried, Deep fried, Kebab, Poached, Steamed, Stewed, Casseroled, Curried, Stuffed, Minced, Soup.

Now you only need to add all those other vital nutrients or accompaniments vegetables, herbs spices, carbohydrates, legumes (peas, beans etc), nuts and seeds.

CHICKEN CARNIVAL CONES

8 flour tortillas

2 cups leftover chicken meat, shredded

1 cup (250ml) salsa, 125g cheddar cheese, grated

Fold tortilla in half (if small, fold only the bottom third up) and roll into a cone. Fill bottom of cone with chicken, dollop 2 tsp. Salsa before covering with a layer of cheese. Place on a paper lined baking tray and repeat the process until all ingredients are used. Bake in a 180C oven for 15 minutes.

A sensational recipe to use every ounce of chicken meat from a roast chicken carcass http://www.4ingredients.com.au/recipe/chicken-carnivalmore at: cones#sthash.OlXEXISO.dpuf

CHICKEN STIR FRY

1 boneless, skinless chicken breast, or 2 thigh chicken pieces

4 cups vegetables 1 c. each of broccoli, kale, mushrooms and carrots

3 cloves garlic, minced, 2 Tblspn brown sugar, 1/3 cup soy sauce, 1 tsp. red pepper

1 t. pepper, 1 T olive oil. Serve with cooked basmati rice.

Cook cubed/sliced chicken in 1 T. of olive oil in a large hot wok or frying pan. In a small bowl combine garlic, brown sugar, soy sauce, red pepper flakes and pepper and set aside. When chicken is done, add in the vegetables, continuing to stir until they are crisp tender. Pour in sauce mixture, stirring to combine. Serve the stir fry mixture over rice grains or rice noodles.

CHICKEN CURRY in a hurry

Chicken curry and rice – a great make ahead meal frozen in small containers for another time.

4 T butter, 6 T Gluten-Free flour or cornflour, 2 T curry, 3 cups chicken broth – home made, 1 cup yoghurt or cream

1 cup chutney or relish, 4 cooked chicken breasts, diced or a cooked rotisserie chicken.

Melt butter, add flour and cook until smooth. Add curry, broth, cooked chicken and chutney, then cook until heated through. Add yoghurt or cream, cook until hot and thickened (but do not boil). Add some toppings, peanuts, desiccated coconut, even Changs crunchy noodles for surprise. Serve alongside cooked basmati rice.

You may need to look more seriously at other aspects of your spending, or living style, when the budget is finalized. Meanwhile I hope these ideas help.

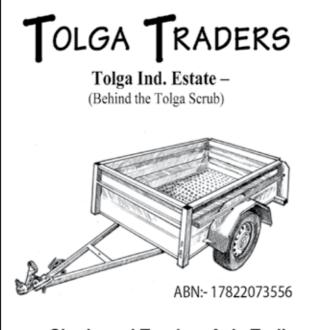
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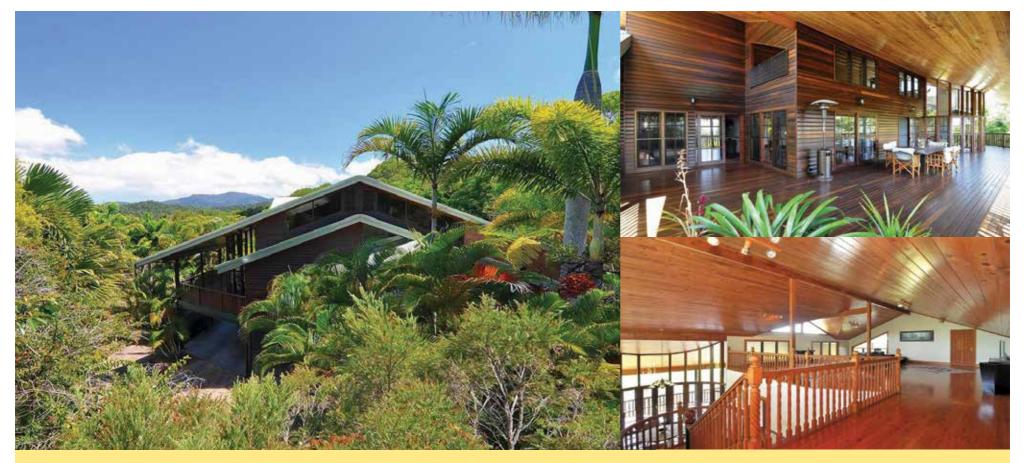
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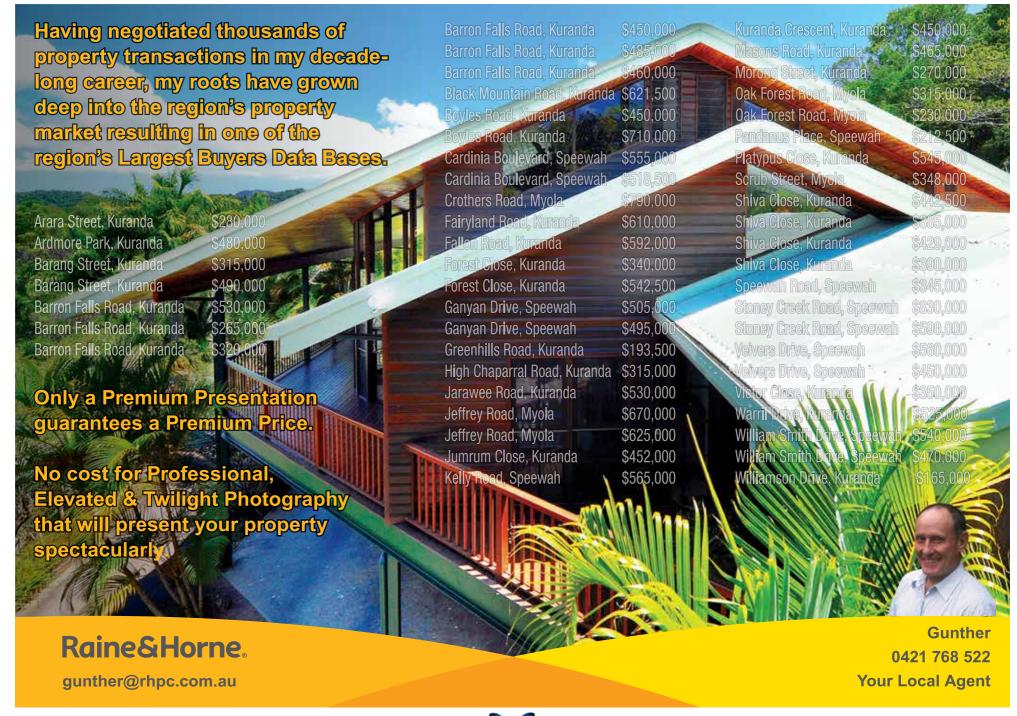
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Calling for Nominations 2014

The Official State launch of the Queensland Regional Achievement and Community Awards will be held in Roma on Thursday 12th June 2014 and in Townsville Thursday 19th June 2014. Each launch is free for community members to attend and will call for nominations in a variety for categories this year.



Presented by Channel 7 Queensland, the Awards recognise small to medium size businesses, organisations/groups involved in Events & Tourism, Landcare and the Environment as well as recognising the achievements of Individuals and Communities involved in promoting their community.

The Regional Achievement & Community Awards will be calling for nominations in the following categories:

- The Prime Super Community of the Year Award
- The Peabody Environment and Landcare Award

- Origin on behalf of Australia Pacific LNG Regional Service Award
- The Reay Services Energy and Sustainability Award
- The Buzz Print Events and Tourism Award
- The Safeguard Youth Leadership Award

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Account and each winner will be put forward for the Commonwealth Bank Special Commendation Award, with the chance to win a further \$2,500. Winners will be announced on the Sunshine Coast at the Gala Dinner Presentation

at the Events Centre Caloundra, on Saturday 8th November 2014.

The Queensland Regional Achievement and Community Awards are proudly supported by Angove Family Winemakers and The Queensland Country Life.

Nominations close Friday 22nd August 2014.

Speewah District Residents Association Inc.

Report on the quarterly meeting held on Monday 12th May.

Our visitors were Mayor Tom Gilmore, Deputy Mayor Jenny Jensen and Councilor Nipper Brown.

- Mayor Gilmore gave a detailed report on Council's finances and budget preparation. He spoke on the major cost that lies ahead for the Council; that of the replacement of the aged sewerage processing plant in Mareeba. He has made a request to the State Government for financial assistance with this \$27m project. He made it clear that the recovery costs of this project will be done through a levy on the residents of Mareeba township. He also reported that the Council itself is functioning effectively with a co-operative approach on the part of all Councillors.
- Councillor Nipper Brown outlined his role in the forthcoming Wheel Barrow Race. There are lots of entrants, lots of support, and residents take a keen interest in the race. He also told us of his role in waste management and explained some of the details of this system.
- Deputy Mayor Jenny Jensen gave us a report on her role in council and provided information on activities in the Speewah area.
- Residents were grateful for the presence of our guests as well as the information they provided to us.
- John Thomson gave a detailed report on the workings of the Rural Fire
- Suzy Grinter (Secretary to Michael Trout) gave a report on the Kuranda Range road upgrade; also that new signs will be erected advising the public not to place food scraps over the edge of the Range, as it encourages the cassowaries to come too close to the road and thus endangering their safety.
- NBNCo report was given by Bob Madden. NBNCo is now constructing fixed wireless towers on the tableland. So it is getting close to the time when construction will begin in the Kuranda area.
- Mobile phone service for Speewah. We have received a notification from Warren Entsch's office that he has nominated three locations in his electorate for consideration in the Black Spot Program and Speewah has been one of those three.

Bob Madden, Speewah, 4093 0169



Drink with the Police

By Senior Constable Lee Stehbens

Speewah Tavern patrons will have the chance to have a drink and see the effects of alcohol on their bodies when the Queensland Police Service (QPS) runs an Alcohol Awareness Program on June 12th.

The QPS Drink Rite Program aims to promote a responsible attitude towards alcohol and road safety with a view to reducing drink driving.

Drink Rite began as a state-wide project in 1995 involving Queensland Health, Queensland Transport and the QPS.

The program provides an opportunity for police to explain the large range of factors that contribute to a person's breath alcohol concentration (BAC) to reinforce the message that attempting to estimate your BAC level is difficult and not recommended.

The program also promotes the benefits of counting your drinks and drinking low versus high percentage alcoholic beverages, as well as what constitutes a standard drink.

Once patrons sign a consent form, police officers will give out a card so participants can keep a tally of when and what they are drinking.

A police officer will then breath test the patron at the end of each drink so they can see their BAC level.

"This will be the second time the program has been run in the area recently with the Kuranda Hotel having held an event in January," Kuranda Police Station's officer-in-charge Shane Mattes said.

"The main goal of the program is to show people how alcohol affects people differently due to age, body size and many other variables.

"The program is a positive and fun way for us to interact with the community while providing beneficial information to both patrons and bar staff."

People interested in signing up and participating can contact the Speewah Tavern.



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The Mystery of Sudden Blindness in Children

N the late 1880s, and throughout the 1890s, the parents of North Queensland were faced with a worrying situation. For no apparent reason, a number of children in the area between Geraldton (Innisfail) and Port Douglas suddenly went blind. The victims included two girls from Kuranda.

The first case reported in the press of what came to known as "sudden blindness" in children occurred in The Cairns Post on 25 September 1889:

"We have been requested to call the attention of the charitably disposed to the sad Case of Wm. Alfred Hadley, aged 11, who has been suddenly stricken with total blindness. The father, Wm. Hadley, a bricklayer by trade, is at present working on the streets, and is without the means of sending the boy to the Ophthalmic Hospital at Sydney. Dr. Koch considers the case hopeless. The Rev. Mr. Regg has kindly consented to receive subscriptions to enable the father to send the

A few days later the paper noted: "The case of the little boy, Wm. Alfred Hadley, is exciting general sympathy, and the people of Cairns, as is usual with them in any case of genuine distress, have responded freely to the call for help, and it is expected sufficient funds will be on hand next week to enable the mother to convey the little fellow to Sydney". A later article acknowledged the receipt of £2. 14. 6d from Thomas Dillon, of Kamerunga. This brought the total amount donated so far to almost £60. The donations were soon sufficient for the boy to be sent for treatment, and on 2 October 1889 The Cairns Post reported that Mrs. Hadley and William had departed on the S.s. Cintra for Sydney for his treatment.

Even then, people continued to be generous. In early October The Cairns Post revealed that boys from the State School had collected £23. 13s. Those responsible for organising the collection were David Anderson, Rees Howell, Fred Rhodes and Archie Lock. The paper also noted in November that Mrs. Sleep of the Crown Hotel had donated £7. 3s. to the fund. On 20 November the people of Cairns were informed that the blind boy was doing well in Sydney and was likely to eventually

By 19 February 1890 the trustees of the Hadley Fund revealed that £70. 15s had been collected. Of this, £13. 10s was paid for passage by ship to Sydney for Mrs. Hadley and William, and £17. 9s. to Mrs. Hadley for living expenses and sundries. Rev. Regg was pleased to inform the people of Cairns that he had received a letter from Mrs. Hadley in which she said "Willie can

now read fair sized print". When the fund was wound up in 1891 the residue of £24. 10s. was remitted to the Rev. J. Vesper in Newcastle to be held in trust for William. There is no further information available on the boy's subsequent life.

On 17 September 18922, The Cairns Post, in its "Geraldton Notes" section reported:

"A curious disease has paid us a visit. Javanese and children have been struck with temporary blindness. Some wiseacres attribute the visitation to the effects of the sun, and others to reading an allegedly funny article in a local newspaper. The matter was not dealt with at the last meeting of the Hospital Committee." It is disconcerting to think that a serious newspaper would make fun of such a tragic event.

The tragic fate of the afflicted children was well reported in the southern press. The Brisbane Courier reported on 17 September 1892 that seven children from Geraldton (Innisfail) had been stricken with sudden blindness. The paper said that the blindness had been attributed to the sun, but argued that the weather had not been exceptionally hot lately. The Queensland Times, an Ipswich paper, also reported on the matter. It also said the blindness was attributed to the sun, and described it as "somewhat analogous to snow blindness in the polar regions". This report suggested that the blindness would last about 14 days. The story was even reported in the Australian Town and Country Journal, from Sydney, which also gave the names of three Geraldton victims. They were Samuel Sweeney, 14 years old, Frank Fulton, 11 years old, and Andrew Smith, 25 years old.

The first report of Cairns district children being afflicted appeared in The Cairns Post on 22 October

"During the week several cases of sudden blindness have occurred amongst children in this district, and one case examined at the Cairns Base Hospital was that of a little girl of six years, brought from Port Douglas. A lady residing at Kuranda has two children so afflicted, and epidemic or whatever it is that causes so awful a result has created quite a feeling of consternation. We understand Dr. Koch's diagnosis of the cause is paralysis of the optic nerve, and he states that although rare in Cairns the cases are by no means without precedent. It is of course hoped that the blindness may be merely of a temporary character, but recent telegrams from Geraldton (Innisfail), where similar situations took place two months ago, report little or no improvement in the patients. The eyes of the afflicted children appear

in their normal state, beyond considerable dilation of the pupil, no disfigurement being discernable, but there is no light."

Theories of the cause of the sudden blindness in children continued to be The Brisbane Courier of 28 October said "A correspondent suggests that ticks may be the cause of recent cases of sudden blindness". This theory emanated from a letter reprinted in The Capricornian (Rockhampton) on November: "A few years ago, at a Royal Society's meeting in Brisbane, during a discussion on ticks, Mr. A. Archer stated that when riding in the bush somewhere up North - I forget where - he became suddenly and totally blind, and remained so for several hours. He attributed the affliction to the bite of a tick or ticks. I am sorry that I cannot find any record of this circumstance in the proceedings of the Royal Society, but remember the circumstance very well. May

not ticks be the cause of the late cases of blindness? It is worth mooting at all events".

Another report from The Cairns Post on 19 November 1892 gave more information on the progress of the two

"In connection with the case of children suddenly attacked with blindness, reported a week or two ago, two little girls, sisters aged 4 and 5 years respectively, are now in the Cairns Hospital, and we regret to say no improvement in their condition can be noted. The poor little things give no trouble, their other senses being remarkably stimulated by their afflictions. Several theories have been advanced as showing cause for the disease, the latest being that berries gathered in the scrub and eaten by the children had something to do with it. Again it is asserted that eating earth, from the effects of which several children have died in this district, has caused the catastrophe, but both ideas are probably nonsense".

In February 1893 the Cairns Hospital reported that the condition of the two little girls had not changed significantly, although it said "the youngest is able to distinguish between a flash of lightening and a knife and fork". The hospital board suggested that the government should send the girls to Brisbane for treatment, as the Hadley boy had recovered his eyesight after treatment in Sydney. Eventually the Benevolent Society arranged for the girls to be sent to the Children's Hospital in Brisbane for treatment, and provided a competent person to accompany them. There was no further information on their fate.

Although The Cairns Post of 1892 scoffed at the suggestion that berries were the cause of blindness in the children, it would arrear that this assertion was correct.

While most people were arguing about the cause of the sudden blindness, a report in The Cairns Argus of 6 October 1894 carried a report from the Colonial Botanist, F.M. Bailey. He had received specimens of finger cherry fruit and foliage for examination. He said the fruit itself was often eaten cooked and raw, and was perfectly wholesome. However, the fruit he studied was infested with fungi, a type of Gloesporium, and surmised that this could be the cause of blindness. He said he would send a sample of the fruit and fungus to Dr. M.P. Cooke, a great English specialist in fungus for

Another report in 1903, this time by Mr. A. Tryon, Queensland Government Plant Pathologist, identified the fungi on the finger cherry as the probable cause of "sudden blindness", and even of some deaths. He identified the fungi as Gloeosporium periculosum, and the active poison ingredient as Glucoside saponin. Despite these findings, and the publicity that accompanied the spate of blindness, especially amongst children, it appears that the Queensland Government did little to alert parents and the public to the threat, especially to children, from eating finger cherries. Belatedly, in the Brisbane Courier of 16 November 1927 this warning appeared:--

"The State health authorities have given attention to the reports of blindness caused in children in the Cairns district through eating the wild fruit known as finger cherry, or native loquat, and the matter has also been the subject of a discussion between the Home Secretary (Mr. J. Stopford) and the Health Commissioner (Dr. J.I. Moore).

The Minister has asked the Commissioner to communicate with the Government medical officers in the areas concerned, asking that they should emphasize to the parents of children the serious danger existing in the consumption of the fruit".

In the 1940s and 1950s schools in North Queensland displayed posters warning children about the dangers of eating finger cherries.

It is obvious from the studies into the finger cherry that the fungi responsible for blindness occur intermittently, and that many people consumed the fruit without ill effects.

However, it appears that the threat to people from eating or handling these fruit is no longer publicised.



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Kuranda Horse and Pony Club

Kuranda Horse and Pony Club has been keeping busy even with it being a bit wet again. Several rally days have been held with all riders getting to try out different events that the pony club has to offer, and I am pleased to say that I love to see riders achieving and gaining a better understanding of riding and looking after their horses.

Renee Boston's Open Horse Sports last Sunday 18th May still went ahead despite the weather being very unpredictable and it turned out quite good with only a couple of showers. Everyone had a great time and we all look forward to her next event on Sunday and Monday 8th & 9th June.

Saturday 7th June is the Kuranda club's annual gymkhana. This is one of the biggest days for the club and cannot be achieved without the fantastic support from all the great sponsors who have donated for the trophies and ribbons. So we would like to say Thank You and recognise these following businesses and families:

- Golden Acres Mowing services from Speewah (They have been doing a fantastic job keeping the club grounds looking so good)
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- Kuranda Lions Club
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- Gordonvale Feed Shop
- Kangazim Cafe, Annette & Colin Bradley
- Kuranda Scenic Railway
- · BFK Lane Family

Thank you again for the support. The club really appreciates your generosity.





The grounds have also just had a bit of a revamp with some levelling and sand being replaced on the riding area as it's been some time since this has been done. So with the help of attaining a grant at the end of last year and a family from the club donating their machinery and time to do the work, this has been accomplished.

The club is always seeking to make improvements so this is just the beginning. Again the club is very thankful and lucky to have such generosity from members to be able to get this work done.

Fundraising is always an on-going thing for any club and apart from events on the grounds we are holding some cake stalls at Bunning's at Smithfield, the first one being on 31st May. So we again appreciate Bunning's for giving us these dates to aid in our fundraising endeavours.

The photos show the different ages that attend the club, from our littlest riders who are 4-year-old twins, to adults. Also as the sand work was being done.

For any more information about pony club please contact me at paulanddi@bigpond.com.

Till next Happy Riding Di Curtis, President/Instructor

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Our local paper is produced by a team of volunteers consisting of typesetters, artwork designers, proofreaders, administrators and paper folders.

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These are entries to a **Washington Post competition** asking for a two-line rhyme with the most romantic first line, and the least romantic second line:

My darling, my lover, my beautiful wife: Marrying you has screwed up my life.

I see your face when I am dreaming. That's why I wake up screaming. Kind, intelligent, loving and hot;

This describes everything you are not.

Love may be beautiful, love may be bliss, But I only slept with you 'cause I was pissed.

I thought that I could love no other That is until I met your brother...

Roses are red, violets are blue, sugar is sweet, and so are you.

But the roses are wilting, the violets are dead, the sugar bowl's empty and so is your head.

I want to feel your sweet embrace; But don't take that paper bag off your face.

I love your smile, your face, and your eyes Damn, I'm good at telling lies!

My love, you take my breath away. What have you stepped in to smell this way?

What inspired this amorous rhyme? Two parts vodka, one part lime.

Who said poetry is boring?



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

Budget: Council is finalising the 14-15 Budget which will be handed down on July 4th. All Council services are being scrutinised and reviewed in an effort find savings. This will most certainly mean some changes to service levels, delaying some capital projects, reducing staff numbers, finding savings in Council operations and an increase in the general Rates. Difficult as this is, it is necessary as we now have a smaller Council, increasing utilities and fuel costs, significantly reduced federal grants and more responsibilities devolved to local government as well as the need to repay the de-amalgamation debt (the figure is not vet final, but it will be around 5½ million). This Budget will definitely be a tough one.

How Do I Contact Council? It is really quite easy to contact MSC. You can 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 the Council Service Centre at the Kuranda Library.

How Do I Contact A Councillor? The Council website lists contact details for the Mayor and each Councillor, as well the details of their Register of Interests (see box at right).

When Are Council Meetings Held? Council Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of each month. The next meetings are on June 4th and June 18th at the Council Offices, Rankin Street, Mareeba. Anyone can attend. The Meeting Agenda is published on the MSC website on the Friday before and Minutes by the following Monday.

Kuranda Pedestrian Traffic and Parking Study: The Bitzios report listed 62 recommendations for improving pedestrian and traffic movement in the Village as well as parking. Recently, Council has agreed to the recommendations in Phase 1 which are the smaller works such as improving signage, pedestrian crossing and line marking. The larger projects listed in Phases 2 and 3 were not included at this time, as those projects are much larger and require further consultation and planning. Funds for the works will come from the Parking Reserve fund (Developer contributions) and the Kuranda Infrastructure Fund.

RADF Committee: The Mareeba Shire Council RADF Committee has now been formed and commences on July 1st. Congratulations to the new Committee: Melissa Waters, Susan Doherty, Tom Cosic, Toni Rogers, Danny Simony, Sandy Mablethwaite and Ann-Marie Keating. There will be two funding rounds, with the first to be advertised later this year.

MSC Website: I am hoping that the Council website will soon be updated with a lot more of the information that residents are often seeking to find online.

Kuranda Community Precinct: There is a vacancy for a community minded person to join the committee. This is your chance to be part of the planning for the Precinct.

Planning for the Library/Service Centre move is underway. The Material Change of Use/ Development Application (MCU is required to alter the use to Community purposes) will be advertised soon as an impact assessable application. The auction for sale of the two small blocks of residential land (the old pre-school and pre-school yard) is arranged.

New Visitors Centre: The construction of the new Visitor Information Centre is progressing well and is definitely on budget.

Relay For Life: The Tablelands Relay For Life is on 13/14 September at Davies Park, Mareeba. It's a great chance to be involved in fundraising for Cancer Council Queensland. Get a team together. Contact Queensland Cancer Council (Cairns Office) – Ph 4047 5500 or check out the website at www. relayforlife.org.au.

New Council Logo: The new Mareeba Shire Logo has been decided. It depicts the "Acacia Purpureopetala", the rare and endangered purple wattle.



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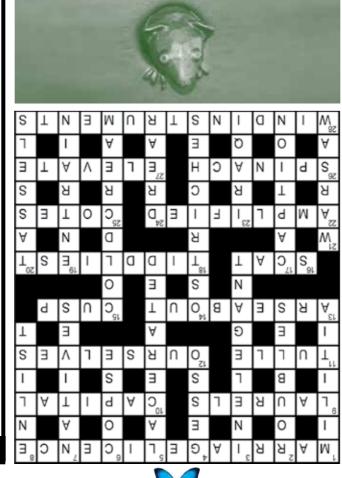
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Library Lines

Are we really nearly half-way through the year – where have the recent months gone? To keep up-to-date with events in the Kuranda area simply check out Kuranda Tourism's website at http://www.kuranda.org/whats-on/.

Kuranda Library has recently swapped a large number of items with Mareeba Library, making for a big change in the selection of titles from which to choose. For example, 250 different Adult Fiction titles to choose from: in total 800 titles across all collections – Adult Non-Fiction, DVDs, Large Print, Music CDs, Biographies, Young Adult Fiction and Non-Fiction, Junior Fiction and Non-Fiction, Playaways and Books on CD.

Every year Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) helps to promote an event called the National Simultaneous Storytime. This year the book chosen was *Too many elephants in this house* written by Ursula Dubosarsky and illustrated by Andrew Joyner. So, Kuranda Library incorporated this story into its regular Storytime event on Friday morning. A very appropriate title as the theme for our Storytime this month is 'Wild Animals'.

Book of the Month

Kuranda Library would like to recommend a Young Adult book which, according to Barnes and Noble's website, was No.1 on the New York Times Best Seller List for 52 weeks. The author is Ransom Riggs, and the book is titled *Miss Peregrine's home for peculiar children*. This is highly recommended for adults and young adults alike and is extremely well written: it is unlike anything else I have ever read – a bit like *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, written by C. C. Lewis, meets the unknown, unheard and unseen! To place a request for this title simply access the library catalogue on-line at www.msc.qld.gov.au/libraries, or ring your local library if you require help to do this. Mareeba Shire Council Libraries acquired this title after a 'suggestion to purchase' from one of our borrowers.

Watch out for library activities during the school holidays which will include silk painting for 8-17 year olds, a dinosaur money box craft for the under 8s, and possibly a frond-weaving class. As always, places will be limited and we will be advertising these sessions closer to the time. Please remember that, during the school holidays, we will not be holding our Baby Rhymetime and Storytime sessions.

Animal Renewal notices are in the process of being mailed out to animal owners. If your animal has been de-sexed in the past year, please provide Council with a copy of the Sterilisation Certificate, at the time of renewing. Council front counter staff will, at this time, adjust the renewal fee from \$80 to \$15. Animal owners are also reminded of their responsibility to register their cats and dogs, and of the penalties that may apply to owners of unregistered animals. If you are in any doubt of the Local Laws, in relation to cat and dog registration, please phone the Mareeba Shire Council Office on 1300 308 461 for clarification. Council can also offer information for Working Dogs and Dangerous Dogs.

Kuranda Library and Council Office: PHONE 4093 9185





The Kuranda Paper is produced on the last Thursday of the month, except December. The deadline for the receipt of all copy and ads is the Friday prior to the publication date. See page 2 for next publication and deadline date. The paper is delivered by Australia Post to PO Boxes and residences in the general Kuranda district, and

bundles are delivered to strategic distribution points across the Atherton Tableland and Cairns.

Trout On Line



RECENT SIGHTINGS OF THE CASSOWARIES on the Range raised concerns by Kuranda residents that the creatures' presence there may be due to food scraps jettisoned by road workers, and tourists and locals throwing rubbish off the range at the lookout.

A long-time resident also suggested at the Speewah Residents Association meeting that the presence of fruit on the wild raspberries was also an attractant for the cassowaries.

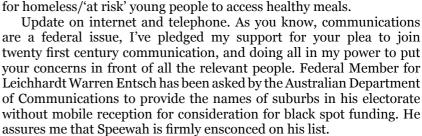
The concern over food scraps however, prompted me to contact Department of Transport and Main Roads, who immediately contacted the Contracts Superintendent responsible for all road work teams on the Range Road. This was followed by a directive being issued the same day to all contractors working on the range, stating all food scraps must be correctly disposed of. The subject was also the main topic on toolbox meeting agendas that week.

Around the same time, five residents took it upon themselves to clean up the Lookout. By contrast to the stunning view, a glance downwards would reveal a disgusting array of takeaway food wrappers, glass and plastic bottles, and drink cans, amongst other items of garbage.

Amazingly, the bin, situated right spank in the middle of the layby, was only one-third full. The rubbish collected filled the back of a ute. Thank you to Marc Sleeman of Tourism Kuranda for getting this organised.

So, back to Transport and Main Roads, from whom we have now received initial approval to erect a sign, and we are now awaiting the probably scary advice on cost, as I have offered to contribute to its manufacture. Aside from the sign itself, its erection cost will no doubt be a huge eye opener for many people, and we may have to look at ways of applying for funding through the Community Benefit Funds or other initiatives, through the Residents Associations or another not-for-profit organisation.





Insofar as internet is concerned, I have been in constant communication with Telstra. Many residents are experiencing problems getting ADSL connection, some through physical distance from the exchange, and others due to pair gain issues. In reply to a recent request for an update based on the concerns of many constituents, Telstra Countrywide have provided the following information...

"Thank you for your email regarding lack of ADSL ports affecting some Speewah Residences. Telstra appreciates the benefits that broadband service can bring to our customers.

Telstra monitors ADSL service performance across our network and manages a regularly updated program of work to upgrade ADSL infrastructure where required.

I am pleased to say that a project to upgrade the infrastructure supporting these services is in progress and is scheduled for completion in June 2014.

Whilst we will endeavour to complete all the necessary work within this time frame, circumstances outside of our control may impact on Telstra's ability to meet this date."

I will endeavour to keep you posted on progress of this project through 'All Things Kuranda' Facebook page and the Koah and Speewah community pages.

I have recently received information from Queensland Rail in respect of my enquiries about tunnel capacity and other queries following our community meeting in Kuranda on the subject of the Range Road and associated issues. Having been in Parliament in Brisbane all week, I haven't yet had the opportunity to dissect the information, but that's a project for the coming week.

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Oh boy! Hasn't it rained? We might be going mouldy but the plants have just loved it. There must be lots of planting going on, as there should be with such perfect conditions, for the nursery has been

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We got a call to ask if we could use 20 volunteers coming to Cairns from all over Queensland for a conference. Sure, we could benefit from such a crowd for a couple of hours on a Tuesday afternoon. Then we were advised that there might be a few more than 20. We expected mostly women. In fact, the numbers settled at 30 men. 30 blokes! Yikes! They'll be full of testosterone and probably ready for more than just potting up in the nursery. So we hatched up a plan to get stuck into the site bounded by Kennedy Highway and Fallon Road.

Trevor got stuck into unwanted trees with his chainsaw and the team stacked up the logs, dug out the guinea grass and pulled

out the Singapore daisy. After a short break for afternoon tea, they were back on site planting attractive shrubs for us all to enjoy.

Those who didn't work on the site did an amazing amount of potting in the nursery. The group left us tired, sweaty and muddy, but we girls had a great day and got heaps done.

The group was from GE Power & Water; by and large engineers all with some interest in water.

Thanks to Trevor and his chainsaw and to Loris, Juliette, Lorraine and Jax for keeping the team on task and refreshed.

CASSOWARIES ON THE KURANDA **RANGE ROAD:** The father bird with 2 juveniles in tow are still regularly seen. We are conferring closely with the Wildlife Management rangers to keep the birds safe.

Please keep alert where you see the "TAKE CARE, RECENT CROSSING" signs. We'll remove them when we no longer receive calls advising that the birds are still around.

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Hello Soccer Lovers!

The soccer season is now in full flight, and the Rangers are powering on the field for the third year running. Great to see everyone at training on Thursdays and going hard on the field every

The training is paying off, the kids are honing their skills, keeping fit, and as always it's a joy to watch the Kuranda spirit in action in the comp, rain or shine.

Congratulations to the U9s for their first win of the season last week over Edge Hill, with training paying off in their beautiful passing.

KRFC are the grateful recipients of a Gambling Community Benefit Fund grant which will be spent on team equipment and marquees. Many thanks to Sarah, Lisa and the team for making this happen.

Thanks also to Nathan Sutherland for the delicious curries being served up after training on Thursdays, a great way to end a training afternoon with the wonderful Kuranda soccer community, with proceeds from the meals going back into the club.

FFA is holding a Game Training Certificate course at Stratford on June 1 for any U13s - U17s coaches (or potential coaches) interested in upskilling.

The focus is on the development of tactical awareness, perception and decision making through a game related approach to training.

More info here: https://education-ffa.sportingpulse.com/event.asp?ID=10575 A level 4 referees course is scheduled for Sunday 29th June 8.30am-3.00pm at Endeavour Park. Cost \$10.

More info here: http://www.footballaustralia.com.au/site/_content/document/ 00001570-source.pdf

KRFC are now a participant in the Cairns Community Enterprise scheme – which means that we will now receive payment form Bendigo Bank for any current and new accounts which nominate us.

So please inquire at the local branch to nominate us - it doesn't cost you anything, but generates additional interest to the club account.

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Biodiversity Fund

We would like to welcome Reuben Richards who has recently joined our team after completing his Horticulture course with Cairns Tafe. Our Biodiversity fund has enabled



us to employ another person to help with Restoration works along the river. As part of the restoration activities we have been planting Black Bean (Castanospermum astrale) seeds along the river bank to provide homes and food for animals, minimize erosion and filter sediments from reaching our Reef. The local Indigenous Bama used the seeds as one of their staple food sources. The seeds are poisonous and need to be treated before they are edible. After pounding the seeds into a pulp and left to rinse in dilly bags for days in the running streams, only then were they ready to ingest.

Left: Reuben Richards planting Black Bean along the bank of the Barron River

Frog Friendly Face of Our Jum Rum Creek Project

In early 2014 Kuranda EnviroCare was successful in applying for funding from the Australian Government for a project named 'The Frog Friendly Face of Our Local Jum Rum Creek'. This project proposes rainforest habitat restoration for the critically endangered Kuranda Tree frog (Litoria myola) in our local Jum Rum Creek. The project aims to bring awareness to the community about healthy streams and local rare and endangered frog species.

Many residents are unaware of the locality and vulnerability of this frog and the impact of actions upstream, particularly siltation from soil erosion caused primarily from land clearing. During the two year project, we will engage with the local community, council, creek adjacent landholders, local schools and traditional owners for on-ground conservation measures and interpretive sessions to ensure the future viability of this frog population.



Educational materials and signage are being developed to engage the local community in developing and maintaining a 'Frog Friendly Property'. If you meet the criteria of a Frog Friendly Property you will be given a sign and a certificate. Reducing chemicals, sediments and erosion are just a few of the things you can do to create a frog friendly property.

Left: The endemic Litoria myola: Kuranda Tree Frog

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Planting Ideas and Uses:

- · Attractive in a shady site planted with other
- · Suitable in a rainforest planting
- Can be grown in containers.



If you would like to come in and check out our great selection of native plants don't hesitate to drop in for a chat. Our trees are all a \$2 donation. If anyone would like to get involved, the nursery is open Mondays and Thursdays 9- 1.00pm and Saturdays 10.00noon and by appointment. Saturday Morning plantings continue from 8.00 am. Meet at the nursery. Email info@envirocare.org.au for reminder or call Sylvia on 0409 647 714.

Date Claimers

- BAG FREE JULY: All of July will be a display in Kuranda PO window from July 1-11
- FROG FRIENDLY FACE ACTIVITIES: Display in PO window, June 16-31
- GENERAL MEETING: 7.00pm Thursday June 5th, Guest Speaker, Leonie Durrant from Bendigo Bank - Cairns Community Enterprise was established in 2009 to assist local groups with an ongoing income stream, up until June 2013 Bendigo Bank has contributed \$453,000 to not-for-profit groups in Cairns, Mossman and Kuranda. Come along and see how this can benefit you. Kuranda Recreation Centre on Fallon Road. Light supper provided - All welcome.
- SATURDAY ACTIVITY: Tree Planting 8.00 am meet at the nursery 284 Myola Rd

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- 9. Distinctive leaves? (7)
- 10. Chief is at head of column (7)
- 11. Sound of tool manufacturing net (5)
- 12. Our egos are what make us (9)
- 13. Bum around (4,5)
- 15. Expect a tip when broken cups are replaced (4)
- 16. Shoo kitten! (4)
- 18. Eddi tilts having drunk the most (9)
- 22. Flip media developed intensified sound (9)
- 25. Shelters reportedly give clothing (5)
- 26. Plant reduces spine ache (7)
- 27. Promote with raise (7)
- 28. Can you hear the Beaufort Scale on them? (4,11)

- 1. Wife's mother has special quality and class a force to be reckoned with (7)
- Speculator's troublesome finances come from excessively holding currency (7)
- Angeline is vulgar when she goes over and grabs toast first (9)
- Sounds like Jess has no paint (5)
- Cut priced cloth rolled up (9)
- Police overheard in the undergrowth (5)
- Plants are green until they take time and multiply (7)
- 8. Listen! Go over and join up (6)
- 14. Over time, big dollars come from these birds (9)
- 15. Maybe use this beauty product when you want to be cool (9)
- 17. Heading leads to captain being put on charge (7)
- 19. If you have undertaken training you will find a way to get on (7)
- 20. Perhaps fringe-dwellers have lots of these at home? (7)
- 21. Conflict observed in capital (6)
- 23. Arab manages quite interesting organisation (5)
- 24. 500 behind and sad (5)

Solution on Page 28

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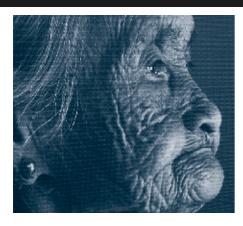
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A Thought for June

THIS month we open our bibles and read from St Matthews Gospel Chapter 28. verses 16-20. There is a wonderful old story told of Jesus returning to heaven after being with us on earth. Gabriel welcomes him and says "Lord, your work on earth is finished?" Jesus says "No Gabriel, far from it. My work has only begun."

The surprised archangel says "Then what means have you left on the earth for concluding your work!" Jesus says "I have left a community of men and women."

Gabriel looks rather doubtful and concerned, and says, "But, Lord, what if they should fail?" Jesus answers, "Then, Gabriel, I have no other way."

Try now to imagine ourselves standing a little apart from the group of disciples clustered around Jesus in this passage We become aware that there are only eleven of them. Matthew recalls this very fact as he prepares to bring his version of the Gospel to an end. Why?

Sometimes as we read scripture a single word can communicate a great deal to us. Look carefully at the word "eleven" in verse 28. As we read the four Gospels we are always aware of the twelve disciples. But, as we know, something happened to break that complete circle.

Judas betrayed Jesus and went from the community That means that by the time Our Lord's ascension comes, the moment Matthew is sharing with us here, the community has been wounded. But Jesus stands within this damaged group and still gives them his great commission. He assigns them his work for the rest of time [vv 18-20]. Think of the level of trust that entailed.

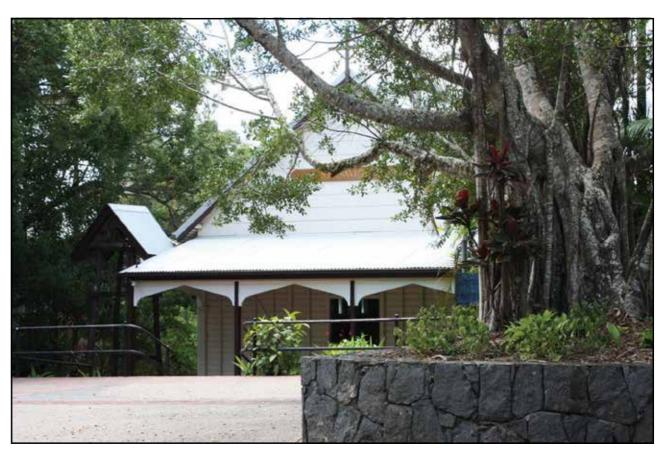
We begin to realize the really Good News for us all in this. In many senses we Christians today are "the eleven." Each one of us, as well as the whole Christian community, has many and obvious weaknesses. Great differences and tensions abound.

But look again at the Gospel. See how Matthew points out [iv 17] the presence of doubts and differences and tensions in the phrase "they worshipped him but some doubted." We see that it has always been this way and it always will be. There will never come the perfect time or the perfect church.

Always there will be reasons for doubt and differences. Our Lord knows this well, just as he knew it on that long-ago hilltop in Galilee. But, as on that day with that pathetic little group, Jesus does not hesitate a moment in giving us his work to do in our time.

He accepts the reality of each of us and that of the whole church. He takes our strengths, our gifts, our individual abilities, as well as all the potential there is among us when we work together. He looks at us, understands us, accepts us.

Then he calls us to do his work. That is the Good News.



Baha'i Faith Community of the Tablelands

Thought of the Month

"A fundamental teaching of Baha'u'llah is the oneness of the world of humanity. Ye are the leaves of one tree and the fruits of one branch.

"The earth has one surface. God has not divided this surface by boundaries and barriers to separate races and peoples." (Abdul-Baha)

> From the Baha'i Community of Mareeba/Kuranda

- Study Circles new classes opening soon, please enquire, no cost.
- Morning Prayers each Thursday at 8.00am in central Kuranda.
- Meditations/Reflections readings from the great religions, by arrangement, many topics.
- Baha'is worldwide celebrate on 28/29 May the Ascension of Baha'u'llah in 1892 in the Holy Land. He is the Prophet/Founder of their Faith. All welcome!
- Other regular events in many centres including Cairns, Mareeba, Atherton, Tolga, Malanda, Port Douglas etc.
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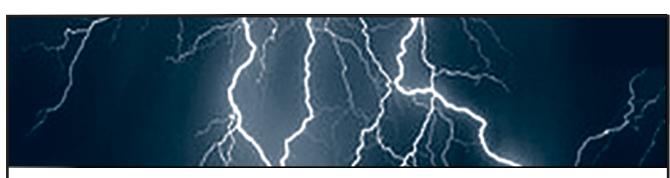
Conservation Volunteers Cairns has local activities in various locations in Cairns and Surrounding areas, to make these important programs a success "We Need Your Help".

Redlynch School Kitchen Garden: Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd June – phone to book.

Coffee Breaks: First Saturday every month meet at office at 7.00am and travel to the Tablelands with us.

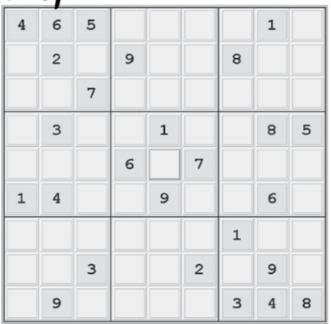
Come along and help. Meet new people and have fun. Become a "friends of" Conservation Volunteers Information Session Tuesdays 10am – phone to book.

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SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 30



NICE beginning to the month with the Gemini ASun in a harmonious trine with a Libran Mars. A fast-flowing blend of positive enthusiasm, action, ideas, aesthetic balance and equality. Venus at home in Taurus, fertile, fruitful and artistic and Jupiter, exalted in Cancer birthing a renewed faith in true

And that's just for starters. What's going on? Is this possible, given the testing, chaotic run of events over the last couple of months? Well, yes - the planets have balanced out around the zodiac in a pattern not seen for at least the last couple of years. "Fortune calls, one step out of the shadows..." (Bob Dylan: "Changing of the Guard"). Bob always did have a way with words, more prophetic than he probably ever realised. This line, and out of the 1979's "Street Legal" just came over the air waves, right on cue. And changing of the guard seems just about right. Very Gemini, is Bob, and Gemini air dance vibrations flow right through the month. As the Sun sparkles through the sign of reflective dualities it picks up Mercury waiting at the station and passes the baton to Venus 21st - 23rd June. Changing of the guard indeed. Then the Gemini moon through the magical dark moon phase 24th-25th June. Miracles, illusions, and acts of wonder for your pleasure and amusement. It's all there if you want it. And why wouldn't you?

Mars, steady as she goes, through the middle of Libra. Warriors of social justice at the helm. Balanced momentum (at last!) and when the Libran Mars reaches exact opposition to Uranus in Aries, again on 25th June (see above) then we have everything in place for an explosive, revolutionary burst of fireworks that may be quite spectacular. The Pluto square and the grand cross has broken down; it seems that for now the exciting changes have been given free rein.

We could watch for some intense emotional releases as the rising Moon conjoins a retro Scorpio Saturn 10-11th June. Whatever clears away now is well-released, and the Sagittarian Full Moon on 13th June shows a much more panoramic vista. There's a sense of having gone through all intense restructuring of the foundations, and we can work together as the mercurial lines of communication weave a very delicate web. Dance lightly. It's a beautiful time. Watch the reflections, and what they tell us about ourselves and our personal hall of mirrors.

Blessings.



Rob Hart

Resident Astrologer & Tarot Card Reader Kuranda Heritage Markets Ph. (07) 4093 0218

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Garden Group 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492 1st Sat

Every Sun 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

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3rd Sun Kuranda Film Society 4.00pm to 8.00pm, Kuranda Recreation

Centre Ph Garth 4093 9926

2nd Sun Uniting Church Recreation Centre 4.30 pm, Krishna 4093 8730 Kids Aerial Circus with Louise Kohn. Bookings essential at the **Every Mon**

Amphitheatre 3.30 pm, 0424 928 917

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

KNC Management Committee Meeting 6.00pm Rob Veivers 3rd Mon

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Geoff 4093 7380

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

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Ph Lisa 0409 367 967.

Tae Kwon Do & Self Defence 6.30pm CWA Hall

Ph 0437 438 196

8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

Tourism Kuranda meets behind St Saviour's Church. 2nd Tue

Kuranda SES Training, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road.

Contact James Partridge 0402 119 642

2nd & 4th Tue Mareeba Toastmasters meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL.

Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Joe 4092 2089. Guests welcome.

Yoga 6.00 pm Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 4093 7401 **Every Wed**

> **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

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2nd Wed

Mah Jong at KNC 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome

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Ph Kurt Golden 0400 772 645

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1st Wed Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting 2.00pm at KNC

Kuranda and District Chamber of Commerce 4.30pm Kuranda Hotel

QCWA meeting 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016

Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group -

10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

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> 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

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