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Poor Fella My Kuranda Fig Trees

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COMMUNITY LETTERS

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Dear Kuranda Paper ...

Consider Wildlife

Unfortunately I have noticed bush and rainforest being cleared in the Kuranda area.

When confronting the offenders, I'm told it is only regrowth, as if that makes it all right. Looked at from that angle, there would be hardly any forest worth saving left, as a lot of it was logged at some point. Yet that is what we have got now and wildlife has to make do with it.

Every square metre of forest (regrowth or not) is home to animals, often threatened or endangered. So what happens to creatures robbed of their homes through land clearing or fires? Being aware of how nature works, there is rarely any vacant habitat waiting to absorb refugees. Surely other species, apart from the human one, have a right to exist and survive too.

So when justifying your environmental vandalism by saying you are only clearing regrowth, you might have found a loophole in the law but you are robbing future generations of this wonderful biodiversity. Perhaps it would have been wiser to purchase the right land for your purposes rather than buy a block and then make it fit your needs.

The only consolation is that I am not the only one having this opinion. Statistics show that for every person voicing their concern, there are about a hundred other people who agree but just don't say anything.

So imagine a hundred people driving past your block, shaking their heads and wondering, "How could they do that?"

Nadine O'Brien, Koah



"Leave Room For The Little People"
STRIPED POSSUM PHOTOGRAPH BY HELEN

Reply To Open Letter I

The letter from Zac Barclay and Trish Molloy (Kuranda Paper, July 2011) was very interesting to read and showed careful thought in the suggestions made.

Much of what you say makes common sense, however there are a number of reasons why Council decisions were made.

The yet-to-be constructed Pensioner Cottages: Council was desperately seeking a suitable piece of land for these new cottages and after much searching, discovered that very little land is available within the Kuranda town centre that could house such facilities.

Under the State Government funding guidelines, Council had a number of constraints on how the funds could be spent. For example, the funds must be used to construct a new building (Council cannot use the funds to retrofit another building such as the existing Kuranda Library as you suggest).

There are strict timeframes on when the funds must be spent. Any funds left over from the construction of the units, cannot be used for any other purpose under the funding guidelines.

Council made the decision to construct the units near the current Library as the funds would have been redirected elsewhere if no site was nominated.

The Kuranda Library: The current library is certainly small and a bigger library would be ideal. Moving the library is one of the options currently being discussed in the community consultation process, but as the consultation has not yet finished, the decision has not yet been made by Council.

The Kuranda Community Precinct: As you are probably aware, there is extensive community consultation happening at the moment and we hope that will provide Council with a clear desire from the community as to what they would like to see this public area used for.

*Cr Jenny Jensen,
Tablelands Regional Council*

A Note Of Thanks

I am writing to express our appreciation for KMA's generous support of three of the Kuranda Family Fun Days.

*Marg Yandell,
Coordinator,
Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre*



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Reply To Open Letter II

I congratulate Zach Barclay and Trish Molloy for a well thought out letter outlining some Kuranda issues on page 21 of last month's paper, relating to the Pensioner cottages in Thoree Street. I'm not sure what Council was thinking when they approved the overshadowing Foodworks building, considering the block proposed for the pensioner cottages was bought by council at least eight years prior, and with a known shortage of council land around Kuranda, that this block in Thoree Street, would likely be needed for social housing. It would be an unpleasant environment for anyone to live in, for all the reasons outlined; next to a blank, near two storey high concrete wall, with lack of winter sun likely till midday, totally blocked SE summer breezes and direct exposure to the afternoon sun. To add to that direct westerly sun exposure, there'll be late afternoon/evening radiation of heat from the very large westerly facing concrete wall which has been absorbing heat all afternoon. The night time radiation of heat would be cruel, when most of us are looking for a respite in the evening from the heat of the summer day. I also ask Council to reconsider their decision to build units on this site, given other alternatives, such as the Kuranda Library relocation suggestion or the Kuranda Community Precinct which could easily accommodate this housing as part of the mixed use intent for the site.

Cathy Retter

Thanx Jax

This little piggy went to market! This little piggy stayed at home! Bloody pigs – the whole family recently went to market in Platypus Close trashing a number of loved gardens.

Enter Jax the giant pig killer and her assistants – this is no fairy tale – and with sprung traps took the piggies home.

A BIG thank you to Jax and her colleagues for providing, so graciously and such well directed pig trapping operation to local residents, particularly my place. And yes Jax – you can have the bread and butter as the little piggies won't be needing it now!

Yours in friendship,

Sandy Kelly, Kuranda

No Deal

Unfortunately, in view of current contretemps, bid to take-over the Kuranda Paper will not proceed. Rebecca will not be managing and assures me that Kuranda residents' voice mails have not been hacked.

Rupert M. London

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KURANDA

Village in the Rainforest

Marc's Tourism Tweets

Bring back the buskers

Tourism Kuranda is keen to bring a more festive atmosphere into the village so has been working with the Tablelands Regional Council to make it easier for buskers to entertain on the streets of Kuranda. The Village in the Rainforest has always been a platform for buskers and we want to encourage that vibrant entertainment. The Council is reviewing the permit system for buskers with the goal of making the process simpler and cheaper to encourage entertainers to perform regularly. Who knows, maybe we will discover some major talent here in Kuranda.

Soft sculptures turn heads

The new eye-catching soft sculptures now displayed daily outside the Arts Co-op Gallery are currently the most photographed feature in the village. The Kuranda Paper described them as fun, colourful and jaunty and the Arts Co-op is now certainly not being missed by the daily passing foot traffic. These colourful artworks are a credit to the initiative of the participating Arts Co-op artists and certainly an asset to the colour and atmosphere in the village. *(Photo right)*

Cruise the Barron River

Did you know cormorants use their long beak like a spear to catch fish? Or that archer fish swim backwards and spit water up to 2m to get an insect off a branch? These are just some of the amazing animals you will see on a Barron River cruise at Kuranda, and with the cooler weather this month it is common to see freshwater crocodiles sunning themselves on the banks. Most people do the cruise to see crocodiles, but you will discover there are many more interesting animals in the



Wet Tropics.

Kuranda Rainforest Tours is a 45 minute tour along the river from beneath the Kuranda train station downstream towards the dam wall. Owner Brian Clarke has been operating it for almost 30 years and his wealth of knowledge is demonstrated by the number of tours he conducts for academics interested in the local ecology.

Brian explains the Wet Tropics rainforest is home to 76 per cent of all known plant animal species on the planet and that it has more species per hectare of rainforest than any other place on earth.

Kuranda Rainforest Tours leave from the jetty on the Barron River below the railway footbridge and down the stairs. The 45 minute tours depart at 10.45am, 11.45am, 12.30pm, 1.30pm and 3.30pm. *(Photo above: Brian Clarke conducting a tour.)*

A taste of heaven

If rainbows signify heaven, then that must be what the Kuranda Candy Kitchen is. Its rainbow-coloured walls and signage attract attention as you walk past its new location on Coondoo St in the Trading Post complex.

Walk inside and you truly are in a candy lover's heaven. Colourful confectionary is on display and if you're lucky, being made in front of you. Watch as owners Ross Breadsell and Judy Fitzgerald whip up a secret recipe and then the fun starts.

They pour the gooey mass over the workbench, colour it and start getting rough with it. The candy is stretched, pulled and tugged until it reaches the right consistency, then fed into a machine to be shaped into colourful sweet treats.

The assortment is astonishing—old fashioned humbugs and bullseyes, fruit rock candy flavoured with the likes of mango and pineapple and for chocolate lovers there is luscious chocolate filled candy.

With such pretty patterns and colours, the candy is in demand for weddings and corporate functions, so it's not just the kids who appreciate its sugary sweetness. In fact, the candy is so good it was given the Melbourne Fine Foods Award of Grand Champion Rock.



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Neighbourhood Centre News August 2011

Family Day in Centenary Park 6th July 2011

A great day was had by all and it is on behalf of the Kuranda Interagency Network that I wish to thank the following groups for their contribution and participation. I hope I do not forget anyone:

- Kuranda Medical Centre
- Closing the Gap (Rural Division of General Practice)
- Outcomes
- Ngoonbi CSS
- Ngoonbi Sport and Rec
- Nintiringanyi Cultural Training Centre (NCTC)
- Tableland Counselling and Support Service (TCASS)
- Community Health
- Kuranda Justice Group
- Kuranda Playgroup
- Youth Substance Misuse Service
- Census 2011 Team
- Kuranda Media Association
- Lifeline Gambling Help, Financial Counselling and General Counselling Service

Lifeline Counselling

Counselling by Lifeline is available at KNC on Wednesday afternoons. Appointments can be made directly to Lifeline (40504955) or through the Centre (40938933). Please note that all referrals and sessions are strictly confidential.

Furniture Exchange

Thank you to everyone who has donated much needed items. We have a system of matching up items that are donated with people on a register who need household items of furniture and whitegoods. Right now we know people who need fridges, washing machines, beds, dining tables and chairs and lounge/sofas. Please contact Ceri or myself on 40938933 – Thanks!

Sad passing of Tydrell Newbury

KNC staff and volunteers express our sadness at the sudden passing of Tydrell on the 10th of July and our condolences go to his family and the community at this difficult time. We would also like to open a pathway for people wanting to find out about counselling options available if needed. Please contact Ceri or myself at the Centre for a referral or for information.

KNC closure on Friday 29th July for 3¼ hours

KNC will be closed from 11.15am-3.00pm for our *Christmas in July* lunch to thank all the volunteers who have donated their time and effort at reception, garden, special projects and on our Management Committee. We apologise for any inconvenience. If you would like to volunteer in some way to the Centre, please ring to make an appointment with me to find out more.

Marg Yandell, Coordinator



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Gardening in Kuranda



August blows in and usually blows out the cold. And with the promise of warmer weather returning, the keen gardener is busy taking out spent stems of Gingers, Heliconias and Gingers, preparing to divide and replant in Spring. Thought needs to be given to whether pH needs adjustment in garden beds and what fertilizer needs are required to address soil and plant fertility. A general rule of thumb is to prune shrubs after flowering so that new growth can get away. Garden pools and ponds also should be emptied and scoured, making sure that excess plant growth is composted and not allowed to enter waterways.

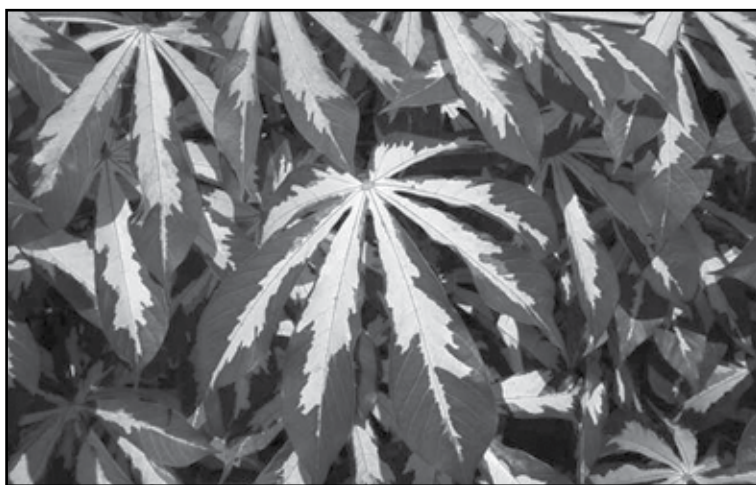
Plant of the Month: *Spathiphyllum* "Peace Lily" – Family: Araceae. Coming from the tropical Americas and Phillipines, this hardy plant family is often overlooked as common or plain but its hardiness, ease of cultivation and clumping nature makes it a splendid specimen as filler and/or feature plant. Varying in height from 1m to dwarf, the strong, deep green persistent foliage offsets the myriad of white flower-sails that show several times a year. Fairly easy in cultivation, with friable, humus enriched soil, regular moisture but sufficient drainage and bright shade, success is ensured. While appreciating low organic fertilizer, over-feeding will reduce flowering over lushness of foliage. The work of hybridizers is apparent in some of the readily available larger plants such as *S. Mauna Loa.*, *S. Mojo* and *S. Scensational* and sometimes available are white and gold splashed leaf forms as well as, I suspect, a miniature species marked with a distinct central silver vein.

Easily propagated by division or side shoots, the *Spathiphyllum* make an easy to the eye, easy-care ground-filler and also a remarkably hardy potted specimen.



peace lily *Spathiphyllum*

Relatively pest free, an added advantage of these plants is that they seem fairly resistant to scrub turkey attack, an advantage to the dispirited gardener.



Manihot esculenta variegata



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Q & A: Dear Sam: The plant in question is *Manihot esculenta*, a member of the Euphorbia family. coming from Brazil. The tuberous roots of this plant is the source of cassava and tapioca but note that the plant sap is mildly poisonous and roots need careful preparation by cooking. There is a mutant curled leaf form as well as the excellently coloured form *M. esculenta* "Variegata" which, if carefully trimmed, makes a very colourful shrub for garden or tub. Plants requires full sun and excellent drainage and are easily struck by cutting – like most milky sapped plants, allow cuts to dry out before planting.

Dear Julie: Growing ferns from spore is a fraught and slow endeavour. It is vital to ensure that your medium is not contaminated as too quickly tray or pot surface is taken over by moulds and liverworts. An old gardener's trick was to heat an old porous house brick. When cool, moisten brick with distilled water and sow spore

on surface, place brick in a shallow tray containing water to half way up brick and enclose with clean clear plastic bag. Place in shaded position and wait. Prick off sporelings at two leaf stage to tray or small pots. Again use sterilized medium to avoid moulds and damp-off. Some excellent articles on this topic at:

<http://www.home.aone.net.au/~byzantium/ferns/growing.html>

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the Arts Page



Focus Theatre would like to inform everyone that due to unforeseen circumstances, our scheduled performances of "The Comedy of Love ~ A Cabaret", on Friday 29th & Saturday 30th of July have been cancelled. For the people who were supportive, especially the Kuranda Amphitheatre Committee, we say thank you. Focus will be putting its energies into being part of Kuranda Amphitheatre's 30th birthday celebrations in September.



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KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE President's Report

Kuranda Amphitheatre President's Report

Dear Members and Friends,

Kuranda Roots Festival was once again a weekend of excellent entertainment. Unfortunately the wet and cold weather meant the attendance figures weren't what everyone would like to see, but those who did attend all had a great time. Local musical representation was again at its best, and how lucky we were to be entertained by Archie Roach. Thankyou to all who helped make it a good time.



Loony Poets again attracted a great audience and entertainment alike. If you've never been to a Loony Poets, come to the next one and treat yourself to a fun-filled evening with nice food, yummy chai, great crowd.

A **Special General Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday 21st August, followed by a General Meeting. The agenda for the Special

General Meeting is for members to approve the final draft of KAS new constitution.



Volunteers of the Month for August are : **Amelia Leo, Grace Leo and Holden Molloy.** These youngsters always accompany their parents at working bees, painting, gardening, building etc. Holden can swing a sledge hammer like nobody's business! Thanks heaps for all your hard



efforts at the Amphitheatre!



Last but not least is the upcoming **30th Birthday Celebrations** on the weekend of 16th - 18th September. If you can help out in any way, please contact warwick@kurandaamphitheatre.org or attend the next General Meeting.

email: kuranda_amp@bigpond.com
Cheers, Mandy



ALL IS ARI

Rupert and Julian, the exposers. They like to tell us stories, secrets obtained dubiously to enlighten and titilate us, and now they are in trouble. One profits from personal tragedy and human weakness, and the other seeks to expose corruption and high level crime. One is hated by many and loved by few, the other loved by many and hated by few. The problem for you Rupert is one of Karma. Your own dastardly deeds have come back to bite you. The exposers exposed. There's only one thing for it Rupert, you're going to have to change sides, or become extinct with the rest of dinosaurs. Watch out for the new fangled privacy laws too, art lovers, seren.



Lulu La Bent



Bosko & Honey



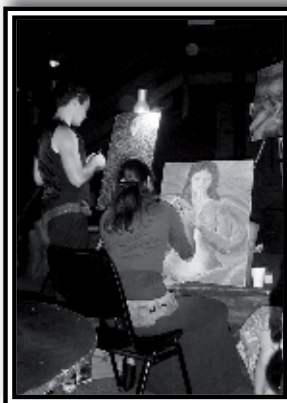
Orv, Lunar, Adam, Danny, Dave, Wise, Nila, Emmaline



Nila



Manuka Kiss



Artists Dee Raymond & Adam Scott Miller

If you missed Loony Poets Night on the 15th, you missed some great talent, both local and blow-in. Anyhow, here are some pictures I managed to take before my battery went flat. Apologies to any late acts I missed, and thanks Orv and Wise for the photos and video footage. It will end up on the Amphi webpage. The next Loony Poets Night will be in October, so check the next Issue for details.



Adam's art



Bosko & Honey & Friends



Zach & Trish - the Kuranda Range Hoods



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Kuranda Co-housing Meeting

The first meeting of the Kuranda Co-housing group was held at the Kuranda Recreation Centre on Sunday July 17. Over thirty people came to hear what the organisers had learnt about options for living in retirement. The focus was on a Danish initiative called Co-housing which it was thought would work very well in Kuranda.

The vision is of 1,2 and maybe 3 bedroom, privately owned units, designed cleverly for privacy on small titles.

There would also be common ownership of and access to multiple shared facilities such as community dining, shared guest accommodation, gardens, orchards and workshops, with an emphasis on affordability, low environmental impact and reduced household running costs. Residents would be involved in the design of the community.

Interested people can Google Cohousing or visit the website www.communities.org.au to get a flavour of what it's about.

Contact Garth on 4093 9926 or Sue on 4093 7511 to find out when the next meeting will be held.

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9 August 2011

- The eCensus should be completed on Census night, 9 August 2011
- However, the eCensus website is open from 28 July 2011 and it is possible to complete the eCensus from that point onwards
- The eCensus is a fast, easy and secure alternative to the traditional paper form, with online help available
- This is the second time the eCensus option has been available
- It's expected that 25 per cent of the population or more will choose the eCensus option
- There is plenty of reserve capacity to cope with more people than this choosing the eCensus option
- It takes about 24 minutes to complete the eCensus form, depending on the individual. For each additional person add 10 minutes.

Key Statistics (based on 2006 Census data):

- In 2006 nine per cent of households submitted their information via the eCensus
- Women aged 30-34 were most likely to use the eCensus option
- Families with children (12.3 per cent) were more likely to participate in the eCensus than families without children (10.6 percent)
- The Australian Capital Territory had the highest take-up rate of all the states and territories in 2006, with 17.15 per cent using the eCensus.

If you have problems completing the eCensus contact the Census Inquiry Service on 1300 338 776.



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MUSIC PAGE



Kuranda Acoustic homegrown

Featuring Jeremiah Johnson & supported by Mumakuna

Sunday 14th August

Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage Show Starts 4pm

Jeremiah will be holding a FREE Stage Craft / Performing workshop at the Kuranda Amphitheatre - Understage on the 14th of August at 2pm. Thanks to RADF the workshop is open to all members of the public. No bookings, just show up!

Adults \$15, Amphi Members/Con \$10, 13 - 18yrs \$5, 12 & Under Free

The Regional Arts Development Fund is a Queensland Government, through Arts Queensland and Tablelands Regional Council, partnership to support local arts and culture.

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Sunday 14th August

The Understage, Kuranda Amphitheatre

Be sure to keep the afternoon of Sunday the 14th of August free, for it will be the first instalment of our 5 month music series "**Kuranda Acoustic**" to be held every second Sunday of the month from 4pm at the Understage, Kuranda Amphitheatre.

We are extremely happy to announce that no one more fitting than Jeremiah Johnson will be kicking off the series this year! Jeremiah's music has really taken off in the last 12 months, playing many festivals local and abroad, playing for Prince William, and even more amazingly, supporting some fantastic acts such as Angus and Julia Stone... Jeremiah will be supported

by Kuranda's own "**Mumakuna**".

The same Folk Night vibe will be happening, with Chai, and Cakes and all things nice!

Also, thanks to RADF, Jeremiah will be holding a FREE Stagecraft/Performing workshop at the Understage starting from 2pm on the 14th of August. The workshop is open to all members of the public!

Kuranda Acoustic also has many support slots to be filled by budding local artists, so please, if you are interested or know someone who might be, don't hesitate to contact Michael Crowley, Ph. 0405 279 045 Email: michaelspiralee@gmail.com For more info: www.myspace.com/spiralen

KURANDA GIG GUIDE AUGUST

SUNDAY 31ST JULY
The Nevermind Cafe & Jungle Bar
Funky Love Tank
Happy Hour 4.30-5.30pm
from 4pm

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**FRIDAY 12TH AUGUST**  
The Nevermind Cafe & Jungle Bar  
Open Mic Night  
featuring Eden Kiah  
performers welcome  
from 6pm

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SUNDAY 14TH AUGUST
Kuranda Amphitheatre
The Understage
Kuranda Acoustic
featuring Jeremiah Johnson
supported by Mumakuna
show starts 4pm
Entry \$15/Cons \$10

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**SATURDAY 20TH AUGUST**  
Kuranda College Bush Vance  
Hillbilly Goats  
Entry: \$5 Adults/ \$2 school  
children/US's free

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SUNDAY 29TH AUGUST
The Nevermind Cafe & Jungle Bar
Engine Room
Happy Hour 4.30-5.30pm
starts 4pm



Photos courtesy of Ryan Pedlow

What an amazing month of music in Kuranda in July, with the **Kuranda Roots Festival** highlights including Archie Roach, The Bird, Zennith, (see pics) Dubmarine, Darky Roots, and many more memorable performances.

The **Nevermind Cafe** hosted an Open Mic Night with **Mumakuna**. A successful evening with guest artists including David Love,

the Open Mic Nights are held every second Friday each month, generally featuring a special guest artist on the night, and the mic is open to anyone wishing to share a tune or two. **Funky Love Tank** is appearing at the Nevermind Cafe this coming Sunday, gearing up for a fun afternoon out (starts 4pm).

Loony Poets attracted an audience of 130 in July to share many laughs and fine entertainment with **Manuka Kiss** opening with a set of poetry to music, **Bosko & Honey** play-

ing a special set with **Astrid Erika, Carlos and Marc** and **Patrick, The Kuranda Range Hoods, David Jones, Deb & The Moonbear, Twigg**, a sensitive acoustic number played by Marc Steiner on didge, Simon and Patrick which beautifully showcased the art by Dee Raymond and Adam Scott Miller on display on the evening. And **Dirty Scientific** (how blessed we are), a funky rap duo straight from Seattle, shared their worded lore, finished off the night with everyone on the dance floor in fine style.

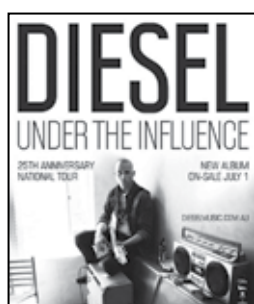
Much thanks to David & Susan Breeze for the lighting and sound, and all the volunteers who helped create another spontaneous Kuranda evening of 'Loony tunes and tales'.

August is a big month musically in Cairns, with the **timeOUT Day In the Park**, on Saturday 13th August, and here in Kuranda, **Kuranda Acoustic homegrown** starts off a season of performances at the Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage with **Jeremiah Johnson**, (see article above, and the **Kurandacoots** are performing their musical physical theatre show **The Red Ball** for one night only at the

Art House, Scott St (via McCoombe St) in Cairns this Saturday 30th July, tickets available at the door for only \$10.



THE BOOGIE BROTHERS MUSIC NEWS & REVIEWS

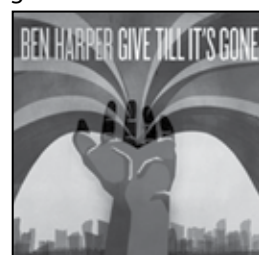


Diesel: Under the Influence Oz blues rock at its best. **Diesel's** been quietly honing his craft and now gives the nod to his roots and influences. The working title for this album was "Seven Axes to Grind" - great title but must have been considered a little too gritty. What a pity. None the less this is a superb blues rock guitar work.

We get Diesel reworking Hendrix "**Spanish Castle Magic**" and "**Wind Cries Mary**" a wonderful version of Neil Young's classic "**Cinnamon Girl**", Al Green's "**I'm a Ram**" and a number "**Have Love, will Travel**" by one Richard Barry. Is this Chuck? Dunno, but it's a killer with vocals by Diesel's old mate, Jimmy Barnes.

The album picks up all the classic blues styles: Chicago, Delta, Southern, Hendrix, and Diesel's own Clapton-like delicate touch, and for the real old rock-heads there's a heavy, heavy version of the 50's rock instrumental "**Rumble**" by Link Wray - always way ahead of its time - presaging

heavy metal by decades. 14 tracks of state-of-the-art guitar rock blues. www.dieselmusic.com.au



Ben Harper: "Give Till It's Gone" Ben's not happy; Ben's pissed off; Ben's angry.

If you like **Ben Harper's** laid back, Jack Johnson's mate kind of music, well you won't get any of that here. Let's look at some of the first lines "**Time opens all wounds**", "**Give and you give and you give till it's gone**", "**Say goodbye to tomorrow**", "**If it hurts do it twice**", "**Silence is the hammer of betrayal**".

Well, you get the idea. It's grungy, angry, defiant and fierce. The music is rich, ragged and hell-bent on plumbing the depths of damnation. But Ben's in great voice - pushing it to the limit of his range. There's some guitar work (title track especially) that would do Neil Young proud - pushing grunge to its distortion level extreme.

An album that's a call to arms. Stand strong, speak your truth and be damned. Strong stuff. Love it. www.benharper.com



Kate Bush: "Directors Cut" These songs are a selection of tracks from "**The Sensual World**" and "**The Red Shoes**". As Kate says, "**Stripping out the tracks; adding new scenes and textures, and sewing it all back together**".

It's a beautifully produced album with a proud English/Celtic theme throughout - strange and haunting as ever. The so-feminine Kate long gone into the mystic and revealing her vulnerability: "**Oh Lily, I don't feel safe. For life has blown a great big hole through me**". And showing her strength, as in "**Song of Solomon**": "**Don't want your bullshit, just want your sexuality**". Pounding Celtic rhythms, Irish jigs, achingly haunting textures complete with church bells and full choirs. This is a beautiful album. Kate's never sounded better. You won't be disappointed; you'll be exhilarated. www.katebush.com

The Boogie Brothers



Monthly Activities RECREATION CENTRE

Hunter Park, Fallon Road
Kuranda



Kuranda Eight Ball: Tuesday Night from 7.00pm, contact Janet 4093 7104

Lawn Bowls: Social lawn bowls 7.00 pm Friday night, weather pending contact Lorraine 4093 9583

Aileen's Yoga: Sunday 10.00am. Come along; take some time out to connect with yourself. Contact Aileen 4093 7401 Namaste

Belly Dancing: Great way to have fun while getting supple, Tuesday 6.00pm contact Lisa 4093 0090

Mahjong: Friday 7.00pm to 9.00pm contact Lorraine 4093 9583

Tai Chi: Monday 6.00pm to 7.00pm contact Les 4093 8276

Bushikai Karate: Thursday 6.00pm. Contact Darryl 0487 469 579

Kuranda Soccer Club: Monday & Wednesday 4.30pm. If you are interested in helping the Club or want to volunteer some time and energy: Contact: Melina 4093 7287, Gary & Linda 4093 7109, Monika 0418 902 016

Swim Club: contact Gary 4093 8399

Volleyball: contact Leo 0405 116 066 or Lisa 4093 9659

Netball: contact Juliet 4093 0067

Basketball: Anyone interested in using the Backboards contact Gary 4093 8399

Tennis: Social games Sunday and Wednesday from 6.00pm to 8.00pm and tuition for beginners at 5.30pm every Monday. More information, contact Aileen 4093 7401, Rudy 4093 8453 or Sue 4093 7287

Friday Night remains popular for a simple and tasty meal, please confirm bookings with Sandra and avoid disappointment – telephone 4093 7393

Social Nights – Remember you don't have to be physical to enjoy the atmosphere at the KRC.

- What disease did cured ham actually have?
- If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?
- Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?
- Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
- Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.
- Why is 'bra' singular and 'panties' plural?

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Kuranda Recreation Centre NEWS AND ACTIVITIES REPORT

The Kuranda Recreation Centre is gaining momentum and delivering sporting events and social functions that offer a broad variety of opportunities for the community. Growth in numbers using the facilities has been welcomed by the hard core supporters!

Wednesday night 6th July, a considerable number of members and guests experienced the State of Origin on the BIG screen warmed by the vertical gas heater and Dave's barbie. Thanks to all in attendance and how much better does the KRC look with a new lick of paint!

Recent Events: "Come and Try it" Day: On Sunday 12 June the Centre conducted the fourth in a series of "Try It" Days, the theme was Indoor Activities and Games. The idea of these days is to bring a number of service providers together on one afternoon and allow members of our community to participate and experience the activity for free and get some expert advice on areas of interest to them. Provisions were made for activities like Yoga, Tai Chi, Tribal Belly Dancing, Massage, Karate, Indoor Carpet Bowls, Eight Ball, and Table Tennis. Even board games like Backgammon and Mahjong were there. Around 80 people enjoyed the festivities, food and sunshine. Many thanks to Melina and Monika from the Soccer Club for hosting the B.B.Q. and keeping us all energized, hope you guys made something for your club!

Future Event: 20 August, the Centre will host all the Tablelands' Junior Soccer Clubs for a home round of matches. It will be an "all hands on deck" event with around 400 kids playing and that means 300 cars and lots of movement and mayhem but it will be fun. Our kids in the 6/7's and 10/11's age groups will get their chance to play at home for the first time. If we do an OK job we will get more games next year and further establish ourselves in the Soccer Association. More home games generate greater cohesion. Well done to the subcommittee for the collaboration with the Recreation Centre venue. If you can lend a hand or some muscle on this day, anything from serving at the kiosk, making cakes for the cake stall to moving soccer goalposts and marking lines please contact me, Melina Clark on 0427 964 931.

Kuranda Rangers Football Club



For the record, the effort in re-establishing the facility as a multi-user recreational centre is highlighted below and is for the benefit of members and guests within the greater Kuranda community:

Kuranda Recreational Centre Inc. A Central Multi Sport and Recreational Facility for Kuranda Information Sheet

Aim: to set up 7 day week recreational activities with emphasis on 5 day week after school activities.

Foundation training current: Lawn Bowls and Soccer.

Foundation training started/proposed 2011/12: Tennis, Swim Club, Basketball, Netball, Volleyball and Softball.

School Vacation Programs: All sport programs/Healthy Lifestyle Classes

CENTRE KEY POINTS

1. An established clubhouse facility close to Kuranda with outdoor operating floodlights suitable for multi sports, recreational play and day and night events.
2. Managed by a not for profit incorporated association of volunteers elected by members. Has public liability insurance and operates a commercial kitchen and bar.
3. Adjacent to a public oval, tennis courts and a bitumen car park.
4. Accessible by road from all parts of the district and within 5 minutes drive from the centre of the Kuranda Village.
5. Flood lit – allowing night and evening Sports i.e.; two lit hard courts for Tennis and Basketball
6. A lit grass court for Volleyball, Netball, Modified Soccer and one lit Lawn Bowls area. Sports fields: soccer three fields and softball one field.
7. Provides a venue for meetings and functions with after business hours access with caretaker point of contact for enquiries.
8. Located adjacent to a growth development nodes of Williamson Drive (110 Blocks) Fallon Road (90 blocks)
9. Encouraging capacity building, cooperation, collaboration and participation of recreational and sporting groups in the area.

Constitutional Objectives of the Association

- To provide sporting, social and recreational facilities for its members and encourage membership in the Association.
- To encourage its members to engage with youths and residents and introduce them to the benefits of these purposes and facilities for the wellbeing of the Kuranda Community and to encourage family participation in social and recreational events.
- Encourage events to promote social cohesion and community awareness using the Centre as a meeting place.
- Operate the organisation in an economic and efficient manner to support the Centre and members in the activity of their choice.

Kuranda Klassic Charity Day \$20,000 CHARITY EVENT

The MagnaPool Kuranda Klassic will be staged at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre on Friday 12th August. Individuals and local charities are invited to nominate competitors to race over 100 meters under handicap conditions for a purse of \$10,000.

Competition across five other events will be staged on the day to share in the remaining \$10,000 charity pool. Invited representatives from community services groups, local celebrities, sports identities and the media will have a chance to race for their nominated local charity.

Registrations for the MagnaPool Klassic will close on Thursday 4th August. A public draw of the 8 finalists will take place on Friday 5th August and this will give competitors and charities a week to muster supporters for the big race.

Event and media manager Mark Forbes is available to answer any questions regarding the MagnaPool Kuranda.

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Miniature Armies on the March

Imagine an army hundreds of thousands strong, with new recruits being produced every minute. They are fast, tough, equipped with body armour and all have chemical weapons at their disposal. They work with absolute discipline and are biologically programmed to follow orders, all striving for the one goal – survival of the group. This is the life of black ants, and everyone who has tried to eliminate a large colony from their property will know how resilient they are. They are not taking over however, they own this country already; they are everywhere and there are literally billions of them.

Although most small black ants look much the same to us, there are many species of them throughout Australia, and several in our local region alone. They belong to the genus *Iridomyrmex*, and are one of the most significant groups of ants in the country. Some species have incredibly large colonies spanning enormous areas, their trails running hundreds of metres with a multitude of nesting sites all linked together. Other species have colonies which are quite compact in comparison, and the whole colony may be located under the bark of the single tree in which they forage.

Black ants generally dominate the habitats they live in and play vital roles in our ecology. Many interact with other invertebrates and have mutually beneficial relationships with them. There are a number of plant eating insects that are protected by black ants, which get to drink sugary solutions secreted by the insects as a 'reward' for their protective duties. Black ants are also important to native plants as they play a role in the dispersal of seeds and in pollination.

Unlike some ant species where there is only one queen, many species of black ants have super-sized colonies with multiple queens – even hundreds. Each queen will continuously lay eggs; they are simply 'breeding machines'. Worker ants care for the eggs, larvae and pupae and go about the daily duties of finding food, expanding the nests and protecting the colony. Black ants are extremely aggressive towards invaders; this includes larger animals, other species of ants and even other colonies of their own species. Aggressive species will patrol and protect



Black ants pin down and dismember a cockroach.
Photograph by Alan Henderson

their territories with their lives, and even the largest of intruders will be attacked. They will swarm onto the intruder, biting and spraying formic acid into the wounds. This acid gives them that familiar 'ant smell' that most people have experienced, when they have either upset black ants or squashed them.

We would have to describe black ants as part of nature's cleaning system, and they are extremely effective. All sorts of organic wastes are picked up and swept away by these industrious little workers. Throughout the country it would be literally tonnes each day. Dead animals are those most usually collected, but all sorts of organic material is taken into their nests. Recently I trimmed my fingernails in the backyard and watched in astonishment as black ants collected every single nail and struggled with them until they were cooperatively dragged into the nest. The aim of this mass collection, of course, is for food, but not for the adult ants; it is to feed the larvae. Adult black ants feed mainly upon sugars, which are found naturally within

plants, but is one of the reasons they make their way into our kitchens!

Finding their way to and from the nest is achieved by an ingenious method of communication these ants use – scent trails. Chemicals are left on the ground, and passed between ants, and when one ant finds something of significance, very soon the chemical message is spread to many others. If the chemical trail is lost (or wiped away on the kitchen bench), scout ants are sent out to find the food again and re-establish the trail.

As frustrating as these little acid-filled insects may be to us humans, it would be us that would struggle to survive without them. Imagine the build up of carcasses without these ants to clean them up! On the other hand, if we were to disappear they would barely miss a beat.

Alan Henderson
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POWER OF PRAYER

A preacher said, "Anyone with 'special needs' who wants to be prayed for, please come forward to the front by the altar."

With that, a derelict man got in line, and when it was his turn, the Preacher asked, "Roger, what do you want me to pray about for you?" Roger replied, "Preacher, I need you to pray for help with my hearing."

The preacher put one finger of one hand in Roger's ear, placed his other hand

on top of his head, and then prayed and prayed and prayed.

He prayed to the 'Almighty' for Roger, and the whole congregation joined in with great enthusiasm.

After a few minutes, the preacher removed his hands, stood back and asked, "Roger, how is your hearing now?"

He answered, "I don't know. It ain't 'til next week at Mareeba court!"

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Most healthy adults experience an average of two to six colds per year, whilst 'approximately 5% of the population has a Common Cold infection at any given time'. Children have a higher prevalence (due to their Immune Systems not being fully developed).

From the time a Common Cold Virus enters the nose, it takes 8 to 12 hours for the reproductive cycle to form new virus cells, and 36 to 72 hours from the beginning of the infection to the peak. The Virus is deposited into the nasal passages by contaminated fingers or by droplets from coughs and sneezes. Small doses of the Virus (1-30 particles) are enough to cause an infection.

With a strong constitution and a healthy system: some are able to avoid them more than others. With the weather conditions changing, we find more pressure is placed upon our bodies with maintaining body temperature and fighting pathogens. Whilst many components assist with the running of the immune system, key aspects include:

White blood cells: many different types, with different roles. Together they form an army that patrol the body for foreign bodies that may danger the smooth running of our systems. **Bacteria, viruses and parasites** can be present, feeding and destroying healthy cells. They can reduce the absorption of the nutrients we consume. By having a healthy immune system, you have a far greater resistance to infection. Without adequate sleep we do not allow our body time to rest and rejuvenate. **Stress** can also leave our body deficient. Insufficient gut flora, stress placing more demand and many more things can affect the immune

system, requiring a greater need for extra support. Maintaining a healthy immune system is essential to optimise an individual's constitution.

IMMUNE BOOSTERS

Vitamin C, Zinc, Echinacea, Adrograsis: Can help to prevent the Common Cold and may reduce the duration and severity of the symptoms.

A NATURAL APPROACH TO ANTIBIOTICS

Olive leaf, Colloidal silver, Garlic: Are strong anti-microbial substances that help kill the viruses that invade and cleanse the blood.

ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES

Homeopathics, Tissue Salts and Aromatherapy: can help with symptomatic relief to address the multiple symptoms such as fever, aches and pains, nasal congestion. Examples include flu buster, nat mur and ferr phos. Oils include Eucalyptus, lavender, lemongrass and tea tree; used in oil burner, steam inhalation or chest rub.

How to protect yourself best

Spending time in closer proximity increases our chances of infection. Air conditioners also re-circulate the air for multiple exposures. A perfect example combining both is when flying on an aeroplane. When exposing ourselves to such environments lozenges can have a localised effect to kill and protect.

Boosting the immune system in the winter time can have huge benefits. Taking olive leaf at first sign of infection in a high dose can flush out the infection. All these can really help you avoid being as susceptible to the dreary colds and flus.

Ask your local health food store or naturopath for the best remedy to suit you.

Kuranda Medical Centre

Kuranda Medical would like to welcome Dr Martina Mende who joined us on 25th July 2011 as a part time GP Registrar. Please feel free to come in or ring and make an appointment to see our new GP, Martina.

Dr Aileen Traves continues to work at the Medical Centre on a part-time basis, including the fortnightly Wednesday Kowrowa Clinic.

Doctors Dave, Alex, Helen and Julia continue to work on their set roster days.

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An open letter to the Kuranda community

WATER FLUORIDATION

After finding a half page advertisement from the Queensland government telling residents that our water is to be fluorinated by 31/12/2011; I started my own research into fluoride.

First of all let's start with the definition of Sodium Fluoride which is what the TRC will be using – a colourless, crystalline, water-soluble, poisonous solid, used chiefly in the fluoridation of water, as an insecticide, and as a rodenticide.

Here are some facts that I found:

- The Queensland government claims it is intended to produce an improvement in dental health; hence it is a medication that will be administered without consent.
- A UK court found fluoridated water must be treated as a medicine, and cannot be used to prepare foods. ((HLH Warenvertriebs and Orthica (Joined Cases C-211/03, C-299/03, C-316/03 and C-318/03) 9 June 2005))
- As a citizen in this country who is deemed capable to make an informed decision, I have the right to refuse medication.
- There is 0.004 parts per million fluoride found in breast milk. It seems the QLD government wants to give our children 175 times that amount at 0.7ppm if we give our infants water from the tap.
- Looking overseas: the New York State Health Department issued a warning to parents of infants to not use fluorinated water to mix baby formula as they risk their child having enamel fluorosis or discoloured teeth. http://www.health.state.ny.us/prevention/dental/fluoride_guidance_during_infancy.htm

One thing that is important to remember is, they cannot control the dose of fluorides we all drink different amounts of water. For example, a glass with 4 parts per million drunk once a day or a glass with 1 ppm drunk four times a day gives the drinker the same dose. Now even the half page ad in last month's paper under the heading of "IS FLUORIDE POISONOUS" says that "Toxicity is related to the dose of the substance not merely exposure..." (*Kuranda Paper* Issue 223 p28)

The WHO found in 2005 that having fluoride in the water has no impact on cavity rates. In addition, the presence of fluoride in our bodies can lead to illnesses such as hypothyroidism, cataracts, arthritis, fibromyalgia, liver damage, osteosarcoma and irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), and is also linked to higher uptake of lead in children. (*Masters and Coplan*, journal of NeuroToxicology)

As well as 24 studies proving a link between fluoride in the water and low IQ Xiang Q, Effect of fluoride in drinking water on children's intelligence. *Fluoride*. 2003a; 36(2): 84-94

The list of proven medical studies showing a link between fluoride and ill health is too numerous to list here. But even with this little information I have given here maybe we need to ask ourselves:

- Why are we adding a potential toxin to our water supply?
- Aren't medicines best used by following a prescribed dosage?
- How does one determine the amount of fluoride being ingested on a daily basis?
- Why is a medicine being imposed on us without consent?
- Is it safe for us and our children to be exposed to fluoride, a toxic by-product?

John Neller, Kuranda

No To Fluoridation

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I object to being medicated by the State with the toxic by-product from the manufacture of Aluminium – Sodium fluoride. The idea apparently is that we are only ingesting a very small quantity. If fluoride is already in all processed foods, toothpaste etc and already naturally in the water, this means that pregnant women and small children would be receiving too big a dose. Mr Jim Soorley (ex-Lord Mayor of Brisbane), a few years ago, spent a long time and money to examine this subject... I was able to give Mareeba Council Mr Soorley's pamphlets on fluoride.

Apparently, with or without fluoride the dental results were the same. Can somebody tell me the real reason the State is buying this waste product? As water is our No. 1 priority, I would like to ask Council, where and how often our water is being inspected. We had a volunteer group of nine people in Kuranda with a coordinator (Government employed) who supervised us for proper scientific inspection. Council stopped this after a few years, suggesting the equipment was too expensive. They said "it's alright, the farmers are going to do the inspection". Which was a bit like asking the fox to look after the chickens.

Radio National, on the weekend, mentioned ALTRAZINE (weed killer?) has been found in Townsville water. We also know Mareeba sewerage system needs urgent attention. We are downstream aren't we? Could we have a public meeting about the state of our water?

Respectfully, June Graham

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The 5th Annual Barron River Queensland Day Awards

CONGRATULATIONS to our very own outstanding residents whose sterling efforts for the Kuranda community were acknowledged by the member for Barron Steve Wettenhall in the recent Queensland Day Awards.

• Yvonne Dighton, QCWA President and cook who worked tirelessly in the aftermath of cyclone Yasi to make sure volunteers were getting fed

• Gerald Hobbler, Indigenous Elder from Kuranda, nominated for his work on the Community Council for the Kuranda District State College.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of the community. And yes, you too are needed as many hands make light work in the various services and organizations that make our community a better, safer and more welcoming place to live.

Some of the organisations looking for your time and commitment are: the local SES, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, the Information Centre, Possum's Thrift Shop.

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TEACHER: Maria, go to the map and find North America.

MARIA: Here it is.

TEACHER: Correct. Now class, who discovered America?

CLASS: Maria!

TEACHER: John, why are you doing your maths multiplication on the floor?

JOHN: You told me to do it without using tables.

TEACHER: Winnie, name one important thing we have today that we didn't have ten years ago.

WINNIE: Me!



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Book Review

"My Brain Made Me Do It"

by

E J Sternberg

(Prometheus Books, 2010)

ISBN 9781616141653 RRP \$35.95

Philosophers and theologians have been debating whether human free will exists for centuries. There has been no agreement among them. It is an issue that has profound religious and moral/ ethical implications as well as implications concerning the law and its just administration. Associated with this issue is the question whether humans are really accountable for their actions, leading to further issues as to the consequences that should flow from any such accountability. Thus if a person commits a serious crime, the consequences that flow from that crime, be they moral, legal or otherwise, depend in large part upon the answer to the question whether free will really exists.

Scientists of various disciplines have now intruded into this debate, based on various modern scientific discoveries. To a very large extent, these scientists have adopted a deterministic approach, which in broad terms holds that all of the choices humans make are caused by events and facts outside their control, whether they be things external to the person or physically internal to them such as brain chemistry. This has to some extent been affected by modern theories of quantum physics, which view happenings at the sub-atomic level in terms of probability rather than of causal certainty and predictability. But Stephen Hawking, for example, has still taken the view that humans are merely complicated biological machines and that free will is an illusion even if human behavior is impossible to precisely predict.

Into this debate it is refreshing to consider a different view of a younger scientist, the writer Sternberg in this month's book review, expressed in terms that are quite readable. This engaging book asks whether humans are really in control of themselves, or whether they are some sort of automaton. In doing so, it rejects the chemical determinism of many mainstream scientists. At the same time, he rejects the view that human actions can be purely random, otherwise we cannot be morally responsible for our actions.

He postulates that there is a third category of human decision making and action that is neither determined nor random. He argues that this category lies in the special nature of human consciousness, a non-material aspect of the human condition that is largely beyond scientific understanding. It is this that in his view gives rise to moral agency and accountability, by allowing each person to transcend the bounds of determinism, to consciously examine the available choices in any situation and to make real free choices. In what the author describes as a *"triumph of evolution"*, he says:

"...we gained the ability to question ourselves, to reflect on our mistakes and successes, and choose a better future based on the wisdom gained from our experience. The mind is what endows us with moral responsibility..."

But the author ends by noting that we still don't know how the brain makes all this possible, to him the greatest scientific mystery of all time.

Interestingly, some other religions postulate a somewhat similar middle doctrine, one in which there is neither absolute free will nor complete determinism. In this middle ground, there is a degree of free will and moral accountability. Thus there are sacred teachings as to which actions are *"good"* and which are not, with freedom to choose between them. This view is often associated with the concept of karma. Equally there are other actions to which humans have no choice but to submit, such as sleep, sickness and death, etc. The existence of a supremely powerful Deity or Cause (however named or described) is not seen as being inconsistent with the existence of such a degree of free will – rather, that Deity or Cause is seen as the ultimate source of the power of choice. Humans have, on this view, been brought into existence with the necessary powers of will and understanding to be able to exercise their moral and spiritual choices.

Sternberg does not approach the subject from a spiritual perspective. But you cannot but suspect that this is the path towards which he is heading. That is, beyond the physically observable and scientifically measureable to the metaphysical. This is a very interesting book.

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KURANDA ARTS CO-OP

Awards over many categories

Kuranda Arts Co-operative artists took many of the awards in the recent Mareeba Art Society 49th Annual Exhibition. The Arts Co-op would like to thank Mareeba Art Society, the organisers and the generous support of sponsors and for the opportunity to be part of the very popular annual exhibition.

Peter Brown	First Prize	Works in Wood
	Highly Commended	Works in Wood
Lieselotte Edwards	Commended	Digital Art
Darryl Ely	First Prize	Sculpture – Free Standing
Esther Hodi	First Prize	Glass Art
Jana Iriyadi	First prize	Jewellery
Buck Richardson	First Prize	Digital Art
Toni Rogers	First Prize	Fibre Art
	Highly Commended	Fibre Art
Eve Stafford	Commended	Photography – Portrait
	Commended	Photography – Portrait

The judge stated "The 2011 Mareeba Art Exhibition has attracted a vibrant collection of well executed works of art that reflect the creativity and culture of this region. It has been a pleasure to see all the exhibition's beautiful entries. I can see the countless hours involved in producing the work. The calibre of the talent is reflected in the masterful works of Jim Baines and Elaine Seary to name a couple. The 3D work of Darryl Ely and Jim McConnachie bring excitement to the exhibition."

Economic Forum 2011 "Strength in Diversity"

Arts Co-op members Cathy Harvey and Toni Rogers are guest speakers at the Mareeba Chamber of Commerce one-day Forum on 29th July. Cathy will be representing the Kuranda Visitor Information Centre and speaking on the Arts Co-op initiative "Art Tourism in Action – Kuranda Art Trail". Toni will be delivering "A Spotlight on Art and Cultural Tourism".

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Poor Fella My Kuranda Fig Trees

Even a quick look at you on Coondoo Street gives me the idea you're in real trouble. A very heavy wet season has failed to promote any return to your lush growth of even a few years back so it's not for lack of water in your planter boxes that there's a problem. Could it be we need to cut back your limbs to save your life? I wonder if your spirit man with the right pedigree could give guidance.

In June 2008 this paper had a photograph on the front page of your worst branches and a small editorial asking for remedial action. A quick look back through the Kuranda Paper's editions over the last three years finds several mentions of you, mainly in our councillor's column. Once in Feb 2010, inviting ideas about the figs, once in May 2010 mentioning a \$9,000 budget for 2010/11, and again in Oct 2010 with mention of trimming your branches.

So, what's been done for you, my fig trees, in the last two years with a budget of \$9,000? Well... a report on your poor health from a concerned arborist in a nearby city was provided to Council (free in Feb 2010), the diseased mango and host tree were removed (Council - late 2010) and a smaller rainforest tree planted (free - Feb 2010), the garden bed plantings have been overhauled (Kuranda Garden Group free design - Sept 2010) and a general plant-out, mulch, irrigation fix up and trim back executed (Council - Dec 2010 - Feb 2011).

But what of you my poor fella figs, the mainstay of the streetscape - it's hard for us to imagine what life (and the streetscape) would be like without you. And is this how the \$9,000 budgeted was spent, not on the trees themselves? And still the three dead branches remain outside the café.

What of any money from the second round of Federal Govt. largesse and especially the special Fed's grant of \$150,000 for Parks and Gardens in the region. Was there such pressing need in the other Tablelands' towns that the one with the CBD providing the most numbers of visitors was not given a Guernsey? It certainly appears that way.

No doubt we could obtain information from Council under Requests for Information about future plans and where the funds were spent, but I'm sure it would be better for our local councillor to provide an explanation in this paper next month, rather than many separate requests using up staff time and ratepayer's money. Please Councillor Jensen, find time to let our readers know how the funds were used and what will be done in future.



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We are stoked to have the awesome **Hillbillygoats** providing the tunes again to give the night that authentic bush feel. The 300 odd people who celebrated this event two years ago all agreed that the band made the night a huge success.

The entry fee is only \$5 for adults and \$2 for school children, the under five can come for free and have a blast in a fun family environment. Entry gives you the chance to win a great door prize and the Monster Raffle that is on sale now will also be drawn on the night. Our major sponsor Sea Swift has donated a fabulous major prize and we have had some amazing support and prizes from other sponsors. It could be your lucky night!



TABLELANDS COMMUNITY PLAN

Get involved and help plan for the future!

As part of the development of the Tablelands Community Plan, three Think Tanks will be held to focus on specific local, national and global drivers impacting on the Tablelands region for the next 10 years. Everyone is invited to attend one or more of the Think Tanks, which lead into the Regional Summit on 14 September.

THINK TANK #1

Population, Lifestyle and Wellbeing

Join us to plan for community wellbeing on the Tablelands.

WHEN: Tuesday 2 August

TIME: 9am registration for 9.30am start. Finish at 3.30pm

WHERE: Merriland Hall, Atherton

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Dr Alison Taylor, Queensland Treasury

RSVP: Joy Wii on 4043 4115
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THINK TANK #2

Adapting to Our Changing Environment & Resources Base

Join us to plan for a sustainable Tablelands future.

WHEN: Tuesday 9 August

TIME: 9am registration for 9.30am start. Finish at 3.30pm

WHERE: Kairi Hall, Kairi

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Neil Cliffe, Manager, Climate Risk Management and Adaptation, DEEDI

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THINK TANK #3

Globalisation v Localisation

Join us to plan for our future economic development by thinking globally.

WHEN: Tuesday 16 August

TIME: 9am registration for 9.30am start. Finish at 3.30pm

WHERE: Mareeba International Club

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Graham Poon, CEO, Troplinks Inc.

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KURANDA VILLAGE TAX TIP

By **Fay Allen** BCom CPA

EDUCATION TAX REFUND – NOW INCLUDES UNIFORMS!

At last! The Government has changed the Education Tax Refund to include school-approved uniforms purchased from 1st July 2011. You cannot claim for uniforms in your 2011 tax return but you need to keep receipts from 1st July 2011 so that you can claim for school uniforms when you do your tax return for the year ending 30th June 2012.

Are you Eligible?

If you had eligible expenses for a child's primary or secondary education during the financial year you can claim an education tax refund of up to 50% of those expenses if any of the following applies:

- you received family tax benefit (FTB) Part A for the child
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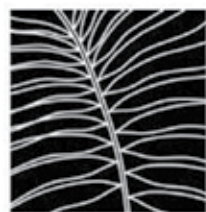
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From 1st July 2011: School-approved uniforms including hats, footwear and sports uniforms approved by the school as its uniform.

You cannot claim for: school fees, school excursions, tutoring fees, musical instruments, sporting equipment, computer games, building levies, library book fees, donations, tuck shop expenses, transport or membership fees.

For the year ending 30th June 2011 you can claim 50% of eligible expenses up to \$1,588 for secondary school children (refund of \$794) and \$794 for primary school children (refund of \$397). I am hoping that you are all keeping your receipts for eligible education expenses.

The above information is a summary only. If you have any questions please feel free to call Fay or Cindy on 4093 8222 at Kuranda Village Accountancy or visit the Education Tax Refund website www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au.



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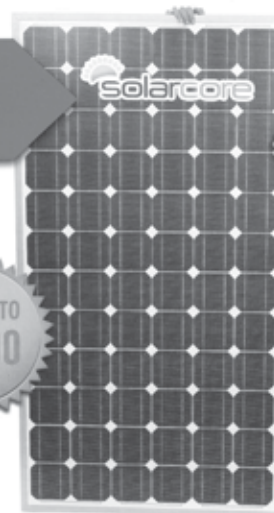
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Malcolm MacLeod: Making the Most of Humble Beginnings

You may know **Malcolm**, our profile for this month, and his lovely wife Gina. They are the current owners of the renovated old markets in Therwine Street Kuranda. But few will know of Malcolm's very humble beginnings. It makes interesting reading.

Malcolm is a fifth generation Aussie. One of his ancestors on his father's side served in the British Army, firstly in India and then in the Crimean War. In 1870 he emigrated to the Australian colonies. On his mother's side Malcolm's forbears were Scottish/Irish migrants.

Malcolm was born and brought up in Melbourne in quite modest circumstances. He left school when he was thirteen, undertaking an apprenticeship in carpentry and setting up in business as a young man. His first marriage took place when he had no money. There were three children from it. He took on house renovations and extensions for some 16 years but made little money.

Malcolm then persuaded his mother to sell her house and invest in a beachfront shop. From there he sold home-made icecreams, made in an old factory he had bought. During the next twenty years this became a chain of shops and vans, selling "Williamstown Icecreams". Malcolm also began buying and selling properties. He bought an old Williamstown woolstore at a bank auction, pulled it down and subdivided the land. He also started up and managed restaurants and coffee shops in Melbourne, such as Sam's Boatshed and Sails. By now Malcolm was working 80 – 90 hours a week with no holidays. A second marriage did not last long, but on the positive side there were 2 more children from it.

An employee-carpenter told Malcolm that he had a boatshed in Cairns with a large 52 foot boat that had Malcolm's "name on it". Malcolm took a holiday (for a change) to Cairns, with a view to going up the Cape, and put in a tender and bought the boat. He did it up and then set off north in it with a female crew. But trouble followed when he hit a reef at Lizard Island. After rescue and release, Malcolm and the boat made their way back to Cairns, where it was repaired and later sold.

Malcolm saw an opportunity to renovate the Demi-View Motel in Mossman



and moved to Port Douglas. He was finally thinking of retirement when he met Gina. Then an acquaintance rang him from Melbourne asking for advice about what to do with an old market in Kuranda which his brother had purchased: the Original Kuranda Market. Malcolm had a look at it and made an offer to buy. It was accepted. The Market was run down and needed a lot of work so it was a great opportunity to use his renovation skills. Malcolm also bought the adjoining corner property on the high side and later the adjoining property on the low side. He and Gina moved to Kuranda.

Malcolm has since done a magnificent job renovating the old market with flair. It still has real character but is much improved. He put in a mini golf course. Work is ongoing. Gina has opened her own face and body studio in one of the shops. Plans for the future are to finish the renovations, add more food outlets and a once a month night market. Business has been very slow so far, as it is a terrible time for tourism, but Malcolm remains optimistic. With the train, cable car and motor vehicle access, the facilities are already there to bring large numbers of tourists to Kuranda. All it needs is an upturn in tourism plus some improved attractions in the region.

Malcolm has some good ideas. He would make a good mayor of the area.

Malcolm and Gina were married at Cedar Park 4 years ago and are very happy together. Although Malcolm likes to keep busy and says he hasn't been put off by life's hard lessons, especially those inflicted by the banks, he does now have other interests. He likes trail riding, 4 wheel driving, canoeing and camping out. He follows politics. He enjoys visits from family (one child, now an adult, lives in Mossman) and friends. He loves Australia. If he keeps going he might make his aim of 100 years, slowing down only gradually.

Good luck to you mate!

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Inside My Studio

Interview and Photograph by Toni Rogers

The Men's Shed provides a special place where men can get together and enjoy doing 'blokey stuff' in the company of other like-minded men. A shed is a shed...except when it is taken over by a woman, especially an artist, and the shed is turned into a studio. **Cathy Harvey's** shed/studio is no exception, and it has become the workplace for her intricate lampwork glass beads.

Where is your current studio?

In my shed at my home in Kuranda.

Do you work alone or with others?

I work alone...with two dogs for company.

What are the essential features your studio has to have?

A good air flow, a comfortable cushion on my stool, running water and in particular an aloe vera plant handy for the occasional burnt finger.

Describe your work pattern – hours/days/weeks.

I usually start around 7pm and once I get going I can work until I run out of gas or start falling asleep at the torch. Because the kiln has to be warmed up, I need to plan my session in advance and make sure I have at least two uninterrupted hours to work, so, for that reason, I tend only to work at night. I might not go near the torch for a week or so and then be hard at it every night once I get an idea or need to experiment. I use YouTube as my teacher, so may spend a couple of hours just watching tutorials and then may not start on the torch work until midnight. I am a bit of a night owl.

Describe the work you do in your studio.

I make lampwork beads on the two torches that I use – a propane hot head and a mini cc (propane and oxygen). Recently I have been playing around with the ends of the glass rods and making pendants and earrings by fusing and slumping glass pieces in the kiln. A lot is experimental and sometimes not very successful. I have also had fun making small sculptured faces after failing at making



green tree frogs.

Why is glass your chosen medium?

I enjoy the movement of the glass as it melts and the changes in colour and shape when the heat is applied. Its molten state has an almost hypnotic affect on me. Then it hardens into something that is only really seen once the kiln cools – that is the exciting part when you really see the result of your work. Once cleaned and turned into a piece of jewellery, the bead becomes alive.

List three things you listen to while working.

I watch/listen to iView when I'm working – mainly episodes of *Doctor Who* or *Midsomer Murders*. As I've seen them before I don't worry about missing parts of the programmes. In the early days of my glass bead making I would get burnt by not concentrating, but I'm better at it now. I also listen to my compilation of all my favourite music from my life...from the Monkees to Bob Dylan to Augie March.

Your favourite tool?

My torch, my marver and poking tool. (Cathy describes her 'poking tool' as a wooden tool with an attached metal rounded rod on each end for moving the molten glass and colour. It will also poke useful

holes which will later blister and create texture and patterns.)

How do you identify your work?

I have no specific marking for my work. I suppose my patterns are what make my beads individual and recognisable.

How do you sell your work?

I have a stall at the Tanks Markets in Cairns once a month selling the beads as individual pieces, and also have them made up into jewellery. The individual beads are sold at the Kuranda Arts Co-op gallery and I have earrings at the Tea House in Kuranda. I also have a website through which I sell my artwork.

Do you teach or sell from your studio?

No, I don't teach. I am still learning myself! But then again, I'm happy to demonstrate how to do it if anyone wants to come to my studio and have a go at making a bead. Setting up is a bit of a financial layout initially, so it's best for

interested artists to have a go before buying all the gear!

Do you have any other paid or unpaid jobs?

I run the Kuranda Visitor Information Centre, and I am a member and volunteer at the Kuranda Arts C-op and Kuranda Amphitheatre.

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

I would put in an oxygen concentrator to save buying a new oxygen cylinder every month. The studio needs to be walled off from the rest of the shed so that I can't see all the stuff I've collected over 30 years and get sidetracked trying to tidy up instead of making beads.

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

I would get a Wicked van, paint some fancy graffiti on it and be off travelling, you wouldn't see me for dust. Or I would turn my ability into another artistic venture. Once an artist always an artist.

Cathy Harvey is guest speaker at the 2011 Economic Forum 'Strength in Diversity' in Mareeba on 29th July. Cathy will be speaking to the delegates on 'Art Tourism in Action – Art Trails' using the link between the tourism industry and the arts community with the Kuranda Public Arts Trail brochure. Cathy was instrumental in its production.

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How many people can Kuranda carry?

The Friends of the Earth (FoE) Kuranda group is very disappointed about the contents of a letter sent out recently by the Tablelands Regional Council. This stated, that despite assurances made by local MP Steve Wettenhall and the State government, Council considers "the Myola zone to be an area intended for future urban purposes".

In regional NSW and Victoria many communities over the recent past have been faced with similar plans being imposed on them for the greater good and have spoken with a collective voice, NO.

NO to the destruction of their unique lifestyle, to the environmental degradation that urbanisation brings, to being disregarded by their elected representatives and to dramatically changing their communities, and YES to a sustainable future.

It's only by speaking with a collective voice that their views have prevailed and the plans to change their communities into growth hotspots have in many cases been shelved.

The people who choose to live in Kuranda do so for a variety of reasons, including the region's beauty, rainforest environment, tranquillity and wildlife. Whatever the reason we live in Kuranda, we can collectively become active and involved, to prevent the growth lobby prevailing and what we value most being destroyed.

Friends of the Earth Kuranda identifies sustainable population as one of the major issues in Far North Queensland. We believe that simply adding to environmental pressures by increasing human numbers before a sustainable way of life has been developed would only accelerate environmental damage.

Better ways of living

It is important to locate infrastructure and housing in appropriate places where it impacts minimally on the biodiversity of our region – and to work creatively together as a community so that our buildings are energy and water efficient, attractive and made of renewable materials.

What can be done?

ACTION:

- We are proud to support the recently launched, positive initiative Recharge Kuranda, part of the global Transition towns (and rainforest villages!) movement. All Kuranda individuals and groups are invited to join. Please sign the online petition-for details email Sjoerd at rechargekuranda@gmail.com
- Tablelands Regional Council (TRC) are currently devising a community plan and new planning scheme so make sure you have your input. See <http://www.trc.qld.gov.au/tablelands-community-plan> and say NO to developing Kuranda as a dormitory suburb of Cairns and YES to improving the environmental impact and quality of life of our village.

Upcoming Events

FoE BatReach Working Bee Sat 17 September 10am–2pm

Come along and join us help Pam at BatReach, 13 Barang Street and learn more about flying-foxes and other Australian wildlife. Please wear working clothes and shoes, bring gloves and heaps of energy and enthusiasm. No special skills needed.

40th Birthday Party

Friends of the Earth, the largest environmental and social justice organisation in the world, is 40 this year and we plan to celebrate. So come to the FOE Kuranda birthday party planned for October – more details in next Kuranda paper.

Other ways to get involved:

- We are looking for a volunteer experienced in fundraising and grant application to help organise funding for a FoE Kuranda office and campaign centre in Kuranda.
- Join our group – membership is \$5 a year plus the chance to subscribe to the excellent FoE Australia magazine Chain Reaction

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Your Month by the Stars The Stars in August

A little bit of R & R this month. It's been a hectic couple of months, with triple eclipses and a potent Capricorn full moon. Let's relax for a bit, and look at the big picture.

With the sun moving through Leo we can warm to the things that give us a sense of pride; self confidence, and allow us to shine. Mercury sliding back through Leo uncovers some previously unnoticed little golden nuggets of information we can build on. Venus, also in Leo, lets the love shine through and promises some beautiful creative achievements. Do what you love; love what you do, and enjoy the rewards.

Mars in Cancer is ferocious wolf mother energy. Mothers will fire up to protect their cubs. Tread gently around the little ones. The mamma wolves are a force to be reckoned with. A time of protective nurturing. You would expect also that mother Earth will be making some clear statements on behalf of all her children: endangered species and populations under threat will attract positive warrior energy from our brave eco-warriors. Speak up.

Jupiter in Taurus enhances the fertility and vitality of all efforts to honour the earth and we should see some very positive increase in the productivity. A deepening of our understanding of our mutual interdependence on the earth's natural fertility and sustainability. Good news.

Saturn is moving direct through Libra – a practical, down-to-earth balancing of our use of resources and respect for each other. Judicial processes acting in a balanced way. Justice for all and an equalizing of resource allocation. Also good news.

The outer planets, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto are all retrograde. The galactic forces which impact on our solar system withdrawing, taking an in-breath and giving us a little time to regroup, reassess our priorities and prepare for the next wave.

The Aquarian full moon on the 14th August shows us clearly how far we've progressed in our evolution towards higher consciousness and what the next step will and should be. Personally and collectively we can align with our potential to step up and utilize our amazing technology for the greater good.

As the sun and Venus move into Virgo 22nd – 23rd August we are healing; purifying and kicking the money changers out of the temple. A time for lovingly cleansing, healing and aligning with the sacred. Use it well.

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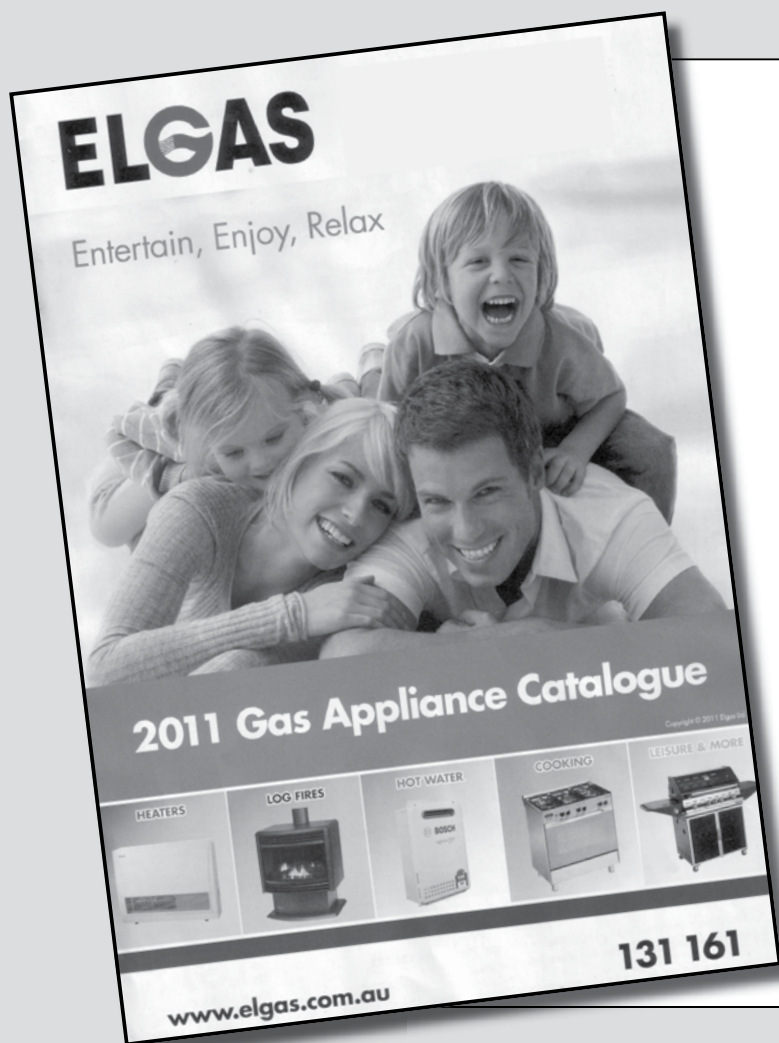
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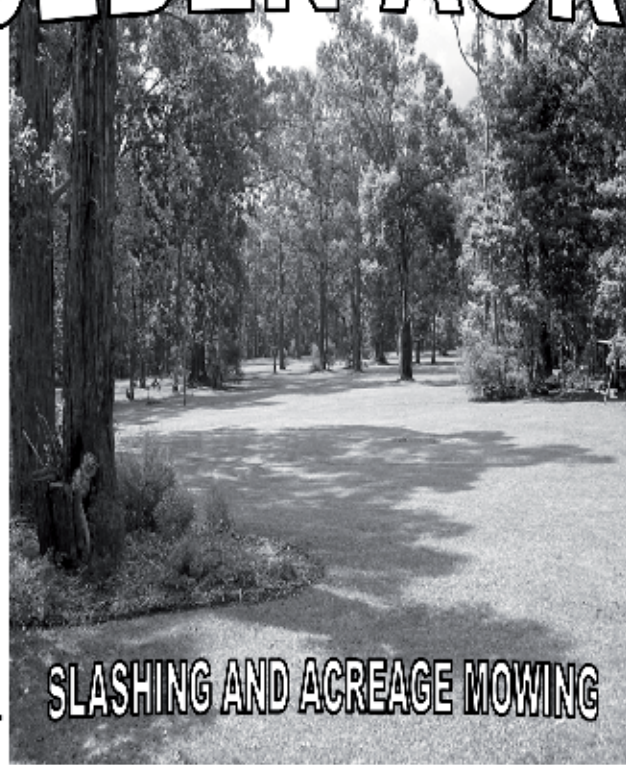
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Principals Message

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Gary Toshach

Kuranda District State College WINS Senior Chemistry Titration Competition

Every year the Royal Australian Chemistry Institute organizes national high school titration competitions. Nine schools and 13 teams from the Cairns region competed at James Cook University May 30th 2011 and the **winning team** was from **Kuranda District State College** and comprised the following students: **Josh Belle, Chloe Geering, Hanah La Baysse.** (pictured right)

These students were supported by their fellow team members: **Mia Dunne** (below left) **Cameron Price** and **Shay Woodham** (pictured centre)



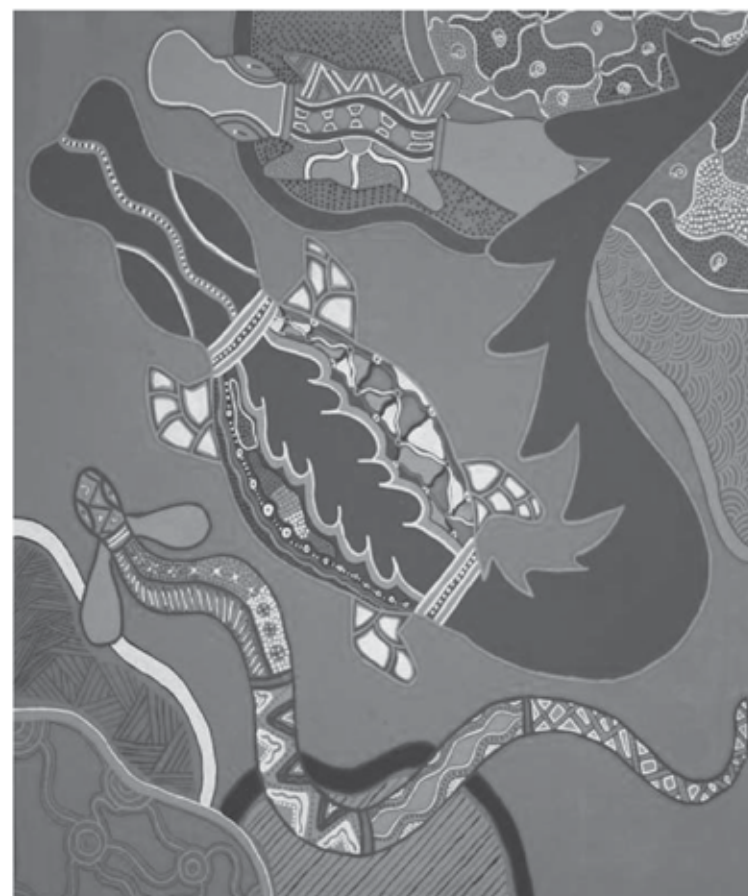
The winning team will compete at JCU at a future date to participate in the finals of the competition where they will compete against students from all over Queensland. Another great achievement was Kuranda College's placement in the individual titration results for the 39 competitors: **Josh Belle 2nd place overall.** (Joshua pictured on left)

Dakota Stewart Cairns Show Billboard Competition Winner in 2010 WINS again in 2011.

Dakota Stewart - Year 12 Kuranda District State College

I found my inspiration for this painting from my knowledge of culture and I wanted to paint these three animals because I feel connected to them and they came to me very spontaneously. The huge success last year in the Cairns Show Billboard Competition has really built up my confidence and I feel that being an artist in the future is more of a possibility. Also it is a way to continue connecting with my culture, country and community by way of communicating through my own unique artistic expression. My priorities seem to be changing and I am more serious about my future and am trying to build on academic strengths at school and be a better person all round. As a student of recreational studies I often step up and help with College carnivals and organised college sport and I want to work further with these abilities and improve the strength I have in visual art.

The major achievement of my life so far is winning the Cairns Show Billboard Indigenous category in 2010. This has been an overwhelming highlight for me. The entertainment side of my work is related to story telling in my culture and this can be through spoken word, painting, ceremonial dance and music. The design elements are indigenous images passed on by my family and elders. The creativity in the painting is my own combination of design elements and colour schemes. The appeal is through the Totems and I like to use bright and carefully considered colours in my designs. The work certainly represents me and if I could earn a living from my indigenous art, that would be incredible. The quality of my painting is improving, the technique also is becoming sharper and more defined and is something I will continue to work on.





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A Thought for August

THE month's Bible reading is from St Johns Gospel Chapter Verses 51-58.

Reading this sixth chapter of the Gospel of John is like wading out into deeper and deeper water until one either panics and wades back to the shore, or plunges in and swims out into the depths. Jesus is still involved in this long conversation with people around him. The strange event of the feeding of the five thousand is now well known, and it has triggered many reactions, some angry and distrustful. Jesus is dealing with these reactions.

Above all, he is trying to use the symbol of bread as a means of talking about the relationship between humanity and God. Many of those around him either cannot or will not understand. "The bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh." Suddenly and chillingly a new note is injected into the conversation. Up to now it has been about bread as the image of God's grace.

We are hungry. God supplies spiritual bread for us if we seek it from God. That is what everyone has been hearing, at least those who have been prepared to listen. But now Jesus names the cost of that spiritual bread. The cost is his own life. As we know, Jesus is referring to the actual physical threat to himself. But another truth is being communicated to us.

"Unless you eat... and drink" says Jesus. Jesus is also telling us a fundamental truth about religious life. He is saying that we must fully internalize our religion before it can become grace to us. In other words, we must take Jesus, his words, his life, his pattern of response, into our own lives. One must blend with the other.

Many of us may know the Hymn "Breath on me breath of God", there in the heart of the hymn is a line that prays. "Until with thee I have one will to do and to endure." That is what it means to internalise the spirit of Our Lord. We take his spirit into our spirits. As Jesus spoke to the people around him, he used an image familiar to them from their history.

He spoke of manna, a kind of bread which centuries before had appeared to their ancestors each dawn in the wilderness. The image familiar to us as Christians is that of the Eucharist. We act it out in a visible and tangible way when we come forward and reach up our hands for the broken bread of his body and the poured wine of his blood. As we do these outward actions, we also stretch out our spirits toward the spirit of Our Lord, and silently and simply ask Our Lord to come into us and live with us as we live out our daily lives.

If we invite him, he accepts our invitation. Our Lord may be the source of our grace, but the cost for him has been great.

Thought of the Month from the Baha'i Faith

"The Cause of Baha'u'llah is the same as the Cause of Christ. It is the same temple and the same foundation. Both of these are spiritual springtimes and seasons of the soul-refreshing awakening and the cause of the renovation of the life of mankind. The spring of this year is the same as the spring of last year. The origins and ends are the same. The sun of today is the same as the sun of yesterday. In the coming of Christ, the divine teachings were given in accordance with the infancy of the human race. The teachings of Baha'u'llah have the same basic principles, but are according to the stage of the maturity of the world and the requirements of this illumined age."

(Abdu'l-Baha)

Meditations/Reflections: all welcome to meditations on the sacred writings of the great religions etc, every Wednesday, 7.00pm, Hidden Words Bookshop, bottom Therwine Street, Kuranda.


Morning prayers: Each Tuesday at 8.00am, in the park in central Kuranda, start your day with spirituality.

Study Circles, Reflections on the Life of the Spirit, in Kuranda, beginning again 10 July. Please enquire to attend.

Also regular events in Cairns, Mareeba, Atherton, Tolga, Malanda and other places.

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From the Baha'i Community of the Tablelands



Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

The Way it Was (Part 10)

by Peter Ryle

This is the tenth instalment of the article "The District of Cairns" from The Cairns Post 13 August 1890.

The District of Cairns

By our own reporter
(Continued)

At the lower end of the bend of the River opposite the township at the 28-mile peg, a splendid sandy crossing has been formed, and only a foot of water flows gently over the stretch of hard sand. The opposite bank of the river is therefore accessible by wading or riding over the river. Over here is the selection of Mr. David McGregor picturesquely situated. This selector has just commenced to permanently reside on and improve his land. Although so far from town, and indeed any other habitation, the third section of the railway will, before many months are over, be in the course of construction and bring people to the now deserted tract of country. Mr. McGregor has cleared fifteen acres of his land and in common with all the settlers has grown his vegetables required for the house, and his trying nearly everything usually cultivated by the selectors around. Not all the area has been put under cultivation. The selection abounds in exceedingly beautiful timber which will have a marketable value as soon as the line gets that far. A splendid creek almost as big as the river runs through the selection. Collinson's track goes through at the back of the clearing and still farther back are two more selections taken up and occupied. Indeed the country around is all taken up and more selectors are bringing up their families and settling down every day. Every available acre has been selected and will now be improved more and more every day. One selector is trying tobacco, another grapes, another vegetables, and a third fruit, and by the energy and perseverance displayed it is patent that the land has been selected by the right stamp of men, the large majority of whom are men of substance – in muscle and grit is not in cash. It is astounding indeed to see how wedded a great many are

to their selections, and how in the face of difficulties they persist in holding on tooth and nail to their land. If it is said that a tremendous lot of improvements have not been accomplished over the range it must be remembered that had the railway not acted as an encouragement, and the faith of the selectors in the value of the soil and future greatness of the district not been so great, nothing whatever would have been done with land situated in many instances in well nigh inaccessible places; without roads or means of getting stores up, leave alone conveying produce to any market. But with the grand climate, and the fact of the approach of the railway, the selectors have held on and will now soon be able to utilize their land much more fully than was before possible. In a great many instances the timber exceeds the primary cost of the land itself even where timber is so cheap on account of its quantity. The district abounds with wealth and is suited for perhaps closer settlement than any other in the colony. What fruit has been tried has proved so far successful and as the years go by the men who own the land are not those who will wait until they can sell and clear out but will rather turn to and grow the fruit which gives such large and handsome profits. It may be said that hardly any of the selectors are agriculturalists, and this may be said truly, but it will rather prove an advantage as they will learn by observation and experiment the best means of cultivation in the country they are in. altogether it must be admitted that the land alienated has not been grabbed up by landsharks as in many districts, and with few exceptions none but bona fide selectors have taken land over the range. ■

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Stoney Creek frog
(*littoria jungguy /wilcoxii*) hanging out in the nursery in a pot plant last Saturday, the first sighting for a while, although they are quite common in Kuranda. Breeding usually begins around September.

And Casso News from Mission Beach - the proposal for residential development on Lot 66 has been withdrawn. Keep up with the story at www.missionbeachcassowaries.com/9/post/2011/07/the-lot-66-story.html

Epicurians is an exhibition of original prints by KCons artists Margaret Genever, Laurel Mckenzie and Sasi Victoire. **Jax Bergersen, Diane Daniels, Dee and Margaret Genever** at the opening with Margaret's print *Disparate Supper Dance* . Her work reflects upon the interaction between the local animals of tropical North Queensland, non-human and human, and some of the issue arising from the food requirements of those



animals. The exhibition is at The Art Room, Vivo Restaurant, Williams Esplanade, Palm Cove until 4 Sep. Free entry, open 7am till late. Photo Maxwell Photos Cairns.



ID Rainforest Plant
KCons member Graham Bell attended the JCU Rainforest Plant Identification Workshop recently, learning about the tricky business of using flowers to assist in making an ID. If you have a plant you would like identified, bring along a sample to the nursery. It should contain a number of leaves on a branch or stem and preferably have fruit or flowers attached as in this example of *Atractocarpus fitzalanii*.

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Kuranda Pool News

This month we are opening especially for the "Kuranda Klassic" conducted by the sponsors of the minerals Magnapool on August 12th 2011.

Everyone is welcome to attend. We are hosting a lot of racing, entertainment and a whole jam packed, fun filled day. The company will put \$20,000 prize money up for grabs for registered charities to compete in a series of races through the day. See the website listed here for details of how to enter. So, if you can swim alright for 100m, have a team of others and want to nominate a charity, it is a nice way to put money back into the community. Check it out.

Starting with "before school" clinics followed up with demonstrations and then into the racing and loads of entertainment, it will be a fine spectacle. Local band Zennith will pump out some Kuranda reggae beats through the afternoon from 2.30pm. Food and drinks will be catered for on the day through local charities and the whole event will help raise awareness of the magnificent system. As well, a monster raffle will be conducted on the day and the prize is a Fender Guitar signed by Lee Kernaghan.

Around 100 delegates and their families who are interested in learning about the sensational properties of this type of system for themselves will literally test, admire, swim in or generally loll about in the water for the day. At the same time Matt Welsh and other celebrity swimmers will race for the cash. It should be fun. Thanks to Mark Forbes and the team for bringing it all together. Being the only heated large public pool of its type in Australia it is a chance for everyone to see how lucky we are to have it on our doorstep.

We will be back in business 1st September and are taking bookings now in spaces for our Learn to Swim Program. We offer 3 mornings a week plus Saturday for little ones and Adults and 5 afternoons a week across all levels between 3.30pm and 6.00pm

- Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?
- Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
- Why did Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?
- Whose idea was it to put an 'S' in the word 'lisp'?
- If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
- Why is it that no matter what colour bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?
- Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?

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To celebrate Forests 2011 the UN Forum on Forests Secretariat (UNFFS) has worked in collaboration with The Jackson Hole Wildlife Film Festival in the United States to organize the

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IFFF winning films have been made available to hire and screen throughout the world. Kuranda EnviroCare have made a selection from the finalists and winners in the 6 Categories;



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Shorts.

These are all films which tell of the relationship between people and forest in other countries, told by local people. We have selected films on the basis of relevance to our region and on issues we and our neighbours face, which we can engage with. We'll be showing some of these at our Envirocare meetings, as they're available for a short period only.

So Come and Join us in a

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Category: This is my forest. WINNER "Conflict Tiger" 64min

An environmental thriller exploring the increasingly confrontational relations between tiger and people in the forests of the Russian far east. (Parallels exist with our endangered cassowary.)

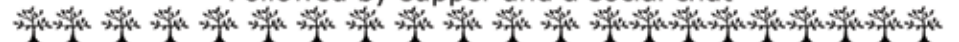
Category: Issues and solutions. "Hope in a changing climate" 28min

Focussed on Japan, this documentary demonstrates that it is possible to rehabilitate large-scale damaged ecosystems, to restore ecosystem functions in areas where they have been lost, to fundamentally improve the lives of people who have been trapped in poverty for generations and to sequester carbon naturally.

WHEN: Wednesday 3rd AUGUST, 7.00PM

WHERE: Sports and Recreation Centre, Fallon Rd.

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Residents are welcome to contact me in regards these or any other matters.

Your opinions are always welcome.

Parking and Traffic Study in Village:

A lot of us have experienced parking and traffic problems when driving in the Kuranda Village area. Council has recently engaged a Traffic consultant to undertake a full review of the traffic movements and parking options in the Village. They will be looking at the needs of both the local residents and the tourism community. The recommendations of this study will be considered by Council and funds are available from developer contributions to undertake changes. If you have any opinions to contribute, please contact me or you can email stevev@trc.qld.gov.au..

Wind Farms: Council has recently been discussing the issue of the development of Wind farms on the Tablelands. There are many views on both sides. Given that some development applications for Wind farms are soon to be discussed by Council, I am interested to hear your views on this.

July 20th Digital Television in Speewah:

The Speewah television tower “switched over” from analogue to digital on July 20th with relative ease. This has meant some changes to how you tune your television, different channels and how you receive

your television transmission. If any Speewah residents are still having any difficulty with the changes, please contact Council. Enquiries: Tracey Cuthbertson TRC 4043 4768 or email traceyc@trc.qld.gov.au

Official Opening of Speewah Roscommon upgrade:

The new facilities at Ros Common (Lights at Tennis Courts, Fitness equipment, Horse Arena) will be officially opened on Friday September 9th. All residents welcome. More details next paper.

New TRC Town Planning Scheme:

The Kuranda Reference Group met again recently to contribute to the development of the new Town Planning Scheme. Currently, the TRC still operates under 4 different Planning Schemes from the 4 former Shires. The New Planning Scheme is a complex process and is now almost complete. Further details available from Council. Contact Sarah Rizvi at sarahr@trc.qld.gov.au or Ph 4043 4382

Community Consultation for Kuranda

Community Precinct: The consultation process is almost completed. The consultants will present their final report and recommendations to the Council in August. There has been extensive community

consultation by an impartial consultant. As I have always said, there are numerous ideas for how the site can be used and not all can be accommodated there. The bottom line is “greatest need and benefit to this district” and “funding”.

Funding for Community Groups: FIKS.

Reminder to all community groups and organisations that applications for Financial and In-Kind Support (FIKS) from Council are available throughout the year. Young people selected in regional sporting teams can also apply for grants. For further details, please contact myself or Gwen Fyfe at Council (Ph: 40434112)

Council Meetings:

Council Meetings in August will be held on Wednesday August 3rd in Malanda and Wednesday August 17th in Herberton. Any resident is welcome to attend meetings. Requests to address Council can be made by contacting the Mayor's Office.

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Happy 120th Birthday Kuranda Railway

Congratulations to everyone who was involved in organizing Kuranda Scenic Railway's 120th birthday celebrations, particularly the team at KSR and Kuranda Tourism. It was a fantastic day, and it was great to see so many Kuranda folk enjoying this historic occasion. Plenty of visitors to the town kept the tills ticking over for local businesses and the Transport Minister

Annastacia Palaszczuk joined me for the celebrations and paying tribute to those who engineered and built what has become one the most famous railway journeys in the world.

KSR's birthday can be celebrated every year and I am sure this year's 'race the train' will become an annual event that will grow in popularity and become a tradition in its own right.

In other events marking the birthday, we heard both the Minister and the chair of Queensland Rail speak of their commitment to KSR and their desire to grow the KSR business and enhance the experience for tourists.

Drive to the conditions on the Range

New variable speed signs have been installed on the range road to alert motorists to keep to the speed limits and drive to the conditions. During wet and slippery conditions, driving at the speed limit is not necessarily 'driving to the conditions' so the new signs can be set to lower speeds than the limit to remind motorists to slow down.

State Government Budget

Economic development, education, public transport and road safety are the budget highlights for the Barron River electorate.

Local highlights from this year's budget include:

- \$2.8 million for the design and construction of new transit stations at various locations in the northern corridor, complementing the investment in the \$36 million

Lake Street Transit station redevelopment and CBD upgrade

- \$3.95 million will be invested in further safety upgrades on the Kuranda range road and the Captain Cook Highway
- Funding the \$23.3 million extension of Cityport boardwalk and promenade from the Hilton to the new Cruise Liner Terminal
- \$1.05 million to purchase land and commence design for a new fire and rescue station at Smithfield
- \$4.38 million for the Northern Outlook Centre.

Cairns based scientists leading the world in the fight against tropical diseases

Treasurer Andrew Fraser recently joined me to launch the Queensland Tropical Health Alliance (QTHA) at James Cook University and officially open its state of the art research building at the Smithfield campus, funded by the Queensland government.

Diagnosis and detection of tropical diseases such as malaria and dengue will be a focus of the Queensland-wide alliance from JCU, QUT, Griffith, UQ and Queensland Institute of Medical Research. The Smithfield campus will be the headquarters of the alliance which is destined to become one of the foremost research centres in the world.

The QTHA will undertake a range of research programs including the development of new drugs and vaccines, assisting Indigenous and underserved populations in rural and regional areas to improve health and well-being, as well as disease surveillance and control.

This is a key feature of the Bligh Government's Cairns Economic Development Plan. I am so pleased to deliver this important facility for its economic benefits to the region and for its significance to tropical health.

Kuranda Klassic Celebrity Challenge

Unfortunately I won't be able to attend the challenge but good luck to the participants and the chosen charities for August 12.



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Living in Kuranda

Tourists may be shocked that our winter temperatures on the Atherton Tablelands reach zero and below (especially near Herberton and Ravenshoe), fortunately not in Kuranda. Yes, winter arrived earlier than normal this year, which psychologically seems to prolong the unusually colder conditions.

HOW TO KEEP WARM – WHAT CAN I DO

HOUSE – Design, construction material, geographical orientation, all contribute to the comfort inside our homes.

If tropical houses are designed to keep the heat out, and winter houses designed to keep the warmth inside, they both share the #1 secret – Insulation.

Insulation is vital for keeping warm air inside the home, and therefore lowering heating costs. Hot air rises up to the ceiling, but if it's not 'trapped' it escapes through the ceiling, roof cavity, windows and any poorly insulated walls, costing you money.

<http://tinyurl.com/63t2yyn>

Weather stripping

Any air movement makes you feel much colder and reduces the temperature in the room.

To keep warm air in or icy cold air out, seal the gaps around the edges of all doors, sliding glass doors, windows and flooring. Use a draught stopper under doors, sealant around window frames, plastic/foam weather strip inside door frames and block air vents, sunlights or unused fireplace chimneys. Use rugs or carpet on draughty timber floors.

Windows & Doors

A normal glass window has an R value of 0.8. If heat always travels towards cooler areas in a home, then any insulation of doors and windows will help save 25% of warm air. Change curtains to match the season. Use insulated or thicker curtains, cellular blinds (not vertical blinds). Bubble wrap will increase the R-value to about 2, however it is flammable – do not use it near radiators.

Take advantage of the winter sun, open your skylights, and don't cover north-facing windows during the day.

If it's sunny outside at 10 am, open up all your windows and doors during the day to let the warm air inside. At 3pm close all doors and windows.

Room Heating

Each degree of extra heating in winter will increase energy consumption by about 5 to 10%.

Electricity costs will increase by 6.6% on 1st July. Research, change or upgrade your heating requirements. Choose the most energy efficient and the right sized heater for your room. Prices are cheap at the end of season. <http://tinyurl.com/66fy39p> and <http://www.yourhome.gov.au/technical/fs62.html>

Set the thermostat temperature to 18° to 20°C in winter.

Turn off heaters when you are out.

Turn down your heaters during the night

Ceiling fans may have a reverse switch to keep warm air low in winter.

Open skylights during the day to let light and warmth inside your home, be sure to close them off at night time.

Only heat the room you are currently using. Close off internal doors and hallways.

Spread warmth through your home by using household appliances that create heat. eg. use your slow cooker, crock pot, rice cooker, muffin maker or bread maker early morning or late at night.

Do your ironing or baking early morning or late at night.

Hot water system or clothes dryer in the laundry will help keep your pets warm during the night.

Dishwashers or clothes dryers are high usage appliances, use them only on off peak electricity rates.

Bedroom, bed, bedding, clothing

Change bedding to match the seasonal change and ensure it's safe to use, e.g. poly fleece/polar fleece is highly flammable so please read labels carefully.

For young babies who wake up cold and cry for attention, warm up a cold room with a safe child proof heater, or use waterproof electric blankets to warm their bed. Hot water bottles are too dangerous for young children.

Dress babies in top to toe warm clothing or sleeping bags, if they kick off their bedding. Perhaps make a canopy to keep the chilly air movement off their bodies. Make rice or wheat packs to keep the bed warm.

Young children with asthma or other breathing difficulties, or others with health problems may require the room heater switched on low, throughout the night. These are cheaper alternatives to doctors and hospital costs.

Bedding

In winter use larger sized bedding to keep you warmer when you turn over.

Use a layering technique, e.g. a flannelette or larger sheet against your body, then a blanket, another sheet then a doona or quilt. Sleeping bags are handy. Feather doonas are graded for warmth, are safer and healthier than synthetics. Synthetic blankets create static electricity and make you sweat.

Mattress

Cold air rises off the floor into your mattress. Use thermal curtain material or extra blankets and mattress protectors to keep warmth inside the mattress and icy cold air out!!

Clothing & footwear – dress according to the season!

Wear thermals under your clothes! Add more layers.

Wear thermals to bed including a hat!!

Activities

Become more active. Do aerobics, buy a treadmill. Train for a marathon. Join a gym, walking, running, or sports club. Learn martial arts or yoga. Start a business dog walking.

Goodbye Winter

Next month - Tips to safely store your winter clothing and bedding.

Email: kuranda_cares@peacemail.com

Family Fun Day



A Kuranda Family Fun Day coordinated by the Kuranda Interagency Network was held in Centenary Park on the 6th July 2011. The day was opened by Uncle Mervyn Riley with Woody Wason on Didgeridoo. Many local families from Kuranda and surrounds attended. The event was a free event supported by many local Kuranda, Cairns and Tableland based services. Thank you to all the supporting agencies and community groups who contributed (too many to mention!) The day included healthy exercise and eating with a focus on no cost fun activities such as races, tug of war, totem tennis, skipping and hop scotch. Kids (and grown-ups) were entertained by Danny the clown and a local Circus team. We wish to thank the community for their support and for a great day of fun in the park! The next day will be held on September 28th 2011 which is on the Wednesday of the second week of school holidays.



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Kuranda Film Society

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For more information ring Hans at 4093 8393

Central Station (Central do Brazil) 1998 1hr 50min

Former documentary filmmaker Walter Salles (Foreign Land) directed this Brazilian-French road movie tracing the travels and travails of a young boy and an aging woman across the Brazilian landscape. In Rio de Janeiro's central railroad station, callous Dora (leading Brazilian stage/screen actress Fernanda Montenegro) works at a stand where she writes letters for a parade of poor and illiterate. Some of these remain undelivered because she chooses not to mail all of the letters.

One of her customers is a woman who is killed when hit by a bus. Her son Josue is left homeless and Dora reluctantly takes him home to her small apartment. Dora places Josue with people who claim to find adoptive parents but she finds they actually sell children who are then killed for their organs. Dora rescues Josue, and the two board a bus and set off in search of the boy's father. Many adventures follow.

Young actor de Oliveira was a shoeshine boy who was selected over more than 1,500 other children who auditioned or were interviewed for the Josue role. Made with grants from the Sundance Institute, NHK, and the French Ministry of Culture, this film was shown at film festivals in 1998 (Sundance, Berlin).

A Night at the Opera 1935 1hr 32min

In *A Night At the Opera*, the Marx brothers help two young lovers to succeed in love as well as in the opera world. Otis B. Driftwood (Groucho Marx) is hired by widowed socialite hopeful Mrs. Claypool (Margaret Dumont) to help her break into high society, but he instead alternately woos and insults her. At the last opera performance of the season in Italy, of *Pagliacci*, Otis meets Fiorello (Chico Marx), who is the best friend and manager of Riccardo (Allan Jones), an opera singer who longs for his big break and who is in love with fellow opera singer Rosa (Kitty Carlisle). However, Riccardo's dreams are thwarted by the star of the opera, Lassparri (Walter Woolf King), an egotistical man who wants fame—and Rosa—for himself. Otis signs Riccardo to a contract, thinking he is signing Lassparri; Lassparri, meanwhile, is signed for the New York opera by the manager Herman Gottlieb (Sig Ruman).

Although Riccardo and Fiorello are not allowed to accompany the troupe on their trip to New York, they manage to stow away on the ship, along with another of Fiorello's friends, Tomasso (Harpo Marx), a dresser fired by Lassparri. Once in New York, the stowaways are pursued by the police for entering the country illegally, and Otis ends up losing his position with the opera to Gottlieb. When they find out that Rosa has been fired for siding with Riccardo, the boys spring into action, sabotaging the opening night performance of *Il trovatore* by throwing it into total chaos and making sure that both Riccardo and Rosa get their due as the new hits of the opera world.

Apology: Those patrons who have been puzzled by the apparently random and unconnected screen titles of the last two foreign language movies we have shown can be assured that we have the situation under control and the titles will now bear more than just a passing relevance to the actions on the screen.

When I am gone, sell all my stuff

The wife and I were sitting around the breakfast table one lazy Sunday morning.

I said to her, "If I were to die suddenly, I want you to immediately sell all my stuff."

"Now why would you want me to do something like that?" she asked.

"I figure that you would eventually remarry and I don't want some wally using my stuff."

She looked at me and said: "What makes you think I'd marry another wally?"

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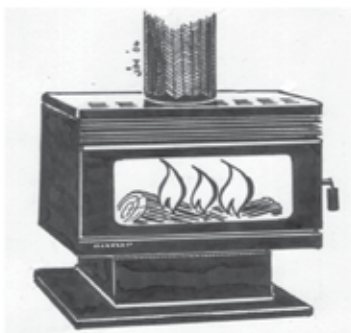
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Tribal Dance in Kuranda: New beginner course commences Tuesday 2nd August 6.00pm Sports and Social Club. First class free. Please contact Lisa for details on: 0409 367 967 or email kurandatribal@gmail.com WEB: http://kurandadance.blogspot.com/

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On their way to get married, a young Catholic couple was involved in a fatal car accident. The couple found themselves sitting outside the Pearly Gates waiting for St. Peter to process them into Heaven. While waiting they began to wonder; could they possibly get married in Heaven?

When St. Peter arrived, they asked him if they could get married in Heaven. St. Peter said, "I don't know. This is the first time anyone has asked. Let me go find out," and he left. The couple sat and waited for an answer... for a couple of months.

While they waited, they discussed the pros and cons. If they were allowed to get married in Heaven, should they get married, what with the eternal aspect of it all?

"What if it doesn't work? Are we stuck in Heaven together forever?"

Yet another month passed before St. Peter finally returned, looking somewhat bedraggled. "Yes," he informed the couple, "You can get married in Heaven."

"Great!" said the couple. "But we were just wondering; what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?"

St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slammed his clipboard on the ground. "What's wrong?" asked the frightened couple.

"OH, COME ON!" St. Peter shouted. "It took me three months to find a priest up here! Do you have ANY idea how long it'll take to find a lawyer?"

Murder at Woolworths...

Tired of constantly being broke and stuck in an unhappy marriage, a young husband decided to solve both problems by taking out a large insurance policy on his wife with himself as the beneficiary, and then arranging to have her killed.

A 'friend of a friend' put him in touch with a nefarious dark-side underworld figure who went by the name of 'Artie.' Artie explained to the husband that his going price for snuffing out a spouse was \$5,000.

The husband said he was willing to pay that amount, but that he wouldn't have any cash on hand until he could collect his wife's insurance money. Artie insisted on being paid at least something up front, so the man opened his wallet, displaying the single dollar that rested inside.

Artie sighed, rolled his eyes, and reluctantly agreed to accept the dollar as down payment for the dirty deed.

A few days later, Artie followed the man's wife to the local Woolworths Supermarket store. There, he surprised her in the produce department and proceeded to strangle her with his gloved hands. As the poor unsuspecting woman drew her last breath and slumped to the floor, the manager of the produce department stumbled unexpectedly onto the murder scene. Unwilling to leave any living witnesses behind, ol' Artie had no choice but to strangle the produce manager as well.

However, unknown to Artie, the entire proceedings were captured by the hidden security cameras and observed by the store's security guard, who immediately called the police. Artie was caught and arrested before he could even leave the store. Under intense questioning at the police station, Artie revealed the whole sordid plan, including his unusual financial arrangements with the hapless husband who was also quickly arrested.

The next day in the newspaper, the headline declared... 'ARTIE CHOKES 2 for \$1.00 @ WOOLWORTHS'.

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Bushikai Karate Rec Ctr. 10.00-11.00am Darryl 0487 460 597

1st Sat **Kuranda Camera Club – Photo Shoot** 2.30pm (see Art Pages for this month’s location)
Garden Group 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

Every Sun **A.A.** CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599
Yoga 10am Recreation Centre Contact Aileen 4093 7401
Speewah Country Market 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361

1st Sun **Kuranda Film Society** 4.00pm to 8.00pm Kuranda Recreation Centre Ph Margaret or Hans 4093 8393

2nd Sun **Uniting Church** Recreation Centre 5:00 pm, Krishna 4093 8730

2nd & 4th Sun **Simply Friendship Club.** Men and women over 45 Kuranda Resort 12.00 to 3.00pm. Nola: Ph 4093 8824

Every Mon. **Tai Chi** 6.00–7.00pm, Recreation Centre, contact Les Anwyl, 4093 8276 or 0400 938 276
Acappella Singing 7.30 to 9.00pm, Recreation Centre. For more info call Jane Younghusband 4093 0463.

Every Mon & Fri **Al-Anon Family Groups** 7.00pm and 6.00pm respectively Ph Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON
Karate at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm to 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
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Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026
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Every Tue **Tae kwon do & Self Defence** 6.30pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196
Yoga 6.00pm Kuranda Resort and Spa: Contact Aileen 4093 7401
8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda RSL, Top pub, Recreation Centre, Speewah Tavern, Kuranda Resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537
Aquafitness 6:15 pm Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109
The KCCT meets at Malcolm’s Original Markets at 4.30pm.
Tourism Kuranda meets behind St. Saviour’s Church.
Kuranda SES Training, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road. Contact James Partridge 0402 119 642

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2nd & 4th Tue **Mareeba Toastmasters** meets 7.30–9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Joe 4092 2089. Guests welcome.

Every Wed **Volleyball under lights** at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. contact Lisa 4093 9659 or Leo 0405 116 066
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 8361.
Weekly Meditations/Reflections 7.00pm at The Hidden Words Bookshop, bottom of Therwine Street.
Karate at Koah Hall 6.15pm–7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
Yoga at CWA
Mah Jong at KNC 1:00 to 4pm. All welcome
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Aquafitness 8.30am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

1st Wed

2nd Wed **Kuranda Interagency Network Mtng** 2.00pm at KNC
QCWA meeting 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016
Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group – 10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Every Thur **Rotary** 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206
Tae kwon do & Self Defence 6.30pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196
Women’s Acapella Choir Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre, Cumberland Ave, Smithfield 7.00-9.00pm Thursdays
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2nd Thur

1st Friday **Ambulance** 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road
Health and Lifestyle. CWA Hall 7.00pm to 9.00pm. (Free) Maxine 4093 9092 or Anneliese 4033 5772

Every Fri **Sandra’s Kitchen** at the Recreation Centre, Fallon Road, 6.30pm. Contact Sandra 4093 7393 Thursday. Bookings essential
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Kuranda Amphitheatre August Events

Sunday 14th August: Kuranda Acoustic, Stagecraft/Performing workshop, Starts 2pm, The Understage, free, open to the public.

Sunday 14th August: Kuranda Acoustic, Featuring Jeremiah Johnson, support artists Mumakuna. Starts 4.00pm, The Understage, unlicensed event, food, chai & drinks available, starts 4pm. Entry Adults \$15/Members & Concession \$10, 13-18yrs \$5, 12&U free.

Sunday 21st August: Special General Meeting, Starts 4pm, The Understage.

Sunday 21st August: General Meeting, following Special General Meeting, The Understage. light refreshments available.



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