

Above: L-R Goat, Elijah, and Jaluka on the nearly finished

Below: Work in Progress. Each animal was made as a wire frame, stuffed with recycled materials to fill out the form, then paper mached by an enthusiastic group has grown to five Than team of circus supporters.



Justine, Ayisha, Isabelle and Solli. Above: Giraffe takes hula hoop lessons from Jan, Solli, Isabelle Circus Animals are and Ayisha. Below: Kelly measures up to the paper mache mammal. Happy in Paper Mache!

Above: A ride-on crocodile emerges, L-R Michael,

Kassowary Circus is still in Kuranda Town playing with our young and not so young.

2002 has been a busy year for us so far on the circus front. Our core

circus oriented members and we have been teaching in Kuranda, Mt Molloy, Julatten schools. We have been having lots of fun and good learning experiences.

> We are currently in the process of becoming Kassowary Circus Inc., big changes for our little circus group, but one of our desires is to take circus into a bigger arena for all of us to enjoy.

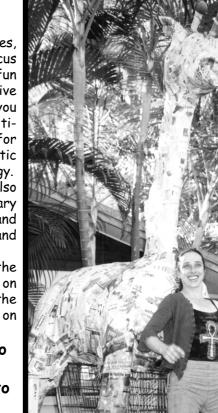
As you can see from the pictures, we are busy creating our own circus animals. They have been great fun and have involved a large supportive and energetic crew. A big thank you

to you all, especially our own multi-talented Anthony for providing space, artistic ideas, and lots of energy.

A big thank you also to all our Kassowary Circus parents carers for their help and support.

Look out for us at the Kurandafest Parade on Friday night, and in the park during the day on Saturday.

So don't run away to join the circus, Kassowary Circus is here to play!



Below: Anthony, Steve, Deb and Bull friend



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Dear Kuranda Paper, Kuranda residents are outraged after the Mareeba Shire Council removed some 500 young trees, shrubs and groundcovers from a roadside property, because they had been 'planted illegally'. Property owner's Marcus and Caroline Faber we're shocked to find their newly acquired property missing a 200 meter strip of roadside vegetation. A council worker removed the native plants on the couples settlement day, just two days short of National Tree Planting Day. "We were shocked to find the trees gone. they were part of the reason we purchased the property in the first place. All our privacy has now disappeared and the dust coming from the road is horrendous," Faber said.

The Mayor of Mareeba Shire Council, Mick Borzi, said the trees had been planted without permission. "The trees have been planted illegally, I have been told they were planted in the drain and obstructing visibility," Mayor Borzi said.

Previous owner Gail Mazlin, said she replanted the shrubs along the nature strip after the original vegetation had to be removed to accommodate Telephone cables. "I replanted hundreds of native trees, shrubs and groundcovers, including many bird-attracting grevillias. The plants were planted at great expense, and I faced many challenges maintaining them. You put your heart and soul into a place and the council wipes it out in minutes," Mazlin said.

One neighbour who does not want to be named, said she confronted the council worker at the time of the clearing, only to be told that the vegetation was being cleared to prevent leaves from falling into the gutters. "There is no rhyme or reason for it why do the council give us tree vouchers to plant trees and shrubs on our nature strip only to come and remove them", the neighbour said.

Mayor Borzi who last week was unaware if the Mareeba Shire Council has a tree planting or removal policy, has since confirmed that the council does indeed not have a policy in place. "The council is unaware of its own local laws with regards to tree preservation and protection policy. How can you illegally plant a tree when no vegetation policy exists?" the neighbor said.

President of Chamber of Commerce and Secretary of Envirocare, Jax Bergesen, after viewing the devastation said: "The Mareeba Shire Council needs to recognise that there are different environments throughout the shire and the council needs to respond appropriately to those varieties."

Property owners Marcus and Caroline Faber have since been advised by the council to plant grass instead. "Grass will not give us any privacy or provide a dust screen, Faber said. Previous owner Gail Mazlin said: "With all our environmental problems the council should encourage tree planting".

Manager of Civil Service At the Mareeba Shire Council Gerard Reed said: "I am very embarrassed about the incident."

by Petra Lovey

Dear Kuranda paper, Speewah Television Reception Upgrade Update. The establishment of a retransmission facility to serve the television reception black spot area in Speewah is progressing well. Telstra has given its consent for the use of their site at the Speewah automatic telephone exchange in Speewah Road.

The consultant coordinating the project is currently obtaining quotes for the supply and erection of the re- transmission equipment. When collected, these will be sent to the Mareeba Shire Council who will forward them on to Canberra for their consideration. The Department of Communications has agreed to the resident's request that all five free-to-air television stations be re-broadcast to this community. Transmission will be on the UHF band.

An objection to the siting of the tower on the Telstra land was lodged by a local landowner. Council has provided the objector with a response setting out that they have noted the concerns; however as there are no other suitable sites in the Speewah area; (that can be used considering the funds allocated for the project), Council will thus be proceeding to establish the re-transmission facility on the Telstra site. The objector is still awaiting responses from Telstra and the Member for Leichhardt to the concerns raised. The community will be awaiting further progress towards this solution to most of the difficult reception problems. Even when the facility comes into operation, there will remain some pockets of poor to non-existing reception due to terrain of the area. Design of the re-transmission facility had as its objective the goal of minimising as much as possible these blind areas.

Bob Madden, Speewah

Dear Kuranda Paper, A letter of Appreciation and Thanks, to Peter McCabe and Family. We couldn't let you go without saying goodbye and thankyou. You have given us many years of support. Our school is richer in resources and our students richer in experience because of your dedication. Thankyou, **Nicola House and Leanne Plasto, on behalf of past and present students of Kuranda District State Highschool**.

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"STOP PRESS" MIDNIGHT OIL TO PLAY AT BROTHER'S LEAGUES CLUB ON 23 SEPTEMBER, TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST....

Dear Kuranda Paper, I am somewhat distressed to find that Mr. Larry Haddock felt slighted by what is simply business policy. We aim to make all our patrons welcome on entry to our restaurant and to provide high quality service, product and facilities. It is therefore our policy to limit access to these private facilities to patrons only. This is so, to enable us to maintain our high standards, as due to our position the overuse that has occurred previously has had undesirable results, ie; waiting in line, undue mess and odour etc. It is also a shame to have the beautiful Public Facility in our park go unappreciated. Particularly as it gives the opportunity to take advantage of our superior Tourist Information Centre. It would not do for our Tourists to stay in the first place they came to that provided food, beverages, entertainment and clean facilities, and miss out on everything else our magnificent town has to offer. It is regrettable that Mr. Larry Haddock has chosen to exclude us due to our effort to maintain a consistently high standard for patrons such as himself. We look forward to being able to continue to provide high quality services to all our patrons, local and visiting.

Una Chambers, Billy's Bar

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Dear Kuranda Paper,

Hasn't Queensland Rail made enough money yet to afford sewage holding tanks for its hugely popular tourist train to Kuranda? There's a revolting trail of raw sewage and toilet paper along the rail tracks through the World Heritage rainforest for all the tourists and locals on the many bush walks around Kuranda to see. First-world prices for the train trip to Kuranda; third-world toilets.

Kylie Dumar, Boyles Rd, Kuranda.

RAINFALL 21/7/02 to 25/08/02 76 mm Mareeba Shire Council By-election was won by Daryl Camp of the Borzi Team.

WANT TO BE THE NEXT JOHN PILGER OR KERRY PACKER???

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(Annual General Meeting)

Tuesday 10 September
Firestation Code Room 7
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welcome. All positions need to
be filled.

Kuranda was the focus of national attention when the Prime Minister opened the Heritage Trails Network, Rainforest Story Walking Tracks project on the 12th August. Warren Entsch and I joined Mayor Mick Borzi, councillors, and members of the Kuranda community at this important ceremony which marks the provision of a long awaited and much needed rainforest experience that will be enjoyed by both tourists and locals. In fact I'm told that some locals are using it as a jogging track providing an additional health benefit!

As I said at the opening, Kuranda has been in danger of losing its reputation as the village in the rainforest because visitors were unaware of the forest that surrounds the village and often only experienced the main street

reputation as the village in the rainforest because visitors were unaware of the forest that surrounds the village and often only experienced the main street shops and markets. It was the determination of local residents to protect and present the special environmental and cultural qualities of Kuranda that was the driving force for this project and I would like to again acknowledge the work of members of the Kuranda Residents Association, in particular Arch McAurther and Bob Madden who have also been members of the Walking Track Committee overseeing the project. I believe that this Heritage Trails project, which is just one of 12 in Far North Queensland, will also offer further economic opportunities for Kuranda's Aboriginal community who were involved in building the tracks. I have no doubt that tourists would pay for the opportunity to have a Diabugay quide share their cultural knowledge of the opportunity to have a Djabugay guide share their cultural knowledge of the rainforest

After the Prime Minister left town to meet with representatives of the sugar industry I was privileged to be part of another opening that is also good news for the Kuranda tourist industry. The owners of the Butterfly Sanctuary, Birdworld and Koala Gardens have joined forces with Queensland Rail and Sky rail to market the "Kuranda Wildlife Experience". My role was to cut the ribbon of a walkway linking all three attractions are procurage associated as a procurage associated by the supervisors in war a very successful event and encourage ease of access. Despite the showers it was a very successful event and

congratulate all the Directors of the respective companies on their vision and commitment to Kuranda and thank you for the opportunity to participate in your function. Whilst tourism is essential for Kuranda it is not the only issue of concern to me.

L-R: Wille Brim, PM John Howard, MP Leslie Clark, and Barry Hunter open Kuranda's newest walking track.

How to be Healthy, Though Elderly

With increasing age I'm finding it more difficult to keep healthy. My appetite is very poor owing to lack of stimulation. I compensate for this by having lots of rich vegetable soups and milk drinks. I add a food supplement, Ensure, to everything I consume to keep my energy levels up. I use my exercise bike several times a day, and my 'foot wobbler' when I watch TV. I walk around my garden every afternoon, with my faithful companion, Bessie, my dog. By Marjorie Spear

Garden Group

Our August meeting was at the home of Ray and Eve Deeaux in Warril Dve. This was a very well kept garden with a lovely swimming pool surounded by decorative plants. Those who were able climbed the landscaped hill behind the house and enjoyed the beautiful view. Our September meeting will be held on the usual 2nd Sat, Sept 14th 2pm at the home of Max and Heather Dyer Myola Rd. Opp.High School. Don't forget to bring a plate, a hat and your questions if you have any. We're always interestedin seeing new gardens,if you would like to share yours. If you've just moved onto a new block we are available for advice and information. If any of this applies to you please ring Marjorie Spear 4093 7205

Organic Gardening

The light rain we have been experiencing is a great boost for my large garden which has been suffering from the drought. Fortunately the weeds have been slowed down also. Despite the dry conditions my cherry tomatoes are still producing. Ihave a few lettuce and some asian greens. My bananas are still growing well and I still have grapefruit and orranges. My pawpaws Are ripening and some are ready to pick. The passionfruit are slowing, nearly finished. Pruning and mulching are important at this time of the year. I have to employ an energetic helper for this now that I am unable to do it myself. Any Enquiries Ph 4093 7205 Marjorie Spear



PAYMENT OF

Rate Notices the six-month period ending 31 December 2002 have been issued to all property owners in all areas of the

Mareeba Shire, with the closing date for discount being Wednesday, 18 September 2002. Any person owning land within the Mareeba Shire who has not received a Rate Notice should make immediate enquiries to the Rates Section at the Rankin Street Office by telephoning either: 4030 3 912 or 4030 3908.

Property owners are advised that the discount closing date is also the date on which rates are due and payable. Any unpaid amount will accrue interest at the rate of 11% per annum (compounded on daily rests) from the close of business on 18 September 2002.

Payment of rates can be made through the National Australia Bank, all other Banks (a transfer fee may apply), in person at any Post Office Council Offices. the (Credit Card Payments can be made in person at Council's office in Mareeba only or any Post Office. Residents of the Kuranda area can make payments at the Branch Office located in the Kuranda Library in Thooree Street, during library opening hours, Tuesday to Friday only

Discount will not be allowed, under any circumstances, if payment is not received at Council Offices by 5.00 pm on the closing date for discount. Recovery of any amount outstanding after 18 September 2002 may be made by process of law without further notice.

N P Briggs Chief Executive Officer **Council Offices** 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba

Health, housing education and transport all continue to receive my attention and I will be actively supporting initiatives to create a community centre to house local community organisations like the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre which needs a permanent home, as does Envirocare.

Equally important to our communities are our senior citizens, and Seniors Week provided an opportunity to recognise them and their special contributions and needs. The government recently made Judy Spence Minister for Seniors to confirm our commitment to this section of our community. The government has a wide range of publications targeted to meet the needs of Seniors as well as an inquiry line 1300 135 500. The latest publication "Aging: Myth and Reality" should be compulsory reading for all ages, it aims to breakdown the stereotypes surrounding aging and older people. A few of the most common myths about older people are:

Myth: Growing old means becoming sick and disabled. Reality: The truth of the matter is that the majority of older people are healthy and active, in particular those who are under the age of 80. Most people aged 65 years and over rate their own health as being school years good, very good or excellent.

Myth: Older people are an economic burden on society. Reality: Older people make innumerable contributions to their families, societies and economies and also to unpaid work including agriculture, informal childcare and volunteering. Most seniors who require assistance receive it from their spouse or family and the vast majority live at home. An amazing 75% if 50-70 year olds with older people are provided in the provided in the contraction of the provided in the contraction of the contract

Myth: Older people are asexual. Reality: Many older people want, and are perfectly able to lead active, satisfying sex lives. The need for physical and emotional intimacy does not end as we become older. Contemporary society seems to hold the mistake belief that appropriate sexual expression can only be

seems to hold the mistake belief that appropriate sexual expression can only be found in the "young and beautiful".

Ageing and older people are too often portrayed negatively in our language, media and popular entertainment. Very few older people actually fit any of these stereotypes, most are healthy and active. I know that I am always looking for a new challenge or adventure and for my 54th birthday, my husband Ross and I are taking a hot air balloon flight! That is going to be a hard act to follow for next year – maybe parachuting?? If you would like a copy of the booklet "Ageing: Myth and Reality" please contact my office on 4038 2800. The year is slipping away and Spring Fair is just around the corner. I was not able to participate last year but I'm looking forward to joining in the fun next month. Till then, Lesley Clark, Member for Barron River

Gardening Tips

by Neil Robson Warrigal Dynamic Foods Gilmore Road, Emerald Creek, Mareeba.

I have a 100 acre certified Biodynamic Fruit & Vegetable farm. I have been growing commercially organic and biodynamic fruit and vegetables for the past 10 years and would like to share some of what I have learnt during this time. I would like to contribute a small piece for each issue and would be happy to answer any questions on organic growing.

Gardening Tips from Neil:

I would like to start off with the basic principle on how plants feed and drink, based on the knowledge and understanding I have.

A plant has two sets of roots. The coarse (more easily seen) roots are used for drinking. The second set of roots are hair roots for feeding. In an ideal situation the plant drinks when thirsty and when hungry feeds on humus. Humus is similar to good compost and is not water soluble. When using water soluble fertiliser, eg: chemical fertilisers or raw animal manures, the process is altered so when the plant drinks it is also force-fed nutrients as well. The problem with this is water soluble nutrients are not the same molecular structure and the plant is not designed to handle them in a stress-free way.

It is my belief everything is vibrating at a different frequency. Scientific studies done by Phillip Callahan in America have proven insects have antennae tuned in to pick up the frequencies a particular plant gives off in a stressed state whereas the same insects are repelled by a stress-free plant. So when a plant is fed by water-soluble fertiliser it will be sending out a signal to the insects "Come and eat me, I am not healthy enough (in natures eyes) to reproduce" and this is when rescue chemicals and sprays come into the picture.

Next month I will talk about how to feed the plant without water soluble

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Anyone wishing to place orders before Wednesday can call 4093 3193, fax 4093 3093, or e-mail robson@cyberwizards.com.au.

Hydroponic Gardening by Jan Coulter

My new batch of lettuce look lovely. They are growing in channels, which are like guttering with lids on. They can be bought in 3 metre lengths and are not expensive. I grow all sorts of different lettuce and they take on the appearance of a flower garden.

I am about to put in some Paw Paw seedlings. I grow them in drums of river gravel and drip feed them nutrient. The trees grow the same size as a normal Paw Paw but don't have a big a root system, as they don't have to reach out for food. This means they tend to be top heavy especially when loaded with fruit. I solve this by putting the drum next to a corner post in the garden and tying the tree to it. For Information Ph 4093 0394 or call in at the video shop.





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The Burning Issue

The past few months in the kuranda Fire station area have been very busy and eventful. We have been kept on the go with a series of fires and motor vehicle accidents. A couple of accidents were quite serious and have highlighted the need for care on the roads when there is a bit of rain around.

Auxiliary firefighter Debbie Pearce has successfully completed her 40 hr primary

skills course and will soon undertake her breathing apparatus course. Debbie is now a fully operational crew member and we look forward to a long and rewarding association with her. Auxiliary firefighters Steve De Prada, David Smart Jon Simmons and Kevin Preistley have all completed their 40 hr Road

Accident Rescue Course with flying colours Congratulations guys!

September 20 will see the commencement of the Fire Ed program for Grade one at the Kuranda Primary School this is an extremely valuable Fire Safety Education program and we encourage parents to get involved with the kids in regards to program. October 20 to 26 is also fire Awareness Week for 2002 - we will be holding various displays and open gays at Kuranda Fire station during the week.

This year will see the participation of Myola and Speewah Rurals - all are welcome to come along for a sausage sizzle and to inspect the vehicles and equipment that will be displayed. Come and have a chat about fire safety and prevention.

Our garden and landscaping project is about to go into stage 2 - Steve from Steve's Lawn and Garden Care is the creative genius behind the enterprise. The Kuranda crew wish to thank lan and John Wallace

> from Wallace Quarries Mining for their donation landscaping products for the project.

> Captain Ray Wintour his 20 years of service on the 13 th July 2002. A small gathering as held at the

station recreation room - Ray's commitment and dedication is admirable and we hope that he continues to provide this service for another 20 years.

The Kuranda Fire Station crew are looking forward to this years spring fair - keep an eye out for impressive raft and equally impressive crew. This one we are sure will stay on top of the Barron, not under it. We wish everyone a safe and fun weekend

Until next time, Stay fire safe Ima firey

SPEEWAH FIRE BRIGADE MEETINGS Monday 9th September at Fire Brigade Headquarters, Roscommon, Speewah. 7:45 pm Special General Meeting: Fire Levy discussion. 8:00 pm Annual General Meeting: Election of Officers ; Fire Permits explained; Membership Drive/ Training; Plan visit to Fire Com. Headquarters (where your 'ooo' calls go). New residents welcome. Yvonne Thomson, Acting Secretary (Phone 4093 0211).

Biological Danger

"Biological diversity - the variability of life on earth - is the key to the ability of the biosphere to continue providing us with these ecological goods and services and thus is our species' life

"However, as a species we are degrading, and in some cases destroying, the ability of biological diversity to continue performing these services. The 20th century saw a fourfold increase in human numbers and an 18 fold growth in world economic output.

"With these came unsustainable patterns of consumption and the use of environmentally unsound technologies. There are now more than six billion of us and we are placing unprecedented strains on the planet's ability to cope.

"In the 21st century, we will stand or fall on our ability to collectively eradicate poverty, guarantee human rights, and ensure an environmentally sustainable future. Freedom from want, freedom from fear and sustaining our future are all part of the same equation."

Klaus Topfer, exec. director, United Nations Environment Programme. From The Cairns Post weekend Extra, Saturday August 17, 2002. Contributed by Star.

NEWS FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Hello Everyone!

Well, believe it or not the not-so new KNC has now been operating for over twelve months! On July 9th

2001, I arrived at the CWA hall for my very first day in the job. It was with some trepidation and yes, alarm, that the enormity of the task ahead dawned on me. Suffice to say that one year down the track, those early days seem like a dream: it's

like giving birth to a baby - when it's all over, you only remember the good things!

This "baby" is a toddler now; still with a long road ahead and sometimes with a bit of a wobble, but facing the world with enthusiasm and a sense of adventure. Some very special people in the life of this fledgling organisation have made it possible to truly meet our promise to Kuranda locals: that is to offer "a centre run BY the community FOR the community". Thank you in particular to all our cherished volunteers and committee members, as well as to the many, many Kuranda-ites who have supported us and used our services over the last year.

It's been a busy month for connecting with other Kuranda groups, largely because we have a common purpose - to find a home! Locals tell me that a fully operational community centre has been on the agenda for many years, but not really "gone anywhere". In conjunction with Envirocare, Chamber of Commerce, St Saviour's Church, Kuranda Village promotion and others, KNC is looking at all the possible alternatives for co-location. In addition, it is hoped that the Kuranda Child Protection Service will find itself more closely allied with the Neighbourhood Centre and that strong partnerships can be built with KMKM Aboriginal

URANDA

Corporation. A close working relationship with Mareeba Shire Council is also imperative being fostered as we speak! So, residents of Kuranda, look out! We WILL get all our

services, supports and community projects working alongside one another very soon.

Speaking of projects, KNC is pleased to support KMKM in their quest to establish a sporting and recreational facility and programs for our local youth. This is a well overdue venture by all accounts! Initially, we will be asking all people, especially the young ones, to let us know what they want, where and how. Then there will need to be a core group who get together on the nitty gritty: gathering information, writing the submission, talking to the powers that be etc. It's exciting to be a part of this and I thank KMKM for inviting the Neighbourhood Centre into the process. If you wish to contribute, please contact Harry or Claudia at KMKM Ph 4093 9296 or myself at KNC Ph 4093 8933.

I will be on annual leave from Sep 10th to Oct 11th, but the Centre will remain open and ably staffed by our wonderful volunteers. Keep on coming to see us!

Until my return

Cherry Ferrari (Centre Co-ordinator)



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September and October see the opening of three Kuranda gardens in the open garden scheme. Radio ABC is a sponsor of this Australia wide invitation to the public to visit private gardens to promote the knowledge and pleasure of gardens and gardening across Australia. Last month, The Roth's Garden at Bellenden Ker opened for the first time following their award as the best Open

The FNQ co-ordinator, Mrs. Dawn Voermann stresses that this is not a gardening competition but rather an opportunity to share gardens and gardening knowledge with others. Each garden will be representative of the individual gardeners, and all gardens are quite different. Light refreshments,

tea and coffee will be available and the \$4.50 entry fee will benefit local charities. Kuranda Open Gardens are: September 7 & 8 The Nevin's Garden, Lot 11 Jarawee Road,

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by Kathryn Edwards



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A Thought for September

This month we open our bibles to St Mathews gospel and read Chapter 16 verse 13 to 20 Caesarea Philippi was a beautiful, dangerous, and tough place. Today its ruins are on the edge of a national park in Northern Galilee. In those days it was a rest and recreation centre for the Roman army. It was in this city, surrounded by a seamy and very secular society, that Jesus decided to ask his disciples a key question. He asked them, "Who do men say the Son of man is?"

But perhaps the next question Jesus asked is more important. After he had listened to their various replies he said, "Who do you say that I am?" That question placed everyone on the spot. Peter blurted out that Jesus was the Christ. That moment stays totally alive through time. Jesus Lord asks this question of us now and asks it in exactly the same words, "Who do you say I am?"

Each one of us alone knows the reply we have tried to make up to now in our lives. Maybe we have already said to Our Lord, as Peter said, "You are the Christ." If we haven't we have got to say it at some stage if our relationship with him is to be strong and lasting.

We said that Caesarea Philippi was dangerous and beautiful, sexual and secular. It's interesting that Jesus chose that place to ask his question. Look at the world we live in, the world where we are trying to be his disciples. Can that urban world of ours not be seen in very much the same terms as Caesarea Philippi? It certainly can be tough and dangerous; in places it can be extremely beautiful and impressive. It is also immensely intrigued by sexuality. Heaven knows it uses it endlessly, much of the time to sell us things we desire. The point is that it is right in the middle of this very secular world that Jesus asks us his eternal question.

He demands that we state our allegiance to him. Notice what he says to Peter after Peter's expression of faith. Jesus defined that faith as the rock on which Christian community can be built. Likewise our faith, if it is real, becomes a rich and strong base on which God's work in the Christian community can be founded. Jesus depends on us. He asks us today and everyday "Who do you say that I am?"

Chris Wright

St Cristopher's Catholic Church Barang St

Our Sunday Mass will be held at 6 pm

1st Wednesday of each month Mass 7.30 pm

Bahá'í Sayings

"The evidences of discord and malice are apparent everywhere, though all were made for harmony and union. The Great Being saith: O well-beloved ones! The tabernacle of unity hath been raised: regard ye not one another as strangers. Ye are the fruits of one tree, and the leaves of one branch."

For further information contact Roofia at 4093-0396

Includes teachings of oneness of humankind, common foundation of religions, and elimination of all prejudice.



"Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values."
The Dalai Lama

SHANA TOVA

Words of Wisdom from 05กิ0 กิจ 89 How can I love better?

(from the book:

Love, Freedom & Aloneness)

Love is enough unto itself. It needs no betterment. It is perfect as it is; it is not in any way to be more perfect. The very desire shows a misunderstanding about love and its nature. Can you have a perfect circle? All circles are perfect; if they are not perfect, they are not circles. Perfection is intrinsic to a circle and the same is the law about love. You cannot love less, and you cannot love more—because it is not a quantity. It is a quality which is immeasurable

Try www.osho.org





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

AL-ANON can help you

Meetings:

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



Happy Fathers Day DAD

A Great effort to Jordy and Tamara. A big thankyou to you guys. Any contributions to the Green House Shop before 18 September.



The Youth of Kuranda want their Page to continue so here it is back for them.



Left: Artwork by Jordy

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A YOUTH AND SPORTS FACILITY FOR KURANDA ??

KMKM Aboriginal Corporation and Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre are in the process of developing a joint venture to assess sporting and recreational needs in Kuranda and surrounding districts.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Everyone knows that there is nothing much for our young people to do after school and on weekends. Tell us what YOU think, what YOU need and what YOU want!

Our JOINT VENTURE hopes to attract people who:

- Have a real interest in our community & our kids
- Might be willing to join a steering committee
- Can identify local sport and recreation needs
- Will support us in our application to apply for funding for this project.

INTERESTED?

Please phone Harry Deemal or Claudia Grogan at KMKM 4093 9296

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or Cherry Ferrari at Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre 4093 8933

HOT-HOUSING OUR KIDS Fact or Fiction - what the medical evidence suggests...

The phenomena of ""Hot-housing" our children is popular and frequently debated. Encompassing the idea that intense educational activity at a young age will stimulate intelligence and promote greater achievement. This stimulation takes many forms: multiple extra-curricular activities, classical music, emersion in educational toys, foreign holidays, etc..

Does it work? A lot of research attempts to answer this very question and reviewing the medical literature the answer appears to be a cautious no. There are three important points to be made about the effects of stimulation, the effects of deprivation and what we as parents can do.

1. For the increasing number of children subjected to intense hothousing there is emerging a new syndrome of the "'*hurried," or overscheduled child". These children suffer stress and miss opportunities to leisurely explore, investigate and interact with their surrounding world. Early exposure to music & sport are part of a well-balanced start to life but the psychologists say we must avoid extreme competitiveness at too young an age, placing undue pressure and expectations on a child.

2. Romanian orphans adopted by US families after years of physical & emotional neglect were able to catch up physically. When it came to emotional developmental issues such as self-regulation, the ability to empathise with others and have good social relations they fell way behind and struggled ever to catch up.

3. In 20.00 the US National Research Council released a document, which had considered hundreds of studies in to early childhood development. A key conclusion was that stable, nurturing relationships were critical to a healthy start in life and long-term emotional and intellectual development. Parents mistakenly think that only good parents buy lots of toys and send their kids to tennis 5 days each week. In fact what children need, especially young children, are good times with their parents. They like to hang out with their parents, to see their parents relaxed, they like to laugh & have a good time with them.

So it would seem if you don't have much money don't panic the best gift you can give your kids is love & attention and then you'll help them grow in to a real bright spark.

Dr Dave Cuming Kuranda Medical Service



Above: Artwork by Tamara Thomas, titled "Angels".

Kuranda Scouts

Kuranda Scouts, Cub Scouts and Joey Scouts need your help! We have plenty of kids who want to do scouting, but we need some Leaders. At the moment there are seven Joeys, eleven Cubs and eleven Scouts. That's nearly thirty kids in Kuranda who are enjoying scouting. However we are in need of some new Leaders to help run the Kuranda Troop.

Leaders: Robyn (our fearless Joey Leader) is moving on, Chris (our intrepid Cub Leader) needs someone to help and Clare (Scout Leader) is taking a well earned break at the end of this year. So if you can help, or know of anyone who can, please let us know. We don't want all our Scouts to miss out on the fun of scouting ! Just give Clare a call if you can help Ph: 4093 9038. The Scout Troop covers any costs for training.

Planning: Thanks to all the parents who turned up for the Planning meeting. We talked about lots of things, including programs and ideas for activities, fundraising and training.

Fundraising: The Scouts Monster Raffle is coming up soon and Scouts will be selling tickets, hopefully someone from Kuranda can win the Car. Spring Fair soon and Scouts, Cubs and Joeys will be there trying out some fundraising ideas. This is more than fundraising as it helps our scouts to learn to work together, to help out and to be responsible citizens.

Camp: Some of our Scouts are hoping to go to the Triple S Camp (7 days) at Mission Beach during the next holidays. This is a great chance to meet other Scouts from all over the region and to earn credit for your Badges. Contact Perry if you are interested. Activities over the past month:

We have all been making gifts for Dad for Fathers Day. Some wonderful creations are now hidden away 'til September! The Scouts visited the Police station as part of their work on emergency services. : Thanks to the Kuranda Police for showing us around and thank goodness no one got locked in the cells Scouts had a Cook-Out at Oak Forest and the "Chilli Con Carne" was pretty tasty. We also did a Night Hike down the track from the Range Look-Out to Smithfield and we navigated our way pretty well. (without getting lost!).

ENJOY YOUR SCOUTING!

I have been living here for years, but never advertised locally before because there was already a local Kuranda Solar Company, however now they are gone.

As well as Solar, Wind, and Hydro electric systems, I also sell pumps, solar hot water systems, wood fired fuel stoves and heaters, electronic gear (lights, hi-tech torches etc) And Wind Farm size Generators. Windy regards, Geoff Thomas.

> Phone: 4093 8899 Fax: 3251 0420 Email: wind@iig.com.au Website: www.iig.com.au/wind



Different calculation on GHG emissions pushes Australia into top spot

CANBERRA, Australia, 2002-08-14 [Refocus Weekly] Australia has the highest per capita greenhouse gas emissions in the industrialized world when all sources are considered, according to a new analysis by the Australia Institute.

Using official country data filed with the United Nations, Australians emit 27.9 tonnes of GHG each year, more than double the average of 12.8 tonnes for all industrial nations. Australia's per capita emissions are 35% higher than the world's largest emitting country, the United States. "Land clearing in Queensland has a major impact on Australia's emissions," explains co-author Clive Hamilton, who heads the Institute. "But if land clearing stopped completely, Australia's emissions per person would be 24.1 tonnes, still the highest per capita in the industrialized world."

The calculations include all sources and sinks, including land-use changes and forestry, but exclude the combustion of fuel used in international shipping and aviation. They include the carbon equivalencies of the six main GHG sources: carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and

sulfur hexafluoride.

Industrialized nations produced total net emissions of 14,700 megatonnes of CO2-e in 1999, with a per capita average of 12.8 tonnes. The average is heavily influenced by emissions in Europe (26% of total emissions) and the United States (39%). Australia's average of 27.9 tonnes is 25% higher than the next highest per capita emitter, Canada, and 35% higher than the U.S. Major countries in Europe include France at 8.2 tonnes per capita, Italy at 9.1, Britain at 10.8 and Germany at 11.6 tonnes.

Germany, Japan, Russia and the United Kingdom generate 9 to 10 tonnes per person from the combustion of fossil fuels, while Australia, Canada and the U.S. produce 17 to 20 tonnes. Half of the emissions in New Zealand come from the methane caused by cattle and sheep. Average per capita emissions in industrialized countries declined by 14% between 1990 and 1999, with a 7% drop in Europe, while they increased 13% in Canada, 4% in the U.S. and 2% in Japan.

"Normal emissions growth in Australia is well above international levels and reflects the failure of the federal government to implement effective policies, says Hamilton. "Australia is in danger of becoming the last polluters' paradise."

from REFOCUS WEEKLY e-zine



KURANDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & TOURISM INC

As the Chamber expands and reaches out to the businesses both in the town and in the environs of Kuranda, we are learning new things about ourselves.

These days at our meetings we all introduce ourselves and have a segment where an existing member tells us about their business and introduces a non-member who tells us about their business and why they chose to set up in Kuranda.

In August, Barry Toy of Kuranda Icecream and Coffee Shop (the best coffee in town, he boasts) told us that the new owners of the complex he occupies plans to refurbish and build an a multi-cultural attraction which will draw visitors to Kuranda.

Barry then introduced Thea Buthmann and Lionel Quartermaine. Thea, daughter of June and the late Finley Grogan, has a Social Sciences degree and is coordinator of the Social Justice Group and secretary for the Ngoonbi Housing Cooperative. She explained that the Ngoonbi Co-op is self-sufficient and is not dependent upon government grants. The Co-op works for the whole community, not just the Aboriginal community (except for housing). It supports itself through its real estate business and works with a number of agencies including TAFE, Centrelink, Dept of Community Corrections, the Work for the Dole scheme and HACC. It also manages the maintenance of its own houses. Lionel noted that Ngoonbi brings around \$10 million into the community.

At our September meeting, Korina Jones and Lorelei English of Foodstore fame will introduce Judy Fitzgerald and Ross Breadfell from Kuranda Kandy Kitchen to let us into some secrets about themselves and their businesses.

HOW CAN WE ASSIST?

By way of support for our members, the Chamber is producing a street map of the Village on which members are invited to advertise their business and show where it is located. Louise Mabbutt is the one to call if this is of interest to you (4093 7231)

Of all the suggestions for ways the Chamber might better promote its members in the Village, having people to meet and greet visitors is seen as the highest priority. This has been popular in the past and we are now investigating ways to fund such meeters and greeters.

COMING UP

Also at our action-packed September meeting, Joe Moro and Michael Lawrence from the Tableland Economic Development Corp and Belinda Down from Dept State Development will be giving out free advice on how they, too, can help us achieve better results for all our hard work.

Our next general meeting will be on

Tuesday 3rd September, Billy's Garden Bar, 5pm

Jax Bergersen Joy Gordon Lyle Greene Louise Mabbutt President Vice President Secretary Treasurer 4093 8834 4093 8850 4093 7151 4093 7231

KURANDA Enviro Care

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YOU CAN DO YOU OWN THING

But be prepared to suffer the consequences

Imagine your property is surrounded by an invisible wall, like a glass cylinder, which reaches into the sky beyond the ozone layer and down into the ground, past any underground water, into solid rock. That's your land and you can do whatever you like on it, above it and below it. Let's suppose you have a creek, a bore going down to a good supply of groundwater, some trees and good soil. To be realistic, let's say you have an adequate supply of fuel to run your house, car and farm machinery. No rules, no regulations. You're wonderfully free. No-one can take anything

BUT, after a while, say a year if you have a small plot or a decade if you have a large plot, your creek is running low because there's no fresh water flowing into it from upstream, only what flows into it from your own rainfall; your bore water has become brackish and the pressure is falling badly because you've used your bit and you don't have access to anyone else's supply; you're just about out of fuel; there's a sort of grey-blue mist that hangs above the tree tops dimming the bright sunshine you used to enjoy; and there's a persistent poisonous smell that just won't go away, like the exhaust of an old car.

You've cut your trees down to build on to your house and you've got a crop in the field, but it's the same one you've had every year and the soil is now depleted so it's not very nutritious. Of course, you can't use fertiliser because that would have to come in from outside and that's not part of the deal. Your place is not looking good. Neither is your future. Ah, but what it is to be free and do what you like on your own land!

The real world is, in fact, a closed system not unlike the glass cylinder analogy. Most of us do care about the smoke which blows through someone else's house or the chemicals or weeds which flow on to someone else's land in the water coming from our bit of creek. So next time you hear someone grumbling about what they are not allowed to do on their own land, ask them if they are prepared to suffer the consequences.

INTERESTING STATISTICS - Planning for the Future

Cathy Wallis from the Office of Economic and Statistical Research will be our guest speaker at our next meeting (4th September). She will give us information on the 2001 Census Basic Community Profile results and guide us through interpreting what it all means. We'll be interested in what it means for the future of residential development in this region and the impact on Kuranda.

GET A LITTLE DIRT ON YOUR HANDS

On Saturday 7th September, we'll be out at Boonooloo giving residents there a hand to restore a site on the corner of Stoney Creek Road and Kelly Road from 10.30am to 12.30pm. This is an initiative of the local residents. They are a great example of what can be achieved when a community group decides to take responsibility for their environment.

While we are talking about getting dirty, you know you are most welcome to join us for our regular Saturday morning tree planting activities. We're working along the Barron River between Kowrowa and Mantaka. Take Myola Road past Boyles Road turnoff and keep an eye out for our signs. We start at 8am and enjoy our billy tea at 9am.

NATIONAL TREE DAY

It was fitting that it rained (I thought we were supposed to be having a drought!) on the day (28th July) but we still managed to get some 300 trees planted and enjoyed a sizzling BBQ thanks to the skills of Pam Norman. Thanks to Bruce Alpin who did more than his fair share on behalf of the Kowrowa aboriginal community.

ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENDER'S OFFICE SEMINAR

This was well attended on Saturday 10th August. Thank you Jo Cull, solicitor, who presented the seminar and simplified the maze of laws for us. We feel we are becoming more informed and better able to understand our role as advisers to the decision-makers about what's of value to us.

A COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR KURANDA

Watch this space. Things are happening. It's quite amazing really!

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 4th September at 7pm at the Fallon Road Sports & Social Club. Guest Speaker: Cathy Wallis, Office of Economic & Statistical Research

EnviroCare is sharing and caring



KURANDA DISTRICT STATE SCHOOL

Grade 1 Mini Show Day

On Thursday 18th July 2002. Grade 1 had a mini show day. They all received a show bag that had many fun and interesting items including, a paper policeman hat, stickers and a colouring book from the Fire Brigade. Also there was a bookmark from the Uganda library, a writing book from our Bendigo Bank branch and also a lollypop and a can of soft drink from the Kuranda Food store. The children were also given \$20 to spend at our show. The children had to pay an admission price and buy a movie ticket for the feature film after the show day.

At our mini show day we had a Ghost House, a novelty shop, a food cafe, Hoop the Bear game, Knock em down game, messy play area and a Bean Bag Toss game. We had lots of fun going through the Ghost House. It was one of the most popular events of our show day. Thank you to Jill Robinson and Jan Brown for turning our junior playground into the scary ghost house. At our novelty store the children could buy interesting items such as pirate swords, crazy show hats, fairy crowns and fairy wands. All of these items were very popular and sold very quickly. The food cafe was another popular part of our show. The children could relax and sit down to a refreshing cold drink and eat a hot dog or have a patty cake. They could also enjoy a lollypop.

The day was very exciting and we all had a fun filled time. We must say a special thank you to all of our Grade 5 helpers and all the local businesses that donated items for our show bags. We could not of had a wonderful time without the support of our parents who came in and helped set up and run the stalls. A special thank you to the following parents Cheryl, Peggy, Gail, Lorrelli, Pauline, Tamara, Amy and Katie.











Above: Sports day, Left: Show day.

PRIMARY AND HIGHSCHOOL COMBINED SPORTS DAY.

The combined Primary and High Schools Athletic Carnival was held on Friday August 2. The carnival went very well with the events being held at the High School. The facilities available here allowed primary students to compete at a much higher level. The overall competition was won by Dulbil in the Primary School and Ganyarra Red in the High School. When the points were combined Ganyarra won. On the athletics track there were some great contests including a tussle between the 12 year old girls for most points. Lynece George and Stephanie Hobbler are both top class atheletes and both have represented Queensland in track and field. To have two students of this standard in the same school is exceptional. The combined sports day was a great success. Thanks to Gary Davis and Danny Smith for organising a great competition and a special thank you to all parents and teachers who helped make the day a success.







Kuranda Joint Schools News:

Our planning group is continuing to meet regularly to discuss the direction of "joint schooling" for Kuranda. Currently we have decided on the following timeline:

- Aug/Sep 2002:

Draft Business Plan developed, Community Meetings continued

- Oct 2002:

Plan submitted to Education Qld and Minister for approval

- Term 4 2002/ Tern 1 & 2 2003: Formal Consultation period with decision by may/June 2003

- June 2003 - Dec 2003: Implementation Planning phase

- Jan 2004:

Kuranda District College commences operation

This timeline may need to change as we progress further. Please keep up your interest as this is a major educational move for Kuranda. We will continue to work within the schools and the local community to seek you opinions. Fr Chris Wright (Chairperson), Jenny Jensen and mark Evans (Kuranda Principals)

STARTING HIGH SCHOOL IN 2003?

All Year 7's and their families are invited to "STARTING HIGH SCHOOL"

Information Evening

Wednesday 18th September 6.15pm

at Kuranda State High School Free Sausage Sizzle N.B: Enrolement Interviews commence October Friday 30thAugust 2002 Sponsored by the

Kuranda Media Association

Saturday 31stAugust 2002

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION & JUDGING (Wine & Cheese included) Peter Jarver Gallery

STREET PARTY Lower Coondoo St 7pm \$1 Admission Licenced Bar & Alfresco Food Stalls by community groups.

Mainstage Compere: David Martin

Paul Moro Band Mongolian Water Flys Artists:

Ben Fox Duo Zennith

6pm

Metal Head

Willy & the Poor Boys featuring Willy

Brim

Gudaba The Pad Bovs.

GRAND PARADE Coondoo St

7.15pm

TROPHY SECTIONS (Costume/ Float) Prize Major **Sponsor**

Best Entry—Overall \$100 LIBERTY HOTELS Best Entry—Overall– Encouragement \$50 RAINFORESTATION Best Entry—Kurandafest

\$50 KV.P.P. Best Entry—by Community Group \$50 KURANDA

LIONS CLUB

Best Entry—by Trade/Business Entity \$50 Q.I.T.

CERTIFICATE SECTIONS

Best Decorated Bike/Scooter (U13yrs) \$20 KURANDA PAPER

Best Dressed Raft Challenge Crew STANWELL CORP.

Keeper of the Forest Comp. SKYRAIL Keeper of the Mountain Comp. SKYRAIL

Trophies are presented by Kurandafest Major Sponsors (Prize money donated by Kurandafest Committee). All entries judged on parade presentation. Trophies & prizes presented on stage following

Major sponsors: Stanwell Corporation, Skyrail, Kuranda Village Promotions, Liberty Hotels, Ergon Energy

POETS OPEN STAGE Honey House

8.30am

& Breakfast (optional)

SONGWRITERS COMP.

Windmill Café

9.30am

Best Original Song, Best Environment Song, Best Cover . Version Song)

BATTLE OF THE BARRON Riverbank 9am-12.30

River events, community groups, fun & food Barron Gorge Hydro's Raft Challenge Prize

\$100 9.30am **Crew Challenge Figurehead Beauty Contest** \$100 Best Designed & Decorated Raft 10.30am

\$50 **Rafters Race** \$100 11.30am \$100 12.30am Rafters Dash for Cash

Overall Winner Perpetual Trophy & prizes presented Stanwell Corporation (Barron Gorge Hydro) at Kurandafest HQ, Village Green 2pm

KID FUN FAIR Riverbank 9am-12am Village Green 9am-5pm

Rides, Games, Competitions, Food & Drinks avail. LIFESTYLE EXP Village Green 9am-5pm

(Featuring Arts, Crafts, Hobbies, Produce, Trade & Community displays)

Street Stalls Coondoo St (Upper) 9am-1pm

Car Boot Sale Coondoo St (Lower) Street Theatre Coondoo St Various

YOUNG TALENT TIME Rainbow Theatre 11.00am \$1 Admission. Youth, School & Indigenous Artists, School play.

HIGH TEA Village Green Afternoon tea & fresh scones. Impromptu

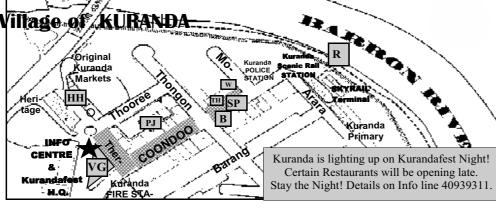
performances by local groups, mass balloon with personal message & Keeper Ceremony final & judging; presentation by Mayor Mareeba Shire. Keeper of the Forest (Junior—Under

13) Keeper of the Mountain (Senior -Over 13) Final Judging and Presentation of chain of office, official

costume & prize package valued at over \$500 each.

Project of the ROTARY CLUB OF KURANDA Inc.

Legend Peter Jarver Gallery PJ Street Party/Stage SP Theatre TH **Billys Tavern** В Riverbank R **Honey House** HHWindmill Cafe W Village Green VG



MEMORIES OF VOLDEMARS by Ron Elgar

The farmer first met Voldi in 1951. He was a true son of the sea - his father was a fisherman. His country was Latvia, his country's history bloodshed and turmoil. The Swedes annexed Latvia in the 18th century. The Germans followed, then the Russians and back and forth until now it has a sort of independence. Too late for Voldi. He had very little education. His father died early on and World War II decimated his family. Thousands fled his country; thus Voldi ended up in England in the late 1940's, officially described as a 'Displaced Person' or, in the jargon, a 'D.P.'

Like others of his countrymen he was found a place on a farm to work (wages in those days were twenty-five English shillings or about \$A1 a week) and with him went his Latvian friend Rudi. Voldi spoke very little English and he could not read. Not as strong as Rudi (who could lift a sack of wheat weighing 230 pounds off the ground) he was still powerful and willing. A silent man, but not introverted; respectful, but with his pride intact. These two men lived in a two centuries old brickand-flint cottage with slated roof, but without bath or running water. Cooking was over the fireplace. The farmer, who took on Voldi and his friend along with the machinery, livestock, cottages and the farm itself in 1951, built a new brick cottage (cost about \$A400) with slate roof and all modern conveniences in 1953 and Voldi never again lacked the comforts of a modern home.

A bitter man, you might expect; full of hatred for the Germans and Russians who, each in their turn, ravaged his country and killed his kin. Far from it. The farmer had never met a man, before or since, who understood humanity as Voldi did; who loved the land and the many creatures that inhabited the earth. A gentle, simple man,

uneducated, unsophisticated, yet he knew more about 'life' than the farmer ever would. He used to tell me how, when very young, his father would take him fishing in the Baltic Sea. It was then that the majority of his education took place. It is amazing what can be learnt outside the schoolroom. Voldi knew about the stars, the animals that lived around him; the earth and how it reacted to man's efforts to grow crops; but mostly he knew about life, learnt from his father and villagers and relations and fishing with its dangers.

He never removed his shirt but his wife told the farmer what was there. His back was covered with scars he did not wish the world to see; scars resulting from sheer brutality - from man's inhumanity to man. He outlived his friend Rudi who died from cancer of the eyes, soon after the farmer had taken over the farm. The cruelty of the Germans and the Russians was something he did not chose to talk about. His was a powerful philosophy that sustained him through his long life.

Voldi ploughed the soil, drilled the seed and later harvested the earth's bounty in due season. He fed the sheep and pigs and cows (but refused, always, to milk the latter!! It was the only time Voldi grumbled at the farmer, if asked to stand in for the dairyman) He trimmed the hedges but never forgot the little creatures that made their homes amongst the banks and briars. He both saw and greeted the farmer's children as each arrived in the world and loved them until the day he died. He never forgot their birthdays - even if the farmer did! He watched the fox sniff around his bird-table, hoping for scraps in winter when the earth was hard and food scarce; and smiled with real pleasure at the Fallow deer that roamed the New Forest and visited the farmer's wild and beautiful garden and ate his rose petals.

THE KURANDA PAPER SEPTEMBER 2002 Page 9 Restaurants opening late for Kurandafest & Accommodation available:Frogs, Kuranda Historic Hotel/Motel, Bazza's Place, Trading Post, Windmill Cafe & Billys Garden Bar. Visitors can stay overnight at Kuranda Rainforest Park and Kuranda Historic Hotel/Motel.

Just for this ONE NIGHT of the year—Friday 30th August. Kuranda is lighting up and bursting with energy. Restaurants and coffee shops will be opening late so you can enjoy Kuranda's cuisine before going on to Kurandafest events. Stay overnight! (Check the list at the Info line -Bookings

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION....and wine & cheese evening at Peter Jarver Gallery. 7.15pm...it's time to start the Gala GRAND PARADE down Coondoo St There are over 22 confirmed entries. Starts in Therwine St, moving down Coondoo Street, up and around Morong St for a second pass up Coondoo St, finish at Therwine St. The Keeper of the Forest & Keeper of the Mountain competitions have not yet excited our younger generation, even though there's over \$500 worth of prizes each. Entries will be on display in the village for voting from Monday 28th. Closing date will be extended. STREET PARTY, Coondoo Street starts 7pm 'til late. \$1 entry - bands inc. Willy & the Poor Boys, Gudabah & The Pad Boys. Fire dance & body paints. Food on sale. Licensed area.

FANTASY HAIR SHOW at 8pm. All Male Revue stars Miss Pencil Vania and Miss Sandy Crack. FNQ hairdressers compete for prizes. Don't miss this theatrical extravaganza. \$5 per person. The kids can go to the Gecko Video Show (\$1); featuring "Harry Potter". Snacks on sale. Also at 8pm, the Battle of the Barron CALCUTTA gets underway at Billys Tavern.

And Saturday morning 31st August is the Battle of the Barron! River displays by Coastguard, SES, Rotary Croc Boats and the Barron Gorge Hydro's Raft Challenge offering \$550 in prize money over 5 events, inc. the Crew Challenge obstacle course, Figurehead beauty contest, the Best Raft, Raft Race, Dash for Cash and Best Dressed Crew. Get your Entry Form now!

Back on terra firma....there's the Poets Open Stage & Breakfast at Honey House...and the Songwriters Competition at the Windmill Cafe. Coondoo Street will be closed for street stalls, car boot sale and street theatre. The Village Green hosts the Lifestyle Expo and Kids Fun Fair. Young Talent Time (\$1) at the Rainbow Theatre featuring youth bands and Primary School skit. The High Tea at 3pm on the Village Green is the final stage in the inaugural search for ambassadors of Kuranda, the crowning of the Keeper of the Forest (Junior Section) and the Keeper of the Mountain (Senior Section) by Mareeba Shire Mayor; followed by a mass balloon release with your own personal Message. KURANDAFEST 30th/31st August 2002. Info & Entry Forms 4093 9311 by Lynne Neate

One day he came to work having over-indulged and greatly under the weather. He pleaded a birthday party (his) the evening before. The other workers watched to see what would happen, no doubt thinking it might have been one of them. But the farmer let it go. A fortnight later the same thing happened again. This time the farmer said two birthdays in a fortnight was not natural and asked Voldi if he proposed a third birthday in another fortnight - which would have been too much to accept!. No problem! Voldi agreed there would be no more birthdays. In fact, Voldi stayed with the farmer and his family for nearly twenty years, and each grew to love and respect the other. After their ways were forced to part the farmer wrote to him right up to the time when Voldi died, peacefully, in his little Council house, looking out over the Dorset farm he had made his home. In his reclining years he used to cut firewood for the elderly on the housing estate, fetch their milk from the village shop, sweep the snow from their pathways, and in return enjoy a cup of tea and home made cake in their parlours, along with a good, old-fashioned gossip.

Was he happy? Who can tell the inner thoughts of another's mind, the feelings in another's heart? Well then, you may ask, "Did he seem happy?" far from his native land, not knowing what had befallen his family. The farmer believed he did. Voldi's happiness came from simple things: watching the farmer's children playing - for he never had any himself; and knowing their absolute trust in him was absolutely justified; welcoming springtime and the vixen barking for her mate in the dell; checking out the badgers' warren and the promise of watching their cubs; admiring the rows of sprouting barley, stretching away across the fields in long, straight lines as the green shoots sought the sun; wondering, as he did every year, at the wonderful colours of the beech trees in their autumn foliage. He expected so very little, and gave so much. Badly battered by the invaders of his land, yes! But beaten, never!

No medals for Voldi - he sought none, but he deserved one. No State funeral, no important eulogies. But as the poet said, "Last words don't matter, And there are none to flatter." A man unknown by the world at large, except in his own very immediate neighbourhood.

Such a simple story. Hardly worth writing, let alone reading, some might say. And yet - or so the farmer still contends - his story will live on: through the soil he never despoiled; through the animals he never killed: through the children who were not of his flesh but who he loved as his own. Without visible symbol, it is true, yet somehow woven forever into the fabric of that very small part of the world through which he once passed, and into the memories of the children he loved.

Voldemars Petersens - the farmer and his wife and his family salute you!

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KURANDA MUD SLINGERS

In place of a workshop for September, we are pleased to announce the FIRST EVER MUD SLINGERS EXCURSION! In support of our marvellous member ANN HUSEK, members and friends are invited to attend Paradise Palms Atrium Gallery CHAMPAGNE, MUSIC AND ARTS BREAKFAST on Saturday September 7th. It is essential to BOOK AHEAD - we must have booked and paid by Wednesday 4th!!! Ring Ian (4093 9652) or Anne (40938453) before then. Cost is \$22.50. We will attempt to share transport. Ann will have pottery on exhibit along with a variety of multi media artists.

Thanks this month go to those members helping at the Kurandafest.

A big thank you also to ANNE REARDON, for the donation of many slip casting moulds to the group. We are so excited about slip casting now that JUDY DAVIES will be presenting a workshop on slip casting in October - more details

Also, be ready for our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, also on the first Saturday of October to plan our next year of mud slinging. We also plan to plan another big social event. As usual, feel free to come along on the third Sunday of the month at 10.30am for a DO-WHAT-YOU-LIKE day at the stables.

Twin Soul

Is it you who comes deep in the night to take me soaring on wings of higher astral flight?

Is it you who calls to me and laughs with delight...

when you see me and take my hands and understand with higher insight to know we're together in precious pure

Is it you who taught me to really be free, is to wake up, really wake up and compassionately see!

Om Star

Kuranda Arts Co-op 5 Years On! (or 6 from conception)

Yes, the Co-op has made it past it's fifth year! This is an achievement as research showed when we started that few such projects survive the first three! I guess we came close to not making it either but for the dedication of a few and the encouragement and support from the community and the industry. A good time to look back and see an overview of where we've been. . .

A Potted History

1996 saw the very beginnings as a collective market stall at the heritage markets with 11 participants, including Gonzo, Potter, Terry Eager, Dina, David Stacey, Kai Hagburg to name a few

1997 brought the move to the main street and our true birth as the Co-op and grand opening with a bang and a hell of a media party! (thanks to RADF and the Chamber of Commerce)

1998 we got 'serious' with our Strategic Plan development and small exhibition program

1999 we got 'established' with a grant for website development, workshops in sales and marketing and national standard 'CraftMark' accreditation from Craft Aust.

2000 we got 'high-tech' and established the Public Internet access through Tableland Online giving members free computer facilities. We bought a digital camera with website project, held workshops in camera and computer usage and saw www.artskuranda.asn.au launched by Dr Lesley Clark. All this while in the turmoil of unexpectedly having to move location twice!

2001 we matured and held the successful "Cooperate/Collaborate" exhibition at the Cairns Regional Gallery. We merged one of our projects with Arts Nexus to form 'Craft Connect' which continues to operate servicing Far Northern artists, - creating and marketing a database of craft artists and presenting workshops in professional development, marketing, exhibiting, photography and computer skills.

2002 we moved back to our current location at the "Settlement" regaining a larger display area and via Craft Connect held a Craft Expo at the Hilton in Cairns, established a retail arm in Arts Nexus office opposite Cairns Casino.

This month sees a group of our artists represented at Raffles Hotel, Singapore by request of Tourism Queensland and as well as a group exhibiting the request of Hobart Uni art dept at Plimsoll Gallery, Hobart. We were also successful in securing a \$20,000 grant from Arts Qld for continuing projects for Craft Connect. AND we see the etablishment of our partner business - Dean Oliver's Kuranda I T, which will extend our internet and computer services.

So... there is plenty of life yet as we head in to the next 5 years! We are always open to new members... just drop in! We are open 7 days / week 10-4 and often later.

Art

With a cocktail of ideas Art finds its place

Then there it stands - quite bare Alone - Staring you in the face

But of course - that depends On the way you look at it.

Then there's Art from the Heart It has the power to make A mark upon the soul

But then - that depends what angle you focus from.

The perfection of imperfection On a picture rail - to Outer Space

The artist becomes a naked target that is judged by a fickle market place

Who's aspect it see's is determined - by what it conceives

Because we all think differently Maybe Art shouldn't be taken too Seriously

Which of course - depends on your point of view.

Which of course - depends on the direction you are coming from

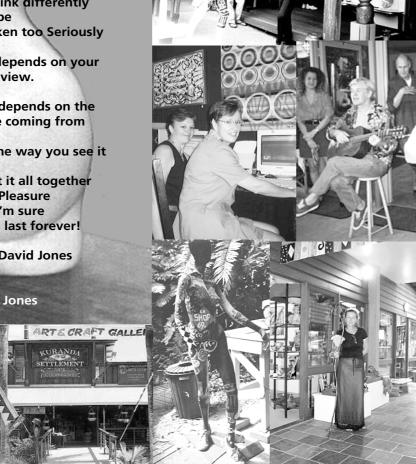
Which determines the way you see it

Art means Pleasure And that I'm sure We all hope will last forever!

by David Jones

'Wiggle' statuette also by David Jones

Right: Pictures from the Kuranda Arts Co-op over the years... Now you can find them at 'The Settlement', on Rob Veivers Drive, pictured on the right.





KURANDA LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY PROJECTS

High noon on Saturday 3rd August the raffles for Youri Dreezen were drawn at St. Saviour's Church in Coondoo Street by Rev. Chris Wright and Kuranda Lions Club Treasurer Mr. Bob Hammond. The Lions raffles brought in a total of \$363.56 and with donations of \$100 from the Kuranda CWA and \$100 from the Far North Division CWA, the total raised was \$563.65. Added to this will also be \$250.00 from raffles held at the Kuranda Lions Fashion afternoon. Thank you to the prize donors and ticket buyers for their support and generousity. In accord with a motion recorded in the Lions Club meeting minutes of 25th March 2002, this money will be for Youri's general medical expenses not directly related to his operation.

Monday 5th August Mr. Col Jeans presented to the Blue Care Service a cheque for \$300.00 being sum raised by the Kuranda Lions. This cheque will help the 'Blue Angels' who help and comfort the sick and elderly, who are at home, they are true carers and said the money raised would be put to good use.

The meeting on 22nd July was honoured by the presence of Mr. John Hammond from Highfield Northeast Downs Lions Club Inc. We were very interested to hear about their functions and fund raising and Lions Club Banners were exchanged to commemorate the meeting.

Mr. Jim Mealing and Mr. Bruce Vandewayde presented a "Wooden Lectern" to the Kuranda Primary School from Kuranda Lions Club 2002.

Kuranda Lions Club is looking forward to working with the Kuranda Rotary Club at the "Kurandafest" Weekend 30th and 31st August 2002. We wish you all a very happy time.



Left: Mr Col Jeanes presenting cheque to the Blue Nursing carers representative. Right: Rev. Chris Wright and Mr Bob Hammond drawing the winners of raffles in aid of Youri Dreezen, the young boy with a hole in his heart.



Village Green by JACK McBOWL It's warming up at Charity Bowls night in more ways than one. The score at this stage is

It's warming up at Charity Bowls night in more ways than one. The score at this stage is K.S.H.S. 24 Q.C.W.A. 36 K.N.C. 31 Q.F.R.S. 46 Q.A.S. 31 **Bowls History**: is the one sport where bent behaviour is compulsory. Legend has it that bias began with the Duke of Suffolk in 1522. His Grace was playing at Goole, Yorkshire, when he split his bowl in two. He dashed inside, sawed a wooden ball off the top of the bannisters the and went on with the game. Naturally the bowl had a flat bottom and rolled off kilter in a delightful curve curve. The Duke was able to get round his opponents and he won four ends in succession. Nobody could stop bias after that.

The next charity Bowls night at Fallon Road is Thursday 5 th September and the team for extra fund- raising on this on this evening is The Kuranda Neighour hood Centre. Paul's yummy BBQ meal is available 6 pm - 6.45 pm costing \$3 p.p. Tea and coffee is available at no extra cost. Registering should be completed by 7 pm. Cost of game is \$7 pp. (which included a 'spider').

Thursday evening is social lawn-bowls names' register by 7 pm. Sunday bowls register by 1 pm. Telephone 4093 8057 or 4093 7117 (evenings). if you require further information. If you don't have your own bowls, bowls are available at the Club at Fallon Road and remember, footwear must be flat smoothed-soled shoes. See you thereJack

QCWA KURANDA BRANCH NEWS

What a hectic month! Our Kuranda Branch members have been meeting themselves coming and going throughout July. Our crafty members competed successfully at both Innisfail and Cairns Shows. Did you manage to take a look at the craft display in the Cairns Far Northern Youth Pavilion? The variety and quality of craft displayed is amazing. Kuranda QCWA display featured Bobbin Lace, Quilling, Crochet, Knitting, Embroidery, Dressmaking, Soft Toys, Aluminium Embossing, Ceramics, and Stocking Flowers.

At Kuranda Branch Annual Meeting on July 17, there was a "changing of the guard". Office Bearers for 2002/2003 are President: Mrs Marion Hubbard; Treasurer: Mrs Sandra McCorry; Secretary: Mrs Yvonne Dighton. Vice Presidents are: Mrs Emily Matsen and Mrs Jeanine Veivers. Our thanks and congratulations to outgoing officers - Mrs Emily Matsen (long suffering Treasurer) and Mrs Sheila Wilhelm (Secretary) for a job well done. A big thank you also to Mrs Elsa Borzi, for a job well done as Chairman. Along with our State Vice President (Northern Region) Mrs Jan Anderson and Divisional President, Mrs Jean Rosendahl, there was a good turn-up of visitors from other QCWA branches including Cairns, Flying Fish Point, Silkwood, Deeral, Innisfail and Mareeba. Travelling from these branches means a very early start for most to be at Kuranda QCWA Hall by 9 am and we did appreciate their efforts to be with us on the day.

Craft mornings are held every Wednesday 9.30 am-12n0on. Come along, learn a new craft or show us a new/different craft - or just have a cuppa with our happy crafters. For Hall bookings, contact the Hall Convener on 493 7187.

Veg Out Cate is rolling along through the not-so-up-season enjoying sporadic days of panic and mayhem where one hour goes mad and the rest of the day is so easy we read Vedic Scriptures. Our Hare Krsna community is slowly growing, with a new family of four living in town and a couple moving into Cairns next week, so look out Kuranda, the Hari-s are accumulating! Tracey is still cooking up more than I can chew, with usually 8 desserts and 12 main meals (not all for me though). All of these meals are minimum karma meals, which means you don't accumulate good or bad karma when you eat at Veg Out, you just enjoy Hare Krsna food and nice surroundings. We also have a new range of books so you can just come in for a read as well, as long as there's a table spare! We will have run our first "love feast" in Cairns by the time you read this, so watch out for the next one if you missed it. \$4 for all you can eat, traditional music and modern trance dance, and some light philosophy! We may also appear at the street festival...?

Call us on 4093 8483 if you need a delivery or evening meal and we'll do it if possible. (The more notice the better) Always nice to see locals in, and some of the tourists are not bad either. Hare Krsna, from Julian and Tracey.

The Kuranda Paper Computer Club



"Dead Drive Fix"

The most common problems originate from corruption of the master boot record, FAT, or directory. Those are soft problems which can usually be taken care of with a combination of tools like Fdisk /mbr to refresh the master boot record followed by a reboot and Norton disk doctor or Spinneret.

The most common hardware problems are a bad controller, a bad drive motor, or a bad head mechanism.

- 1. Can the BIOS see and identify the hard drive correctly? If it can't, then the hard drives onboard controller is bad.
- 2. Does the drive spin and maintain a constant velocity? If it does, that's good news. The motor is functioning.
- 3. If the drive surges and dies, the most likely cause is a bad controller (assuming the drive is cool). A gate allowing the current to drive the motor may not be staying open. The drive needs a new controller
- 4. Do you hear a lot of head clatter when the machine is turned on and initialized (but before the system attempts to access the hard drive). Head clatter would indicate that the spindle bearings are sloppy or worn badly. Maybe even lose and flopping around inside.
- 5. There is always the possibility that the controller you are using in the machine has gone south.

Solutions:

- 1. If the drive spins, try booting to the A> prompt with your startup disk, run Fdisk and check to see if Fdisk can see a partition on the hard drive. If Fdisk can see the partition, that means that it can access the drive and that the controller electronics are functioning correctly. If there is no head clatter, it may be just a matter of disk corruption which commonly occurs when a surge hits you machine and overwhelms the power supply voltage regulator. It commonly over whelms the system electronics allowing an EM pulse to wipe out the master boot record, file allocations table, and primary directory. Fdisk can fix the master boot record and Norton Disk Doctor can restore the FAT and Directory from the secondaries.
- 2. The drive spins but Fdisk can't see it. Try the drive in another system and repeat the test to confirm that Fdisk can't read through the drives onboard controller. If it sees it in another system, then your machines hard drive interface is bad. You can try an upgraded or replacement controller card like a Promise or CMD Technologies (there are others) in you machine after disabling the integrated controller in the BIOS, but if the integrated controller went south, it may just be symptomatic of further failures and you'd be wise to replace the motherboard. Trying the drive in another machine also eliminates the variable that your machines 12 volt power output being bad
- 3. If you get head clatter but a constant velocity on the drive motor (no surging), you might try sticking the hard drive in the freezer for about 12 hours. This is an old trick from back in the days of the MFM/ESDI driver era. This can cause the drive components to shrink enough to make the track marker align with the tracks. We don't see that kind of platter spindle wear much anymore, but back in the old days, the balancing and bearings weren't as good. Still, under the right circumstances, it might help. It would depend on how old the drive is and how many hours of wear have occurred. You have to be quick to get your info off the drive when it works. Back then, the drives were much smaller, so there wasn't so much to copy. So, go after the important data first
- 4. The drive doesn't spin. Either the onboard controller is bad or the motor is bad (assuming you did try the drive in another machine). It's time to hit the net and local independent shops to see if you can locate another drive of the same make and model that's good. Since the drive is probably an older drive and no longer in distribution, your best bet is to find an identical used drive. If you know someone with the same make and model, you might be wise to try and persuade them to sell you their drive with an offer of providing them with a free upgraded drive. If you can locate an identical drive, start with the controller replacement ... this is the simplest and least invasive. If swapping the controller doesn't produce the desire result, you can tear into the drive and swap the motors. While you have both drives opened up to accomplish this, scrutinize the platters, heads and armatures. You might even hook the drive up and power it from ! a system with both drives attached. This way, you could see anything that deviates between the actions of both drives when they are initialized. Swapping patters is unlikely to produce any positive result. They are a balanced system like the tires on your car and I suspect that the balance will be different for each drive as will other variables.
- 5. If the info is all that important to you, I would seek some professional and experience technician in your locality who makes his living from servicing and building computer systems ... not just selling them.



KURANDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

24th – Tournament of the Minds Final

27th - School Photos

SEPTEMBER

3rd – 4th Queensland Core Skills Test

10th – P&C Meeting

16th –20th NAIDOC Week Celebrations

RUGBY RESULTS

Kuranda State High School's reputation for playing a high standard of Rugby is growing Four student's, Soren Skyme, Shay Moore, Jesse Lewis and Clinton Green represented the Peninsula Region recently in Innisvail. Soren was named 'Man of the Match' in the sides last game against Capricornia Although Peninsula did not win the competition the students gained some valuable experience and improved immensely from the opportunity.

NAIDOC Invitation

Staff and students from both Kuranda High School and Kuranda District School wish to invite members of our community to join with us in our Joint NAIDOC celebrations. The major celebration will take place at the Kuranda Primary School on Thursday 19th September from 11.45 to 3.00pm.

ATHLETICS 2002



Mike Mabbutt presents Darren Coleman and Sanne Voogt of Learning Team 5 with the perpetual trophy

Our Champions

Winning Learning Team – Learning Team 5

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13 years Girl - Jesse Wiggins

14 years Boy - Isaac Crowley

14 years Girl - Meggie Voogt

15 years Boy - Ryan Harper

15 years Girl – Anna Williams

16 years Boy – Darren Coleman 16 years Girl – Vivian Riley

17 years Boy Elias Wright

17 years Boy – Elias Wright 17 years Girl – Nadine Marquez

Combined Schools Winner: Ganyarra and Learning Team 6and 7.



DIAMOND BROTHERS REPRESENT CAIRNS IN RUGBY LEAGUE

Kuranda High School students David and Scott Diamond have been selected as representatives in the Cairns District Rugby League side. Both students play for local club, Ivanhoes and commit a lot of time and effort. Congratulations to both boys.

Hopefully these stars will one day be able to play in a Kuranda Junior Rugby League Team, with preliminary discussions currently underway. Please contact Scott Whybird at the school regarding details.



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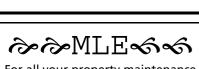
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FERAL PIGS AND KURANDA By Mike Lattin

This month there's news on two fronts. Firstly reports have been presented, meetings held and hopefully some constructive decisions made on the future of feral pig control methods for the Wet Tropics. Ministerial directions are expected to be known towards the end of September. At this stage there is no quarantee that Envirocare, and therefore Kuranda, will be chosen by the Government as an area requiring a pig trapper. However, Envirocare was consulted and made a submission. As I think our service is valuable to this community I am hoping to able to continue. Because of the ack of certain insurances and the cost of policy, nearly \$3000, previously covered by government funding, I have been spending a large amount of time collecting and storing traps from areas as far away as Walkamin and Julatten. As for the actual success of trapping in the past few months, seven pigs were captured and destroyed on State Forest in the Speewah area. A further two reasonably large boars were trapped in a vegetable patch and despatched by Jamie, happy chappy, in the Speewah district. We hope this means his next lot of pumpkins

will survive to reach the dinner table. As well, there is a little dog (Chiwawa-style) with a big heart out Oak Forest way who, in defending the family home, took on a rather large sow. Unfortunately the little doggy came of very much second best and needed a visit to Roger for extensive repair. However, the story ends well as five pigs were trapped and one dogged in the space of a week and the little dog is home, with a limp and somewhat the wiser for the experience. What the previous story reminds me to mention is safety in regard to these feral animals. My advice is DO NOT under any circumstances approach them unless suitably protected. Recommended Safety Gear --- A BIG GUN. Most domestic dogs are actually in more danger of damage or death than the pig and are better kept away from the action. Food in the forest is now scarce and I expect there will be more domestic activity until the wet arrives. I therefore recommend keeping food sources in the back yard cleaned up. Advice on any associated problems is easily sought from myself, Steve and Envirocare. We are more than happy to try and help. Our contact numbers are Mike 40930058, Steve 40937247 and Envirocare 40938834. Next month another riveting hunting story from Steve.

Tales from the Magic Centre Bandit Bat

By Marié Boswarva

Many years ago when we had our lecture about raising baby flying foxes, various warnings were given both for our safety, and the safety of the bats themselves. No flyspray to be used, pictures, ornaments and other falling objects should be removed, put away your best furniture and cover well those you can't remove, keep your arms and body as completely covered as is possible, watch your eyes, and always put down the lid of the toilet. No one mentioned securing your pantry! WD and Trilby, our permanently injured unreleaseable flying foxes, always get brought into the house in the mornings so we can share their company. As winter progresses and the mornings become colder and colder, they are brought in earlier and earlier. Yesterday morning it was so early that it was still dark outside when I brought them in. For me, it was still the middle of the night and I went back to my warm bed to wait for dawn and sunshine to appear before I ventured out again. When Bob and I got up, we discovered a mess on the floor of the pantry that certainly hadn't been there the night before. Tiny pieces of sticky grains and cellophane paper were scattered in a corner. Neither of us could explain what had happened or what had caused this mess. Until!! WD had left her usual place on the curtains, crawled along the floor, through the lounge room and dining room, across the

slippery kitchen floor into the pantry. Here she had reached up to the lower shelf that held a wide variety of grains in bottles, [no mean feat as it is quite high from the floor] then climbed up the next two metal shelves to the top row, [an easy task with the air holes in the shelves just made for thin hooked thumbs and equally sharp toes] and there on the top shelf was what her sensitive smell had drawn her to Muesli bars. The Mummy Mummy [me] and the Mummy Daddy [Bob] were still asleep. It was dark and she knew from experience that no one would venture out until light. She had lots of time to get the sweet bar that she craved out of the box and to rip open the cellophane. How long it took her to accomplish this we can only imagine. That she managed at all is amazing to me, for no matter how much I struggle to break into the packet covering the bar, I can only accomplish that with a pair of scissors. Once we worked out just who had created the mess on the floor, we turned to confront WD about her naughtiness. She hung quilelessly on the curtain in her usual position, wings wrapped around her body, eyes closed, a picture of total innocence. Naughty bat! Bob accused. WD slowly opened her eyes to the sound of his voice. Who me? Not me! But she still had the brown bandit-mask plainly covering her eyes showing up distinctly against the black fur of her face, and down below her on the floor was even more incriminating evidence of her crime tiny bits of muesli bar looking all the world like scattered paper money that had fallen out of the bag of a bank robber hastily leaving the scene of his crime.

What are the connections? Globalisation - war - refugees - corporate control... Corporate globalisation is presented to us as inevitable, the next logical step in the evolution of the economy. It is discussed in the media as if it is a natural phenomenon. But is there anything natural or logical about the accelerated destruction of people and our planet, which corporate globalisation looks certain o bring about? And why are the World Bank (WB), International monetary fund IMF) and World trade organization (WTO) promoting it as 'our future'? The areat depression and the Second World War severely weakened the ability of he dominant classes to extract profit from the lands and people of the world, so he WB/IMF was set up in 1940 to remedy this situation. Its first mission was to nelp reconstruct the former powers and their war-rayaged economies. Colonial economies, though, cannot exist without empires. In the 1970s and 80s WB/IMF shifted its focus to recolonising the world, following the efficient and insidious debtdriven model imposed since the 19th century by British and American banks in Latin America. By the early 1990s they had seized effective economic control over nearly every nation of Asia, Africa, Latin America and Eastern Europe. The system that he WB /IMF serves can never be satisfied. It must consume ever-greater amounts of land, resources and labour to generate ever-increasing profit and regular record nighs on the stock markets, or it collapses. So while the WB/IMF forced the south o accept structural adjustment the governments of the north have been imposing similar 'austerity programs', first on the working classes of Britain and the USA. and now on all but a small minority of peoples of northern Europe, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. Corporate globalisation has been made legally binding on all governments under the provisions of the WTO. The world is being merged into one plobal configuration that pits a growing majority forced to live in misery against a shrinking minority 'enjoying' relative privilege. With structural adjustment programs SAPs) control is implemented over worldwide food production, access to resources, people's labour, water and even genetic pools. A key aspect of this process is the ongoing destruction of subsistence agriculture, the livelihood of much of the world's population. It goes so far that in many countries NGOs, made up of local people, and unded by WB/IMF, have been used as mediators between the local communities. governments and corporations, to implement SAPs. Civil wars in turn, complete the work of structural adjustment, as it makes the counties dependant on international capital, and the powers that represent it. "Structural adjustment is war by other means"

In most African countries for example, SAPs were imposed in the early 1980's, presumably o spur economic recovery and help the African governments pay for the debts that they had previously to finance development projects. Among th it prescribes are land privatisation, beginning with the abolition of communal land tenure, trade liberalisation, the downsizing of the public sector, the defunding of social services and a system of controls that effectively transfers economic planning from the African governments to the World Bank. More than a decade after this restructuring, local economies have collapsed, foreign investment has not materialised and the only productive activities in place in most African countries are. as in the colonial period, mineral extraction and export-oriented agriculture, while Africans do not have enough food to eat. This has torn the social fabric as millions of people have been forced to leave their villages in search of new sources of livelihood. The Ogoni people of Nigeria formed human shields to prevent Shell from drilling for oil on their lands. From the mass expulsions of immigrants and religious riots in Nigeria in the 1980's, to the 'clan' wars in Somalia in the early 1990's, to the bloody wars between state and fundamentalists in Algeria, in the background of most contemporary African conflicts there have been the World Bank's and the IMF's 'conditions' undermining the condition for social solidarity.

War has not only been a consequence of economic change; it has also been a means to produce it. First, war forces people off the land, i.e. it separates the producers from the means of production, a condition for the expansion of the global market. It also reclaims the land for capitalist use. Particularly in Africa, and now in PNG, where communal land tenure is still widespread, this has been a major goal of the World Bank. It is hard to see millions of refugees or famine victims fleeing their localities without thinking of the satisfaction this must bring to world bank officers as well as agribusiness, who surely see the hand of progress working here.

BRICMA LAUNCHES COMMUNITY SURVEY OF PLATYPUS SIGHTINGS

The Barron River Integrated Catchment Management Association (BRICMA) is a non-profit community group funded by the Natural Heritage Trust (NHT). It provides assistance with on-ground river restoration projects within the Barron River Catchment. The office is based at the Natural Resources & Mines in Mareeba and projects operate throughout the catchment.

One of the projects BRICMA is currently running is called Project Platypus~Barron River. This project uses the iconic platypus to engage the community in environmental sustainability. The focus of Project Platypus is to provide good land & water management for the needs of both the people and the platypus.

Last year a community survey of platypus sightings was carried out by BRICMA to find out exactly where platypus are found here in the Barron River Catchment. Thanks to the public, 283 sightings were recorded and a map has now been produced (which can be obtain from BRICMA). Most of the sightings occurred around Malanda, Yungaburra, Atherton and Kuranda. Not so many sightings were recorded in the Mareeba or Freshwater/Redlynch areas, so if anyone has seen any platypus there, we are still interested in recording your results.

Some of the interesting stories sent to us include: Platypus have been found wandering along roads, including the Peterson Creek bridge at Yungaburra,... perhaps that little platypus had heard about the Viewing Platform and wanted to have a look at his platypus mates from above! Dave from Millaa Millaa wrote: "I saw at 8pm night time, a platypus crossing a walking track approximately 300m from the creek. I was dumbfounded and no one would believe me!" Another platypus was seen enjoying a jaunt out of water: "We saw one platypus in our garden bed about one year ago. It is a native garden plot, and at the time it was waterlogged" (Brian from Scrubby Creek). 1-3 platypus have been regularly seen swimming through the water weed in the actual Crater at Mt Hypipomee National Park...theories abound as to how they got there. Darryl described a lovely experience: "I often used to swim with the platypus there, and see them from underwater. Once, a platypus swam right up to me and appeared in front of my face looking at me!"

An ideal breeding site for the platypus is a stable stream bank with healthy riparian vegetation ~ the tree, shrub and grass roots help stabilize the banks and protect their burrows. Although platypus can be sighted in actively eroding banks, they're likely to be traveling from their burrows to feed. Impacts upon platypus include increasing erosion, decline of water quality, loss of riparian vegetation, pressure of feral animals, litter being washed into waterways, water pumps, fishing lines and equipment, reduced or seasonally altered rivers and stream flows.

Stage two of Project Platypus is landholder involvement which is now well on the way. National Heritage Trust funding has been granted to help improve habitat for platypus, tree-kangaroos and other fauna in the upper reaches of Leslie Creek, which is an important tributary of the Barron River and a priority area for rehabilitation. The funding will assist eleven landholders on five properties to rehabilitate 1.5km of creek, with particular attention to weed control, revegetation and fencing. An Envirofund application has been recently submitted for funds for an additional four landholders to plant over 6000 trees in the upper reaches of the Barron River.

If you are interested in re-vegetating the waterways on your property (within the Barron River Catchment), or would like further information on platypus or any other Catchment issue, please contact BRICMA and you will find Jane Greer and Helen Adams will be only too happy to help (ph 4048 4748.)

Our governments in the western world complain about 'floods' of refugees, whilst simultaneously implementing trade laws and supplying the corporations with subsidies. The general public is hardly informed about these coherences, which the media corporations mystify. Even plenty of compassionate people who show their solidarity by supporting refugees or the starving in the third world are uninformed about our own responsibility for the miserable conditions in these countries.

For example, food aid has become a major component of the present war-economy. First, it has entitled international organizations other than the Red Cross to claim the right to intervene in areas of conflict in the name of providing relief. It is on this basis that the US/UN military intervention in Somalia in 1992/93 was justified. Even when not accompanied by troops, the delivery of food aid in a conflict situation is always a form of political and military intervention as it prolongs the war by feeding the contending armies; often more than the civilian population, thus it shapes military strategy. This was the case in Sudan and Ethiopia in the 1980's. In addition, food aid contributes to the displacement of rural communities, by setting up feeding centres organised around the needs of the NGOs. It undermines local agriculture by causing the prices of local produce to collapse. Even the transfer of decision-making from the state to international organistions and NGOs has been enforced.

Contemporary colonisation has taken on a new face. Troops can now be sent in the name of 'humanitarian intervention'. This kind of colonialism aims at controlling policies and resources rather than gaining territory. The structural adjustment in the third world and similar programs in western countries are the present face of capitalism and colonialism – war. If war, state and corporate control are to come to an end, the project of the responsible human can be to resist and eliminate these policies in their many forms.

Summarised essays of Nicholas Faraclas and Silivia Federici by Gabi Jones. Both published in 'there is an ALTERNATIVE', subsistence and worldwide resistance to corporate globalisation, Spinifex Press, Victoria

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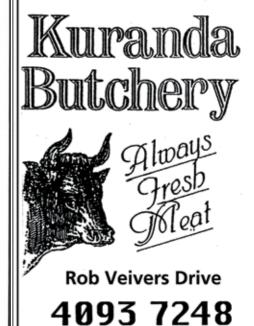
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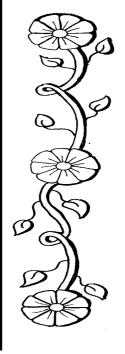
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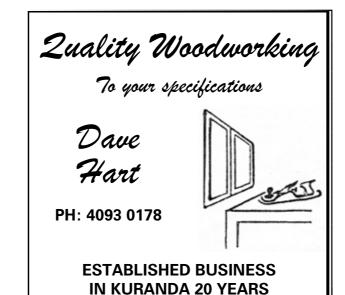
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1.30pm	2.10pm				
			3.00pm	3.30pm	4.00pm (arr)
3.15pm	3.55pm	4.30pm	5.00pm	5.30pm	6.00pm (arr)
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Departs -		Saturday (not I	Public Holidays)	
Cairns	Kuranda	Mareeba	Atherton	Herberton
9.30am	10.05am	10.40am	11.15am arr	
1.00pm	1.40pm	2.15pm	2.45pm arr	*3.15pm

Departs -	Sunday and Public Holidays			
Cairns	Kuranda	Mareeba	Atherton	Herberton
1.00pm	1.40pm	2.15pm	2.45pm arr	*3.15pm

(Subject to change without notice) # MUST book and pay ahead AIRPORT/TRINITY WHARF DROP-OFF AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST (Additional Surcharge Applies) HOSPITAL & DOCTORS SURGERIES DROP-OFF (Eastern Side of Sheridian St. only) (Surcharge Applies) NO SERVICES OPERATING CHRISTMAS DAY OR GOOD FRIDAY. LOCAL SHOW HOLIDAY IS NORMAL T/TABLE

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KURANDA TRANSFER STATION **OPENING TIMES**

Monday Wednesday Friday **Saturday Sunday**

to 10.00 am 7.00 am to 6.00 pm 3.00 pm to 10.00 am 7.00 am 8.00 am to 12.00 pm to 5.00 pm 1.00 pm

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Regular Meetings in Kuranda

Date Claimers KURANDA MEDIA ASSOCIATION AGM Sep 10th 6.00pm at Coderoom 7

under Fire Station.

KURANDAFEST Aug 30th and 31st.

Kuranda Open Gardens are: September 7 & 8 The Nevin's Garden

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

Al-Anon 10.30 am Neighbourhood Centre, Cnr.

Coondoo & Barang Sts. Ph 4093 0462

Alcoholics Anonymous 10.30am at CWA Hall Ph 4093 0462

Kuranda Bowls Club social games 1-5 pm

1st Sunday R.S.L. 5 pm Sports & Social Club Family Service, Uniting Church

St. Christopher's

Kuranda Bowls Club Monthly Meeting 12.30 pm 2nd Sunday

"Pottery do your own thing day" Mud Slingers 10.30 am 284 Myola Rd. 3rd Sunday

Next to High school Phone Ian 4093 9652

Every Monday Life Span exercise QCWA Hall 9.30 am

Jungle Gym for Kuranda Kids, 3.15 pm 4093 0608

1st Monday Kuranda Horse and Pony Club 7.30 pm Mantaka Tennis Club 7.30 pm Sports and Social Club, Fallon Rd

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

2nd Monday KNC (was KISC) 7.30 pm Management & 8 pm General

> QCWA 12.30 pm Ph 4093 8933 High School P&C 5.oopm

2nd & 4th Mon Kuranda Lions 7.30 pm S&S Club Fallon Rd Ph 4093 7187

3rd Monday Kuranda State Primary P & C Assoc 3.30 pm in

School staff room

KNC management committee meeting 7.00pm 7 Rob Veivers Drive ph.4093 8933

Every Tuesday Taekwondo & Self Defence Adults 7pm

CWA Hall Ph 4093 8682

8 Ball 7.15 pm at Speewah Tavern, Fitzies Tavern and Sports and Social Club

3rd Tuesday Rangers Soccer Club 6.30 pm. Ph 4093 8803 Norman Guy

Every Wed Craft classes at QCWA Hall 9.30 am

Cub Scouts 5-6.30 pm contact Clare Hensley Ph 4093 9038 Dog Training 7.00 pm Kuranda Pony Club Ph 4093 8970

Kuranda Community PLAYGROUP 10 - 12 noon at Sports and Social Club

Fallon Rd Ph 4093 0337, 0409 963 638

1st Wed Kuranda EnviroCare, Sports Club 7.00 pm Ph 4093 7570

Chamber of Commerce 5.00 pm Frog's Restaurant Q.C.W.A meeting 12.30 pm QCWA. Hall Ph 4093 7617

Last Wed Sports & Social Club meeting 7.30 pm

Every Thurs Joey Scouts Meeting 5-6 pm

2nd Wed

Rotary, 6.00 pm Monkey's Restaurant Ph 4093 7428 Jungle Gym for Kuranda KIDS, 3.15 pm Ph 4093 0608 Kuranda Bowls Club Night Bowls - Casual 7.00 pm

Taekwondo & Self Defence 7.00pm CWA Hall ph.4093 8682

2nd Thurs Ambulance 7.30 pm Ambulance Centre Fallon Rd. Respite Care QCWA Hall 9.00 am - 3.00 pm

3rd Thurs 8 Ball Comp. S & S Club 7.15 pm **Every Friday** Rotary Top Pub Goose Club 6 - 8 pm

Scouts 7 - 9 pm

1st Saturday Pottery Worhshop MUD SLINGERS 10.30 am

Next to High School, 284 Myola Rd. Phone Ian 4093 9652

2nd Saturday Sept 14 Kuranda Garden Group 10 August 28 Warrill Drive 2.00 pm

Ph 4093 7205

Every Saturday Enviro Care 8 - 9 am Tree planting bees Ph 4093 7570

3rd Saturday Ambulance Committee Stall - Outside St. Saviour's Church (Bi-monthly)

PLEASE CHECK IF THE DAY, TIME AND PHONE NUMBERS ARE CORRECT.

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Kuranda Kryptic Krossword No.35 Compiled by John Brooksbank.

- 1. Required for walls, floors & mahjong.
- 5. Licence taken by Kuranda loonies.
- 8. Saucy plant in Marjorie Spears' garden.
- 10. Feeling left by the ubiquitous guinea grass.
- 12. Terminate with traditional Tjapukai medicine perhaps.
- 14. Pony Club headquarters by the Barron.
- 17. Speewah 8 Ball venue.
- 19. Kuranda Computer Club image.
- 21. Plant radicle always travels in this direction.
- 25. Rangers need them to play with.
- 27. Engage him to lay 1 across down.
- 28. Would be if one really broke a leg on the Amphitheatre stage.
- 30. What the best rainforest mushrooms are?
- 31. Natural & man-made ones at Birdworld.

Down

- 1. Clan animal up a pole.
- 2. Tree with zest.
- 3. Tennis group at the Sports Club?
- 5. No oil in this mixture.
- 6. Almost feline diplomatic skill.
- 7. Where many can without end stash tax free dollars.
- 9. Forest on the other side of the Barron.
- 11. Subject for pub quizzes.
- 13. Cricket accessory found suspended along Veivers Drive.
- 15. French friend in the family. 16. Let bum fall over and over and over till dry at the market.
- 18. Dangerously full of antioxidants from. Speewah Tavern?
- 19 & 20. Kuranda hotel lower than Fitzies? (6,3)
- 22. Greek tyre pressure at BP Kuranda?
- 23. Helen at Kuranda Real Estate collects them?
- 24. Plunders the Foodstore need these?
- 25. More than a piece of timber in this trendy footwear.
- 26. The good acid so long as its leaving you says Dr. Cummings.
- 29. Older Elgar has a Kuranda Paper byline.

JOHN'S KURANDA BUS BUS SERVICE (KURANDA'S ONLY LOCAL BUS SERVICE) MON/TUES WED to FRI SAT/SUN **TO CAIRNS -**DEP. KURANDA 0830 0730 0730 1230 1000 1445 1400 1230 1400 1600 **DEP. CAIRNS** 0900 0900 0930 1325 1100 1530 1510 1325 1510 1700 DEPARTS BUS STOP "D" LAKE STREET, TRANSIT CENTRE. PHONE JOHN 0418 7 72 953

Kuranda Branch Library **Council Office** 4-12 Thooree Street

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Phone 4093 9185

OPENING HOURS

👸 Monday Closed 11 am - 6 pm Tuesday 11 am - 5 pm **Wednesday** 11 am - 5 pm 🗑 Thursday Friday 9 am -12 noon

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No Council Services available Saturday Council Cashier Closes at 4 pm Tuesday.

Wednesday and Thursday

9 am -12 noon

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