

THE KURANDA PAPER

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The 1st Motorcycle Expo +1 - A Winner for the Kuranda Amphitheatre

The 1st Motorcycle Expo +1, held at the Kuranda Amphitheatre, on Sat 3rd October, was a resounding success, with over 1200 patrons attending the day and night. The grounds looked immaculate, and thanks to the organisers, & their team of willing volunteers, (some who were known to clock in excess of 12 hours on the day) the Motorcycle Expo proved to be a winner for the Kuranda

The politician & the actor open the Expo, but who is who?

Amphitheatre.

Some of the feedback given to the Motorcycle Expo was, "Fantastic! A successful event - extremely well co-ordinated and really enjoyable. Glad to have helped, thanks for asking me and see you there next year!!" - Mike Mabbutt (volunteer).

"Very well organised, had a great time" - Annie Dobson (People Choice award).

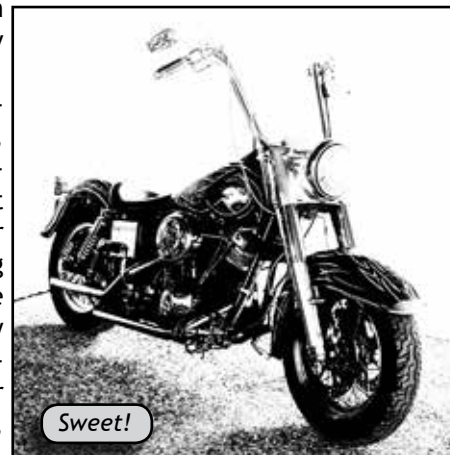
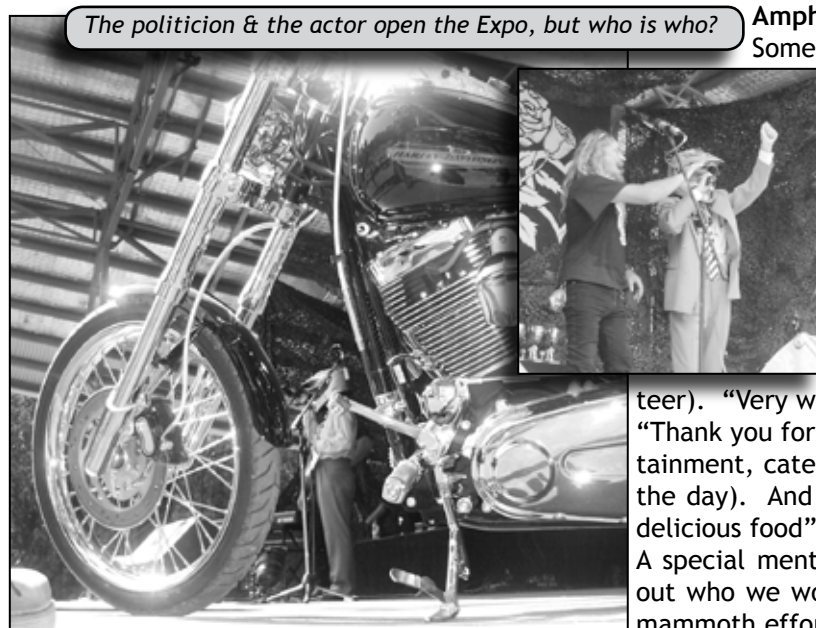
"Thank you for your amazing efforts culminating into a fantastic bike expo! Loved the venue, the entertainment, catering, stalls etc" - Liz & Mike Pulman (volunteers on the day). And another one, "110% better than last Expo. Really delicious food" - Donna (volunteer).

A special mention in recognition and thanks to Dave Hart, without who we wouldn't have been rockin' the stage - great sound, mammoth effort, lugging all that gear in and out. Much appreciation is given to all the great musicians who donated their talents on the day, making for a memorable Motorcycle Expo 2009. With the view of the Motorcycle Expo becoming a recurring event for the Kuranda Amphitheatre, and with the trend of hosting mid-sized main stage events, we look forward to the up-coming Simmer Down in the Summer Time concert, headlining our very own Zennith, due to tour the U.S.A. next June, and showcasing Kuranda bands, Koahlition, Gudju Gudju, Pad Boys, and others, to be performing on two stages at the Kuranda Amphitheatre on Saturday 14th November.

Bikes, bikes, and more bikes

Sweet!

...and more bikes!



The Kuranda Film Society presents the 2009

Kuranda Film Fest

Sunday 1st November

at the Kuranda Resort, Kennedy Highway

Free family session 10:30 am. All other sessions \$5.00

10:30 am Sparrow (G) 15 mins.

The Silver Brumby. (G) 91 mins.

For years men have tried to claim the wonderful, elusive Silver Brumby. One horseman (Russell Crowe), determined to challenge the might of the wild stallion, sets off on an unforgettable adventure to capture the horse that, according to legend could never be tamed.

1 pm Shut Up and Sing (M) 93 mins.

See what happened to the Dixie Chicks and their music when they dared to criticize George Bush and the War in Iraq, saying they were "ashamed the President of the United States was from Texas".

3:15 pm Clutch (G) 15 mins.

Dr. Plonk (G) 86 mins.

A recent, silent, black & white film by Rolf De Heer in the Chaplin/Keaton style. In 1907 Dr. Plonk (Nigel Lunghi) discovers that the world is going to end 100 years later - but of course no-one believes him. To prove to the Prime Minister & his badgering wife (Magda Subanski) that something must be done he builds a time machine in order to bring proof back from the future.

6 pm Tibet: Cry of the Snow Lion (M) 103 mins.



The Kuranda Film Festival

Sunday,
1st November 2009
at the
Kuranda Resort
Kennedy Highway
(just past the traffic lights)
Starting at 10.30 am, 1pm,
3.15 pm and 6pm.

Tablelands Regional Council

Ten years in the making, this award winning feature-length documentary was filmed during nine remarkable journeys throughout Tibet, India and Nepal. Cry of the Snow Lion brings audiences to the long-forbidden "rooftop of the world" with an unprecedented richness of imagery.....from rarely-seen rituals in remote monasteries, to horse races with khamba warriors: from brothels and slums in the holy city of Lhasa to magnificent Himalayan peaks still travelled by nomadic yak caravans. The dark secrets of Tibet's recent past are powerfully chronicled through personal stories, interviews and a collection of undercover and archival images never before assembled in one film. A definitive exploration of a legendary subject.....an epic story of courage and passion. Starring: Tim Robbins, Susan Sarandon, Ed Harris, Dalai Lama.



AND
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MORE
INSIDE!



COMMUNITY LETTERS

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Dear Kuranda Paper,

Last month Kuranda resident, Ted Jordan, reached the very respectable milestone of 100 years of age. He is lucky enough to still enjoy good health and retains an active interest in life. One of his great enjoyments is the friendship he has with many of the residents of Kuranda who work along the main street.

Every day he visits them as they go about their preparations for the day and they in turn always have the time for his cheery hello and are willing to put aside their chores to share a few minutes of time with him.

But around his birthday, they have surpassed themselves. The birthday celebrations Kuranda prepared for him were absolutely wonderful and Ted's whole family want to express their gratitude for the effort and expressions of love it displayed.

We know he has very special qualities, but we should, we are his family. For the community of Kuranda to open their hearts and to make him feel so valued is indescribably priceless.

In October, compliments of his friends, Ted will travel to Thursday Island. This will be his first visit to the island since 1923 and I am sure he will love to share with you this adventure he is so looking forward to.

So many people were instrumental in making this all happen and contributing to it, we do not want to thank any individuals for fear of leaving someone out.

So, simply, from the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU KURANDA! It was a wonderful week.

The Jordan Family

Dear Kuranda Paper,

On Wednesday 21st October, I went through another humbling experience, where I was presented with a Quiet Achievers Award by Mayor Tom Gilmore of the Tablelands Regional Council.

I love what I do for the Kuranda community and I thank the one who dobbed on me for this award; however my wife Carol deserves it just as much, because without her and our daughter Judy's help, God knows where I'd be. Our congratulations to all others who also received this award.

Thank you again Kuranda for your help in our community fundraising efforts over the years. It has now been 25 years on 14th October 2009, as I broke my neck on that date in 1984 and ended up in my wheelchair.

Love to all,

Col Jeanes

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The Kuranda Paper seeks

YOUTH PAGE

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

FOR 2010

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Dear Kuranda Paper,

The departure of Alana & Andreas Ludwig of the Gingerbread House is a tragedy. Pushed out! They, in fact, had a three year lease. Months ago, their signs were taken down. When I rang the police in an effort to help them, I was informed that the Shire had ordered them to be taken down. I checked with the Shire, no such order had been given. The doors had been closed on them, locks changed, they had to go to court. It cost them five thousand dollars, no recompense for loss of two days of trade as it was settled between solicitors before going before a judge which was a pity. They were threatened, harassed, doors locked again, two lots of their chairs and tables mysteriously whisked away. Rumours were put about that they hadn't paid their rent, that the health department had shut them down. Two characteristics the Germans are known for, their efficiency and their fanatical cleanliness so I think we can forget that one.

Of course Alana with her three trophies from the National Bakery event in Melbourne is by far the best baker in the Far North. Why was this all allowed to happen? I thought "A fair go for everyone" was a given in Australia. Well that's patently a load of rubbish.

For those locals who loved their bread and their coffee and these two charming hardworking people, I'm happy to report that they are alive and well and have set up in the old Normaid pantry in the Civic shopping centre in Cairns, and like me can stock up on a trip to Cairns and fill their deep freezers. Not as good as fresh but a jolly good second.

I'm a firm believer in the old adage "Every dog has his day" and to those people involved your day will come, I may well be six foot under, but I won't mind.

Meanwhile I can't wait for Luke and Elena to come back from Siberia so that I can have the occasional treat of a delicious cup of coffee, one of their sinful pastries. It's CLEAN. I won't have to sit under filthy fans or be called darling, HURRAY!

D. Huntingtone

Dear Kuranda Paper,

The first of what I hope will be a number of plant identification walks around Kuranda was established 4 months ago. It extends from the Kuranda lights to the Kuranda resort. Since then many people, including visitors, have been able to stroll while learning more about our native rainforest trees. Lots of people put in time and effort over several years to outsmart the vandals and sponsorship was provided to bring it to completion. We erected a very smart sign, in a vibrant green, commending the original tree planters and thanking our sponsors. It disappeared about a month ago, leaving telltale signs of a struggle with its abductors.

Now, I believe the sign is not happy and we certainly are not. I know it's a very desirable sign, pretty green with other colours splashed about, but we would like it back please, in whatever state. We have not received ransom notes or any postcards indicating it has left the area so could anyone who knows its whereabouts or has information leading to identifying its removalists please contact Cathy on 40 939926. I'm sure we can arrange an appropriate reward for information leading to its recovery.

Cathy Retter, Kuranda Envirocare

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I am writing in reply to Barry Hodson's letter in the October edition of Kuranda Paper in which he attacked me for working for more social housing in Kuranda.

I make no apology for making housing one of my priorities in Kuranda. Although work will soon commence on a major new housing project at Top Kowrowa, more needs to be done.

Lack of suitable serviced land in the Kuranda area limits the opportunities for new social housing however the state government has allocated funding that will enable a new rising sewer to be constructed between Kuranda and Top Kowrowa. This may expand the pool of suitable land for housing.

The new sewer will service the school, Welcome Pocket and the residential communities from Myola to Top Kowrowa.

The Department of Communities has also commenced a fortnightly outreach service operating from the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. Applications for housing assistance are being taken and information is being provided about departmental services. In addition fortnightly visits to the surrounding Indigenous communities of Koah, Mona Mona, Top Kowrowa, Bottom Kowrowa and Mantaka have commenced.

I have also worked closely with Jim Turnour MP and strongly supported Kuranda as the location for new housing under the Federal government's Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan for new social housing in the area.

*Steve Wettenhall MP,
Member for Barron River*



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All contributions and advertising to Pauline and Jan at "Kuranda Videos" at the BP Complex.

Deadlines must be adhered to. Photographs and items for return to be collected from the "Kuranda Videos" immediately after publication. Thanks to Pauline and Jan at the Video Shop.

Contributors please present your work in digital or good typewritten format. Classifieds and small items may be legibly handwritten and must be paid for when lodged. First time advertisers should present payment on lodging initial advertisement.

This edition No. 205 of the Kuranda Paper was produced by a volunteer team including: Garth, Liane, Seren, Helen, David, Peter, Toni, Sue, Smiling Nod. Thanks to the Paper Folders.



Kuranda Media Association Inc AGM

The Annual General Meeting of Kuranda Media Association Inc. (Producer of the *Kuranda Paper*) took place on Saturday 17th October with good attendance and a significant number of apologies tendered. In his report, the President, Garth Owen, advised on a most successful year of operation with significant changes to the Kuranda Paper layout, goal achieved for contingency set-aside and commencement of financial support to community activities from paper profits. Noted was the extraordinary efforts of retiring Treasurer, Ms Jennie Thomson, in securing current financial stability of the Association and members thanked her with acclamation.

The efforts of the Production Team under the awesome artistic leadership of Helen Gormley, ably assisted by Liane Barrett, Seren Starlight, Ken Saville and David Gormley was praised and the work of the eagle-eyed proof-readers, Sue McArthur and Toni Rogers acknowledged. Not forgotten was the constancy of the Paper Folding Team, who through storm and flood ensured our community paper reached its readers.

Thanked also were the Paper's regular contributors, in particular, Peter Ryle for his fascinating takes on local history. The ongoing support of our local advertisers, despite facing harsh economic times, was seen as central to the viability of the paper.

Ms Thomson in presenting the Treasurer's Report highlighted the need for closer follow up of advertising in reducing significant write-offs occurring each year and Sue McArthur's Auditor's report gave the Association's books a clean bill of health.

The generosity of the Kuranda Fire and Rescue Station in providing office space for the paper was marked by members doubling the Association's contribution to the Furies' Annual Kids' Christmas. Also acknowledged with thanks were the unstinting efforts of Jan and Pauline at the Video Shop as the contact point for contributors and advertisers.

With Fr Chris Wright graciously taking the Chair for Management elections, the following members were elected unopposed: Garth Owen, President, Helen Gormley, Vice-President, Peter North, Secretary and David Gormley, Treasurer.

In discussion from the floor, a number of members reiterated the central role that the *Kuranda Paper* plays in community affairs and its role and potential in helping secure much needed volunteers to the many organizations in the area, most feeling the pinch of ageing and dwindling numbers.

Also desired was a concerted push by members to welcome newcomers to the area and secure their interest and participation in Village activities.

A number of members also expressed a desire to see youth becoming actively involved in the Paper and its production as a means of securing the continued future of this Village icon.

Members were thanked for their attendance and ongoing interest and support of the Kuranda Media Association.



Tourism Kuranda Monthly Update

It has been some time since we produced an article for the paper, but we hope to keep everyone a bit more informed in the future on the many things that Tourism Kuranda has been doing to attract more visitors to the village.

As most people are aware a new committee was appointed in August, with Melanie Wicks filling Chris Wright's shoes as the new Chairperson. The new committee is currently preparing a strategic plan to identify the areas we need to address, our core markets and how to best promote Kuranda into the future. Many of the promotional activities we participate in are still continuing while the plan is being developed and we will use this opportunity to make you aware of a few of them.

Tourism Kuranda engages a company called Pro-active Marketing to represent us at many of the consumer travel shows held throughout Australia and NZ each year. At these shows we are talking directly to potential tourists. Many people appreciate this opportunity, as they tell us they can only get very limited information from travel agents outside North Queensland, which predominantly consists of packaged tours. Pro-active Marketing attends about 12 shows throughout the year on our behalf. To give you an indication, 78,000 people attended each of the Sydney and Brisbane Caravan and Camping Shows, and about 60,000 attended the Melbourne Show. This gives us an excellent opportunity to communicate with a huge group of people that we perhaps would not be able to reach otherwise.

Of course we continue to distribute both the Kuranda brochure and Kuranda map to well over 280 outlets around the region.

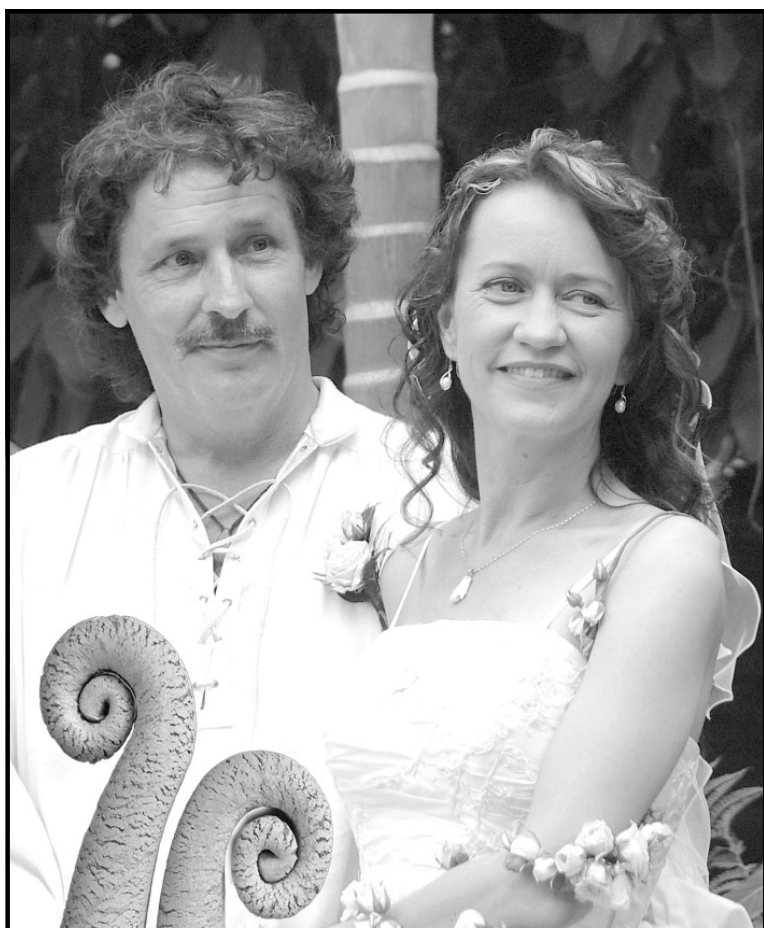
We also engage a publicity consultant who produces some positive news articles about the village each month. You may have seen some of these printed in the Kuranda paper in the past. These articles are forwarded to a number of regional media outlets and we seem have an excellent success rate with their pick-up by the media. A couple of recent news stories covered the great announcements that both Kuranda Villas and the Candy Kitchen have won prizes in recent awards. It is great to see Kuranda businesses being recognized in this way and it is important we let people know. If you are aware of any positive new stories about the village, please contact Steve and he will arrange for a story to be prepared.

This is just a brief insight into a few of the many marketing and promotional activities we participate in. Hope to inform you on many more of our activities over the coming months.

Please do not hesitate to contact Steve Caught on 40937593 if you have any queries in relation to the promotion of the village.



Melanie Wicks, New Chairperson, Kuranda Tourism



Kuranda's Donna Browning and Brett Crowley were married at Cairns Botanic Gardens on 26th September. Relatives and friends came from New Zealand, Europe and NSW to celebrate with the happy couple. A reception was held at Cedar Park Rainforest Resort, where Zennith rocked into the night. Congratulations Donna and Brett.





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Neighbourhood Centre News – November 2009

New KNC Management Committee members: We wish to welcome three new members to our committee: Rachael Kelly (KNC President), Rachael Wyld (General Member), Kellie McBride (General Member) – and welcome back Cate Lamont (Vice-President), Linda Davis (Treasurer), Peter North (Secretary) and Gerald Hobbler (General Member). We truly appreciate the time and commitment Management Committee members dedicate to this important governance role, which they do in a voluntary capacity.

Broadband for Seniors: There is a new service available at KNC – it is a Broadband for Seniors Kiosk that has two computers for broadband internet and email access for people aged 55 and over. It is a free service funded by the Queensland Government. There is some tutor/training available and we will be getting sessions up and running this month. There are a few teething problems as the computers are plugged into a statewide mainframe, but we are working through them and both computers are operational. Drop by and have a look or even better – have a go!

STEP FORWARD: Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Service (ATODS), Step Forward is an ongoing program that commences in the 1st week of each month on a Friday. It is a free relapse prevention group that includes harm reduction skills, understanding and planning for your triggers and cues, prevention management, goal setting, relaxation skills, motivation to change and alternative activities.

Free Lifeline Counselling: A Lifeline Counselor is coming to KNC each Thursday to see Kuranda people. There are up to 6 free sessions available with no obligation to have ongoing counselling. If you think this may meet your need or you want to know more, you can ring either Ceri or myself or you can contact Lifeline directly on 40504955. All contact with KNC or Lifeline staff is strictly confidential.

ITEC Employment: Is renting office space three days every second week to meet with Kuranda clients. If you have an appointment, please let reception know when you come in. If you need to ring ITEC outside these days regarding your appointment, please let staff know.

Price change for copying: After conducting a review of our costs associated with printing and copying we discovered that we were not quite covering our expenses to provide this service. It would seem paper and toner costs have gone up. For this reason, the cost has gone up from 10c to 15c per black and white copy and the colour printing up to 50c per page.

Family Support Items Needed: Thank you to those who have generously donated items including washing machines, beds, mattresses. We have an informal way of linking up families and individuals with different items of furniture and household goods etc that they need. Right now we know families who need: a small freezer, a sofa bed, small washing machine, double beds, shelves and cupboards. If you have any of those items that you no longer need, please give us a call.

Laughter Yoga: Is currently being held on Tuesday afternoons at 2pm for 20-30 minutes – cost is \$2 per session. Laughter really is the best medicine.

Housing: We have a Dept of Housing worker here every second Thursday (22/10/09, 5/11/09, 19/11/09 etc) between 2-4 - no appointment necessary.

Kuranda Playgroup: Meets at KNC every Wednesday Morning from 9.30-11.30. Contact Michelle Smith on 40939851 or Playgroup QLD 1800171882

Kuranda Interagency Network: Is on the first Wednesday of each month at 2pm.

Marg Yandell KNC Coordinator

NEED A NEW WASHING MACHINE, FRIDGE OR OTHER ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD GOODS?

NILS

The **No Interest Loan Scheme** provides interest-free loans for individuals or families on low income.

How much can you borrow?

It varies, but usually up to \$1,000.00 and the repayment period is up to two years.

Who is eligible?

Anyone holding a health care card or pension card.

See Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre for more details.



Kuranda Police Beat

Hello,

Tenancy agreements are a bit like relationships – no one ever goes into one on bad terms. However, on occasions the harmonious balance between tenants and property owners comes crashing down and Police are often the first to find out about it. Whilst Police are entrusted with specific powers of authority we are not issued magic wands to fix the complexities of a rental agreement. Verbal agreements carry little credence they really should be drawn up in writing. If you are considering going into a rental agreement can I recommend the Residential Tenancy Authority – it's sound free advice and provides all the required documents to protect both the tenant and lessor when and if things go pear shaped. Contact the RTA on ph 1300 366 311 or try the web.

Can you Help? Last month a new clothing shop in town was broken into and a considerable amount of property stolen, including silver jewellery, a green I-pod, a white I-pod, cash and alternative style clothing including a large red flag with the face of Che Guevarra on it. We suspect that there was more than one person involved.

Speaking of Transport matters – Did you know that if you are the driver and a passenger (of any age) is not wearing a seatbelt you can also be fined?

It can cost you as the driver \$300 and 3 points. Buckle up!

Note – Kuranda Station will be unable to process any Queensland Transport matters such as Vehicle Registrations & Licences between 9th November until 16th December 09.

Cheers,
Tom Hess

GET CONNECTED FOR FREE

with your local

Broadband for Seniors Internet Kiosk

We are pleased to let you know that the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre now has a Broadband for Seniors internet kiosk. The kiosk features two computers with broadband access for use by older members of our local community aged 55+. We are also providing training, so beginners are very welcome!

Broadband for Seniors is part of a \$15m Australian Government initiative to increase the skills of older Australians using computers and the internet.

The new internet kiosk offers the opportunity for older people to discover how the web can play a great part in helping them to stay in touch with friends and family, along with offering access to the wealth of information available online. This is their chance to find out what all the excitement is about.

So if you, or someone you know, would be interested in learning more about computers and the internet for free, please pay us a visit; or contact us for more information on training and kiosk access times.

More information on the Broadband for Seniors initiative can be found at <http://www.necseniors.net.au>
KNC Ph: 40938933 Mon-Fri 9-5



Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother



He said to me "let's go upstairs and make love". I answered "Pick one; I can't do both".

He complimented me on my new alligator shoes – and I was barefoot

Going braless pulls all the wrinkles out of your face.





November Vege Column

Growing traditional European vegetables can be difficult at the end of year as the tropical heat kicks in so we have to look to our northern neighbours in Asia for inspiration. The edible bottle gourd *Lagenaria siceraria* is one of those old world vegetables that have spread throughout the world. It is known as cucuzini, New Guinea bean, Italian edible gourd and doodhi among other names, depending on where you live. The plant is a vigorous climber that loves the wet season. It can spread over 6m along a fence and likes a sunny, fertile position. The young fruit are best eaten when between 10-30cm long. It can be used similar to zucchini in stir fry and curry dishes, and has a similar texture and mild flavour, being rich in iron and vitamins B and C. One plant should be enough for a family. If the young gourds start dying off the flowers may need to be hand-pollinated. Mature gourds also can be dried and decorated.

Another wet season favourite to plant now is the winged bean. An attractive climbing perennial, all parts of the plant are edible – the pods, the beans inside, the shoots, the flowers and even the tuber. The mature pods can grow 20cm long, though they taste better when 10-15cm long. Older pods become stringy and tough, but the seeds inside can then be eaten like peas. The ripe (dry) seeds can be cooked like beans by first soaking them in water for an hour, then boiling for about 25 to 30 minutes. The tender shoots and white or pale blue flowers can be eaten raw and added to salads. Their nitrogen-fixing ability has winged beans used as a cover crop on banana plantations in Asia, both to enrich the soil and as a source of income. The seeds need to be soaked for several days on damp tissue paper or scarified to break the hard shell before planting. Seeds only remain viable for a year. The plants are rather slow to start but once established are prolific, with three plants usually enough for a family. And remember they are perennial so plant in a position they can stay in.

Also good to plant now are asparagus, rosella, Madagascar beans, snake beans and thorny coriander. Best of luck in the garden,

Sheree Scott

Email: info@moongardeningcalendar.com



The winged bean has attractive fringed wings and pale purple or white flowers.

Interested in gardening?

All are welcome. Come along to

KURANDA GARDEN GROUP

2 pm Saturday 7th November

Enjoy a stroll around

Evelin Hegyesi's mainly native plant garden at
56 Edward Elgar Close, Speewah
and

Barbara and Gerri de Bruyn's garden at
"Boonooloo" 53 Edward Elgar Close, Speewah.
Please bring a plant or cuttings to swap, and a plate
to share for afternoon tea

Phone David or Graham 4093 9492

dpsgkp@people.net.au



In Memoriam

David Liddle

Great Plant Person

World Hoya Expert

Generous and gracious

In sharing knowledge and plants

Sadly Missed

What's Happening "4" Christmas?

DECEMBER 4TH – CENTENARY PARK

Have you called: Beth? 4093 8332
Betty? 4093 8981
Carol? 4093 9617
or Sue? 4093 9692
Email: yankesue@optusnet.com.au
Contact us TODAY C/O "FESTIVE SPIRIT 09" Kuranda P.O.

How YOU can GET INVOLVED!

1. "CAROLING" plus "U"2 THE FROG! 2. "CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA TREE"
3. THE "FESTIVE SPIRIT MARKETS" 4. RAFFLE – CALL BETTY 4093 8981

First up to get involved: Thank you

Kenart – Expertise, Kuranda Pool – Tree,

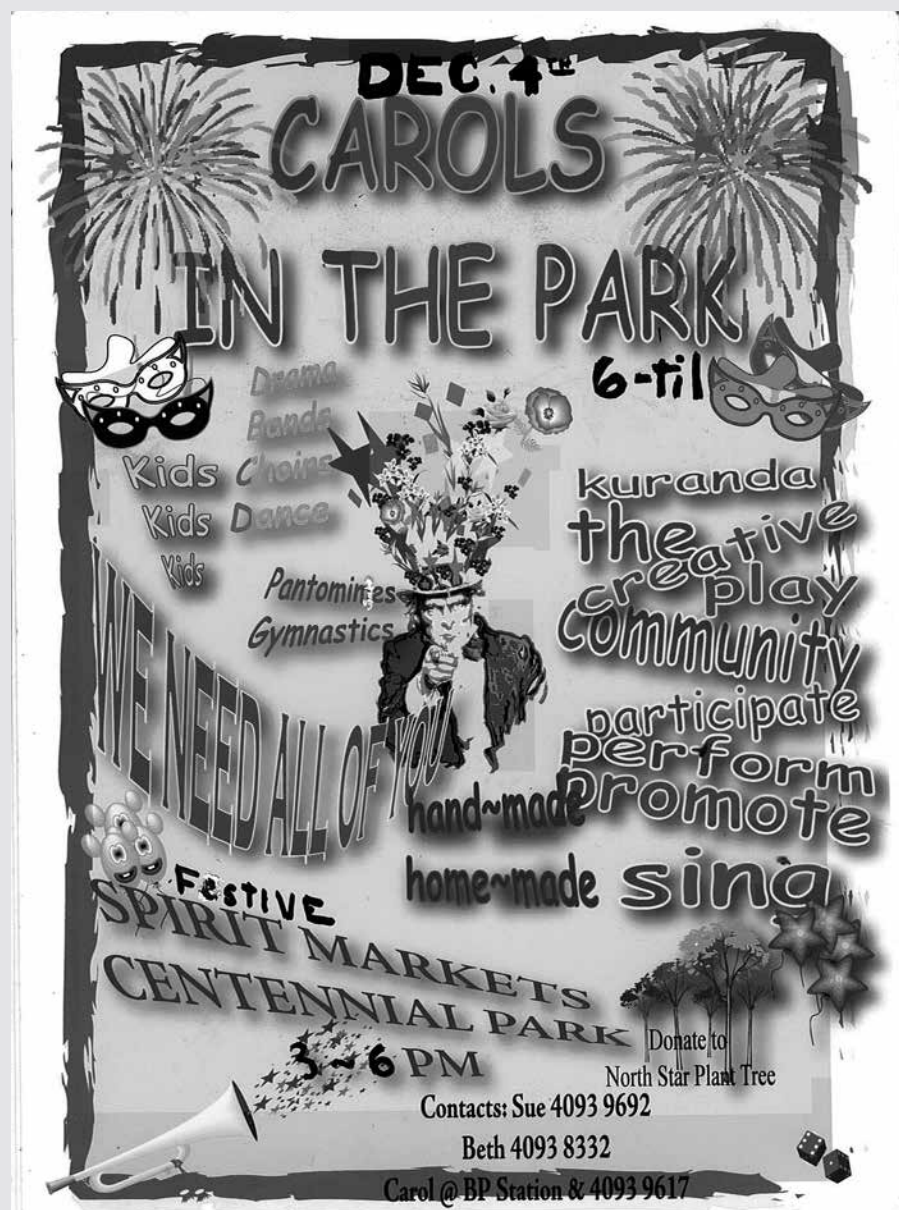
Professionals Real Estate – Markets, Kuranda Schools – Program

WE NEED YOU!

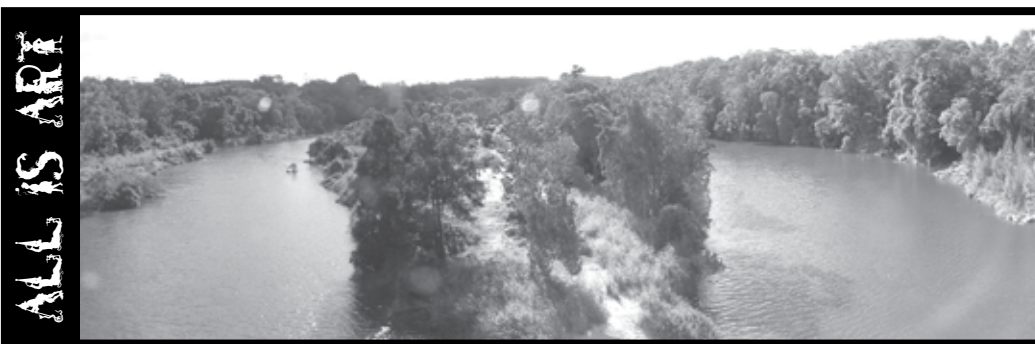
Weekly Singing – Rehearsal Call 4093 9892 • Donate a Poinsettia 4 our tree 4093 8332

Get a stall for the markets 4093 9617 • Raffle Tickets 4093 8981

Businesses decorate! If you are a church, organisation, individual or business
GET INVOLVED NOW



the Arts page



ALL IS ART



Our street theatre performances for the Kuranda Spring Fair went well. We actually did seven 20 minute shows, up the street and at both markets (just to be diplomatic!)

Focus has decided to have a break until the beginning of next year, as we are intending to be better prepared for 2010.

What this means is that we will be re-applying for the grant which has been delayed due to our auditing problems, as well as seeking out other grants that will assist both Focus and the Amphitheatre Society. These applications will tie in with the produc-

tions and training courses for next year.

Lee Kain and I will be attending a Community Information session on online application systems for the Community Benefit Funds Unit on Monday, 9th November, 6:30-7:30pm at Cairns RSL. If anyone else from the Amphitheatre Society wishes to attend, you do not have to book a place.

Focus Theatre would like to give our appreciation to the reassembled KAS Committee, who have been going through a tough time, but have still found energy and commitment to local theatre and community activities.

KURANDA ARTS CO-OPERATIVE

It certainly seems strange writing this column for the Arts Co-operative when we don't have a gallery home. Our member artists, however, are still producing award winning art pieces and they are being exhibited in a number of regional galleries. The highly recognised quality by our artists lives on.

Mollie Bosworth, continues to take honours. Her latest is the Ceramics Award in the Innisfail Art Society Biennial Art Exhibition in the Innisfail Shire Hall.

Mollie also took out the Award for "The Use of Innovative Technology". This special award was given to a group of porcelain pieces utilising laser print decals, exhibited in the recent Perc Tucker Regional Gallery, Townsville, Ceramic Awards exhibition "Nature Trail".

Mollie's new work can also be viewed at the Cairns Regional Gallery in the "Melting Pot" ceramic competition from 13 Nov - 20 Dec.

A number of the Kuranda Arts Co-op artists have been invited to take part in the extremely popular "Hidden Treasures Postcard Show" in the Cairns Regional Gallery. Mollie Bosworth, Toni Rogers and Kerryn Madsen-Pietsch, to name a few, will be included in this exhibition.

This is the best annual opportunity to purchase a small, fun artwork by many of the regions leading artists at the Cairns Regional Gallery. Why not call in when you are down the hill between 23 October and 6 November and place a bid on your favourite artwork in this silent auction. A great Christmas present idea.

Continuing Art Classes by Arts Co-op artists:

Ceramics classes, (excellent for beginners) are held two days per week. All materials, glazes and firing supplied. Contact Mollie Bosworth 40939063.

Children's Art and Craft classes are currently full but will continue in 2010 at Cantata Studio. Don't miss out, there are very limited places. For early bookings contact: Toni Rogers 40939293.

The Kuranda Arts Co-operative gallery in Rob Veivers Drive was purchased by our friend and neighbour in the Settlement Building, Claire Souter. This has enabled Claire to spread out and expand her very popular art classes as well as continue her own studio paintings.

The Arts Co-op members wish Claire well with her new premises and we are so pleased to see the local arts scene continuing to thrive at this end of the village.

Many thanks to Dave Breeze, and the Cairns Civic Theatre, who have secured for Focus two large black flats that were left behind by the Qld Ballet Co. They didn't want them anymore. Gary Butcher will be picking these up next week so we will have some more flats for theatre and gigs.

Yours in theatre, Diana

Sweet Art

Found, one 2GB memory stick. This stick was full of wonderful pictures of South American birds and animals. There were, however, a few photos of a vaguely familiar person messing with some pyranas. Anyhow, Rodrigo Rodriguez, of the Kuranda Candy Kitchen was pleased to get his pics back, and I was pleased to meet such an interesting "artisan". He works with candy art these days, and very successfully too, the Candy Kitchen winning the Grand Champion Award, and others (see below) at the recent Royal Melbourne Fine Food Awards. Rodrigo has been living in Kuranda for two years now. Coming from Venezuela three years ago, Rodrigo spent some time in Sydney, then came north with his partner Gabriella (the "Rat Catcher") to study white-tail rats. He then learned his sticky sweet art from proprietor Ross Breadsell after starting out as a candy seller. The best way to see Rodrigo and Ross at work is to get along to the Candy Kitchen and see how it's done, and taste the sweet fruits of their art. (Due to memory failure, I can't show you Rodrigo's wild-life pics this month, sorry, maybe next month, pyranas, capabaras, and lots of birds!)

National Award for Kuranda Candy



Kuranda Candy Kitchen candy maker Rodrigo Rueda-Rodriguez and proprietor Ross Breadsell show the Grand Champion Award.

It has been made official - Kuranda is the candy capital of the Far North.

The news comes after the long established Kuranda Candy Kitchen was named winner of a number of categories at the nationally acclaimed Royal Melbourne Fine Foods Awards.

Over the past seven and a half years, proprietors Ross Breadsell and Judy Fitzgerald have transformed an idea into an internationally acclaimed attraction.

In fact the candy makers, whose business is in the Kuranda Village Centre at 1 Coondoo Street, have excelled all expectations, being named one of the Top Three attractions to visit in the Lonely Planets Guide to Australia in 2007 and 2008.

Speaking after Kuranda Candy Kitchen's latest success, Ross said. "While there certainly are long hours involved, our success can be put down to our high standards of quality ingredients, talented and friendly staff and making our product

and displays user friendly, and that has created wide appeal and customer satisfaction." Kuranda Candy Kitchen has in-store working displays numerous times a day when visitors, who mostly become customers, can see at first hand how their vast array of candy is made and this has proved to be a favourite with people of all ages.

"As well as having locals and visitors as regular clients, we also export our candy all over the globe, to USA, the UK and Europe, even to Afghanistan," Judy added.

The proprietors were invited to enter Kuranda Candy Kitchen in the Royal Melbourne Fine Foods Awards in four categories. From those entries, the locally owned business was awarded Gold Medallion for their Rock Mix, Silver for Lollypops and Bronze medallion for Design Candy. The awards came with enthusiastic comments from judges of the event.

Kuranda Candy Kitchen also was named of the Royal Melbourne Fine Foods Awards Grand Champion from 76 entries in 12 categories

"These most recent Kuranda Candy Kitchen awards confirm their unique abilities, and standards confirm their unique abilities, and reflect well on the general high standards provided by business operators in and around Kuranda, particularly in more recent times," Tourism Kuranda chairperson Melanie Wicks said.

"It is to the credit of people like Ross and Judy Breadsell that visitors to Kuranda are more often than not surprised and delighted by the products and service on offer, and that their efforts are being recognised and rewarded on a national stage," she added.



Ross pouring the hot candy base.



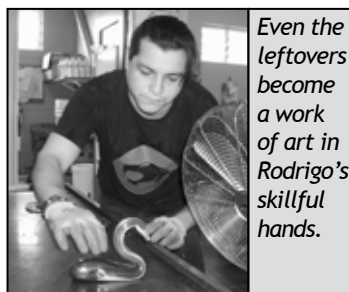
Cutting the coloured candy strips.



Stretching to aerate the candy.



Extruding the final pattern.



Even the leftovers become a work of art in Rodrigo's skillful hands.



the Arts page



Dear Members and Friends,

Secretary Lee Edwards is on leave for a couple of months and we'd like to welcome Susie Serleto as Acting Secretary. Thanks for stepping in at such short notice, Susie. We'd also like to thank Barry Hodson for his dedicated accounting assistance to the Treasurer role this year. Barry has been instrumental in mopping up most of the previous years' outstanding financials. The Society is almost in a position to again submit grant applications. Thanks again Barry.

I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some of the community activity at the Amphitheatre to date. Circus performers and Belly Dancers are seen regularly rehearsing on the mainstage, Members Nights

tastic to see, and of course the Bike Expo! What a great day was had by all. With motorcycles, trophies, and entertainment galore. The continuing success of this event assures KAS of an annual event, with all profits remaining within the Society. Many thanks to Carl Neal and the Bike Expo team for handing over this event to the Amphitheatre. Look out for the 1st Motorcycle Expo +2 coming to you again next year here at the peoples place - our own Amphitheatre. Another exciting

da Bands present "Simmer Down in Summertime". This is a shared outdoor event, showcasing local, original music. Come along and spend the afternoon and evening on the terraces and listen to the world's greatest musos! \$15 entry. Check out the posters around town for info on this exciting event.

Finally - the volunteers. The Simmer Down event needs volunteers in all the usual places EG Kitchen, bar, chai, soft drinks, merchandise, staff gate etc. Please give us a call, or email with your interest in helping us to ensure this is another successful Kuranda event. Kellie McBride has done a great job at managing the Chai stall over the years. Kellie has stepped down from this position and so we are looking for someone else to step in. Thanks for your hard work Kell! Typical tasks include ordering, staffing and generally managing the stall. Many thanks to all those people, both seen and unseen, who manage and volunteer in different areas of the Amphitheatre.

Kuranda Amphitheatre is our own unique community place, voluntarily managed by the community for the community.

Membership forms available at the Honey House.

To volunteer give us a call on 40937633 or email kuranda_amp@bigpond.com See you there, Mandy Dewey, President.

NOVEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

Sat 14th Nov: Simmer Down in the Summer Time concert with Zennith, Koalition, Gudju Gudju, Pad Boys & more. \$15 entry, U/12's free, U/15's to be accompanied by an adult. Gates & Bar open 1pm. Kitchen & Chai open.

Every Monday & Thursday: Circus - for more information contact Piers ph. 0438 368 117.

Every Tuesday: Bellydancing with Bronwyn, suitable for all ages, fun & relaxed, for information on class times ph. 0429 070 393.

major event we look forward to seeing in 2010 is the Roots Festival.

Electrical Upgrade: Thanks to funding assistance provided by the State government and Tablelands Regional Council, the Amphitheatre will soon be receiving a comprehensive upgrade to its electrical infrastructure. More on this in our next newsletter.

There will be a WORKING BEE on Saturday 31st October, starting at 9am to prepare the Amphitheatre for our next concert. So bring your tools, and a hat, and we hope to see you there.

On November 14 KAS and Kuran-



Chris Finnen at the Bike Expo

have been well supported, and there are more exciting nights planned, plenty of community use, which is fan-

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Next club meeting:
Date: Tuesday 17 November
Time: 7:00 pm.
Place: Speewah Tavern.
Bring your latest photos to hang on our gallery wall at the Tavern.

Yes, we all had a ball at Bike Expo. Those gleaming dream machines, great bands, and beautiful people! Next shoot will be at BirdWorld, so come along if you can, and capture the colour and excitement of nature!



Next shoot:

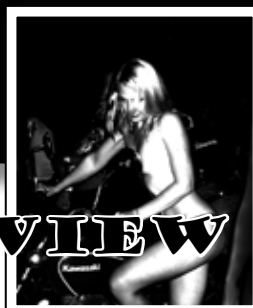
BIRD WORLD KURANDA

Date: Saturday 7th November, 2:30 pm.

Place: Bird World - Heritage Markets, Kuranda
Meet at the entrance at 2:30 for some amazing bird-life! Be there with your camera.

Left: Reiki & Nicky from BirdWorld

For more info call:
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THE BOOGIE BROTHERS MUSIC REVIEW

Gig review:

"First motorcycle Expo + 1" at the Amphitheatre

An awesome array of talent: Chris Finnen, ex Chain guitarist, led the parade with killer solo sets and some classy work with the young local bands. Kuranda was well represented - Chronic Haze kicked off, a big ask at a Bikers gig, but they were up for it with strong vocals, hard edge rock guitar and great riffs. We'll see more of them. Engine Room another local blues/rock outfit took us to Texas with ZZ Top, Stevie Ray covers and a hard-driving set. More young guys with a great future.

Our local virtuosos, Great Balls of Steel mixed to perfection by local sound man Dave Hart, were a joy to the ears. Jerome, Kirk, Gail and Rudi did honky tonk, New Orleans blues and some good old rock and roll. Very classy and always well worth catching. Munition, 3 boys from the Tablelands really got the big bikes rumbling as they ripped into the classics: Deep Purple, Hendrix etc., in ya face vocals, a wicked bottom end and fierce energy levels. This band we'll see much more of we hope.

Los Pistoleros brought some local blues legends together. Headed by Ric Montgomery, ex Johnno's guitarist, with Dave Alcon on very throaty vocals. Joined, again, by two kids on guitar who really pushed the veterans along. Guitar boogie indeed!

Too many to mention. But what really impressed was the class of the young blues-rockers. We are in for many treats to come.

CD reviews:

A couple of guys in Y-fronts tell it like it is...

Justin Towns Earl: "The Good Life": Steve Earl's son, named in tribute to one of Steve's heroes, Towns van Vant, tragic troubadour of the lost highways, has done his dad and his namesake proud. A truly memorable record. A hard-living, dustbowl beauty, full of hardness and grace, fleshed out with strings, dobro, lap steel and more. This one's on constant rotation.

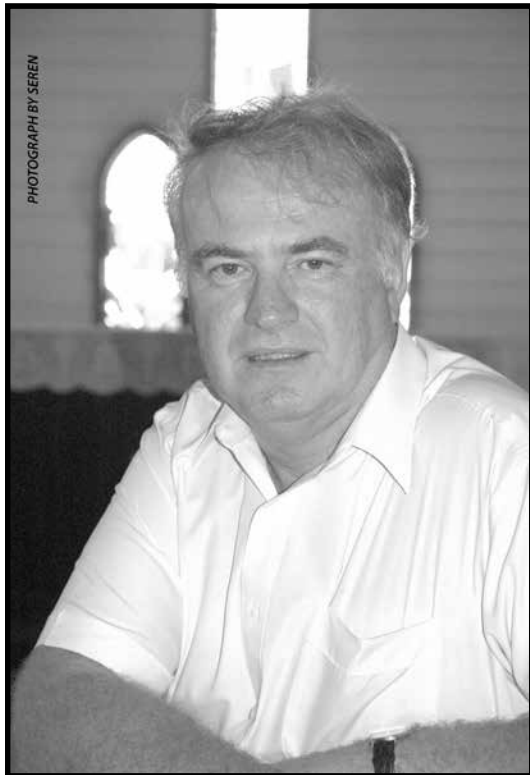


Joe Henry: "Blood from the Stars": Basically blues; gut bucket; New Orleans; sleazy late-nite New York bars and a bit Tom Waits minus the gravel. And some anthemic blues rockers. Fats Waller piano, muted Satchmo horns, strings and roaring, pounding, bottom end rhythms. The vocals are perfect and the Lyrics! To quote a friend, "There are no words to describe the words" Even the liner notes are a joy to read. The penultimate song, Stars, is a contender for song of the year. Joe is a treasure. Just go buy it. The Duke and the King: "Nothing Gold can Stay"

Simone Felices of the Felice brothers new group: The Felices have released two albums of classic Americana-roots in the tradition of The Band and the Nitty Gritty's. This album has quite a different sound; original songs but with a sense of familiarity - like you've heard them before and you've always really liked them. To quote the London Telegraph, "The greatest singer- songwriter you've never heard. Goes places few artists ever touch." Rare, firey, brilliant music. Exquisite.

Bill Callahan: "Sometimes I Wish We Were an Eagle": This one slowly draws you in. Subtle and delicately structured. Bill is a Texan with a gentle approach to his songs. Sings in the lower register with a voice as dry as Leonard Cohens bleached bones in a desert. And the music is lush: delicate rock with piano, Hammond, cello and horns fleshing it out. In the first track he sets the mood: "I used to be darker, then I got lighter then I got dark again...with the death of the shadow came a lightness of verse." Lots of gems here: Rococo Zephyr, Faith/Void. A lovely album that leaves you thoughtful and looking forward to the next time.





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The Kuranda Archdeacon

THE VENERABLE CANON, Archdeacon Chris Wright, is this month's Profile of the Month. He is an ordained Anglican priest who has had close links to Kuranda since 1988, and who in 1997 became the full time priest at the beautiful little Village Church in the main street. He describes himself as a Christian (Anglican) by religion, although he was a comparatively late starter to the clerical life. He was not ordained as a priest until he was 37 years of age, having undertaken his theological studies by correspondence and weekend schools. He also spent some time in Jerusalem and Rome as part of his post ordination training.

Born in Wales in 1951, he left school at 15 and took employment with a Department store. He emigrated to Australia with his parents in 1969. His early life in this country was spent in Tasmania, where he gained employment as an apprentice electrician. In 1976 he stood as a young man for the State seat of Braddon in the House of Assembly for the ALP but was not elected. He acquired an Associate Diploma in electrical engineering.

As an electrician, Chris moved to Cairns in 1981, working for North Queensland Engineers & Agents, and later for the Cairns Port Authority. It was in Cairns that his interest in religion as a vocation developed, as well as his love for Kuranda Village, which he says reminds him of village life in Wales, although warmer. These factors lead in time to his appointment as the Village Anglican priest after training and

ordination, a position he really likes. His clerical responsibilities were extended by his appointment as Archdeacon in 2007, a responsibility which covers most of the north of Queensland, answerable to the Bishop in Townsville. But his allegiances remain firmly attached to Kuranda, where he lives the single life in his own house, and where he hopes to remain the priest for the rest of his working life.

In terms of his clerical and religious views, he tends these days to lean more on the conservative side. While he favours ordination of women in the church, he does not favour ordination of gay priests. He has been involved in ecumenical activities with other churches from time to time as part of his duties, but has no strong views on the subject. He says he gets on well with other churches in Kuranda.

In terms of community involvement, Chris leads a very active life. He is chair of the Local Ambulance Committee, of the Kuranda District State School College Council, and of the Welcome Pocket Task Force. He says that planning for the proposed aged facilities at Welcome Pocket are proceeding well but slowly, as it is a very big project. He is also involved in the "Op Shop" at the rear of the Church. He was past chair and founding member of the Kuranda Media Association and is a regular contributor to the Kuranda Paper. He was a founding member of the Kuranda Information and Support Centre, now the Neighbourhood Centre. He was a member of the Kuranda Village Promotion Committee and for a time its chair. He is a member of Rotary and for a time the Kuranda president. All in all, an extremely busy community life.

It does not leave a lot of time for private interests. Chris reads, is interested in his family tree, and loves to travel. He has recently returned from a trip to meet relatives in Wales, during which he also visited Scotland and Ireland. He would like to garden but does not have the time.

Being socially active, he has some concerns about life on the Tablelands, such as the dilution of services by interchange of service providers. Although acknowledging that there are welfare concerns, he considers the area to have many attractions for living. He particularly likes the Kuranda atmosphere and the diverse community that lives there. Being in good health, he hopes to serve the community for many years to come.

Profile of the Month

Readers will have seen the last Profile of the Month in this Paper. If you know of someone you think should be profiled, please let us know. Candidates for profiling may be long term residents of the Kuranda region who have made a contribution to this community, or even shorter term residents who have made some outstanding contribution to society elsewhere and have now made this region their home. They must be willing to participate and be interviewed. Write to PO Box 1010 Kuranda 4881 or email nicholsonmandalay@msn.com. Thanks.

Kuranda District State College P&C News

Bush Dance great success!!

MORE THAN 300 PEOPLE joined us at our family Bush Dance on Saturday 17 October at Kuranda College. From 5pm until 9pm the Hillbillygoats kept us all foot-stompin' and hand-clappin' with tunes ranging from the traditional to the contemporary with a few timeless favourites (for children of the 70s) thrown in. A guest appearance on the fiddle by Steve Wettenhall added to the great community atmosphere of the night.

The primary school children, after weeks of practising with Mr Cav, ably demonstrated their skills in dances such as the brown jug polka, chicken dance and strip the willow. They rocked!

The Clark family took out the prize for best dressed bushie family while the gumboot throwing competition was hotly contested. The final winners were Sam Madgwick (under 10s); Jack Bryce (10-18s); and Jay Staggs (over 18s).

The P&C's monster raffle was drawn on the night with Ken Harley (P&C President!) taking away the fabulous first prize of a trip for 2 to Cape York with Sea Swift Cruises. Second prize of 2 nights at Lake Tinaroo Resort went to a lucky fellow from Ravenswood and third prize (family pass to Mamu Canopy Walk) went to Miss Angie from the college office.

The mechanical bucking bull proved very popular with all ages as did the food and drink stalls. Mr Green and the senior college students must be congratulated

for baking the best apple pies we have ever tasted, which sold like hot cakes (or even apple pies!) on the night!

The P&C planned the bush dance as a fun evening where our children and their families could come along, relax and enjoy themselves, with other members of the college community, and the wider Kuranda community, in a safe, friendly, caring and "laid back" atmosphere. And by all reports, that's what everyone valued most about the evening.

We would like to say a very big THANK YOU to all the college families and friends who supported this great night. Many volunteers assisted throughout the evening – without you this night would not have been possible. The P&C thanks you, along with chef Sharon who slaved over hot ovens all evening!

As well as Mr Cav and Mr Green, and the college grounds staff, Rod and Steve, our thanks are also due to Ms Kylie Jones, Head of the Junior school, who helped make it happen (and M.C'd on the night!). All funds raised for the P&C will be put back into the college to enhance learning opportunities for our students.

Thank you also to our sponsors who helped make the night a success: Sea Swift Cruises; Tinaroo Lake Resort; Mareeba Toyota; Mamu Canopy Walkway; Paronella Park; Cable Ski; Peter Jarver; Kuranda Raw Materials and Kuranda



The Hillbillygoats kept everyone on their feet!



Our best-dressed family: Marlon, Ricky, Aurora, Nelson, Melina (love the gumboots!), and Delilah Clark – what a great bunch of bushies!



KDSC junior students are "professionals" at bush dancing!





Astrology Stars in November

Rob Hart



Melbourne Cup time again. Here are the Astro Clues: it's a full moon; there is a Grand Cross Pattern which combines Sun, Mercury, Mars, Moon and Jupiter in the fixed signs of Scorpio, Leo, Taurus and Aquarius. Uranus, the planet of surprises and electrical energy is just about to rise. Lightning striking the water is a strong symbol, along with obsession, redemption and coming in from the edge. Good luck.

The full moon on the 3rd is one of the most powerful of the year. The moon is exalted in Taurus – very fertile and fulfilling. A stormbringer and a revitaliser of the Earth and its life forms.

The planets have settled into the bucket pattern we spoke of last month and Mars, the handle, is slowing down to begin reverse motion, back and forth. Until next month the bucket will be swung with great vigour. Saturn and Uranus settling on the zero degrees Aries-Libra axis form the rim of the bucket. This is about as extreme a polarity as you could get. Great momentum is building and, Earth-wise we are really rocking! Attune to the rhythms and subtle messages coming from nature and consciously align with the star patterns, and it should be a fun ride into the next dimension.

Neptune goes direct on 5th November and, with a Sun-Mercury conjunction also happening, a message could arrive which turns dreams and fantasies into reality. Then as Venus, the planet of love and beauty enters Scorpio, the sign of passion, on the 8th it gets even better. As they say: live the dream.

From the 15th to 17th is a most interesting few days. Let's run through the Astro aspects: Moon conjunct Venus; Sun trine Uranus; Mercury on the sting in Scorpio's tail and then into Sagittarius; Saturn square to Pluto, and Sun/new moon in Scorpio. This rocks, literally! There are pulsating energies here that are positively seismic. Expert eruptions, breakthroughs, wonderful flashes of creativity and emotional overloads that strip away all the non-essentials and reveal the truth in all its stark splendour.

22 is a high-vibrational master number and on the 22nd the Sun moves into Sagittarius at 2.22pm. Then on the 24th Venus squares Jupiter 20° Scorpio to 20° Aquarius and on the 26th Venus makes a harmonious trine to Uranus: 22° Scorpio to 22° Pisces. Just be open to thought, inspirations and synchronicities coming through. Days of amazement. Enjoy the ride.

Kuranda Chamber of Commerce and Tourism

It was refreshing to have a greater attendance of members at our October social meeting. The guest speaker was Sue Jones who gave us a presentation on her plans for the "Festive Spirit 09" Christmas celebrations to be held on the 4th December 2009. I'm sure you have all seen her flyers around the village and I am confident everyone will want to participate in this very worthwhile project.

We can discuss this further at the November General Meeting, as well as whether you as members want to continue the social meetings in the future. Due to Melbourne Cup, the meeting has been deferred by one week.

The **November meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 10th November** at the **Kuranda Hotel Motel** commencing at **5.30pm**.

Barry Smith, President

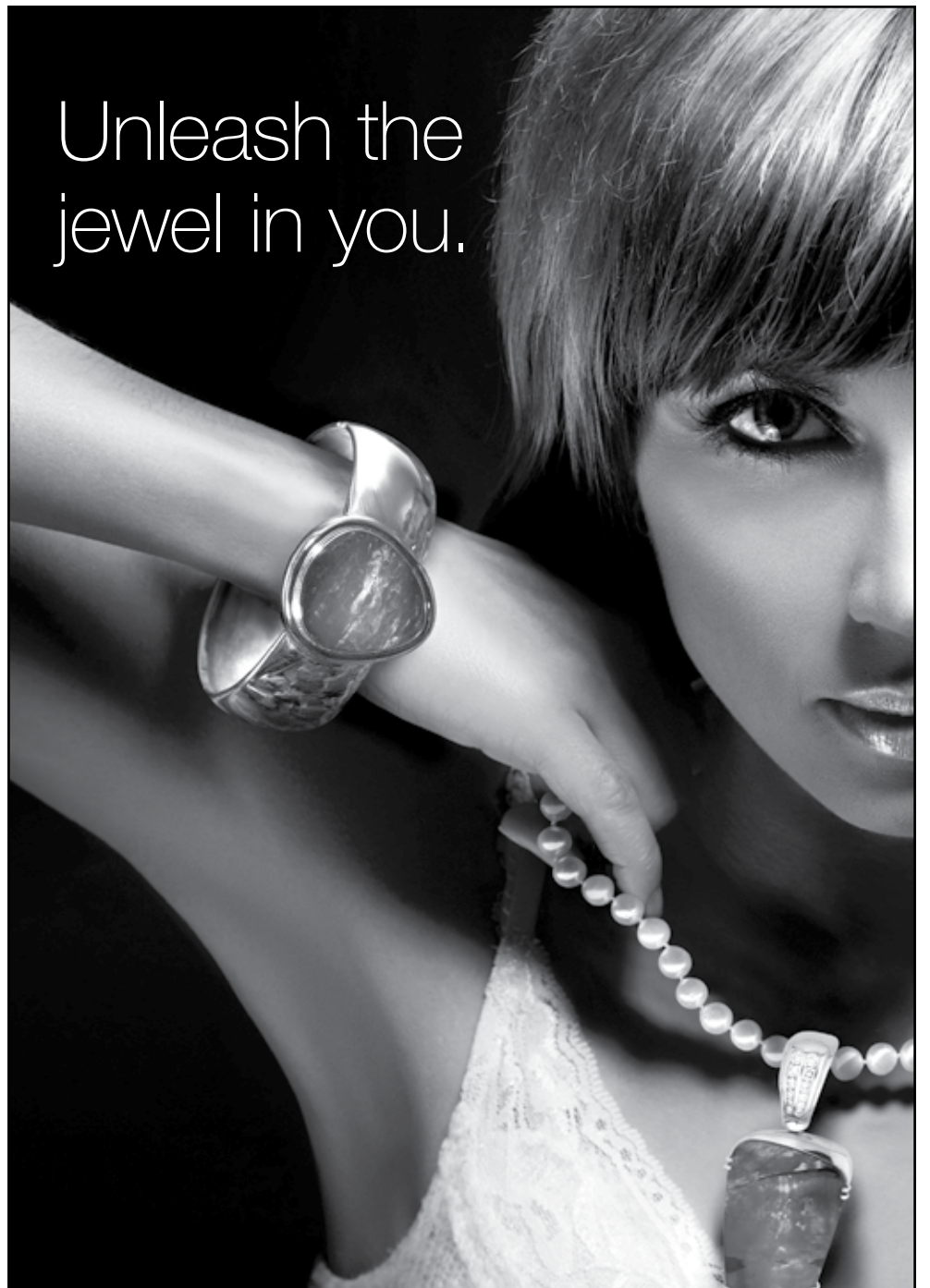
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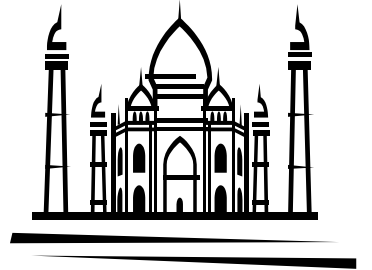




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HEALING MEDITATION:

The following meditation is suitable for addressing physical problems as well as emotional and spiritual difficulties. Practices similar to the one presented here are now used in hospitals and clinics where practitioners recognize the value of meditation and imagery in the healing process. The format presented here is common to many Tibetan practices, but has been placed into a more generic vernacular by a Tibetan Ayurvedic physician.

- Relax the body by tensing then releasing each muscle group. Start with the feet and move to the calves, abdomen, hands, arms, jaws, and facial muscles.
- For a few moments, sit in silent meditation.
- Then, for a few minutes, contemplate why you are doing this meditation. Bring to mind the particular problem you need help with and any associated feelings, worries, desires, and so on.
- Think that you are not only asking for yourself to be healed, but for everyone everywhere who suffers.
- Bring to your mind the image of your ideal healer. This may be a particular therapist, a spiritual teacher, God, an enlightened being, or deity. It can even be a geometric form, colour, and/or vibration that you associated with healing energy. Take a few moments to bring this image to your minds eye.
- With a sense of respect and invitation, let the healer know that you and other beings are wanting their attention.
- Imagine that the healer is pleased to be asked and agrees to help. This makes you feel happy and you take a moment to feel this good feeling and experience a sense of gratitude.
- Now see white light going out of the ideal healer in all directions to all possible sources of help for your condition. The light returns in rainbow colours, (especially dark blue) to the heart or centre of the healer making them even more powerful and full of wisdom and healing energy then before.
- Now the light comes from the heart or centre of the healer towards you. As you breathe in, imagine that you are taking in coloured light, letting it travel throughout your body, especially to problem areas.
- The light dissolves all problems into small dark particles that forms a smokey cloud and leaves your body and passes into the ground as your breathe out. Repeat these last two steps 3, 7 or 21 times.
- Have confidence in this process. Feel yourself getting stronger, clearer, more balanced and self confident than before.
- Pause a moment in gratitude for the help the healer has offered you and others. Then let the image of the healer dissolve completely into space.

QUICK AND EASY COOKING RECIPES:

We continue the theme of Gladbag cooking with:
GLADBAG CHICKENS: NUMBER TWO AND THREE!

ATTENTION!!

Place the bird in the bag.

Pour on top the juices of one orange and one lemon.

Throw in a handful of blanched almonds (from the Supermarket).

Add salt, and grind away at the pepper mill, or toss in some cracked black pepper.

Seal with the foil tie provided.

ATTENTION!!

Place the bird in the bag...get the feeling you have done this before!

Toss in more mushrooms, some onion (you have to make some effort by chopping the onion), then some chopped celery and capsicum chunks, some fresh pineapple pieces, a large dollop of tomato paste.

Sprinkle in a packet of Sweet and Sour sauce.

Add the juice of a lemon, or wine, or stock (made from a stock cube). Add also salt to taste.

Seal and perform the same ritual as before.

NOW TO THE OVEN WITH THEM.

Set the oven temperature at 150c NO MORE PLEASE. Place the birds on a baking platter or tray. NOTICE WE DO NOT PUNCTURE THE BAG.

WE STRESS AGAIN ONLY COOK AT THE ABOVE TEMPERATURE SO THE BAG WILL NOT BURST, thus making your oven look like Mardi Gras.

You will probably need two hours for the cooking.

Remember cook SLOW...LONG...LOW!!

Next month: QUICK AND EASY RECIPE FOR DAD!



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Pink Ribbon Garden Party Success

THE COLOUR PINK was the order of the day at Saturday's Pink Ribbon Garden Party which was held at John and Delsi Delai's gardens at Ray Road near Mareeba. Despite a long list of activities across the region, around 300 people, from throughout the Tablelands and coastal areas, attended the gala event which has become a "must do" on the annual calendar of events. Conducted by Mareeba Lioness Club, the Pink Ribbon Garden party raised much needed funds for Breast Cancer.

As you could expect, pink was the colour of preference for the large crowd who relaxed amid a sumptuous afternoon tea which was served by Mareeba State High School students and Interact Club, enjoyed the light entertainment, supported the raffles and thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

Garden Party goers also gave strong support to the many stalls that featured sweets, pot plants, cakes and specially made craft items.

"Saturday's function was certainly well supported and we are truly grateful to the people who attended and gave strong support to our club's 2009 Pink Ribbon Day fund raising efforts. Even our apron competition, which received 70 entries, received wonderful attention and support," Mareeba Lioness Club president Carol Gear said.

She paid tribute to those who had "spent many hours preparing for the event and we received much needed assistance from a great number of businesses and citizens, particularly John, Delsi and Garry Delai whose wonderful gardens provided all of us with the ideal setting for the garden party."



Rhonda Adil, Gladys France, Lyndall Piagno, Janice Adil and Sue McGuinness were among the large number of people who added a garden party atmosphere at Mareeba Lioness Club's Pink Ribbon Day fund raising event on Saturday.



Some of the large number of people who attended Mareeba Lioness Club's Pink Ribbon Garden Party at John and Delsi Delai's gardens near Mareeba on Saturday.



Mareeba's Eliza Lamonica (right) received this magnificent quilt prize for the Most Voted for Apron, modelled by Lioness Rosemary Blundell at left with Lioness president Carol Gear.



Mareeba Lioness Club president Carol Gear presents Kattina Ernst, shown here with her daughter Emily, with the prize for Best Pink Hat at the garden party.

Not Stupid?

The Age of Stupid film was shown recently at Kuranda amphitheatre and it raised many questions. What actions can we take to stop runaway climate change? How do we turn Kuranda into a transition town with a low carbon footprint and a resilient and inclusive, fair economy?

After the Kuranda Friends of the Earth AGM at 2.30pm, an open discussion on these and other climate change related issues will be held at 3.30pm on Sunday 22 November at the Nevermind Cafe. Everyone is welcome.

In *The Age of Stupid*, a British scientist claims that we have just six years to avert runaway climate change. He points out that our actions today will only become apparent in climate change in 30-40 years time.

So how we act now will determine what kind of world Kuranda children live in when they are in their forties and fifties – whether it is a world of beauty and plenty – or one of cataclysmic events and famine.

If you missed seeing *The Age of Stupid*, it's being shown at the Civic Theatre on Sheridan Street, Cairns at 5pm on Sunday 29 November. Ring Sarah H. at CAFNEC on 4032 1746 or Di and Melissa at the Wilderness Society on 4041 6666 for further information.

Climate Change Action

A Walk Against Warming is being held on the morning of Monday 12 December in Cairns. Help is needed to organise this important event. Ring Sarah H. at CAFNEC for further details and to volunteer-and come along with family and friends.

As *The Age of Stupid* pointed out, mass action is needed to make sure governments wake up to the urgency of the situation. So do get involved in consciously deciding our future.



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Remembrance Day

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row...*

11-11-2009

Lest We Forget

some **CHANGES** you need to know about ...

Water Consumption charges

Ratepayers who are connected to town water supplies in the the former Mareeba and Eacham shire areas will soon receive their account for water usage. From next year, water consumption charges for ALL areas will be included in rates notices issued twice a year – in February and August.

New bank account numbers

Ratepayers who currently make periodical payments directly from their bank account to Council need to be aware that Council's account numbers will change from **1 November**. Please contact Council if you have not received a letter about the new bank account numbers.

AMEX cards no longer accepted

All ratepayers are advised that American Express cards are no longer accepted at the Mareeba service centre for paying Council accounts. Visa and Mastercard are still accepted.

For enquiries: Ph 1300 362 242
www.trc.qld.gov.au



A Thought for November

This month we read a passage from St Mark's Gospel Chapter 10 verses 17 to 30. There is a difference between being religious and possessing a spirituality. Sometimes we will be with somebody who, from their lifestyle, we know to be religious. They go to church, perhaps are a member of a Bible study group. But as we chat together, we begin to realize that this person has also internalized the faith as well as observing it outwardly. We are with a person who is at peace with themselves because they have used the things of the faith to work on their own inner being.

This is what concerns Jesus when a person comes to him and asks, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus chooses a certain level on which to approach this unknown person. We might call it the level of religion. There are commandments this man knows from childhood. Does he keep them? Yes, he does. But somehow he hungers for something beyond rules and regulations and observances, good and necessary though they be. There is in him some internal agenda that cannot be dealt with at this level.

This is exactly what Jesus sees. Perhaps it was obvious to Jesus that this man was very wealthy. Jesus may already have discovered something about him; some hint that he was

searching to be more. We don't know. But we do see clearly Our Lord piercing to the heart of this man's life. There is something deep down inside him he has to deal with. In his case, it is the way he handles his wealth.

Very often we hear people exclaim, ---The Bible says that you should sell all you have and give it to the poor." Jesus certainly said that to this man. But the real issue is that Jesus saw into the man's heart. Looking into my heart or yours, Jesus might see as we struggle to internalize our faith. Jesus might say that we must deal with some particular inner agenda which may be blocking us from a relationship with God.

It might be our appetites, our vanities, our snobbishness, our behaviour toward others. Whatever it may be, we must apply the things of an outer surface faith to deal with this inner agenda.

The man turns away, and Jesus reflects on the incident. When he speaks of riches making it hard for us to enter the kingdom, he is referring to many kinds of riches. Whatever is of ultimate value for us is our "riches." To offer those riches, be they abilities or possessions, for God's direction and purpose, is to discover a kingdom of meaning and satisfaction in our lives. Jesus tells us that we must do battle with those things which prevent us from deepening our relationship with God.

NEWS FROM ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH

During October we celebrated two very special occasions.

On the fourth of October, we held our St Francis Day service with the Blessing of the Animals. Big dogs and small dogs came and even ankle biters; dogs noisy and lovable; a bird that had been rescued and numerous Joeys who had been rescued. All the animals behaved very well. The service was held at the back of the church so everyone, mostly the owners of the pets, was able to relax. It was great to have such a wonderful enthusiastic gathering.

Our second celebration was the Harvest Festival held on the eighteenth of October. On Saturday afternoon the church was decorated with all sorts of fruit and vegetables in preparation for the three services next day. On Sunday afternoon we had great afternoon tea followed by a worship service. After the service the produce was sold and the proceeds donated to various missions.

Another project that revolves around St Saviour's is the knitting of squares that end up as blankets

and shawls. These are sent to the Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital in Ethiopia. It came as a surprise recently that 42 people at the Fistula Hospital have now been provided with either Bed Cover and Shawls. 2500 squares have been knitted and 30 shawls and 12 bed covers have now been put together and dispatched; a wonderful

achievement and everyone is still knitting.

Harvest Festival



St. Francis Day Blessing of Animals



Thought of the Month from The Baha'i Faith

"The divine religions were founded for the purpose of unifying humanity and establishing universal peace. Any movement which brings about peace and agreement in human society is truly a divine movement; any reform which causes people to come together under the shelter of the same tabernacle is surely animated by heavenly motives." – Abdu'l Baha

Spiritual Meditations/Reflections

on writings from the great religions, Wednesdays, 7.00 pm, Baha'i Information Centre, bottom of Therwine Street. Kuranda

Morning Prayers

each Tuesday 8.30am, park in centre of Kuranda Village. All welcome.

Third Kuranda Interfaith Gathering

Friday 6 November at 6.30pm at a Kuranda home, with refreshments. All religions and beliefs invited to come together to share sacred space in tolerance and peace. Please phone numbers below if attending, for catering purposes.

Study Circles and Devotional Meetings – by arrangement

United Nations Day

Saturday 24 October

Anniversary of adoption of UN Declaration on Religious Freedom

Wednesday 25 November

World Parliament of Religions

Melbourne, 3–9 December

Holy Day – Birth of Baha'u'llah (Founder/Prophet)

Thursday 12 November, celebration at a private home. All welcome.

Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha (son of Baha'u'llah)

Saturday 28 November 7.00pm, at a local Kuranda home. All welcome.

Other events at Cairns, Malanda and Atherton. Please enquire.

BAHA'IS WELCOME CONTACT WITH THE FOLLOWERS

OF ALL RELIGIONS AND BELIEFS

Telephone 4093 7120 / 4093 9571

From the Baha'is of the Tablelands

... Not by bread alone ...

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA ST SAVIOUR'S – KURANDA

Invites you to Worship

SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Sung Eucharist
9.30am Sunday school
5.00pm Afternoon Worship

Sunday 8th November
4.00pm Praise on the River Bank

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Biblical Humor

Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth?
A. Ruthless.

St Christopher's Catholic Church
Barang St

Our Sunday Mass will be held at 6 pm

1st Wednesday of each month
Mass 7.00 pm

Kuranda
Seventh-day Adventist Church



Wirramoo St.

Sabbath School (all ages) - 9.30 am
Divine Service - 11 am

Services held every Saturday.
ALL WELCOME !!!

UNITING CHURCH



All Welcome
Informal gathering

2nd Sunday each month 4.30pm
Kuranda Rec. Centre Fallon Rd.

Contact Rev. Russell Clark ph 4092 1175
or Krishna Buhler Ph 4093 8730

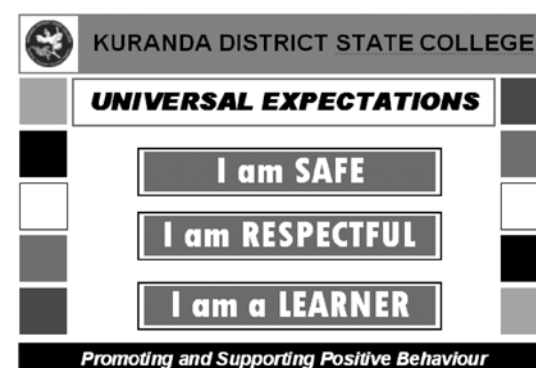




KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE



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Ph: 40855333



DIRECTOR GENERAL TO VISIT KDSC

KDSC is having a visit from Julia Grantham on the 3rd of November. Julia is the director of Education for Queensland. She will be available to see the students working, talk to people and see our new buildings as they are about to be completed and handed over to the school. This is a good opportunity for the school and the community to display the positive relationships and programs in action. It is also a good time to discuss the areas we need assistance with and future plans for the school.

Kuranda District State College Parents and Citizens Association hosted a wonderful bush dance for the school and community on Saturday night. It was a huge success with approximately 375 people enjoying the games and dances. The P&C should be proud of the result and look forward to another big event next year.

The college is currently doing a lot of work around 2010 and specifically engaging the community and parent groups in the planning. We are inviting all groups to be part of the college with big plans for adult education and extending the curriculum range and FAFT program in 2010. In an effort to hear all opinions and viewpoints we are having an indigenous planning day on November 3rd. All families are invited and welcome to come and put together strategies for next year. Please contact the college if more information is needed.

Parents are urged to become involved in the college and support their school. The best way to do this is by coming to P&C meetings and being part of the discussions and working bees. For more information please contact the school.

Gary Toshach (Principal)

FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Happy smiles all around as parents and children from the Families As First Teachers program participated in early learning play based activities during a Kuranda District State College Prep visit. Staff at the college organised a morning of activities to show some of our youngest children within the school community how much fun school can be. For our 2010 Prep children, the morning provided a chance to visit the classroom, meet the teachers and make new friends. The session also provided a welcomed opportunity for parents to meet the staff and experience the many different early learning activities that are part of the school Prep program. All agreed that days like this ensure children are settled and confident on their first day. The next Families as First Teacher Prep visits take place the week beginning November 23.



FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL

The start of the term has been particularly busy for Year 12 students as they are in the midst of completing final assessment items that are critical to their overall Year 12 performance. Fabian Hudson and Max Lacour will be waiting eagerly for the release of University offers, as both Seniors have applied for positions at JCU Carins.



Year 10 music students Kristy Williams, Levi Newbury, Kelvin Coleman and Freddy Riley preparing for an upcoming College performance



We welcome international student May Harris who has newly arrived from Vietnam to our College. May is seen here researching Ancient Roman Caesars with Senior Ancient History teacher Mr Aaron Anderson



SCHOOL AGE CARE (SAC) AND VACATION CARE (VAC)

The Mareeba Branch of the PCYC is currently seeking interest and feedback in the commencement of SAC and VAC at the Kuranda District State College for students from Prep to Year 9. PCYC statewide is becoming the largest provider of SAC and VAC care in Queensland with approximately 6000 places statewide. The programs will be based at the Kuranda District State College utilizing both PCYC and School facilities. Can you please complete the questionnaire and return to the office of the junior school, so that community views can be obtained to see if this program is viable.

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| 1/ | Would you be interested in placing your child/ren into a School Aged Care service? | Yes / No | No of Children |
| 2/ | Would your child/ren be seeking Before School Care? | Yes / No | No of Children |
| 3/ | Would your child/ren be seeking After School Care? | Yes / No | No of Children |
| 4/ | Would your child/ren be seeking Vacation Care during school holidays? | Yes / No | No of Children |

Thank you for your time in answering these questions. Can the completed form please be dropped off at the Junior School Office. If you require more information please contact the Mareeba PCYC on 40924231 or E-mail Mareeba@pcyc.org.au.



Kuranda Sport & Recreation Program News

Sporting Achievements

It was a long time coming but now it's official. The Cairns District Rugby League has recognised one of our own. CDRL Reserve Grade Best & Fairest Gordon Hunter has played "Footy" all his life, playing for The Kuranda Junior Rugby league team and currently The Mareeba Gladiators. For all the awards that he has collected throughout his career this one stands at the top. It's a great achievement by Gordon to win considering the big field of players also vying for the award. Congratulations Gordon! Hopefully we'll have more stars from our community achieving awards in their respective sports.

Congratulations also to Barty Simon for his selection on making the North Queensland 8 Ball Pool Team. The tournament was held in Brisbane during July. This caps off a stellar season that Barty has had while playing in the local competition. Unfortunately he missed out on State selection, but this experience will hold him in good stead for next year. Well done Barty on your achievement, hopefully you will go one step further in 2010.

Kuranda Junior Rugby League

The Kuranda Sport & Recreation Program supported an initial meeting held at Ngoonbi Co-operative Society on Wednesday 28th October to determine community interest in establishing a Kuranda Junior Rugby League Club. If you are interested to be involved and for more information on the outcomes of the meeting please contact Rick Brown Ph: 40938256 M: 0417 077 812.

COMING UP – 3 on 3 HOOPS "Kuranda Style"

The Kuranda Sport & Recreation Program together with Kuranda District State College invites youth aged 12-20 years from Kuranda to "3 on 3 Hoops "Kuranda Style." To be held on Mondays at Kuranda College from 3:00-5:30pm starting 16 November until 7 December. Presented by Hoop Dreaming Team in Cairns. Open to all community youth. Free entry and food on sale. Registration Forms available

from Kuranda College Ph 4085 5333 and Kuranda Sport & Rec Program at Ngoonbi Offices 36 Coondoo St Ph 4093 7177.

Movement towards Kuranda Touch Football 2010

Persons interested in being involved on the 2010 working group to commence the Touch Season in Kuranda in early 2010 should contact Kuranda Sport & Recreation Officers immediately. A meeting will be held early in November to get things moving. Potential players, referees and coaches and persons interested in helping with a junior competition should also give us a call on 4093 7177. Look forward to hearing from you!!

September School Holidays

Over the last week of the September school holidays 146 people from 5-19 years old participated in activities organised by Kuranda Sport & Recreation officers. Activities included a day out at the Movies, swimming and playing at "Muddies" on the Cairns Esplanade, Ten Pin Bowling, and swimming at Palm Cove. A highly successful family fun day was also held at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre with over 100 people in attendance. This was made possible with access to transport supplied by the Sport & Rec Program at Ngoonbi. Bertie "BBQ Man" Riley made sure whoever came along to these activities did not leave without trying his culinary "Minya".

Many thanks to the volunteers and the Department of Health & Ageing, Kuranda HACC & PCYC Indigenous Business Unit. Overall the program was very successful and with the support of the kids and the community the Sport & Recreation Officers would not hesitate to run another program like this in the next holiday break. If anyone is interested in helping us you can contact us at the Ngoonbi Co-Operative Society ph 40937 177 between 8:30am – 4:30pm.

Bert Riley, Dameon Hunter, Jane Campbell
Kuranda Sport & Rec. Officers



2009 MAYOR'S *Christmas Appeal*



Does your family need help this Christmas?

Tablelands Regional Council Mayor Tom Gilmore chairs the Annual Mayor's Christmas Appeal, a voluntary project dedicated to assisting local families in need by distributing food hampers at Christmas time.

Hampers will be delivered discreetly to your home from 15 December.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS WEDNESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2009

How can you apply for a hamper? To be eligible to receive assistance, residents need to be receiving a government welfare benefit or have children up to the age of 15 years.

Those residents that are outside the welfare system should see their local agency for assessment.

Assessment forms are available at the local agencies listed below. Residents should complete the forms and have them assessed by the relevant agency.

Red Cross
Atherton

St Vincent De Paul
Mareeba, Atherton, Ravenshoe

Blue Care
Mareeba, Atherton

Ravenshoe Community Centre
Ravenshoe

Tablelands Women's Centre
Atherton

Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre
Kuranda

Eacham Community Help Organisation
Malanda

Salvation Army
Mareeba, Atherton, Herberton

Atherton Neighbourhood Centre
Atherton

Mareeba Information and Support Centre
Mareeba

Anglican Church
Kuranda

How to donate

Monetary donations only will be accepted for the Appeal.

Send your cheque to PO Box 154, Mareeba 4880, or personally donate at one of Council's service centres Atherton, Herberton Malanda and Mareeba.





Youth engagement events coming to a town near you!

An exciting new road show is coming to a school or community venue near you!

Our Voice Our Future, an initiative of Tablelands Regional Council, will target youth issues, featuring an interactive theatre-in-education performance followed by a workshop where young people get to share their views.

The show, which will blitz the Tablelands in the last week of October, explores a host of youth-related issues. This ground-breaking event has been produced by Tablelands Regional Council in partnership with Leigh Boswell of The Young Company in Cairns.

Tablelands Mayor Tom Gilmore said the aim of the project was to gather as much information as possible for youth strategic planning across the region over the next five years.

The process is youth orientated, with workshops encouraging young people of the region to speak out about their concerns. The project features a new play especially written for the project by local playwright Victoria Carless entitled *Our Voice Our Future - Something Like Wings*. This work tackles youth issues, as well looking at the importance of dreams and aspirations for young people.

Our Voice Our Future - Something Like Wings centres around three characters - two of the characters, Tae and Grub, go way back and have been friends competing to be top dog since they were young, their ongoing game of daring-do has sustained them throughout school in a sometimes boring, kill-joy town.

In their final year of school with the future on the horizon, things are looking up - especially now that a new girl named Esther has arrived at school. Determined to impress this cool new chick, their dares become increasingly more risky. Soon all three are swept up in a dangerous competition that will test the limits of their friendship and alter their lives forever. The play asks, what happens when the game goes too far?

Community input sought on sport and recreation plan

Community meetings will be held across the Tablelands to enable residents to have their say on what sort of sport and recreational facilities are needed in the region. The meetings are part of Tablelands Regional Council's development of a new Sport and Recreation Plan for the region that will guide the future use of existing facilities and provide strategies to increase participation.

The Kuranda Meeting is planned for 29th October and anyone wishing to attend should email tresportree@strategicleisure.com.au or call 4055 6250 or 1300 734 626.

Residents are also encouraged to fill out a survey currently available on line at the Council's website www.trc.qld.gov.au, at Council's customer service centres or libraries. The survey will be available until 13 November.

TOLGA TRADERS

Classy Camper Trailers

If you enjoy travelling or exploring the outback or need extra space when family or friends visit, then consider the option of having a camper trailer. Camper trailers are becoming better designed and more affordable (an economical alternative to purchasing a caravan) as well as giving you the versatility to travel off the beaten track to places inaccessible by conventional caravans or motor homes. Here at Tolga Traders we sell Trackabout Camper Trailers (there are 4 models from which to choose) which not only are excellent quality for the price, but give the owner a wide choice in optional extras.

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Kuranda Villas Goes to National Titles

Local accommodation supplier, Kuranda Villas has taken out the State award for the self-contained holiday accommodation category in the third annual TakeABreak.com.au awards. The awards recognise properties that have provided outstanding product and exceptional service in their individual categories and are selected from over 13,000 properties listed on the site, with short-listed candidates having guest ratings of 4/5 or better.

In all, 18 categories were judged in total with Kuranda Villas – Villa 1 being named the overall State winner in the self-contained holiday accommodation. National winners of the 2009 TakeABreak Best Places to Stay Awards will be named in November. Judges look at relevance to the category, information provided to guests, service provided and personal guest feedback.

Tourism Kuranda chair Melanie Wicks said, Kuranda Villas' achievement in the state awards demonstrates the ability of accommodation properties in and around Kuranda to deliver a high standard of product and service.

"Many of Kuranda's tourism accommodation options are small and friendly businesses which provide exceptional facilities and services for their guests and to have one of them recognized in a national competition speaks volumes for the overall standards maintained in this highly competitive field of tourism," Ms Wicks said.

Second Kuranda Interfaith Gathering a Great Success

The second interfaith gathering, held in a private home in Kuranda on Sunday 27 September, was an outstanding success. A large crowd representing several religions packed the big living room, indicating it won't be long before a larger venue will be required. The theme of "Many Paths" was illustrated by sacred writings from the Jewish, Christian, Muslim, Sikh, Buddhist, Confucian and Baha'i Faiths, as well as 4 videos on a large screen and individual contributions from the floor. There was total absence of any bigotry, prejudice or hatred, being replaced by a wonderful spiritual atmosphere in which harmony and exhilaration prevailed, as the participants contemplated the profound possibilities of tolerance, peace and concord among the great religions of the world. The event was followed by a meaningful exchange of views over a great complimentary meal.

The next interfaith gathering will be advertised shortly. They are all free and open to all faiths and beliefs. Enquiries to 4093 7120 or 4093 9571.

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Kuranda to Granite Creek Road

Peter Ryle

Even though the first European settlers arrived in Trinity Bay in 1876, reasonable road access over the Kuranda Range was not available until the late 1930s. However, some intrepid people took considerable risk to drive vehicles over the route before that time. Even after the Kuranda Range Road was opened it was not used extensively by civilian traffic until much later. During the Second World War several factors restricted the use of civilian vehicles. Wartime rationing of petrol forced motorists to restrict the use of their vehicles to essential travel only. Motorists were further restricted during the latter period of the war when the Cairns district was declared a restricted area. During this emergency period civilians required a permit from the military authorities to travel into or out of the area.

While the history of the construction of the range road is well known, there appears to be little reference to the road to Mareeba, on the other side of Kuranda. Despite the lack of information, this road has a history that dates much further back than the range road. In 1876 a track was blazed from the Hodgkinson goldfield at Thornborough to Trinity Bay. Over the years other tracks were made, and some were even called roads, but none of them were really suitable for general wheeled traffic. While the port of Cairns was much closer to the growing mining areas on the Atherton Tableland, most of the goods and minerals carried to and from the mining communities went through Port Douglas, which had better roads.

In November 1890 the second section of the railway, which was to finish at Kuranda, was nearing completion. Many people in the area proposed the construction of a road from Kuranda to Granite Creek (now Mareeba). They argued that if it was built the road would expedite the construction of the third section of the railway, as it would allow building material to be carried to the construction site. A road would also allow cargo to be carried from the Atherton Tablelands to the railhead at Kuranda to be sent on to Cairns by rail.

Mr. Wimble M.L.A., the Member of Parliament for the area, interviewed the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Tozer, in an attempt to secure a grant of £1,000 to allow the Cairns Divisional Board to construct the road. The Cairns Divisional Board covered the area from the Smithfield area to Granite Creek. Tozer recognized that a road between Kuranda and Granite Creek had merit, but said the Government had no funds available for the project. The locals were not deterred. A group consisting of representatives of the Cairns Municipal Council, the Cairns Divisional Board and the Chamber of Commerce met in the Divisional Board Hall to plan a campaign to secure the funding. Among those attending the meeting was Callaghan Walsh, the Mayor of the Municipal Council and Mr Tills, the Chairman of the Divisional Board. Mr Tills moved: "That the Divisional Board renew their application to the Government for a grant of £1000 for the purpose of making a road fit for wheel traffic from Kuranda to Granite Creek."

A Public meeting at Cairns was told: "If the Minister for lands saw that his department would get a return, he would of course ask the Minister for Works to grant the £1,000. They always ask what they were going to get back when asked for money. This road would assist the Government and feed the second section. The £1,000 would be ample to do the work, if it were not too much." The consensus of the meeting was that as soon as the road was built it would allow Cairns to take trade away from Port Douglas. The meeting claimed that after the railway line was constructed the road would still be used extensively by timber-getters and packers.

An editorial in *The Cairns Post* in November 1890 commented: "Surely if the line was in the hands of a company instead of the hands of the State there would be no hesitation about the outlay. Were the line in the hands of the syndicate

suggested by Mr. Robb, which would be compelled to work on commercial lines in order to ensure success, would not this inexpensive sprat to catch a goodly mackerel be forthcoming? Without a road the second section must remain unproductive until the third section is completed. In short, a judicious outlay at the present time would anticipate the traffic of the third section by two years and the game is worth the gamble."

The route of the proposed railway line was from Kuranda to Granite Creek and then over the Atherton

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Tablelands to Herberton. The councils and local businessmen felt that the construction of a road between Kuranda and Granite Creek close to the route of the proposed railway would have many advantages. They argued that a road would expedite the construction of the railway as building materials could be carted to the site cheaper and quicker. They also said that there was an abundance of agricultural land along the route, and with better access the Government could sell the land at a much higher price than the present value.

The councils said that when the railway reached Herberton it would open the area for exports, but if the road was constructed immediately it would bring prosperity to the region at least two years earlier. There was a guarantee of at least one coach service once the road opened, and this alone would justify the expense of building the road. The road would also allow red cedar logs from the Herberton scrub to be carted to the rail head at Kuranda. The feeling in the area was that the councils would build the road anyway, but they believed that the ratepayers should not have to pay for it. The ratepayers were already burdened with having to pay for the roads and streets in the towns, and could not afford further impost.

Mr Behan said he knew the route intimately and could vouch for its attributes. He said "For miles and miles chocolate soil was found and he could stake his reputation, and would tell them so in Brisbane, that every bit would be taken up and pay back £5000 or £6000 for the £1000 expended." "If the Minister for Lands saw that his department would get a return, he would of course ask the Minister for the money.

The Government Commissioners traveled the old gazetted road from Herberton to Kuranda through Granite Creek in December 1890 on an inspection tour, and found it unsuitable for general traffic. *The Cairns Argus*, in reporting the trip, commented: "This road, as has been asserted in these columns, is unfit for dray traffic, being mountainous, and of an exceptionally rough [route]." There is little evidence to indicate just

where this road was.

The need for the road became more urgent when the Government announced in December 1890 that the second section of the railway, from Redlynch to Kuranda, would not be opened until the third section was completed. The range section would need special engines with automatic brakes, like those used on the Toowoomba Range, and these were not available yet.

Good news came in January 1891 when *The Cairns Argus* announced that the Colonial Secretary had promised £500 towards the cost of the road, "with a half-promise of assistance from the Minister for Railways." *The Argus* hailed the decision:

We have long and patiently waited for the Herberton traffic to be brought to Cairns, and now there is a partial consummation of our hopes, efforts – our best efforts – must be made to achieve that effect by diverting the traffic, by means of this road, from Granite Creek to the second section. With a coach running along this road in conjunction with the train to Kuranda, a large passenger traffic to and from Herberton would result, to the direct benefit of our town and port. - - - Again, the transmission of heavy goods to Herberton would share in the benefits offering – a big item to Tinopolis (Herberton), especially as regards mining machinery.

An editorial in *The Cairns Post* in January 1891 commented:

On the one hand the outlay would anticipate the Herberton and Montalbion traffic by two years; on the other, without the outlay, it was felt the Cairns district would be pegged back for a similar period. At the eleventh hour a grant of £500 is made by the Works or Lands Department, we are not certain which, but the matter of a similar grant by the Railway Department is still under discussion. Very properly, the Cairns Divisional Board has voted £500, and the question of the Municipal Council contributing £250 is being considered.

BY FEBRUARY 1891 the papers reported that a small party under the supervision of Overseer O'Leary was clearing the Kuranda to Granite Creek road. It said when the weather cleared more men would be employed to expedite the job. At a Municipal Council meeting in February, A.J. Draper moved "That a sum of money not exceeding £250, but equal to the amount voted by the Divisional Board, in case it was under this amount, be voted towards the Kuranda to Granite Creek road."

An inspection tour by Severin and Telford from the Municipal Council and Kenny, Tills and O'Leary from the Divisional Board inspected the road in July 1891. They were told the job was nearing completion, and that the road was "one of the best ever opened in the district." It was well grassed and watered, and would provide good feed for the packers' animals when they carted over the road. Several teamsters had already advertised that they would cart from Herberton to Kuranda for £4 per ton, and were willing to sign contracts at this price for 12 months. The inspection team found that the road was well adapted for coach and buggy traffic.

By August 1891 *The Cairns Post* reported that: "Cobb and Co's traffic with mails and passengers between Herberton and Cairns via Kuranda and the railway line, is so great that the coach service has to be supplemented by a large buckboard buggy. Between mail and passengers both conveniences are generally full." An advertisement in *The Cairns Post* announced that Cobb and Co's coach left Henry Shaw's Belle Vue Hotel for Herberton twice weekly. The *Cairns Post* also advised visitors to the Barron Falls that they could travel on further, or to Herberton if desired, as E.D. Ellis had opened a livery and bait stables adjoining Remilton's Hotel. First-class hacks etc were provided at reasonable cost.

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The Kuranda Resort IS BACK

OVER THE YEARS the Kuranda Resort, or more commonly known as the Kuranda Resort and Spa or the Liberty Resort, has gone through a number of changes and transitions which many of the locals would have no doubt seen, leaving a variety of opinions of the viability and future of what is undoubtedly one of the most unique resorts in the country. So what is happening with the resort and what are the future plans for the property? Well the property has been recently purchased by Graham Hughes who has an accounting background amongst other business interests and then has taken on another partner by the name of Roger Telford who also has an accounting background and who runs his own company www.natproperties.com. Graham and Roger have recognised the uniqueness of not only the resort but also of the entire area and have given firm commitment to the development and success of the property.

This has been done by sourcing the new General Manager, Shane Mcleod, who has been involved in the industry for many years in Cairns, especially in turning around difficult properties. When asked what his thoughts were on the property he said, "I was excited when the opportunity arose to take on a project like the Kuranda Resort, there are not many properties like it that have integrated the rainforest and surroundings with acreage, tennis courts, gym and an amazing pool to create something truly special. It makes me proud to be able to develop the property to its full potential. I also realise there are some challenges to a property like this but it has endured through a myriad of changes and is still thriving which is testimony to the viability of it."

Directors Roger and Graham have made serious commitments to capital works programs to make the necessary upgrades to the resort which Shane is now putting together. We are also selling a number of the cabins after doing a small renovation to them with a lease back option.

When asked where do you stand in the local community Shane said, "Well the support of the local community is very important to me and I consider supporting the locals very important as well, we currently employ 24 staff which I am very pleased to say all are very committed to the property and I am very happy with them. Locals are also welcome to use the facilities and to come and dine in the restaurant with our new Chef Nathan Brown who has just been published in the book *Australia's Best Chefs*. His new menu is being released in the coming weeks which is going to accommodate families to fine diners, with all locals to be given a 10% discount.

I am also a very big believer in the power Kuranda has in drawing in the tourism dollar and not just as a day destination but by showing that you can not do all that we have to offer in a day, the more days spent by an individual in the area the more money spent and I am looking forward to working with all local bodies in helping to promote Kuranda and the surrounding area.





Carol and Colin Jeanes, Gerald Hobbler and Jax Bergersen were recently presented with the "Quiet Achiever Award" from Tablelands Regional Council

TRC NEWS

TABLELANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL

Surveys open door for new era in sport and recreation

Sport and recreational facilities across the region will come under the spotlight as Tablelands Regional Council seeks to develop a new plan that will guide the future use of existing facilities and provide strategies to increase participation.

Residents and sporting organisations are being asked to help in the preparation of the new Sport and Recreation Plan by completing one of two surveys now available on-line and at Council offices.

"There are two different surveys – a Community Survey and a Club Survey", Mayor Tom Gilmore said. "We need sport and recreation organisations to complete the Club Survey to inform us about issues that are affecting these community groups, what their specific needs are and how Council can help make their important job easier. Residents should complete the Community Survey to indicate what their sport and recreation preferences are, and how they believe Council should support the community's sport and recreational needs."

Cr Gilmore said the information gathered would help develop the Plan which would provide a strategic framework for the future use and provision of sport and recreation services and facilities across the new regional council area. The surveys will be available until 13 November.

The Sport and Recreation Plan, which is being prepared by Cairns-based consultants Strategic Leisure Group and will be co-funded by the Department of Communities (Sport and Recreation Services), will aim to maximise use of existing facilities and identify future strategies to increase and enhance participation in active sport and recreation.

To complete the survey online, visit Council's website, www.trc.qld.gov.au and click on the link to each of the surveys. Alternatively, you can download a PDF version of the surveys from Council's website, or obtain a hard-copy version of the surveys from Council's service centres and agents or by requesting a copy from the project consultants on 1300 734 626 (local call cost).

Plan for Multicultural Community Centre under way

Plans for a new Multicultural Community Centre at Mareeba are under way, with Tablelands Regional Council committing \$1 million and land to the project.

Council will now seek more than \$1.8 million from the next round of the Federal Government's Jobs Fund to make the project a reality.

The Jobs Fund is a \$650 million initiative to support and create jobs and skill development through projects that build community infrastructure.

Under the proposal, the Multicultural Community Centre would be established on three blocks of land in Constance Street, Mareeba (at the former bowling club

site) and another parcel of land from Council's reserve.

The centre would house the relocated Mareeba Library and community support services as well as having meeting rooms for community groups.

If the Jobs Fund application is successful, Council would have to complete the project by 30 June 2011.

New regional events strategy

A Regional Events Strategy covering the next five years has been given the tick by Tablelands Regional Council. The strategy outlines events to be managed by the Council over the next five years, including the development of a Festival of Flowers, Faces and Places of the Tablelands, and a special event to mark the 2012 Solar Eclipse.

The strategy outlines how events will be managed within Council and recommends an advisory committee, made up of members of the events sector, to be established to assist with the long-term vision for Tablelands events. Clubs should complete only one survey for their club, but club members should still complete the community surveys.

To find out more about the project or to register your interest in the project and be kept up to date, email trcsportrec@strategicleisure.com.au, telephone 4055 6250, send an SMS message to 0407 170 233 or visit www.trc.qld.gov.au for links to information and consultation calendars.

2010 Australia Day Awards nominations open

Do you know someone who donates their time to a local charity, is heavily involved in improving the environment or has been the driving force behind initiatives in your community?

It could be your neighbour, your boss, or even the teacher at your children's school.

Tablelands Regional Council wants to hear about these unsung heroes in our community, with nominations now open for the 2010 Australia Day Awards.

Mayor Tom Gilmore urged people to think about worthy people in the community and put pen to paper and nominate them for the prestigious awards.

"Australia Day Awards recognise the achievements and contribution of individuals and groups to the community," Cr Gilmore said. "The Tablelands is home to many hard-working volunteers who contribute a tremendous amount of their time and resources for the benefit of the community. Australia Day is a time to reflect on the valuable contribution these people make."

This year, Council will announce only regional winners in all categories, with towns and communities able to hold their own localised awards if they desire. "Council is looking at this important day from a regional focus, so this year we will be choosing regional winners only for the official Australia Day Awards," Cr Gilmore said.

Nominations can be made in the following categories:

Citizen Award, Young Citizen, Community Event, Coach/Sport Administrator, Senior Sports, Junior Sports, Senior Cultural, Junior Cultural, Senior Community Service, Junior Community Service, Commerce & Industry and Environmental Excellence.

Nomination forms are available from the Council

offices at Atherton, Mareeba, Malanda and Herberton, or at www.trc.qld.gov.au. Nominations close on 13 January 2010.

Mayor launches 2009 Christmas Appeal

Tablelands Regional Council Mayor Tom Gilmore is urging residents to dig deep for the less fortunate in the community during the 2009 Mayor's Christmas Appeal. Launching the appeal at a special charity champagne breakfast at Mt Uncle Distillery today, Cr Gilmore said it had been a tough year for many in the community.

At the breakfast, Cr Gilmore asked businesses and schools to prominently display posters at their workplace or school to provide details about how people can donate to the appeal.

"I have asked business owners and school principals to be ambassadors for this appeal by promoting it at their places of business and at their schools so we can hopefully raise enough money to provide these much-needed hampers," he said.

Cr Gilmore said the appeal had the support of various charity groups and welfare agencies on the Tablelands including the Salvation Army, St Vincent De Paul, Community Services Tablelands (formerly Atherton Neighbourhood Centre), Eacham Community Help Organisation, Ravenshoe Community Care, Red Cross Atherton, Blue Care, Tablelands Women's Centre, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, Mareeba Information and Support Centre and Anglican Church Kuranda.

Monies raised will be used to put together hampers which will be distributed before Christmas. No food items can be accepted for the appeal. Last year 118 hampers were distributed throughout the community as a result of the appeal.

Appeal Facts Donations

- Monetary donations to the appeal will be accepted at the Council's service centres in Atherton, Mareeba, Herberton and Malanda and at the Kuranda Library.
- People can also send their donation by cheque to Mayor's Christmas Appeal, PO Box 154, Mareeba 4880. Make the cheque payable to Mayor's Christmas Appeal.
- Fundraisers for the appeal include Carols in the Park at Mareeba on 13 December.

Applying for assistance

To be eligible to receive assistance, residents need to be receiving a government welfare benefit or have children up to the age of 15 years. Those residents that are outside the welfare system should see their local agency for assessment.

Assessment forms are available at the local agencies listed above. Residents should complete the forms and have them returned for assessment by the relevant agency by 27 NOVEMBER 2009.

Please note, complete only one form to apply for assistance.

Forms are also available at Council offices. These forms will be sent to the Salvation Army to facilitate assessment.





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Junior Community Service
Senior Community Service
Coach/Administrator Sports
Junior Cultural Award
Senior Cultural Award
Environmental Excellence Award
Development of Commerce and Industry
Quiet Achievers Award



Nomination forms are available from:

Council Offices - Atherton, Herberton, Malanda and Mareeba, Council Libraries,
Mt Molloy Post Office, Irvinebank School of Arts & Progress Association,
Julatten and Mt Molloy Association of Residents and Rate Payers Inc.
Tablelands Regional Council website www.trc.qld.gov.au

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Council will host a regional event at the Tepon Equestrian Centre at
Wondecla that will include fun family activities, a Citizenship Ceremony
and the announcement of the Regional Australia Day Awards.

Groups or organisations that may wish to host an Australia Day event in
their town or community are encouraged to contact Council which will
provide some financial and/or in-kind support to the event organisers.

To express your interest email StaceyM@trc.qld.gov.au

AWARD APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 13 JANUARY 2010

Mail to: Events Coordinator, PO Box 154 Mareeba, 4880

Fax to: 4092 3323



Tablelands Sport and Recreation Plan

Are you into sport, walking, cycling, swimming, picnics, bush
walking, riding, playing, dancing?

Tablelands Regional Council is preparing a new Sport and
Recreation Plan for the region and wants to know YOUR views
about what should happen over the next five years.

Attend a community meeting

DATE	TIME	VENUE
29 October	6pm	Kuranda Recreation Centre Fallon Road, Kuranda
4 November	6pm	Malanda Show Pavillion, Cafeteria, Thomas Street
5 November	6pm	Ravenshoe CWA Hall, 15 Herbert Street
11 November	6pm	Chillagoe Town Hall, Queen Street

If you would like to register for one of the meetings, please
contact Council's consultants, The Strategic Leisure Group by:

Email: trcsportrec@strategicleisure.com.au

Phone: 4055 6250 or 1300 734 626 (local call cost)

SMS: 0407 170 233

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Patricia Rose Cairnes

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ON Monday evening 21st September, my mother, Rose, died. Mum would often fall asleep reading, glasses still on her nose, still holding a book or newspaper. And so she left us, reading *The Australian*, a pile of books by her bed and one on her bed (an Amy Tan novel). I feel grateful that she left in the way she had wanted. "One day I will wake up dead" she would say to me with her mischievous grin, a bit softer at the thought of that unknown... Mum was completely accepting that it was getting close to quitting time...I was the one who wasn't coping at the thought of losing her...and now that she has gone, her presence has been palpable many times...my garden so enriched with her plants scattered amongst mine, her music CDs lifting my heart (classical, jazz, blues), some of her belongings in my home somehow warming the atmosphere throughout...it's hard to express how it feels losing someone with whom you have done so many hard yards, and loved so dearly, and battled with often, and who was so deep, and full of life, wonder, interest, and mischief, and also had suffered greatly in her earlier life, causing her the health issues in her later life.

Mum was well known around Kuranda for her great love of the cigarette, which was the reason she left us a bit sooner than hoped...she held the fag in great esteem, and I always knew she would leave us all after a glass of red, and a few fags on the verandah, after some time spent with whichever dear friend/s who might have dropped by (and dear friends there were many). I thought after mum died, that she had many daughters, although I was the only biological daughter. Mum had many female friends that were much younger in years, and somehow there was that relationship of equals, but Mum also nurtured and gave so much to these friends.

Mum's friends, male and female, were from all walks of life, and I am sure you would all say that your lives were enriched with her as your friend. Mum also loved deeply to the end, as we all do, and she is a reminder to us all that although the body ages, the heart remains constant. Mum used to say that falling in love was like having the flu – read into that what you wish (!), but I have to say she had the flu a few times!

Well, now one of Kuranda's great women has left, and something will never be the same again, for me at least, as I drive in to Kuranda, and pass her lovely little unit with the million dollar rainforest view...I will never see her tiny figure standing, hand on hip, waving at me...I will never see her at her favourite coffee shop with her very dearest of friends...solving the world's problems...a little in love with Barack Obama (who shares her birthday – she would want you all to remember that little fact!)...a little peeved at Kev and Julia's shortcomings, very interested in all that happened around. What has Rose left us? Although I have lost my mother who loved me like no other (as is the way of mothers), the pianist who played wonderful classical music from the heart, the artist never seen, the writer never read, the dreamer unknown, she has left us knowing that love is all there is...and Mum, I love you.

Julie Cairnes

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Kuranda Pool News

Famous local band Zennith play Family fundraiser at Kuranda Pool

On SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER 1 3.30pm–8.30pm local music legends **ZENNITH** will play their wonderful set in the Sunset and on under the stars on their way to launch themselves on the world stage this coming year. The band leave for Vanuatu next week, with national, N.T. and international offerings ahead we are truly lucky to have such wonderful Reggae, Roots, Hip Hop, Rock music in our midst for us to be able to appreciate.

The swimming pool venue on Myola Road will come alive with rhythm and Dance beats as a way of being a fundraising event to kick start family amenities to support the development of a Swimming Club entity for the kids and adults of the Kuranda District.

The event is alcohol free as the entire venue supports healthy exercise and recreation. Zennith often lend support to local events and organizations like Kuranda Spring Fair, Kuranda Roots Festival, Kuranda Amphitheatre and The Kuranda Recreation Centre to name just a few. This time it the pool that has the honour of hosting this beautiful gesture of rollicking by the pool for the whole family to enjoy local reggae soul beats.

The band have just returned from the Queensland State Q Song Awards ceremonies where they performed their award winning (Best Regional) song "Kuranda Reggae" to open the show at the Tivoli Theatre Brisbane, as well as nominations in 2 categories (Best Album and Best Band) in this month's Deadly Awards. They now look forward to playing for locals on the lawns, and in the water at the new venue, as Summer beckons.

Soon for setting alight audiences all over the planet, look out. What a great privilege for us to host one of Australia's premier Indigenous bands. Come along and enjoy the entertainment.

The Kuranda Swim School is developing to the stage for the need to support a Swimming Club. Names and members for a Committee are being gathered currently and proceeds from this concert will go to the newly formed Club. A meeting was held last week at the Kuranda Recreation Centre and initial discussions held to create a Swimming Club. The process would formalize a group for kids and "Masters" to be active within. The aims would be something like to enjoy swimming and be able socialise, compete and recreate in a healthy Aquatic environment.

I now urge everyone out there interested in supporting a Club in Kuranda and looking forward to an active, structured, energy filled future for our children to enjoy, to come along to the pool and dance the evening away in a spirit of giving and sharing. If future club members can get to build a B.B.Q. or a shade shelter with the money raised then everyone can benefit from the fun and fulfillment of this wonderful evening of entertainment. Please come along.

\$10.00 Adult (includes pool entry)

\$20.00 Family (2A & 2C includes pool entry)

\$5.00 Child U/16 (includes pool entry)

TRANSITION FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND

This is a Regional Transition Initiative Hub to seed and support initiatives in Far North Queensland.

A Transition Initiative is where a whole community from the footy club to organic gardeners comes together to answer the question: "for all those aspects of life that this community needs in order to sustain itself and thrive, how do we significantly increase resilience (to mitigate the effects of Peak Oil) and drastically reduce carbon emissions (to mitigate the effects of Climate Change?)"

So, the aim is to come up with an action plan to create the future we want, as life after Peak Oil could even be better. The next stage in the evolution of Civilisation based on right human relations can be achieved starting from the seed of this Initiative. Guiding ethics of Heart and Soul is essential to keep a group working in a positive, inclusive way. The last thing we want is for the Transition to become "another bloody group".

Transition Indicatives/Towns is now an international movement providing templates, tools, resources and training to ensure the efforts of each Transition Initiative is a success.

Transitioning a whole community is a huge task, so the key areas of life are divided into domains of action. Sections of the community with special interest in a particular domain can focus on it and efficiently address it.

The Domains are:-

Built Environment; Housing and Accommodation; Energy; Tools and Technology; Culture and Education; Arts; Heritage; Health and Well-being; Food; Waste; Transport and Mobility; Finance and Economics; Business and Trades; Land Tenure and Community; Governance; Infrastructure Planning; Water; Land and Nature Stewardship.

Transition Initiatives vary in size from a single household, or a street, to a whole region such as Tfnq. Each house has its own initiative which nests inside their neighbourhood's initiative. This in turn nests inside that of the Town which nests inside that of a regional Initiative.

The first step taken by Tfnq was forming a steering committee designed to co-ordinate things until local initiatives have stabilised enough so that their representatives can take this role.

To be involved and you have ideas, please contact the steering committee at transition@tfnq.org

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Latest contenders for the Darwin Awards

Named in honour of Charles Darwin, the father of evolution, the Darwin Awards commemorate those who improve our gene pool by removing themselves from it.

30 May 2009, Louisiana. Back seat drivers beware! Annoyed at how slowly her boyfriend was driving, Tamera B, 22, encouraged him to pick up the pace so she could get to work on time. Joking that it would be faster to walk to work, she opened the door of the pickup and stuck her foot out before falling to her death. Deputies of the jurisdictional Sheriff's Office stated that the truck was travelling at highway speed at the time of the incident. Her death was ruled accidental.

27 June 2009, Pennsylvania. A severe storm damaged power lines and left 17,000 homes without electricity. Mieczyslaw Mil, 64, was one of the affected parties. His power line serviced only 17 homes and therefore was one of the last to be repaired. Seven hours after the line fell, Mr Mil finally lost his patience.

The old man had been shooed away repeatedly by firefighters who were guarding the power line. "Police and firefighters literally chased him away. We did everything we could," said Dick Martinkovic, commissioner of public safety in Sullivan County. But they were not prepared for the homeowner's sudden bold move.

Frustrated with waiting, Mil emerged from his home shortly after midnight with an industrial circular saw in his hand and plastic bags on his feet. He stood in a puddle of water and attempted to saw through a 4800-volt feeder line that was dangling off the pole. He fell and became entangled in the hissing and buzzing live wire. While emergency responders waited for utility workers to shut down the power, Mil was busy being killed by continuous electrocution.

The story says it all. He was repeatedly shooed away from the power line, but insisted on cutting it while standing in a puddle, and now is safely out of the gene pool.

5 February 2009, India. For lottery agent Pravin Kuse, his number was up when he followed his dream and decided to dig for a pot of gold. A bachelor, Kuse, 32, lived with his brother's family in Vasai, India. According to his aged mother, Kuse had learned in a dream that an ancient pot of gold was buried beneath his abandoned 100-year-old house, located a few meters from his current residence. He warned his mother not to tell anyone about the dream, fearing that it would result in a fight over the fortune.

Some legends hold that a pot of gold lies at the end of the rainbow. But Kuse's dream told him to dig beneath the staircase of the old house. After lunch, every day without fail, Kuse would take his spade and dig a few meters further beneath the stairs. This innovative gold-digger had even purchased a toy car and attached a flashlight to it to assist him while digging in the dark. The neighbours had no idea that days and nights of digging had resulted in a 15-foot deep tunnel.

One day Kuse did not return home. His worried relatives lodged a missing persons complaint and police were dispatched to the old house. Within a few hours an earthmover had evacuated Kuse's body from the debris. At a depth of 15 feet, the soil became moist due to its proximity to the sea, and it was determined that the floor of the house had caved in over Kuse. Authorities registered a case of accidental death and recovered the spade and the innovative mobile flashlight from the site.

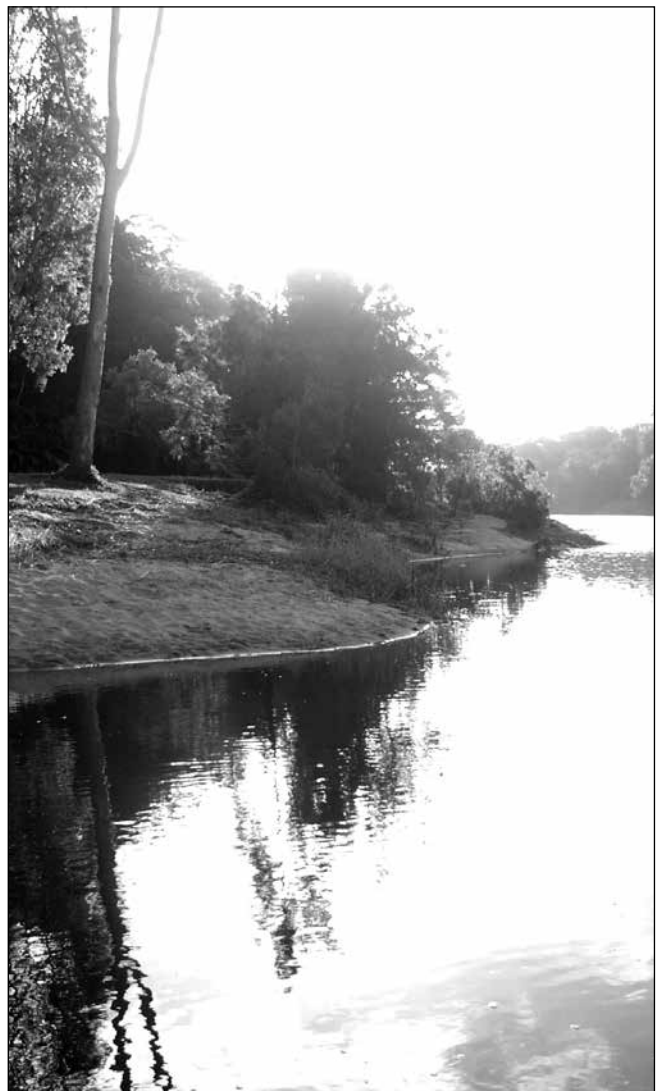
In searching for a pot of gold, Kuse may not have had the luck of the Irish, but he does have the distinction of winning a Darwin Award.

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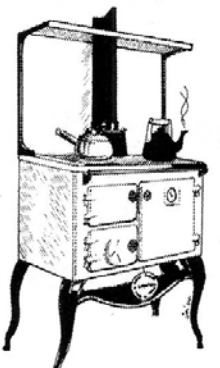


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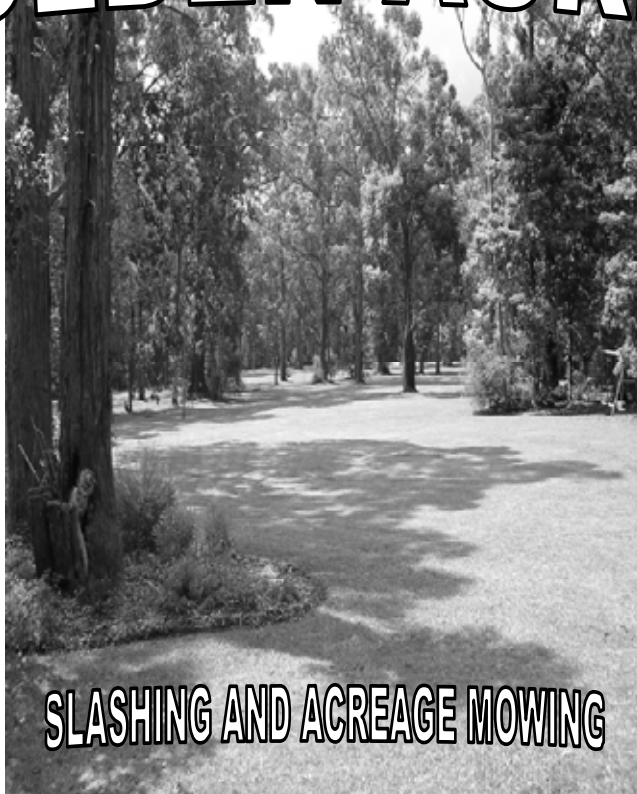
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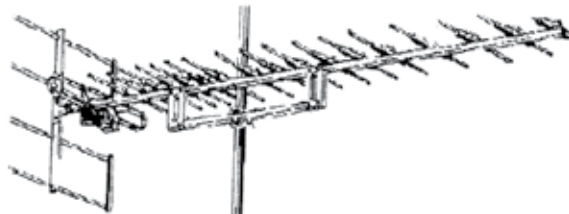
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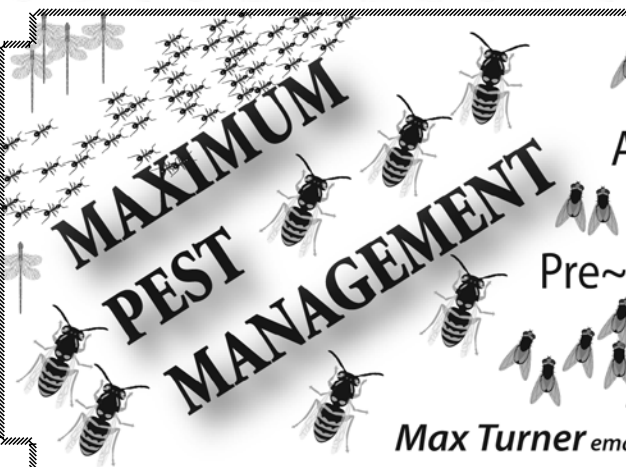
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Cash donations (totalling \$30,558) were approved for: Atherton Men's Centre (\$1500), Tablelands Mens Haven (\$1500), Butchers Creek Hall Association (\$1500), The Julatten Edna head Library (\$1500), Eagles Nest Wildlife Hospital (\$500), Herberton Memorial Bowls Club (\$1500), **Kuranda Festive Spirit (\$1365)**, Lions Club of Ravenshoe and District (\$1500), Mareeba District Flexi-Support Association (\$2000), Millaa Millaa Kindergarten Association (\$1000), Millaa Millaa Garden Club (\$1000), Newcomers Club (\$500), Probus Club of the Tropical Tablelands (\$3000), Ravenshoe and District Chamber of Commerce (\$1365), Ravenshoe Pony Club (\$1000), Tablelands Walking Club (\$1848), Walkamin Community and Sports Club (\$1500), Yungaburra Community Kindergarten Association (\$1000), Atherton Cricket Association (\$1000), Tolga Sea Scouts (\$500), Community Services Tablelands (\$1980), North Millstream Rural Fire Brigade (\$1000), and Mt Garnet Fire Brigade (\$1000).

In-kind assistance (of \$7149 value) was given to: Atherton Christian Leaders (\$1489), Atherton Swimming Club (\$321), **Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre (\$1787)**, Tepon Equestrian Club (\$2552), and Ravenshoe Railway Company (\$1000).

A remittance of fees totalling \$2083 were approved for: Atherton Cricket Association (\$397), Malanda Community Kindergarten (\$99), Mareeba Meals on Wheels (\$350), Living Hope Indigenous Fellowship (\$233), and Mission Aviation Fellowship (\$1004).



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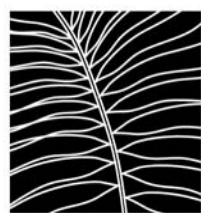
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Road Works: A number of roads within the Kuranda District have now been prepared for resealing. (Koah Road, Mason Road, Butler Drive, Bangalow Place, Barron Falls Road, Monaro Close, Stoney Creek Road, Smiths Track, Ganyan Drive) Resealing work is expected to commence soon.

Work on the new Owens Creek bridge has progressed well. Council will soon be considering Roadworks priorities for the region for the next 3 years. I would like residents' feedback on roadworks priorities for the Kuranda district. Please contact me before November 4th.

Christmas Appeal: The Mayor's Christmas Appeal is now open and residents are encouraged to support the appeal. Information is available on the TRC website and cash donations can be made at the Kuranda Library. The Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre and the Anglican Church will again assist in distributing the appeal funds to needy families.

Sport and Rec Plan Consultation: Interested in Sport and Recreation within our community? We want to hear from you. Consultation for the new TRC Sport and Recreation Plan is now underway. A community Meeting will be held on Thursday 29 Oct Thurs at 6pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

Feedback can also be via email to pennyc@trc.qld.gov.au, via SMS to 0407170233, via Facebook trcsportrec@strategicleisure.com.au or via phone Ph 1300734626

Australia Day Awards: Ever thought about nominating someone within our community? There are many people and organisations who contribute to

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Australia Day Event: In 2010 Council will hold a Regional Australia Day Ceremony, however if any group or organisation within the local community is interested in staging a Kuranda event, funds are available to assist you.

Television reception Speewah: A number of enquiries re television reception in the Speewah area (Council assists with the "blackspot reception") Council staff have been working with providers to alleviate the recent problems with ABC reception in the area and the reception should now be back to normal. If you have any problems please contact Council.

Audit Report: Government Auditors have recently completed the financial audit of the TRC for the period 15 March 08 to 30 June 09. Council is in a sound financial position with a small surplus and has received a clear report on financial management.

Community Consultation: Thanks to everyone who took the time to stop in at the TRC "tent" outside the Post Office to provide your opinions and to complete a survey about the transport interchange apron near the entrance of Skyrail and the Kuranda Scenic Rail as well as the River Precinct and walking track. Over 200 people provided feedback and the report is currently being compiled. Your opinions will be taken into consideration in planning for the infrastructure in this area.

Old Primary School: The new Advisory Committee

(Anne Clarke, Eve Stafford, Jax Bergersen, Caroline Wallace, Ken Harley, Gerald Hobbler) has held its first meeting and has started work on a long-term Master Plan for the site. The current works (new Undercover Shelter area, upgrade to Toilets/Shower/Change rooms, some refurbishment of Block C) should be completed by the end of November and soon available for use. Guidelines will be developed for use of the area.

Youth Activities: As part of the TRC Our Voice, Our Future", special Youth Events will be held in Kuranda on Friday 30th October. There will also be a TRC Youth Summit at Tinaroo on Tuesday 3 November. Details contact TRC Youth Development Officer Shiralee McHardie Ph: 40434100 or email shiraleem@trc.qld.gov.au

New Planning Scheme: Many residents attended a recent meeting to provide input to the preliminary consultation for the development of the new TRC Planning Scheme. Meetings were held at 13 locations across the region and an Outcomes Report is now available. If you are interested in the report, please contact Sarah Rizvi Ph: 40434300 or sarahr@trc.qld.gov.au The new Planning Scheme will take some time to be developed and this is only the first stage of community consultation.

Contact Details: Log on to the Council Website www.trc.qld.gov.au to find out about Council News, "Report a Problem" or "Have My Say". Councillor Contact Details: Ph: 40938466 or 0417002046 or 40930798 (all numbers have voicemail) Email: jennyj@trc.qld.gov.au

Council Meetings: Council Meetings in November will be held on Wednesday Nov 4 in Malanda and Wednesday Nov 18 in Herberton. The public are welcome at any Council meeting.



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Condolences

I was very sad to hear that Olive Mealing has passed away. Olive and her husband Jim were great pioneers of tourism and business in Kuranda, having purchased the Honey House in 1977, then later starting the original Kuranda markets. They were also very active in the RSL, did an enormous amount of work for the establishment of the Kuranda Ambulance, and never missed a meeting of the Lions Club to raise money for the community.

Reef Detox

The Bligh government has introduced new laws to protect the Great Barrier Reef by regulating the amount of fertiliser, pesticide and sediment run-off entering reef waters. Unfortunately the Liberal National Party (LNP) voted against this important piece of environmental legislation – one that will give Queensland's most treasured natural possession a fighting chance of survival. After extensive consultation with farmers, other measures passed include keeping records of chemical and fertiliser use, controlling loss of soil from properties, new restrictions for the pesticides such as

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Road Safety Summit

The Road Safety Summit will be held in Cairns on November 17. We had an overwhelming response to our on-line survey with 500 people logging on to have their say. Details on the event, which will be open to the public, will be posted on my website www.stevewettenhall.com.au or you can contact my office.

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Deadly Awards

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Kuranda Media Association AGM

Thank you to the outgoing committee and welcome to the 09/2010 team. Great to see most of the crew back on board, who have proved to be a successful and dynamic group. A special thanks to treasurer, Jenni Thomson, for her outstanding work which has generated profits to support community initiatives.





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Land for Wildlife

Although Land for Wildlife is an Australia wide program, Greening Australia, Queensland, has delivered the program in this state for many years. They have provided the signs, printed the newsletter and kept a register of participants. Kuranda EnviroCare has supported the program by conducting the property assessments in our local area and completing the paperwork.

Sadly, Greening Australia, Queensland, has been unable to obtain funding to continue the Land for Wildlife program so for the time being it is "paused". Those of you already registered as Land for Wildlifers **remain registered** and keep your sign. Unfortunately there will be no magazines printed and distributed until the program resumes. We will keep you informed of any changes.

Marg Zehnter

INTRODUCTORY PLANT IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP

We are able to offer another **FREE** Plant I.D. Workshop for 2009. It will be held on **SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER, at the ENVIROCARE NURSERY, 19 KULLAROO CLOSE**, beginning at **9.00 AM**.

Participants will need to bring a hat and lunch. If you have a 10 x magnification hand lens that would be useful also. Morning tea, coffee and tea will be provided. Phone Marg Zehnter on 4093 8393 to book your place or for more information.

PLANT OF THE MONTH

Aristolochia acuminata

Native Dutchman's Pipe

This native vine is the host for the Cairns Birdwing butterfly, Australia's largest butterfly and one which is a welcome sight in all gardens. The caterpillars often defoliate the whole plant, before pupating to emerge as the vivid green males or large black females. *Aristolochia* is a twining vine which can grow quite large on trees or a trellis. The leaves vary from 100 to 300mm in length. The flowers are purple/brown in colour with a distinct shape. The fruit is a spherical pod with six segments each ending in a 30mm twisted tail. Numerous seeds are "winged". This vine can be found from Cape York to Proserpine and throughout Northern Australia and SE Asia.

BEWARE; there is a Dutchman's Pipe introduced from Indonesia which is "poisonous" to the Cairns Birdwing Butterfly. These plants are sold to unsuspecting gardeners who think they are helping the butterflies by planting them in their gardens. Kuranda EnviroCare have in stock the **NATIVE PLANT** so call in and collect the correct specimen. I have witnessed the beautiful butterflies enmasse on my flowering *Schefflera actinophylla* (Umbrella Tree).

SATURDAY MORNING PLANTINGS

8.00AM

We are still concentrating on maintenance and watering. Watch for signs on Myola Road and Oak Forest Road.

SPEAKER MEETING

4 NOVEMBER 7.00PM

JOHN BEASLEY

'RAT EATING PLANTS?'

John Beasley will be presenting a slide show and talk on the insect eating plants to be found in Cape York. As John prepares to launch his new book "Plants of Cape York – The Compact Guide" we will enjoy a tantalizing preview.

Recreation Centre, Fallon Road

ALL WELCOME

LIGHT SUPPER PROVIDED

Rat Eating Plants?

Recently the Cairns Post reported that pitcher plants in Cape York are capable of eating rats. What next? "A Pitcher Plant Ate My Baby"!

So is this just another urban myth? John Beasley will be presenting a slide show and talk on the insect eating plants to be found in Cape York, on Wednesday 4th November at the, Recreation Centre, Fallon Road. As well as looking at the wide range of interactions between plants and insects, he will reveal the truth of the rat eating plants.

Kuranda EnviroCare welcomes you to this presentation, which comes as John prepares to launch his new book "Plants of Cape York - The Compact Guide", which provides an introduction to over 600 of the most likely to be noticed plants in Cape York. It is expected that the launch will be in Cooktown in early December. Any queries phone 4093 9728.



If

you can keep your plants watered, it's a great time to plant. Our nursery is bursting at the seams so we are having a "SPECIALS" sale to help you get plants in the ground and make some space for us.

But

don't be caught out thinking the "wet" season is just around the corner. It may not be, so water and mulch are all important.

These plants are grown using "roopoo" which has been processed in our worm farm. They are watered by hand daily, lovingly.

SHRUBS (and under powerlines plants)

Lomandra hystrix (like a big tuft of grass, great for holding banks)
Alocasia brisbanensis - CUNJEVOI (leafy, a bit like elephants ears)
Eugenia reinwardtiana - CEDAR BAY CHERRY (edible red cherries)(small)
Hibiscus splendens (dramatic bright pink flower – so welcoming)
Cordyline canniiflora
PLUS a whole range of Syzygiums – lilly-pillis.

MEDIUM SIZED TREES with flowers and fruit

Atractocarpus fitzilaria – BROWN TAMARIND with white perfumed flower
Acmena smithii – bushy tree
Harpulia ramiflora – TULIPWOOD – most interesting seeds

LARGE TREES to 30m

Pleiogynium timorense – BURDEKIN PLUM, edible fruit, shade.
Acmena resa/hemilampra – RED/MOUNTAIN SATINASH
Brachychiton aceriflorum – FLAME TREE, deciduous then full of red flowers
Melicope elleryana – PINK EUODIA, food tree for Ulysses butterfly

MAGNIFICANT HUGE TREES

Castanospora alaphandii – BROWN TAMARIND
Araucaria bidwillii – BUNYA PINE – highly prized edible nuts
Argyrodendron perulatum – RED TULIP OAK – perfumed flowers

CREEPERS/VINES

Aristolochia acuminata – Food plant for the Cairns Birdwing butterfly

How Do You Say That?

Ficus racemosa, *Gmelina fasciculiflora*, *Guioa acutifolia*, *Pittosporum*...
DO WE NEED TO KNOW – YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN - SO WHAT
Plants have many common names. When you say River Cherry, which plant are you really talking about. BUT, each plant species only has one botanical name. How do you pronounce these strange words. Find out how

Sat 31 Oct, 10–11am over morning tea

at the Pademelon Lane nursery

with Gary Wilson of Qld Herbarium, Environmental Sciences

Cassowary DNA collection

Meet at the Kuranda Conservation Community Nursery, Pademelon Lane (off Fallon Road, off Kennedy Hwy) on

Saturday 7 November at 8.30am to leave at 9am

to survey our various transects. Back by noon for lunch. Please wear hat and walking shoes (and everything in between – please!). If you're new at this, you'll receive training on Cassowary poo collection for DNA testing.

PS: Thanks for the calls alerting us of Cassowaries on the Kuranda Range Road. We've put signs out in the hope drivers will BE AWARE!

Not much progress on Pig Trapping in the last month

They must be on to us! No pig has walked into our traps in the last month. BUT they're still around and we're persevering. Your calls on pig activity enable us to assess the extent of the problem and where to place the traps.

PLEASE KEEP THOSE CALLS COMING IN - 4093 8834

CONNECTING COMMUNITY and the ENVIRONMENT through CONSERVATION



Kuranda Recreation Centre
FALLON ROAD KURANDA

**JUNIOR SOCCER INTERESTED PARENTS PLEASE CONTACT ROBYN 4093 9087
POOL TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE RECREATION CENTRE. INTERESTED? Ring Gerald
Hobblers at 4085 5333 (Day).**

Keen to join a Kuranda community group? Check out what's happening at the Recreation Centre.
Membership enquiries? Contact Arch 4093 7511.
Need a venue for a private function? A business function or a community group meeting place? Contact
Arch on 4093 7511 or Gary on 4093 8399.

What's Happening and When?

Weekday	Activity	When?	Contact?
Monday	Salsa Dancing Lessons	Every Monday 6.30pm to 8.30pm	Ring Kevin on 0414 364 965
Tuesday	Tai Chi classes	Every Tuesday 6pm to 7.30pm	Ring My Summer 4092 5998
Tuesday	Pool Competition	Most Tuesdays 7.30pm to 10.15pm	Ring Gerald Hobblers 4085 5333
Wednesday	Free For Bookings		
Thursday	Biodanza	Every Thursday from 6.00-7.30pm from 3/9	Catherine Borgeaud 4057 8549
Friday	Social night BBQ.	Every Friday 6pm to 10pm Bar Open. Bare Foot Bowls, Pool Tables, Darts, Mah Jong	Ring 4093 7401 by Wednesday for booking
Saturday	Easy Yoga	10am to 11.30am	Ring Aileen on 4093 7401
Sunday	Film Club	First Sunday of every month 4pm to 8pm.	Ring Margaret or Hans on 4093 8393

WANTED CARAVAN FOR CARETAKER USE: Telephone 4093 7511 OR 4093 8399

QCWA NEWS

We spoke too soon in last month's newsletter about how quiet QCWA activities had been. Someone must have been listening in. Our members are about to put down their embroidery and knitting needles and take up their wooden spoons and put on aprons again for the Great Train Ride next month and, despite the hot weather coming up, they will be turning out trays of biscuits, slices and cakes to be eagerly consumed by the senior and junior visitors on the day.

Our craft ladies have been busy putting their new embroidery skills into practice and have produced a very pretty Butterfly Quilt, which is to be raffled to raise funds for our various projects. Tickets are now available from all our members and we hope that the local community will support this project. The raffle will be drawn on December 9th – on our last branch meeting for the year.

The final Craft Lesson day will be held on November 18. After lessons in various crafts over the past year – this will be an easy one – **Christmas Cards and Beaded Christmas decorations.** Come along and have a bit of fun with our ladies as we battle with glue, beads, sequins, pipe cleaners etc. Kits will be available at a nominal cost and lunch is provided on the day (\$3.00 p/p). If interested, **contact Yvonne Dighton on 4093 7016.** Every Wednesday is our Craft and Social Morning so why not come along and have a cuppa with us.

Hall bookings: please contact 4093 7599 or 4093 9437
For other information, please contact the Secretary on 4093 7016.



QCWA Butterfly Quilt

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Kuranda Transfer Station
Opening Times
Monday & Friday 7am–10am • Wednesday 3pm–6pm
Saturday 8am–12pm • Sunday 1pm–5pm

Kuranda Branch Library and Council Office
4–12 Thoree Street • Phone 4093 9185
www.library.muc.qld.gov.au

Monday Closed Thursday 11am–5pm
Tuesday 11am–6pm Friday 9am–12noon
Wednesday 11am–5pm Saturday 9am–12noon

NO COUNCIL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE ON SATURDAY

Kuranda Aquatic Centre

Public Swimming Pool

Est. September 2008

OPENING HOURS

1st September – 30th June

Monday 12 noon – 6.00pm

Tues – Fri 6.00am – 6.00pm

Saturday 8.00am – 6.00pm

Sunday 10.00am – 5.00pm

Closed Christmas Day & Good Friday

ADMISSION PRICES

Adults (17 yrs +) \$3.50

Concession (3 yrs +) \$2.50

Spectators \$1.50

Family (2A + 2C) \$9.50

20 Entry Pass 20% discount

Managers Gary & Linda Davis

Ph: 40937109 Mob: 0437255229

262 Myola Road, Kuranda

FNQ Volunteers Inc.

‘GET BACK’ – SKILLING over 45s

RECOGNISING THE VALUE OF LIFE EXPERIENCE
MATURE AGED PEOPLE BRING TO THE
WORKPLACE

RECRUITING NOW!

“Connected Community Champions”

FNQ VOLUNTEERS INC. is looking to recruit interested community members to volunteer in supporting the facilitation of the **‘Get Back – Skilling over 45s’** employability training package within rural and remote communities from Cardwell to Mossman. FNQ Volunteers Inc. offers ‘Connected Community Champions’ training, ongoing support and resources to recruit and deliver the ‘Get Back’ program effectively within their local community.

If you **want to be involved** and have a couple of hours a week to spare please contact **FNQ Volunteers Inc.** with your expression of interest on **(07) 4041 7400** or email:

projects@fnqvolunteers.org

This project has received funding from the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations

Skilling Queenslanders for Work initiative

CAIRNS HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

The Cairns Museum has displays and collections which include local history, Aboriginal history and Chinese history. Operated by volunteers of the Cairns Historical Society, the Museum and Historical Society are housed in the city's historic School of Arts building, corner Lake and Shields.

Open Monday to Saturday 10 am – 3 pm. Research facilities available.

Monthly meetings of the Society are on second Thursday of each month. Become a member now.

The Historical Society is always seeking historic photographs, documents and artefacts.

Ph. 07 4051 5582.



CLASSIFIEDS
COST 22 CENTS PER WORD. UNPAID
CLASSIFIEDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
Lodge at Video Shop BP Complex.

Trailer Hire: 6 x 4 box trailers for hire \$10 half day. \$20 full day. Kuranda Envirocare 4093 9926.

Local Rainforest Trees: available at Nursery 19 Kullaroo Close (off Barron Falls Road). Donations to support land care work. Kuranda Envirocare 4093 9926.

Domestic Cleaner: available Kuranda. Please phone 4045 1695.

Speewah Country Market: every Sunday 8.00am–2.00pm. Local produce, country prices. Have a stall \$5. Enquiries 4093 0361.

Hot Water System: Dux 250L \$50; Cnr Shower Screen 1m x 1m \$30; Victa 2-stroke mower \$30. Phone 4093 9208 a/h.

Wanted Carpentry Jobs: no job too small. 35 years experience. Phone Nick 4093 0154.

Tenor Saxophone Riveria: good working condition \$350 ono. Phone Danny 4093 7549 or 0407 937 549.

Modern Style Bookshelf: wall unit \$80 ono. Phone 4093 8192 a/h.

Just Gorgeous: Cool Cotton Clothing available XS to XXL. Open everyday ‘til 4.30pm.

Garage Sale 31st October 8am – 12noon or by appt. 37 Scrub Street Myola. 4093 8509 or 0409 591 744. Refrigerator \$250, Marquee \$250, Executive chair \$40, BBQ & bottle \$40, Floor lamps & shade \$20, louvre doors \$10, Queen mattress \$20, etc. Free firewood.

Mobile Massage Therapist: Relaxation & Deep Tissue. Qualified 10 yrs experience. Competitive Rates. Phone 0431 388 568

Mow With The Flow: I’ll keep the price low if you give me a go. Julian 0450 208 961

Huge Garage Sale: Saturday 14 Nov. 8am-5pm, 13 Bangalow Pl, Kuranda. Gardening business closing down. Ride on mower, lawn mowers, blowers, edgers and loads of tools and various equipment. Kids & baby items, timber cot, toys, clothes, furniture & much more. Phone 40938104 a/h

Honda Postie Bike CT110: 52,000km, regd on road, great condition \$1,400. Ph 0413 999 731

Security Screens: x2, 2m x 80cm, white, excellent condition. \$40 each Ph 0413 999 731

Shower Corner Unit: glass, as new, \$150. Ph 0413 999 731

Wanted!! Alternate couple require smallish bush block 0.1 ha+ within 10k of Kuranda with elevated level or easterly aspect and with all weather access. Phone 0419434260 or 0409134713

Modern style Bookshelf – wall unit. \$80 ONO 4093 8192 A.H.

Tenor Saxophone Riveria: Good working condition. \$350 ONO. Phone Danny 4093 7549 or 0407 937 549

Wanted: Anyone wishing to join “The Birds of Paradise” leading carols in the park call 4093 9692

Pottery Classes: Learn – Relax – Create. Lessons based on individual projects in small classes. Hand building and wheel throwing. Beginners and experienced welcome. Wednesday 9.30 am – 12.30pm. Saturday 1.00pm – 4.00pm. Flexible 4 weeks sessions. Information and bookings: Phone Mollie Bosworth 4093 9063.

Susan will be delivering happy beef and happy hog (organic and biodynamic) in the Kuranda Area. Thursdays: 29th October and 12th November. Please phone 0417 434 537

For sale: Birds – Budgerigars \$15 each, hand raised Ringnecks, blue, green and yellow. Phone 4093 9111

Learn How to Cook: Asian and Mediterranean cooking classes in Kuranda. Five-star qualified chef conducting the classes. We provide the equipment and ingredients. You can eat, learn and enjoy. Ph: 0421 091 003.

For Sale: L-shaped counter table (with solid timber); Coffee/Cappuccino machine with attachments; Coffee grinder; Cake display cabinet on wheels (with cool unit). Ph: 0421 091 003

The Kuranda Paper would like to extend our thanks to John Brooksbank who has for years been creating topical crosswords for us. When our store of unused puzzles looked to getting a bit low, as if by magic a new set would appear in the Video Shop. The system has broken down however. We have definitely run out this time and unfortunately John’s contact details are lost in the mists of time. We hope dedicated followers will be mollified (9 letters) and perhaps amused by the following Sudoku puzzles.

Speewah Rural Fire Brigade AGM and Special Meeting
called to discuss the levy for the next year.
9th November at 7.30 pm
Fire Brigade HQ. Rosscommon Park.
Ph Margaret on 4093 0100 for further information.

Civil Celebrant

Cheryl Jonkin



Weddings - Namings - Vow Renewals
Commitments - Transitions - Funerals

Your occasion designed just for you
Ph. 4093 8771 M. 0407 670 954 E. nqceremonies@bendigoweb.com

KURANDA SES NEEDS YOU!

Kuranda SES is currently looking for new volunteer members. If you have some spare time, enjoy the outdoors plus learning new skills then the SES is for you.

Experience being a part of an enthusiastic team whilst training for the challenges of helping others in need.

Training is every second Tuesday 7.30–9.30pm plus the occasional Saturday. For further information please call 0427 037 054.

TRANSITION FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND

Transition @tfnq.org
TransitionFNQ@yahoogroups.com
TFNQ Meeting to answer the question: “What Are We Already Doing?”
November 1st, 2009 from 11am to 2pm.
Candlenut Steiner School, Boyles Road, Kuranda.
Please bring lunch to share.

SUDOKU
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SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 20



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:
For meeting information contact Diane
Phone: 4093 0462 or 4054 2707

KIDS



HELP LINE
FREE CALL
1800 55 1800





Every Sat **Kuranda Envirocare** Tree Planting , phone 4093 9926 for details or check website www.envirocare.org.au
Tai Chi Chuan 9:30 am **Tai Chun Kung Fu** 10:30 am CWA Hall. Not on public holidays.
Kuranda Tennis Club Junior lessons 8.30am beg, 9.15am intermediate. Fallon Road. Court hire avail. Ph 40937666

1st Sat **Kuranda Camera Club - Photo Shoot** 2:30 pm, (see Art Pages for this months location)
Garden Group 2 pm Phone David or Graham 4093 9492

3rd Sat **Music Jam at the Nevermind Cafe** All musicians, singers and music lovers welcome !

Every Sun A.A. CWA Hall 10.30 am Phone 4093 7599
Speewah Country Market 8am to 2pm 4093 0361

1st Sun **R.S.L.** 5pm, Lower Market Mall, Thoree Street.
Kuranda Film Society 4 pm - 8pm Kuranda Recreation Centre Ph Margaret or Hans 4093 8393

Every Mon **Al-Anon Family Groups** 8 pm Phone Diane 4093 0462
Karate at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm – 7.15 pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
Salsa dancing. Kuranda Recreation Centre 6:30 -8:00 pm Ph Kevin 0414 364 965
H.A.L.S. (Health Across the Life Span) Stretch and flex class. 8.45am for 9:00 start QCWA hall. Ph 4093 7617

1st Mon **Kuranda Horse and Pony Club** 7.30 pm Mantaka
Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30 pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026

2nd Mon **Kuranda Camera Club - Meeting and showing** The 2nd. Monday AFTER the 1st. Sat. meet at Speewah Tavern 7:00 pm for tech talk and display of photos at our Tavern Gallery.

3rd Mon **KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00 pm Rob Veivers Dve. Ph 4093 8933

Every Tue **Tae kwon do & Self Defence adults** 7.00 pm QCWA hall Ph 4093 8682
Tai Chi Kuranda Recreation Centre 5:30 pm Ph My Sumner 4092 5998
8 Ball 7.00 pm at Kuranda RSL, Top pub, Recreation Centre, Speewah Tavern, Kuranda resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537
Belly Dance at Amphitheatre Understage. Have fun and keep fit at the same time Ph. 0429 070 393
The KCCT meets at the Kuranda Hotel/Motel.

1st Tue **Tourism Kuranda** meets behind St. Saviour’s Church.

2nd Tue **Kuranda SES Training**, Commencing 1st. September. 7.30 pm sharp at Fallon Road. Contact James Partridge 0402 119 642

Every Wed **Craft and Social Morning** at QCWA hall 9 am
Kuranda Playgroup – 9:30 am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre - New families please RSVP Michelle ph 4093 9851
Baha’i “Spirit of the Forest” 7pm at Bahai Information Centre, Therwine St.
Karate at Koah Hall 6.15pm – 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
Yoga at CWA

1st Wed **Kuranda Interagency Network Mtng** 2.00 pm at KNC

2nd Wed **QCWA** meeting 12.30 pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016
Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group – 10 am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Every Thur **Rotary** 6.00 pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph: 4093 7206
Tae kwon do & Self Defence 7.00 pm CWA Hall Ph 4093 8682
Women’s Acapella Choir Smithfield Neighbour Centre Stanton Road 7-9pm Thursdays

2nd Thur **Ambulance** 7.30 pm Ambulance Centre Fallon Road

Every Fri **Barefoot bowls and BBQ.** Kuranda Recreation Centre 6pm-10pm Ph Lorraine 4093 9583 or Sylvia 4093 7124 by Wed prior for catering purposes.

**PLEASE CHECK THAT
INFORMATION IS CORRECT**

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

FIRE or other emergencies – please phone **000**
SES Flood or Storm emergencies – please phone **132 500**
Enquiries – phone Betty Timmins **4093 8981**

RURAL FIRE BRIGADE CONTACTS

Davies Creek	4093 3181	Lloyd
Koah	4093 7006	Peter
Kuranda	0408 077 746	Nick
Myola	4093 7190 / 0408 151 199	Duncan
Speewah	4093 0211	John

Kuranda Transfer Station Opening Times

Monday & Friday 7am–10am • Wednesday 3pm–6pm • Saturday 8am–12pm • Sunday 1pm–5pm

JOHN’S KURANDA BUS

MON & TUES WED & FRI SAT,SUN & PUB HOL.

<u>To :-</u>	<u>SPEEWAH</u>	0900	0900	1000
	<u>KOAH</u>		1300	
		*1530	*1530	
		1750	1750	1645
<u>EX:-</u>	<u>KOAH</u>	#0705	#0705	#0815
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		*1550	*1550	
<u>EX:-</u>	<u>SPEEWAH</u>	#0710	#0710	#0820
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* SCHOOL DAYS ONLY
BOOKING REQUIRED
NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY & XMAS DAY
TEL JOHN 0418772953

04/09

JOHN’S KURANDA BUS

“THE LOCAL BUS”

DEPARTS BUS STOP “D” LAKE STREET TRANSIT MALL CITY PLACE CAIRNS

	MON&TUES	WEDtoFRI	P/HOL & SAT/SUN	
<u>DEPARTS</u>	#0720	#0720	0830	
<u>KURANDA</u>	1330	0900	1530	
	1530	1130		
		1330		*1510 FROM S/FLD TO
		1530		KOAH MON to FRI
				<u>SCHOOL DAYS ONLY</u>
<u>DEPARTS</u>	**0825	0825	0930	ALL SERVICES EXCEPT
<u>CAIRNS</u>	1715	1000	**1615	1000 GO TO SPEEWAH &
		1230		KOAH IF REQUIRED.
		1715		
**ATHERTON & MAREEBA				
# <u>VIA CARAVONICA,REDLYNCH RAINTREES,W/CRT,TAFE,CAIRNS CITY.</u>				
<u>NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY XMAS DAY.</u>				
<u>TEL JOHN 0418772953</u>				

04/09



Trans North

Bus & Coach

CAIRNS TO KURANDA SHUTTLE

<u>Departures</u>	Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
CAIRNS (Spence St)	6.45am	8.30am	11.30am	1.30pm	3.00pm
CAIRNS (Mall Zone D)	6.47am	8.32am	11.32am	1.32pm	3.02pm
CAIRNS (Central)	6.50am	8.35am	11.35am	1.35pm	3.10pm
KURANDA	7.30am	9.15am	12.15pm	2.15pm	4.05pm

KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE

<u>Departures</u>	Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
KURANDA	7.30am	9.15am	12.30pm	2.15pm	4.10pm
CAIRNS (Central)	8.20am	9.55am	1.10pm	2.55pm	4.50pm
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.25am	10.00am	1.15pm	3.00pm	4.55pm
CAIRNS (Mall Zone D)	8.32am	10.02am	1.17pm	3.02pm	4.55pm

7.30am Shuttle via SKYRAIL, CARAVONICA, TAFE, CAIRNS HIGH
3.00pm Shuttle via CAIRNS HIGH, TAFE, CARAVONICA

ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS

<u>Departures</u>	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday
ATHERTON	6.15am	9.00am	3.30pm	6.15am	9.00am	9.00am
MAREEBA	6.45am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.45am	9.30am	9.30am
KURANDA	7.30am	10.05am	4.30pm	7.30am	10.05am	10.05am
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.15am	11.20am	5.20pm	8.15am	11.20am	11.20am
CAIRNS (Central)	8.35am	11.25am	5.35pm	8.35am	11.25am	11.25am

CAIRNS TO ATHERTON TABLELANDS

<u>Departures</u>	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.30am	3.15pm	5.30pm	8.30am	3.15pm	3.15pm
CAIRNS (Central)	8.35am	3.20pm	5.35pm	8.35am	3.20pm	3.20pm
KURANDA	9.10am	4.05pm	6.10pm	9.10am	4.05pm	4.05pm
MAREEBA	9.45am	4.40pm	6.40pm	9.45am	4.40pm	4.40pm
ATHERTON	10.20am	5.10pm	7.15pm	10.20am	5.10pm	5.10pm

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS OPERATE ON SUNDAY TIMES
NO SERVICE ON CHRISTMAS DAY OR GOOD FRIDAY

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1/04/2009

