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## The Barren Barron as never seen before



Photographs by Garth Owen,  
Gail Shanahan and Helen Douglas

**Monday 24th August** saw the river at its lowest point for many years: something that caught more than a few people by surprise. The deliberate lowering, which had been well notified in advance, was to allow Stanwell to carry out maintenance work at the inlet upstream of the weir. If anyone was in doubt about where the sand from Big Sands had migrated to, what was left of it that is, they simply had to walk around on the newly revealed riverbed. Surprisingly, no mud, just sand.

For the first time in years the old, low level bridge was visible and we marvelled at how the sand island in the middle of the river above the present bridge was slowly covering the old roadway. Further downstream the riverboat forlornly sat marooned but not abandoned on its own sandbar.

By Tuesday mid-day all was back to normal.



## Kuranda Range Road Closure

**“The Cardiac Challenge”** is a Cairns to Cooktown cycle ride, with the first stage, Cairns to Mt Carbine starting on Saturday 19th September, passing through Kuranda. Please note the Kuranda Range Road closure. The following is a statement received from the organisers:

The downward lane of the Kuranda Range will be closed from 5.30am to 9am. This special permit issued by DTMR came about because of the 1m legislation that was new for Cardiac Challenge last year. The permit has been issued in this way for a very short space of time - people who wish to travel to Cairns from the Atherton Tableland during this time frame are urged to use the Gillies or Rex Range. Only the fittest cyclists will be permitted to ride Kuranda Range and anyone who has not completed the Range in time will be taken off and bused up. The Foundation will endeavour to have all cyclists off the Range by 8.15am. In addition to this, cyclists and their

support crews – up to 600 people, will be stopping in Kuranda, having a coffee or breakfast, before departing for the next leg of that day’s journey. The Far North Queensland Hospital Foundation is grateful for the support of the Tableland community and its visitors as they are aware they may one day use the cardiac services at Cairns Hospital, for which the cyclists are fundraising.



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**Thursday 24th September 2015**

however, we would appreciate you not  
waiting until the deadline to send it.

The earlier the better! Thank you.

**Paper Out**

**Thursday 1st October 2015**

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are subject to editing. Anonymous letters or those of doubtful origin may not be  
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with your letter. See left for postal and email addresses.

### New Piano For Markets

The hills are alive with music once again. Thanks to Laura  
and family (from Fairyland, where else?) we have a, new to  
us, fabulous preloved upright piano in the Kuranda Original  
Rainforest Markets, just opposite “The Sixty Year Old Hippy”.

Laura responded to our plea in last month's *Kuranda  
Paper* for a piano to replace the old goanna that had survived  
almost a decade but was rapidly losing its teeth. Korm's  
manager Malcom responded by roping in a few able bodied  
strong men to help move the beautiful Piano from Stuttgart.

The ‘new’ piano was well received by Kirsten, a backpacker  
who plays delightful music every morning (before she hurries  
off to her day-job).

The KORM is full of wonderful new stalls, including  
“Annie's” Recycled bicycle tubes made into fabulous wallets  
and bags, “Birds of Paradise” Handmade soaps, Anthony's  
“Sunrise” Hammocks and inspirations and much more.

**Ken of Speewah**

### A Forest of Signs

I hope, like me, you are enjoying the rapid growth of varied  
street plantings that are appearing around the Village. Of  
particular note is the avenue of limited parking outside  
Foodworks and large mixed specimens around the CWA Hall  
and up into the town. Probably less maintenance and costs  
than the upkeep of our increasingly ruinous street gardens.  
It will be interesting whether the \$2 million plans for the  
Therwine development has factored in that garden upkeep  
is not meeting what is already planted or is *Plantae signae*  
going to be its major attraction?

**Peter North, Kuranda**

### Dear Villagers

I phoned our Kuranda swimming pool and asked if the water  
were heated. I was informed that the answer to that question  
would not be provided by the pool staff, and that I would  
have to phone customer service at Mareeba Shire Council and  
ask them. Amazing. I phoned 4086 4652 and was told that  
the pool was not heated, that the heaters were broken, and  
that the Shire will hold a meeting (perhaps in September) to  
vote on whether or not the pool will continue to be heated.  
The Mareeba pool is heated year round; the Atherton pool is  
heated year round; the Kuranda pool has only been allowed to  
be heated for three months of the year. Now even that paltry  
amount is in doubt. I guess they have more important things  
to do with our money, like heat their own pool. I want to go to  
this nebulous Shire meeting, and have asked that they notify  
me prior to its being held. Perhaps you would also like to  
phone this number and request notification?

**Gonzo**

[MSC is seeking quotes on this matter. See article on p. 3 – Ed]

### Many Thanks Again...

...to *The Kuranda Paper*, for our August paper. I now have  
my first supply of CDs and up until Christmas they're yours  
for \$3.00 each.

Now they are ready to be published. With a CD my other  
products, Joke books and pens etc. will make a special  
Christmas gift at half price.

Thank you all for your comments.

They cost me many joyful tears.

Bless you all,

**Col**

### The Kuranda Local Ambulance Committee

#### AGM

**8th September 2015 • 7.00pm**

All welcome...New members needed.

As advertised in the last two editions of  
*The Kuranda Paper*, advertising rates  
have increased as from this edition.  
New rates are shown at left.

### Message from the TRC

#### Ravenshoe Community Recovery Update

A Case Coordination Group has been established as part of  
the recovery process for the Ravenshoe café explosion.

This group consists of representatives from Ravenshoe  
Community Centre, Yabu Mija Aboriginal Corporation,  
St Teresa's Catholic Church, Uniting Care Community,  
Community Services Tablelands and other organisations who  
are providing case management to the injured, their families  
and the families of the deceased in their recovery.

Ravenshoe Community Recovery Group Chairperson,  
Councillor Shaaron Linwood said “The agencies assist with  
identifying support needs as well as preparing submissions  
and providing advice on their clients' behalf to the Ravenshoe  
Appeal Distribution Committee (RADC) for financial  
assistance from the official Ravenshoe GIVIT appeal”.

The Ravenshoe Appeal Distribution Committee is the  
independent body responsible for distributing the official  
GIVIT appeal fund and for providing the appropriate checks  
and balances to ensure that appeal funds are distributed in an  
equitable, transparent and accountable manner.

Following the RADC meeting on 12 August, committee  
chair and Australian Red Cross Board member Lyndal  
Scobell confirmed the total raised through the official GIVIT  
Ravenshoe Appeal had reached \$530,575.20.

“This will provide much needed support and resources to  
enable the injured to rehabilitate over the longer term,” Ms  
Scobell said.

“Approximately 30 per cent of the GIVIT Ravenshoe  
Appeal Fund has already been distributed and is reaching  
those affected by the café explosion that left 18 injured and  
two fatalities”.

“We are now getting into the phase of recovery where some  
of the longer term needs – such as specific home modifications  
– are being identified, with some of these expenses being met  
through the Appeal fund,” she said.

This is in line with the decision taken by the RADC to  
allocate up to 15 per cent for immediate assistance, 80 per  
cent for longer term assistance and up to 5 per cent for wider  
community recovery.

As part of the wider community recovery, Cairns burns  
victim Carol Mayer, who sustained burn injuries to more  
than 80 per cent of her body in a house fire in February 2000,  
will give a presentation to the community later this month  
(August). This event is being funded from the 5% of the  
appeal fund allocated to wider community recovery. Details  
are available on the TRC website at: [http://www.trc.qld.gov.  
au/download/community-presentation-by-carol-mayer-  
ambassador-for-the-julian-burton-burns-trust/](http://www.trc.qld.gov.au/download/community-presentation-by-carol-mayer-ambassador-for-the-julian-burton-burns-trust/)

Cr Linwood advised that a number of community members  
had volunteered to assist the injured in their recovery.

“To date, a number of volunteers have been secured to  
assist with cleaning, household removal, yard maintenance,  
painting and driving,” Cr Linwood said.

“People who wish to volunteer to help those affected by  
the Ravenshoe café explosion are urged to register their offers  
of assistance with the Emergency Volunteering (EV) CREW  
service provided by Volunteering Queensland, who is working  
in partnership with the TRC to manage all offers of volunteer  
assistance.”

Register by visiting [www.emergencyvolunteering.com.au](http://www.emergencyvolunteering.com.au),  
download the Ready QLD App or call Volunteering Queensland  
on (07) 3002 7600.

Ongoing support for community members affected by  
this event is available through the Ravenshoe Community  
Centre on 4097 6726. The Community Centre has been  
funded through the Department of Communities to provide  
counselling and support to assist with the recovery from the  
event which is still at the forefront of many residents minds.





# Snake With Big Belly

**IN APRIL** we found this beautiful Amethystine Python coiled up in a grassy patch, sleeping off the effects of a large dinner. Never having seen such a large and marvellously patterned snake up so close and seemingly so unperturbed by our approach, we took many photographs over the next several weeks. Eventually, when the rain came back, the snake took to cover but it would generally be out, sunning itself on warm afternoons. We became attached to it and it became "our" snake. Three weeks ago I found it again, in the same spot it had originally appeared, seemingly lazily sunning its throat in the afternoon heat. I marvelled at its pale underbelly and again at how fearless it was and how unconcerned at my approach.

I told my wife of its return and a couple of days later, on a Sunday afternoon, she went to look. She was horrified to find it wasn't sunning its underbelly, it was arching its back in an attempt to raise its head from the ground. Flies were in attendance. Its head had been partially severed from the body by a horrific wound, possibly administered by a machete or a shovel and the animal appeared to be beyond help. Nevertheless, a friend with snake-handling experience and a great heart bagged the now barely moving snake and took it home to have its wound cleaned and bandaged and to be placed on a warming pad. A vet was called out on a mercy mission but thought the injury was too severe and that the animal had suffered brain damage and had no hope of recovery. It was mercifully euthanised, but not before it had suffered days of incalculable agony and caused much heartache to a number of ordinary people trying to save its life.

All snakes are best left alone. If you want to stop a python from eating your chooks or your pets, call one of the volunteer removalists who will be only too pleased to help you. The best way to be bitten is to try to move a snake when you don't know what you're doing. To see such a beautiful animal and to straight away want to kill it with a shovel or a stick just beggars belief. I hope this sequence of photographs tells its own story.

**Garth Owen**



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## Kuranda Pool

**Mareeba Shire Council is urgently seeking quotes to replace the heaters at the Kuranda Pool.** "As part of the mid-year closure, the existing heaters were fully serviced however recently when they were switched on in preparation for the reopening there was a major failure and as a result we have been advised that they all have to be replaced," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"We realise the impact this will have on the users and are moving as quickly as possible to source a replacement heating system. We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused" he said.

Although the heaters are currently not working, the pool remains open.

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# Redevelopment Project

**Council has endorsed the overall landscape design layout for the Therwine Street Redevelopment in Kuranda.**

“Following extensive consultation with the Kuranda Community, a final set of landscape plans for the upgrade of Therwine Street have been completed and displayed in key locations in the Kuranda Village as well as in *The Kuranda Paper* Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

“Overall landscaping plans for the upgrade of Therwine street have been completed and the construction documentation phase of the project, including detailed landscaping and civil engineering design, is ready now to commence,” Mayor Gilmore said.

The project is being funded by the Kuranda Infrastructure levy and the expected commencement date is November 2015.




**RATES NOTICES ISSUED - DUE 18TH SEPTEMBER, 2015**

The half-yearly Rates Notices for the six-month period ending 31st December, 2015 have been issued. **The discount period closes on Friday 18th September, 2015. If you have not received your Rates Notice, please contact the Rates Department.**

**HOW CAN I PAY MY RATES?**

You can pay your Rates in a number of ways. This includes BPay, Australia Post Billpay, EFTPOS including debit and credit card, cash, cheque and money orders. Change or cash out is not given on credit card payments. To receive the Discount, you need to ensure that any transactions are processed and funds cleared into Council's bank account on or before the Discount Date.

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- **Australia Post Billpay** - Visit [www.paypaperbills.postbillpay.com.au](http://www.paypaperbills.postbillpay.com.au). Use the BillPay Code (4068) and use your BillPay Reference Number (found on your most current Rates Notice).
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To help ease the financial burden, Council has a payment arrangement scheme available provided the total amount outstanding is paid by 31st December, 2015. This allows you to pay a nominated weekly, fortnightly or monthly amount towards the Rates and other charges levy. You will only receive the 10 per cent discount, if the full amount of Rates and Charges is paid by Friday 18th September, 2015. Contact Council's Rates Department for further information.

**Discount will not be allowed under any circumstances if payment is not received at Council's Service Centres at the above times by the due date.** A Pensioner Rebate may also apply to those holders of a State Government Pensioner Concession Card or Repatriation Gold Card.

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## Speewah District Residents Association Inc.

The next quarterly meeting will be held on  
**Monday 28 September 2015**  
 at 6.00pm  
 at the  
**Fire Brigade Building**  
 on Roscommon Park, Speewah

**All Speewah residents are invited to attend**

- Our resident Councillor, Deputy Mayor, Jenny Jensen will attend the meeting. She will speak on topics effecting Speewah and Kuranda.
- It is anticipated that an update will be provided from Mareeba Shire Council on the renewal of the bridge into Speewah. The Design has been completed and tenders have been called.
- Residents will have the opportunity to ask Jenny questions.
- The much changed plan for construction of the NBNCo's 60-metre fixed wireless tower is now scheduled to commence in September 2015! NBNCo's fixed wireless broadband [with a speed of 25mbps down and 5mbps up] is planned to be available before the end of 2015.
- Details of the schedule for the installation and availability of Mobile Phone reception in Speewah will be discussed. Mobile Phone service is planned to be available before the end of 2015; The Mobile Phone service available from Telstra [the successful tenderer], will be 3G and 4G. As the transmitters will be mounted on the NBNCo's 60-metre tower, it is anticipated that good reception should be available.
- John Thomson will provide an update of what was happening regarding the Rural Fire Service in Queensland.
- An invitation has been extended to the Mayor Tom Gilmore and the member for Barron River, Craig Crawford to attend this meeting.

If residents have any item they would like listed on the agenda for this meeting, please contact either Margaret Butteling Secretary on 4093 0100; or Bob Madden, on 4093 0169.



## OPEN DAY

**Tuesday, 6 October 2015**  
**10 am—1 pm**

If you are interested in enrolling your child for our kindergarten program next year, come along to our open day. There will be activities for your children to enjoy while our staff will be on hand to answer any questions.



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# Hazard Reduction Burns

Hazard Reduction Burns are a safety measure carried out by trained Voluntary Rural Fire Brigades to reduce wild fire incidents in Communities.

Mareeba Shire Council, QPWS and Urban fire crews all carry out hazard reduction burns. All property owners or occupiers are obliged to make their property safe. That applies to the home as well as the surrounding land.

A great percentage of wildfires throughout Queensland begin beside roads and highways. The most effective way of preventing these fires is to carry out hazard reduction burns. These controlled burns prevent the total devastation of flora and fauna as is frequently seen in Southern States.

"Cool burns" are ideally carried out in the early part of the year after the wet season and a great deal of preparation goes into their organisation. Each Brigade area is mapped out and divided into sections and burns are carried out every three or four years depending on the fuel loads.

Initial planning begins at the Mareeba Fire Management Meeting with respective bodies such as Ergon, QRail, Telecom, Council, TMR, Rural Ops, Rural and Urban, QPWS and other representatives of infrastructure attending. Proposed burns throughout the Shire are then discussed.

Brigades are contacted by concerned residents or residents of problem areas are contacted by Brigades. All Brigade members and Wardens are Volunteers who take time out from their busy lives to keep Communities safe from wild fires.

Immense organisation goes into planning the selected burn. Mapping of areas; consultation with land owners/land occupiers; Permits are written for all involved – TMR (if beside highways), RoadTek (if traffic control required); emails sent out to all members requesting assistance on given dates; requests for support members to cater for crews on the fire line throughout the day.

All this can take days and sometimes weeks to complete and then inclement weather could intervene. Departments, land owners, volunteers are notified again and everything is put on hold until favourable weather and volunteer crews are available once again.

So next time you are held up by smoke on the highway for a short while think of the hours that volunteers have put in to keep their Communities safe from wild fires often started by a thoughtless cigarette thrown from a passing car window.

– **Yvonne Thomson**, Voluntary Administration Officer,  
Clohesy Rural Fire Group (Davies Creek, Koah, Speewah, Kuranda, Myola)  
148 Speewah Road, Speewah. (Ph. 4093 0211)



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A pizza was something to do with a leaning tower.

All potato chips were plain; the only choice was whether to put the salt on or not.

Rice was only eaten as a milk pudding.

Calamari was called squid and we used it as fish bait.

A Big Mac was what we wore when it was raining.

Brown bread was something only poor people ate.

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**Eternal Endemism – the Wet Tropics**, is a visually stunning celebration of the unique wildlife found only within Australia's World Heritage listed Wet Tropics. A labour of love between local authors and conservationists Craig Ward and Tim Hawkes, the book is the first in a series of comprehensive photographic compilations of every extant vertebrate of the focus region.

While Craig's vision is to create awareness for conservation on a global scale, he decided to start with his own back yard. "I wanted to showcase species that are only found in this region", Craig explains. "The Wet Tropics is probably one of the most critical of the World Heritage areas that are subject to the devastation of climate change."

While the book demonstrates every endemic frog, bird and mammal within a collection of full colour photographs, it's the cover photo of the elusive White-lemuroid, captured by Ravenshoe-based contributing photographer Jonathan Munro that has caused a stir amongst wildlife enthusiasts.

"Jonathan and I were staking out on Mount Lewis near Julatten," Craig explains. "It was pouring with rain and we had just about given up on photographing local possums when I caught a red eye flash with a very light body attached. When we realised it was a White-lemuroid we were like two little kids jumping up and down. Thankfully the possum just sat there having dinner and Jonathan was able to get the shot that appears on the front cover."

It was December 2014 and the survival of the Lemuroid Possum had been widely questioned over the past decade. Thankfully these recent photographs has brought new hope to the species recovery. "The White Lemuroid is the new 'Polar Bear' of climate change concern" Craig says. "It's reinforcing how vulnerable it is to even the slightest temperature change."

However it's not only our mammals that are facing the possibility of an uncertain future. The Kuranda Tree Frog, which has an extremely small distribution in the vicinity of Kuranda and is highly endangered, is now confronted with the additional threat of the Yellow Crazy Ant, one of the world's most invasive species. In fact Yellow Crazy Ant Community Taskforce Coordinator Mikhaila Jacoby recently photographed a Kuranda Tree Frog in Russett Park, crawling with Yellow Crazy Ants. "This book represents the wide range of endemic species in the Wet tropics, which strengthens the importance of eradicating Yellow Crazy Ants and protecting this region", Mikhaila says.

It's one of the reasons President of Envirocare, Cathy Retter has not only wholeheartedly embraced this book, but dedicated the proceeds from its sale to help the eradication of Yellow Crazy Ants: "I think the beautiful photos that are so clear and carefully chosen show the distinctiveness of our endangered species and therefore help engage people with our tropical wildlife."

**Eternal Endemism – the Wet Tropics** can be purchased through Envirocare (email [info@envirocare.org.au](mailto:info@envirocare.org.au)), Kuranda Visitor Information Centre and online: [www.eternalendemism.com](http://www.eternalendemism.com).

Local residents who purchase the book will have the opportunity to get their copy signed by the author later in the year at events with Envirocare and the Kuranda Library. We'll keep you posted!



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This form of martial arts focuses not only on learning effective self defense, but also promotes strong social bonds with participants and a real sense of camaraderie. It's also a lot of fun!

Wing Chun Kung Fu is a system based on very efficient movement utilising economy of motion thus making it effective and practical in hand-to-hand combat.

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Classes are **Wednesday nights 7.30-9pm**.

Contact Grant for more information on 0414 966 823.

*This sport has an interesting history - check out [jadekungfu.com.au](http://jadekungfu.com.au) to find out more!*

## ATHLETICS returning in October

Our very successful Community Athletics program for kids will be recommencing in October after the school holidays - stay tuned and follow us on Facebook for more information.

## SPONSOR THANKS

The Kuranda Rangers Football Club would like to thank the Kuranda Discount Drug Store for supplying each team with a season of instant ice packs! Great community support. Thank you.



## GOOD LUCK RANGERS

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**Friday 4 September at 6.30pm (finishing 7pm)**

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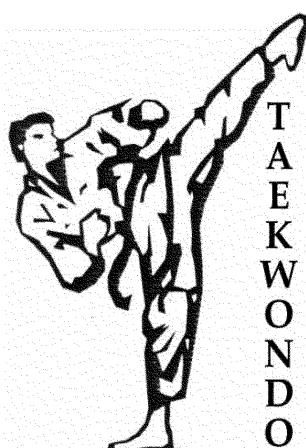
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# Gardening in Kuranda with Alectura



**SEPTEMBER** and can Spring be far away? With warmer weather in the offing, the keen gardener is renewing plantings, refreshing soils and sharpening tools.

For many gardeners, pruning is sometimes a very much cut and miss decision. Important is the right tool and time for the job: Hand Pruners to cut branches to thumb size, Loppers on branches up to 10cm and for anything larger, a Pruning Saw.

Correct timing is essential for pruning success and except for spring flowering plants, the best time to prune most shrubs and trees is in late winter when they are in near dormant state. Before you start, think whether the plant needs a simple trimming or needs to be reduced to a more manageable size? Sometimes only dead branches and old flower heads need to be taken out.

Make sharp, clean cuts at a 30 to 45 degree angle, above some growth on the plant, such as a bud, a stem or a branch where new growth will develop at the site of the cut. For the plants to become better branched or to achieve a desired shape, you must determine where you want the new growth to occur. Just trimming the top of the plant will only result in new growth appearing mainly at the top. Selected pruning cuts at different heights and locations throughout the plant result in a better shaped and more vigorous plant. Check whether plants flower/fruit on old or new growth and prune accordingly. Roses should be pruned when the "eyes" or buds on the canes begin to swell and colour.

**DATE CLAIMER: Sunday 6th September – Carnival on Collins**, a must for both the novice and fanatical gardener. The whole family can find plenty to see and do so you won't have to feel too bad spending some time looking for that elusive "hard to find" for your plant collection. The Friends of the Flecker Botanical Gardens Plant Stall always carries a great range of interesting plants and expert advice is readily available from the hardworking Friends.

**PLANT OF THE MONTH:** *Angiopteris evecta*, the **King fern**, endemic to the rainforests of Queensland and the Northern Territory, is usually found along creeks where its roots can enter permanent water. With the world's largest fronds sometimes up to 7+m, these, when stressed, will become lax but regain turgidity when well-watered.

With *Angiopteris* spores having an extremely short viability, propagation may be effected by removing oracles, the ear like structures at base of the fronds. Removed in warmer weather with a clean, sharp cutting tool and pressed onto a very open potting mix (one part grit, sand, fine charcoal and perlite), and kept watered and covered, plants should be well established in under six months. When well grown, well watered and in a suitable spot (room should be maintained for frond spread), *Angiopteris evecta* makes a striking garden feature. Sometimes available and also known as the King or Potato fern is the close look-alike *Marattia salacina*. Smaller growing but requiring similar conditions, underground parts were used as an indigenous food source.



**Q & A: Dear Colin:** *Malpighia glabra*, Acerola or Barbados Cherry grows as an evergreen shrub or small tree requiring full sun and is fairly tolerant of most soils but dislikes poor drainage. Prune after fruiting and keep well watered and heavily mulched for good cropping. Subject to nematode infestation otherwise relatively pest free.

**Dear Heidi:** Thank you for your enquiry re flowering vine and the provision of pictures of flower and fruit – it certainly makes identification much easier and surer. The plant is *Stephanotis floribunda*, the Madagascan Jasmine or wedding flower as it is much used in wedding bouquets.

In order to provide the optimum environment for your *Stephanotis*, plant care should begin with the soil. These plants require a rich loamy, well drained soil that retains constant moisture. Plants should be fertilized with a half strength solution twice a month during the growing season, and the plants should be misted regularly since they demand a relative humidity level of 40 to 80 percent. Because of their need for warmth and constant moisture, *Stephanotis* plants are also susceptible to both mealybugs and scale. Summer temperatures are more flexible for *Stephanotis* flowers as long as averages remain around 70-80°F. (22°C). They prefer cooler nights of 55-60°F. (13-16°C). Since they are tropical in nature, they require medium to bright light, but tend to burn in direct sunlight.

Easily grown from seed sown in warming weather or somewhat slow to take off. Semi-hardwood cuttings maybe taken in spring. Allow ends to dry off and then plant in sandy mix.



**Dear Mark:** Sorry, maybe a Reader is able to help as I cannot find any source for plant or seed in Australia and seed only occasionally appears on O/S listings. *Bauhinia grandidieri*, the Blue Orchid tree, hailing from Madagascar is a prime Bonsai subject given its small, bluish-cast leaves, elegant form and ongoing flowering during the warmer months. Frost tender, if planted out it will grow 2-3m, requiring full sun and good drainage.



For plant sourcing, identification or general gardening questions, contact Alectura C/- Kuranda Paper or email [alectura2015@bigpond.com](mailto:alectura2015@bigpond.com)



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## Cook Shire Council votes against Genetically Modified Canola being grown in Cook Shire

The Cook Shire Council Mayor Peter Scott said after the vote, "The introduction of crops which have been genetically modified to withstand pesticides and herbicides goes against our region's clean green branding, which is a selling point for many of our producers and is something Council will not support."

"Although canola isn't grown in Cook Shire, continued expansion of agriculture at Lakeland and potential development of Cape York earmarked in the Northern Australia White Paper all point to increased agricultural growth in the near future; and the potential negative repercussions of genetically modified crops is something we need to be aware of. Use of this crop would encourage more broadacre use of Roundup, which has negative flow on effect to the environment and the clean, green marketing image of our produce."

## Submissions Now Due On a 20,500 Hectare Cotton Farm Proposed for the Gulf Country

A \$200 million cotton farm and cotton processing plant proposed for Glenore Station, 90 km south of Normanton, also known as the Three Rivers Irrigation Project, will bid for the allocation of 150,000 Mega/litres annually from the Flinders River. As cotton is one of the heaviest users of pesticides a large chemical storage facility will also need to be built.

There is growing concern by some that the chemical and sediment runoff from this project will damage the aquatic ecosystems of the Flinders River as well as the important Gulf of Carpentaria fishing industry. The Coordinator-General has released the draft Terms of Reference for public and government agency comment. The public and government advisory agencies are invited to comment on whether the draft TOR adequately covers all the matters the project proponent must address when preparing the EIS. Submissions close at 5 pm on 31st August 2015.

## Council Now To Allow Bats to Stay In Their Nursery and Roost Trees by the Cairns Library

After recently spending \$150,000 trying to remove the threatened flying-foxes from their home beside the Library by heavy pruning and cutting down their roost trees, the Cairns Council has now agreed to let them stay there. The Council has announced a new \$165,000 plan for managing the flying-fox colony in the heritage-listed fig tree known as the "nursery tree" – with the setting up of a Cairns Flying-fox Advisory Committee to guide and oversee their care and management.



The over-pruned and now damaged nursery tree  
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At the time the Council were told by bat experts that it would be a waste of time and money trying to disperse this colony because it would just spread them all around the Cairns CBD – which is what happened. The Cairns Council and their contractors are now facing prosecution and fines from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection for eight charges over allegedly noncompliant pruning last year – with the council now facing maximum penalties of nearly \$500,000 if convicted.

## Mission Beach Cassowary Centre Given Enough Funds For Another Three Months

Queensland Environment Minister Steven Miles has made available \$50,000 of emergency funding to enable the Garner's Beach Rehabilitation Facility to continue accepting cassowary chicks for another three months. This however is not enough money to enable the centre to accept injured adult cassowaries, which will have to be euthanased instead.

The State Treasurer Curtis Pitt said of this \$50,000, "This isn't 'reinstated' funding – it's new funding – because the Garner's Beach Rehabilitation Centre was never funded by the government previously (in fact the former LNP Government refused to even acknowledge the endangered status of this magnificent bird)." He also added, "The Palaszczuk Government is committed to the long term future of the centre and to supporting efforts to care for Queensland's endangered wildlife, including our iconic cassowary."

The Rehabilitation Centre has been operated by Rainforest Rescue since 2014 – who wanted to prevent the government from closing the centre down then. However without long term funding being actually committed for the centre and for rangers to be able to pick up injured or orphaned cassowaries – these birds will have to be put down. This is unacceptable considering there are thought to be from 1000 to 4000 cassowaries left in the wild. Injured cassowaries can be reported to EHP on 1300 130 372.



## The Way of Story

We are all born into a world of stories and our lives are informed and shaped by them for better or worse.

Meet Storytellers **Patricia Chong** and **Michael Quinn** and explore the realm of story and storytelling over the course of six Saturday afternoons in Windy Hollow.

Patricia Chong has used storytelling in her meditation classes for many years and has been inspired by the wisdom tales of many spiritual traditions as well as fairy tales, folktales, fables, allegories and myths from diverse cultures.

Michael Quinn has developed an interactive approach that seeks to make stories come to life. He draws on the world's heritage of myths and folktales.

He has worked for many years to preserve the language and storylore of the Djabuganydji people.

Patricia and Michael have very different approaches to the art of storytelling but share a passion for story and its significance to humankind. They explore story from different though complementary perspectives.

There will be six sessions. In each the two storytellers will present certain tales pertinent to the session's theme, for example Fate and tales of synchronicity. There will be contemplation and discussion of the tales and the techniques involved in their telling as well as an opportunity for those who would like to tell a tale.

Both storytellers believe in the power of story to enhance life or to enchain us, to heal us or to harm us. We shall discuss the hypothesis that there are seven basic plots and that all stories come from the same source.

Bring out the storyteller in yourself or simply enjoy a unique presentation of myths and stories to think with, to trip the mind, to open the doorways of perception. Expect laughter.

**Beginning Saturday 5th September at 88 Windy Hollow Road, Kuranda.**

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## THE ART OF SOAP MAKING

### Erika Dean



Exactly 4 weeks ago I arrived here in Kuranda in my big yellow van packed full with my handmade soaps and a whole lot of enthusiasm. I was going to introduce the world to my art - well the locals and tourists at the Kuranda Original Markets to start with.

For most people a bar of soap is just that - an old fashioned piece of cleaning agent used to wash your hands or body

with - not worth a second thought. An old fashioned has-been, mostly replaced nowadays with commercial liquid soaps and gels. But for others a bar of soap is so much more. It is a handcrafted piece of art, and a sensory delight - nature's goodness condensed in a small solid form that fits into the palm of one hand.

I started soap making to combine my love of natural skin care with my love of art and creativity. When making soap, the creative possibilities are endless. Choosing & combining ingredients or materials, colours, textures and combining them to create a new product is what artists do - they use their imagination and skill to create something new and unique.

Soap making however is a special form of art. Unlike other forms of art where all stages of the creative process can be controlled, the outcome of the soap making process is often unpredictable.

Thorough knowledge of the chemistry and science behind the saponification process as well as precise calculations and temperature control are necessary to achieve a desired design. Sometimes however, unpredictable reactions can still occur, even with



enough experience, such as the batter thickening too fast and this making it impossible to achieve a certain design.

Unlike with most other forms of art, to see the

final product, the realisation of one's imaginary creation, patience is required. It often takes one to two days for the soap to be hard enough to be cut and the internal design to be revealed, and then another 4 weeks of curing until the soap can be used.

Soap making is an elaborate process, but for me it is a passion and a labour of love. Erika.



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Soap Studio



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Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets

## ALL IS ART

We are used to thinking of art as appealing mainly to the visual and auditory senses, but it's good to find an art form that also addresses some of the other senses. Erika's Soap making (left) is just such an art. Sure her creations look good, but they also have a distinctive aroma and texture that can take you to far away places. Art is becoming more inclusive these days, allowing artists to mix and match their skills and media at will. Say goodbye to the old divisions and their associated labels, and say hi to new and wondrous creations that will speak to all the senses in ways and combinations that we haven't yet

dreamed of. Well, maybe some of us have. Those artful souls whose lateral wisdom spans the full spectrum of possibilities, and whose ingenuity will bring these dreams to life. Things used to be black-and-white, but now we can see the full rainbow. And it's our "rainbow" people who are among the main contributors to the arts. I'm sure everyone knows the contribution these colourful "gender-diverse" souls make to all areas of the arts. Well it's about time they were treated just as equal as everybody else. I'd like to thank all those who would stand up for them. Thanks MP Warren Entsch for your action here, against the odds - Good onya Wozza. See you at the Mardi Gras(s)... Have a colourful September, seren.

## Amphitheatre News

### Kuranda Amphitheatre News September 2015

#### Hello Members and Friends,

Justin Wellington returned to the Understage in August with another well attended event and a night of dancing and singing.

Many thanks to members who attended the General Meeting. We had a look at proposals submitted from 1988 and it was great for everyone to see where we are at now. Ron Bruce made a volunteer car park proposal in 1988 and very kindly gave the Amphitheatre the originals of this for our perusal and archiving. After all these years, the car park is actually happening thanks to Jobfind's assistance.



Jobfind crew congratulating Sandra

The work of the Jobfind crew is vitally important in assisting the Amphitheatre with maintenance, public safety, general infrastructure and community connections.

The supervisors for this program, Lance Starr and Jackson Deshong, have initiated a



Amphitheatre volunteers at the NAIDOC celebrations, July 2015, Kuranda.

new incentive called "Worker of the Month". This person is elected by peers of the group and awarded with \$50 (sponsored by members of the community or local businesses).

#### Worker of the Month:

Professor Rosita Henry, Head of Social Sciences, College of Arts, Society & Education, James Cook University, would like to congratulate Sandra Gillman, who was voted Worker of the Month by her peers at the Kuranda Amphitheatre.



Rosita & worker of the month, Sandra

If you wish to contribute to this incentive please contact us on the address below. This event rewards the Worker of the Month with \$50 or equivalent. It may be cash, a voucher, a meat tray, etc.

#### COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER

##### Saturday 19th - THE APRIL MAZE

Alt-folk duo The April Maze, featuring Cairns-raised Todd Mayhew and wife Sivan Agam, return to Far North Queensland to Launch their 3rd Studio Album!

Far North Queensland Album Launch with support from local singer songwriter Zara BC

After recording their 3rd studio album with ARIA winning producer Tim Carr (Matt Corby, The Cat Empire) at 301 Studios Sydney, and receiving a 4 star review from MOJO Magazine, The April Maze (featuring Cairns' own Todd Mayhew and his partner Sivan Agam) are bound for North Queensland to launch their critically acclaimed album 'Sleeping Storm'.

The April Maze return to their old stomping ground this spring and have chosen Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage for their only Far North Queensland public performance on Saturday 19th of September.

**WEBSITE:** We are currently undergoing some upgrades to the Kuranda Amphitheatre website and looking forward to seeing the end product. Please be aware there may be some hiccups whilst this upgrade is occurring, but the end result will be awesome!



The Amphitheatre is a multipurpose community arts venue voluntarily managed by the people of Kuranda since its inception in the late 1970s and still powering ahead over 35 years later.

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Get Membership Forms from:

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Support enquiries are accessed by the admin team on a daily basis.

KAS ADMIN TEAM



Kreature Features are taking expressions of interest for a zombie SPFX (special effects) workshop, hosted by Ktown Productions at the Kuranda Amphitheatre over the course of two days.

#### Zombie and Wound SPFX two-day WORKSHOP

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Please include your name, contact number, and suburb, and if you have friends who may be interested, group bookings get a cheaper rate.

Please list what you'd personally like to achieve at the workshop. And come check out all the other Ktown events too!

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# Ripples in the billabong

– Michael Quinn

Once an angel stood at the gates of Eden,  
the Garden of Delight,  
humming a heavenly song,  
but now beneath a baleful blue flashing light  
the cops control the road to and from the billabong  
as if it were a crime scene, an outlaw bikie den  
or a place that is contagious  
and not a place of harmony, a haven  
where pilgrims meet in love and peace, and mutual  
respect  
moving to a primaeval beat  
awareness growing  
of the ties that bind us  
to each other  
and the world around us.

Yet all who enter and later seek to leave  
are presumed suspect,  
as agents of disorder, of chaos and the unruly  
and duly asked to show their driver's license  
or some form of identification,  
to give a sample of their breath,  
a swab of their saliva  
as proof of their insobriety,  
of their intoxication.

Within an hour or so of entering the festival  
the subject felt lighter, like a balloon  
shedding ballast as anxiety dropped away  
he freed himself from gravity's sway.

The subject felt  
feelings of mental stimulation  
and enhanced sensory perception.  
and put it down to aesthetic direction  
and not the bottle of Corona  
purchased at the bar  
and consumed within parameters  
marked out with tape  
watched over by custodians of happiness  
the poker-faced security  
who all looked glum  
observing others having all the fun.

Lotus lanterns floating in the billabong  
like a dream or a meditation.

Luminous datura flowers  
hanging from the trees  
along the path  
casting psychoactive pollen  
from their angel trumpets.

The subject became aware of distortions in time  
as the hands of his watch kept stopping.

He lost twenty minutes here  
and an hour there  
the subject did not care.

In his ears he heard  
melody and rhythm  
wafting across the waters  
so entrancing  
like an invitation to rejoice  
in timelessness, eternity  
and to dance like Shiva Nataraja  
free from ignorance  
and the sway of gravity.

The subject felt out of his body  
quite ecstatic  
as though the ripples in the billabong  
were waves of love and communitas.  
He felt waves of empathy  
welling up in him  
when strangers smiled  
or when he heard  
the sounds of human laughter.

The spirit moves over the waters.  
The wind, our breath, the air  
is invisible but it

ripples in the billabong  
rich red from the ochre  
in the rain's run-off  
and it chatters the palm fronds  
and trembles the gum leaves  
with a gentle susurru  
and makes the hairs on my arms  
horripilate.

You sit beside me writing  
looking with a seer's eye  
at the same scene as I  
I can't help wondering  
what it is that you descry  
with your imagination's  
X-ray eye.

Do you see beneath the billabong's  
ochrous opacity  
and mark the unseen denizens  
the world of eel and turtle  
frog and toad and follow their trajectories?

Or are you struck by the lines  
drawn on the storywaters itself?

The ducks are writing V's  
and raindrops cast ripples  
circles within circles  
o's within O's  
in elemental geometries.

Welcome swallows skim the surface  
and splash  
like stones skipping over the water...  
like my thoughts on your thoughts  
occasionally commingling  
and spreading like ripples  
in the waters of the billabong.

Perched between the Dry and the Wet  
the festival tempted the weather gods  
and brought out all the True Believers  
in fairytale hats and tats and dreadedlocks.

In a world of faith-testing mud & spinning tyre  
of Damarri pissing on us to make us stonger  
knowing that pleasure can grow through its deferral  
as well as through its antithesis  
leading to catharsis.  
No gain without pain, its an old refrain.  
We like to be dry but there's nothing like  
Dancing in the rain.

A return to our roots quite infantile  
the pleasures of mud and of jumping in puddles  
the unbridled joy in the disruption of order  
of being unclean and unruly  
covered in mud like the colours of Holi  
proclaiming cosmic transformation  
from dissolution to regeneration  
but when midnight strikes  
alas, oh no  
it's back to "reality"  
and the status quo.

Pilgrims beware  
Signs of love and empathy  
or even of general well-being  
become interpreted as clear evidence  
of substance abuse  
so before returning to the world  
adjust your mask  
don't let them see the starlight  
flashing from your eyes  
wipe off that grin  
it's a dead give-away  
try hard to be normal  
that's the main thing  
look bored  
and maybe you'll pass  
maybe.

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# ART EVENT

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## The Rock this Country Blue Music Festival

Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th October  
The Billabong

The Rock this Country Blue Music Festival is billed by promoters as the far North Queensland's premier Music Festival. And with an impressive line-up of international and Ozzie rock, country and blues artists, it looks like they can hold on to their acclaim.

The Festival is conducted over two days on the Saturday and Sunday of the October long weekend, 3rd & 4th at the Billabong. Drawn from a stable of popular and accomplished local and imported acts the festival covers contemporary country, rock and blues.



Dallas Frasca

Headlining this year's festival are **John Fiddler**, direct from the UK, (formally of The Yardbirds, Medicine Head & Box of Frogs) "a full-blown one man band rock 'n' roll experience"; **Dallas Frasca**, (2010 Aust IND Music Awards Artist of the Year), riff rock trio renowned for their powerful and dynamic live performances, **Mason Rack Band**, (award winning live Stage Show) "one of the sexiest voices in the blues music scene with flashes from Tom Waits and Led Zeppelin", **Sugar Cane Collins**, direct from touring the US, a one of a kind

singer songwriter guitarist. Inspired by the slashing delta blues of Charley Patton and Son House, the sparkling ragtime of Blind Blake and the powerful songster traditions of Leadbelly, **Sugarcane** sings passionately with a voice that is big and soulful, writes songs that are potent and rich with imagery and he spans the guitar like no one else around. **Juzzie Smith** is a true grassroots phenomenon. He is now also a festival circuit favorite, loved for his energetic and awe-inspiring live performances. A true musical virtuoso, Juzzie gives performances that are marked by an amazing ability to play guitar, harmonica and percussion at the same time using all of his body. "it is like dancing with music" he said; **the Wolverines** (Aria Gold Record, CMAA Gold Guitar, AE Awards Best Country Group), these multi-talented musicians combine to produce a unique and versatile entertainment experience. They are fun, funny and irreverent and highly musical. Their musical style ranges from original country rock through to retro classics.

And the line-up continues with the **Kevin Borich Express**, Australian and NZ Blues Royalty, 'a musical performer without borders and every performance renders the audience prisoners without escape' **Hat Fitz and Cara**, (2015 Chain Awards Female Vocalist), "they have the songs, the musical ability, the drive and the self belief to offer something refreshingly vibrant and new" Pete Feenstra.

Back by demand are **The Howling Dingoes** with their high energy punchy blues and didj, with funk, swing and rock, driving bass, didjeridoo, screaming harp and shredding guitars, with solid grooves and a big stage presence.

Also featured are a great cross selection of local artists including **Rebecca Rain & The Hurricanes** specialising in soft rock, with a splash of dance music to spice things up! The silky smooth depth of her voice, with celtic undertones, will leave you wanting more, with songs to inspire you to dance, dream, feel, and live life to the full. Rebeka teaches that life is a journey worth living; **Carinda Christie & Jason**, a charismatic energetic fusion of pop, rock and folk, and **Leanne Tennant** (Qld Music Awards winner for best "Blues & Roots" artist 2015), an artist who manages to mix vulnerability with an unusual strength.

Returning to the Billabong stage are the **Rockabilly Blues Express** with the energetic, hip swinging, blues and rockabilly fusion of Leanne Tennant, Gordon Sheard, Hack, Chris Ellis and Rod Collins; fun and sassy **Secret Tuesdays** and **George Davies** singing the blues. Rocking it in are **Krittrz**, **Hexus**, **Lucky Phil** and **Bob Sherwood**.

The Rock This Country Blue Festival also provides a unique harmonica workshop with Juzzle Smith which will be delivered right from the main stage for everyone to enjoy and participate in.



Leanne Tennant

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Saturday 19th September  
The Understage  
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## The April Maze

with support Zara BC

The Understage \* CD Launch  
Saturday 19th September

Alternative-folk duo The April Maze, featuring Cairns-raised **Todd Mayhew** and wife **Sivan Agam**, return to Far North Queensland to launch their album 'Sleeping Storm'.

In a recent review of **Sleeping Storm** from Maverick Music Magazine UK it was said; "The April Maze have created a style and sound which is capturing the attention of the indie folk scene across Europe...".

The April Maze delicately fuse a haunting melancholy sound with dreamy tripped-out harmonies, lyrical cello, banjo, guitar and sultry vocals.

The April Maze's sound is for all-weather; to curl up with on rainy days or to dance to in a sun-soaked summer.

## THE BOOGIE BROTHERS

### CD REVIEWS

#### The Dark Horses: 'Tunnel at the End of the Light'

The Perkins crossing the Dark Side of the Moon. Comes in for all money like a Pink Floyd intro - rising wind, heavy keyboards whistling, throaty vocals. Very Floydian. The CD cover - a total solar eclipse. Then the penultimate tracks 7 and 8: instrumentals that could have flowed in from the endless river. Quite beautiful and quite a journey from **The Cruel Sea**. Some exquisite slide and acoustic from **Murray Patterson** and **Joe Silbersher**, and Tex's ol' mate **Charlie Owen** superb on piano and keyboard. **Tex** with his signature minor key vocals; distorted voices - off (very Roger Waters, that) and the rising sound building to the precision guitar solos.

**Mr Perkins** has left the dirty alt/country genre behind and has delivered his finest work. The final track "Last Words" as heart-wrenchingly mournful as anything he's done, but leaves you hoping that it isn't. His last words that is. Tex has hit a unique groove here. Please give it a listen. Oz alt/rock to be very proud of... A long way from **Humpty-Do**. And the lyrics? Here's a sample from track 6 "Slide on By":

"So the rules of love are not the same,  
As the rules of nature,  
'Cause the ones you love can fast become,  
The ones that hate ya...  
And the lives we live are not the same'  
As the lies we're living.  
So the love you gave will now remain,  
Inside a prison".

Words and music that ride triumphantly on **The Dark Horses**. Take the ride!



#### Alabama Shakes: 'Sound and Colour'

Rough Trade Records 2015

This knock-out second album, debuting at No. 1 in their own country, clearly shows why this band has risen so high in the last few years. Its stuffed full of cool stuff - old and new, brimming with songs recognisably of their roots but spinning into wild new forms. It draws you in with a classic-sounding feel before flooding you with delicious puzzlement as to where the songs are actually going. It's choice stuff.

The singer has one of the greatest voices we've heard in many years - reminiscent of the sly

soul of **Macy Gray** or **Prince**, sometimes falsetto, then busting out gutsy and raw like **Janis Joplin** or **Etta James**. She says her vocal style comes from **Bon Scott**. No mistake though, **Brittany Howard**'s got her own very special thing - check out the casually heart-wrenching song 'Gimme all Your Love' for a strong taste of what she's capable of doing to you.

The other **Shakes** ain't no slouches either, slipping from jazzed out soul and street blues to manic punk and **Who** and **Stones** Brit rock. **Alabama Shakes** are pretty tight and intense; their energy levels high, quivering with each song's mood. They have rock band line-up coloured with soaring organ chords and catchy vibraphone lines, fuzz guitar power chords and some beautifully weird tempos.

'Sound and Colour' is sure easy to like with its southern soul rock feel but they sound absolutely modern - never comfortable or lazy with reverence. They play up and muck around with your mind, keeping your ears on their toes. Fearlessly eccentric, with a spring of fresh ideas and heaps of raw panache this young band has made an album that will leave you delightfully shaken and stirred.

All CDs reviewed are available from Colly Dolly Music  
I.G.A. building, Mareeba, ph 40 923 245

The Boogies





## Queensland Regional Art Awards

Two Co-op artists have entries accepted in the Flying Arts Alliance 2015 Queensland Regional Art Awards – Cream of the Crop. This is an annual visual art prize for established and emerging artists living in regional and remote Queensland. The program aims to highlight the wealth of talent located outside the capital city and to provide a platform for further professional development. In 2015 all participating artists will feature in the ORAA Online Gallery, have the opportunity to win an award in relevant categories and to be selected for the touring exhibition to be curated by Jan Manton. The exhibition will tour to key centres around Queensland in 2016 including Brisbane.

Buck Richardson's entry is *"Clockwork of Little Creatures"* and is in the category of Digital Art (based on original photographs).



Toni Rogers' entry *"Keep your God Near and Warm"*, a large woven cloak, features in the Fibre and Textile category.



These two artworks are eligible for the Wayne Kratzman Award and for selection in the 2016 touring exhibition in the State. View the Online Gallery and anyone wishing to support either of these local artists may lodge their vote for one of these artworks for the People's Choice Award. [www.flyingartsallianceQR2015](http://www.flyingartsallianceQR2015) and follow the prompts.

## KAC Welcomes a New Member

Arts Co-op welcomes new a member Kuranda artist Raewyn Roberts. Raewyn's rich and colourful paintings can be viewed at the gallery in Coondoo Street. See interview *"Inside My Studio"* on Page 22.

## Quote From an Arts Co-op Artist: Dorothy Clews April 2014

"I weave alone but have an extensive international network of like-minded artists with whom I share knowledge, ideas, experiences, art and problems. The American Tapestry Alliance has provided a rich pool of artists and projects and working in a team online for a particular project has become part of my art practice as much as weaving has."

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### VIRGO Aug 24 – Sept 23

This is a good time to look to the future and plan your finances as what you do now will have long term effects on your comfort in your old age. Don't be over dramatic and see things as they really are.

### LIBRA Sept 24 – Oct 23

Finally someone sees you in the light you should be seen in. All your hard work will pay off and you will feel as if you finally belong somewhere. Times of settling in and feeling like you are finally home.

### SCORPIO Oct 24 – Nov 22

Time of transition and change. Perhaps it is time to get that new job you have been talking about or finding the right place to live. This is a time of action and not sitting on the fence. So jump to it.

### SAGGITTARIUS Nov 23 – Dec 21

This is not a great time to think about over extending yourself. Your energy levels are low and if anything you need to have time out for a holiday. So plan something for yourself; a nice little interstate jaunt.

### CAPRICORN Dec 22 – Jan 20

You seem a little lost in the journey of life. Confusions over things you have no control over. This is a time of learning little goat, as there will be light at the end of the tunnel and satisfaction guaranteed.

### AQUARIUS Jan 21 – Feb 19

Major changes for you with decisions made that end an old way of being by creating new attitudes and ideas. Know that where you go will be far better than where you have been. Don't resist and go with the flow.

### PISCES Feb 20 – Mar 20

Hot tempers and arguments. So be aware that there could be more likely breakups than reconciliations. It is a time to hold and count to ten when you become angry for words are said that you can't take back.

### ARIES Mar 21 – Apr 20

Time for you to take responsibility for what you do and not blame others for your problems. Dissatisfaction with issues around you will urge you to make decisions. Dissatisfaction is the motivator to change not the problem.

### TAURUS Apr 21 – May 21

You do not need others approval to do the things you want to do. By taking charge of your life and saying no to the things you don't want to do, life becomes a breeze. Stop being a martyr. The power lies within you.

### GEMINI May 22 – Jun 21

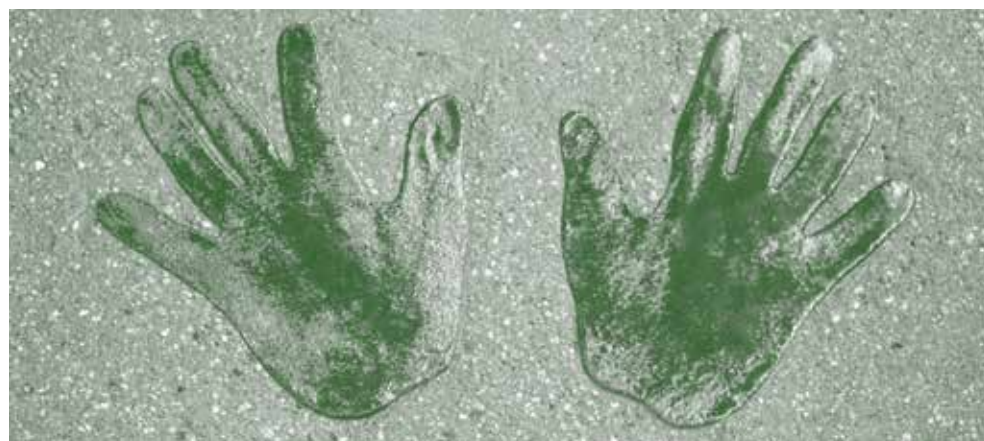
Decisions, decisions which way to go? You may feel like the juggler particularly with your finances. Know though that the right decision will be made and there will be happy ever after for all those concerned.

### CANCER Jun 22 – Jul 23

Take control and do the things that need to be done. Don't ignore the problems because if you do the Universe is putting you on notice that it will do it for you in the form of chaos. No control for you then.

### LEO Jul 24 – Aug 23

Health needs attention here. Family demands may be great on you so it is up to you to put the brakes on. No point in burning the candle on both ends. Rest is what is needed here. Slow down and moderate your lifestyle.



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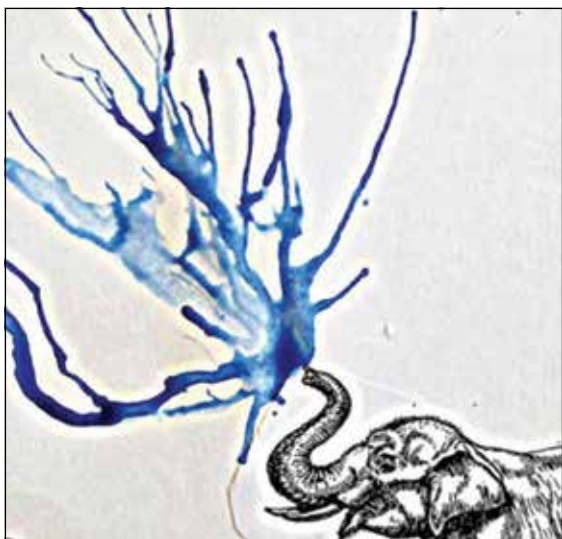
When we change our breathing we can change our moods and relax our muscles. If we breathe slow and deep we can calm down. If we breath fast and short it can make us energised and more alert. When uncomfortable or emotional situations create a reaction in our body, we can learn how to control that reaction and change how it makes us feel. Learning yoga breathing helps with stress, anxiety, intense emotions, self control and brings about a more focused and calm mind. When yoga movement is combined with yoga breathing the body responds with less resistance and tension. The outcome is a more relaxed and progressive practise. Bringing a mindful and meditative state into each movement.

Below are just three practices that we use regularly in class when exploring the breath. We do at least three cycles of breathing. One cycle consists of a full inhale and a full exhale.

**LION BREATH:** This one is good for frustration. Sit on heels or in lotus pose. Place hands on thighs or on the mat in front of you with fingers stretched out. Breath in deeply thru nose. Exhale with effort through mouth and stick your tongue out as far as you can while you look towards the sky. Lean forward into your hands. If in lotus come up onto the knees and lean forward during exhale. Lion breath exhale is almost like screaming silently. It can remove tense energy. This breath is fun for kids to practise and often leaves them feeling happier.

**BALLOON BREATH:** This breath is more focused on the belly. Imagine you have a balloon in your belly. As you breathe in, the balloon inflates and makes your belly fill with air. As you exhale your balloon deflates and your belly draws in as all the oxygen leaves the lungs. It may be easier to practise this one with a weight on the belly like an eye pillow or just your hands. This allows you to notice the rise and fall of the breath. Often when you ask someone to take a deep breath they draw in the belly and puff up the chest. We are so use to shallow chest breathing, deep belly breathing can feel strange at first. Drawing oxygen all the way down into the bottom of the lungs creates a calming effect on the brain and changes our mood as we focus on our breath. Great for times of high anxiety or nervousness. So if you're stressed try balloon breath.

**ART:** Other ways we can explore our breath is with straw art. Take a straw and some watered down paint. Dip the straw into the paint and let it drop onto the paper. Blow into the straw to move the paint without touching it with anything but the breath. (For very young children, put a hole in the top side of the straw to prevent accidental paint drinking).



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# Osteoporosis

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**OSTEOPOROSIS** is a common disease affecting over one million Australians. This disease makes bones become brittle leading to a higher risk of breaks than in normal bones.

Osteoporosis occurs when bones lose minerals, such as calcium, more quickly than the body can replace them, causing a loss of bone thickness (bone density or mass).

When this occurs bones become thinner and less dense, and even a minor bump or fall can cause a serious fracture. A 'fracture' is a complete or partial break in a bone. Any bone can be affected by osteoporosis, but the most common sites are the hip, spine and wrist.

Osteoporosis usually has no symptoms until a fracture occurs this is why osteoporosis is often called the 'silent disease'.

Women are at a greater risk of developing osteoporosis because of the rapid decline in oestrogen levels during menopause.

When oestrogen levels decrease, bones lose calcium and other minerals at a much faster rate, resulting in bone loss of approximately 2% per year occurs for several years after menopause.

Men also lose bone density as they age, however testosterone levels in men decline more gradually so their bone mass remains adequate till later in life. Both men and women may have certain 'risk factors' that can make them more likely to develop osteoporosis.

**Risk factors can include but are not limited to:**

- A family history of osteoporosis
- Low calcium and vitamin D levels
- Your medical history (medical conditions such as early menopause, low testosterone, hyperthyroidism or hyperparathyroidism, conditions leading to malabsorption e.g. coeliac disease or IBS, some chronic diseases e.g. rheumatoid arthritis, chronic kidney disease)

- Certain medications i.e. corticosteroids, some medications used to treat breast cancer, prostate cancer, epilepsy and some antidepressants.
- Also certain lifestyle factors i.e. low levels of physical activity, smoking, excessive alcohol intake, weight conditions.



Anyone with specific risk factors for osteoporosis or anyone over the age of 50 who experiences a broken bone from a minor bump or fall should be investigated for osteoporosis. There are multiple treatments available from the GP which can help people with diagnosed osteoporosis.

**Prevention is better than cure**

To ensure healthy bones adults require 1,000 mg of calcium per day (preferably attained through diet). This amount increases to 1,300 mg per day for women over 50 and men over 70. Vitamin D plays an essential role for bone health because it helps absorb calcium, a lack of sun exposure can mean you are not getting enough vitamin D which your body needs to absorb

calcium.

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Calcium supplements vary widely in their strength, the form in which the calcium is available and the all important cofactors that assist the body to absorb calcium adequately.

The type of calcium product you choose will contain calcium in a certain form e.g. calcium carbonate, calcium gluconate, calcium hydroxiapatite, calcium citrate etc.

Each form of calcium is absorbed differently in the body, some far more absorbable than others, resulting in the body having different levels of calcium uptake despite ingesting the same dose of calcium in a supplement.

It's preferable to take a more absorbable form of calcium such as the hydroxiapatite and the citrate, over less absorbable calcium in the carbonate form. 99% of the body's calcium is stored in the bones and teeth and people are likely to become aware of deficiency through breaks or testing.

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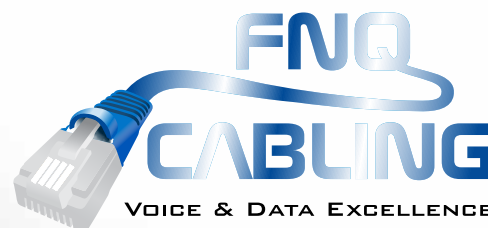
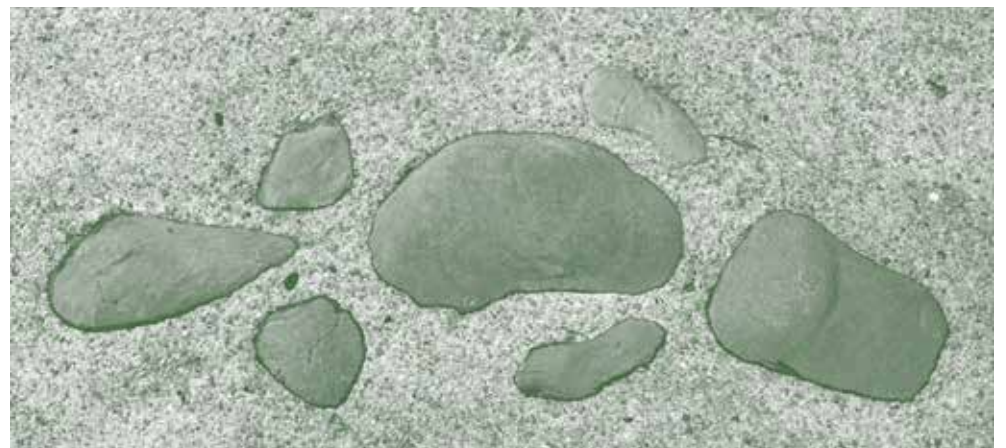
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This handsome chap, very likely to be an unknown nocturnal visitor to your own backyard, is the Eastern Tube-nosed Bat (*Nyctimene robinsoni*).



He is labelled as one of the “megabats”, but at 50 or so grams he is somewhat overshadowed by his much larger relatives, the Flying-foxes (up to 1 kilo).

Inhabiting the east coast in patches from the Cape down to northern NSW, primarily in rainforest and wet woodlands, he is also found in urban areas with plentiful native fruits, figs and flowers.

In contrast to his larger relatives, the Tube-nosed Bat does not live in large colonies; rather he is a solitary creature although may gather in small groups where a food source is plentiful.

Also in contrast to his larger relatives, he is not nomadic as is, for example, the Little Red Flying-fox, which is known to travel hundreds of kilometres to follow the flowering seasons of various natives.

The little *Nyctimene* is generally a home-body, and prefers to find a food source such as some native figs or other fruiting or flowering natives, and set up home within a few hundred metres – a short flight from pantry to bed, you might say.

As can be seen from the photos, the *Nyctimene* is a colourful bat, easily distinguished by a dark stripe down his spine, light to dark brown body gradating to grey on the head; yellow and green spots on wings and ears that are amazingly effective in camouflage. A mate of ours was a tour guide on one of the Daintree River boats, and for many months used to delight in taking tourists to a *Nyctimene* who regularly roosted on a particular branch overhanging the river, at eye level. In dappled sunlight, nine out of ten tourists couldn't spot the beast in the branch only a few metres away, until carefully pointed out. (Obviously ol' Nyc didn't mind being the object of tourism papparazzi or he'd have found somewhere else to roost.)



Rehabilitating *Nyctimene* photographed at Batreach

The purpose of the dual tube nostrils has been debated by science and researchers over the years. Originally it was thought that it was merely a breathing aid developed to allow the bat to gobble greedily into messy, juicy fruit, but observations have shown that they do not actually eat messy, juicy fruit, but are rather dainty eaters of figs, small fruit and nectar. Opinion now is that the nostrils, which can move, open and close independently, are used to carefully scan for aromas to locate their preferred food.

The wings of the *Nyctimene* are short and broad and suited to brief, manoeuvring flights through the forest, in contrast to the Flying-foxes which are adept at high altitude, long distance flight. This gives the *Nyctimene* the rather unique ability to actually 'hover' for a few seconds, and have even been observed to change direction whilst hovering.

If you have any native figs, guava, soursop trees or flowering natives in your yard, chances are you will no doubt have an Eastern Tube-nosed Bat or two roosting nearby.



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# The Earth's True Rulers

Although we humans have colonised almost every part of this planet, wiped out many other species and even changed its appearance so much that evidence of our activity is visible from space, we still don't rule the roost. This title belongs to a group of animals which we often see as insignificant, however, they comprise of 99 percent of all animal life on Earth. This group of course is the invertebrates.

The term invertebrate actually means 'without vertebrae' – without a backbone, and it is these little creatures which we rely on for the lives we live. The roles these animals play are critical in our survival as we know it, but most of them go about their business without being appreciated or even noticed by us.

I am often asked by people in regard to an animal, "What is its purpose?" What they usually mean is, "Does it directly benefit me?" Sometimes the 'purpose' of an animal or the role it plays within in an ecosystem doesn't seem to directly benefit humans. However, this does not mean that it is not a critical part of an ecological jigsaw puzzle. Often this species may benefit another species which in turn benefits us. More often than not, the ecological interactions are so complex we cannot know for sure what impact each species has until we upset the balance in some way, usually with disastrous consequences. Nevertheless invertebrates are often ignored, and many conservation activities tend to revolve around single large vertebrate species which in many cases do not have the same ecological significance – they are just big, cute and cuddly, so we figure they must be saved.

Invertebrates perform some critical roles essential for life on Earth to continue the way we are familiar with it. It is not a single species performing these roles, but masses of them all doing their bit. Without invertebrate pollinators we wouldn't have flowering plants, agricultural crops, or the forests which we rely on to survive. Millions of small creatures clean up our wastes and work away breaking down all sorts of organic things back into the soil. Each day billions of

predatory invertebrates feed upon billions of other tiny creatures, but we don't notice. An entirely different world functions in the background while we are caught up with our human problems.

Honeybees are a good example of an invertebrate which we have come to rely on. They pollinate orchards and crops and have a value to the Australian economy of around 3.8 billion dollars per year. Of course, they have the added bonus of producing honey. However, the Honeybee is currently under threat from the Varroa mite (*Varroa destructor*) – a mite which attacks bees in their hives. In many countries, agricultural industries are being brought to their knees as the bee numbers plummet, but as the mite has yet to reach Australia, we are not yet affected. The quirk to this story is that because we knowingly rely on Honeybees so much, we have bred them into much greater numbers than ever before and spread a once European species all over the world. Nature doesn't tend to allow this without some form of recoil, and through some means a balance is usually restored. We are now resisting the balance and fighting the Veroa mite to protect our beloved Honeybees.

Balance means that each species functions with some form of natural control in place. Often the natural control consists of other species managing the numbers by predation, parasitism, or transmitting disease. Invertebrates, due to their size and number, are often pivotal in controlling other species, as well as each other. As humans we have worked very hard to remove or block our controls, and we have subsequently bred and expanded all over the planet. One thing is for sure – our supposed reign cannot go on forever and at some point, whether it is the destruction of our planets ability to sustain us or some other self-made disaster, our species will be brought back to Earth with a thud, and the invertebrates will be there to clean up our mess.

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*A mantispid. A lesser known insect that has no apparent direct benefit to us but contributes to nature's balance as it parasitises spiders.*

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*The sheer numbers of ants on Earth put even our bloated population figures to shame. Scientists estimate the number of individual ants to be somewhere near 10,000,000,000,000,000 – that's a fair bit of work going on!*



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# Kuranda Horse and Pony Club

Well the year is flying by so quickly it's been hard to keep up.

Over the last few months there has been a lot on with a couple of our riders, Jamie and Olivia Hewitt-Toms, travelling to Charters Towers to compete in the State Show jumping and Equitation and coming home with many ribbons and as champions. They have also ridden at a lot of the shows from down south to around the Cairns region again doing brilliantly so "Well Done Girls" with your excellent achievements.

The pony club grounds have been busy, we've held a Interschool Horse Sports, several Flat work and Jumping Clinics instructed by Roy Pidgeon and Evan Parker, which have been well attended. Everyone gains a wealth of experience from these schools.

Hopefully more to come in the near future.

Parents and the Committee have been working hard with fundraising as the club is trying to gain funding with the help of the council and a grant to have a Undercover arena started which will benefit the club and all horse riders in the years to come, especially with our unpredictable weather. It would be a wonderful attribute for the club.

So we are needing all community support and a petition has been left at several businesses so if you see it could you please help us and sign – it doesn't matter if you're a horse rider or not.

You can find a petition at the Speewah General Store, Bendigo Bank, Kuranda Pharmacy and the Kuranda Information Centre. There is also a online petition on the Kuranda Horse and Pony Club Facebook site.

The club would like to say thank you to Lyn and Roy Pidgeon for doing a great job caretaking – we appreciate your help so much. Roy is also a great instructor and has helped a lot of our riders gain more skills at flat work and jumping.

The next big event for the club is our Annual Gymkhana on the 12th September so come along and watch some of the action. A canteen will be available and all



Kristy, Lexie, Lene and Caitlyn at the Mareeba gymkhana.

members will be needed to help out on this big day.

As in all years we have sent out letters seeking help with sponsorships to help with purchasing the trophies and ribbons and so far these sponsors have come on board.

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# PROFILE

## Steve Dominikovic

Our profile this month is of Steve Dominikovic, well known as the proprietor of Kuranda Real Estate. It is a story of hardship, tragedy, grit and hard work – the story of a self-made man who has made the most he can out of a very difficult early life.

Born in Croatia during the War, the country at that time was in turmoil. It had been occupied by the Germans and the Italians. When they were pushed out the country turned communist under Tito. His father was part of the anti-communist partisan resistance fighters, with the result that their house was burned down. The father left, and Steve as a sole child was brought up by his mother in very poor circumstances. Then his mother was taken to a slave labour camp when he was six years old, leaving him in the care of his grandmother. They did not have enough to eat. Steve had some schooling up to grade six but had to grow up fast, working to raise a little money. Later the grandfather immigrated to Australia, and he in turn sponsored Steve to immigrate here in 1960 as a teenager. His mother followed the next year.

Steve had hoped to continue schooling in Australia but the family's financial circumstances did not allow it. He went cutting cane around the north coast at 16 year of age. It was hard work. Steve was becoming stronger and very determined. Enough money was saved to buy a house in Cairns. The family was a close one in the Croatian tradition.

In 1970 Steve and his wife Helen moved up to the Mareeba region to share-farm tobacco. He met his wife Helen from New Zealand and they married there in 1969. In 1971 Steve was able to buy a small tobacco farm in Koah with house, on which he began his own tobacco crops, later adding mangoes and lychees. At that time Koah had about 16 tobacco growers. It was more hard work. But the writing was on the wall for the tobacco industry, so Steve eventually sold his tobacco quota. Instead, he did the real estate salesman's licence course and then joined Reef Coast Realty in Cairns in 1978. A few years later he undertook the TAFE two year part time course to get his real estate licence.

In 1983 he and another formed the partnership comprising Barron Falls Realty. It was a small start but soon was selling properties all over the Tableland. He found he had the right attributes for the business. Then he sold out of that business and the property on which it was located in Kuranda and purchased the block on the corner of Coondoo and Thongon Streets with Post Office. He then started up Kuranda Real



Estate on his own from that property, developing the buildings and moving his office there. He has been there ever since.

His wife Helen ran the Post Office for seven years. They had three children. Regrettably his daughter, a psychologist, was tragically killed in a car crash. His other daughter lives in Cairns. His son now works in Kuranda Real Estate. That business has expanded into property development, with a large five acre subdivision in Koah. They still live in Koah.

Steve has been active in the Kuranda community for many years. He was a member of Kuranda Lions from 1978 to 1988 with two terms as President. He was an inaugural member of Kuranda Rotary, serving one term as President and seven years as Treasurer, an office which he still holds. He has been on the Kuranda Chamber of Commerce since 1984, except for one gap in time, was Treasurer for five years and is still a member. He and his wife sponsor a child in World Vision. Helen also does volunteer work at the school. In spare time Steve plays golf.

Steve avoids politics, including in respect of his homeland. He is a naturalised Australian and is here to stay. Brought up as a strict Catholic, he is now non-practising. His philosophy in life can be explained largely by his history. He says that if you really want to get somewhere, you have to plan, work hard, believe in what you do, and stick with it to do well. He believes in looking after yourself and being honest to yourself. But it is not a purely selfish philosophy as it embraces helping others in need if you can. And when doing so, it must be without any prejudices based on the person. He illustrates this by noting that he successfully employed Aboriginal workers on the farm on normal working terms and conditions over a long time. He strongly believes in ethics in life and business, including being honest, and sticking to your promises, including those made on a handshake. Some people may regard him as a tough businessman, but he prides himself in also being ethical, and away from work he is happiest spending his time with his family.

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# Inside My Studio

Interview and Photographs by Toni Rogers

Local Kuranda artist, **Raewyn Roberts**, has been active in the field of art since she was a child. She has always been drawing, colouring and painting. After involving herself in a number of mediums she realised she must return to that field in which she did best, which is acrylic painting. Raewyn chooses to paint at her open veranda easel where there is always that ever changing light and form that can only be found outdoors, a freshness that is frequently missing in an enclosed studio. There is so much beauty to be shared and relived on canvas and Raewyn finds a blank canvas is an irresistible challenge. Her statements and colour are rich and strong and she works on a creation of a moment in time for others to enjoy.

## Where is your current studio?

My studio is on one end of the upstairs veranda at my home in Kuranda overlooking my rainforest garden. I have just over an acre of extensive tropical rainforest and I am lucky to have over 200 *licuala ramsyii*, (Kuranda Fan Palm), most over 100 years old. I love them and will always take care of them. They are such a beautiful palm.

## Do you work alone or with others?

I always work alone but did take a year away from my solitude to work in collaboration with a local aboriginal artist, Roslyn Serico. A series of 10 paintings were created and can be viewed at the Yuku Baja Muliku Land and Sea Centre, 142 Charlotte Street, Cooktown or on [www.artoftheearth.com.au](http://www.artoftheearth.com.au) along with some of my current work still available for sale. It was a most rewarding and interesting exercise – two artists on one canvas, two egos trying not to overpower but indeed complementing each other's style for the good of the painting and the message we wished to convey.

## What are the essential features your studio has to have?

I really need room to move; to be able to stand back from my paintings and take in the process. I need good natural light, and most of all now, my lovely outlook. I could not be without that peace for my inspiration.

## Describe your work pattern – hours/days/weeks.

I usually start painting in the morning. If I am 'into it' then I stick to it all day. Time in my studio is precious and I paint as often as I can. I have family responsibilities on certain days during the week and my grandchildren delight me most weekends with their visits.

## Describe the works you do in your studio.

I paint varied subjects with acrylics on canvas, whatever takes my fancy at the time. My early works were mostly of people. I was interested in the colours that could enhance skin tones. My clown series took this to the maximum. Then I briefly moved on to old trucks but scenery was beginning to fascinate me too. Reflections and the colours in water are still holding my interest. Back in the 80s I had a very successful hand painted T-shirt business. This extended to belts, shoes, swimsuits and lots of hats. I enjoyed creating new designs but tired eventually of the repetition. I yearned to go back to my first love of creating paintings.

## Why is acrylic painting your chosen medium?

I like to paint fast and acrylic dries very quickly allowing me to go over any colour that I feel is wrong or could be better. I also love that I can wash up in water.

Growing up I was fascinated with my mother's beautiful drawings of 1930s movie

stars. I greatly admired her skill at capturing their likeness. She even let me colour in some of them when I was too young to know better. Even back then I needed to see colour. [Raewyn produced a couple of pencil drawings, encased in protective plastic, which her mother did so many years ago. They are remarkable, although the paper is now discolouring slightly with age and climate.] I attended Otahuhu College, New Zealand to do a University Entrance art course and passed. I won a scholarship at Sydney Art school. Another year was spent under the tuition of Joy Stewart in Cairns. But really I'm self taught. I've won a Cairns Show prize and placed second in a Mareeba Art Society exhibition. I also painted and won best shop window for the "Cairns Fun in the Sun" (as it was called then). Over the years I should have entered more competitions but didn't see the need.

## List three things you listen to while working.

I am really into Roy Orbison and Adele. I find their DVDs addictive and play them over and over. I sometimes have the TV on but I am only listening, not watching. I have a CD in the car by local musician Dave Cook. I love it and play that continually.

## Your favourite tool?

I have more than one favourite, but my paint brushes top the list. I always buy good quality brushes, mainly sable or the likes. Cotton buds would feature predominately too as I use them all the time for tidying up any fine line work. Chalk sticks, just plain white, are necessary in my initial grafting up process once I've painted in the background. When I block in the colour and wipe away the excess, the rest just seems to disappear into the paint. I couldn't work without any of these items.

## How do you identify your work?

I used to sign just 'Raewyn' but now I use my full name 'Raewyn Roberts' as a signature, that way people will be able to find me if they wish. I date my artworks and add the copyright sign also.

## How do you sell your work?

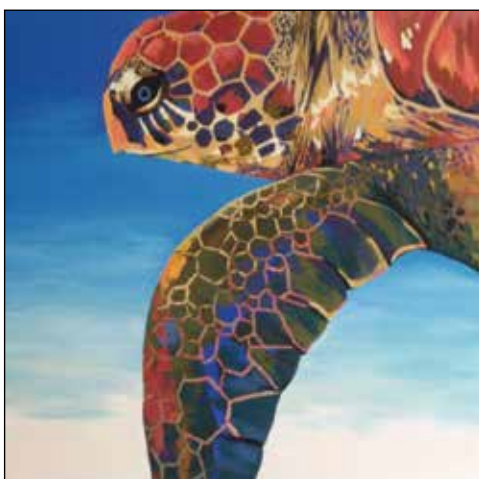
I sell privately, through galleries including the Kuranda Arts Co-op and the Cooktown Gallery, commissions and through my two websites. I can also be found on the "Colour in Your Life" site – a remarkable TV program for artists to display their works and learn from others.

## Do you teach or sell from your studio?

I used to teach primary school children, 9, 10 and 11 years of age. There was nothing for them in the way of specific art tuition at their school and I was approached by the parents to fill that void. I have not taught for a few years, in fact, not since I moved to Kuranda, as any available time I have now is of the essence and is committed to my own art practice.

## Do you have any other paid or unpaid work?

I am a rostered volunteer at the Kuranda Arts Co-op gallery and a volunteer at Possum Corner in Kuranda. The last four years I've been carer for my brother and this has allowed me more time to paint and garden. I don't have much time for anything else.



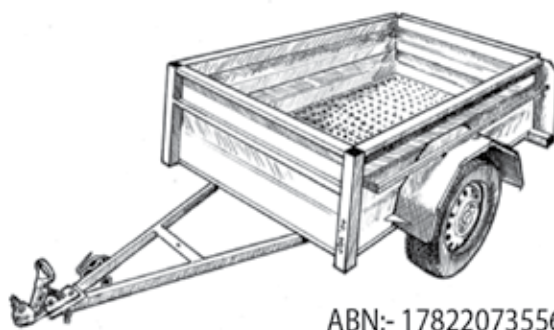
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## If you could change one thing about your studio what would that be?

I need to shield my workspace against the flow of spores and pollen falling on wet paintings and into my water jars. A yellow light would be handy for night painting, yellow to keep the flying insects at bay but I worry that it may distort the colours. Some ideal storage for all my completed works would be helpful too. These are relatively minor requirements in the scheme of things, as I love my studio area and would not like to be in an enclosed space.

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

Gardening!!! [Raewyn answers without a moment's hesitation.] It is always a battle between my two loves, my painting and my garden. I am a passionate gardener. I am currently having 'turkey wars', catching and relocating scrub turkeys at a rate of knots. They are so destructive as any gardener knows. I dream that one day I may be able to take down all the ugly wire fencing protecting my new plants.

I would love to work on something like the Chelsea Flower Show, sharing the best in gardening practices and driven by a simple love of plants and the belief that gardeners make the world a better place. It would, however, depend on available energy and time at that opportunity.





# Rail Tails

A History of Kuranda Rail by Ivana Andacic

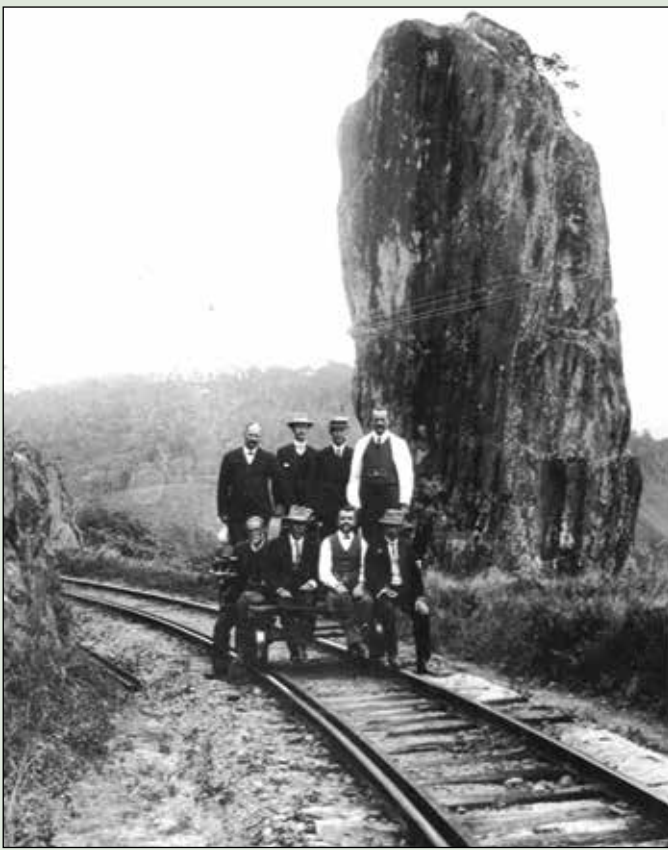
**Chapter 17** The Barron River Valley was the site of the working quarry where the builders of the Cairns to Kuranda Railway sourced their ballast for the railway tracks.

To the left of the Barron River Valley is where the original township of Smithfield was located on the Barron River. In its heyday, Smithfield was a town much larger than Cairns. Smithfield was a traveller's town, with many hotels and lodging houses. It was considered by some to be a "town of sin". Palmer Kate brought her girls down from the Palmer River, when the gold ran out and she set up her house in Smithfield. A very wealthy Madam, she boasted a chamber pot of solid gold for her exclusive use. Her house was called the Golden Pot and was washed away by a severe flood in 1879 and to this day, the gold pot has never been found.



## Chapter 18

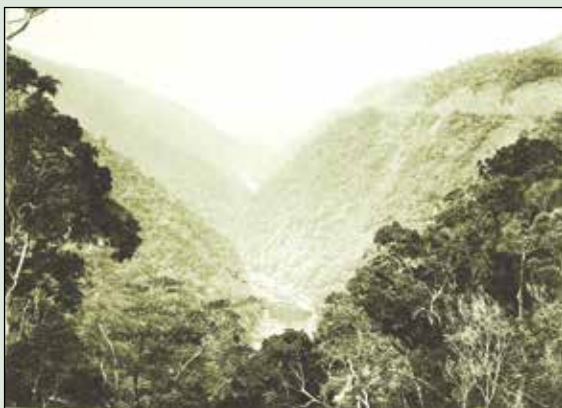
A few hundred metres below Barron Falls Station stands a rock so impressive that it came to be recognised as a monument to the skill of the builder, John Robb. John Robb, the man who built the Cairns to Kuranda Railway line had a successful track record with railway lines that he had built in Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia. He was known to be a deeply sensitive man who effectively had a way with managing his workers. Upon his departure from Cairns he was farewelled with great regard from civic and business leaders, his workers and the community. Robb's Monument still stands today which passengers are able to see on their Kuranda Scenic Railway journey. Many English, Irish, Chinese and Italian workmen laboured relentlessly on the construction of this line. At one time the Italian flag was flown from Robb's Monument to let all know of their presence and courage.



## Chapter 19

### ***Riding the Cowcatcher to Barron Falls!***

A local author named Ellis Rowal had claimed in her book *Flower-Hunter* to have travelled on the Cairns to Kuranda railway line when it was built up to Barron Falls Station in 1887, on no less the cowcatcher of a locomotive. She recalled: "I have now travelled on the cowcatcher of an express engine. I wouldn't have missed the experience, but have no wish to try it again. The line by which I have travelled has only been open for four months, and it is by far the most beautiful, they say, in Australia."



## Chapter 20

### ***Chinese Pioneers***

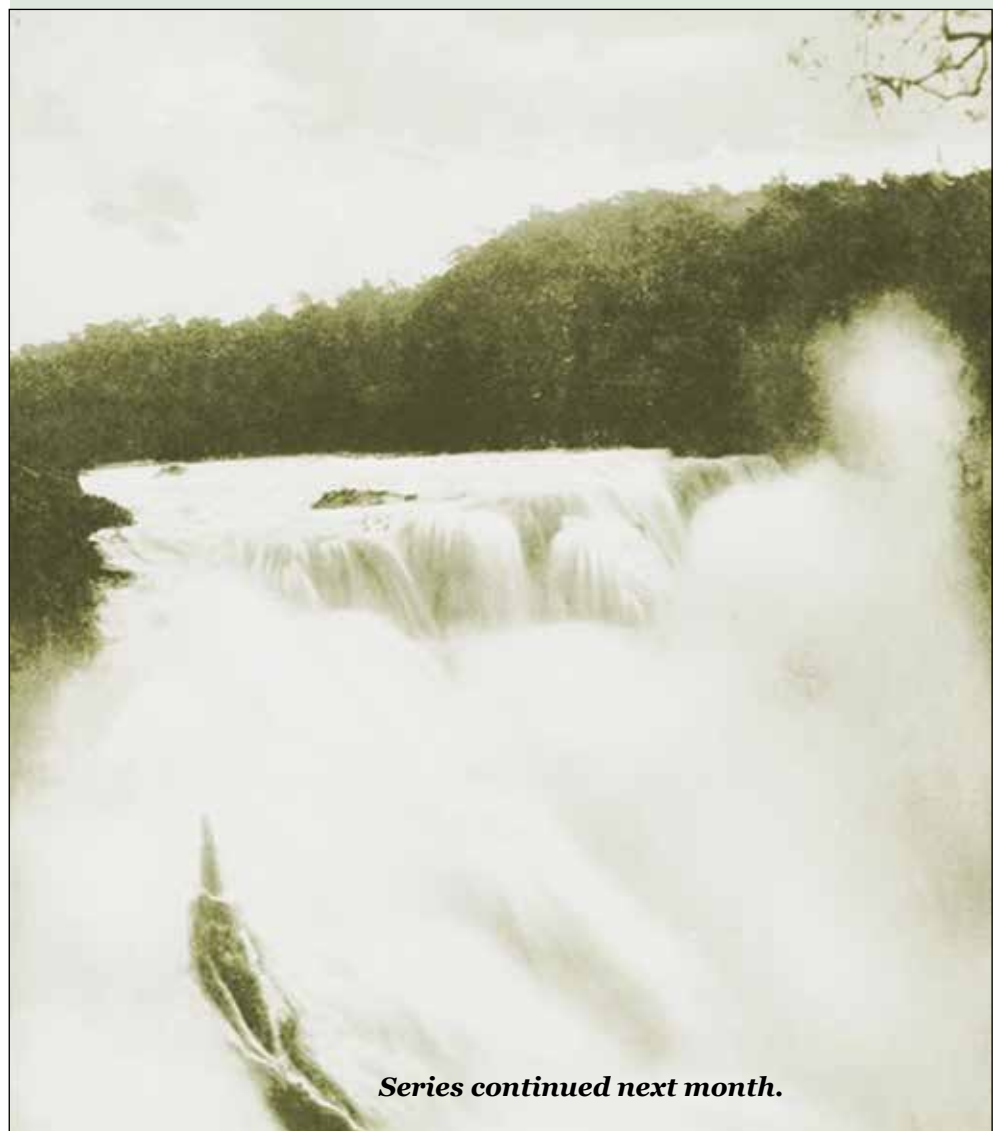
The Chinese presence in the far north dates back to 1873 when the days of gold were discovered on the Palmer River and throughout the Etheridge shire. However the gold rush was over nearly as quickly it began. Many Chinese returned to mainland China with great fortunes or remained to find alternative occupations. The area of Freshwater Valley saw many Chinese settle and grow large scale crops of bananas, pineapples and citrus fruits. In 1887 the Cairns to Kuranda railway line had reached Redlynch so the Chinese market gardener would send their produce to Cairns on the new rail line which was then shipped south each week.



## Chapter 21

### ***The Cairns-Kuranda Railway line opened for goods traffic***

On June 15th 1891, Mr Johnstone, one of three Railway Commissioners at that time, opened the line for goods traffic only. Just ten days later, the Cairns-Kuranda Railway line was opened to tourist traffic. Kuranda became very popular with holiday makers and was advertised as "The Niagara of Australia". Kuranda also became a very popular honeymoon spot for the locals who would travel to Kuranda via rail after their wedding ceremonies. Soon Kuranda Station became known as "Honeymoon Station" due to the considerable flood of newly married couples.



*Series continued next month.*







## The Language of Pets

**ANIMAL LANGUAGE** not only allows our pets to talk and understand each other, it's a vital form of communication for creatures that live together. Many examples of communication take place between members of different species. Animals talk to other animals with various signs: visual, sound, echolocation, vibrations, body language, and smell. Obviously each different kind has their own type of language and the majority of animal communication occurs within a single species.

Dogs for example are social creatures that live together in the wild. As such, they need a language in order to get along as survival depends on every dog in the group staying healthy and productive. To a doggie pack, conflicts are dangerous as they cause physical injuries and a weakened pack which is something no pack can afford. This means that dog language not only allows dogs to communicate and understand each other but practice effective conflict resolution. In fact we humans could learn a lot from our canine companions. Not only do dogs talk to each other via a intricate system of sign language, vocalisation and scent which includes body posture, fur elevation, tail semaphore, and use of eyes but they are very adept at using calming signals to ward off possible fights. Dogs have an incredibly rich vocabulary using specific signals in stressful situations they encounter with other dogs – and humans. Yawning, licking, turning of the head, sniffing the ground, laying down with the belly against the ground, making the face round and smooth with the ears flat against the head, are all signs the dog is trying to calm you, itself and or another dog. Added to

that, much dog-to-dog communication is done through smell, hence, much to our disgust, butt-sniffing or in doggy language the 'doggy handshake.' When one dog greets another with a nose in his bottom, it's basically getting a brief biography of its new friend, written in molecules and pheromones. To the sides of a dog's butt are pouches called anal sacs; these contain glands which secrete chemicals that can tell a sniffer a lot of information about their owner, like gender, reproductive status, and clues about its health, diet and even emotional state.

Cat talk and cat language on the other hand is a little more puzzling. Feline communication is predominantly a silent language, however like dogs, they do use a complex language of sign, vocalisation and scent cues. As well as meowing, purring, hissing and growling cats use their eyes, ears and tail to communicate intent. Just like our canine companions, a cat's posture indicates everything from confidence to fear and submission. Even the height of the tail as well as the motion has meaning. A flailing or thumping tail is usually a signal to keep your distance.

Even horses will hold their ears, heads and tails to convey their mood. Ears that are slightly forward indicate that a horse is relaxed while ears pricked forward means he's interested. On the other hand ears that are flattened back are a clear signal your horse is upset. Added to that, the way a horse is holding its head means different things. If your horse is shaking his head and lowering his head slightly and moving his neck from side to side he is showing signs of aggression. Tails swishing can also indicate agitation and a warning for other horses to keep their distance.

While birds mostly communicate by making vocal sounds, such as thrills, squawks, clicks and singing, they also communicate by beating their wings and performing visual displays. Evidence suggests that singing, in part, is to proclaim and defend their territories. Studies have also shown that songs play a crucial role in attracting and impressing potential mates and as in humans, singing in birds is often a chance to simply show off.

We may have more in common with our furry companions that we realised.

### Dog Registration Renewal

Council issued a number of infringement notices to people who failed to register their dog or update their dog registration details by the due date of 30th June 2015. Council has decided to withdraw these infringement notices as a result of a minor administrative error in the renewal notices where an incorrect BPAY number was provided.

"Dog owners now have until Friday 4th September to pay their dog registration or update the details. After this date any person with an outstanding dog registration or found to be keeping an unregistered dog will be issued with a fresh infringement notice," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"Where Council impounds your unregistered dog it will cost a minimum of \$210 to have it released, plus registration fees and microchipping costs as well as sustenance fees if impounded for longer than 24 hours," Cr Gilmore said.

"Where Council impounds your registered dog it will be returned at no cost on the first occasion (provided you have a proper enclosure) and at significantly lower costs (starting from \$80) on the subsequent impoundment," Mayor Gilmore said.

The Animal Management Act requires for all dogs to be registered, so Council is encouraging everyone to register their animals before Friday 4th September to avoid any fees or fines.

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# The Happy Potter

A new mini-film, *The Happy Potter*, featuring a notable local artist, is scheduled for broadcast nationally on ABC News24 at: 11.55am, 5.55pm and 4.25am (following day) Sydney time, Wednesday 2nd September.

About the film:

*Deep within the rainforests of Kuranda, Far North Queensland, lurks a master ceramicist.*

For forty years, Peter Thompson has laboured long and hard in the tireless pursuit of art, no matter the cost.

The bulk of Thompson's days are spent gathering the raw materials — digging up clay from rivers, creeks and road cuttings, and collecting and stacking wood — in the heavy tropical heat.

Next, a carefully selected mix of minerals from across the region is lovingly fermented in a French porcelain bathtub. The matured soft clay lured into wondrous organic shapes on a simple stick wheel.

Once a year, the completed pots are fired for three days straight with temperatures reaching over 1300°C in a home-made Anagama kiln — a traditional Chinese high temperature wood-fired tunnel kiln.

During the firing, wood ash and volatile salts settle on the clay, and the interaction between flame, ash and minerals creates a rich natural glaze. And as all the clay and wood is sourced locally, Thompson's works are wholly unique with a distinct provenance and flavour.

Thompson has studied in China and elsewhere, plus he helped make India's first Anagama kiln. After many years of dedicated experimentation, Thompson has achieved international standing. Overseas students travel to Kuranda to work alongside him, and collectors in the know hunt him down in his hidden studio to pounce on his pots.

But most of all, Thompson's very own being has been shaped and given lustre in the knowledge — indeed, the hallowed bliss — he is truly living a life well-lived.



## Local Marketeer Helps Truckies

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The Trans-Help Foundation, National Transport Support Service, began in 2006. The founder (Dianne Carroll) was given an OAM (Order of Australia) in 2010, for her outstanding contribution to the Transport Industry.

Trans-Help have a small fleet of Ford Transit vans, decked out with medical equipment (like an ambulance) and staffed by volunteer medical personnel, visiting major Roadhouses around the country, giving checkups to drivers.

It is not possible to pull up a B-double or Road-train in country towns or anywhere, so the driver can visit a doctor. Also it is almost impossible trying to make an appointment in advance, in the city or the bush. He may not be in the right part of town, free of work, able to safely leave his truck, at the correct time.

If I can pay for another tank or so of diesel, to keep a van on the road just a little longer, then perhaps I can save a life. This is my way of giving back. So I sell quality 18k Gold & 925 Silver jewellery to raise support for Trans-Help.

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— Steffany

[Steffany is also a valued member of the volunteer team at The Kuranda Paper — Ed]

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**1** Find the value of the 3 shapes.

$$\begin{aligned} \square \div \bigcirc &= \triangle \\ \triangle - \bigcirc &= \bigcirc + 2 \\ \triangle + \bigcirc &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

**3** What is so fragile that when its name is spoken, it's broken?

**5** A box half-full of apples weighs 13kg. The same box one-third full of apples weighs 9kg. What is the mass of the empty box?

**2** Find a nine letter word beginning with the centre letter.  
Make 10 words with 3 or more letters using only the 9 letters provided.

D	L	A
I	B	I
L	S	R

**4** A rule connects the numbers in the top row with those in the bottom row. What is the missing number?

7	6	12	15
5	3	6	?

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## Range Road...same old...

There continues to be the usual spate of incidents on the Kuranda Range Road culminating in reports of four separate incidents on Sunday 23 August. A tree removal on 19 August added to travellers' angst over the past couple of weeks, resulting in traffic being delayed for over an hour. Locals and travellers are urged to check FaceBook "Kuranda Range Updates" before venturing up or down the range.

Photos from FaceBook: Below: Luke Ritchings; Right: Robbie Basham



## Buck's Sure Got The Art Bug

Kuranda artist **Buck Richardson** is on a roll, winning a bunch of art awards ahead of the opening of his first exhibition at Kick Arts at the Cairns Centre of Contemporary Arts at 3.00pm on Saturday 26th September 2015.

"In the last few weeks I've picked up the digital art award and another commendation at Mareeba Art Show, as well as the digital art award at the Cairns Show," he said.

"Not bad for a old coot," he added, saying it was never too late for an old dog to try new tricks, and that he was busier than ever these days.

The Kuranda Arts Coop member also has a new work in the Queensland Regional Art Awards, having won the digital art award there last year, spending two weeks as artist-in-residence at The Edge at the State Library in Brisbane as the prize.

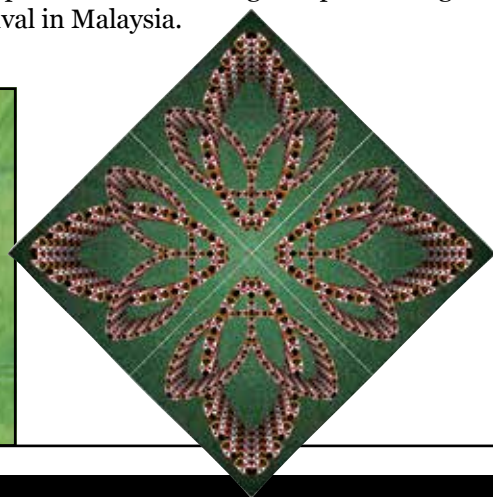
In August his latest book, *Tropical Queensland Wildlife from Dusk to Dawn: science and art* was delivered, with outlets in Kuranda and Cairns. The book contains over 1,800 of his photographs of moths and other species from the Wet Tropics World Heritage area, interspersed with over 30 artworks designed using digital art from the elements of their wings and other features.

In September, Dr Geoff Monteith from the Queensland Museum will launch the book at the National Entomology Conference in Cairns, and then Buck's exhibition will open at the Cairns Centre of Contemporary Art.

"I sure hope my friends and supporters from Kuranda can put this into their diaries and come to the opening, as they are all very welcome," Buck said.

In October, in a creative exchange titled *Tropics to Tropics*, Buck is one of a group of local artists, musicians and performers exhibiting and performing at the Johor Bharu International Art festival in Malaysia.

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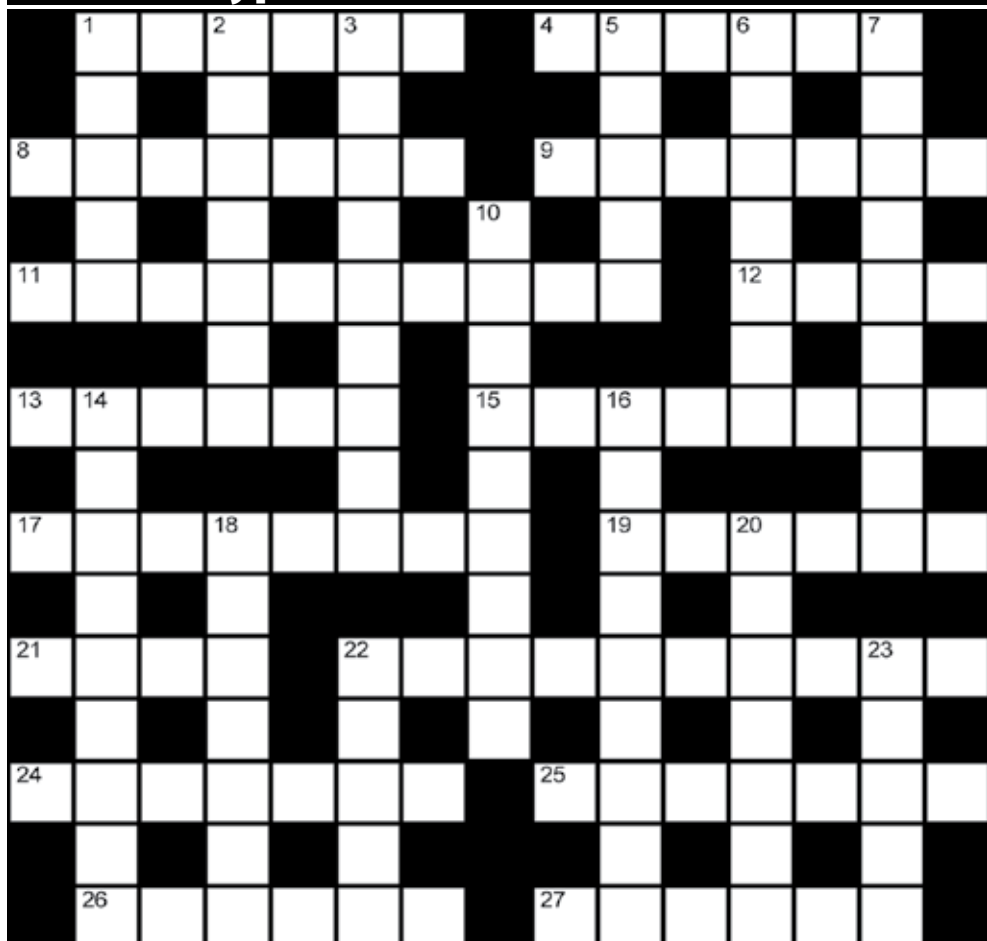
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## Cryptic Crossword #17 BY DAVID



### Across

- Fathers taking exercise with king - it's news (6)
- Jumped from crash on bend (6)
- Reportedly a Balkan national in charge is harsh (7)
- This person may develop more gut (7)
- Attendants set us there by arrangement (10)
- Pick up speed from being regenerated (4)
- Sickness comes from messing with drug in sauna (6)
- Floor covering that's going to be chucked? (5,3)
- Crew take time to get cargo (8)
- Partner at home can be patient (6)
- Deployment involves tactic (4)
- We hear that knight attacked on horseback, and took a toll (10)
- Briefly wearing clothes but no point (2, 5)
- Man follows code and is honourable (7)
- Officer points to signal (6)
- Coal not left to burn (6)

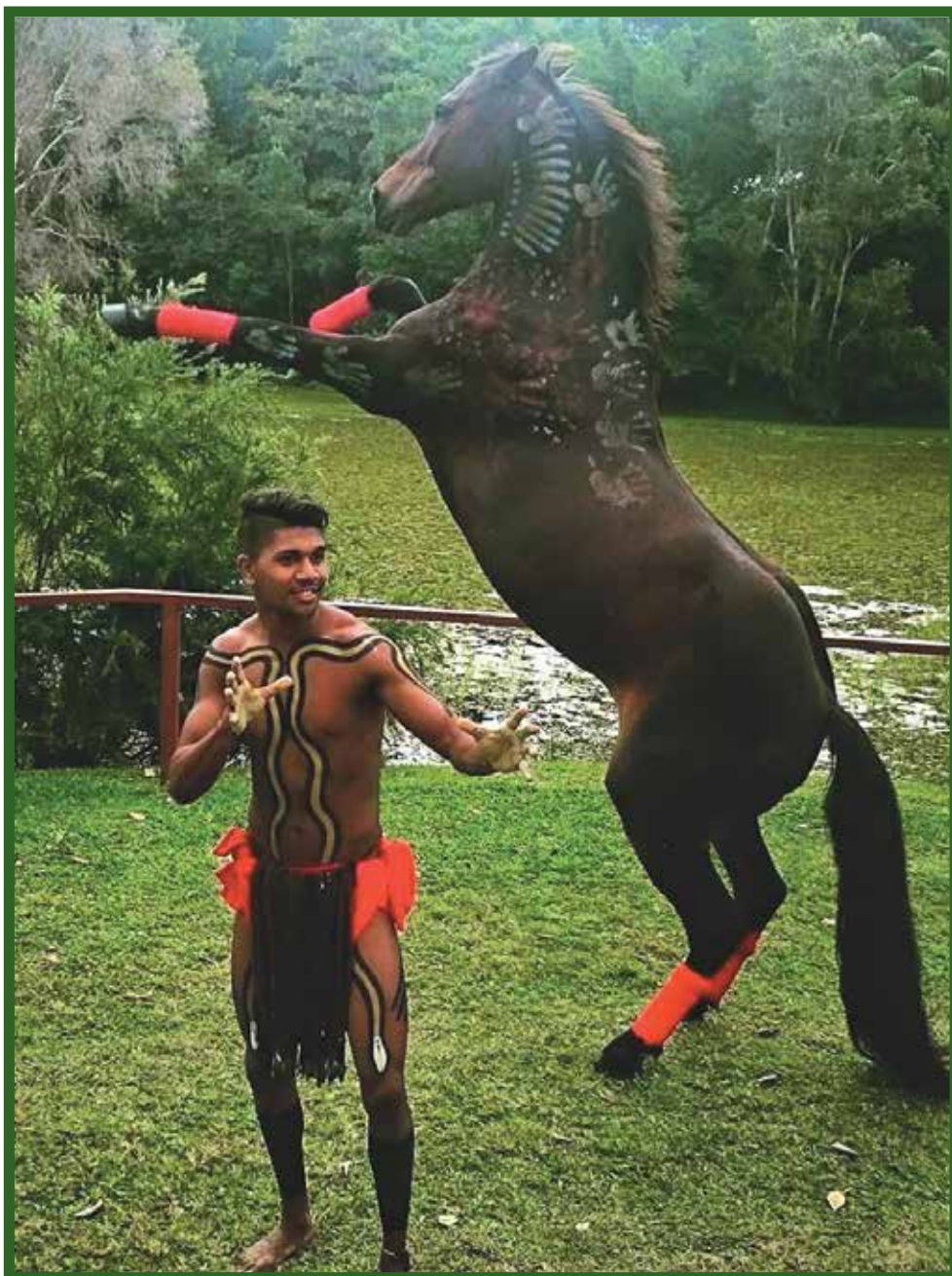
### Down

- Quietly takes steps to establish treaties (5)
- Average times taken for very large distances (7)
- Speed around point and burst American tyre, then have another go (9)
- 6 down might be held up by these (5)
- Aviators remove unwanted bend from propeller (7)
- Much-admired relative (5-4)
- Reportedly memorial to politician is required (9)
- Hair colour remains fair (3-6)
- Taking little time his grace assembled parliament (9)
- Spirits have drunk spy being given directions by companion (7)
- Man takes me for a drink (7)
- Shoot small conceited person (5)
- First lady and daughter go to orient to make escape (5)

**SOLUTION ON PAGE 28**







Above: Leslie Bassani Jr and Rumba The Wonder Horse. Rumba is owned and trained by Georgia Bruce. Rumba got together with the boys from Tjapukai for NAIDOC week.



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## Neighbourhood Centre News – September 2015

### September Family Day

The next Family Day of the year is scheduled for Tuesday the 29th of September. These events are held three times per year and are funded through local community donations from *The Kuranda Paper*, Medical Centre and sometimes other local businesses. Other contributions are made by members of the Kuranda Interagency Network. They are completely free events for local families and community members with a theme of healthy lifestyle choices and community participation and connectedness. If you wish to participate, contribute or coordinate an activity please ring Marg on 4093 8933 or email on [knc@qld.chariot.net.au](mailto:knc@qld.chariot.net.au).

### Justices of Peace at KNC

KNC is lucky to have two volunteers who are JPs. Fran is here from 1.00-5.00pm on Tuesdays and Jo is here all day Wednesdays. For enquiries call KNC on 4093 8933.

### Seedlings

We have a large and fresh supply of seedlings back at KNC – please drop in and have a look at the range. Punnets are \$1 each. It is still good weather to put in your veggie garden. Funds raised go back into programs and activities at the Centre.

### Drug and Alcohol Programs

Counsellors from Community Services Tablelands and Relationships Australia will be coming to do group programs. To enquire or register for programs, please contact Marg or Ceri.

### Salvation Army Financial Counselling

A gambling help/financial counsellor from Salvation Army will come to KNC (when there is demand) on Wednesdays to see people who are experiencing financial difficulties with debts, debilitating contracts, high interest loans or other problems that are causing financial stress. Again, all sessions are strictly confidential and appointments can be made by calling 4093 8933 and asking for Ceri or Marg.

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**The Cairns Hinterland Steiner School** will be hosting an Art auction following an exhibition of works by Students and Local Artists. All proceeds will go towards raising funds for the high school exchange program this October to Chengdu, China.

The school is welcoming artworks to be exhibited from the Local Arts community either by donation or on commission, any inquiries regarding this please call Barb 0419 143 083. The Exhibition 'Art from the Heart' will be held during the week prior to the Auction and open during school hours from Monday 31st August thru till Thursday 3rd September.

There will be wine and refreshments available for purchase, yummy snacks and live music on the evening. The event will take place 5.30-7.30pm on Thursday evening 3rd of September in the Majella Mary Hall, Cairns Hinterland Steiner School, 46 Boyles Road, Kuranda.







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

**Rates Notices:** Notices for the half year ending 31st December 2015 were issued on 17th August 2015. The discount due date is Friday 18th September 2015. If you have not received your notice, or if you have questions regarding the details shown on the notice, please contact Council.

Rates can be paid at the Kuranda Library, the Kuranda Post Office or online via BPay.

**KCP Kuranda Community Precinct:** Works on the new Library and Council Service Centre are progressing well and the building is expected to be finished by mid-October. The Official Opening will be held on Saturday 21st November from 11.00am until 2.00pm and everyone is invited to join in the celebrations and activities. The Advisory Committee is continuing to work on the long term plans for the entire Community Precinct.

**Planning Scheme:** The new Planning Scheme is nearing completion and over the next few months there will be opportunities for residents to provide feedback. The proposed new MSC Planning Scheme is significantly based on the work of the Draft TRC Plan, as well as the public consultation conducted and all the submissions received at that time. The State Overlays have been closely re-considered (within the limits of the framework of the State requirements)

**City Slider Event:** Tourism Kuranda is hosting the City Slider on Saturday 26th September. The giant waterslide will be set up in Arara Street and ticket sales show that there will be large numbers of people in Kuranda for the event. Congratulations to Marc and Tourism Kuranda for securing this event.

**Tourism Kuranda:** The current Committee is due to retire and nominations for the new Committee were advertised and closed recently. The new Committee will be finalised by early September. Thank you to those members who are standing down.

**Koah Hall:** A new Committee has been elected and the Koah Hall is up and running again. Thank you to the new Committee (including Sarah Rizvi, Priscilla Maree, Peter Barker, Shanda and Michael Benjak, Amanda Grist and Jaia Brunt) who will now manage the hall. Contacts for hall bookings – Ph: 0439 080 874 Email: [koah.hall@gmail.com](mailto:koah.hall@gmail.com) Facebook: koah.hall

**Roadworks:** Line marking around Kuranda District is now almost complete. Traffic Counters have also been placed at

locations at Top of The Range. Tenders for construction of the bridge at Speewah have been called.

**Dog Registrations:** A reminder that dogs need to be registered, microchipped and kept in an enclosed yard. Council staff are regularly called to respond to dogs wandering, dogs barking and unfortunately dog attacks. Responsible pet ownership benefits everyone, including your pets.

**Parking:** The parking bays in Thongon Street (near the Post Office and Foodworks) are 15 minute parking. There is now a 15 minute loading bay immediately in front of the Post Office. These changes are designed to allow more people to find a park.

**Speewah Residents Association:** The next Meeting will be held on Monday 28th September at 6.00pm at the Shed at RosCommon. This is a good opportunity for Speewah residents to be better informed and raise issues that affect Speewah.

**Multicultural Festival:** The annual Multicultural Festival will be held on Saturday 29th August in Mareeba. This is always a great event with lots of entertainment and food stalls. Council assists with some in-kind support to various community events throughout the shire.

**KIAC Update Re Therwine St Re-development:** I hope that residents took the opportunity to look at the design plans recently on display around the Village. Works will commence soon and will be arranged so as to minimise impacts on retail trading.

**Reserve in Booroo Street:** Tenders closed last week and the tenders are currently being assessed. A decision will be made by Council in early September.

**Optional Kerbside Recycling Bins:** All property owners will soon receive a letter asking whether they wish to have a kerbside pick-up of a recycling bin each fortnight. The service is optional and entails a small charge. In order to be viable, a significant number of property owners are required. The letters will be sent to the property owner, not the resident.

**New Water Meters:** Over the next months, Council will be installing the new "Taggle" automated water meters in Kuranda. A small attachment will be installed onto existing meters and the technology will enable Council to track water usage. Any leaks or sudden increases in normal usage will be able to be identified immediately and Council will then be able to inform residents as soon as a problem arises.

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Council Service Centre at the  
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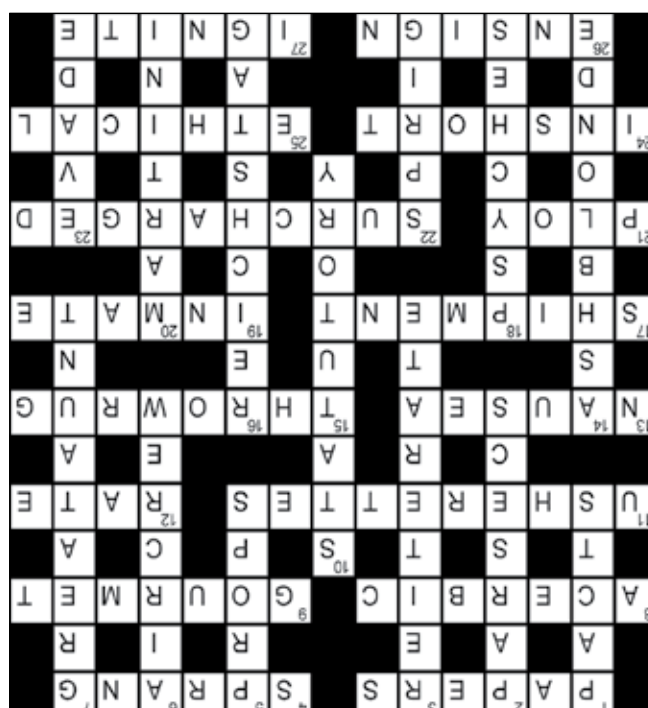
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Father's Day will be celebrated on Sunday 6th September, 2015 and Kuranda Library is hosting a craft aimed at school-age children. This event will be held after school, at 3.30 pm, on Tuesday 1st September, 2015. Please book, as we only have 10 slots available.



2nd September, 2015 is 'Indigenous Literacy Day' and to celebrate this event, Kuranda and Mareeba Libraries will be holding a **Great Book Swap Challenge**, which will run from 2nd–16th September 2015. This is a fundraising event where you bring along one of your favourite books to the 'Library Swap Table' and, for a gold coin donation, you can swap it for someone else's book. The Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) is a non-for-profit charity which provides books and literacy resources for Indigenous children and families in remote communities. To find out more about this very worthwhile charity visit <http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au>.



During the month of September, Kuranda Library will be having a Monster Book Sale. You will be able to fill a bag for only \$5.00. We will provide the bag – all you have to do is make your selections. These proceeds will also go to the indigenous Literacy Foundation.



### Other Dates To Remember:

The very popular 'Frond Weaving with Clayton' is being offered again. The date is Wednesday 23rd September, 2015 and runs from 10.30am-12.30pm. We suggest bringing a hat as this activity is held outside on our front lawn.

Thank you to our kind patrons who donated coloured plastic lids to be used by FlexiChoice in Mareeba. You are invited to the unveiling of their Recycled Street Art, at a family event, to celebrate 'Disability Action Week', on Saturday 19th September, 2015 from 8.30am-12 noon, at 130 Mason Street, Mareeba (2 doors from Coffee Works).

There will only be one Baby Rhymetime session for September 2015: 10am-10.45am on Wednesday 9th September, 2015.

Please remember that we do not run either Baby Rhymetime or Storytime sessions during the school holidays which, this year, run from 19th September to 6th October, 2015.



Mareeba Shire Council ratepayers will, by now, have received their Rates Notices in the mail. Please advise Council if you have not received your notice.

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For all information relating to the Mareeba Shire Council please see [www.msc.qld.gov.au](http://www.msc.qld.gov.au)

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As Kuranda Branch starts our 79th year, it is with sadness that we give our condolences to Yvonne Dighton on the passing of her husband, Bob. A true gentleman who supported our branch in many ways, he will be sadly missed by all.

Our craft ladies have started our new year by making drawstring bags (approx 50 hrs volunteer work) for family emergency use in the Far North.

Hall bookings are very steady and we are fortunate in have great rentees.

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August was a very busy month which saw my time divided between Finance and Administration Committee and Budget Estimate Committee meetings at Parliament and meetings in the electorate.

A big thank you to the Kuranda Chamber of Commerce which called a public meeting to address issues which resulted in the Kuranda Range Road being closed for lengthy times last month due to accidents.

The meeting raised a number of issues that I am currently addressing with Main Roads and I will continue to liaise with the chamber.

Several weeks ago I showed Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey the shabby condition of the Henry Ross Lookout on the Kuranda Range. As a result of the visit he established a \$3m Scenic Lookout Fund with up to \$300k available per site with a council contribution.

I have held meetings with the Mayor who is very supportive and also staff from Wet Tropics Management who have indicated they will provide interpretive signage to inform tourists of the unique local environment.

The Cairns Post ran a story on my advocacy for the lookout and as a result I was contacted by members of Rotary who informed me about the history of the vandalised cairn at the lookout.

It was the first memorial to the Battle of the Coral Sea and was unveiled in 1952 which was attended by Australian and American military and dignitaries from Rotary International. This is a very significant memorial and amazingly, due to the recent publicity [*Kuranda Paper*, September 2014 edition] it has turned up having been found a number of years ago at the tip, albeit in need of some restoration.

Still on the subject of Kuranda, congratulations to KurandaCoots, a Circus, Comedy, Cabaret entertainment group which has been successful in receiving \$18,000 funding from Annastacia Palaszczuk in her capacity of Arts Minister.

Highlights of the month include:

- The honour of opening the Marlin Coast Netball Association's new netball court at Yorkeys Knob State School in partnership with the school. The combined effort of both will mean local students and the community will benefit from this sporting infrastructure. Thank you everyone involved for all your help and direction in making this possible.
- Attending the Master Builders Awards and announcing the winners for 2015 Far North Queensland Project of the Year winner was Keir Qld Pty Ltd for Redlynch Shopping Centre Expansion and the Far North Queensland House of the Year winner was La Spina Homes for The Edge at Port Douglas.
- The opening of the Marlin Coast Men's Shed. Congratulations to Bob and the Men's Shed Committee for their tireless work to make the project a reality.
- Congratulations to local butcher Brett Harland of Trinity Beach Quality Meats for taking out the Australian Meat Industry Council's Queensland Sausage King State Final held at the Ekka.

As always, if I can be of assistance please do not hesitate to contact my office.

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We're now at full capacity with the number of Jobfind participants we can accommodate. It's not only job seekers who are seeding new industries at KCons. We also have volunteers and Conservation Volunteers – we're doing 6 days a week these days. This workforce is allowing us to take on revegetation projects for both Council, private enterprises and residents. We're in the process of building a kiosk from which we'll be able to sell and display woodwork (beads and bowls), bonsai and hanging planters. We're not standing still waiting for our payments – we're setting the pace.

Artist Allan Newbury presented this painting to the KCons' nursery to say thank you for the opportunity to work in this innovative work place.

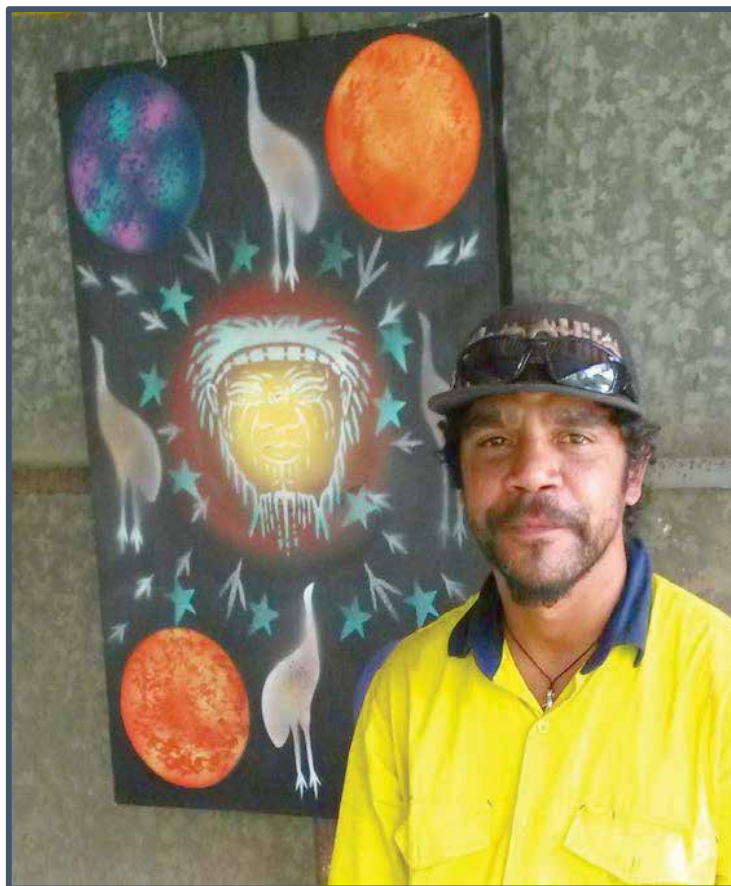
The KCons community nursery is nearly always open at 1 Pademelon Lane (cnr Fallon Rd and Kennedy Hwy).

Cane-tops mulching hay for \$9 per bale is proving to be very popular!

While we'll probably get some rain between now and the "wet season", we can expect long, hot, dry stretches requiring lots of watering and a good layer of mulch to keep the water in the ground.

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Cattana Wetlands started out as a sugar cane farm and sand mining quarry and has since been purchased by Cairns Council, primarily to protect the 30 hectares of lowland rainforest on the western end of the site. This forest, described as the Feather Palm Forest, is a remnant of a once extensive forest type that is now confined to only a few remnant patches in the Cairns region. Council and State govt. spent \$3m on the site restoration with construction of 420m boardwalks, walking tracks, bird hides and viewing platforms, picnic areas, interpretative signs, car park, access road and toilet facilities.

Council has planted over 70,000 native plants and undertaken extensive weed removal to form an enjoyable 80ha nature conservation park salt water lake with abundant plant and birdlife. If you haven't been to this hidden gem it's definitely worth a visit.

*Above: KEC volunteers enjoying the fan palm forest boardwalk*



### Your time needed to support eradication

#### Yellow Crazy Ant (YCA) Community Taskforce Kuranda

Monitoring of the YCA with jam and cat food lures is continuing every Friday with Mikhaila at Russett Park. It's easy exercise with a 100m stroll for a pair of volunteers. If you have a spare couple of hours, it would be most appreciated. Better understanding of this pest is needed to beat them at their "death to our wildlife and disrupt our lifestyle" game.

Volunteers can help in more ways than this way above, please register your interest in volunteering with the Yellow Crazy Ant Community Taskforce at [www.envirocare.org.au](http://www.envirocare.org.au).

The outcome won't be good for this frog or any other wildlife nearby YCA.

We were successful in gaining a terrain NRM grant to fully establish the YCA Taskforce Kuranda team and to pay a local resident as part time coordinator for a year. We'll be seeking further funding to extend the part time coordinator in this long term project. A nice way to donate. We've been offered the beautiful Eternal Endemism

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*Left: Here's what we have to lose. YCA snapped on critically endangered wildlife L.myola.*



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*If you would like to come in and check out our great selection of native plants don't hesitate to drop in for a chat. See above for opening hours. Our trees are all a \$2 donation.*

### Date Claimers

- **Sunday 30 August** 7.00am: Treeforce Community Day, carpool from nursery.
- **Thursday 3 September** 7.00pm: General Meeting Kuranda Recreation Centre. All Welcome. Discussion on Forward Planning.
- **Sunday 6 September:** visit our Carnival on Collins stall in the **Ecozone**.
- **Saturday 12 September** 8.00am: Community Planting day, meet at nursery, bring hat and water bottle, gloves if you have them. Holes will be dug. We're aiming for 400 trees in ground.

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### The Mailbag

Hi, my name is Zahra and I'm 9 years old. I now live in Australia but I was born in Holland. Holland is north of the Equator and very cold in winter. We could have a snowball fight every year!. When I was four we moved to Australia and I joined the Flying Fish Point School. Straight away I had lots of friends. Two years later Dad decided we would move back to Holland. Dad's friend in Australia wanted to go on a holiday, but there was no one to look after his passion fruit farm. We came back to Australia, my sister and I went to a new school in Mirrinni and that is where I met my two best friends Mimi and Samara. I was super happy when I discovered our new house was next to Mimi's. I am thankful for my family, as we are always together.



## Dragon's Question



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How many can you find

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  - People who didn't peel potatoes were regarded as lazy.
  - Indian restaurants were only found in India.
  - Cooking outside was called camping.
  - Seaweed was not a recognised food.
  - "Kebab" was not even a word, never mind a food.
  - Prunes were medicinal.
  - Surprisingly, muesli was readily available, but it was called cattle feed.
  - Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than petrol for it, they would have become a laughing stock!
  - Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days and was regarded as being white gold. Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.
  - There's some things that were never had on the table in the fifties - "Elbows, phones, iPads etc"
- Who amongst us admits to remembering all this?

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## A Thought for September

**T**HIS month we read from St Mark's Gospel Chapter 7.verses 31-37. There is utter simplicity about this healing. One cannot probe the text for possible ways in which it was accomplished. There are no mysterious techniques to be examined. Two figures are slipping away from the crowd. Eventually they turn and face one another as we look from a distance. Jesus gently takes the man's head between his hands, adopting the timeless stance of what to this day we call the laying on of hands. Fingers probe the blocked ears. A hand touches the extended and partially imprisoned tongue. A prayer is offered, a word is spoken, and the world changes for one human being.

What is it that speaks to us across the centuries? The presence of Jesus heals. We discover this in prayer, in meditation, in worship, in sacrament. Countless Christians have found a sense of release when they have felt the sacred bread on their tongues as they receive Jesus in the form of that bread. They may not have gained freedom from actual inability to speak, but rather from many other ways of being dumb, being unable to say certain things that should be said.

There are all sorts of reasons why men and women may need their ears opened and their tongues released by the grace of Christ. We may need our ears opened to hear things which at the moment we are incapable of hearing. Perhaps a spouse is telling us something about our relationship, something to which we are completely deaf. Perhaps people are saying things to us in connection with our job. If we could hear them, we might respond by improving our performance and our professional relationships, but we are incapable of hearing. Perhaps Our Lord himself is trying to get us to hear his voice in our spiritual experience. But we are deaf to him because of busyness or the illusion that we have achieved a high spiritual level.

Likewise there are many reasons why we may need our tongues released. We may need our tongue freed to say certain things that must and should be said. We may need to say simply that we are deeply sorry. Many are not able to say that most precious and necessary word. We may need to tell someone else that we love them. We may need our tongue released from certain things as well as for certain things. We may need to be freed from filthy language, from the tendency to gossip, from a need to pull others down. In all such ways we can become the figure slipping away from the crowd with Jesus, standing before Him, being touched by His hands of grace, and being healed. There are many ways in which we have need of Jesus' grace to open our ears and free our tongues.

### News from St Saviour's Church

On the weekend of August the Ninth and Tenth, we had a very important occasion to celebrate. The Patronal Festival, the feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord on the Holy Mountain. St Saviour' is dedicated to Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ (St Saviour). We had a wonderful service with some great singing. The service on Saturday Evening was followed by a delicious meal served in the crypt. On Sunday we had another inspiring service, again the singing was marvellous. St Saviour's is gearing up for the Blessing of the Animals Service on Sunday 4th of October, the service will be held in the area at the back of the Church and all creatures great and small are welcome with their minders. Later in October St Saviour's will celebrate its Centenary (yes 100 years). If anyone has or knows of any very old photos of St Saviour's prior to 1950 it would be good if we could get a copy of them for our centenary book.



## Baha'i Thought for the Month

"Behold how the sun shines upon all creation, but only surfaces that are pure and polished can reflect its glory and light. The darkened soul has no portion of the revelation of the glorious effulgence of reality; and the soil of self, unable to take advantage of that light, does not produce growth. The eyes of the blind cannot behold the rays of the sun; only pure eyes with sound and perfect sight can receive them. Green and living trees can absorb the bounty of the sun; dead roots and withered branches are destroyed by it. Therefore, man must seek capacity and develop readiness. As long as he lacks susceptibility to divine influences, he is incapable of reflecting the light and assimilating its benefits. Sterile soil will produce nothing, even if the cloud of mercy pours rain upon it a thousand years.

— Abdu'l-Bahá

- **Morning prayers** each Thursday at 8.00am, in the park in lower Therwine Street Kuranda followed by coffee
- **Meditations/Reflections:** Devotional meeting based on the Scriptures of the World's great Religions, by arrangement
- **Study Circles** now available in Mareeba and Kuranda on spiritual themes. Anyone can join in the study circle, no charge
- **Also** regular events in Cairns, Atherton, Malanda, Tolga, Mareeba and other places
- Telephone 4093 7120/4093 9571 or [www.bahai.org](http://www.bahai.org); or [www.bahai.org.au](http://www.bahai.org.au)

From the Baha'i Community of Mareeba/Kuranda





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**Yoga at Myola:** \$10/class, \$6 concession Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.00am & Saturdays 10.00am Introduction to Yoga class for strength and flexibility. Limited numbers: Pat Daly 4093 8509.

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**Looking for single or share house.** 34 yo single male. Interests: yoga, art, crafts. Can cook and grow food. Have no pets. Flat grassy outdoor area is essential. **Josh 0476 922 555**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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Opening Times**  
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Monday to Friday  
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**TOLGA MARKET**

1st Sunday of Month

**SPEEDWAH MARKET**

2nd/4th Sunday

## Rainfall Last Month

28 July to 24 August **30.4mm**

Wettest day 24/8/15 8.8mm • Rainfall so far this year: 1378.6mm • Wet Days: 10 • Dry Days: 18

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**THIS is a trip! Writing this on the New Moon in Leo with a concentration of 6 planets binding Leo and Virgo together. Merging of the Royal and the Sacred at the heart centre.**

Now into September. There is a buzz here coming in from many directions and sources. Eclipses; Blood Moons; opening of portals and preparation for total transformation.

Ok, we've heard this many times before but it generally plays out much less sensationally than the predictions. But this time?

Well, there's an eclipse of the Sun on 13th September in Virgo, an Eclipse of the Moon on 28th in Aries, which my esoteric friends tell me will be a Blood Moon of great portent. Perhaps. But it does usher in the 6 month cycle which segues into 2016 – a number 9 year of completion with an Aries influence of exciting new beginnings.

In symbolic terms, with the Virgo Solar Eclipse we are looking now at a mating of the Warrior King and the High Priestess. Purifying and strengthening the blood lines and honouring the sacred.

However these times may play out in your own life will be specifically defined by their interaction with your birthchart. On a global scale it's got to be very, very positive. We are quantum leaping forward in all the important areas. Leadership; health; education; environmental and compassionate sharing of resources.

Saturn settles into Sagittarius mid-month taking all that is valuable and has been tested at bedrock from the past and the traditions, and going into the new and unknown with a real solid foundation.

Mars through Leo into Virgo just strengthens and enhances the eclipse symbolism – merging of the warrior and the sacred.

The 3 outer planets all retrograde. Nothing gets too out of control or ahead of itself.

And Jupiter nicely settled into Virgo. Very positive for all forms of healing and purification, and opportunities to expand and access your best and most satisfying forms of work; service, and developing talents.

Venus in Leo all month. Love and beauty rule and the princess is dancing.

Then there is the Equinox. The Sun crosses the Equator at zero degrees Libra on 23rd September. For a moment everything sits in perfect balance. Anything done now will tip the scales. The solar system is also crossing the great Galactic Equator right now. A once in 25,000 years event – reversing the paradigms and the polarities. On the day of the Equinox the Moon is waxing in Aquarius: consciousness expands; dimensions open; the galactic community may be revealed as we re-synchronise.

Like I said: This is a trip, and we're taking it together. I hope you're enjoying the ride. Where does zero Libra fall on your birthchart? That will now define your path and possibilities. It's an exciting time!

Blessings



**Rob Hart**

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







## Community Calendar

### Every Month

KNC Management Committee Meeting 5.30pm Rob Veivers Drive Ph 4093 8933 for details

### Every Saturday

Kuranda Envirocare Tree Planting, Ph 4093 9926 for details or check website [www.envirocare.org.au](http://www.envirocare.org.au)

### First Saturday

Garden Group 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

### Every Sunday

A.A. CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599

Speewah Country Market 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361

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

### Second Sunday

Uniting Church Recreation Centre 4.30 pm, Krishna 4093 8730

### Every Monday

Kids Aerial Circus with Louise Kohn. Bookings essential at the Amphitheatre 3.30pm, 0424 928 917

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

### Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

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

Karate at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm to 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380

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

### Every Tuesday

Yoga at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

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

8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

Kuranda AA meeting Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, 7.30pm

### Second Tuesday

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

### Second & Fourth Tuesday

Mareeba Toastmasters meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Lenore Wyatt 0447 757 336. Guests welcome.

### Third Tuesday

Tourism Kuranda meets in the office, Centenary Park 4:30pm

### Every Wednesday

Yoga 5:30 pm Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 4093 7401

Lifeline Counselling at KNC (appointment necessary)

Craft and Social Morning at QCWA Hall 9.00am. Contact craft teacher 4093 7016

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

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

Mah Jong at KNC 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome

Yoga for kids. Limited places. Please phone 4093 8283

### First Wednesday

Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting 2.00pm at KNC

Kuranda and District Chamber of Commerce 4.30pm Kuranda Hotel

### Second Wednesday

QCWA meeting 12.00 at QCWA Hall Ph: President 4093 8215, Secretary 4093 8362

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

### Every Thursday

Kuranda Dance classes 6.00pm at the Kuranda Community Precinct during school term. Phone Lisa for enquiries 0409 367 967.

Rotary 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206

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

Capoeira Training and Roda. 7-8:30pm.

Phone Ole 0468 408 963

Kuranda Rangers Soccer: training 4.30-5.30pm

Linda 0437 255 229

Yoga at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

### Second Thursday

Ambulance 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

### First Friday

House of Chia Mareeba, Market 9.00-3.00

CONTRIBUTORS: PLEASE CHECK DETAILS AND ADVISE CHANGES

## Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother



*If you are doing  
all the talking,  
you are bound  
to be boring  
someone.*

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	#1315	#1315	
Ex: Speewah	*1550	*1550	
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	*1540	*1540	

\*SCHOOL DAYS ONLY # BOOKING REQUIRED  
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	1330	0900	1530
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*1510 from Smithfield to Koah Mon to Fri SCHOOL DAYS ONLY			
Departs Cairns	**0825	0825	0825
	1700	1000	**1615
		1700	

All services except 1000 go to Speewah & Koah if required

\*\*Mareeba

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CAIRNS 79 Abbott Street	6.50am	8.35am	11.35am	1.35pm	3.05pm
SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	7.05am	8.50am	11.50am	1.50pm	3.30pm
KURANDA	7.25am	9.10am	12.10pm	2.10pm	3.55pm

### KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE

Departs From	Shuttle Runs Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
KURANDA	*7.30am	9.15am	12.30pm	2.15pm	4.10pm
RAINFORESTATION	7.35am	9.20am	12.35pm	2.20pm	4.15pm
CAIRNS Central Rail Station	8.30am	10.00am	1.15pm	3.00pm	4.55pm

\*7.30am Shuttle via TAFE, Trinity Bay High, Cairns High - Excluding Sundays & Public Holidays  
\*3.00pm Shuttle via Cairns High, TAFE, Trinity Bay High - Excluding Sundays & Public Holidays

### ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS

Departs From	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday	
	1	2	3	1	2	*1*	**2**
ATHERTON	6.15am	9.00am	3.30pm	6.15am	9.00am	9.00am	3.30pm
MAREEBA	6.45am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.45am	9.30am	9.30am	4.00pm
SPEEWAH	7.10am	9.55am	4.25pm	7.10am	9.55am	9.55am	4.25pm
KURANDA	7.30am	10.05am	4.35pm	7.30am	10.05am	10.05am	4.35pm
CAIRNS Service Terminates	8.30am	11.15am	5.35pm	8.30am	11.15am	11.15am	5.35pm

### CAIRNS TO ATHERTON TABLELANDS

Departs From	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday	
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CAIRNS Central Rail Station	8.45am	3.20pm	5.45pm	8.45am	3.20pm	3.20pm	5.45pm
SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	9.00am	3.35pm	6.00pm	9.00am	3.35pm	3.35pm	6.00pm
KURANDA	9.20am	4.05pm	6.25pm	9.20am	4.05pm	4.05pm	6.25pm
SPEEWAH	9.25am	4.10pm	6.30pm	9.25am	4.10pm	4.10pm	6.30pm
MAREEBA	9.55am	4.40pm	6.55pm	9.55am	4.40pm	4.40pm	6.55pm
ATHERTON Service Terminates	10.30am	5.15pm	7.30pm	10.30am	5.15pm	5.15pm	7.30pm

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