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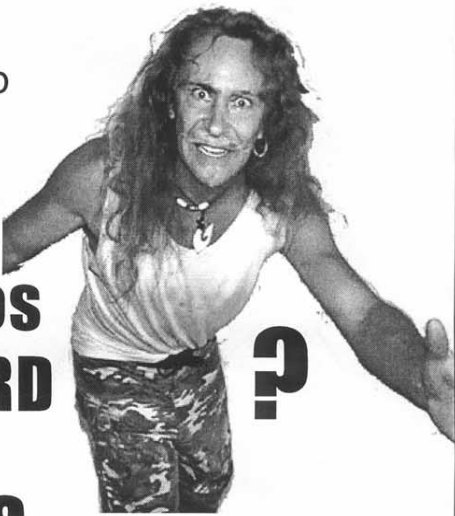
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The real winners were the Children's Leukemia Foundation. The proceeds from the Auction and raffles raised almost \$1000 on the day.

A grand day and a worthy cause!



John (Billy's Chef) taking time out with an attractive punter.



Angela, (Leukemia patient) son, Chris presenting thankyou gift to Una from Billys.

# COMMUNITY LETTERS

PO BOX 66 KURANDA 4872

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**Dear Kuranda Paper.**

I want to thank those honest, delightful, gorgeous, pure souls that handed in my purse to the Information Centre during the Spring Fair.

What is so special about that selfless act was the purse had absolutely no identification in it, only cold hard cash.

I'm loving you honourable teenagers whoever you may be and I'm loving the fact that you live in Kuranda.

Your Enthusiastic Admirer, Bronwen Lorraine Thersea Price Harris.

**Dear Kuranda Paper.**

For the past three and a half years Sue and Giovanni Patalaus along with their dedicated staff have had the pleasure to know and serve you all, at the Coffee Shop.

Last March we sold and handed over the business to our daughter Lora and her Fiance Greg. We wish them luck and hope they enjoy their business as we have done.

Keep up the good work Greg and Lora. All the best for the future, from Mum and Dad.

**Dear Kuranda Paper.**

At last astronomers have found solar systems around other stars, eighty seven planets at last count.

How arrogant of us to think that we are the only planet in the universe to have life on it. We even thought that we were the centre of the universe at one stage.

Sooner or later scientist will discover that we are not alone, and that the evolutionary universes are teeming with life, on suitable planets like our own, not to mention the central and eternal universe, where people have been living forever and where life originally came from.

A very Merry Christmas to everyone and Joyous New Year.

Yours sincerely, T.D. Hughes.

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

I am writing to express my disappointment with your publication. As you are aware, the Kuranda paper is compiled under the Kuranda Fire Station in our firefighters recreation room. This has been the case for many years now and it is a space that we, the Auxiliary Firefighters, provide as a community service to the newspaper free of charge.

Last month highlighted Fire Awareness Week across Queensland and we provided the Kuranda paper with several articles for publication in that months issue. These articles were preformatted and written out in their entirety. On receipt of the paper, I was disgusted to find that not only were we relegated to the very back page in a format that was reminiscent of a cheap advertisement but that only half of the submitted articles were printed! This is our most important week of the year and we were treated with what felt like utter contempt. If there was a space problem for this particular issue (and judging by the amount of "filler" in that issue this was not the case) then surely someone could have walked the 10 mtrs up to the front door of the station and discussed this with us.

It seems that maybe we need to address what is obviously a one-sided arrangement and come up with an alternative agreement.

Sincerely yours, Lt Karen Davies.

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

Please convey Christmas Greetings to all my friends and family who have supported me so caringly over the last two years. I have been carried along on a wave of good vibes, good wishes, good food, gifts and love, and I am so grateful. Cancer is a stealthy adversary and only concerted effort and eternal vigilance keeps it at bay.

Thank you Kuranda. Joan Dods, Myola Road

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

I would like to thank, very much all the kind people who donate their used stamps and phonecards to the Amnesty International campaign. And, I know I'm slightly late (sorry) but Christmas is just around the corner, so all stamps and phonecards would be gratefully received.

Thankyou, with sincerity, Silva Dumpmanis P.O Box 1500 4870

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 ~ NO MORE ROOM AT THE INN! All old photos  
 ~ and other submitted material from past Kuranda  
 ~ papers which has not been collected by December  
 ~ 31st will be given to the Clutter Fairy for  
 ~ disposal. Clubs, schools, you-know-who: Beware,  
 ~ come and retrieve your memorabilia or it will be  
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 ~ The Green House.  
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**February 2002 Paper**

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## Congratulations Hillary Occleston.

The Kuranda Promotion Program Kuranda Village Information would like to take this opportunity to CONGRATULATE HILLARY OCCLESTON on the old Newsagency turned new Newsagency & Pharmacy. It is a credit to Kuranda and the result of a lot of long hours hard work and foresight. I am sure that most of us are also looking forward to the opening of the Peter Jarver Art Gallery which will now be housed in the old Pharmacy and again is looking like a completely new and revised space from the life of its days of old. It is always great to watch positive progress. Well done Hillary.

### A Chat from The Kuranda Promotion Program

The Kuranda Promotion Program has had a challenging and rewarding year in 2001 having attempted running a dual role including the management of the Kuranda Village Information Centre and the Promotion for the Kuranda Village, both proving extremely difficult in a one person role. However we now welcome our new staff member Steve Caught who is the new Kuranda Village Administrative Assistant officer covering three days in the Centre. This is a breath of fresh air and will allow for a lot more progress in our Marketing Activities. The timing being imperative in view of the current Tourism Situation. Apart from the doom and gloom of the previous couple of months it is now that we as a village must hold strong to our conviction of how great the Kuranda Village is, and harness our energies to ensure the continuation of tourism to our region.

You may also be aware that the Kuranda Village Brochure and map has made it to print and has been distributed to our Inbound Operators, Bus Companies, Rental Car Offices, tour desks throughout Cairns and of course on our Morgan and Freeman board. Distribution is an ongoing exercise and I still have a number of companies to visit.

We are organising a Sales Mission to Townsville on the 13, 14th of December returning on the 15th for all product throughout the Tablelands. We in Kuranda do have a monopoly of product and interests to showcase, however the expressions of interest have been slow to date. The timing for this mission is timely in view of the Christmas Holidays and the up and coming quieter period being January, February, March. So any and all business houses who have not at this stage received a fax either from myself or TTNQ please contact the Information Office.

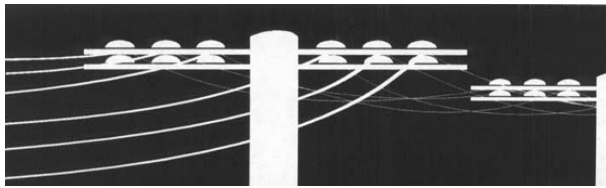
I look forward to producing our Newsletter quarterly to keep everyone up to date of the Happenings at the Kuranda Village Information Centre and Kuranda Promotion Program. On behalf of the Kuranda Promotion Program staff and Committee I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Prosperous New Year.  
Della Kahuroa

## DISCOVERING OUR LOCAL ATTRACTIONS WITH THE "KURANDA TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE."

By Kathryn Edwards  
The Skyrail Experience from Kuranda

At the October monthly get-together for the volunteers of the Kuranda Visitor Information Centre, Annette Christensen from the Kuranda Rainforest Park explained the advantages of taking a Skyrail/Kuranda Rail journey "in reverse". The idea is to make the journey beginning from Kuranda and returning to Kuranda, instead of the usual and more promoted Cairns, Kuranda, Cairns journey.

Volunteers Louise Bell and Kathryn Edwards decided to test out "the journey in reverse" to see what it was like. We caught the train from Kuranda at 2.00pm arriving at Freshwater at 3.30pm where we transferred to the transit bus waiting to take us to the Skyrail at Caravonica, near Smithfield. We boarded Skyrail at about 3.45pm and arrived in Kuranda close to 5.00pm.



## KURANDA RESIDENTS TO HAVE THEIR SAY ON ELECTRICITY ISSUES

Kuranda residents and businesses will be able to have their say on electricity supply issues with the town being selected as the community to host the next Far North Queensland Regional Electricity Council (REC) meeting.

The meeting will take place on Wednesday, 12 December 2001.

REC Chair Mr Tom Pyne said the Council was one of seven Regional Electricity Councils whose membership for the next two years was recently announced by the Deputy Premier and Treasurer Terry Mackenroth.

Mr Pyne said the Far North REC meetings would continue to be rotated across the Far North region so that members could become informed about the wide range of issues affecting quality and reliability of electricity supply, and the needs, requirements and expectations of electricity consumers.

The new Council met for the first time on Thursday Island in September, and would



Loving wishes for a safe and joyous holiday season and a New Year of peace from The Green House

Amnesty International cards, wrap and calendars, Salvation Army cards, gift tags and stickers, Wilderness Society calendars and diaries are all available at The Green House. Open every day 9.30am to 5pm except Christmas Day.

## Kuranda Tennis Club News



### What's happening?

**Christmas Party and Fixture presentation**

**Date: Sunday 9th December**  
**Time: 4 pm**

**Where: Tennis Courts, Fallon Road**  
Come along and bring your racquet and have a fun family hit before the BBQ and presentations begin. As before, Sausage Sizzle \$1.50.

There will be cold drinks for the kids and party fare as well. Should be a fun afternoon and evening

### Annual General Meeting

**Date: Sunday 9th December**  
**Time: 4pm**

**Where: Sports and Social Club, Fallon Road** While the kids are having a hit please attend the AGM. Find out what the club has been doing and aiming to achieve. It is also your chance to join in and have a say as a member and/or parent of one.

Hope all members and their families have a lovely Christmas and New Year from the Kuranda Tennis Club Committee

We found that the "journey in reverse" had some definite advantages and some disadvantages. We found that once the journey had begun, there was no time for souvenir shopping or coffee time although there was enough time for a quick trip to the "ladies". Shopping time needs to be planned ahead, so you should arrive early at the Kuranda end and shop before 2.00pm.

We found the train carriages to be gloriously quiet, with only a few passengers and the stops at the Skyrail lookout and interpretive centre also to be quiet and free of crowds, making the experience rather special. The Skyrail journey, which we had both done a few years back, was much nicer this time in the cool of the afternoon, as we had found it quite hot in the gondolas in the middle of the day and as we had chosen October for our trip, the rainforest was breathtakingly beautiful with new lime green spring leaves and many trees were in flower. We spotted lots of creamy oak flowers (relatives of the more common grevilleas in many gardens), milky pine in flower with their

soft creamy flowers outnumbering the shiny green leaves, we spotted the orange/yellow flowers of the blackbean trees, many figs and kairi pines, and on the coastal side the mistletoe was a glorious red hanging from its host trees.

The two journeys are, of course, world famous, and Kuranda can be justifiably proud of the natural heritage we are lucky to call home, and where many people choose to spend their valued holiday time. The "journey in reverse" has lovely advantages for our village too, as it encourages visitors to seek accommodation here in our cooler environment and provides closer access to the enjoyable tours of the Atherton Tableland region.

And, next time you have relatives visiting, tell them to try the "journey in reverse" and enjoy the experience in a different way and as a local, you will enjoy not having to deliver your visitors to Cairns in the early morning hours.

meet again early next year in Mareeba.

"All community interests including business, industry, local government, town and country are welcome to put their views to the Council," Mr Pyne said.

He said the Council would provide advice and community feedback to Mr Mackenroth in his role as Energy Minister, to the Queensland Energy Consumer Protection Office and to the Government-owned electricity distribution and retail corporations.

Far North Queensland REC members are:  
Mr Tom Pyne - Chair (Edmonton)  
Mr Michael Bailey (Redlynch)  
Cr Colin Burns (Cooktown)  
Ms Janine Hiddlestone Lea (Lake Placid)  
Mr Robert Madden (Kuranda)  
Cr Ken Mayo (Mareeba)  
Mr John Phillips (Edmonton)  
Mr Phillip Pollard (Cairns) and  
Ms Linda Rawson (Cairns).

Submissions, or requests to make presentations to the Kuranda meeting on December 12, should be forwarded by Thursday, 6 December to The Chairman, Far North Regional Electricity Council, PO Box 358 CAIRNS QLD 4870, fax 07 4050 2741, phone 07 4050 2704.  
News media enquiries: Ros Mitchell 4050 2879

## Far North Queensland Regional Electricity Council

**Have you say at the next Electricity Council meeting to be held in Kuranda:**

**Wednesday, 12 December 2001.**

The Far North Regional Electricity Council is one of seven Councils established by the State Government to give regional communities a voice in relation to local power supply issues.

The Council meets quarterly across the Far North to identify the needs, requirements and expectations of local electricity consumers, so that it can provide advice to the State Government, the Energy Consumer Protection Office and the Government-Owned Electricity Corporations on the community's behalf.

The Council is made up of the following members:  
Mr Tom Pyne - Chair (Edmonton), Mr Michael Bailey (Redlynch), Cr Colin Burns (Cooktown), Ms Janine Hiddlestone Lea (Lake Placid), Mr Robert Madden (Kuranda), Cr Ken Mayo (Mareeba), Mr John Phillips (Edmonton), Mr Phillip Pollard (Cairns) and Ms Linda Rawson (Cairns).

Business, industry, local government, and community representatives are encouraged to put their views to the Council. To raise a particular matter, make a submission, or make a presentation to the Kuranda meeting contact the Chairman by 6 December 2001.

The Chairman  
FNQ Regional Electricity Council  
PO Box 358  
CAIRNS QLD 4870  
Ph: 4050 2741 Fx: 4050 2704

## Local Community Organisation Receives Award From Australian Breastfeeding Association

The Australian Breastfeeding Association (ABA) presented a 'Mother-Friendly Workplace Award' to FNQ Independent Living Support Association (FNQILSA) on 27th October 2001. Presenting the award to David Hurse, President of FNQILSA, is Gill Outen, Assistant Qld Branch President of ABA, and Tonya Whittaker, the employee who nominated them for the award.

FNQILSA is a disability support agency with its office based in Kuranda. Tonya Whittaker worked in the office for 2 years until July this year and said that she appreciated the flexible work arrangements which enabled her to breastfeed her baby.

The 'Mother-Friendly Workplace Award' is an initiative of ABA, and is designed to recognise and encourage employers who assist mothers to continue breastfeeding their babies when they return to work. There are many benefits for everyone in this situation - the baby of course, but also the mother AND the employer.

The ABA was for 37 years known as the Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia, and in August this year changed the name to the Australian Breastfeeding Assoc. The local Marlin Coast group meets twice per month, at the **Smithfield Community Health Centre** (a breastfeeding or parenting topic) and at the **Smithfield Library** (a social morning tea). All mothers are welcome at meetings, whether breastfeeding or not. For further information about ABA, please phone the 7-day Breastfeeding Helpline on 4058 0007.

L-R: Tonya Whittaker with Mia, David Hurse - President of FNQILSA, and Gill Outen - Assistant Branch President of Australian Breastfeeding Association.



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Hello Everyone!

Well another month has passed and the "new" Neighbourhood Centre is really taking shape! If you haven't popped in to say "G'day" yet, please do so soon. The Book Exchange & Secondhand Bookshop is overflowing with great books, some of which look like collector's items. Exchanged books cost 50 cents: purchased, they are \$1.00. We are particularly grateful for the contributions from Lex Briggingshaw's estate: thankyou to Gayle Hannah for thinking about KNC when finalising Lex's personal effects.

Our community meeting room is now available for use by groups, and fax/photocopy services are offered at very reasonable rates. Anyone wishing to set up a support or common interest group is welcome to contact me. Evenings and weekends can be negotiated. Free of charge confidential counselling is also offered, particularly to those experiencing relationship issues, and child and family problems. My 12 years of working with parents of teenagers may help struggling Mums and Dads who are doing it tough with their young folk, so give me a call if that's you.

And thanks to donations from St Saviours, the Centre is able to offer free emergency food parcels to those who are going through a hard time. If you see the doors open, just come on in.

At present, KNC is open each weekday except Thursdays. We'd like to extend that, but need extra hands on deck to man the office. If YOU can spare a few hours a week, would like to learn new skills and possess a genuine liking for people, please give me a call - 4093 8933. You'd be working as part of a special team that really cares about the Kuranda community and the unique people who live within it.

Some of those unique and special people were present at the first Child and Family Wellbeing Forum, held at the High School on November 20th. Forty interested agency and community members workshopped issues prevalent in Kuranda, identifying strengths and capacities as well as real areas of unmet need. The main outcome to emerge was that nothing is impossible and we really CAN make a difference! If you'd like to be a part of this very exciting and dynamic group, come along to the next Kuranda Inter-Agency Network meeting to be held at 2.30pm, Monday, December 3rd at the High School.

Until next time, Cherry Ferrari (Centre Co-ordinator)

# SHALOM

**PETER JARVER**  
*Wildscape*  
GALLERY

### OPENS LATE NOVEMBER

Meet Peter Jarver personally on Saturday 8th Dec in the new Kuranda Gallery from 11 am to 2 pm.

Peter will answer any questions about his work and will be available to sign books.

All welcome-please come in for a browse around this fantastic new Kuranda gallery-near the Newsagent.

#### How Many Words

Use the letters shown to form words of four letters or more. The Big letter must be used in each word - but only once, unless it also appears outside the centre. All letters combine to spell the 10-letter key word. Purals, proper nmase or foriegn words are not allowed. Rate your skill  
10-letter words earn 5 points  
7-9-letter words earn 4 points  
6-letter words earn 3 points  
5-letter words earn 2 points  
3-letter words earn 1 point

EXCELLENT 60 or more points  
VERY GOOD 40-59 points  
GOOD 25-39 points



## SALVATION ARMY RED SHIELD FAMILY STORE SMITHFIELD

For great bargains every day, visit the Salvation Army Red Shield family store in the Smithfield shopping centre. The store is located across the northern carpark opposite Coles, next to Toyota Pacific. Interesting (and sometimes unusual!) bric-a-brac, baby clothing, children's wear, adult clothing, underwear, lingerie, swimwear, bags/belts, linen, electrical goods, craftware, toys, books, shoes, crockery, cutlery,(all sorts of house-hold items) furniture, bedding and more is sold at very reasonable and affordable prices. A 50% sale is held every week on selected clothing and every Friday and Saturday the family store offers a **great special**: spend \$6.00 or more on clothing and receive an article of clothing for free! (Conditions apply)

With new stock daily, the store is constantly displaying something different, creating an interesting and unique shopping experience for the whole family. There is something for everyone.

**Come and have a look - you will be pleasantly surprised.**

Salvation Army Family Store hours are:  
9.00am - 4.00pm monday to Friday 9.00am - 12 noon Saturday  
Telephone: 4038 1299 **Help us to help others**

**The Cairns Community Legal Centre** is a non-profit community organisation which offers FREE legal advice and referral to financially and socially disadvantaged members of the community.

The Centre also provides community legal education work shops/seminars to community groups regarding legal rights of particular groups, new legislation or topics of public interest.

Free telephone advice is available every Tuesday morning between 9.00 am and 12.00 noon. Telephone our office with details of your legal problem, and a solicitor will telephone you back to assist.

The Centre's principal role is to give initial legal advice and refer clients to private solicitors, the Legal Aid Office, the Women's Legal Service or other agencies as appropriate.

The Disability Legal Advocacy Service offers free legal advice and casework assistance on all disability discrimination matters. It also offers a community legal education service to disability related groups.

The Consumer Rights Service offers free legal advice and casework assistance for people experiencing a legal problem with a used motor vehicle dealer, real estate agent, debt collector, auctioneer or property developer.

Address - 451 Draper Street  
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Telephone - (07) 4031 7688  
Facsimile - (07) 4041 2134  
Email - clcfmq@iprimus.com.au

The Centre offers relaxed workshop style legal education sessions in the following areas: -

- Purchasing a second hand vehicle
- Renter's rights and responsibilities
- Buying and selling property with a real estate agent
- Dealing with debt and debt collectors
- Disability rights and discrimination

If you are interested in attending one of these free legal advice session or in speaking with a solicitor from the Centre please contact Cherry at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre on 4093 8933 or visit 7 Rob Veivers Drive (beside the BP Service Station).

## Rivers & Ranges Restaurant

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## A Thought for Christmas

What does the word 'wonder' mean to you?

The Christmas hymn speaks of 'A great and mighty wonder'; we speak of the 'wonder of Christmastide, and how 'wonderful' it is to see the faces of the children light up, when the tree lights come on and the presents are revealed.' Delight, 'surprise', something beyond what we expected! But there is another aspect, that of 'uncertainty', or question, even 'doubt'. We wonder what is going to happen to us; we wonder whether we have passed our exam, or if we are to be made redundant or have we got our pay rise. Both senses of 'wonder' fit into the Christmas scene. Imagine what the parents of Jesus went through.

There were the angelic messages - dreams, perhaps we would say, but dreams with very important results on the lives of Mary and Joseph. There was that long journey to Bethlehem, hard for a pregnant mother; the birth itself in far from ideal conditions - a stable, smelly -- but what a delight after all! Then the visitors - shepherds, hot-foot and panting, with their stories of angels, visions, messages.' All who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. Yes they were astonished, and no one questioned the shepherds account of what had happened. But also the wondering is in the other sense - what is going to happen next?

What is the future for this child?  
What is the future for themselves?  
What is the future for us?

So at Christmas we rejoice with the carols, all the decorations and the trees, the presents and the gathering of the family, the joyful services, the happy faces of the children.

Yet we must also be aware of questions for the future.

Think of what is going on. Already the Wise Men are journeying to Jerusalem, led by their star; soon they will be at Herod's court, and having heard them, the cruel and frightened king will be planning the massacre that he believes

will make sure there is no threat to his throne and his power.

It was soon indeed after the joy of Christmas, the coming of the Child, that there was to come the brutality and sorrow of a callous act that would leave so many mothers desolate, so many families bereft. The first Christmas was to be, for many, the last Christmas.

In our own time we look ahead at uncertainties.

The constant violence and brutality, the killings and unrest in many parts of the world. The tragic scenes in Bethlehem and throughout the Holy Land, the terrible violence in Africa between rival tribes, and the murder of innocent people in the United States.

All this adds up to an outlook, in so many places, which no one can say is settled or certain. Yet there is one great certainty - it was into just the same kind of world as our own, full of crises and problems, anger and violence, that the Lord chose to be born.

In full knowledge he took the step of coming to our uncertain planet, our all-too-easily-upset little earth, our tiny lifeboat floating in the vastness of inter-stellar space.

It was certainly not into any kind of certain future that Jesus was born, nor that he grew up in, nor in which he began his mighty work of reconciliation.

Out of sorrow comes joy: the sense of wonder at the crib contains in itself the shadow of sorrows to come. Yet out of those sorrows comes the final joy.

In the Birth we see foreshadowed the Death; yet also foreshadowed is the Triumph, the New and Risen Life, the Saviour.

'Behold I bring you good news of a great joy; to you is born today the Saviour, who is Christ the Lord!'

And so our wonder is swept up into joy, and with the angels we say, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those in whom he is well pleased!'

## THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA

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**KURANDA**

**Invites you to Worship Services**

**Sundays in December**

8.00 am Holy Communion

9.30 am Family Eucharist

9.30 am Sunday School

5.00 pm Afternoon Worship

First Sunday Holy Communion ( Dec 2nd )  
all other Evening Prayer

**Thursday**

10.00 am Holy Communion

**Christmas Services**

**Sunday 23rd Dec**

6.00 pm Carol Service

**Christmas Eve (Mon 24th)**

7.30 pm Carols by Candlelight for Children  
plus Mums and Dads

12.00 mn Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day (Tues 25th )**

10.00 am family Communion Service

**Activities**

Home Groups

Alpha

A life Worth Living

Sunday School

Enq The Rev'd Chris Wright -Tel 40938735  
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## News from St Saviour's

Like everyone we are starting our preparations for christmas at st saviour's. During each sunday before christmas we will erect and decorate the christmas tree and during the days prior to christmas eve we will install the manger scene in the church.

On Sunday the 23rd at 6.00pm we will hold our Carol Service followed by a Christmas Supper and on Christmas Eve (Monday 24th) at 7.30pm there will be a Children's Carol service in St Saviour's by Candlelight.

The traditional service of Midnight Mass will commence at Midnight this year and on Christmas Day morning there will be a family Communion Service at 10.00am

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## Words of Wisdom from OSHO No. 81 Religion

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## Kuranda Seventh-day Adventist Church

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## St Christopher's Catholic Church Barang St

Our Sunday Mass will be held at 6 pm  
Wednesday Mass 7.30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month  
For Xmas Services See Below

Vigil Mass Christmas Eve 8 p.m.  
Carols will commence at 8 p.m.  
There will be no Mass celebrated Christmas Day

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Informal style of family service

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*Peace and goodwill to all Kuranda Residents*

## QCWA NEWSLETTER DECEMBER

Just about now, if you listen carefully, you may hear the several pairs of well-worn shoes dropping on floors around Kuranda - with accompanying sighs of relief! December 12 will be our final craft day for the year and our branch goes into a brief recess over the holiday season.

Kuranda QCWA ladies have been very busy this year with community projects for Mareeba Garden Settlement, Mareeba Hospital Childrens Ward, Turbans, bandannas etc. for cancer patients, Precious Moments quilts and dresses, Rural Crisis Care etc.

Quite a bit of catering from the RSL Dining In Night in April to farewell dinners, seminars, morning teas - including the latest morning tea and cent sale for our 64th Birthday recently. It was great to see so many old friends turning up to share the morning with us - even other QCWA branches on the Tableland - Herberton, Mareeba, Atherton - to name a few.

There have been bi-monthly Divisional Executive meetings to attend (from Tully up to Mt. Molloy and out to Chillagoe), Divisional Handcraft meetings throughout the year. Our members entered handcrafts in both Cairns and Innisfail Shows. Craft days held each week have been well attended with new and old crafts taught. Cardcraft is popular, and so we now offer lessons in Parchment embossing, card embroidery, quilling, pinpricking, teabag folding and rubber-stamping. Knitting, crochet, beading, kids crafts; soft toys, foundation and crazy patchwork are also taught. Our Handcraft Organiser has been busy - attending CWA Handcraft School in Charters Towers in May, Handcraft School in Brisbane during Conference in October and visiting other branches who invited her to teach cardcraft to interested members.

September saw members busy producing handcraft items for our stall at the Spring Festival while our "nervous nelly" Public Speaking Divisional winner headed off to Hughenden to compete at

Regional Level. Coming in second place to the Doreen Hunt (from Seaforth) who went on to win at State level in Brisbane was no disgrace, particularly for a beginner. But what a shame that more people were not at the Annual QCWA Conference to hear Doreen give her winning 10 minute prepared speech "Smell the Roses". All three regional speakers chose the same title but each speech had a different approach to the subject.

October was a "biggie" month. With President Marion and company holding the fort, Secretary Sheila Wilhelm (as branch delegate), Carol Jeanes (non voting delegate) and Yvonne Dighton (divisional delegate and Country Woman of the Year Divisional Winner) headed off to the "Big Smoke". Aptly named, for our sinuses were wrecked the entire 8 days spent in Brisbane. Kuranda was well represented at the State Handcraft Competition. 15 entries in various categories. We brought home a 1st in Quilting and a Highly Commended in Aluminium Embossing. With some 2,480 entries in Handcraft, it was a thrill to be up there with the best. Between Handcraft School, interviews, presentations etc., our nervous nelly, Yvonne, was glad when the Gala Ball for CountryWoman of the Year was over. No, she wasn't successful this year but some other time?

Well....maybe if the memory of terror fades into the distance. Still, there remains a fancy sash, box of goodies (presented to all entrants), fancy badge, photograph and the warm memories of support, hugs, encouraging words and smiles from all the QCWA delegates present at Conference.

This month, our wonderful treasurer,



Emily Matsen, was presented with one of the special "Year of the Volunteer" medallions - given for her many years of volunteer service with QCWA, local Ambulance Committee, and other service groups. This lady is very modest about the award but we aren't so modest and are happy to let everyone know about our "Matty".

Although Kuranda QCWA Craft mornings will not begin again until February, we intend to hold two Kids Craft Mornings in January before the school year begins. Dates suggested are January 16 and 23. 9.30am - 12 noon. Morning Tea and craft materials provided. \$5 per child, \$10 per family. This, of course, providing we have sufficient numbers for the mornings. Anyone interested in having a child, or two or..... attend, please contact Sandra on 4093 7393 or Yvonne on 4093 016. Finally, our branch would like to wish all members, friends and supporters in the Kuranda community a happy, healthy and wonderful festive season. See you in the New Year.

## Kuranda Scouts are About

### What's been happening:

We would like to Thank whoever took the time to remove the graffiti from the Scouts Sign. It was on our 'jobs to do list' and was a pleasant surprise to have it done for us.

As always time is flying and plenty of activities are planned for the last few weeks of scouting: The Joeys: are having a sleep over at the den followed by a steam train trip. This will make them the first to use our new showers.

**The Cubs:** are having an overnight bush craft camp to put their knots and compass work into practice.

**The Scouts:** are planning a bike hike and a laser tag/ campout with Northern Beaches Scout Troop. Plus

The whole group and their families are going Night Sliding at Sugar World.

**Congratulations** goes to two of our Scout: Jake Bryant and Jay Jensen who both received a special award for earning over \$60 each during job month. Well done Boys.

### Fundraising:

Our Bingo night saw a lot of kids hanging onto every number! but try as they might they where no match for Col and Carol Jeans who won three of the four games. Bingo is a game that anyone can win and fun for adults and children alike. Next Bingo night will be held in March next year so come along for some fun.

**Christmas trees will be sold** by the Scouts again this year. We only cut to order and deliver to your home on the morning of Saturday the 15th. Trees \$25, Orders taken on #4093 9038.

**Next Year:** Three weeks ago the life of my family was turned upside down when we nearly lost my husband to an allergic reaction to a paralysis tick. It seems strange that something so small could change our future plans. We had never planned to move from this area as we enjoy living here but unless we can find an acceptable treatment we have to relocate to a less tick friendly area.

I had planned to stay five years in the Kuranda Scouts.

My five year plan was: to get the group on a healthy financial footing with a funding program that would keep us in the black. - **Achieved**

Restart the Scout Troop and Joey Mob. **Achieved**

Fix up the den. - **Achieved**

Finish the toilet block - **Achieved**

Get leaders in place so I could step back, leaving it in good hands for the next generation of Kuranda Youth. - **Failed**

The goal of finding leaders should have been my first priority, but just as a child who leaves the food they like least until last, I have pushed it around my plate choosing to fill in as Cub and Scout leader rather than tackle the job of finding new ones. I had planned to target leader recruitment next year after having some hands on experience of what works and what doesn't. Now instead of having two years to work on the leadership challenge of the Scout group my relocation could mean the group falling over due to my shortcomings.

What Kuranda Scouts needs is a Group Leader, who can inspire team work and give support, to the new leader. The group also needs two uniformed Cub leaders and a motivated Scout Leader ( we already have a helper).

If you have ever thought that you would like to get involved with a great bunch of kids now is the time to step forward . I will be happy to give any information and help I can.

I would like to Thank everyone for the support given to the Scouts over the last couple of years and know that with enough community involvement the right people can be found.

Perry (Clare Hensley) #4093 9038



## CHRISTMAS

Kuranda



Scouts

## TREES

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**Saturday**

**15<sup>th</sup>**

**December**



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## HYDROPONIC GARDENING *by Jan Coulter*

My Garden is an oasis in a sea of brown. I'm looking forward to a good supply of tomatoes over the Xmas period, they are really doing well. The only casualty I had was one a wallaby ate. I also have a good supply of cucumbers. I have just planted some seeds of a variety of lettuce that is supposed to be all year round in this climate. I will let you know how they go. I planted them on 27th October and they were up in a couple of days. They will be ready over the Xmas period too. The only problem I have with lettuce in the wet season is that the rain smashes the leaves and leaves them in tatters. Usually lettuce do not like the hot weather. When the temperature goes above 27 degrees the plants have difficulty in taking up the nutrient. My celery is doing well. I plant about six in a broccoli box and this gives me a supply of celery for about eight months. I planted six drawf beans, three to a box and I have more beans than I know what to do with. I have Wong Bok, BokChoi, Warrigal Greens or N.Z. Spinach in fact most plants seem to be alright through the hot weather as long as you keep the nutrient up to them. I feed them nutrient early morning and in the evening, this seems to be sufficient. For Information Ph4093 0394.

## Organic Gardening *by Majorie Spear*

During the last few weeks of dry weather it has been difficult to maintain my lovely garden. I have no automatic sprinkler system but as my many fruit trees are scattered around 3 acres of sloping ground they all get plenty of mulch from the debris from many clumps of bananas, heliconias and torch gingers. These gingers produce lovely flowers which are picked twice weekly and given away to kind friends who call by to give me a much needed helping hand. My eyesight is very poor I cannot drive - my garden keeps me alive.

Twenty years ago a friend gave me a Torch Ginger tuber, since then I have about 200 plants which the wind must have propagated. I leave many flowers to produce seeds which get wind blown here, there and everywhere. My veg garden is producing lovely lettuce, beans, radish and cherry tomatoes - galore.

During the dry weather the birds have been very active enjoying the many flowering plants. I don't grow annuals; most of my plants are perennial flowering shrubs. The showers of the past week will make life much easier with my watering problems.

## HEARD IT ON THE GRAPEVINE

Noticed a new aroma in air around Kuranda and Koah? Thanks to the response from some generous Jaboticaba tree owners, presently there are quite a few batches of Jaboticaba wine fermenting merrily along in local sheds, bathrooms, lounges, spare bedrooms - don't laugh! I have lost the single bed in our guest room and the winemaker is now looking speculatively at the remaining double bed.

This fruit makes a beautiful wine - as well as jellies and cordials. Several bottles of a recent batch are already circulating around the local community. Those who have been gifted with a bottle or two are very happy with the swap of fruit for wine.

Mind you, they missed the best - the sight of an over 50's lady perched 3 mt up a large tree with bucket in one hand, desperately balancing and stripping fruit with the other hand. No one over the age of 50 should spend their days up a fruit tree (in my humble opinion)! Even if now being bestowed with the title of "Jaboticaba Queen of Kuranda".

There has been quite an interest in fruit wines lately with queries being directed to the Cairns Amateur Wine Guild. This club welcomes visitors on their club nights (1st Tuesday in each month, Stratford Community Hall 8pm). A different type of wine is showcased each month with members bringing along their efforts to be judged. Last month was a Rose - fruits used included Rhubarb, Star Apple, Rosella and River Cherry. A tasting of citrus wines also took place. Grapefruit, Cumquat, Mandarin, Orange, Lemon, Lime and Tangerine. All tasted great! Lychee season coming up - more delicious sipping in the future.

Back to around the traps - Ramona and Frank Rusch have upped stakes and moved from Koah down the range to Smithfield. We wish them well and hope they will not be strangers to this community.

**Congratulations! KMA members** Ann, Chris, Gayle, Joan, Julie, Krishna, Lex (posthumously) and Saddhen have all been officially recognised for their selfless efforts in this **THE YEAR OF THE VOLUNTEER**.

Djungan Nocturnal Zoo is Closing Dec 16 - Locals are invited to see this attraction before it closes. Nothing else in the news - guess everyone too busy preparing for the festive season.

So, with this final paper for the year, keep your ear to the grapevine - not too much of the vino please and we will see you in the New Year. Have a safe and happy holiday.

## How to be Healthy though Elderly *by Majorie Spear*

I am finding it more difficult every week during this hot dry spring. Sitting near an electric fan is helpful. So I station a fan near my stationary push bike and take exercise looking at my lovely garden. I also have a power driven "wobbler". I lie on a sofa with a fan nearby, it helps my aching bones. I go walkabout in my garden (maintained by an excellent gardener) and my faithful small dog enjoys that immensely. I can see some weeds and pull out those that are easy to pull. Those with seed are put in the wheelie bin.

Eating is a problem but a daily picking of lettuce, spinach and cherry tomatoes keeps me going with a fresh egg or fish from "Meals on Wheels". Liquid is essential in large quantities. Water is best but goats milk and weak tea (no sugar) are also part of my diet.

## Kuranda Garden Group

The Kuranda Garden Group held a lovely get together on the usual 2nd Saturday at the Koah home of Frank and Ramona Rusch. Ramona is still unwell so Frank escorted us around their lovely shady garden. He showed us many interesting plants including the Miracle fruit, the Curry tree, the Vanilla fruit. Huge Bromeliads were flowering despite the drought as bore water is plentiful. We also visited the adjoining garden of son René who is a landscape gardener with many interesting plants. Owing to the drought no vegetables had been planted. Young banana leaves are used to wrap around several veggie and meat dishes when cooking. Ramona and Frank are moving to Smithfield mid November. We wish them well and Kuranda hopes Ramona will recover.

The December Garden group will visit my garden "Harmony Farm" on 2nd Saturday December 8th 2 pm. It is the house in Spear Rd which turns off Black Mt Rd ½ km from the highway. Bring a bag for seeds and cuttings. At 3pm we will drive 1 km up Black Mt Rd to the house of Pat and Lyle Green. Bring a plate for tea time: then refreshed we tour their garden. There will be no get together in January or February but weather permitting 2nd Sat in March. Happy Christmas 2001 Any enquiries phone me on 4093 7205 Majorie Spear.



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## WEEDS and WINE

On Wednesday 5th December, KURANDA **EnviroCare** is celebrating the year past in a way befitting an environmental organisation with a mission.

At 7pm, at the nursery in Pademelon Lane (corner Kennedy Highway and Fallon Road), we'll learn more about identifying weeds - real hands-on stuff, real growing weeds. We'll be surrounded by experts such as Sid Clayton, Ross Collins and Gary Barnes from Mareeba Shire Council as well as Barbara Waterhouse, botanist with the Quarantine Service, who specialises in weeds.

You are invited to bring plants you suspect might be weeds, for identification. Please make sure any seeds are properly contained so they can't escape.

After that, we'll lapse into party mode and enjoy supper and wine. We'll wet the roof of the new shed and you'll have a chance to check out the nursery set-up.

To ensure there's plenty for all, please bring a plate to share (preferably with food on it!)

### A TRAIL OF GREEN FOREST

2001 has been a productive year. As we stride forward we are leaving a trail of green forest in our wake. This year has seen our ambitious wildlife corridor project past its most difficult period, into the first rewarding signs of the hard work we have done. The thousands of trees planted three years ago are now showing above the sea of guinea grass, changing the look of the landscape considerably.

Residents at Big Sands (Kowrowa) are reporting new bird sounds as forest dwellers from the far side of the river are moving across the sandy bars to explore the young growing forest. The first flowers are blooming and the first fruit being formed.

### WHERE THE FIRST SEEDS ARE SOWN

Another productive activity is the nursery. With the care Judy heaps on the seeds, which become seedlings which are then planted in the wildlife corridor, the nursery can now boast ever-increasing diversity of species and ever-expanding racks of seedlings. There is no doubt the seeds we propagate and rear ourselves are far superior to those we have purchased from nurseries. We believe this is because of the potting mix we use, the larger pots, the mulch and the growing environment which better prepares the tree for a life in the real world. Nursery plants are too often pampered with frequent, unnatural feeding and watering which might make them look great at the nursery, but in the hot, dry ground and full sun of the real world, they don't always cope as well as our own home-grown plants.

### PLANNING FOR THE SHIRE

Recently Mareeba Shire produced a document called a 'Statement of Proposals' which sets out the general direction for future planning in the shire under the Integrated Planning Act. We set up a small task group of interested people, not limited to our members, who produced a detailed response which has been submitted to Council. We believe no other group in the Shire has gone to so much effort to work with Council to have the environmental values so important to us translated into sensible regulations aimed at preserving them.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The Cairns Integrated Public Transport Study has finally begun. How does that affect us in Kuranda? Firstly, Kuranda is clearly identified as part of the study - not just an optional extra. Secondly, with the decision to upgrade the Kuranda Range road over 15 years, at very great expense, we can be sure that some urban expansion will follow in our area. The study looks at what people would want if they are to use public transport to get to work or school, or shop in Cairns, rather than use the car.

### LAST CALL FOR ERGON REPLACEMENT TREES

We will undertake to maintain the trees provided by Ergon Energy to replace those cut down under powerlines earlier this year, till the end of the year. While the trees arrived at the nursery in good condition some months ago, they are now out-growing their pots and passing their prime. Please call the nursery on 4093 8834 to arrange collection before Christmas of the quota assigned to you.

### SATURDAY MORNING TREE PLANTING

Do us all a favour and join us. 8am. Phone 4093 8834 for details

Our next meeting party will be on Wednesday 5th December at 7pm at our nursery, Pademelon Lane (cnr Kennedy Hwy & Fallon Road)  
**BRING A PLATE, BRING YOURSELF**

*EnviroCare is having a party*

## A Way Out

By Marié Boswarva

The art gallery was closed. Yet in the dimly lit interior a man remained. Only his animal instincts of danger stayed alert, whilst the rest of him concentrated completely on a small painting hung in an out-of-the way alcove. He had been coming, purposely after hours, now for a month. He had discovered the picture accidentally one night whilst searching for shelter against the freezing winter weather and penetrating winds. To another viewer the painting would seem of little consequence. The artist had depicted a simple scene, a man in a small wooden boat fishing on tranquil waters. What in this picture drew this derelict night after night? The intensity of his concentration was pinpointed on the figure within the boat. Of course, the surroundings were important too, but once having acknowledged their contribution in creating the serenity of the scene, it was the man in the picture - the man was the most important.

Karl Weinsenberg was not just an ordinary down-and-outer of the street. He was a man hunted. Since the end of the war Karl had seen and briefly stayed in many of the European countries. There had been one time - just once, when he thought that his pursuers had finally lost track of him. Staying in a tiny provincial town, living alone, minding his own business, he had become - if not part of the community at least accepted enough to believe that his running days were over. But finally the whispers reached him, his pursuers were looking in this town now. True, no-one knew who he really was, and therefore could not willingly give him away. Still the terror of discovery drove him to bolt out in the dead of night taking nothing with him.

Now he was a fugitive again, living by night, hiding by day. He couldn't get a job as too many unanswerable questions might be asked and betray his identity, only the scraps from the streets were

sustaining him now. Continual hunger, exposure and fear had taken a toll on his stamina. Whilst he concealed himself during the day, more and more often as he dozed he hallucinated and believed he was in the past again - back when he was a jailer in a concentration camp. Here the inmates were experimented on, and finally exterminated. He had been a big man then, and his sadistic nature had flourished. Those Jews - less than cattle, a nothingness in his eyes, were at his mercy. The power he held over them was not only the power of life and death, but the awesome power of excruciating pain. Orders could either be given to his underlings to carry out, or he could experience the exquisite pleasure of creating and administering torture himself. The screams from his victims returned in his dreams, in the past they had gratified his evil instincts - now they haunted him, as he became the victim, instead of the victor.

After Germany had lost the war, all persons connects with the horrific crime of murder, were declared war criminals. These had been tracked down one by one and sent to trial. The United Nations War Crimes Committee would never relent as long as one madman was free. All attempts to disguise themselves or create stories of their death by the criminals had failed. Nothing would stop the pursuit, or ultimate capture and trial of these perverted sub-human torturers. The walls had finally closed in on others of his kind, as they were relentlessly closing in on him.

Karl wanted to live- as others under his charge had wanted to live. Not in degradation, in rages, cold, forever hungry, he wanted to live in tranquility, in beautiful surroundings, free from the pain and terror of the unknown awaiting him, as the man in the painting did. Karl believed there was only one escape - INTO THE PICTURE. If he concentrated enough, believed enough, he could leave this world and become one with the painted

scene. He could become THAT man - that was why the man in the picture was so important. The last few times Karl had stood in front of the picture he had felt strange sensations in his body. The time was coming closer when he would master the transference, but if the technique could not be accomplished quickly, all would be lost, and he would be caught, sentenced and held behind bars as those, under his "care" were held.

Time had run out. Karl had nowhere to run to, no energy even to hide. He could hear them coming for him. There was no escape - only the picture.


Breaking into the gallery, he stumbled towards his salvation. The night-light, usually left on, was out. Only the street light showed faintly through the window next to his painting. Running frantically, breathing laboured, his failing heart shooting slivers of pain through his chest and arm, he staggered to the picture. Concentrating all his dimishing powers, he willed himself into the painting.

As the Jewish agents entered the gallery they heard an agonizing scream tear through the building. Not since their internment in the horror camps had they heard such anguished cries. Searching through the establishment proved fruitless. The only evidence of any recent occupancy was smudged wet footprints leading to an alcove where two paintings hung. A small ladder had been left, giving an indication that perhaps some paintings had been recently hung or removed. The footprints pointed in the direction of where, through the window, a street lamp shone faintly, barely lighting up a picture.

"Turn on the lights!"

On one wall, was a simple painting of a man fishing in a wooden boat. On the opposite wall facing the footprints, before almost hidden in the semi-darkness, now plainly clear, hung a portrait of "Christ on the Cross".

## The Charming Witch

Hesitantly Calypso peered into the darkness before testing a first step into the soft inner floor of the hollow.  'Melinda?' she called. But there was no response. How could she have disappeared? Feeling her way along the inner wall of the tree, she edged forward wishing she had brought some sort of light. Calling again, she lost her balance on the next step, and plunged downward to a surprisingly soft landing in the dark. Squeezing her eyes tight shut against the fall, she called out sharply, 'Melinda!' and added to herself, 'That stupid puppy! As soon as she felt the soft warm body nuzzling into hers, she relaxed enough to open her eyes. Immediately she saw the electric blue glow from her shirt. The shock and excitement had caused a stir in her bioelectricity, creating enough light to see by. This is better, she thought. Now I might be able to climb out of here. 'Why would you want to do that?' came a low, husky voice she could hardly hear.

This gave her such a chill, her blue glow became a flash, extending her range of vision for long enough to find the owner of the voice. She missed him at first, looking for the pale glow of skin on a face or a body. Instead she found a lumpy pile of greenish moss slumped against the curved inner wall of the old tree. What gave him away were the eyes, gleaming out of the mossy face. It really is a face of sorts, she thought, examining it closer.

'What's the matter with my face, then?' demanded a distinctly peevish, tho somewhat muffled voice. 'Haven't you ever seen a dryad before? I'll have you know, for my age I'm still quite well put together, young lady!'

'I'm not used to having my private and personal thoughts read, if you don't mind!' retorted Calypso. 'You wouldn't be getting your feelings hurt if you'd stay out of my head. I have a right to at least think what I want. It's my own private, personal business.'

'There we go again! Private and personal! Private and personal! Anyone would think you were a separate individual! And all hoity toity about it too!' he snickered.

At this last insult, Calypso burst into tears. It was all too much. Here I am stuck down some dirty, damp, dark hole, she thought, and this stupid lump of compost--

'And full of self-pity too, I see,' the condescending voice continued. 'Allow me to correct your initial lack of observation. You have landed quite by chance in the safest, sweetest hiding hole in the forest, and with the trouble you're chasing, you may need it. None escape the necromancers! It's a wonder you're still alive to complain about it.'

The voice had by now grown stronger and clearer. She wondered how he could read her thoughts anyway.

'All natural things are in contact with each other. The extreme separateness of human beings from each other is the exception rather than the rule in nature. What a pity humans consider themselves superior, when in fact they only choose to be cut off from everything around them. Certainly they have become most unnatural, and in danger of cutting themselves off from their own organic roots. I have even heard they go so far as to eat dead things they produce themselves, rather than any of Mother Earth's rich offerings.'

'Oh, you mean like vitamins and things,' Calypso offered. 'They only add to our diet of fruits, vegetables, and grains. And...excuse me? Are you animal, vegetable, or mineral?'

'Well excuse me young lady, do I look like a mineral? Do I behave like an animal? That's the whole trouble--that animal heritage of yours. You all act like a pack of wild beasts, so we tend to think of you as such. I've always said, a vegetable is the only one you can trust. When the earth was pure vegetation, we had Peace, and Divine Harmony reigned. There was no interruption to the flow of light from the Highest Source. Now devas are pure light beings, most of them simply energy swirls, carrying out the original patterns of creation. Did you ever look at a cauliflower closely? The entire surface is a great lumpy cluster of budding life-forms. Study each particular cluster, and you will find a spiral pattern curling into a center where it seems to disappear. At that point visible and invisible meet. That's the Growing Point. If you could see energy as well as matter, you would see the industrious and totally devoted Life Force at work, manifesting something out of what you call nothing. Pure magic! Yet it is so abundant on this magnificent earth that all you animals simply take it for granted.'

'Excuse me, but if you have eyes, how can you be a vegetable?' asked Calypso, studying him closely.

'My dear, have you never heard of evolution? That silly man we always hear you referring to who talks of apes as his inferior ancestors, thinks he has said everything. What is the driving force of the new in Nature? Conscious intention, or need, creates a new movement in the life energy resulting in evolution.'

'I know that, but can you just do it at will?' Calypso probed.

'Are you insulting us? Do you think we vegetables are unconscious? Without need or intent? Simply some pure, organic mechanism? Those scientists who've stuck electrodes, like lie detectors in our skin, know better. When the woodcutter comes with his blade, the whole forest trembles. When a carpenter in the old days needed wood for a piece of work, he would search the forest for exactly the right tree. Then he would request the life force of the tree to give him what he needed for the work, and thank the tree when he cut it. In Nature, everything's connected to everything else.'

'Well, I don't consider myself part of nature like a piece of lettuce or something. I have a brain. I think about things. I feel things. Sometimes too many things.'

'And you know things?' The voice had a dangerous note in it.

'Of course. I know all the things a human has to know to function in society.'

'What kind of knowing is that? Your knowing isn't yours at all. It's taken from others in bits and pieces that never quite fit together. No wonder you exhibit such an uneven energy flow. The knowing of plants, of trees, is intuitive. We know by feeling. We know the Great Rhythms which govern our lives like music. We sense the season's changing light and temperatures. Even animals know when an earthquake is coming, or a great storm.'

'We function in perfect harmony according to the Great Plan, and yet when something is needed, we can evolve it. Of course, some of us are faster than others.'

The notes of self pride and disdain for humans were getting a bit thick for Calypso's taste. She gathered herself to get up and explore the rest of this strange world she had fallen into. Never before had she been treated as an inferior to a vegetable. As she stood, she heard him call to her.

'Blue witch! Blue witch! Watch for the Opening. Beware the Wall!' by *Merrili*. Le Fin





# KURANDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING CLASS OF 2001**

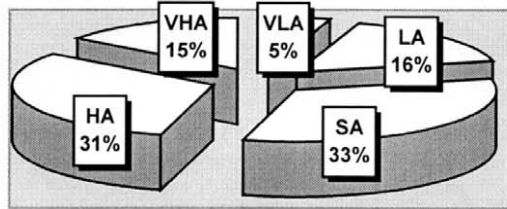


## ACADEMIC SUCCESS FOR GRADUATING CLASS

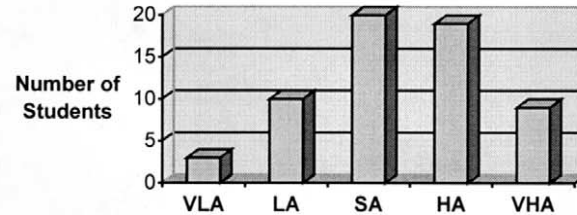
Kuranda State High School's graduating class of 2001 have performed exceptionally well across a range of subjects this year. Year 12 work was recently sent for external monitoring to ensure students were being marked and assessed to the same standards as other schools in the district and state.

The results reflected the hard work and dedication students put into their studies this year with students gaining Sound Achievements or better in 79% of their subjects, an excellent effort by district and state standards.

Student Achievement Levels



Student Achievement Levels



*TO OUR YEAR 12 STUDENTS  
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE GIVEN TO OUR SCHOOL  
AND  
BEST OF LUCK IN THE FUTURE.*

### STUDENTS TOP STATE



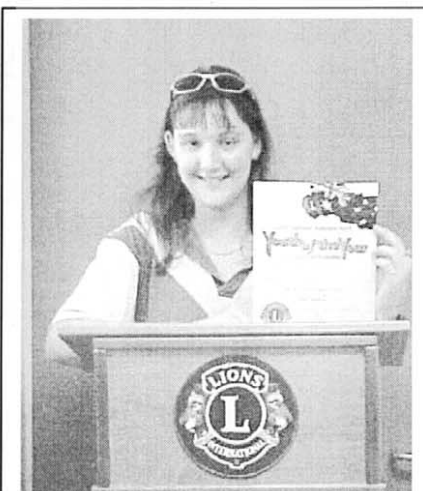
Kuranda State High School Students took out the top three places in the State, in the Board Subject, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies.

The subject is studied in a wide range of schools from Brisbane to Thursday Island, to have the top 3 results from the one school is an amazing effort.

Congratulations to Rhiannon Woodbridge, Lexy Carroll and Cali Wright for their hard work and commitment.

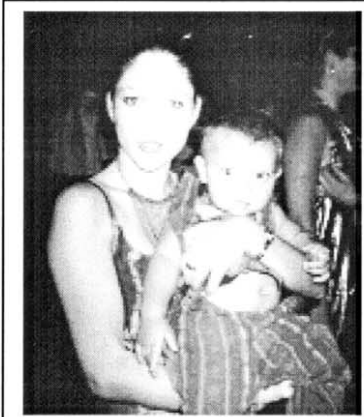
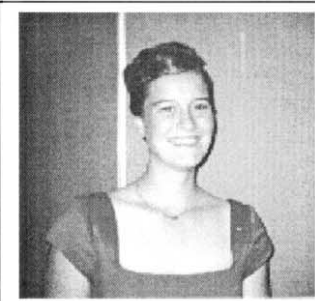
### YOUTH OF THE YEAR SUCCESS

Congratulations to Kristi Wilson on her victory in the recent Lions Youth of the Year Heat in Cairns.



## OUT AND ABOUT AT THE SENIOR FORMAL

Our Year 12 Students celebrated the end of school with a Graduation Ceremony and Formal dinner at the Cairns Casino. Family and Friends gathered to watch our Class of 2001 receive their Graduation Certificates from special guest, Dr. Lesley Clarke. Afterwards students and staff attended a formal dinner as part of the celebrations.



## THE BURNING ISSUE.

Welcome back to the last Burning Issue for 2001. This October and November dry season have been extremely busy for Kuranda station- not only with grass and bush fires but with several car accidents as well. The recent rains have lessened the ongoing fire threat but it is still too early to say that the dry season is over for the year. As you may have been aware. October highlighted Fire Awareness Week across the state. The Kuranda crews put a huge amount of effort into promoting this important event - this year we had a very effective display in the window of the Kuranda Post office( many thanks to Mark and Cath Freeman for making the space available), Firefighter Russell Clarke did a stint on the local radio (Gecko FM) with Peter McCabe and we also had a small spread in the Kuranda paper. Two representatives from the QFRA's Public Safety stunt came up and assisted the crews in running a fire drill and evacuation at the Kuranda State School. Many thanks to the staff at the school for their assistance and by all reports the drill was conducted effectively and efficiently. Captain Ray had the station open each day and had a steady stream of visitors through.

## WAIT-A-WHILE

REPORT BY DR LESLEY CLARK  
STATE MEMBER FOR BARRON RIVER



As the year draws to a close I ask myself that perennial question – how did twelve months go so quickly!

2001 has certainly been a momentous year one that will be remembered for ever – just as people can recall where they were when men landed on the moon, so I'm sure we will remember what were doing on September 11th when the terrorists struck the New York Trade Centre. At the local level, 2001 will be remembered for the blow delivered to the tourist industry by the collapse of Ansett. The lesson from all of this must surely be make the most of every day and cherish the ones you love.

Being a naturally optimistic person I like to focus on the positive and there has been plenty in my job this year as it relates to the Kuranda District. I have worked with the community on a wide range of programs and projects, obtaining government support where needed and the results speak for themselves.

The long awaited decision on the future of the Kuranda Range was made with a commitment to spend some \$300 million over 10-15 years, the largest amount on any single road project outside the SE corner of the State. That decision, together with the recommendation to accommodate another 9-11,000 people in the Myola area over the next 20 years, will shape the future development of the Kuranda District and the Tablelands. The challenge as always is to achieve ecological sustainability, being a balance which integrates protection of natural systems, economic development and the social wellbeing of people and communities.

I hope that the extensive State government funding for work undertaken in the Barron Gorge National Park and the Kuranda Rainforest Story

walking tracks project will contribute to that future, creating employment, protecting the environment and enhancing tourism. I am really looking forward to the opening of the new visitor facilities at the Speewah end of the National Park and walking the historic Douglas Track. Sincere thanks must go to Ron and Pam Elgar who are donating their land to facilitate this project and have displayed such patience with governments over so many years to bring the project to fruition.

This year has seen the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre significantly increase its capacity to enhance community and individual wellbeing with funding from the Department of Families. The Inter-Agency meetings initiated by new coordinator Cherry Ferari are a very positive development and have the potential to substantially improve the delivery of services to Kuranda. Last months Agency Forum was very valuable and I look forward to dropping in for a cuppa at the KNC's new home before Christmas. Families will also get additional support now that we have our own local child protection service working from the State school. Parents can contact Grace Richards on 4093 7391 or 0438 922 878 who can provide the first point of contact for any concerns regarding the welfare of children.

It has given me great satisfaction to assist the community in the resolution of an issue of major concern to the community, namely the future of the Kuranda cemetery. I'm pleased to confirm that the Department of Natural Resources has now recommended approval for the road closure that will enable the cemetery to be extended, thereby guaranteeing that burials can occur locally for at least the next 30-40 years and bringing peace of mind to Kuranda families.

This year we have celebrated the International Year of the Volunteer and I have been pleased to recognise the wonderful contribution that volunteers

In all, the week was a success due to the amount of work that the team put in. Thanks to Debbie Tansey and Daniel Akkerman for the creative artwork that they did on the posters and the displays. We have also completed the RAAP(Road Awareness and Accident Prevention Program) with this years grade 12's from Kuranda State High School. The aim of this program is to make young drivers aware of the dangers of excessive speed, and the consequences of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol and the trauma suffered by all parties involved in a motor vehicle accident. The program is hard hitting and shows the truth about car accidents and their aftermath. This years students were particularly responsive and judging by the feedback got a lot out of the session. The station has several new recruits on the books and we are just waiting on paperwork to be finalized and for them to attend a 40hr primary skills course. They will then be fully fledged auxiliary firefighters. Ima Firey will introduce them all to you in the next issue. Captain Ray and the crew want to wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and New Year. *By Ima Firey*



make to our community – indeed the health and well being our community depends on them. I have signed hundreds of State government certificates of appreciation for members of community groups and last month Kuranda was well represented at a special ceremony to recognise the contribution of exceptional individuals and organisations in the Barron River electorate who had been nominated and judged by the community as worthy recipients. I was delighted to present individual IYV medallions to Col Jeanes and Emily Matsen while the Kuranda Riding for the Disabled received a trophy in recognition of their work.

Thanks to all those volunteers who put in thousands of hours to help others for no reward save the satisfaction of knowing you are making the world a better place. If your organisation has volunteers who have not received any recognition this year, or you know of someone whose efforts should be recognised, it is not too late. I still have certificates available, so please call Sally in my office and we will make the necessary arrangements.

It has been a pleasure to once again work with members of the Kuranda District, with schools, business and community organisations and with the other levels of government for the benefit of the community. Thank you for your support, both at the election in February and during the year. There are many challenges ahead but I believe that together we can, if not move mountains, then give it a darn good try!

Christmas is a time for family and friends and a little relaxation. I am looking forward to having all the family together for Christmas, with my children David and Jennifer coming home from Brisbane. I hope that the festive season brings you happiness and that you are able to recharge your batteries for an exciting and rewarding 2002.

## BIG GAME HUNTING *by Ron Elgar.*

In 1935 my brother and I 'hunted' rabbits and red deer in Scotland, using our eyes and feet. As an adult, I hunted these same deer with a rifle, and shot one, cleanly, through the heart. My 'once only' hunt sickened me - I never again repeated it. My next 'hunt', around 1965, was with my wife, binoculars, a cheap camera and a temperamental Ford car. It was in Kenya: hugely enjoyable, very educational but, as it turned out, considerably more dangerous.

Africa! Birth-place of man, some say. A huge country - searing deserts in the north and cold winds from the Antarctic in the south. In between, many different tribes and countless species of animals. The former increasing in numbers; the later decreasing or being eliminated altogether. Africa! Black faces, white eyes; searing heat from a sun that is blood-red at dawn and white at midday; torrential rain and red dust; thorn trees and giraffes almost as tall; The Limpopo River and the mountain named Kilimanjaro; safari ants that have eaten newborn babies, and elephants that eat trees. Ah! The elephants! I recalled The Elephant's Child, Rudyard Kipling's wonderful story about just that. He was always getting spanked but he never littered the country.

Our trip commenced after we had spent a few days at Diani, on Kenya's east coast, at Pam's parent's beach home, where I watched the gardener climb palm-trees, without any 'aids', to provide us with soft coconut and its fresh milk. We had crossed the ferry at Mombasa, 3 degrees south of the equator, and went north to Malindi to stay with Pam's brother for a few days. Then we moved on.

We were fully equipped (?) for the journey - camera, thongs (not the 'singular' type), hats, etc. Excited, car doors shut, engine rockets fired, Michael pointed us in the general direction of the little-used inland track to Voi and wished us a good safari. We headed off. We somehow found the track - just wide enough for the old car, with tall bush and scrub on each side. In places we could see out each side; in others, not at all. Sometimes we couldn't see a track either.

Time passed, lazily. It was Africa, kingdom of wild life, cradle of humanity! Peace and quiet, bar the squeaks and rattles of the old car. Suddenly we felt a huge bump and the car rocked on its axles. The quiet was disrupted by a pounding

of feet and crashing of bushes. I looked out of the window my side. What was happening? Nothing ahead. Elephant? Rhino? I looked out again and saw it, or rather 'them'. Four huge tree-trunks moving alongside the car, banging against it and rocking it. It was an enormous bull giraffe (his gender unmistakable at my eye-level). I hit the brakes and the giraffe - sixteen feet tall at the very least - shot across the track in front of us, aiming one last blow at the car that had so disturbed his peaceful day. I glimpsed the hoof rocket over the bonnet - and miss by inches. About half a minute had elapsed, but it seemed like hours. A giraffe that size could seriously damage a small car. We had no water in the car, no idea where we were ("Keep to the track and you'll get there", we'd been told). And no emergency supplies. We were ill-prepared. Lucky break number one and enough excitement for one day!

The inevitable puncture occurred the next day on an open road in Tsavo National Park. (Yes, we did make it to the hotel at Voi). I had nearly changed the tyre when this rhino (*Diceros bicornis*) appeared, unseen by me. He halted on the dirt road a few yards away. Pam gave a whispered "Watch out! Rhino." I stood up and looked around - a bad move! The rhino saw me and remembered that it was his patch of land and I was intruding. Action! Head down, horns lowered, the dinosaur charged. More action! The incentive to get back into the car was strong and I reacted. It was a dead heat. As I slammed the door the rhino hit the car bumper. Luckily I had the replacement tyre back on the car because up in the air went the front of the car, jack and old tyre flying. The noise impressed the rhino and he backed off. We sat there, silently waiting. In the end the old fellow ambled off, shaking his head. I'm sure I heard him say, "I showed 'em! Damned trespassers!" Lucky break number two!

Later on I tried to approach another rhino and bellied the front axle on a small log. We were stuck and the rhino wasn't. But one rhino story is enough.

Our best effort by far was also in Tsavo. We had enlisted the help of a black park-ranger for the morning safari. He sat in the back and educated us about his country and its wild animals. We came upon the elephant quite by chance. He was a bull, a loner, on the edge of the forest about 200 metres from us, gigantic, awe-inspiring, even at that distance. We stopped. I cut the engine, and

## KURANDA MUD SLINGERS *The Kuranda Pottery Group*

As this edition of Kuranda Paper hits the streets we will be frantically making preparations for the BLUE MOONY EVENT - the high brow mud wrestling evening at the stables this Saturday December the first. The Blue moony event is a fund raiser to keep the mud slingers slinging mud. Come and see Captain Zero the Multi Hero defend himself with verse. See the ad in this paper.

As a consequence of the Blue Moony event, once again we do not have a first Saturday of the month members day. Nevertheless, coming up:

**FREE POTTERY WORKSHOP** As usual on the third Sunday of the month (December 16). Starting 10.30am at the stables just past the high school carpark on Myola Road. Bring food and drink if you plan to stay long. Please note this is not a formal 'lesson' with a teacher, but an opportunity to come, try out things and share ideas. New folk welcome, including complete beginners.

**BUILDING FOR RAKU** We will have a first Saturday of the month workshop in January, unlike in the past, when we have all gone on holidays. We will have some members showing and demonstrating building techniques for Raku firing, and will spend some time making pottery ready for a raku firing in the near future. Raku firing is a fascinating eastern technique that involves removing pottery from a simple kiln when it is red hot, and placing it in flammable materials to create unusual glaze effects.

Any queries, phone Ian or Tonya Whittaker 4093 9652we



## KURANDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & TOURISM INC

Looking outside the square

During the term of my leadership of the Chamber, I am endeavouring to expand its reach, influence and responsibility beyond the businesses in the township to the greater community.

To really function well, the commercial community should be integral with the social, cultural and environmental communities. This can occur if the fabric of the business community is made from the fibre of the local community. The Chamber should be facilitating this by forging links between our educators and our businesses, to ensure that the skills taught at school are the ones needed by business. To this end, it should be facilitating apprenticeship and work experience opportunities.

In preparation for the leap into the New Year, let's not delay another minute to open up a dialogue between ourselves and our educators. Our final meeting for 2001 will be different from the rest. We'll deal briefly with necessary formalities before engaging Mike Hobbs, fresh-eyed newcomer to the town, head of the Primary School (where the seeds of the future are planted), in frank and challenging discussion.

We'll do this over a drink (it's the Chamber's shout) at Billy's Garden Bar

5-7pm, Wednesday 5th December.

If you are not an active member but like the idea of where the Chamber is going; or would

like to consider membership in light of this broader direction, then we'd love you to come and talk and share a drink with us. We'd especially like to see you if you are a local person with a local business who sees value in community building with yourself as a cornerstone.

Jax Bergersen President 4093 8834	Joy Gordon Vice President 4093 8850	Milton Undy Secretary 4093 8488rf
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## Library News

By Kath Raward

Ho! Ho! Ho!!! 'Tis the season to be jolly or is that soggy??? The wet season is upon us again and thoughts of life in the great outdoors are a mildly mildewed memory in the back of our minds.

But is it time to hibernate or time to rejuvenate?

Why not take this opportunity to indulge in some long overdue pondering over the papyrus. It's the perfect time to read that book you have been putting off till there was plenty of free time to digest the content, or the stack of decorator ! gardening ! home building magazines you long to flick through. Perhaps some Mozart or Crowded House playing in the back ground while swinging in the hammock?

Here is your chance and it's available at the local library for FREE! (All but the hammock that is, sorry!).

**Some food for thought!**

"Australian Wines from the vine to the Glass"

"American Vision: the epic history of the art of America", Robert Hughes

"7 Simple steps to unclutter your life"

## Kuranda Library

FREE!

## School Holiday High School Program

All School Holidays the Kuranda Library Youth Space Will be featuring:

- YA PC with Logitech joystick and 3d effects. Including games such as Le Mans 24 hours, V-Rally2 expert, European Air War, Falcon 4.0 and settler's gold.
- Top ten CDs, in house and take home CDs and Videos, comics, novels, mags and more!!!

**WANT MORE!!!!**

- FREE! Palmistry Workshop with renowned palmist Alain Baillon. Learn the history and art of palmistry January 9<sup>th</sup> 2002 10am. Limited places so book early!

"Eco Chic: Organic living"

"Orchid growing in the tropics"

OR a Novel perhaps

"The Opium Clerk" by Kunal Basu

"Hallam Foe" by Peter Jinks

"White teeth" by Zadie Smith

OR A Book on Tape

Hitch hikers guide to the galaxy OR Voyage of the Narwhal

OR Music CD's

Puccini's "La Boheme"

Ella Fitzgerald and Joe Pass " Speak Love"

The very best of the Eagles

Pearl Jam "Live" OR Korn "Follow the Leader"

There is a smorgasbord of choices, and we will be open during the Christmas break, December 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> at the usual times. (See the back page for Library Times). School holiday activities continue with the Junior school storytelling and craft December 19<sup>th</sup> 10 am and the high school Palmistry workshop January 9<sup>th</sup> 10am. See the Kuranda Paper or the Kuranda Library for details.

The Library Staff wish all our friends a happy and safe festive season.

grabbed the camera. I watched him swing his vast head slowly towards us until he was facing us. He seemed disturbed. "Stay very quiet," said the ranger. Then up went the trunk. I suppose he must have smelt the car fumes. Yet again humans were intruding. I recall thinking his ancestors had roamed Africa 50,000,000 years before we arrived. Maybe he was saying, "It's my land. Get lost."

I should just mention that I had lost the car key on the beach at Malindi. But I was always able to hot-rod the car, given time. Two wires twisted together; then touch them with the third. No big deal!

The old bull trumpeted. His ears came out sideways and he grew in size. He started to move towards us. He was magnificent! The ranger thought otherwise. "Better get going," he said. I grabbed the double-wire and looked for the third wire, deep under the dash-board. "Hurry," he said, his voice rising. "I can't find the third wire," I replied. The old bull must have heard the shouting. He moved up a gear and put his foot (feet) down. I couldn't. He grew bigger by the second. And bigger. The ranger panicked. He leaped over the seat (how, I am not sure) and collapsed onto Pam's lap. Pam was not amused and told him to get off. Some hopes! The ranger was knocking my arm and I could not make contact with the wires. The bull by now was getting very close. He looked absolutely terrifying. We had heard about elephants sitting down on a car and squashing both car and contents. The ranger went ballistic. Pam was beating him on his back and I was begging him to sit still. Somehow I got the car started with the bull about ten seconds from lift-off and still counting. I put the car into first gear and let out the clutch, and no! - it did not stall. The bull stopped in his tracks. The cloud of dust and the roar of the engine must have impressed him, but we did not wait to find out. Later on and feeling safe, I stopped and the ranger climbed off Pam's lap and returned to the back seat. We drove on - in silence. Lucky break number four. I think I'll stop there.

It was quite a hunting trip. I'd repeat it any time, including our 'near misses'. My only preference could be to shake hands with an Emperor penguin in Antarctica; or be touched by a gorilla in the Congo. I guess Skyrail can teach us to respect rainforests; and so, too, can the African bush teach us to respect its wildlife and their territory. They were there ages before any humans!

## Kuranda Library School Holiday Program



Junior (primary school age) Storytelling and craft

December 19<sup>th</sup> 10am (duration 1 hour)

Our resident storyteller Leanne will entertain with her storytelling wizardry.

AND

Make a dinosaur, butterfly or truck calendar for yourself or a gift for Xmas.

Seating is limited!

Book at the library and make your selection of calendar before December 12<sup>th</sup>



# KURANDA DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Travels with Year 6 G

Ever wanted to travel to Montana and see the open range and snow or live in a tipi with a native American Indian? Senior Guy have been visiting Montana USA, via virtual Field trips or Travel Buddies. A travel buddy is a soft toy or symbol of a place and sent in place of real people. We have sent a Black Cockatoo puppet - "Garna" to Montana and they have sent us a Bison soft toy- "Tyson" to us here. Along with the representatives, we both send email, digital pictures and information about our cultures. We are helping them understand our Djabugay Culture while learning about Native American Indian tribes in Montana. This mission was simple- learn as much as you can!

We are hoping to have some long time friends with the children in Montana. A personal diary is kept by the visitor (written by the students) and eventually sent back to its original owners. Tyson went on camp, has been to Naidoc week events and constantly goes home with students in Senior Guy. You can visit our site and check out the diary entries.

[www.pa.ash.org.au/ieta/tmates](http://www.pa.ash.org.au/ieta/tmates)



Pictured above Kristie , Nina and Reece  
Pictured left Mrs Guy with Garna



## Middle 4/5 H Wins Creatures Of The Reef Festival Contest

Middle 4/5 H competed in the Reef Festival Creatures of the Reef Competition .The class worked hard to make reef creatures out of recycled materials. The students' message was about the problems that the Crown of Thorns Starfish poses to the reef. They performed a musical act relating their message about the preservation of the reef.



All the costumes had to be made out of recycled materials. Our theme was the Crown of Thorns coming in from Outer Space and taking over the reef, then saved by the snorkellers. When they announced that we had won we were all very excited.  
By Kelly Pictured above Isaac, Kelly, Taylor & Julia. Above right Mathew and Ruben



## Year 7 M Views Religion

Senior 7M have been investigating how religions and beliefs Contribute to Australia's diverse cultures. This unit of work is a part of the New Outcomes-based SOSE Curriculum. The students looked at the six major religions of the world as well as the functions of religion. Students in groups prepared and presented their investigations on the religion of their choice.



## The Morning After The Big Night Year 2 / Year 3 Sleepover

A fun filled, full on and exciting Sleepover was held by Year 2 and Year 3 classes combined.

The night started with a sensational dinner party. Then they had a mini disco, later followed by videos. The next morning they walked to the Barron river for a swim.

Today is Friday, and last night we had the sleepover.It was fun. The next day in the morning we had french toast and pancakes and cereal and it was fun. We had a good time, it was great. I liked it very much. After breakfast we had a swim.

By Allisandra



Pictured above top Holly, Thomas, Justine and Joey. Above Tim, Jesse and Clara

## A Champion At Great Heights

Year 6 student Lynece George is our school Champion High Jumper. After winning the high jump section on Interschool Sports day in August, Lynece competed in the Barron River Sports Competition , progressed to the Peninsular Trials in Cairns then to the State finals in Brisbane. Lynece achieved a jump of 1.42 metres , this has earned her a place with the Queensland Primary School Track and Field Team to compete in Melbourne at the end of November. Well done Lynece and good luck.

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She said she felt that much of the degeneration and illness we suffer from today is brought on by the lack of vitality and life in the food we eat. Most food that the average person eats is cooked and half-dead (100% of the enzymes that are essential for efficient digestion, are destroyed by cooking). Also beverages are loaded with sugar, alcohol or stimulants that create an illusion of energy which fades quickly as the day passes.

In contrast, the nutrients in

wheatgrass, as a living food, can restore vigor and energy to an ailing, tired body and can, in fact, bring a greater zest for life. Wheatgrass is easy to grow and easy to use. With a handful of wheatberries, some water, and a tray filled with 3cms of topsoil and a cover, you can grow your own wheatgrass in just 7 days (maybe 10 in Winter).

Then, simply cut small clumps and chew it and discard the pulp, add the cut grass to your salads or drink as a juice.

Its nutritional value is exhausted when the grass turns yellow. The remaining Mat makes wonderful compost.

( From G. Saraswati, Cairns, Q.L.D. )

Ref: How to Grow and Use Wheatgrass to Maximize Your Health and Vitality  
 The 'Wheatgrass Book' by Ann Wigmore (Avery Publishing Group Inc. 1985)

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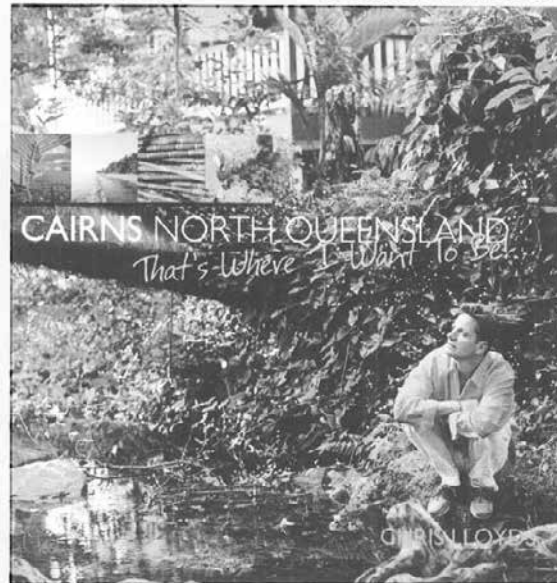
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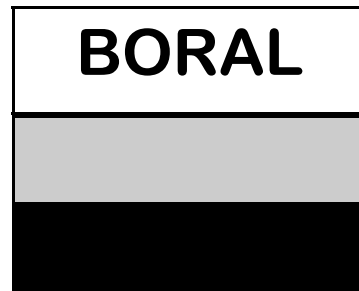
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8. 18 holes on a golf course
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10. 5 toes on a foot
11. 90 degrees in a right angle
12. 3 blind mice (see how they run)
14. 32 is the temperature in degrees Fahrenheit at which water freezes
15. 3 wheels on a tricycle
16. 100 cents in a rand
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19. 13 is unlucky for some
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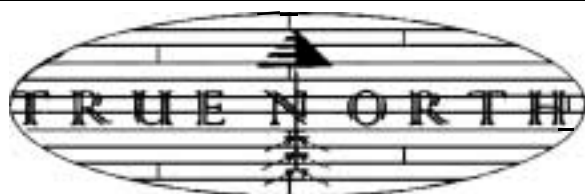
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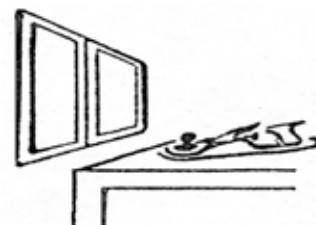
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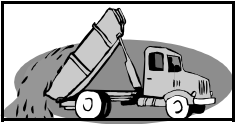
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## Ho! Ho! Ho!



Christmas is almost upon us once again. Kuranda Lions are looking forward to a brief break over the Holiday Season. But before that happens, we have been busy still with the judging of Lions Peace Poster entries from both Kuranda and Smithfield High Schools; Branch judging of the "Youth of the Year" public speaking and organising the Lions Christmas Cakes for this season.

### Lions Youth of the Year

Our "Youth of the Year" speech night was well patronised by Lions members, partners and interested locals. Despite final examinations so near, we were pleased to have two of Kuranda High School students, Nikeah Forde and Kristi Wilson, take up the challenge.

The contest is made up of two parts - an impromptu speech of 2 minutes - on two topics chosen by the judges. In this instance the topics were:

- (a) "If you had had the vote today, what way would you have voted and why?"  
 (b) "Computers - Man's best friend, yes or no?"

Then a prepared speech of 5 minutes duration. Nikeah's speech was "Space Exploration", while Kristi chose "Ned Kelly as a hero"

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Buying real estate can be an emotional experience. It's well known in the industry that emotions sell houses. A buyer will often decide to make an offer and agree to purchase largely on whether or not they like what they see. So to be on the safe side, you should always investigate every

avenue before making a commitment. Both chose subjects of interest, kept the audience interested and impressed all with their research and knowledge.

Our judges had a hard time choosing between the entrants but finally Kristi was declared the winner. Kristi now goes on to compete in the Zone finals - to be held in February in Mareeba.

We would like to thank the judges - Mr Rod Cranks (NAB), Fr Chris Wright (Rotary) and Ms Nereida Cooksley (Education Qld). Thanks go also to Belinda O'Reilly, the Kuranda High School co-ordinator.

### Lions Peace Poster

Posters from students at Kuranda and Smithfield High Schools - Years 6 & 7 - were displayed at a recent meeting for final selection by Lions members. The Theme for 2001-2002 Peace Poster was "Lighting the Path to World Peace". A large number of entries were finally whittled down to three. Although the 1st prize winning poster only goes on to State level, our branch decided to award 3 prizes as follows:

- 1st (\$25) won by Nina Elliott-Bullen, Year 6  
 2nd (\$15) won by Joel Woodcock, Year 7  
 3rd (\$10) won by Chantelle Cahill, Year 7

Our members were impressed with the standard of entries submitted. Lion Ken Veivers. will present prizes at the Kuranda High School this month. Congratulations to the participating students, teachers and, in particular, to Belinda O'Reilly for her assistance and liaison efforts.

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Keep an open mind about all sorts of things to do with the purchase, including location and style.

Be receptive to professional advice from real estate practitioners but remember that it will be your home and your decision.

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Lesley Clark (Member for Barron) attended a recent meeting to present our members with Year of the Volunteer Certificates of Appreciation - it is nice to be recognised from time to time that, along with the many volunteer organisations throughout Australia, local Lions volunteers are an invaluable part of every community. We were all thrilled to see Lion Col Jeanes presented with a special medallion for his dedication and extraordinary service to both Lions and the Kuranda community.

Congratulations to young Lynce George of Speewah who participated in the Peninsula School Sports at Brisbane, coming in 3rd in the High Jump. Lynce was selected to compete in Melbourne, and heads down south at the end of November. Best of luck!

Well, that's it for the year. Kuranda Lions would like to thank the local community who have supported our club in its fundraising efforts throughout the year and wish everyone a safe and happy festive season.

If the property is being sold at auction, inspections should be made before the auction, either by appointment or at the 'open for inspection' days.

Once you start looking at properties, keep some sort of record of the homes you see. A few notes jotted down at the time can save much frustration later when trying to recall the pros and cons of a particular dwelling.

You should also consider having the property inspected by a builder or architect before you buy to assess whether there are any defects or factors affecting your decision to buy. This may be particularly important if extensive renovation or alterations are contemplated.

Once you have found a property you like, it is wise to check it out during the week, as well as weekends. What might be a peaceful environment one day may be different during other times of the day or week.

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**Why Not Get Loony in 2002** (Isn't everyone else?). Moon diaries, moon charts, astronomical planting guides, mini-ephemeris (day-by-day astro-calendar). At the Green House, main street. 9:30-5pm every day.  
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**Repairs to Microwave Ovens, VCR's** Stereos and other small appliances. Free quotes in workshop. Ph: 4093 9157

**Let it Flow - Let it Blow.** That time of year again. The Green House has lots of creature comforts to make the Wet Season / Cyclone Season bearable if not downright enjoyable. 100% cotton mozzie nets, citronella incense, natural repellants and healing creams. Lovely candles, massage oils and luscious lotions. Wishing everyone peace and joy in 2002. Open 7 days. Ph 4093-8917. The Green House.  
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**Even More Fun at the Green House!** Check out our pocket kites. Easy to launch, even for the very young. Also Hackey Sacks are finally here. And we still have all your favourites from books to kaleidoscopes to wooden toys - for the you heart in us all. Merry, merry, merrier! Open 7 days.  
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**The Silkworks Studio,** Myola, has hand painted quality silk fabrics for weddings & special occasions, silk satin sarongs and scarves, framed artwork. Wedding & invitation printing and handmade cards. Visitors welcome, please phone Kathryn Edwards 4093.7297  
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**Denture Repairs**-2 hours by appointment. Chipped/cracked or missing teeth. Registered Dental Technician will make you smile again. Phone 4093 7688 A/H or Mobile 0410 650 538  
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**T V Antenna installation and repairs** - Contact a local bloke to solve your TV reception problems. Call Bob Madden at Speewah on 4093 0169.  
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### GENERAL

**Dressmaker:** Casual to evening, Bridal wear, alterations no problems. Cushion covers, lounge covers. Ring Dorothy 4093 8886  
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**Dehumidifier** - Room size with thermostat. 7 months old. \$390 o.n.o. Cost \$590. Phone: 4038-1064  
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**CAR TRAILER HIRE:** 6x4 box trailers for hire. \$10 half day. \$20 full day. KURANDA EnviroCare 4093 7570  
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**MULCHING HAY** (round bales - equal to 8 square bales). Weed-free. \$15 to members, \$18 to non-members. KURANDA EnviroCare 4093 7570  
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**NATIVE TREES** - free to landholders in the EnviroLink Wildlife Corridor (and we'll help you plant them). KURANDA EnviroCare 4093 7570  
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**LAND FOR WILDLIFE** Make a proud statement about your property. For more information and application forms call KURANDA EnviroCare 4093 7570  
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**For Sale** The Latest Microsoft Office XP, unwanted gift less than half price. \$350 Ph. 4093 0291  
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**For Sale:** 5 Internal Timber Doors with hardware, cheap. Ph 4093-7297  
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**KURANDALAND!** 11am-3pm. Shop 9, Village Bazaar. Xmas specials. Up to 50% off. Sizes petite to Goddess. Ph 4093-7369.  
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**Gift Vouchers** that make your gift fun for that someone special from 'New to You'  
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**Laptop Computer:** Fujitsu Lifebook 735Dx 1.6GB, 48MB Ram, modular 3.5" floppy disk drive & CD Rom Drive, Windows 98. \$750. Phone 4093-8479.  
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**Studio Open Day!** Christmas Pottery & Crafts Sale. Gifts direct from the artists. Refreshments. 9am-6pm. Saturday 8th December. 36 Butler Drive, Top of the Range. All Welcome.  
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**Positions Vacant:** Domestic cleaners needed for local work. 4045-3895.  
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**Beautiful selection** of holiday party dresses available at 'New to You' the 'Eclectique Boutique' Open 7 days till 5:00!  
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**Stress-free Christmas** shopping at 'New to You' where it's cool, affordable and complimentary gift wrapping is always offered - Happy Holidays to you!  
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**For Sale** Solid timber Kauri pine wardrobe 1460 x 1830. Ex. cond \$180 Ph 4093 7297

*Seasons Greetings*  
From the Kuranda Library

**CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS**

Monday	24 Dec	closed
Tuesday	25 Dec	closed
Wednesday	26 Dec	closed
Thursday	27 Dec	11am-5pm
Friday	28 Dec	9am-12noon
Saturday	29 Dec	9am-12 noon
Sunday	30 Dec	closed
Monday	31 Dec	closed
Tuesday	1 Jan	closed
Wednesday	2 Jan	11am-5 pm

**KURANDA TRANSFER STATION  
OPENING TIMES**

Monday	7.00 am	to 10.00 am
Wednesday	3.00 pm	to 6.00 pm
Friday	7.00 am	to 10.00 am
Saturday	8.00 am	to 12.00 pm
Sunday	1.00 pm	to 5.00 pm

**In Case of Fire or  
Other Emergency  
Please Phone  
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**KURANDA VACATION CARE  
IS AVAILABLE IN THE  
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!**

The Vacation Care program for years P to7 will be running in the School Holidays at the Vacation Care Centre at Kuranda District Primary School.

**FUN ACTIVITIES IN A SAFE  
AND CARING ENVIRONMENT**

**Need more information?**  
For info about fees and details of Child Care Rebates available, please call  
**Tina Hale 40938192  
or c/- 40937479**

**Book early! - places limited!**  
This service is a P&C Initiative

**Repairs to Microwave Ovens,  
VCR's Stereos and other small  
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workshop. Ph: 4093 9157**

# Merry Christmas

**KURANDA VISITOR INFORMATION  
CENTRE NEEDS YOU**

“Would you like to gain work skills and experience in a friendly, fun and supportive volunteer environment?”

We need people who are willing to give three hours per week, fortnight or monthly to assist with our seven day operations.

**PLEASE CONTACT:**  
Della Kahuroa 4093 7593  
Or drop by and pick up an application  
From Kuranda Visitor Info. Centre

**PETER JARVER**  
*Wildscape*  
GALLERY

**POSITION VACANT**

Applications are invited for the position of office assistant

The successful applicant should be familiar with general office systems, have excellent typing skills, and a friendly telephone manner. Recent school leavers are encouraged to apply.

Please forward resume to: Office Assistant Position  
Ph: 40937171  
Fax: 40938897  
Email: [info@peterjarver.com](mailto:info@peterjarver.com)  
Post: PO Box 549, Kuranda Q 4872

**!!!! NEW !!!!  
DEADLINES**

**February 2002 Paper**

Editorial	Wed	20	Feb
Advertising	Wed	20	Feb
Classifieds	Fri	22	Feb
Paper out	Thur	28	Feb

**KURANDA  
S.E.S.  
40937188**

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Regular Meetings in Kuranda

**Date Claimer**

**ORGANIC GARDENING CLUB** Sat. Dec.8 4093 7205 Harmony Farm off Black Mtn.Rd. 2pm.

**Kuranda Inter Agency Network Meeting** Mon. Dec 3 at 2.30pm Kuranda High School

**Tennis Christmas Party & AGM.** Sun. Dec 9. at 4pm Tennis Club

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

**Al-Anon** 10.30 am Fire Station Recreation room. Ph 4093 0462

**Alcoholics Anonymous** 10.30 am CWA Hall Ph 4093 0462

**Kuranda Bowls Club** social games 1-5 pm

**1st Sunday R.S.L.** 5 pm Sports & Social Club Family Service, Uniting Church St. Christopher's

**2nd Sunday Kuranda Bowls Club** Monthly Meeting 12.30 pm

**3rd Sunday Free Pottery classes,**The Mud Slingers, Myola Rd. at "The Stables" 10.30am

**Every Monday Life Span exercise** QCWA Hall 9.30 am

**Jungle Gym** for Kuranda Kids, 3.15 pm 4093 0608

**1st Monday Kuranda Horse and Pony Club** 7.30 pm Mantaka

**High School P & C** 7.30 pm

**Tennis Club** 7.30 pm Sports and Social Club Fallon Rd

**Koah Sports & Social Club** 7.30 pm Sue Richers Ph 4085 0065

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

**QCWA** 12.30 pm Ph 4093 8933

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

**3rd Monday Kuranda State Primary P&C Assoc** 3.30pm in School staff room.

**Every Tues Play group** St. Saviour's 9.30 am-11.30 am Ph 4093 0146

**Dog training** 7.00 pm Kuranda Pony Club

**Taekwondo & Self Defence Kids** 5.30 pm Adults 7 pm CWA Hall 4093 8682

**Al Anon** 7.30 pm St Saviour's Ph 4093 0462 or 4093 8363

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

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

**Every Wed Craft classes** at QCWA Hall 9.30 am

**Cub Scouts** 5-6.30 pm contact Clare Hensley Ph 4093 9038

**PLAYGROUP** 9.45 - 11.30 am

**1st Wed Kuranda EnviroCare,** Sports Club 7 pm Ph 4093 7570

**Chamber of Commerce** 5 pm Frog's Restaurant

**2nd Wed Q.C.W.A** meeting 12.30 pm QCWA. Hall Ph 4093 8218 or 4093 9600

**Last Wed Sports & Social Club** meeting 7.30 pm

**Every Thurs Joey Scouts** Meeting 5-6 pm

**Rotary,** 6 pm for 6.30 Monkey's Restaurant Ph 4093 7428

**Jungle Gym** for Kuranda Kids, 3.15 pm 4093 0608

**Kuranda Bowls Club** Night Bowls-Casual 7 pm

**2nd Thurs Ambulance** 7.30 pm Ambulance Centre Fallon Rd.

**Respice Care** QCWA Hall 9 am-3 pm

**3rd Thurs 8 Ball Comp.** S & S Club 7.15 pm

**Every Friday Rotary** Top Pub Goose Club 6-8 pm Scouts 7-9 pm

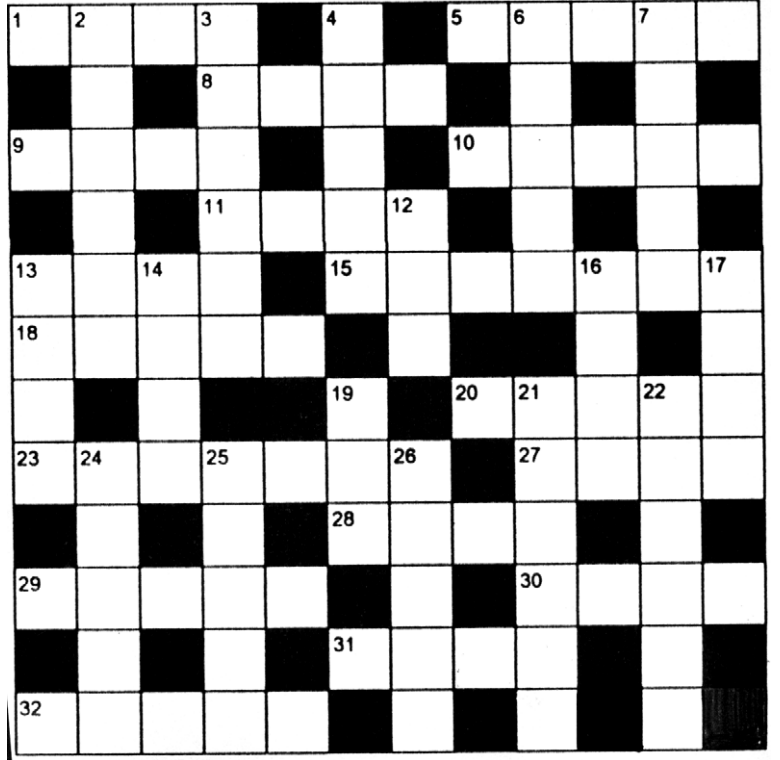
**1st Saturday Pottery Group** (MUDSLINGERS) 10.30 am Stables next to High School, Myola Rd.

**2nd Saturday Kuranda Garden Group** 2nd Sat 11 Aug 2 pm

**Every Sat EnviroCare** 8 am-9 am Tree planting bees Ph 4093 7570

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

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



## Kuranda Kryptic Crossword No.27

Compiled by John Brooksbank.

**Down**

- 2. `Key found under the counter at Fitzie's
- 3. Capricorn is our nearest.
- 4. Noisy american rain forest cousin.
- 6. Goldmine is a lesser known one outside the village.
- 7. One of these is strictly de rigeur at Kuranda Cafe.
- 12. Time for one in Ponape - but not in the village on a Wednesday.
- 13. Controversial tree part to research?
- 14. Principal one can probably be found under Coondoo St.
- 16. If it doesn't.... don't scratch it.
- 17. A last one before you die or give up?
- 19. For rural soap makers - sounds like they tell fibs.
- 21. CIA tail this pretty mimosa.
- 22. Astrological bull sounds obscurely lumpy, who would know?
- 24. Whoosh! A new eatery opposite the Post Office.
- 25. What we should all do at St Saviours.
- 26. Arks' naval relative loops around.

**Across**

- 1. Tourists can't take such a print back home with them.
- 5. If it is ... take it to the Lamb Range dump.
- 8. What Mike Mabbutt's estate hopefully is.
- 9. You need this again, again & again to get the Ambulance.
- 10. Road down to the Barron River is almost eerie.
- 11. Mareeba Shire presumably has one for Kuranda.
- 13. Truck is almost a trailer?.
- 15 & 18. New one through Jum Rum Environmental Park now.(7,5)
- 20. You need a few of these to argue with Mareeba Shire figures.
- 23. Place to eat with our simian friends at the edge of the village.
- 27 & 30. Hurry up! Smoke it before you have to pay excise (4,4)
- 29. This Jurassic girl warns you to stop on Kennedy Highway?.
- 31. A riot at Kamla's Kitchen.
- 32. BP Kuranda competitor is a crustacean?



# Exposé

10 Coondoo Street, Kuranda (Next to Fire Station)  
Ph, 07 4093 7111

## Giftware for everyone.

Exposé features a huge range of teddybears, collectable cars, wall hangings, prints and posters—framed and unframed—, mangrove coffeetables, turned wood etc etc. Too much to name it all, you must come and see for yourself. Select some beautiful gifts for X-mas or any other special occasion. Now also in Smithfield Shopping Centre, opposite K-mart.

## KURANDA - CAIRNS BUS SERVICE

MON/TUES WEDtoFRI SAT/SUN

<b>DEP KURANDA</b>	<b>0730</b>	<b>0730</b>	<b>0830</b>
	<b>1235</b>	<b>1010</b>	<b>1445</b>
	<b>1400</b>	<b>1235</b>	
		<b>1400</b>	
		<b>1600</b>	
<b>DEP CAIRNS</b>	<b>0925</b>	<b>0925</b>	<b>0930</b>
	<b>1325</b>	<b>1100</b>	<b>1530</b>
	<b>1510</b>	<b>1325</b>	
		<b>1510</b>	
		<b>1700</b>	

		<b>WHITECAR COACHES PTY LTD</b> A.C.N. 010 553 527 PO Box 140, ATHERTON QLD 4883	
<b>TO CAIRNS:</b> DEPART		SATURDAY (Except Public Holidays)	
RAVENSHOE	8.00am	2.15pm	
HERBERTON	8.35am	2.40pm	*4.30pm
ATHERTON	6.30am	9.15am	3.30pm *4.50pm
MAREEBA	7.00am	9.45am	4.00pm
KURANDA	7.30am	10.20am	4.30pm
CAIRNS (Arrive)	8.15am	11.15am	5.15pm
<b>FROM CAIRNS:</b> DEPART		SATURDAY (Except Public Holidays)	
CAIRNS	8.30am	9.30am	1.30pm
KURANDA	9.05am	10.10am	2.10pm
MAREEBA	9.40am	9.45am	4.30pm
ATHERTON	10.15am		5.00pm *3.15pm
HERBERTON	10.30am		5.30pm *3.35pm
RAVENSHOE (Arrive)	11.00am		6.00pm *4.00pm
* School Days Only      # MUST Book and Pay Ahead AIRPORT/TRINITY WHARF DROP-OFF AVAILABLE ON MOST SERVICES UPON REQUEST (Additional fare applies) HOSPITAL & DOCTORS SURGERIES DROP-OFF (Eastern side of Sheridan St only) AVAILABLE ON SELECTED SERVICES (Additional fare applies) N.B. NO SERVICES OPERATING ON CHRISTMAS DAY OR GOOD FRIDAY			
ATHERTON	WHITECAR COACHES HEAD OFFICE, 6 MCGONAGHE ST	4091 1855	
ATHERTON	PHILLIPS NEWSAGENCY, 42 MAIN ST	4091 1105	
CAIRNS	48 SPENCE ST (Pay Driver)	4091 1855	
HERBERTON	HERBERTON NEWSAGENCY, 59 GRACE ST	4096 2256	
KURANDA	15 THURMINE ST (Pay Driver)	4093 1855	
MAREEBA	MAREEBA NEWSAGENCY, 125 STONES ST	4092 1030	
RAVENSHOE	8P RAVENSHOE, 76 GRIGG ST	4092 6597	
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