

The Kuranda Paper

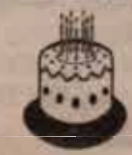
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Well once again a cyclone was on the move and proving to be a big one. This time round there was a real sense of impending disaster. One and all. Both up here in the rainforest, those out further on the Tableland and our neighbours in Cairns pulled out all stops in preparation for another blow, another drenching. Our waterlogged ground, yet to dry out, meant more slips on the range, more fallen trees and therefore more possible house and building damage. Things were looking worse for cane farmers, orchardists and nurseries. The weather people in Brisbane named this new one Vaughan and it rapidly grew to a category 3. Neighbours made long overdue repairs to corrugated iron roofs. Storm boards were nailed to windows, gardens cleared of furniture, radios, water bottles, gas cooking bottles filled, extra food purchased and arrangements made for safe retreats. I personally had never experienced a cyclone warning heeded by so many with such urgency as this one. For many of us, still suffering the inconvenience of access to our properties, legacy of Steve, and a collapsed bridge), now came the knowledge that we'd be flooded out again. A quick trip to the supermarket was planned and instead took almost three hours. The queues were miles long with people panic buying. Others suffered a similar fate as they attempted to buy extra tarps for homes already draped in blue. And then the news began to filter through to the people. Vaughn had been downgraded to a category 2. Phew! That's better, seemed to be the universal thought. Vaughn once again was downgraded to a Cat. 1. Blessings on us all! And all in a space of several hours Vaughn weakened to a tropical low; just worthy of a casual watch. Well, there you are. All hyped up and nowhere to go. Was there really a cyclone at all; if so had it just been playing us for the fool and been a babe all along? Whatever, the general consensus of opinion appears to be one of enormous relief. Let's hope we remember well, and keep in mind the knowledge that we always need to take cyclone warnings seriously.



Celebrating our 100th Edition with photos from the past. Inside please find our centre lift out.



COMMUNITY LETTERS

PO BOX 66 KURANDA 4872

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Dear Kuranda Paper,

On behalf of L J Hooker Kuranda may I thank all those kind people who donated goods and services to the recent L J Hooker Garage Sale. I would also like to thank all those lucky people who bought something too! There were all manner of goods there: a drum kit, home gym, stoves, etc. Good luck to Zaiga who should very soon be extremely muscle bound if she ever gets the gym home! Garage sales were simultaneously held all over the country by L J Hooker offices and over \$90,000 was raised for cystic fibrosis research. Cystic fibrosis is the most common life-threatening genetic condition affecting children in Australia. It affects the respiratory system and as yet there is no cure, so the donation provided, thanks to your support, will be used for research into this dreadful disease. Once again, thank you Kuranda. Your donations and support are gratefully appreciated.

Yours sincerely, Mike Mabbutt Principal L J Hooker Kuranda

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I write to thank Ruth Beasley and her sister Audrey for the Easter Cantata – "God With Us" – sung at the Rainbow Theatre Kuranda on Sunday April 16th. The music composed by Ruth and Audrey was lovely and the singing by the 70 residents of Kuranda and neighbouring towns and villages was excellent. Many hours of rehearsing and travelling gave us a superb performance. Also thank you Father Chris and St. Saviour's Anglican Church for hosting a delicious supper after the Cantata. I look forward to the 2001 Easter Cantata.

Marjorie Spear, Spear Road, Kuranda

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I would like to explain a little more about the Community Archive Project. The aim of this project is to record our local Aboriginal and European history by copying materials onto a cd-rom. The leaflet that recently went to all households pointed out that nearly everything relating to this community has historical value – including recent history. To get as wide a view as possible would be the ultimate goal in collecting any historical record. A grant from the Gaming Machine Community Benefit Fund has provided all the computer hardware needed for this project. Once completed the cd-rom itself will be kept in the library and available for public access. I have volunteered some of my spare time in order to do the processing, but more volunteers are required.

The most important thing we need now is public support for this project - by you to lend us your old photographs or documents of any kind. The items will be returned to you unharmed.

The possibility of people wanting to donate their artifacts has led to the suggestion that Kuranda form it's own historical society. For a town with such a rich history, little work has been done to collect and preserve it within our own community. A public meeting will be held to canvass support - **Friday 12 May, 6 pm library meeting room**, so please come along if you are interested.

Yours sincerely, Kim Wooning

VEGAN TACOS

Yes, yet another VEGAN recipe to greet your eyeballs....

Well I can't help being biased....I've been a vegan for a 1/4 of a century now and well....here's the recipe.

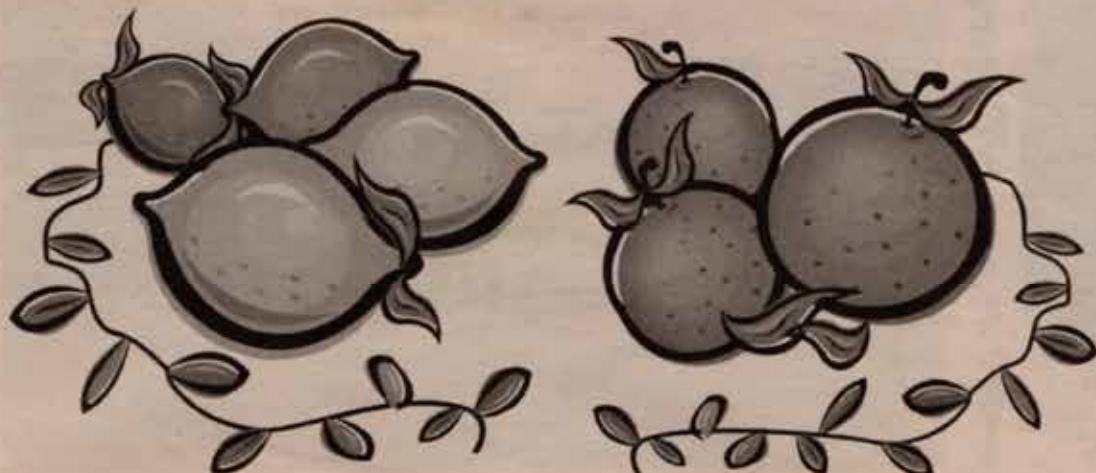
First of all prepare the taco mix.

Grate 3 carrots, finely chop 1 onion, cube 1/2 a green capsicum, Cube 1/2 a cucumber, chop 1/2 a lettuce, cube 4 medium tomatoes And 1 large avocado, and 1/2 a large block of tofu, next add 2 cloves Of crushed garlic, as much chilli powder as you can get away with And a good sprinkling of finely chopped parsley and chives, don't Forget the sunflower sprouts - 500 gm or thereabouts. So chop, cube, Crush, grate etc. and add the jar of taco or burrito sauce. Finally mix The lot together and set aside in a large bowl in the fridge.

Now you can whack the taco shells into the oven and cook until golden Brown and crispy, and don't burn them like I'm good at. Once the taco Shells are ready, spoon in the taco filling.

Serve on a bed of lettuce leaves with a couple of cobs of corn and dry-baked potatoes in their dinner jackets.

All of the above fresh vegetables are organic and you can purchase any of them at RUSTY'S bizarre BAZAAR on Fridays.



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A (GST) MESSAGE FROM THE GREEN HOUSE ENVIRONMENT SHOP

Dear Friends

As of July 1st, The Green House will be subject to trading within the requirements of the GST [Goods and Services Tax] scheme. This will affect all our products. The finer points of the scheme remain confusing but we are able to make some projections in regard to changes in the retail price of goods.



Those of our goods which are currently subject to wholesale sales tax [varies from 12-22%] will have this tax removed but will have a retail sales tax of 10% imposed at point of sale. In theory this would indicate a possible drop in the price of such goods. However, because one is a wholesale tax and the other a retail tax, the savings appear to be much less than expected. Indeed some goods will even rise in price.

Goods not currently taxed will definitely rise in price by 10%. Sadly this affects some of our favourite products including all books and clothing.

So, not good news in general it seems. However, we wish to give you our assurance that we will pass on in full any savings which arise out of changes to the taxing of goods and that whilst we cannot assure you that some goods will not rise in price, we can assure you that our commitment to service and assistance to you, our valued customers, will remain a priority. We are treating the GST as just another challenge to raise our game and keep The Green House buzzing and blooming in Kuranda.

Ann Downey, The Green House.

INVITATION TO ALL PEOPLE WITH DIABETES TO HAVE A FREE EYE AND SUGAR CHECK

Diabetes is a common disease, which incurs an enormous personal and public health burden. If undetected or poorly controlled, it can result in debilitating long-term complications such as permanent loss of vision.

"Retinopathy" is the end result of damage from diabetes to the retina (membrane at the back of the eye). Early detection of diabetic retinopathy by regular eye examinations conducted by trained personnel is the key to reducing visual loss and blindness.

Diabetics suffering from retinopathy may be referred to local Ophthalmologists (Specialist Eye Doctors) for consideration of laser treatment. Early stage disease responds best to treatment.

The Far North QLD Rural Division of General Practice and QLD Health have combined resources to work together on a program aimed at early detection of

diabetic retinopathy.

Over the next few months GP's, hospitals and clinics in the Tableland Health District will be encouraging people with diabetes to visit the Visual Impairment Team as they visit each clinic and hospital in the District.

The team consists of Rachel Bernays (co-ordinator), Wendy Livingstone and Kim Grainer (Diabetes Educators). They will be utilizing the QLD Health Mobile Clinic Bus and conduct eye assessments using a special camera. The test is painless, does not take long and dilating drops are not needed. The final photos will be read by medical practitioners and optometrists. Diabetes education, foot assessments and dietary help will also be available. All services are free of charge.

The team will be visiting the Mareeba and Kuranda area during April and May; Atherton during June and early July; Georgetown, Croydon, Forsyth, Ravenshoe and Mt. Garnet in late July; and Malanda and Yungaburra in September.

Please ring your GP or health provider for an appointment time.

Kuranda Visioning The Shape of Forever

*let the ancestors speak~
we are the children of their
future.
filled with vision for our
dreaming~
this land has guardians:
forests for arms
mountains for body
wild things for legs~
we are the humans
the hands and the feet
sustaining beauty~
speak grandfather:
we hear the river
flowing as your blood~
we listen to your trees
and the colour of your sky~
we join you ancient guardians:*

*we are claw of wombat
to dig out truth~
we are beak of cassowary
to penetrate hypocrisy~
we are legs of wallaby
to travel far~
we are eyes of possum
to see in the dark
we are nose of bandicoot
to find the essential~
we are ear of bat
to hear all secrets
nothing is hidden:*

*speak with the vision
of this ancient place~
speak with the tongue of truth
to preserve its wonder,
and let our human
share in its vast life
give joy forever*

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Kuranda Village Promotions

Kuranda "First Australian" Customer Service Award

The winner of the inaugural Kuranda "First Australian Customer Service Award" was announced to a packed function held at Billy's Bar & Grill Friday 7 April. Belinda Culley an employee of Kurandaland was chosen from 6 finalists and nearly 130 nominations. The evening's success was due to the hard work of Tina Tomkyns of First Australian and Una Chambers of Billy's and proved that Kuranda business people know how to enjoy themselves. Guests of honour were all the hard working staff of Kuranda and to present the Awards was the CEO of First Australian David Jefferies. Joy Gordon, Chairperson of the KVP, congratulated every entrant and spoke of the importance a winning smile, and a willingness to give good service, can mean to a business.

Judged by Quality Industry Training and Employment the awards will be presented bi-monthly to a person who is nominated for service excellence and will form part of a Business Award to be announced during the year. The next Award night will be held in June so make sure those nomination forms are filled in by happy customers and given to Tina at First Australian.



Lesley Moseley and Belinda Culley of Kurandaland and Una Chambers



Rod Lewis enjoying the "First Australian Customer Service Award" presentation at Billy's Bar & Grill



Pat MacFarlane and Cathy Harvey at the Award presentation

Visitor Information Centre

A very successful sign on day for volunteer staff was held last Saturday, 10 people signed on and their induction training will start soon. It was obvious by the passing stream of tourists the volunteers will be kept very busy, The Centre itself is slowly taking shape and with the appointment, after Easter, of a Coordinator it will be all systems go. The Kuranda Village new brochure will hit the streets in the next few weeks. Far more comprehensive than any previous brochure, visitors will be able to tell how much there is, both natural and man made, to do in this area.

Mareeba Shire Council

Five members of the Mareeba Shire Council, including the Mayor Mick Borzi, attended the last KVP Management meeting. The council was there to learn the role of the KVP and a Council representative will be allocated to this group. By having a Council representative on the Committee, ideas and suggestions for council will be heard by them at a grass roots level reducing the chance of miscommunication. For information contact Sue Marshall at Ph/fax 4093 7593.

BUGFEST (Kuranda Spring Fair)

A screening of the movie The Rocky Horror Picture Show is coming to the Kuranda Amphitheatre, so start planning your costume and practising some songs! Sunday 28 May at the Amphitheatre will see an evening of entertainment and surprise. Come in costume and join in. Supper will be provided so come hungry! Keep an eye on the notice boards and the next paper for more details.

Gecko Radio will broadcast the Spring Fair live from the park throughout the day through our very own local radio station.

The Bugfest is moving along well, we still need input from people interested in becoming involved in the parade, entertainment, stall holders, ideas. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 16 May at Billy's, 5.00 pm Hope to see you there. Any enquiries, please phone Sue Marshall on 4093 7593 or Cathy Harvey on 4093 0193

Kuranda Community Preschool and Kindergarten

Term two has begun. We are having a Mother's Day social night for parents and staff 12 May. A chance for the parents to get to know each other and to meet the children their own children have been talking of throughout first term. Rain, rain, cyclone and more rain has lead to a Working Bee with parents chipping in to tidy up for the start of a hopefully sunny term 2.

During first term, the preschool children attended the Kite Theatre, which used the theme of pirates, and this had been a topic of songs, readings, poems, talks and play throughout the term. The Community Health Nurses will be reviewing our preschoolers for height, weight, eyesight and hearing in the next few weeks. Lots of photos have been taken and put up in the centre of activities and the children often help with captions.

Relationships are establishing in the Kindergarten group and language skills that the parents have developed are important foundations for interactions that a child will use for communication. Lots of big appliance boxes have made cubby houses and a mini maze. You could imagine the noise as they all tried out the acoustics and dark areas. Obstacle courses and vault mats are being used as well.

The Kindergarten would like to thank all businesses that have provided donations to assist with fundraising. These include: Queensland Rail, Skyrail,

Undara Experience, Beaches Fitness Centre, Birch Carroll & Coyle, Bird World, Down Under Tours, The Rainforest Habitat Wildlife Sanctuary, Fascinating Facets, Rainforestation, Wild World, Australian Butterfly Sanctuary, The Cairns Crocodile Farm. THANK YOU. *by Leonie Trembath*

Community Computer Access Located within the Arts Co-op Shop Funded by Tablelands Online

Starting in May, two Computers, scanning and CD burning facilities will be available to individuals and community groups. Email and internet services are available 10-4 pm 7 days per week and will cost approximately \$4/hr.

Other services can only be undertaken by trained staff at set times. For further details on pricing for word processor usage, scanning etc. and the type of computer software available Contact Sacha at the Arts Co-op.

Banjo Lawson and faithful dog Mango, spotted in Coondoo Street entertaining passers-by on the Easter Day Family Fun Day last Sunday.



Banjo Lawson (Peter McCabe), David & Angela Weight of Mareeba

The Kuranda Paper Computer Club

Win95/98 Tips When working with text, the mouse is extremely inefficient. You'll waste less time if you start relying on keyboard shortcuts for cursor manipulation. Need some help getting started? In rich text environments (like Outlook Express, Microsoft Word, etc.), SHIFT will traditionally 'select' and CTRL will 'move.' CTRL+BACKSPACE will delete entire words at a time; CTRL+HOME will take you to the top of the document; CTRL+SHIFT+HOME will select all data between your cursor and the top of your document (END will take you to the end); CTRL+LEFT CURSOR will move you one word back (and RIGHT will move you right); SHIFT+HOME will select all text in that paragraph/line. Don't dismiss these tips; you could be spending more time eating lunch. **If you don't use the number keys** on the numeric keypad, you can use them as single-click keyboard shortcuts for launching your 10 favorite apps. Start by pressing the Num Lock key if it isn't already on. Next, right-click on an existing program shortcut and choose Properties. Open the Shortcut tab. Click once inside the Shortcut Key field, press the number key that you want to associate with the program, then click on OK. Repeat the steps for each app. For Internet Explorer, you'll have to make a shortcut to the Desktop icon first, then follow the same steps using the new shortcut. If your Num Lock key isn't turned on by default, check your system's BIOS setup for a Num Lock default setting.



Once the hard work was over it was time to party - the Rotary Primary School Public Speaking entrants from Kuranda State Primary School

KURANDA STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Last Tuesday, an enthusiastic group of children competed in the Rotary sponsored Primary School Public Speaking Night. Under the skillful tuition and encouragement of Linda Jodner, they wrote and practiced their speeches for weeks and each presented a performance to be proud of to the judges. The overall delivery presentation was excellent. Well done Morgan, Lucy and Sarah who won with their excellent speeches. Many, many thanks to Linda from all the children and parents for her support and tuition.



Daisy and Maisie (Rachel and April) and Amber

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HAPPY EASTER!!!

Despite the rain, Kuranda was buzzing on Easter Day with entertainment from Flip the Clown, Banjo Lawson and Daisy & Maisie who kept everyone entertained throughout the day.

Daisy and Maisie (Rachel & April) entertaining children in Kuranda on the Easter Day Family Fun Day.



Kuranda 2001 Telephone Book.

For new advertising or changes to current ads and listings, please call Cathy now on 40930193 or leave a note or message at the school 4093 2701. Deadlines for advertising will be mid May. Looking forward to hearing from you!

A Thought for May

As the wet season finally abates for another year you could say there was a feeling of spring (even though we call in autumn) in the air everything is green and there is new growth starting to appear after the devastation of Cyclone Steve. Lent and Easter have often been described as the "Springtime of the Soul" I can feel the cool weather coming and the wonderful winters' days we get in the tropics. I always feel that Lent, Holy Week and Easter echo a season of new life, which is all around us, giving us a real chance for spiritual renewal and growth.

As usual we are arranging things to help nurture that process. On Sunday mornings at the beginning of Lent we are looking at some of the very basic things which can help foster that growth - worship, prayer and Bible study. We are extremely fortunate to have people of who will share something about their experience in these areas.

In Lent we concentrate on doing that little bit extra drawing closer to God and coming to know Jesus as Lord of each day." We will look at following Jesus, for some this means, "Rediscovering Jesus for others enthroning Jesus and to others studying the Life and Teaching, of Jesus the Saviour of the World".

Lent is a good time for us to spend more time as individuals reading the Bible and praying. As usual we will be making some suggestions about that. Finding time to read Christian books is a good idea too. Buy them or borrow and there are books at the back of St Saviour's that can be borrowed.

During Holy Week there are special services and the Cantata to help us reflect on the things at the heart of our faith. Other services that week follow a familiar pattern. Observing Holy Week reminds us of the cost Jesus paid to reconcile us to God and of the wonder of what he achieved for us.

After the quiet reflection of Lent and Holy Week, Easter enables us to celebrate with great joy the victory of Jesus over death. Here is the new life of our Christian springtime in abundance. For centuries all Anglicans are bidden to receive Holy Communion on Easter Day - and it shouldn't be so much of a duty to do so, but a joy! because Jesus is alive for evermore and has conquered sin and death and hell. That is truly something to sing about and to rejoice in. He gives us the new life that transforms our lives. Let's rejoice in that.

Chris Wright

**Kuranda
Seventh-day Adventist
Church**

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

Services held every Saturday.
ALL WELCOME !!!

**St Christopher's
Catholic Church**

Barang St

Our Sunday Mass will be held at 6 pm
Wednesday Mass 7.30 pm

**THE ANGLICAN
CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA
(CHURCH OF ENGLAND)
ST. SAVIOUR'S
KURANDA**

**Invites you to Worship
Services
Sunday**

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Family Eucharist
9.30 am Sunday School
5.00 pm Holy Communion (7th May)
5.00 pm Evening Prayer (all others)

**Easter Lessons and Carols
Sunday 7th May
6.00 pm**

Thursday
10.00 am Holy Communion

Activities
Home groups
Alpha
Sunday school

Enq The Rev'd Chris Wright -Tel 4093 8735
Email wrightc@iig.com.au
The Rev'd Bill Davidson -Tel 4093 8798

**Words of Wisdom from
OSHO Ro 66**

All problems are psychosomatic because the body and the mind are not two things. The mind is the inner part of the body, and the body is the outer part of the mind, so anything can start in the body and can enter into the mind, or vice versa: it can start in the mind and enter into the body. There is no division, there is no watertight compartment. So all problems have two edges to them: they can be tackled through the mind and through the body. And up to now this has been the practice in the world: a few believe that all problems are of the body -- the physiologists, the Pavlovian, the Behaviourists.... They treat the body, and of course in fifty percent of cases they succeed. And they hope that as science grows they will be succeeding more, but they will never succeed more than fifty percent; it has nothing to do with the growth of science. Then the other party is there which thinks that all problems are of the mind -- which is as wrong as the first. Christian Science people and hypnotists and mesmerists, psychotherapists, they all think problems are of the mind. They also succeed in fifty percent of cases; they also think that sooner or later they will succeed more and more. That is nonsense. They cannot succeed more than fifty percent; that is the limit. My own understanding is that each problem has to be tackled from both sides together, simultaneously. It has to be attacked from the doors, a double-fronted attack; then man can be cured one hundred percent. Whenever science becomes perfect it will work both ways....
Saddhen 4093 0291

SIGNALS

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect him from the elements, and to store his few possessions. But then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, the smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened; everything was lost. He was stunned with grief and anger. "God, how could you do this to me!" he cried. Early the next day, however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied. It is easy to get discouraged when things are going bad. But we shouldn't lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember, next time your little hut is burning to the ground----it just may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God. *via Diane D.*

UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

ALL WELCOME
Informal style of
family service



1st Sunday of the month.
St. Christopher's church,
Barang St. Kuranda. 9am.

NEXT SERVICE: Sun. Feb. 6.
Enquiries to Pr. Don Cracknell
Phone 4092 1175
& Krishna Buhler 4093 7348



**Celebrate
Mothers
Day
Sunday May 14**

News from St. Saviour's Church

April was indeed a wonderful month at St. Saviour's starting with a visit from the bishop. St. Saviour's Sunday school with Barbara Houston at the helm has been doing a lot of preparations for Easter this culminated in the magnificent Good Friday Children's service and an Easter Sunday activity.

On Sunday 7 May At 6.00 pm a very special service will be held at St Saviour's a service of Easter Lessons and Carols. This service shows forth Gods love for the world in the readings from the bible and in the music leading up to the redemption of the world by Jesus, the service will be followed by supper.

Alpha has started at St. Saviour's for the first time this year there still time to join the first course so give Graham and Merrell a ring on 4093 0364

St. Saviour's will be having a special family day at Davies Creek on Monday 1 May.

I AM

Suddenly God was speaking, "My name is 'I Am'." I waited. God continued. "When you live in the past with its mistakes and regrets, it is hard. I am not there. My name is not 'I was'. When you live in the future, with its problems and fears, it is hard, I am not there. My name is not 'I will be'. When you live in this moment, it is not hard. I am here. My name is 'I Am'." -a grace from St. Benedict's Monastery, Snowmass, Colorado

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

**AL-ANON can
help you**

Meetings at Anglican Church Hall
Kuranda 7.30 pm Tues and Library
Meeting Room Kuranda
10.30am Sundays
Contact Diane 4093 0462 or
Helen 4093 0545

KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE

SOCIETY INCORPORATED

A great time was had by about seventy people last Friday night at the Understage High Spirits Dance Party. It wasn't techno just plain old rock and roll and Honey, We Didi was our DJ for the night. He had spent a week sorting songs and labeling the music through so we didn't have repeats and the music was great. Kudos to all who made the night so much fun! We're having another Working Bee on the 6 May from 9 - 2:30 pm. Last one (on the 8th of April) was very wet so only a skeleton crew turned up but we got the white ants out of the storage shed and readied the Top Pavilion kitchen for painting and revamping. Every Thursday there are volunteers (and community service workers) at the Amphitheatre weeding the overgrown gardens and pitching in wherever needed (and I'll tell you there is a fair bit needed to get the venue back to glory). The Top Pavilion is a bit of a focus at the moment. We've taken the old bar apart and built a new one in anticipation of the fence being fixed and the venue being used again for concerts of all sorts. We'll soon have dates for the Kuranda Community Market and when the place is up to scratch we will be having a Garden Party. Hope to see old and prospective new members then. If you would like to have a Community Event in your Recreational Reserve please feel free to get in touch with our Booking Manager Rica Ephraims on the Amphi phone 4093 7414, Mobile # 0408 762 916 or at home on 4093 0369. Till next time Susie Serleto Secretary

KURANDA ARTS CO-OP

Arts Co-op is on the move. We are finalising Public Internet Access arrangement with Tablelands Online. Please come in and browse the web. Reasonable rates for Internet access and e-mail address. For supervised instruction - Thursday and Friday 10 am to 4 pm, for the computer literate any day 10 am to 4 pm. We are moving premises at the end of May to an exciting new venue. STAY TUNED!
Our website project is progressing and this will open the Co-operative to the global market. A huge effort from all members is ensuring this will be an innovative site. Worth a look when it is on line. New and previous members are all welcome to be part of our new improved Co-op. This is going to be CHOICE.

MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL

RADF APPLICATION

The Mareeba Shire council advises that applications from individuals and groups located within the Mareeba shire for the next round of grants, closing Monday 15 May 2000, under the Regional Arts Development Fund.

Application forms can be obtained from Council Offices at 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba and the Kuranda Library/Branch Office at the address which appears below and must reach Council no later than 5.00 pm on Monday, 15 May 2000.

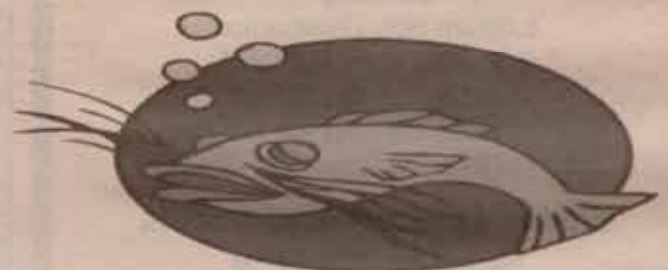
Mareeba Shire Council
PO BOX 154
Mareeba Q.4880

CC McDowall
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
18 April 2000


TO RISK

"To laugh is to risk being a fool.
To weep is to risk appearing sentimental.
To reach out to another is to risk involvement.
To express feelings is to risk exposing your true self.
To place your ideas, your dreams, before the crowd is to risk their loss.
To love is to risk not being loved in return.
To live is to risk dying.
To hope is to risk despair.
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~Leo Buscalia~



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FRUIT BATS

There are five hundred or more kinds of bats throughout the world, divided into two groups-the smaller insect eating bats and the larger fruit eating bats. The latter are called fruit bats because of their sharp-pointed muzzles and the head appearing like a flying fox.

Four kinds of fruit bats are found in the warmer parts of northern Australia, and of these, the grey headed species is the largest, the wings having a span of over three feet. Of all the mammals, bats are the only ones that can fly like birds, and they are well constructed for flight. The bones of their arms, for instance, and especially the bones that correspond to our fingers, are extremely long and serve as a frame for the leathery skin that stretches between the fingers and forms the wing-membrane. The wing-membrane is continued along the sides of the body to the legs. The toes of the feet, as well as the thumbs, are free while each of the thumbs is provided with a hooked claw that is used when the animals are climbing. They never walk.

In Queensland we have the spectacled flying fox which is declining due to tick paralysis which they pick up from the wild tobacco. They go to the tobacco only when there is not enough food in their natural environment.

Flying foxes are a wonderful example of hygiene. They have it worked out. They just hang up there in the tree and their toilet droppings add richness to the soil below them. They also carry seeds to replant the Earth and they pollinate flowers.

All food passes through them in 25 minutes and they are fruitarians sucking out the nectar of fruit blossoms and the juice of fruit.

There have been many serious casualties with the spectacled flying foxes. Examples of this are: torn membranes and damaged wings. Flying foxes often get caught on wires and barbed wire fences which tear their wings and without healthy wings they cannot fly, look after their young or find food.

If the mother flying fox has paralysis from ticks she will die and the young baby she carries under her wing will be orphaned. A single baby is born at a time and is carried clinging to the fur of the mother for about four months. At eight months it is fully grown and ready to go out into the forest and pollinate just like a bee.

by Joanie Byrnes



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LIKE A BUTTERFLY FROM A CHRYSALIS

April has seen us emerge from the chaos of March better and brighter than ever, like a butterfly from a chrysalis. This comment is particularly relevant in light of the hundreds of green Cairns Bird-wing butterflies which have graced our air space lately - at the expense of the Aristolochia vines, their food plant, which have been reduced to leafless tangles.

OUR SHOP AND DISPLAY

While our display is in storage for the time being, our shop is doing very nicely in the arcade of the "red house" (beside the boat). Come in and see what we are up to and consider adding your locally-made arts and crafts to our range.

THE WET, THE WEEDS AND THE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR

You might have found the endless rain depressing, but our thousands of newly planted seedlings loved it. Unfortunately, so did the weeds. To give the trees the competitive edge, all our Saturday morning working bees are weed pulling, mulching, slashing or spraying. We need every body we can woo, cajole or intimidate to give an hour on a Saturday morning from 8am. We'll be at Big Sands for a while yet.

WEED CONTROL ON STATE LAND

Kuranda has been selected by DNR for a pilot project to survey the weeds in the area, map their spread and then develop control activities that integrate with other relevant government departments, the local council and the community (through KURANDA EnviroCare). Volunteer training (please be a volunteer) will commence at the Kuranda Sports Club on Thursday 11 May at 9.30 am. Know a weed when you see one!

AUSTRALIAN TRUST FOR CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS

To give us a hand with the weeds invasion at the start of the Wildlife Corridor at Big Sands (Kowrowa), the ATCV helped out with eight willing workers. However, the team downed tools to escape Cyclone Vaughan and headed back to Townsville before the job was finished. As fate would have it, the Tully Green Corps team were also helping as they had come north to escape the flooding rains of Cyclone Tessi. They also fled. Then the cyclone fizzled!

MEANINGFUL WORK FOR PEOPLE

The second position we offer under the Work for Dole program has just finished and the third one commences. Sue Attard will help in the shop and with the nursery over the next six months. Because KURANDA EnviroCare is the only organisation in Kuranda approved to take on workers under this program, a position with us is highly sought after. We are trying to create another position.

PRIZES FOR QUIZ WHIZZES

KURANDA EnviroCare donated prizes of native tree seedlings to those clever people who knew all the answers at the Kuranda Ambulance Quiz Night. Our own treasurer, David Harris, was one such well-informed person.

TREES FOR SALE

We will have our fabulous display trailer loaded with trees for sale again on Saturday morning, 17 June in Coondoo Street, near the newsagent. Trees are for sale at any time by appointment (phone 4093 7570).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - TEAM LEADERS FOR 2000

On 5 April, the following people were elected to executive positions:

Karen Edwards - President John Beasley - Vice President
Jax Bergersen - Secretary David Harris - Treasurer

Vaughan Edwards was elected to make up the fifth member of the Management Committee, replacing Harvey Lovewell who was unable to stand for re-election due to other pressing commitments. Our thanks to Harvey for his years of active participation.

Our next GENERAL MEETING will be on **Wednesday 3 May at 7 pm** at the Sports Club, Fallon Road. Hugh Crowther will describe his idea of a funicular railway for heavy vehicles to ease the congestion on the Kuranda Range Road.

EnviroCaring is Wet Weather Weeding

All our news in EnviroNews - available at the Kuranda Newsagent

Peter
Thompson
setting
one
of the
bricks
in place



KURANDA HERITAGE TRAIL 2000

Sponsored by Kuranda Rotary as a year 2000 project, this gentle walk takes a circular route around Kuranda. Strolling time is about an hour and ten minutes. Orange booklet in hand, look for a coloured, numbered, arrowed ceramic brick in the footpath, or on a grassy bank, and get started. If the walk is to be started at No 1, this brick is close to the new Information Booth in the Centenary Park. Designed to interest those who like to know something of the people and the place they visit, this little adventure could lead to more scenic walks and longer hikes in the area. No guides are necessary and the locals are friendly. The written material in the booklets is mainly taken from the Kuranda Book by Shep Humston, put together and set out by Joan Dods, with help from Sue Marshall. The line drawings are by local artist Jan Fowell. The ceramic bricks designed and made by local potter Peter Thompson.

by Joan Dods



Bolly Possum

Hello, My name is Bolly. I'm a Common Brush-tail possum. Late last year I was brought to the Kuranda Noctarium (nocturnal zoo) as a baby. The people there found someone to care for me, until I was big enough to look after myself. Now that I have grown up, it is time for me to go back to the forest. It would be best for me to return to the place that I came from. If you know where I came from please call the Kuranda Noctarium (4093 7334) between 10 am and 3 pm, any day.



ROTARY NEWS

Thank you to members of our community who have utilised the Bowel Scan Programme which has been distributed through the Kuranda Pharmacy. Once again the Programme was a success, with special thanks going to Hillary for her continued support.

RED CROSS COLLECTIONS: Our members have been out and about on the streets for the Red Cross Appeal. Several hundred dollars were raised for this worthy cause. Deryk, the adventure guide led the willing and at times disabled through the network of local residents in the Speewah area to help raise awareness and money. Thanks.

SPEECH NIGHT: Winners are gridders, as the saying goes. The Kuranda Rotary once again supported the Primary School Public Speaking night. Twelve students gave three minutes speeches on a variety of interesting topics. Each of the students did very well. The overall delivery and presentation of the speeches was excellent. Congratulations to the three winners Morgan Schneider who spoke of Brain Injuries; Lucy Graham who spoke on Epilepsy and Sarah Freeman who spoke on Stamp Collecting.

RAFFLES: Congratulations to Francis Oui who won the jackpot at our weekly Top Pub Raffles. \$320.00 went to Francis who after much deliberation chose the lucky box. The funds raised at the raffles are used to support community programmes and initiatives, in particular youth related activities.

ANZAC DAY DINNER: The inaugural Kuranda Remembrance night was held on the eve of ANZAC Day. It was well attended by members of our community. This night was a result of a combine effort by Rotary, the Kuranda RSL and the Kuranda CWA. It will be held every year on the eve of ANZAC day and will no doubt become bigger and better. Special thanks go to our Piper, Mrs. Kylie Akers, of the Tablelands Pipes and Drums Band who played the flag party in on the night.

Pres. CAROLE



KISC DRUG & ALCOHOL BULLETIN

EMOTIONAL NEEDS

All human beings, no matter where they live or how old they are, how rich or poor, etc, etc, have basic needs that must be met to live a satisfying life. Physical needs are the basic survival needs of food, clean water, clean air, shelter and safety. In addition, there are psychological needs that are vital to a sense of fulfilment and quality of life. While there is no doubt that there are societal/systemic as well as environmental/physical aspects that impact on people's well being, in a broad general sense these emotional needs could be thought of as:

- the need to give and receive love, to be accepted and to belong
- the need for freedom and creativity - to be, do, and think
- the need for personal power and sense of achievement and control over one's own life
- the need for fun and relaxation

The following might be a quick way of discovering how well your needs are being met:
 jot down the date & occasion of the last time you were with people you truly enjoy being with
 felt free (to be, to do, to think)
 achieved something you were proud of
 had real fun, were truly relaxed

If any of your answers were longer than 6 months ago, or could not be answered, it may be an indication that some important needs in your life are currently not being met in a satisfactory way. It may be an indication that some priority may need to be given to discovering how to get these needs suitably met.

If all behaviour could be explained (NOT excused!) as an attempt to get needs met, then drug and alcohol abuse/overuse might also be seen as an attempt at getting needs met, or as a means of escaping or dulling the pain (of rejection, failure, boredom, etc.) of unmet needs. It takes courage to recognise that important needs are not being met, and to look for other more satisfactory ways of getting your needs met.



KISC-Kuranda Information and Support Centre-News A BRIEF HISTORY

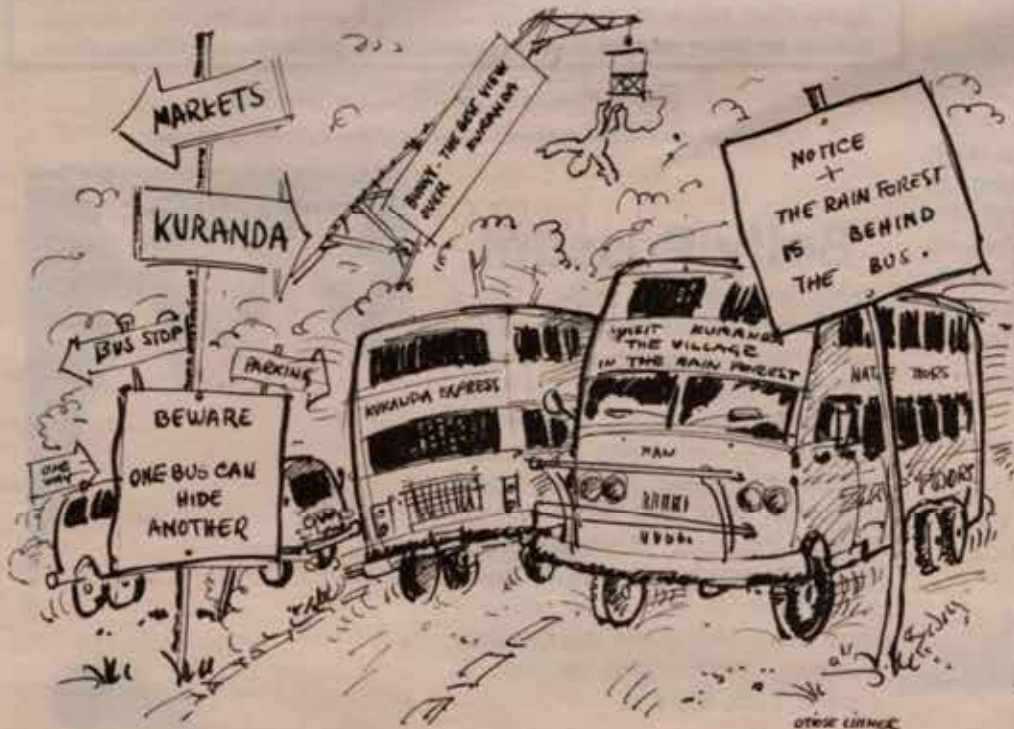
KISC - Kuranda Information & Support Centre - began in 1992 with local residents who were concerned about 'neighbourliness' - people helping people in the place where they live.

KISC was given a 'helping hand' in starting up by being auspiced by the Mareeba Information & Support Centre, until its incorporation.

It was envisioned that such a Centre for Kuranda would assist in promoting a sense of community by linking people with services, promoting inter-agency links, and offering other support in response to community needs.

KISC's first home was in a donated caravan (painted by donated paints with donated artwork) behind the Anglican church. KISC was then offered rent-free space in the original Mareeba Shire branch office in a converted house in Thongon St. Currently, KISC operates, again rent-free, out of the old library section of the Kuranda CWA Hall.

Some of KISC's early achievements included: volunteer emergency transport, the establishment of 'Health Across the Lifespan' for mature age well-being, a Health Needs survey made possible through a government grant, community education such as a Drug & Alcohol forum and menopause information and training in counselling and conflict resolution. More recently, KISC was responsible for the highly successful 'Our Story' project for the International Year of the Older Person.



Riding for the Disabled Association

We have started our RDA days after a few cancellations due to our "greening season". Our pupils seem even keener this year, I guess because they have made so much progress from their first attempts and have much more confidence. We hope to have joined in the ANZAC day parade (if the weather was good to us) with two of our kids riding. We have a full season ahead of us with our Coach very busy attending clinics and events down south and also holding clinics at our base in Boyles Road, Myola with senior members of the RDA coming up to us. We are really keen to get the RDA buggy up here from Brisbane complete with fully trained pony, which will be very exciting for those of our members who will feel more comfortable in a buggy or those who cannot mount a horse, but still want to get hands on experience with horses. Any info about RDA can be obtained from 4093 9917 or 4093 8950 or 4093 9005 after hours.



WALK AGAINST WANT

Kuranda's second **Walk Against Want** for Community Aid Abroad was held on Sunday, 19. March Eighteen enthusiastic walkers - including people from as far a field as England, Melbourne and Atherton - walked the 5 or 10 km route under cloudy, but dry, skies. Besides the adults (10 women, 2 men!!!) there were six students - representatives from Kuranda State School and High School, and Peace Lutheran School. The walk started out at 8.30 am at the Rainforest View Restaurant. Many thanks to Farzad for providing the refreshments that sustained us during the walk. Kuranda raised \$861.00 for Community Aid Abroad. Thanks to all those who made donations, and to the Kuranda Police for helping out with the paper work. *by Keila Waksvik & Riette Voogt*



Scouts News

The Cubs and Joeys are to be joined by a Scout troop, which extends our Kuranda Scout family from the ages of 6 to 14.

Scouts will be held on a Friday night 7 pm - 9 pm starting on 5 May. There are a couple of places left so any young person between the ages of 11 - 14 who would like to go on bike hikes, canoe, camp and have a say in the other activities they want to try contact me on 4093 9038.

The Cubs have had a busy time with a day of learning about African culture, trying African food and having some drum playing instruction. They also headed for a camp late weekend at Palm Cove for which the weather stayed fine and the Cubs sent out messages in Morse code from signalling gadgets they had made.

The Joeys displayed their sewing skills by participating in a State wide quilting project. All the Joey packs were asked to sew buttons onto a square of material that will be connected to others to complete a quilt that will be displayed in the Scout Museum in Brisbane. We were fortunate to have all our buttons donated by Debbie Barber who makes the buttons herself so our square is totally from Kuranda. The Joeys have now asked Debbie to show them how she makes the buttons. As I explore the different areas of Scouting I have learnt some interesting customs, traditions and about the life of our founder Baden-Powell. As an outsider looking in, some of these may seem rather strange so I have decided to share my discoveries with you on a monthly basis starting with why Scouts shake left hands rather than the normal right hand.

THE LEFT HAND SHAKE

Whilst in Africa Baden-Powell met warriors who normally carried spears and shields. The spear was held in the right hand, ready for protection. When such a warrior met a friend, however, he would carry both spear and shield in his right hand and extend the left in friendship. That was an accepted sign of trust. This particularly impressed B-P. when he met a chief who also held out his

left hand in greeting. A sign that was a little different, but which was acceptable and appropriate to all members was just what he wanted for Scouting.

Last chance to get Raffle tickets for our Mother's Day Draw. We are also having a Street Stall on May 13 so please support us. *Thanks Perry (Clare Hensley)*



Library News

Well it's all happening at the Kuranda Library.

On Saturday 15 April the Deputy Mayor, Evan McGrath and Member for Barron River, Dr. Lesley Clarke officially opened the Library Youth Space. The Kuranda Library team would like to thank the State Library of Queensland for the award of the Innovation Grant and the generous support of the Mareeba Shire Council for making this new facility a reality. It's great to have a comfortable place for young library users to write assignments, study or just hang out reading, watching videos and listening to music etc.

A great big congratulations to the Youth Space Design Team who featured on the day of the launch. Lotus Thomas and Amali Bennett joined Dr Clarke and Cr. McGrath in presenting speeches to launch the facility. They did a wonderful job as did all those involved in setting up the room.

I would also like to welcome to the Kuranda Library team, Leanne Watkins, who joins us as our new Library Trainee. We received some wonderful applications, and many thanks go to all those who made the effort to apply.

In response to the Kuranda Library Survey, we now have new library opening hours that cater for the diverse lifestyles of our Community. The library is specifically designed to suit the Kuranda Community so why not come in for a look one day. *by Kath Raward*

New Hours from 15 May, 2000

Monday:	closed
Tuesday:	11 am - 6 pm
Wednesday:	11 am - 5 pm
Thursday:	11 am - 5 pm
Friday:	9 am - 12 noon
Saturday:	9 am - 12 noon



Lesley Clark (MLA) celebrating the official opening of the Youth Space with Kath Raward, Mary Beth Gundrum (youth consultant) and other team members.

Kuranda Branch Library Council Office

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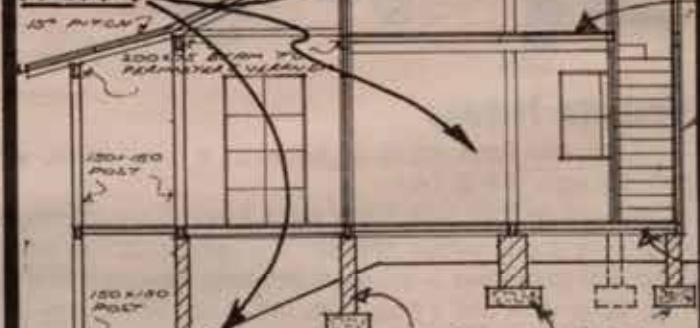
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AND SO IT IS CHRISTMAS...

The Story of Christmas is so simple that children can understand it yet at the same time it is so amazing that the wisest and holiest of men and women cannot plumb its spiritual depths. It is not only about what took place so long ago in Bethlehem with Mary, Joseph, the Innkeeper, the Shepherds and the Child in the Manger. It is also about today, here and now, and it is also about the future, about my life and yours.

One of the titles given to the newborn babe Jesus by the prophet Isaiah is "The Prince of Peace". Christ brings peace with God, peace amongst humanity.

Humanity has indeed accomplished great things, wonderful things yet we are beginning to see that without direction, without true ideals, care and love all our achievements can turn to dust and ashes.

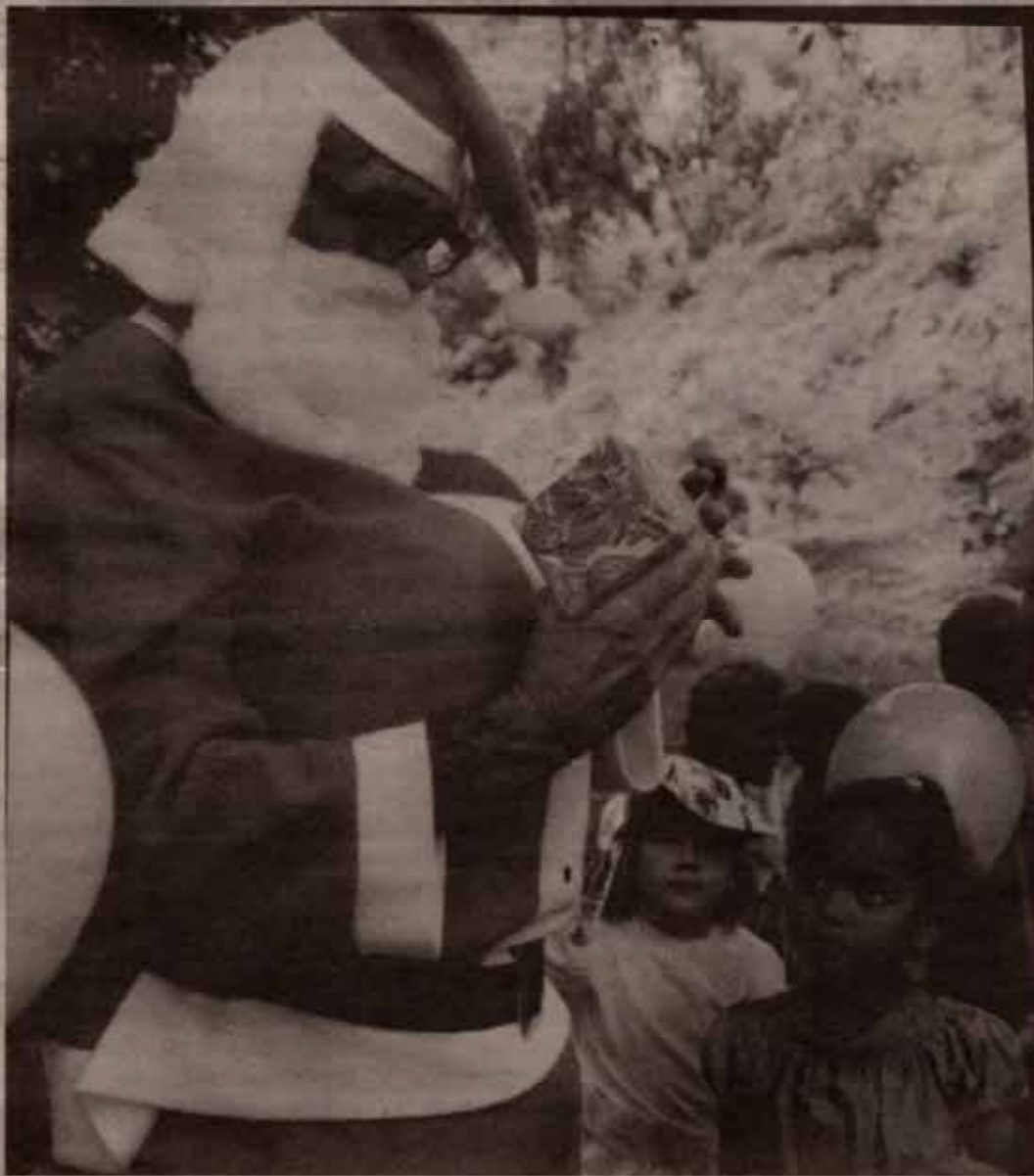
environmental catastrophies and disasters are solely the work of we humans. We trusted too much in ourselves in our own strength, in our own light.

The light from the Babe of Bethlehem is a guiding light for us all. It is a light that can change our lives and our outlook. If we can allow ourselves to follow the light and allow ourselves to change, the world may be changed. Can we not cast away our pride and find in Christ the true light of the world.

St John tells us "the light shines in the dark and the darkness has never overcome it".

It is like a lighthouse which guides us through the treacherous reefs of anguish, anxiety, distrust both of ourselves and others, of destruction and cruelty. It is the light that now shines where the Iron Curtain once fell. What an example to us in our relative prosperity and freedom.

On Christmas Day we announce that the only begotten Son of God was born for us. God's eternal Son took upon Himself our common earthly humanity thus setting in motion a train of events that would see the Son of God bearing the human likeness, revealing a human shape, humbling Himself and accepting even death on a wooden cross. This so as to reveal His Father as a God of Love offering us reconciliation. So as to bring us a new and fuller life and assure us eternal joy as children of God.



Some have found the wealth of the world as dust and ashes compared to the things which really matter. Some want to throw aside the false masks they wear. All can come to the Babe of Bethlehem, throw off their faults and adore the Child in simplicity and reality. The joy of it all is this Christ in His Grace and Love and Compassion welcomes all. Ponder the mighty works of God in your hearts this Christmas, and strive in your own small way to make 1992 a year of Peace and Goodwill. Find your way to one of the Christmas Services in Kuranda and may Christ dwell in your hearts and minds this Christmas and forevermore.

CHRIS WRIGHT. *St. Saviour's.*

SANTA ARRIVED AT THE KINDY PARTY BY FIRE ENGINE. HE IS GREETED BY FANS SARAH FREEMAN AND RIYALA TURPIN. Photo Krishna Buhler.

"Oh little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie Above thy sleep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by Yet in the dark streets shineth The everlasting light The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight"

by Phillipa Booth

DETAILS OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND COMBINED CAROLS see Church News on page 3



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A PATCHWORK QUILT CELEBRATING EDITIONS OF THE KURANDA PAPER

It began as a meeting of like needs rather than like minds. Kuranda in 1990-1 was growing fast, so many new people and things happening but no way to share that information, to find each other, to know what was going on. A few inches in the Cairns Post or Advertiser was all that was available - generally at a cost. We needed whole pages! Photocopying was expensive and hard to access and most Kuranda homes barely had a typewriter let alone a computer. We had to find a way to gather and share.

When I was asked to put together some thoughts reflecting on the history of the Kuranda Paper to celebrate its 100th edition, I went to my now bulging basket of past papers for inspiration. What a treasure trove of detail, photos, faces, musings! And each one put together with such love. Here we are, nearly nine years on, and the Paper still survives; in fact it flourishes with new blood and technology. I've dropped out of the hands-on part of the Paper, except for receiving your most appreciated contributions at The Green House but I still remember the thrill that went around the table in early 1991 when, after we'd talked about photocopying costs and roneoing of A4 newsheets, Shep Humston calmly said he'd done his sums and talked with the Cairns Post and he reckoned we could do a real newspaper (!!!) starting with eight pages.

So with the help of advertising from local businesses, donations, lots of enthusiasm and lots to learn, the Kuranda Media Association was formed at a public meeting in the CWA hall, volunteers and contributions were called for and the first edition hit the streets in July 1991. The first three editions were put together in the Humston's home, then the hunt for a place for the Paper production began. The flat behind Monkey's kitchen was generously offered when the restaurant was "between owners" and we had night time access to an electric typewriter (erase function most necessary!) and a photocopier through Skillshare. The Paper at that point looked, during production anyway, like a late night adult's kindy craft session: lots of glue, paper, scissors and white-out. I remember it was hot and muggy. We had no tables so everything was laid out on the floor and we crawled around with little bits of vital copy stuck to our fingers looking for the right space. The Christmas Edition 1991 was particularly memorable because, apart from the heat and silly season stress, we only had one light bulb to do two rooms so we kept moving it from one to the other. The bugs were incredible and followed that bulb in a haze only to kamikaze into the sticky storyboards, usually at a critical moment. In fact that paper came with a disclaimer "Any typos, smudges, spots, trapped insects or dirty finger prints are part of the creative process and reflect the handmade nature of the Paper".

January 1992 brought some surprises. Monkey's sold, so we had to move out. We were offered the State school teachers' room so our meagre supplies were moved in, only for us to realise that school would be back as we were beginning the next edition, so we moved out. Hmm! oh well it would only be for one or two editions so I offered my place. And computer. A couple of interest free loans from friends and we started paying off a photocopier of our own. We were off! Mostly. Now technology is all well and good but put it through a Wet and watch the fun. We did four editions at my place and I remember going off to dinner one night leaving the team at it. When the power went off, we at dinner raised our glasses and enjoyed dining by candlelight. But when I returned home after midnight the

team was still at it ... putting the Paper quite so romantic illumination. After a more reliable than any barometer: just storm or rain.

May 1992 saw the Paper move to its room under the Fire Station, where the pool table would convert to a printer. We got a computer and printer! We sixteen pages. Then for Issue #21, 60% editorial to 40% advertising revenue allowed. And along the way (and some you'd like to forget) a hard disc 'blinked' and we lost 31 pages there is nothing like a really big boot 1600 readers, for a month; possibly many lessons to learn. How to be different views, to work as a team, journalistic decisions (especially with journalists), to own your mistakes and There were also the moments of great exhaustion). Putting the hours when everyone else is asleep, own bed, with the streets empty and in the quiet. Seeing the stars, the 'real' life for the next couple of days from your eyesight and you keep 'n' fingers crossed that the 'baby' will be forgotten something and the mistake ones. Then it's Friday, the last Friday "paper-folders" gather in all kinds of the Post Office. Yes folks, not only is by many volunteer hands; it's personal. In talking to the 'new crew', over the production made necessary by the process and the accompanying challenge can still hear the same hum of a team they know is of value and loving it. My and thank you to all who make it possible and for the (ongoing) opportunity community's most successful experiment. In that same bug-filled Christmas message to readers appeared: "be that ... Well, you make the news, then the powers that be shuffle the news a paper and rush it into print and let powers that be on this community not hungry for news. Feed them or they haven't changed either. We all need paper, make it yours. Write it down about doing masthead #101: one headline repeated, each one an original, unique story, cartoon. Oh yeah and advertising. Thanks to all those who have contributed over its 'centenary' of editions!





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the Paper together by similar but not . After that our blood pressure was eter: just watch us go at the first hint of

ve to its current home in the recreation where for three long nights every month to a production office. We got a phone! ter! We moved from eight to twelve to e #21, in order to not break our rule of tising we had to go to twenty pages.

Papers when demand required, and the way there were many memorable (get) moments. Like Issue 13 when the st 31 painfully typed pages of copy. And big booboo in print, and in circulation to possibly forever! Cringe. There were so v to be accepting, even fostering, of a team, to make hard editorial and cially when there's no editor, ditto takes and move on.

its of great satisfaction (often coupled ng the 'baby' to bed in the wee small asleep, and heading off wearily to your pty and only the night creatures singing the mist, and the pouring rain. Back to of days while the haze of print recedes keep 'normal' hours. All the time your / will be OK at the printers, we haven't mistakes made hopefully will be minor st Friday of the month, and the intrepid kinds of weather early morning outside only is your Paper lovingly put together personally folded for you!!

over the buzz of technical changes in by the computerisation of the printing g challenge of discipline and learning, I of a team of people doing something ng it. More power to the Kuranda Paper ke it possible. Thanks for the memories rtunity to be a part of one of this experiments.

ristmas edition of 1991 the following d: "be a contributor. How do you do ws, then you write it down, send it in ... e news around a bit, then stick it on the and lo and behold ... newspaper. The unity newspaper work for free and are r they may fade away..." That message ill need each other. Be a part of the it down, send it in. Or draw it (think one hundred mastheads and not one al, unique) or take a snap. A poem, d advertising too - it's the lifeblood. e contributed and supported the paper

Around the middle of 1999, a call went out to the folk of Kuranda: a cry for help. The Kuranda Paper was to be forcibly updated with new technology or close its doors. The Cairns Post were no longer going to be able to accept our pasted pages of hard copy for printing. Instead they would only accept a digital cd-rom copy. This event entailed an extremely steep and radical learning curve, and more so for it to occur very rapidly. The established team of tireless workers, after a great deal of restless nights and hard decisions decided to opt out. The road had been long and personal commitments meant a certain lack of time to devote to the new need. A meeting was called and as a result it was discovered that there were people out there who may be able to step into the breach. I may point out at this time that the pivot of this change in direction was and still is Saddhen. With his bountiful knowledge of computer expertise combined with former experience on the paper and endless patience has enabled the new team to embark on this journey with less trepidation and stumbling than may otherwise have taken place. However we have had some real doozies as many of you out there know. Only being able to see one page at a time on the computer has caused ongoing stumbles. We no longer can have a large team, but by necessity must work in groups of 2-4 at any given time. We've struggled with incorrect fonts that are not acceptable to the final print program, forgotten ads, incorrect phone nos., and a dozen and one other minor and major catastrophes! The worst occurred a couple of months ago when an incorrect font caused the paper to be a week late. You see, then our deadline was a Wednesday night. Saddhen and Production Team Leader Julie would have the final task of transforming our publisher files to Adobe Acrobat and burn into a CD for the trip to the Cairns Post. Thursday afternoon a call was received to say one page had not been accepted by the print run. Hours later the page was found to have incorrect fonts and typing bullets in one ad. But, as Thursday is the only day the Cairns Post prints papers other than its own, we therefore had to wait until the following Thursday. What it did achieve though was a warm knowledge that the locals look forward to their paper as the cries of foul were heard both near and far. Well dear folk out there..... Our skills are developing all the time. We are enjoying each other's company and ourselves and meeting every new challenge. We all gain an immense warm fuzzy every month we produce a paper in the knowledge that we have been able to give our community something of interest and importance. Remember, you the locals out there are our reporters, photographers etc. Without your contributions the paper cannot exist. An extra special accolade must go to paper stalwart, Marjorie Spear who has been the most consistent contributor and supporter of this paper. Thanks a million Marjorie; past team members Krishna, Gayle, Joan and Robin D., who continue to assist with advice, Post Office Mark, The Media Association members, Constable Steve, Ann of the Green House, the Youth Page team led by Ra, Lotus, Ahimsa & Co., Cathy, Margaret, Star, Aleisha, Peter, Julie, Saddhen, Sue and all our advertisers who without the finance they generate, there would be no paper. To all who have an any way contributed both now and then, thankyou. This lift out is for you.

Gayle Hannah

Beverley Adamson





A small glimpse we share with you, with pictures from the Kuranda Paper's Archives. For many locals these photos will engender memories of times gone by.



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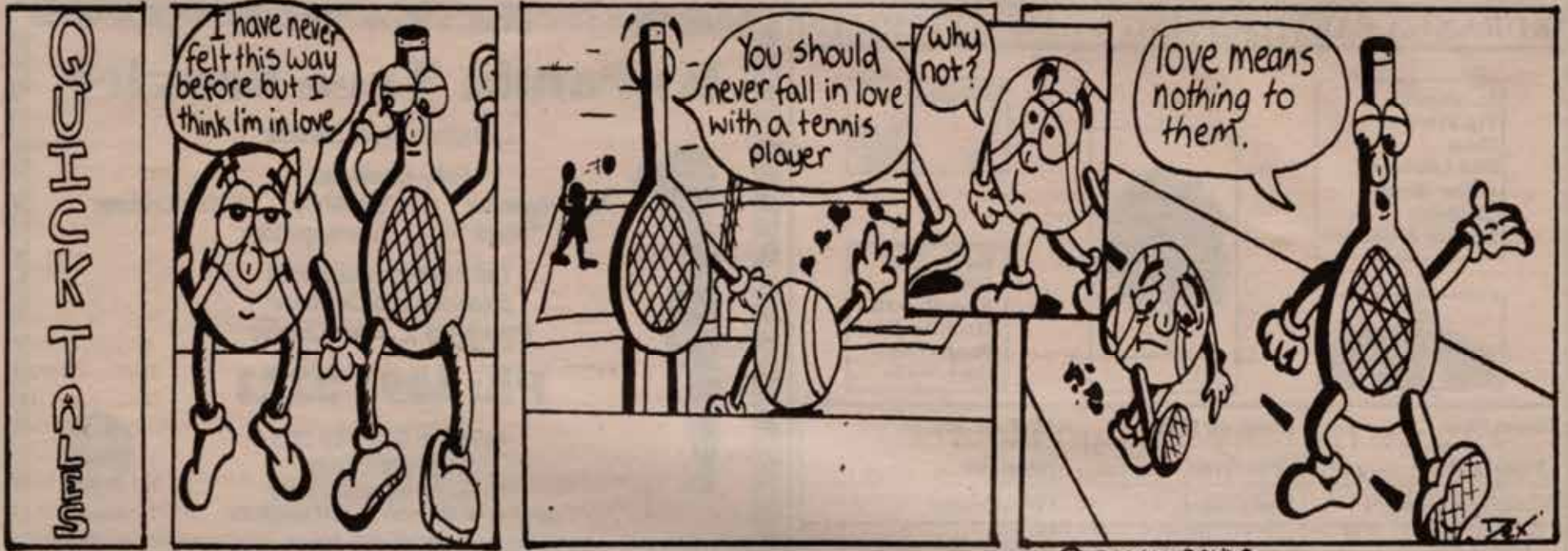


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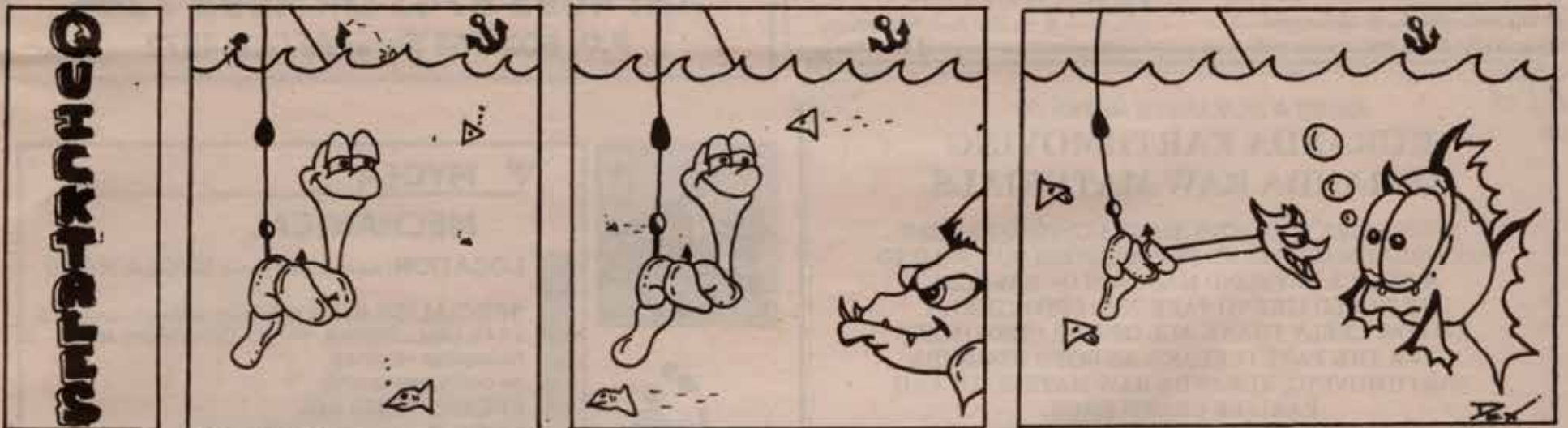
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Item	Price per kg	Item	Price per kg
Alfalfa seed- organic	\$20.75	Olive Oil - organic	\$12.00 per litre
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Barley - organic	\$1.80	Pistachio nuts - organic	\$18.00
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Cashews - NOT organic	\$18.00	Rice-brn/white biodynamic/organic	\$3.50
Chick Peas - organic	\$4.00	Rye Grain - organic	\$1.80
Dates - organic	\$11.00	Sesame Seeds-chemical free hulled	\$5.50
Figs - NOT Organic	\$8.50	Sesame Seeds- organic unhulled	\$6.50
Lentils - NOT organic	\$2.50	Soya Beans - organic	\$3.00
Linseed - chemical free	\$4.50	Sultanas - organic	\$7.50
Macadamia nuts - organic	\$27.00	Sunflower Kernels- organic	\$7.50
Millet Flakes - organic	\$3.00	Sunflower Oil - organic	\$9.00 per litre
Millet - Hulled - organic	\$4.00	Sunflower seeds-sprouts-organic	\$2.00
Muesli - organic	\$6.00	Tahini - organic - hulled/ unhulled	\$9.50
Mung Beans - organic	\$4.00	Tamari - organic	\$12.00 per litre
Oats - Rolled - organic	\$3.50	Wheat grain - organic	\$1.60

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Community Foods endeavours to keep a regular supply of all the above goods. Occasionally some products may be unavailable for short periods due to delays with suppliers. Prices can also vary at times dependent on the current market prices.



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The 5 May 2000 Planet Alignment

Is the date 5 May 2000 the time of the Pole Shift? Will planet Earth be destroyed? I strongly doubt it!

The Moon is new at 4:12 Universal Time (UT) on 4 May. Because Venus is moving eastward faster than Mars, the grouping of the five planets plus Moon and Sun continues to compress during the time it takes the Moon to move eastward and reach the longitude of Mars. All seven classical solar system bodies span their smallest geocentric arc in ecliptic longitude - 25 degrees 53 minutes - at 8:08 UT on 5 May.

This moment is the culmination of the celestial massings. The Sun is near the center of the massing, so all that will be visible will be Mars and the crescent Moon, both 16 degrees east of the Sun in the evening sky, and perhaps Venus, 10 degrees west of the Sun in the morning sky.

On 5 May 2000 seven major planets will line up in the sky - Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and our Sun and Moon will be in a straight line with the Earth.

This 'alignment' is the result of normal rotational paths that each of the planets, and the Sun, follow. It does not mean we will shift frequency or that the world will end/begin though many people will find synchronicities to link it to end times. I think we've had enough doomsday in 1999. For those souls who believe in cataclysm - they will see this as a day when the world will end.

To Jews it signifies the celestial menorah - the rebuilding of a third Jewish temple. A necklace-like string of pearls of the "naked eye" planets on 5 May was also at the start of the Jewish calendar 5760 years ago.

It was also at the beginning of Indian Kali Yuga era 5102 years ago - and at the start of the Chinese Zhuanxu time calculation 3953 years ago.

Many believe that this unique planetary alignment will cause:

A magnetic pole shift, shifts in the continental crust, disrupted weather patterns

and high winds, movement of the polar icecap causing tremendous tidal waves the world over or major earthquakes.

The peaks of the 11-year sunspot cycle would also represent peaks in this increasing energy. Since May 2000 is the last peak in the sunspot cycle before 2012, we can expect that during that year, the **forth dimension (4D)** energies would increase to their absolute highest possible point before the final event itself occurs in 2012. The intensity of this "high point" could conceivably bring in a burst of fourth dimension energy that is strong enough to create the Ascension or Rapture experience, where human entities spontaneously shift frequencies and rise from third dimension to fourth dimension vibrations.

The thought that the world will end at a massing of the five planets dates back to at least 300 B.C. Despite all we've learned, a lot about the mechanics of the solar system in the last 23 centuries, ancient superstitions remain in full health. This time a massing of the planets accompanies a change of millennium - for those who believe such coincidences are turning points in a Master Plan for Human Destiny.

Another interesting massing (and a last chance for astrologers whose earlier predictions of disaster were not fulfilled) comes on July 1 and 2 when, for 11 hours, the Moon, Sun, Mercury, Venus, and Mars fit within a circle 81 in diameter. The massing will not be visible, of course.

The above was mainly gleaned from the Internet. My own opinion is that physical disruptions to Mother Earth would only occur if such an earthquake or volcano were on the verge of erupting anyway. The combined force of all the planets would not even double the force of the Sun or Moon. However the effect on human consciousness is another thing. Many of my more sensitive friends have felt the change in vibrations on many lesser events. *Saddhen*

The Salvation Army - Caring for People

New location **Current location**

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Support our community work by shopping at our Spence St Store. 2nd hand clothing, bric-a-brac, furniture, books etc. Enjoy our \$5 bag day on Thursday May 11th and every 2nd Thursday after. Soon to move to a brand new abode. Watch for further news.

How To Be Healthy Though Elderly

Exercise is most important, if like me, you have aching bones. Move them when sitting or lying (& not asleep!!) They may creak but will strengthen. Stretch and bend and walk (even with a cane like me if necessary.) Do deep breathing in fresh air, tea tree oil will keep away those mossies and midges. Watch your diet. Keep fat and sugar to a minimum, a little fish and eggs, plenty of fruit and vegies, both raw and cooked. Drink plenty of liquid : filtered water, organic soya or goat milk and tea with honey is ok. Try to keep cheerful. That may be hard, if like me you seldom go out or suffer with poor eyesight. Together they can be a bit of a frustration and hindrance to a happy life style. But, music, birds, flowers and my small dog make my life worth living. Smile a lot. Try not to gain weight and say your prayers daily. Marjorie Spear

Organic Gardening

The recent weeks of winds and rain have made weeds, grass and trees grow madly, but not having to water has been a relief. Weeds pull out easily from moist soil. Now's the time to break off seed heads and store for many months in plastic bags or immerse in drums of water. The stalks can be cut into pieces and composted. My wing beans will soon be giving me lots of beans – pick them young. Chokos have been fruiting since early April and along with the beans will continue to fruit for many weeks. Citrus fruit has less sucking moth. There are heaps of lemons, with grapefruit beginning to ripen followed by mandarins in May. My cowpeas are doing well and suppressing weeds in the vegie garden. Later they will make good compost. Basil and mint are flourishing, but the parsley has been left behind. Russian comfrey has survived the fruiting pawpaws which fell down, but other young pawpaws planted with lots of dolomite are doing well in composted mounds. My root ginger is already starting to flower and soon I shall be digging fresh ginger. Along with Lemongrass it makes an excellent drink and very healthy for humans. Phone me on 4093 7205 if you would like a gift of Heliconia or Torch ginger roots, etc. M. Spear

HYDROPONICS

After all the rain we have had I thought that the nutrient content of our water would have been considerably diluted, but to my surprise it had a higher reading. It was 350 ppm and now it reads 490 ppm. Our water contains sodium, calcium, magnesium, and potassium with small quantities of iron, manganese, zinc, aluminium, boron and copper. As you can see there is quite a lot of the nutrient in the water alone. The salt is an advantage for some plants, especially tomatoes. Research has shown that with the addition of salt to the nutrient solution the fruit is usually improved in terms of colour, shelf life, flavour and analytical composition. The added calcium ensures that I don't have problems with blossom end rot either. I make up my own nutrient which works out much cheaper. But for the beginner the powdered nutrient you can buy is quite ok. You usually use one teaspoon for 5 litres for low strength and 2 teaspoons for high strength. If anybody is interested I have a sheet which tells you what to feed each variety for the optimum results. The pH at the moment is 6.0 which is good for growing most vegetables. With most plants a slightly acidic solution is preferred with the pH resting between 5.8 and 6.5. As you can see far from being an unnatural way of growing plants hydroponics uses what is available in the water and the rest of the elements are fed directly to the plant instead of having to wait for them to break down in compost and the elements come from the soil in the first place. For information Ph. Jan Coulter 4093 0394 by Jan Coulter

SNIPPETS FROM THE MAGIC CENTRE

My love of chooks started at a very young age when I visited the farm of friends of my parent's. Silly things really! I was told. Not much smarter than sheep. But I didn't care, the thought of owning a hen of my own, (although an unrealistic dream, as we lived on the third floor of a block of flats), stayed in my mind. One day I too, would have a farm and have chooks. And much later in my life I did.

I quickly learned that chooks like all living things have different personalities – some more endearing than others. Topnotch was one of those whose absurd looks and personality won my affections.

About three months ago I notice that Topnotch was spending all her time in the hen house, instead of outside pecking around, and was very frightened by sudden movements or the advances of the rooster. When I picked her up and had a good look at her eyes it was obvious by the white colouring of one of her eyes that she was blind, and needed protecting.

It was breeding season and all the cages were full with either mothers and their newly hatched chicks or half-grown chickens. In one cage I had two Peking roosters I was chook-sitting for a friend who had gone to America, and decided to put Top-notch in with them. They had never had a lady friend before and it was very obvious that she would be quickly loved to death in the small space of the cage, if left her with them where she couldn't get away. So I put her in with the half-grown chickens. It was so funny to watch as her personality completely changed – from victim to bully. She really told the juniors how to behave, and how to treat her, and pecking them into line she quickly regained her confidence.

Two days later when I was feeding them she escaped and rejoined the main flock. It was easy to see that gone was the frightened, timid personality. She was no longer terrified of every movement and the rooster didn't worry her at bit, in fact she followed him around everywhere, keeping him in sight on the side of her good eye. If he strayed away from her she quickly caught up to him. Each day I could see her ability and confidence increase. Now I noticed that she actually turns her head around to see what is happening on the blind side of her face and no longer needs the protection of being with the flock, but branches off on her own to look for the special titbits that one can catch if they are alone, and there is not so much competition. She is too old to lay and in 'real' farming she would have been eliminated long ago, but observing her transference from a scared victim back to my independent, confident, friendly pet has been a joyful experience. People who keep thousands of hens may indeed still think that they are silly things – but to me they will always be delightful, cuddly, and smart.

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Kuranda Garden Group

Soggy paths and showers cancelled the April outing. Hopefully we shall enjoy Heather and Max's garden on May 13, opposite the Kuranda High school. They grow vegies, herbs, fruit and ornamentals. All are welcome – no charge - just bring a plate for smoko and question time. For further enquiries please phone Marjorie Spear on 4093 7205

**Far North Queensland Youth Assistance Fund Inc.
Invitation**

A cordial invitation is extended to attend the Micheli (Mick) Borzi OBE Testimonial Luncheon and Official Launching of the Testimonial Youth Assistance Fund for the provision of Youth Achiever Grants and Scholarships to deserving youths resident in Mareeba Shire.

by
Mr George Chapman, Chairman TAB Queensland Ltd.,
Chapman Group of Companies & Far North Queensland Youth
Assistance Fund Inc.
at 11.00 am Sunday 30th April 2000
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POLICE NEWS

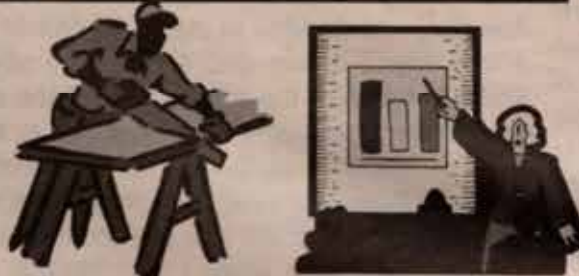
Welcome to Senior Constable Ross ALEXANDER who is the most recent officer to join the Kuranda Police. Ross has transferred from Middlemount Station and brings with him a lot of experience working in isolated areas such as Mornington Island, Normanton and Karumba and larger areas like Mount Isa and Townsville. He is a keen horseman and has enjoyed participating in rodeos, motorcycle riding and fishing.

The Kuranda State High Young People's Project was a great success. Members of our Police were invited to attend and join in on a group discussion with the youth in the High School. Lee, Ben, Adam, Courtney, Melanie and Nicki shared with the community representatives their thoughts and concerns which were well received. The older students who participated displayed common sense and maturity, qualities that are often overlooked or forgotten by the adults in our community. Congratulations to Mrs. Bailey and the staff of the High School for coordinating a very informative and worthwhile discussion.

The holiday season is upon us and the road users must take extra care, not only because of the slippery conditions on the roads that follow every rain, but also the tourists and visitors to our region who may not know the roads and often drive with a map or guide between their eyes and the road. Be patient and alert.

To the BLOODY IDIOTS who drink and drive on the roads in our area, it was only a matter of time!! In three weeks five persons have been detected driving with their blood alcohol readings exceeding the legal limit. Think twice as you are only endangering the lives of yourselves and our community.

If you think you may have an unpaid fine for whatever reason, please contact our station. Arrangements can be made with the Courts and other Government Offices regarding the settlement of the fine. If you are not sure phone and find out.
HOPE YOU ALL HAD A SAFE AND HAPPY EASTER.
Sgt. STEVE



**Remember
labour day 1 May**



Zami Coleman Kuranda State High Sports Hero with his Buddies

**LOCAL STUDENT COMPETING IN
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Parent teacher interviews at High School



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If I were to tell you the story of my life
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Charlene Higgins.

A very special thanks to the Queensland Police Services for dedicating a section of the paper to us youth. The funding for this ongoing segment has been provided through the Queensland Police Services from funds supplied for youth, drug and alcohol projects. We would like to express our gratitude to Sgt. Steve Stafford for organising this wonderful opportunity for the youth of Kuranda. The youth now have a chance to show their creative capabilities. Finally a huge thanks to the Kuranda news paper.



DREAMS By Beth Harvey, Grade 7,
I'm going on a journey
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Searching for adventure
Following nothing but my instinct

I walk over the crunching brown leaves
And see a bright Wuba-red light
I walk towards it and realise it's a Birri-fire
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By untamed magical hands
Colours swirl before my eyes
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There is a dry dusty smell
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As he motions me to follow him

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The KOGI Story

The Children of the Next 1000 Years By Drunvalo Melchizedek

The story you are about to read is true, but it is also unusual. So much so that if you do not have an open mind, it will seem impossible. And if you don't have an open heart, it will not be understood so that the meaning can be lived. Over the last few years I have been to the Yucatan several times working with the Mayan shaman Hunbatz Men. He has been performing the ceremonies of the ancient Ayan priests in modern day times to bring in and stabilize the new energies of our Sun, energies that have never before entered into the Earth and altering the way we perceive life. His work is very important to the unfolding of the new world on Earth, and to the birthing of our new consciousness. A few months ago a man named Ellis, who used to work closely with Hunbatz Men came to me and began to tell me this story. He said that in Columbia there was an aboriginal tribe deep in the Amazon jungle called the Kogi. They had no language and "spoke" only telepathically to each other. In truth they made little sounds, but these sounds were not logically arranged into any pattern such as an alphabet. They were just sounds, but these sounds came from the heart not the mind and created images inside your head, and you could "see" what the other person was communicating. Ellis said that they were able to "travel" out of body clearly and knew everything that was happening around the world, though they had never physically left their homeland. They had never even tried to communicate with the outside world, except to a very fortunate few. The Kogi do not see us as "sleeping" as many of the Hindu and Oriental religions perceive us. The Kogi see us as "dead". We are not alive, but only shadows of the energy we could be. We do not have enough life force energy and consciousness to be classified by them as real people. And the Kogi believed that with the use of their psychic abilities, they could see the future clearly. And what they saw was similar to what many other tribes around the world saw, a world that was about to be destroyed by the misuse of consciousness. So sometime ago they travelled over the whole world in their light bodies searching for anyone who is alive. And in the whole world they could find only one other tribe who were Mayan that lived far in the jungles of Guatemala. They were so happy to find someone else who was alive. But the Kogi belief, their prophesy, was that with the coming of the Eclipse on 11 August of 1999, all the world would stop and only the Kogi and this one other Mayan tribe would survive to inhabit the Earth. This is why they were so happy to find someone else other than themselves who understood. Then when the eclipse slowly revealed its face on the 11 August, it became apparent to the Kogi that something had happened since the time they had searched the world for life. Something that they could not understand for the "great change" had happened, and we, the "dead" ones were still here. We should have dissolved back into the Dream. Not that they wanted us to, that was not their nature. It simply should have happened. So the Kogi set out to find out why the "dead ones" were still on Earth, and as they searched the living vibrating records of this Reality, they found exactly where and why it had happened. Some of the "dead ones" had become alive, and had created a dream with enough life force to "save the world" as we know it. In our terms, some of us had created a "parallel world" where life could continue to grow, a world where the "dead" could become alive. The Kogi were so specific to locate exactly who these people were that were creating this change that had altered the world's destiny. The Kogi saw these people with living bodies of light around them. People who had activated their "Light Bodies" or in the ancient terms, their "Mer-Ka-Ba". Since I was one of the teachers of this information, the Kogi sent a messenger to Ellis and from Ellis to me. They sent me a small amount of tobacco wrapped in a bright red piece of cotton, and simply said "Thank you". A couple months later, the Kogi sent Ellis another gift to give to me with a message. The gift was a small ball of dark and sticky tree sap about the size of a plum. It smelled of the jungle. There was an energy around this gift of sap that I could feel deep inside me. I felt the connection in my heart. The message was that they were going to send someone to me to teach me how to speak without words so that we could communicate. They then said that once connection and communication had taken place, they would ask that I enter into the Colombian jungle and visit their tribe. And that if I would visit their world, they would visit mine. They would then be prepared to come out of the jungle, for the first time in the history of their tribe, and go on world television, no less, and talk to us. Whatever "talk" means, since they have no language that we know, I am not sure. And what it is that they have to say, I also do not know. But through this little piece of tree sap, I am beginning to feel. After Ellis left on this second visit, I sat and thought about this whole event. Was it true that the Kogi could see this clearly into the Reality? Were they really going to send someone to me to teach me how to speak without words? What was this really all about? I meditated with the angels, but they only approved what was happening, and would not give me information or assist. Then last month in November, I gave an Earth/Sky workshop in Mexico and about 100 people came from all over Mexico, Central and South America, and one of the countries that many people came from was Columbia. And from this group, there was this young lady whose name I will keep quiet to protect her. She was different than any of the other Colombians. Whenever we entered into sacred space and could feel the presence of God, she would begin to seemingly go crazy with ecstasy. Not that that was really unusual, but it was extreme. This woman would become primal. Her whole body would begin to shake and a different person would emerge out of her with a different feeling to her words and different body language. I watched her, looking for the reason why she had come to this work and looking for a way to help her. Then on the last day of the workshop it happened. The group had formed one great circle, and we were singing to God. This lady broke away from the circle and began to dance

primitively and unashamed within the centre of the circle. She abandoned herself and seemed to lose control. I went over to her and took her hand to comfort her, and she grasped my hand and looked deep into my eyes and made a soft and longing sound. The sound went straight to my heart and vibrated inside my very centre, and I could "see" what she was saying. I had never experienced anything quite like this before. I didn't understand at that moment what was really happening, my heart simply reacted. I took her outside the circle and sat down facing her. Then she made another "sound", and my body responded with another similar "sound" that had never come from me before. Instantly, we were speaking in a new and profound manner that was so beautiful, so complete. It made all the languages of the world seem inadequate and obsolete. For two hours we communicated in images of full colour and depth with all the sensory completeness of real life. I learned so much. I learned about life, and I learned about this woman within a woman. She showed me with her sounds where she had come from, a small village next to the Kogi tribe. She showed me her husband and her three children. I know them like they were my family. She showed me around her village where I met two other older men who were from the Kogi. She showed me how her tribe had asked her to enter this woman's body and to come and see me. She was instructed to teach me how to speak without words. She was told that once she had done this one thing, then she could leave this woman's body and come back home and be back with her family. She missed her husband and children very much. I could "see" how when this lady returned home she would leave her body. I could see her own body lying in a pile of grass inside a grass hut waiting for this moment. When I returned home, I saw my wife Claudette, who I love so much, in a new light. I loved her in a way that was different, because I could hear the sounds coming from her heart. I could see her pain, and I could see her joy. I was so happy for this experience with the Kogi, but I still didn't know what was happening to me. It seemed to just bring a great anticipation of something to come. Then two weeks ago I gave an Earth/Sky workshop in Maryland. While I was setting up and preparing for the workshop, I told this story to a woman named Diane who was facilitating the workshop. She asked if I would demonstrate these sounds. And I agreed to do so. We sat facing each other, and I asked her to close her eyes. Then a sound came from my heart and at the same moment an image appeared within my mind. It was a full image of a large cat, a puma, walking along the edge of the Amazon near the water. Then it jumped up onto a tree and began to walk along the edge of a long and heavy branch that slowly sloped down to the ground. It jumped back to the ground and continued to walk along the edge of the water. I opened my eyes. All of this took only about one minute. I asked her what she saw, and she began to tell me exactly what I had seen. She described it perfectly. A joy emerged from my heart. I then asked her to again close her eyes. Another slow and strange sound came from my heart, and instantly another image. I not only "saw" but experienced what seemed like myself, floating out of the woman's body from Colombia and rising high up into the air. Then I felt myself begin to fly very fast over the jungle. I could see the trees moving rapidly under me. Quickly I approached a village, and I felt myself getting lower to the ground and heading for a specific grass hut. In the next instant I was inside the body of this tribal woman looking out of her eyes. She knew I was there. She did not mind, it was supposed to happen. Her husband quickly took hold of her/me and was obviously happy that she/I had returned. He knew also that I was there, and was also very happy. Then all three of her children ran up and began to hug her and love her. The youngest one reached in and began to suck on her breast. It was a very moving experience to meet this family that I didn't know and yet I did. Then I opened my eyes. I waited a moment to centre from this experience, and then asked Diane what she saw. She began by saying that she experienced herself as a "bug" coming out of this woman's body. And then she lifted up into the sky and began to fly over the trees of a jungle. She watched as we went down to the grass hut and met the "family". She saw perfectly. I sat quiet for a long time. I could feel this was a gift of unparalleled value. But what did it mean to me or the world? All of this was such an unusual experience that I still do not know what this means. When I returned home from the Maryland workshop, every night for the first seven or eight days, I would find myself dreaming that I was "home" in this village. The dream would last all night long with a complete memory of the dream the next morning. I would dream that I was doing my chores in the village, living my life, taking care of my children and husband. Many, many men from both tribes would come up to me and ask questions with sounds that images. These people were beautiful and "alive". I understood why they saw us as "dead". I could "feel with the sight of my heart" what they meant. I knew they meant to help if they could. They were amazed I was there. So was I. Now, it is only the beginning. The Kogi are excited about the way we are growing. They want to come to us. God willing, they will. They have asked me now to give you a message in your language if you can accept it. You who have discovered your light bodies and are changing the world by your lives. "You are changing the world into light. Be not afraid of your innocence and your child nature, it is close to God. Let your imagination soar into a Dream where love surrounds all events, then "see" it as real. Let the sounds of your heart talk to those who are not alive. You have shown them the way by your example, now "show" them the way from within. Listen, and your heart will speak. We are with you now. We will help you". May the next 1000 years be golden, and may the innocent children lead the way. I love you, Drunvalo. *This article is for the personal web site of Drunvalo Melchizedek. It is copyrighted © December, 1999 by CLEAR LIGHT. All rights reserved.*

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MORE KOGI INFORMATION

Since I posted "The Kogi Story", I learned a few details you may find interesting. The Kogi do have a language, but they have no written form. And that almost no one in the world outside of the Kogi knows this language. However, the hidden Kogi language of the 'Mamas' with the speaking from the heart in images is something that I believe hardly anyone anywhere knows. The Mamas are a tribe within a tribe, and they are the religious leaders of the Kogi. We have also discovered that BBC television was allowed to go to the Kogi and film them a few years ago. It was the first time ever. The Kogi wanted to make a statement and a warning out to the world, out to what they call the 'younger brother'. They consider themselves to be the 'elder brother'. The film is called "From The Heart of the World - The Elder Brothers. Warning". It becomes obvious from the film that the Kogi are angry with us for messing up the environment, and are warning us that if we do not stop polluting, the Earth is going to die. They said at the end of the film that they would not let anyone else back to see them again. Perhaps they have changed their mind. They have now sent word, since "The Kogi Story" was posted, that the Mamas have invited me to visit with them in their sacred land. I am respectful of who they are, but I am not sure if this is the right thing to do at this time. I am waiting for guidance from the angels.

If you are interested in this video, you can order it from Mystic Fire Video at 4093 8479. It is 88 minutes long where as the video that was released on television was edited, to less than 60 minutes. I have just spoken with an elder from the Maya who works with the Kogi. She has made it clear to me that the teaching of this telepathic form of communication is older than language. That in the time before language, all of humanity 'spoke' in this way from the heart, not only to each other, but to all of the animals and the rest of life. She said that if I could learn to teach this to the civilized world, this would be something that the Kogi would want me to do and would encourage it. I am very excited about this idea. The 'heart of the world' is what the Kogi call their sacred mountain, which is a triangular mountain with a base of 90 miles per side and it is very high. The mountain is dying. There has been no snow and a drought has settled on the mountain. The Kogi believe that if this sacred mountain dies, the whole world will die. You can doubt that this statement is true, but as far as I am concerned, mountain or not, if we do not stop polluting the world and change the way we see the world, there is very little doubt that all of us on the planet are going to pay dearly for our molestation of Mother Earth. As this story unfolds, I will give updates to keep you informed.

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Q.C.W.A meeting 1.30 pm
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- Last Wednesday** Sports & Social Club meeting 7.30 pm
- Every Thursday** Respite Care, CWA Hall 9 am-3 pm
Rotary, 6 pm for 6.30 Monkey's Restaurant Ph. 4093 7428
- 2nd Thursday** Ambulance, 7.30 pm. Ambulance Centre Fallon Rd.
- 3rd Thursday** 8 Ball Comp. S & S Club 7.15 pm
- Every Friday** Rotary Top Pub Goose Club 6-8 pm
- Every Saturday** Enviro Care 8 am-9 am Tree planting Bees ph 4093 7570
- 3rd Saturday** Ambulance Committee Stall - Outside St.Saviour's Church

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



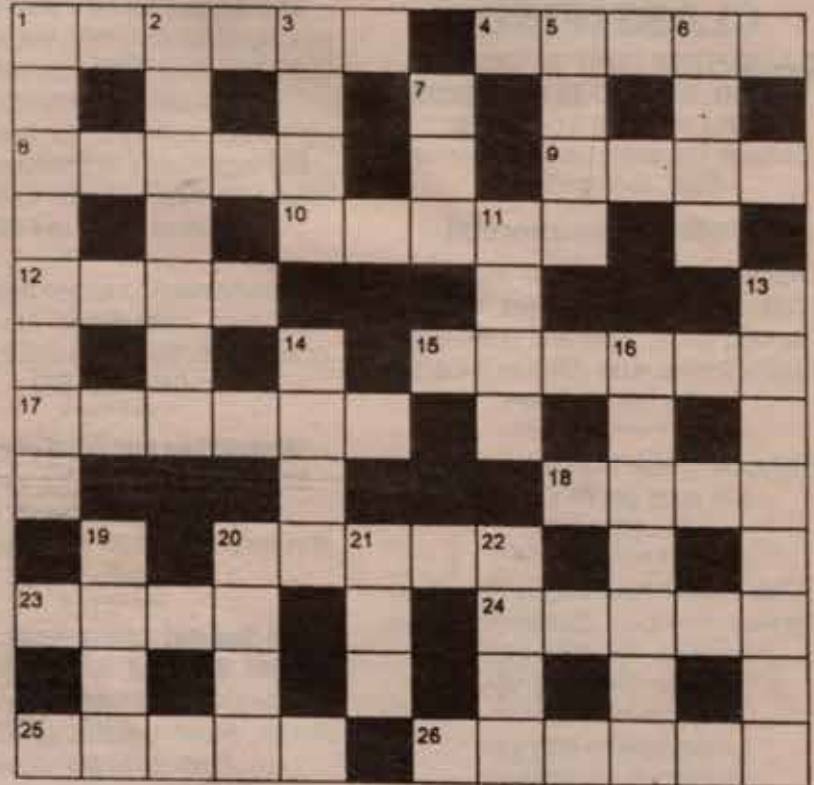
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RAVENSHOE	8:00am		2:15pm	4:00pm					
HERBERTON	8:35am		2:40pm	4:30pm		#8 25am	#8 35am		
MALANDA	8:20am	9:05am				#8 20am	#8 20am		
YUNGABURRA	#8 30am	#8 25am				#8 30am	#8 30am		
ATHERTON	8:30am	9:15am	3:30pm	4:50pm	6:30am	9:15am	9:15am		
MAREEBA	7:00am	9:45am	4:00pm		7:00am	9:45am	9:45am		
KURANDA	7:30am	10:20am	12:45pm	2:10pm	4:30pm	7:30am	10:20am	8:30am	10:20am
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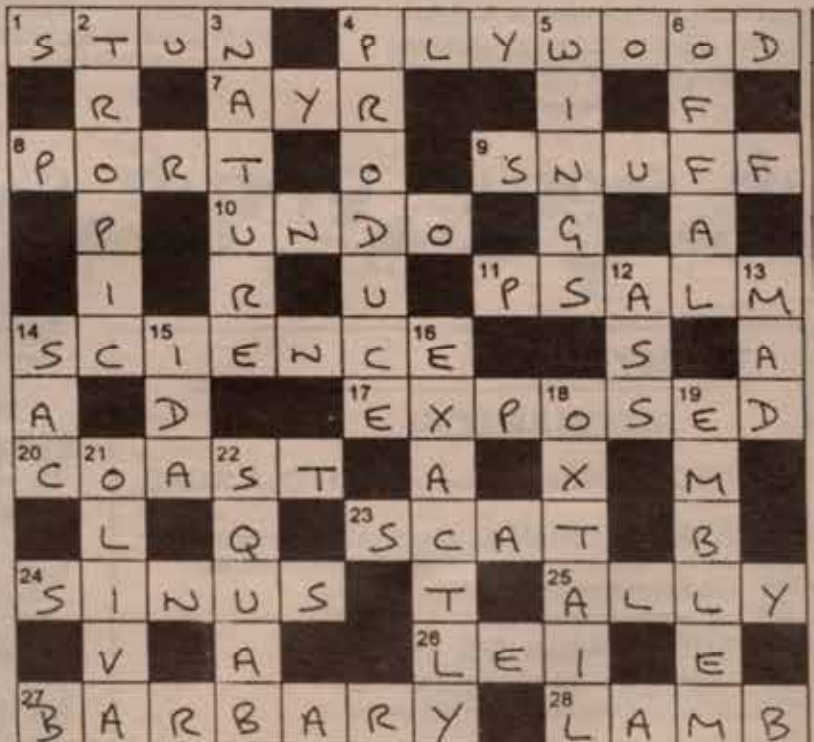
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* School Days Only # MUST Book Ahead
AIRPORT/TRINITY WHARF DROP-OFF AVAILABLE ON MOST SERVICES UPON REQUEST (Additional fare applies)
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N.B. NO SERVICES OPERATING ON CHRISTMAS DAY OR GOOD FRIDAY



Kuranda Kryptic Crossword No.9

- Across**
- Pill or school tetra drink from the Foodstore
 - Sounds like Marjorie's tomato support is best lean
 - Zero grade hold forth at the Amphitheatre
 - 9 & 10 Green waterfowl at Pamagirri? (4,5)
 - Young Clohesy River newts set in film perhaps
 - A people without end make it in Syria
 - Cream two bush rats found in Turkey
 - Koah dances usually held in one.?
 - 20 & 13 Down. Dark and steep this road ends up in Julatten (5,8)
 - An uninteresting feral inhabitant of the bush.
 - Grass species sold in the Foodstore as Sunlong Gold
 - Get a rise out of this horned god with the village tarot reader.
 - Kuranda Rangers may play West Bromwich one day, the Romans knew!
- Down**
- Mike Mabbutt feature - house or land
 - A latte is part of this large dish at the Coffee Shop
 - Added to in Jumrum Creek education
 - Windmill may have breakfast or Soochong
 - For the poor headless coconuts
 - A very short French dry behind Fitzies Bar
 - Seaweed without that is an Australian yard dog
 - See 20 Across
 - Not found on the spars of the Ark
 - Multiple monotremes in Jumrum creek.
 - What's our bush lemon taste?
 - Not hard cheese in brief Rainforest Resort meal
 - This at least is free, even if not fresh, in the village
 - Look, trendy smokes from the BP servo



Crossword by John Brooksbank