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"SAVE AUSTRALIA" DAY MARCH

Chanting the words "De-rail Skyrail" and "Save the Rainforest" more than 200 people marched to a drumbeat from the Kuranda railway station to Centenary Park. Carrying banners and placards protesting rainforest destruction and the sell out of world heritage land for private gain, the men, women and children moved peacefully through Kuranda. The march was organised by PAKS (People Against Kuranda Skyrail) and CAFNEC (Cairns and Far North Environment Centre) and was well supported by the Djabugay people and the wider Kuranda community.

A number of visitors parked their cars and joined the protestors, who were cheered and clapped by workers outside many of the village's business houses. Speakers from the People Against Kuranda Skyrail group gave an update on their campaign to halt the building of the controversial cableway. Several members of the Djabugay community presented their perspective regarding the use of lands for development. Elder Lance Riley summed up the sense of unity felt by participants when he urged all to be "as brothers and sisters" in this campaign. The marchers were exhorted to bombard the Government departments and Members of Parliament with letters of protest, saying the scenic Barron Falls, a stretch of the river and Kuranda Village will be affected by the Skyrail project, should this project go ahead.

PAKS spokesman Des Houston reminded an absent Dr Leslie Clark that "A good local leader takes their lead from locals" and Lance Riley supported this by saying "Murrie way - Top fellas to the grass root level people".



Man and boy, Father and Son

The February photo of Kuranda residents for International Year of the Family (IYF) shows Max Lacour getting a ride on his dad Dietmer's shoulders around the Kuranda Markets, where the family has a regular fruit and vegetable stall. Photo Eve Stafford.



PAKS, People Against Kuranda Skyrail, organised a recent clean up of the Kuranda Range Road to demonstrate positive actions of environmental responsibility.

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Dear Kuranda Paper,

Our most important local election is but 6 weeks away and we don't even know the candidates and what they stand for. How do we expect to get a better deal from Mareeba Shire Council? What are we waiting for? Everybody complains - nobody acts, I hear. "Everybody" and "Nobody" are YOU and ME and each individual living in Kuranda. It is each person's own interest and responsibility to be informed and then act accordingly. Let's get together in the coming weeks in small groups and/or in rallies and take up the challenge of making decisions. Residents and businesses alike agree about the Vision for Kuranda. We all want to keep natural beauty of the Village, we want a tidy, interesting, original mainstreet, adequate and suitable transport and amenities for the community. Some businesses turnover halved this year, the tourists are not all satisfied, our amenities have not improved much, where are we heading? In my opinion, if we don't find the issue of our future village vitally important enough to get involved now, we might as well go back to the big smoke and 'vegetate' instead of living vibrantly, and forget our self chosen lifestyle here.

Penny Balassa. Kuranda.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I found the following quote in The Kuranda Paper February 1993. It is in relation to the Kuranda Planning Study. "It is clear that, beyond a certain point, increasing the volume of tourists becomes counter productive. Damage and pollution resulting from sheer numbers reduces the value of the tourism asset and the incremental costs arising from higher volume can more than offset the additional revenue generated."

Kuranda is being set up for this problem to happen. In the eleven months since this article we have seen shops going up like a gold. Where is the community approved planning strategy? Speculation on Skyrail is rife. Kuranda is being hi-jacked by developers and headed down the same path as Cairns. Ugly city attributes which tourists don't want and which both local traders and residents abhor, are busily being created right now. The pattern is clear. More shops, more cut throat trading, more hardship sell-ups, less defense against foreign take over. Kuranda's growth should be stopped immediately. Skyrail must not be allowed to happen. The railway, if exploited as the multipurpose facility it used to be, is capable of removing traffic from the range road just as well and perhaps, more effectively, than Skyrail. Cater for tourists but don't degrade Kuranda in the process.

Michael Daunt, Enviro-Vision. Kuranda.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

What wonderful media news to hear the government approves Mossman council's plan to limit the population in Port Douglas. Kuranda residents would mostly appreciate a similar plan for Kuranda. A predicted million more residents would ruin our environment, as it would Port Douglas. The Mareeba Shire Council minutes are now arriving monthly at the Kuranda Library for us to read. I read that Council are to spend \$50,000 plus on Fallon Road but only \$8,000 on all the upkeep for unsealed roads round Kuranda - amazing as there are many kms. of dirt roads.

Marjorie Spear. Kuranda

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I would like to respond to Mark Freeman's column in the last paper where Mark stated : "There is no doubting it-the population of the Kuranda area is going to grow by thousands of people over the next 15 years." I do not share Mark's sense of inevitability about this growth if the right decisions are made within certain parameters. It also requires people to be elected who aspire to the goals I mention below. The natural attractions of Kuranda cannot take much more urban sprawl if we wish to aim for some important goals into the future: retaining our rainforest, a clean Barron River (one day when proper catchment management is implemented), birdlife and animals near our houses and gardens, and a peaceful life at home. Perhaps the most crucial of these is our rainforest. Urban sprawl means clearing it and usually the introduction of dogs and cats to compete with native fauna. I believe it is now time we faced up to a no further urban subdivision policy for the Kuranda area. I am of the view that we cannot have it both ways, otherwise we are simply heading for "just another suburb of Cairns with some trees in between on the drive up". This is precisely the concern the Douglas Shire has for the Daintree and thankfully they are doing something about it. We can also. Limiting growth is possible, I would suggest that in Kuranda's case it is essential and thirdly will have little effect on the present businesses in town.

Visitors will keep coming if we keep what they are looking for - forest.

Jim Downey, Kuranda.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

With regard to Barron Gorge National Park, I would just like to say I think it would be a damn shame if the proposed Skyrail went ahead. This gorge is a precious beautiful place and I haven't needed to travel through it on a Skyrail to know this. I believe this place should be treated with respect. I don't believe the petty ambitions of greedy men who are incapable of experiencing the magnificence of this area should be allowed to desecrate it. I really believe that this matter should be looked at in a more serious manner. If this project begins we'll have let a terrible wrong take place. I can't stress this point more clearly. This is an ancient and powerful, and I might add world heritage, area, don't sit back and let ignorance and greed swallow up yet another special place on our earth. Write to Paul Keating, Wayne Goss, Ros Kelly, Lesley Clark and newspapers stating your opposition. If you remain silent then we've lost it, if enough people oppose the project I believe we can save Barron Gorge. Might I add a message to all the people who support Skyrail. If you can find time in your busy schedule and hectic way of life, go on down to Barron Falls Look-out and just experience it in its natural splendour for awhile, then try to imagine it with the horrific plan you support in action. Hopefully, you will come to the realization that some things are more important than money. There was life before money remember. we don't have to destroy something that's remained in it's natural state for god knows how many thousands of years just to add a few more zeros to the bank account. Please come to your senses.

Bronwyn Rohweder, Kuranda.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Re the Mareeba Shire Council local government elections. ARK (Association for Regional Kuranda - formerly Kuranda Consultative Group) would like to hear from anyone considering standing as a candidate for the election on March 26th, particularly those standing in Division 4. Please contact The Secretary, ARK, PO Box 573 Kuranda ASAP for information which may be of benefit to you.

Gayle Hannah, President ARK.



PLEASE NOTE: the Kuranda Paper attempts to print all letters received. Please keep yours to the point and under 150 words if possible or some editing may be necessary. The views expressed in Community Letters are not necessarily those of the Kuranda Paper.

AROUND THE RIDGES

BY COUNCILLOR JUNE REES



Honesty in politics?

I refer to Mark Freemans article, Dec: issue follow - up - Mark has informed me that the onus of suspicion of dishonesty within the hallowed halls relates solely to information given to him by Cr. Wally Gray pertaining to the conduct of Cr. Bernie O'Shea regarding the purchase of Toyota vehicles (no details). The committee Mark has referred to would be the plant committee duly appointed. All meetings are minuted and tabled at general Council meetings as required under the Local Government Act and all minutes are open to inspection free of charge. If there were dealings done of a dubious nature and not reported back to Council as stated and if statements were made that aroused the writer to pen the fact that there may have been an opening for accusation of dishonesty, why hasn't the bearer requested an explanation in Council? The article alerts both the council and the public, but proves nothing unless investigated by the C.J.C. The Local Government Association encourages Councillors (and Public) to utilise the Criminal Justice Commission, the investigative independent body established for such purposes as keeping Local Councils honest. I suggest a Statutory Declaration be sent to the C.J.C. if the statement of dealings related to, is suspected to be dishonest as to warrant investigation. The Ballot Box will not cure anything in this case without facts stated and proven, beforehand. Inferred is just that - take the bull by the horns now - before the Elections - as stated - refuse to accept dishonesty NOW.

MYOLA BUSH SPORTS CLUB.

What a wonderful turnout by local families at the Opening Bash on New Years Eve - a good time was had by all I'm sure. At midday there wasn't even a roof, by five thanks to all the volunteers all mod-cons were in place and ready to go. 250 adults paid through the gate with an estimate of 150 children free admission. Not a bad count considering the Mareeba Leagues Club free opening day drew only about 150 and practically a ghost party New Years Eve. With all the proceeding adversities created unnecessary, the Builder and the Community (and a Mareeba volunteer) showed just how together and industrious the Kuranda Community can be when the chips are down - especially without the M.S.C. Building plan!! I thank all persons who contributed and include the ongoing finishing off team. The wheeling and dealing for the large verandah proved to be a real plus and will easily cater for double venues in the future. I wish The Pony Club and the Sports Club every success and may future generations benefit from our enterprising aims.

SKYRAIL

Ken Chapman addressed Council at the open general meeting on 20-1-94 regarding aspects of Skyrail. The Chairman's comment at the start was that 'the (M.S.) Council had been left in the dark'. Mr. Chapman stated that many press articles were untrue and that court action would follow. It was stated that the Committee to the State Government at this stage now required completion - or - else - whatever or else in fact, I am not privy to. Skyrail has (or will be) purchased a block of railway land to be Freehold title. All freehold land in the Mareeba Shire comes under the 1982 Town planning laws and gazetted policies. This land was to be the only part of the whole Skyrail complex that would have come under the jurisdiction of this Council. Mr. Chapman has stated that the State Government has exempted his development in the Kuranda Village from Town planning laws. His only requirement he said was to submit an application for a Building permit. I raised some concerns over these astounding gifts of the Government - a developer's dream - especially in Kuranda. I questioned the implication should a future change of ownership result in carte blanche in design, height, uses etc outside the Strategic and Development Control Plan - who knows - it has not been envisaged. There are only three car parks on the display plan. Car parking spaces are calculated according to 'use, 'total floor area', 'number of persons using or working within the development' etc.. If the number calculated under the Town Planning and By-laws cannot be accommodated on such allotment, Council has the discretionary power to set a

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT) ACT 1990
Section 4.12(3)
COPY TO SIGNS ERECTED ON THE SUBJECT LAND AND NOTICE TO NEWSPAPERS
PUBLIC NOTICE OF A CONSENT APPLICATION
An application has been made to the Council for the Shire of Mareeba for the issue of a town planning consent permit/interim development permit.
The proposal is for * Small Baking Enterprise.
The proposal relates to land situated at ** Lot 4 Boyles Rd, Kuranda.
Particulars of the proposal will be open for inspection at the Offices of Mareeba Shire Council, 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba 4880. Any person may, on or before *** February 3 1994:
(a) Request details of the proposal from the Shire Clerk, Mareeba Shire Council, P.O. Box 154, Mareeba, 4880.
(b) Make a signed written objection to the Shire Clerk regarding the proposal.

Walking Tracks Project Starts

SOME GOOD NEWS. ARK and Kuranda Landcare Group have received a grant of \$10,000 (to be administered by the Kuranda Amphitheatre Society) from the Wet Tropics Management Agency, to develop a series of interpretive centres within a botanical experience in Kuranda. This educational project aptly called the "Rainforest Story", will use improved existing walking tracks in Kuranda to provide information to residents and tourists on the rainforest in it's many forms through a number of interpretive stations located on the tracks. The outcomes of the first stage of this project will be a botanical and track design with the construction of one or two story boards. ARK secretary Arch McArthur has been the driving force and positive discussions with Wet Tropics, National Parks staff, Qld Sports and Recreation Dept, Mareeba Shire Council officers, the chairman of the Djabugay Corporation, Djabugay Rangers representatives, and a CSIRO Consultant have taken place. A workshop to help design signage, outdoor furniture and interpretive stations will be held at the Kuranda Amphitheatre on Sunday 6 February between 12-6 pm (drop in/drop out). Kuranda artists and Craftspeople please come along with your sketches and your knowledge. OR there is an alternative. We can ask the Government Agencies and Council for their standard designs !!! Help !!!!



Driest January on record. Visitor from New Zealand Monique Francis is impressed by the rock face of the Barron Falls.



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PUBLIC NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION TO AMEND A PLANNING SCHEME OR CONDITIONS
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An application has been made to the Council for the Shire of Mareeba to amend The Town Planning Scheme for the Shire of Mareeba.
The proposed amendment is to rezone land by excluding the land from the Rural B Zone and including the land in the Rural/Residential Zone.
The proposed amendment relates to land situated at the intersection of Spewah Road and Stoney Creek Road, Spewah, Lot 6 Spewah Road, Spewah, via Kuranda Q 4872. (Lot 6 on RP 745070, Parish of Cairns - Lots 1 and 2 and Common Property on Group Title Plan No. 70228, Parish of Cairns).
Particulars of the proposed amendment will be open for inspection at the office of the Mareeba Shire Council, 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba Q 4880.
Any person may, on or before Monday 21 February 1994:
(a) request details of the proposed amendment from the Shire Clerk at the office of the Mareeba Shire Council, 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba Q 4880;
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condition of a contribution somewhat equal to, to be paid into a Trust Fund for the establishment of Public car parks in lieu. I now ask will the normally required contribution be exempted? and has such exemption been legalised by the State Government? Will this set a precedent? and I wonder how all other developers who are dutifully paying their dues will view such exemption? - should the information be correct. I am concerned, Perhaps Dr. Clarke would be able to answer such queries in the next edition of this paper?
KURANDA STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN
Council resolved at the recent Council meeting to call for expressions of interest by Professional Consultants to prepare A Master Plan for public exhibition with the recommendation contained in the Kuranda Management Plan per the steering committee.

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PAKS KURANDA RANGE CLEAN UP

SKYRAIL

Kuranda Cableway Project

People Against Kuranda Skyrail conducted a range road clean-up on the first Saturday in January. Amongst the assortment of cans, stubbies, plastic bags and wrappers various items of interest were found. The resulting truck-load of garbage was subsequently deposited at the Grove Creek dump. The point of the exercise was, in part, to show that this group is genuinely concerned about the environment and is willing to undertake actions of a positive nature to protect it. A display point was set up at Henry Ross Lookout. The majority of tourists who spoke to PAKS representatives were overwhelmingly opposed to the Skyrail project. Surprisingly, tour operators were also against the development. The clean-up received no media coverage but future litter collections are planned.

The following Monday a demonstration was held in Cairns. It was variously estimated that there were around a hundred protesters, ranging from the very young to those of quite advanced maturity. PAKS spokesmen addressed the crowd outside the offices of Keith de Lacy, the developer Ken Chapman, and the Dept. of Environment and Heritage. Aboriginal banners at the demonstration were particularly dynamic.

PAKS members are currently undertaking training in non-violent direct action. The course is designed to engender solidarity and present means of protesting peacefully and legally.

While it is our responsibility as residents to stop this monstrosity it is encouraging to be receiving support from other quarters. Historian Ross Fitzgerald recently condemned the project on radio 4 C.A. PAKS meetings are now held at the Amphitheatre, at 7.15 pm on Tuesdays. Attendance numbers continue to grow with more than fifty at the last meeting. This is indicative of the success of the campaign and there is a quiet confidence that Skyrail will be stopped.



FURTHER ACTION

A survey has been conducted of Heritage Market stallholders and their employers. They were asked: "Are you in favour of Skyrail, against it or undecided and need more information". 75% opposed Skyrail and less than 6% supported it. At the other markets, seventy-nine stallholders signed a letter to the State and Federal Ministers for the Environment requesting more information. The letter also outlined majority opposition to the cableway.

UPDATE: 119 Heritage market stallholders and their employees have now signed, as well as 39 village traders and the Kuranda Chamber of Commerce has been approached. This graphically proves that any claims that all Kuranda businesses are for the Skyrail are false.



Anti-Skyrail Concert at the Amphitheatre.

SUNDAY 13 February at 3 -10 pm. Great bands. Low admission price. Food and drink. Watch for advertising. Be there!



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That valleys, groves, or hills, or fields,
Or woods and steepy mountains yields

Christopher Marlowe (1564-1593)

ADVERTISEMENT 1994 COUNCIL ELECTIONS MARK FREEMAN'S VIEWS YOUTH.

It is obvious that Kuranda has an increasing problem with high school truancy levels and juvenile crime. We have young gangs wandering the streets after ten p.m. and indulging in vandalism and petty crime.

Many people in Kuranda have made a good start in establishing cures for this problem. The High School committee and the Kuranda Sports and Social Club are both measures that in the future can contribute to a lessening of our juvenile crime problems.

It is important that the Council gives strong support to these measures and encourages other initiatives to help get our young adults out of the pubs and the streets and into more enjoyable and less destructive pursuits.

I had discussions recently with a local citizen who proposed and is willing to work towards a youth music and dance society. The facilities are already there and desperately need the use.

Evening sporting venues and youth training schemes are items that the Council can give strong support and assistance to and make our town a better place in which to live.

I am more than keen to listen to your views and suggestions. Just contact me at the Post Office - I'm not hard to find.

I am also looking for helpers in manning the voting booths on election day. I am well aware that it is a imposition on anyone's free time - but it seems to be the thing to do. If you can help me - it would be much appreciated.



MARK FREEMAN, 27 KULLEROO CLOSE, KURANDA.

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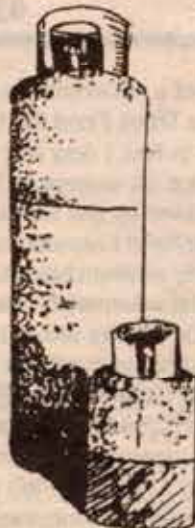
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SECRETS

For the third time in a week Harry found himself staring at the small blue index card on the noticeboard. He pretended to be absorbed in the Giant Garage Sale notice, running his finger down the list of 'bargains'. He felt unable to move from the spot for what seemed a long time but when another car pulled up in front of the store he was jolted into action and took off home. In his confusion he forgot the milk he'd come in for and Ellen had to drink her tea black.

To her mind this was just more evidence that something funny was going on.

All weekend the card floated in his subconscious until he could stand it no more. He broke into a sweat as he passed it on his way into the grocers. He grabbed the first loaf of bread on the rack (raisin bread - they never bought it - more evidence) and fumbled for change. Passing the board, his hand shot out as if with a will of its own and pulled the card free, crushing it down into his shorts pocket as he headed for the car. His heartbeat pounded in his ears. One, two, three steps he was safe. His stride lengthened and the cool morning streets seemed to expand. He decided Ellen could wait for the papers and headed for the park.

In his favourite spot, under the mighty frame of the magnolia, he pulled the card from his pocket and read it over and over again. A footfall on the path caused him to jump and stuff it back into his pocket. Bundling up the bread and papers he hurried back to the car.

Ellen would wonder where on earth he was.

By Monday he had made up his mind. During morning tea, he took advantage of the empty office to make the call and arranged a time. The voice on the line seemed friendly, understanding ... and, encouraging. In the men's room his eyes were unnaturally bright and he was surprised to see a younger reflection wink back at him.

As the weeks passed he felt himself caught between two worlds. He knew Ellen worried but he couldn't help it. He felt younger than he had for years and was afraid to let his secret out. He had to have this.

For her part she pretended to be cool, dismissing his odd behavior as the mid life crisis she'd heard other women talk about. She had always imagined that they must have acquired some inferior brand of husband whose warranty ran out at around 40.

Her quiet, dependable Harry was made of stronger stuff. She had prided herself on her choice of partner imagining a lifetime guarantee. But now change was eating away at Ellen's heart.

Everyday it seemed Harry had a new surprise: he grew a moustache, decided he preferred bourbon to beer, bought new clothes. She caught him in poses of guilt in the bedroom and bathroom - nothing she could put her finger on, just the feeling that he had been someone other than her Harry seconds before. And he was spending much more time at the office, several nights a week.

He scared her this new Harry. One evening as he sat in the easy chair reading and sipping bourbon after dinner she watched from the kitchen, imagining a huge pupa wrapped in Harry's bathrobe with God only knows what creature pulsing and evolving inside.

The pupa looked up and announced that it might have to work on Saturday.

Ellen burst into tears and ran upstairs. Harry got up to follow but stopped. What could he say, how could he tell her? She would never understand. He poured another drink, waiting for her to fall asleep. When he did go to bed, unsteadily, he found the door locked and although he called her name gently several times he was in truth relieved and slept in the spare room. Tomorrow he would find a way to explain.

The door stayed locked every night that week and the house took on a cold crystalline silence. Harry left early each morning. Ellen lay in bed listening to each sound of his morning preparation, waiting for him to leave. Every night that week Harry had 'to work' - leaving her a brief note saying he'd be late and ending it with 'love, Harry'. Lying awake waiting for him to come home, she was tortured with all too intimately detailed images of him with some other woman. The waiting and wondering made her afraid, then angry, hot and defiant. She fell asleep with a determination to get her own back. How dare he treat her this way.

Friday she called in sick and spent the day in the city. A new dress, stockings, shoes, sexy underwear: each was a slap in the face for Harry. She co-opted a couple of friends into a girls night out, something she hadn't done for years. Harry disliked being alone at home. Harry didn't like her to drink. She was inclined to get loud and wild. Harry disapproved. Too bad. He'd liked it enough before they were married.

In the bar, the music was loud. She wondered if she was too drunk to get up and dance without looking like an idiot. She looked around deciding it certainly hadn't held anyone else back. She considered shocking Harry by taking someone home but no one appealed. Suddenly sad, she thought how much she loved him and wanted him. She also thought she might be sick. It was time to leave.

As she got up to go, Monica's husband David, arrived. He and Harry worked for the same firm. "Poor old Harry at home while your out gallivanting around eh?" he shouted in her ear.

"No he's at work" she shouted back. "No he's not. Nobody's working back these days" he replied before realising he'd put his foot in it and patting her on the back, quickly retreated to Monica's side.

When Harry got home late that night the house was dark and empty. The bedroom door was open, a damp towel on the bed and Ellen's day clothes in a heap on the floor. He picked up the towel and

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ALMITRA'S COLUMN

New Kuranda resident Rita O'Brien would like to offer her services to the community through an advice column in the Kuranda Paper. Rita has a Diploma in Clinical Hypnotherapy and has been practicing on The Gold Coast and in Canada for over 10 years. Readers wishing to take the opportunity to use this column should write to :- Almitra, c/o Rita O'Brien, Post Office Kuranda, N.Q. 4872.



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"I loved him so much I would have ski-ed down Mount Everest in the nude with a carnation up my nose." Joyce McKinney. *Sayings of the Week* (Observer).



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The traditional association of St. Valentine with courtship and the choosing of a 'Valentine' of the opposite sex is most likely connected with certain customs of the pagan festival of Lupercalia (mid-Feb.) at Rome, or with the natural season, not with the commemoration of the two St. Valentines of the 3rd Century AD. which had been observed on the 14th of February. (The Oxford Dictionary of the Christian church)

Other sources link it to the season of 'the pairing of birds'.



***** LOVE LOVE LOVE *****

The use of the word 'Love' has various meanings in the English language.

ROMANTIC: I love the rainforest in Kuranda.

SEXUAL: There is too much love making in many videos.

MATERNAL: She loves her baby.

GASTRONOMICAL: I love lemon and meringue pie.



Two forms of love other than sexual love are referred to in the New Testament of the Bible. One is Agapao 'Spiritual affection' (agape) as distinct from Philo - spontaneous natural affection, emotional and unreasoned.

Agapeo is commonly understood to denote love based on esteem. It is unselfish, for the unlovable, undeterred by failure and always there.

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Other services

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7.30 pm Eucharist of Candlemas
Wed 16 Feb Ash Wednesday
7.30pm Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
Wed 23 Feb Holy Communion
7.30 St. Matthias (Eve)
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Study Group Wed. evenings
Garage sale Sat 26 Feb.

BIBLE READING:
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'THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT
IS,
LOVE, JOY, PEACE.'

News from St.Saviours Church

Much is happening at St.Saviours this year commencing on Sunday 6 Feb a new service starts at 8.30 am known as Morning Light it will consist of modern music and language and will have a very simple flexible format (no communion). Designed to last 30 minutes with refreshments and a short discussion group afterwards in the Crypt Meeting room.

The 9.30 Family Eucharist will still be held every Sunday and Sunday School for 1994 will also commence on the 6 Feb at the new time of 9.am.

Due to requests to extend the number of 5 pm services during 1994 Holy Communion will be held every first Sunday in the month and evening prayer every 3rd Sunday in the month. A family service of readings and praise will be held every three months, the first one for 1994 on the 27 Feb at 5 pm. The theme for February is St.Johns Gospel. A family tea will be held afterwards. Enq.Fr.Chris Wright Ph. 938735.

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After School Care display in the Post Office window.

DANCES IN THE RAINFOREST

Ten year resident of Kuranda, Ibina Cundell loves the place for its' climate and greenery. "I've had my share of northern hemisphere winters", she says, having lived in Europe and North America for nearly nine years. Even Adelaide, where she was born, has long and cold winters. Ibina has spent many years training in Jazz dance, African and Modern Dance, both in Australia as a member of the Australian Dance Theatre and then abroad in France and the U.S. As a child she had unbridled energy, and became quite a rebellious teenager until encountering Elizabeth Dalman, newly returned from overseas, and teaching the very latest dance from New York, the Black American Jazz Dance with its African roots. Totally challenged by the art form Ibina's life has been devoted to its study. It is an unfolding process and her interests now are how to use and develop what she calls the "folkloric" aspects of this dancing - steps and exercises that everyone can do, at any age. Winters in Kuranda are so mild that the muscles and joints don't need all that warming-up that must be done in colder climates. The nice comfortable looseness that comes with warmer weather is nearly year round up here - it is the least punishing place to live, and that makes it a dancer's heaven. Although over forty Ibina never considers giving up dancing and the feelings of fitness and wellbeing that dancing brings. For her classes she chooses exercises that, tested over time, yield maximum results for minimal effort, that are straightforward, yet focussed, and that would be helpful for the particular students present at the time. The music Ibina chooses reflects the strong contingent of followers of the latest in Jazz and African rhythms world-wide. Classes last between 1 and 2 hours, depending on the development and stamina of the students, and are held on the studio-verandah at 14 Weir Road, Kuranda and 28 Grafton Street, Cairns. There is no age limit and beginners are welcome, there are also classes for those who have had prior training. For more information Ph.Ibina 937507 or Vicki 331884.

by Robin Hicks



Ibina and Vicki

RUDOLF STEINER EDUCATION

Parents and Friends of Monkami School for Rudolf Steiner Education are planning to start their pre-school and kindergarten in mid-February. There are still vacancies for children who are four or five years old. A home-based playgroup is also forming for younger children. To raise money for the building of classrooms, a huge garage sale will be held on February 12 at 9 am on Myola Road, just across from Ken's Autos. For more information, contact Dyane on Ph. 939014.

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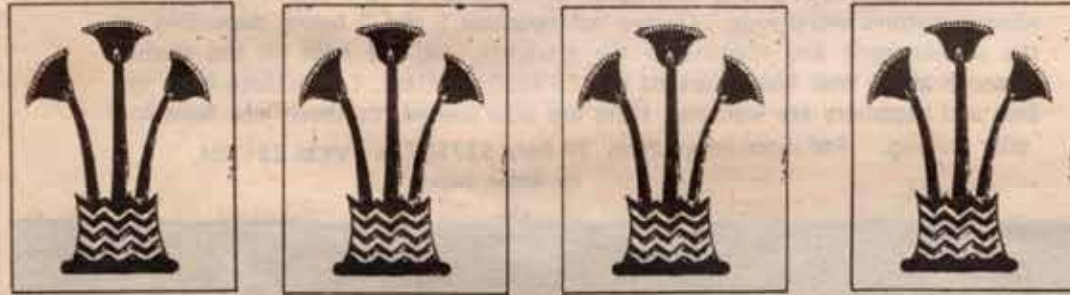
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THE GARDEN AS ART

The pursuit of gardening as an art is often described as landscaping. The Encyclopedia Britannica defines landscaping as one of the decorative arts, being "an aspect of man's attempt to impose harmony and beauty on his natural world so as to enhance nature" "intended primarily to give pleasure and create beauty". Sometimes intentionally, sometimes unconsciously it also reveals the 'inner landscape' of the mind or soul of an individual through straight or curved lines, colours, textures and choice of plants. Doing a landscape course several years ago, I did some research on this subject and it greatly increased my appreciation of the man made landscape. This series will hopefully add to your pleasure as well, perhaps even inspire some creative projects.

Private Pleasures.

The history of gardening as an art is a long one. In western civilisation, the oldest surviving detailed garden plan, dating from about 1400 BC is reproduced in Ippolito Rossellini's *monumenti dell' Egitto e della Nubia* in the New York Public Library. It is extremely sophisticated, suggesting a long lead up to that point - and it is estimated that similar enclosed pleasure gardens were probably in existence as early as 2800 BC. The plan is of a garden belonging to a high court official at Thebes, the ancient capital of the Upper Nile. It is rigidly symmetrical with mirror image plantings, rectangular ponds with waterfowl and garden pavilions set in tree lined avenues on either side of a large central, vine-covered pergola leading from the river to the main dwelling. The style is hieroglyphic depicting date palms, reeds, lotus and other ornamental and edible plants. It is an expression of power and wealth - a garden of eden for the privileged few.



Several years ago I saw pictures of a similar garden created almost instantly through the power of the dollar by a modern day potentate in the deserts of the Middle East - it was an oasis of stuccoed buildings, walled courtyards and fountains all painted midnight blue and planted entirely with silver foliaged plants - and it was stunning. In the 'cradle' of western civilisation - Assyria, Babylonia and Persia - gardens were indeed as the Garden of Eden described by the Hebrews in the Old Testament. They were private places of enjoyment characterized by shade and cool water. The most famous was a series of man made terraces, planted with trees and shrubs, creating an artificial hill, The Hanging Garden of Babylon.

The Greek and Hellenistic Style - Public Gardens.

Ancient Greece was responsible for the creation of what we now know as city life and concept of a courtyard or 'peristyle', which was designed with colonnades connecting it to the rooms of the houses and walled to provide privacy from the street. Mostly it consisted simply of a water supply and potted plants.

The Greeks were the first to really live a largely urban lifestyle with much time spent in public places - especially sporting grounds which developed such features as public seating, shelters, statues and shady groves - setting the precedent for the later Roman classical villa and 19th century European public park.

Typically the Greek style was austere but this changed during the Hellenistic Age (circa 323 BC - 30 BC) with the growing influence of the East brought about by increased trade. Luxurious pleasure gardens at colonies such as Alexandria and Syracuse were conspicuously rich and artificial with extensive use of precious materials and water features, including fountains and cascades.

The Roman gardens derived from the Greek, those in seaside resorts such as Pompeii following the Hellenistic style. Often these walled town gardens were visually extended by frescoed landscapes, painted on the walls. One of the most beautiful is of fruit trees, palms and oleanders as if seen from a garden 'room', as if one could simply step out onto the paved path, sit on the low stone wall and enjoy the songs of the various birds depicted - this idea later became known in France as a trompe l'oeil - or 'trick of the eye' - and is now once again very popular in modern homes and public buildings.

The more imperial the period of Roman history, the larger and more elaborate the gardens. The most elaborate was Nero's Golden House which covered over 300 acres (120 hectares) in the centre of Rome with an artificial lake (where the Colosseum now stands) and pastoral landscape of plowlands, vineyards, pastures and woods.

Next month: The Middle Ages

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM OSHO

Ro.1 DEATH

Nothing is ever born and nothing ever dies. Things only move between manifestation and unmanifestation. They become visible, they become invisible. To become invisible is a resting place. Just as after each day you need deep sleep in the night to rejuvenate you, to make you again young and fresh, in the same way after each life you need death. Death is a deeper sleep and nothing else. After each life your body is so tired you need a new body, a new manifestation. The old wave disappears, but the water in that wave remains in the ocean; it will come again in a new wave. The old is continuously becoming new - allow it. Simply allow life and go with it in deep trust. This is what I call religiousness - this trust. It is not a belief. Belief is always in dogmas, creeds, theories, philosophies, ideologies. This is not belief, this is simple trusting existence. We have come from it, it is our source. We are not outsiders, we are insiders. And we will go back to the source - it is our source. Coming out of it is good, going back into it is good. All is good! To feel it brings rejoicing - all is good. That's the meaning of trusting in God: that all is good.

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TALKING HERBS

Echinacea Angustifolia



Echinacea angustifolia,
Echinacea purpurea,
E. pallida and related spp.

Family Compositae

This herb comes from North America and is a member of the Aster-Daisy family. The root is the part used medicinally and it is unearthed in autumn. Tribes of Native Americans, particularly in the Great Plains area, used this medicine as a snakebite antidote as well as a remedy to a variety of illnesses. Thompson, a western Herbalist way back, was influenced by his observations of Native American use of this plant and added it to his medicine chest, so being the link between a localised use and now worldwide use. Some of the illnesses that Echinacea is credited with curing are blood poisoning, mastitis, strep. and staph. infections, boils and fevers. The most important claims to fame are that Echinacea is effective against bacterial and viral infections. The way it works is that rather than fighting the particular bug directly, the medicine gives the body's own immune system a boost to deal with the bug itself. Echinacea helps increase resistance to infection. I have started my 3 year old on a course of it to strengthen his defences prior to starting kindergarten. Although Echinacea has no toxicity you should see your herbalist before using a herb for medicinal purposes as they are powerful tools and some have conditions for use. An excellent book for the lay persons interested in their health is "Boosting your Immune System" by Nancy Corbett published by Milner.

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Hemphills Herbs - Culinary and Medicinal Uses of Herbs (2vols.)

Field Guide to Australian Seashores - Flora and Fauna

Distant Voices - John Pilger



ORGANIC GROWING

by Marjorie Spear



When you read this I hope more rain will have blessed our gardens. We are fortunate to enjoy so many lovely evergreen trees with flowers to attract the birds. The Flame tree is a joy now. A tree to avoid is the Coral tree. It has nasty thorns and if you leave a pruning on the ground you will have another tree. Fruits to enjoy now are Rollinias and Jak fruit. Jak are easy to grow from seed and make a sturdy fence, pick when they are well filled, before they soften. A warning to some that beer and Jak fruit do not always mix, some get discomfort when eating them on an empty stomach. Unripe Jak fruit are good cooked in curries etc. Delicious dried and nice when chilled. If a fruit drops don't leave it under the tree. All seeds will germinate and having tap roots do not transplant, and are hard to pull out. At the Rare fruit meeting on Feb 2 Geoff Parker will give us great information on growing fruit trees with a video to help us.

If time forbids eradication of weeds I suggest you cut off seed heads before seeds drop, put into a supermarket bag, and put the bag in the wheelie bin.

Pawpaws are now fruiting, try green in a salad. If watered, my Valencia orange is still well laden with fruit because it is partly in the shade. Fruit drop off daily and are eaten, much nicer than those tasteless southern oranges. When picking citrus always cut with a stem - to 9 inches long. It saves tip pruning. Cut off the long stem when storing but never pull the stem if you want the fruit to store. That applies to all fruit. All my other Citrus- grapefruit, mandarin and lemons etc. were pruned months ago, and are now laden with green fruit. They should get water in the summer.

There are still gorgeous flowering ginger and Heliconia roots available free to anyone who can dig, plus cuttings of Aglonemas and my sweet leaf bush (which gives me greens every day) Ph. me on 937205. My Jade Vine has been flowering for weeks and the birds feast on it for hours every day. It is growing in semi-shad. Most tropical trees like semi-shade even tropical fruit trees dislike intense sun.

I have a large van with electricity etc. free to a person who would help me in the garden.

GOLDIE

She is so beautiful
She lives outside my door
Her body so slender
Her legs cry amour
Dressed in gumnut green
Stockings orange and black
Alas to the bush, shortly
She has to go back
"She's getting too big"
Dear one cries, agasp
"Stop feeding her Hoppers
Before she claims this shack
We'll have to move out
Or live in a tree
So your spider can live
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Margaret Heiner



"The story of a love is not important - what is important is that one is capable of love" Helen Hayes, American actress.

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NEW TO YOU

..Yes, fashion is fickle. As Coco Chanel, the French couturière, admitted 'fashion is designed to become unfashionable' but

A thing of beauty is a joy forever;
It's loveliness increases; it will never
Pass into nothingness

John Keats (1795 -1821)

Good quality clothing should be recycled. Kuranda's own recycled fashion boutique New To You opened a year and a half ago on the main street in The Greenhouse - one of Kuranda's oldest 'recycled' houses. These days as well as constantly arriving near-new fashions you can find the latest new trend setting fashions at better than most Cairns prices.

The shop is aimed to cater primarily for the local people of Kuranda, offering convenience, comfort and value, open seven days a week from 10am to 5pm- or later, by arrangement- making it easy for you to shop at your leisure in air-conditioned comfort right here in Kuranda. It's filled with an ever changing assortment of the latest new fashions, quality recycled fashions and even vintage treasures.....

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Tired of your old fashions?

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Most garments are automatically reduced if not sold within 2 months or open to negotiation. So if you've had your eye on something and it's meant for you, come in and make an offer. There's also a \$5 bargain basket that is added to constantly.

So check it out when passing by.

Stock now includes imported vintage fashions as well as a large assortment of popular Levi jeans in many colours and sizes. There's old-style handcrafted jewelry as well as authentic old pieces, bric a brac and collectables, formal and out of season wear for special occasion or travelling needs. Gift vouchers, layby and credit card facilities are available. So, drop in and have a browse, fashions and treasures pass through daily and so should you!



A fixture of the Greenhouse this lady endures all as she promotes NEW TO YOU. Rain, sun and children's sticky fingers

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R.I.P.

Queensland Arts Council

The 6 year old Kuranda Branch of the Queensland Arts Council folded at a special meeting 11 January. This follows the AGM in December when the committee stood down, without anybody new prepared to stand for election to replace them. The extra meeting was one last chance to form a new committee before putting the branch into recess.

The voluntary committee had all been in office for 2-6 years, and were suffering burnout. In its heyday the Kuranda branch peaked at 265 financial members. The committee were energetic in running travelling exhibitions, some of local sculpture and painting, assisting local and touring theatre and music events, assisting Djabugay corroboree retrieval and teaching, organising workshops with visiting artists in dance, batik, banner-making and other mediums, and two arts balls.

Some analysis of the situation was approached at the 11 January meeting. It was recognised that energy was separated from the early community cultural nucleus as new arts organisations started up. With the Amphitheatre, Junction Theatre, Arts Council, Frogs Alive, Writers and several other groups doing their own thing, a hole developed in the centre of the doughnut of Kuranda artistic life.

There may be a decline in the pool of people with administrative skills willing to work for the cultural side of the community, as people work longer, run businesses, study for degrees, wear other community hats, are seduced by video, or otherwise have greater commitments.


There is perhaps a retreat into the pursuit of one's individual artform, rather than organising events for others. Kuranda is changing in its population mix. Some cited a greater emphasis on events on the coast, with a more regional focus than in the past.

The arts council as a state organisation run from Brisbane often chose to tour things that did not have wide appeal, and branch support from the state structure has not been strong. This may account for why Cairns, Cooktown and Port Douglas branches are also likely to go into recess.

It was agreed that there was no shortage of volunteer hours given generously in other Kuranda organisations. eg The Pony Club, Landcare, Writers at Kuranda and The Kuranda Paper all have strong participation at present. It seems that as some groups decline, others rise according to new needs. Perhaps organisations have life cycles. How can they renew themselves without new people and ideas? It remains to be seen what arts and cultural development structures may arise in the Kuranda of the future.

Eve Stafford.





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pillars of ETERNITY
they echo like music



SUNG INTO INCENSE CURLING
UPWARD TO CARESS THE FACE OF
DIVINE BENEVOLENCE
LISTENING TO THE VOICE OF LOVE
SINGING THRU THE SHINING
PATH OF TEARS:
SO FEW SEE THE ROSE
BENEATH THE WITHERED CHEEK
PERHAPS IT'S ONLY
WHEN THE SIMPLE SPEAK
OR SAY NO WORD AT ALL
THAT THEY ARE HEARD.



HOW WE CLING TO PATTERNS IN THE SAND
WHEN ALL THE RICH VAST
OCEAN IS AT HAND



"IF YOU WOULD BE LOVED, LOVE." Hecato (c 550-476 BC)

High praise from both critics and audiences in Finland, Europe and USA have paved the way for a sensational performance when Finnish band Trio Tøykeät takes to the stage at the Rainforest Restort, Kuranda on February 8.

Initiated by local identity and promoter John Howell, Trio Tøykeät's main stomping ground over the past few years has been New York's jazz clubs. During 1991 the trio performed in Havana Cuba, Paris Estonia and Switzerland.

Trio Tøykeät is Iiro Rantala on keyboards, Eerik Siikasaari on bass and Rami Eskelinen on bass. All artists are consummate performers with impressive training and input with leading international bands. Their music is diverse in flavour, yielding influences that fuse latin and jazz to classical.

Since 1992 the Trio has been working mostly in New York City, where Iiro Rantala and Rami Eskelinen study at the Manhattan school of Music. Their venues there have included Visiones and Mondo Perso where they were joined intermittently with notable bass players Harvey Schwarz and Ned Mann. American trumpet player Lew Soloff has played many gigs as permanent soloist with the Trio in NYC and travelled with the Trio to Zurich in December 1992. Rami recently played with the Gil Evans in a club in NYC and Siikasaari, revered throughout the 80s as a number one choice among bassists of his generation has also exceeded his most important international achievement when he won first prize at the Belgian jazz group contest in 1988 with Trio Tøykeät.

In 1993 Trio Tøykeät performed in Melbourne at the Multicultural Folk Fest also playing at local jazz venues and hotels and followed by more international concert touring.

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NEWS FROM THE AMPHITHEATRE SOCIETY

Following natures display last Saturday 50 members and friends gathered at the Amphitheatre to brainstorm it back to life. The think tank was on a Vision Workshop Format. Every idea recorded, compared, voted on, resulting in a priority list of ten objectives.

1. Permanent community arts base.
2. Programme manager to generate own income through hirings
3. Professional theatre under banner of Amphitheatre.
4. Professional business plan and mission statement.
5. Upgrade technical equipment and upgrade grounds to botanical standard.
6. Better clubhouse with lock-up theatre, secure bar, kitchen, workshop space, and kids area.
7. Once monthly markets for local arts and crafts strictly controlled, with performances.
8. Raise the stage, timber floor.
9. Gradual weather proofing for audience starting from front.
10. TAFE involvement, skill share, employment schemes.

So whats new? A report will be sent to all those who attended. In the meantime anyone who is interested in any of these priorities please call the secretary, Joanna Baldwin Ph. 937464 as we will be forming interest groups to develop these ideas.

Thanks to all those who attended and to Arch McArthur who orchestrated the brain storm and Eve Stafford for her overview.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE SOCIETY INC.

Saturday 12 Feb. at 3 p.m. at the Amphitheatre.

All positions are declared vacant.

This meeting will be preceded by a General Meeting at 2 p.m. The Quorum required for these two very important meetings is 15. All members are invited to attend.

Nominations for all positions should be sent to The Secretary, P.O.Box 500 Kuranda.



Romantic Poetry and Pasta

Easy-going, fun evenings of poetry readings will resume for the new year at Monkeys BYO on Friday 11 February from 6.30 p.m. as a Writers at Kuranda (WAK) activity.

The theme is Valentine's Day. Pieces can range from syrupy writing like a hopelessly romantic fool, humour, or something sharper, like the gangland Valentine's Day Massacre. Interpretation is in the pen of the beholder. Open readings of new work on any theme is also welcome.

As with last year, readings are open to the public. The more participation, the better, with up to four pieces per person. The idea is to foster local writing, and to share it in a convivial and supportive social atmosphere. Dinner is affordable, and bookings are essential for catering by our hosts at Monkeys BYO. Ph. 937451. Eve Stafford.



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Cairns has not been hit by a full cyclone since 1956. Cyclone Winifred caused more damage on the tablelands in 1986 than in Cairns.

Christmas 1990 brought cyclone Joy off the coast of Cairns. Once again Cairns luckily missed out. The majority of damage was done here in Kuranda with Kuranda S.E.S assisted by the Mareeba and Dimbulah S.E.S. groups working alongside the FNQEB, Mareeba shire and main roads employees clearing roads and restoring power and water. The S.E.S. spent three days de-treeing and tarping houses. Sadly, there are still people living in Kuranda who are under the false belief that we are protected by the mountains. Not so.

On 20/1/94, Kuranda was hit by a storm known as a mini cyclone. We were lucky, with only some telephones in the area knocked out and a few trees down here and there. with no reports of structural damage to buildings. There is not much anyone can do to prevent a cyclone hitting the area, but with a bit of common sense and a few necessary precautions taken now, you can help to minimise damage to your property.

- Check that your house roof is sound.
- Clear any loose items around your property.
- Clear any branches that are overhanging the house.
- Remove any dead trees from your property.
- Remove any trees that you know will blow over easily and are likely to hit yours or your neighbour's house. Remember easy maintainance and a lot of common sense will help to minimise damage and loss of life on a cyclone warning.
- Board or tape windows and secure doors.
- Lock up pets in a safe place.
- Fill any container that will hold water.
- Fuel vehicles and place under cover.
- Leave caravans for more substantial shelter.
- Listen to your radio for further warnings, if told to take shelter, do so at home with friends or in a public emergency shelter. In Kuranda, The State Primary School is the main evacuation

centre.

Open a few windows on the Leeward side of the house when the cyclone comes, keep calm and stay indoors, shelter in the strongest part of the house, protect yourself with mattresses and blankets, anchor yourself to a strong structure, or get under a sturdy table or bed. Beware of the Calm Eye, stay indoors until officially told the danger is over. If you have to evacuate switch off electricity, gas etc. lock up dwelling, collect emergency evacuation kit containing battery operated radio, tinned food, water in containers, torches, candles, waterproof matches, essential clothing contained in waterproof bag, self-contained cooking gear, essential medicines and first aid kit, warm clothing (jeans and skivvies) and strong footwear to protect against cuts and debris. The above emergency kit should be available even if you are not evacuating. Make sure every member in the household knows where it is.

Follow the official advice on your radio after the cyclone, listen to your radio, if you have evacuated, don't go home until advised and use the route recommended, above all, don't ignore warnings. Before, during and after a cyclone. The counter disaster management committee will set up H.Q. in the Mareeba Shire Council Chambers. If you require assistance during this time, you may ring the chambers on 921222 or Kuranda S.E.S. on 938816. These are the only two numbers to ring, we do have to prioritise damage reports so the more serious damage will be acted on first, so it may take a while longer to get to you if there is only slight property damage, but rest assured, there will be someone there to help you. A damaged roof will take priority over a tree blocking a drive.

You may also assist the emergency services by not going sightseeing after the cyclone has passed. If you require any further information, the group leader of the Kuranda S.E.S. may be contacted on 937188. Information pamphlets on cyclones and storms, plus cyclone tracking maps are available at the Kuranda Information and Support caravan.



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A Thought For The Day

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Rita O'Brien



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hung it on the chair. On the dressing table an empty wine glass sat amongst brushes and makeup. He picked it up and went downstairs.

The key turned in the door as he reached the bottom step and he froze. Ellen dropped her bag on the floor and stood just below him.

"Liar" she screamed and pushed past him, her eyes red and mouth screwed up into a little scar of quivering pain.

He put his arm out to pull her back but she hit it hard and ran into the bedroom sobbing. Again the door slammed shut. He would have told her now and hoped she would understand. After all it was just a fantasy, he hadn't really done anything wrong. Other than not telling her.

He went downstairs to the kitchen, rinsed the wine glass and refilled it, pouring a bourbon for himself. If she wanted he'd give it up. It wasn't worth it. Slowly he went back upstairs. He called her name. There was no answer. He tried again before going back downstairs to the hall. He removed the now creased and crumpled card from the inside pocket of his coat. Turning it over he wrote "Sorry. I love you" on the blank side. Upstairs, he slid the card under her door before retreating to the spare room.

Ellen woke the next morning fully dressed on top of the bedclothes. She lay still, waiting for her body to recover from the shock of last night. She considered staying in bed but seeing how late it was and how silent the house, decided he'd gone out. Her mouth was dry and tasted awful. She would get up slowly, shower, have a cup of tea and think about what she was going to do. As she opened the door she felt something under her toe. Holding her temples in both hands she slowly looked down. A small blue index card with Harry's writing on it lay on the carpeted floor. Carefully she bent down and picked it up.

She read his message with heart beating then turned the card over. On the other side, neatly typed was a notice - "The Riverston Players seek Rhett's to audition for their Valentine's Day production of GONE WITH THE WIND". In biro, Harry had circled the words "seek Rhett's".

Oh, Harry!

Gayle Hannah

Association for Regional

ARK Kuranda (formerly Kuranda Consultative Group)

With no January meeting correspondence is mounting. The following is a brief bulletin of items which will be before the February 16th meeting, among others:

*Kuranda Strategic Management Plan: positive response from Dept of Environment and Heritage regarding the high community participation, with some suggestions for further work within the plan. This plan is now in the hands of the Minister and details will be outlined in this paper as soon as it is ratified. Positive changes to the village should be noticeable within months of funding being approved.

*Jumrum Creek protected area will become a Conservation Park soon.

*Queensland Transport bulletin advising of work on Kennedy Highway between Greenhills Rd and Fallon Rd. There will be clearing of trees as outlined in the bulleting with co-operation from Dept of Environment to collect seed and plants beforehand, collection of millable timber and revegetation of areas which will not interfere with new roadway. Also, reply re our concerns at trees cleared last year from highway between bridge and village entrance- Dept advises these were dead trees posing a risk to passing traffic. We feel that clearing was excessive and Dept should mark each tree before contractors are allowed to start. The Dept also advised that, in reply to our query, they do not have specific policies regarding wildlife protection on main roads. They advise that roadkills are not excessive on the Kennedy Highway around Kuranda - infrequent accidents regarding bandicoots and echidnas east of Speewah and wallabies and kangaroos west. They will co-operate with any departments of strategies to reduce these incidents.

*Minister for Transport David Hamill has outlined in a letter to Dr Clark the operating costs and revenue of the Kuranda Scenic Rail- Dr Clark has furnished us with a copy. The Kuranda Scenic Rail had a gross revenue of \$6,365,102 last year making it the State's third highest earner behind the Sunlander and Spirit of Capricorn. Operating costs and maintenance, provision of tourist services are amounted to \$5.5 million and with other line costs and administrative costs borne across all State services it made a loss. Mr Hamill says this is not unusual as most passenger services world wide do so. He states QR's strong commitment to the service and assures us that the service will remain vital and viable.

*Minister for Education regarding our concerns re Kuranda High School - a rather perfunctory note advising we will receive a detailed response at the earliest opportunity. We are not holding our breathe.

*Colefax Clayton Smith -consulting engineers- details of submission to MSC outlining strategies to minimise the extent of clearance and earthworks necessary to develop proposed subdivisions in forested areas, especially hilly or undulating areas. Council has received these favourably.

* Kuranda Sports & Social Club has written to council to request some urgent work to stabilise the oval before the wet - including revegetation.

* From the Mareeba Shire Council - a number of items:

- building design, new shopping complex opposite Frogs on Coondoo St (approved) we are concerned that any new developments should be compatible in design, colour etc with Kuranda 'character'. Council will meet with developer to discuss these concerns.

- Proposed new shopping complex at 14 Rob Veivers Drive (adjacent to newly completed complex next to Butterfly sanctuary)- comments recieved.

-Letter to FNQEB from council advising that although council is encouraging developers to underground power in new subdivisions there is no Bylaw insisting on this. Council considers sometimes undergrounding may not be reasonable.

-Barron Falls Rd - our strong objections to the condition of the road following council works has been noted. It will be remedied this month.

**KURANDA- A RAINFOREST STORY'. Agreement to finalise grant of \$10,000 from Wet Tropics for the development of walking tracks and rainforest interpretation stations around the village. See details on page 3 this paper.

Re the Mareeba Shire Council local government elections. ARK would like to hear from anyone considering standing as a candidate for the election on March 26th, particularly those considering standing in Division 4. Please contact The Secretary ARK, PO Box 573 Kuranda 4872 for information which may be to your benefit.

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"Mr. O. Where's the shipment?"
"There's no shipment this morning. I'm sorry . . ."
"I received a card . . ."
"There will be no more shipments. I've been called back to Iran. Trouble in my kingdom. Thank you for your assistance. Here, a bonus for you and your helpers."

"But we haven't . . ."
"Take it. Some men will come and ask questions. Answer them truthfully. You know me. They do not."
A bow and he is gone, blown away, or sucked into the black hole of infinity. A ute pulls up silently into the wind. Headlights extinguish. Darkness for a second before a beam of light emerges from either side. Again the lonely figure on the sand attracts the spotlights.

"What's up Zetterre?"
"No work this morning boys. . ."
"But we got outa bed and . . ."
"Ha! We still get paid. Mr. O, he has to go back to Iran with his wives. It's all over I'm afraid."
They don't argue. Hell has its seasons and this is winter. They quickly leave, returning to the warmth of their rum and their women.

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There are several guest rooms in the building. This one is used by the Australian Federal Police. It is comfortably furnished except for the straight-backed, unpadded perch from which Zetterre tells his story to Morgan.

"Mr. O was pivotal to the whole scheme."
"Tell me about this Mr. O."
Morgan has heard the story several times before. So he listens as if in a trance. He is trained at this. He watches as he listens. He is alert for markers, body language, tonal changes, use of words, hesitation, the markers of lies.

"One morning I was tanning my goat skins and suddenly there he was. I heard no vehicle arrive. He was alone. We chatted. I felt at home with him from the start. I felt I had known him all my life. He was my friend. He didn't tell me about the consignments that first time. At least I don't think he did. I'm not sure now when he filled me in on the details."

"Go on."
"When the first shipment arrived there was no doubting that he was the head man. He was not a big man but . . ."

"How big?"
"About my height, five nine. Perhaps a little more. On the tubby side. No, it was more like . . . puppy fat, I suppose. He was foreign, dark skinned, though not too dark. Not black. Clean shaven. Handsome, in a boyish way. He was authoritative without being bossy. If he asked you to do something you did it without question."

"What? Anything?"
Zetterre pauses, unfocusses. He shrugs. He shakes his head.

"Yes, anything."
"You shake your head and say 'yes'. Why?"
"It seems silly now. I don't know. He was someone you wanted to please. You know? He was always calm. I never saw him panic. Never. There were crises from time to time with the unloading but he was always in control. Exuding calm. It was a formal calm. Yes, he was a very formal man. Neatly dressed. Western clothes and yet there was a trinket, something, which gave a hint to his origins."

"And where do you think those origins were?"
"I've told you before. He was Iranian."
"Why do you say that?"
"Well the artefacts were Persian."
"The fake artefacts . . . mean."
"I didn't know they were fake. They looked like the real thing to me. Who says they're fake anyway?"

Morgan ignores this. Never answer questions, just ask them. His training. He scratches something on his note pad.
"What else made you think he was Iranian?"
"The women . . ."

Ah, yes, the women. Morgan likes to hear about the women. He closes his eyes momentarily.
"Tell me about the women."
"They were always covered from head to toe. In black. Only their eyes visible. Ah, those eyes. . . Every trip he had two women. Different from the last time."

"How did you know that if they were so covered up?"
"Oh they were covered up but a trained eye could undress them. Their different walks. Mannerisms. The line of their garb. A telling bulge here, a curve there as the wind caressed the cloth. Always beautiful women."
Zetterre grins and flashes a knowing wink. Morgan nods and looks less grim. He could have undressed them. Would have undressed them. He had a trained eye.

"What else led you to believe he was Iranian?"
"Other Arab trappings. Besides he told me."
"And you believed him?"
"Of course. He was the leader of a Bedouin tribe. The women were from his harem. The artefacts were being smuggled out of Iran to escape the excesses of the fundamentalists. He was a very rich man. He was generous. Kind."

"Oh, come on. Our fat little sheik was smuggling heroin into our country for young Australians to get hooked. To keep him rich on some bloody idyllic island in the Mediterranean. That's generous, kind?"

"That's what you say. It doesn't match with my experience of the man. If he was smuggling heroin as you say, why didn't he try to get some of us on the island into it? I've never seen heroin but I know it's a white powder and not once in the monthly arrivals did I ever see any white powder. . . except the sand of the bay."

"It sounds to me as though this Mr. O blew too much sand in your eyes. What did the O stand for anyway?"

"I don't know. I presumed it to be the first letter of his real name. Too difficult to pronounce. . . you know? Anyway such things were unimportant. You don't understand do you? He exuded an aura of tranquility. Questions did not form in your mind. You helped him because it was the right thing to do."

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

We are nearing local government election time and it is timely to consider two major recent documents that relate to the topic. They are both crucial documents but from very different sources.

One is Agenda 21, the other is the new Planning and Development legislation that is being proposed for Queensland.

Agenda 21- an agenda for the 21st Century -was adopted at the Earth summit in Rio de Janeiro last year. It contains 40 chapters on a range of topics related to an ecologically sustainable and socially just future including chapters on indigenous people, women, non government and community organisations. Agenda 21 specifically identifies the importance of local government in achieving a sustainable future. Local governments in Australia are being asked to consider the development of local versions of Agenda 21.

A major principle is that the involvement and participation of major social groups is essential in achieving sustainability. Broad principles must be applied to the specific circumstances of a local government and community. Agenda 21 has a lot of broad principles, the task is for us to develop our own local version. The Municipal Conservation Association in Melbourne is now developing a project to initiate the process of developing local Agenda 21 programs in Australia and to motivate and provide a basis for local communities to prepare a local Agenda 21 program. A copy of the chapter on local government is available at the Greenhouse on Coondoo Street.

The Queensland Government has released a guide to new proposed planning and development legislation in Queensland. The changes proposed for the Planning and Development approvals system are complex. It is significantly different from the existing system. Some good points proposed :

*More opportunities for community involvement at the plan making stage.

*The current planning system uses a system which divides a planned area into zones and then sets out what can and cannot happen in those zones. It is proposed to replace this with a "performance based" system where development applications must comply with specific criteria related to such things as environmental quality and amenity.

*A State Government planning policy system will be maintained with greater obligations on local council and courts to abide by them.

*The mechanisms for appeals will be expanded to include alternative (and possibly cheaper) means of dispute resolution.

Some areas of concern:

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"Did it ever occur to you that what you were doing was not the right thing to do? That you were smuggling? Even supposing for a moment that you didn't know he was smuggling heroin, surely it was obvious that this was a clandestine operation? Done under the cover of darkness on an isolated bay on a secluded sector of Kangaroo Island? Hardly a world expo site for the display of such cultural gems?"

"It seemed the right thing to do. The fundamentalist regime in Tehran has been vilified in this country to such an extent that anything done to dupe it seemed a worthy cause. Governments have been doing deals in the Middle East for years. Without telling their own people. Witness the double-dealings the CIA have done with the Iran-Contra fiasco and the Noriega affair."

"Noriega has nothing to do with the Middle East."

"So what. It's the same principle. Mr. O was no villain. I don't care what you say." Morgan scribbles. He silently admonishes himself for becoming embroiled in discussion.

"How old was he, this O character?"

"Difficult to say. Anywhere between his mid-twenties and his mid-forties. No lines on his face. He could have been older. In a strange way he was age-less."

"Did he come on the vessel or did he rendezvous with it like you did?"

"I don't know. When we arrived he was always there. He always returned to the mainland with us. That was part of the deal. The women went to the vessel."

It is pointless to continue. Morgan is convinced that Zetterre is telling the truth.

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The two officers lounge around on comfortable chairs. Jacobson defies the no-smoking sign. They are drinking West End. Not from glasses. Morgan stands and stares over Victoria Square. He sees the pie van, an icon of Adelaide that has not changed since he was a boy.

"Has someone sent out for the food?"

There is an affirmative grunt from Jacobson.

"OK. What have we got on this mysterious Mr. O?"

"Not much I'm afraid. The ferry attendants noticed the women. Western garb then. And yes they were always beautiful. Hazy descriptions only of their companion. But they match Zetterre's. Different shift on the return hop so the fact that the women are no longer there and O is with Zetterre is not exceptional. Nothing unusual. Particularly after he had established a routine."

"So, one shift sees two beautiful women of foreign extraction and a nondescript chaperone. And the other sees Zetterre, a well-known resident of the island for over fifteen years sipping coffee with the same nondescript who is now assumed to be a foreign businessman. How did Zetterre know when to go to the bay?"

"He received a letter, no a card, with an O on it."

"Nothing else?"

"Just the card. He knew what it meant. On the following Sunday at 2 in the am he was to be at Shark Fin Bay with his two helpers."

"What about these two?"

"Collaborate Zetterre's descriptions and impressions of the whole operation. We've been through them on numerous occasions. With various inducements. I'm convinced they're telling the truth. As they perceive it. All of them."

"Well that's a change in this business. Fat lot of good it seems to be doing us. Anything from the card? I presume Zetterre still had one?"

"Afraid not. Our Mr. O was not only very formal he was meticulous. The card was to be destroyed immediately. And as Zetterre said, 'when O asked you to do something, you did it.'"

"Wish I had such power."

"So, O enters the country via legitimate channels with his concubines. Sends Zetterre his card, makes his way to Port Adelaide and boards the ferry to Kangaroo Island on the appropriate date. The rendezvous is affected and O uses Zetterre to transport his crates, never more than four, back to the ferry terminal on the island. The crates of course match the ones Zetterre has been shipping his goat skins in for the past ten years or more. Nothing suspicious. No customs checks anyway. All internal to the South Australian system. The so-called artefacts are then transported to Sydney by road and unloaded at Antiquity and Curios, an unremarkable little shop in George Street down in the Rocks area. The middle men come in and buy half a dozen porcelain Persian dolls from the Pashar period, take them home, and crush the beauties into a fine powder. A simple purification process and the narcotic is extracted and remixed with the usual thinners for the street market."

"Neat. What deviously brilliant techniques allowed us the crack onto the scheme? Or did we get lucky?"

"Spot of luck actually. An undercover AFP officer thought this guy was someone else. Was tailing him when the silly bugger gets hit by a bus. Killed. One of the dolls he was carrying was broken. The officer licked his finger after the event and the case cracked open. Pun unintended. We were brought in and brilliantly, it seems, have let Mr. O slip completely through our fingers. The only busts we get out of the whole deal is the shop owner and a few street hoppers. Maybe Zetterre and his colleagues on a smuggling charge. Can't do them for gullibility. Our Mr. O was some magician. He even implores them to tell the truth. I ask you?"

The phone rings.

"Jacobson. Yeah?"

He listens attentively. Whistles through his teeth. Rubs his free hand over his thinning hair.

"Uhhuh. The two unopened crates out the back? . . . Yeah, yeah. . . Oh, just great. . . OK, OK, I'll get on to it right away."

He replaces the receiver and sits down. Eyes roll. First clockwise, then the reverse.

"Well, what was that all about?"

"The lab boys smashed up a figurine from one of the full crates. Turns out it's pure porcelain. A priceless antique from the Pashar period. So are all the others. We're going to have to have another little chat with Mr. Antiquity and Curios."

"The fickleness of the women I love is only equalled by the infernal constancy of the women who love me." George Bernard Shaw, Irish playwright.

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*A reduction in the opportunities for public participation at the development application stage as a trade off against an increase in public participation at the plan making stage.

*The proposed new system places greater emphasis on the ability of local authorities to make complex decisions affecting the environment. This is going to require a massive increase in the level of technical expertise available to local authorities, presently lacking in Queensland. Without this increase in technical expertise and consequent funding, community confidence in the proposed new system will be destroyed.

* A major disappointment with the proposals is to retain "injurious affection". This encourages up-zoning (increasing the development rights which exist over an area of land) but discourages "down-zoning" by obliging local authorities to pay compensation for any loss of income that may be suffered as a result of removing development rights.

Queensland is the only State in Australia that still makes provision for "injurious affection".

*Despite the proposal to initiate alternative methods of dispute resolution, if the matter does eventually go to court, the costs for community groups will be increased by using court appointed witnesses. Under the current system, each side pays their own costs on most occasions and conservation groups, for example, often use legal advice and expert witnesses who work at reduced rates or for free. This may no longer be possible.

All in all, there is both good and bad in the new proposals. Conservation groups in Queensland are lobbying for a number of changes before any bill is produced. ONE CRUCIAL CONCLUSION WE HAVE REACHED : the purported benefits from the proposals will only eventuate if there is change to the culture of local government. In turn, this will require the community to be vigilant about proposed decisions which will affect their lives. Contributed by Jim and Ann Downey.



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We have lots of brochures, information about government departments, support groups, and local organisations. If YOU have some information that you think may be of interest to the residents of Kuranda, come in or phone 938933, and tell us about it.

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SPEEWAH DISTRICT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Monday 14th February 1994 at 7.30 pm
89 Douglas Track, Freedom County.

This is the Annual General Meeting and present Committee members will stand down and all positions are open for nominations.

All members present and past are welcome to attend. If you have any interest in the future of the area you live in why not join this association which meets every other month for a couple of hours. Annual subscription \$5.00 is now due.

Enquiries Ph. Bob Madden 930169 or Joy Gordon 930171

"There is no substitute for moonlight and kissing" ...
Barbara Cartland, British novelist.

STICKY SITUATIONS IN MEETINGS . Part A

Have you ever been in a meeting where you were not happy with the way the matters are proceeding? Don't despair. Provision has been made for you and other members present to air your concerns. Such action is by raising a point of order.

A POINT OF ORDER

Any member of the meeting may interrupt at any time saying "Mr/Madam Chair - Point of Order" when he/she thinks that the rules of the meeting procedure are not being followed. The Chair must ask the member what is the Point of Order - give a ruling and take the necessary action. The Chair is asking for trouble if he/she ignore Point of Order!

SOME TYPES OF POINT OF ORDER

1. **DISSENT FROM THE CHAIRS RULING.** - Which must be moved immediately after the Chair has given the ruling. The Chair must make many decisions concerning the conduct of the meeting. If a member disagrees with the Chair's Ruling he/she must immediately say "Mr/Madam Chair I have dissent from your ruling." Then he/she should call for a seconder for this Ruling. If there is a seconder he/she should allow debate followed by a vote to resolve the matter.

NOTE: The Chair should not become upset by the Dissent action, and does not leave the chair. It is best to deal with it quickly and fairly. Failure to accept a Dissent action when seconded, can lead to utter chaos!

2. **THE SPEAKER NO LONGER HEARD.** Sometime a member can be very irritating to other members by obstructing the progress of the meeting. Anyone may interrupt and move that The

Speaker no Longer be Heard. If the Chair thinks that the motion is reasonable he/she calls for a seconder and the motion can then be debated. If passed the speaker can not speak again in the debate.

3. **THE SPEAKER IS OUT OF ORDER.** When the Chair considers that a speaker is out of order (such as trying to speak twice to a motion) he/she should say "Speaker..... Sit down you are out of order because.....". The Chair should be sure of his/her ground and also should be ready for a dissent motion.

NB- When the Chair speaks or stands every one ought to be seated and silent.

4. **NO CONFIDENCE IN CHAIR'S RULING/S.** This motion could arise after several unpopular rulings or statements by the Chair. The best procedure is to accept the motion with good grace and if seconded, vacate the Chair and allow debate. After having conducted a quick election of an acting Chair, the original Chair can speak during the debate.

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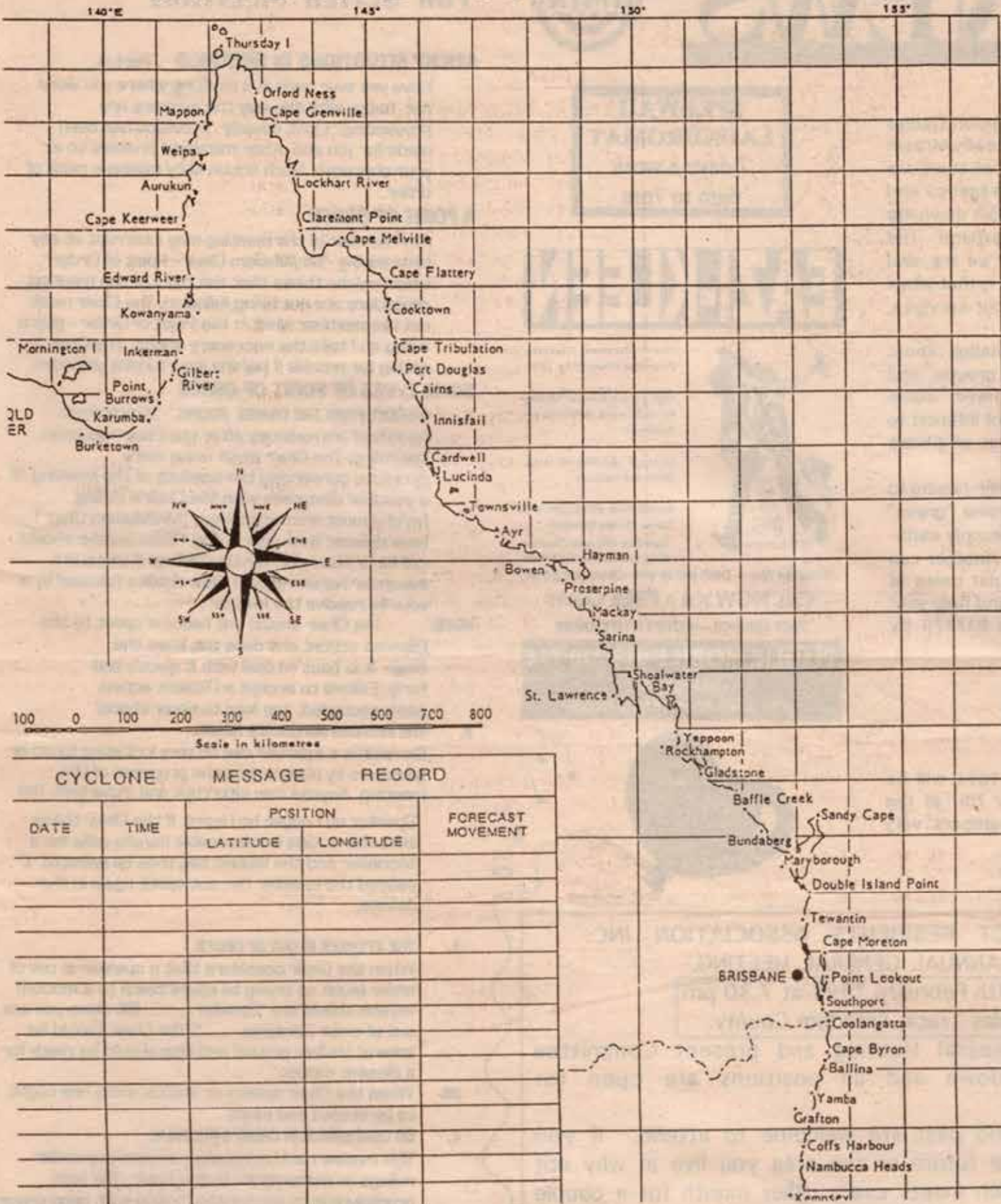


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PLOTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Listen to each Cyclone Advice issued by the Bureau's Tropical Cyclone Warning Centre. Jot down the details in the "Cyclone Message Record" panel. Locate the cyclone using the numbered latitude (horizontal) and longitude (vertical) lines. Then use the scale to measure the distance of the cyclone from your location. The forecast movement of the cyclone can also be marked using the compass points. To make this easier cut out the compass below and paste it to a piece of card. Remove the central portion. Place the centre of the compass over the cyclone position (plotted by you) making sure that the 'N' mark is pointing to the top of the page. Mark in the direction towards which the cyclone is moving as given in the warning.

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JANUARY

29/30 Sat./Sun. Kuranda Horse Sports.

FEBRUARY

6 Sun. Design Jam. Amph. 12pm-6 pm

8 Tues. TRIO TOYKEAT. Rainforest Resort. ph937555

12 Sat. Amphitheatre General Meeting 2 pm

12 Sat Amphitheatre Annual General Meeting 3 pm.

12 Sat KMA 9am. Under Firestation.

13 Sat. PAKS fundraiser Amp. 3pm.

14 Friday Speewah Ratepayers Annual General Meeting 7.30pm Ph. 937171.

26 Sat. GARAGE SALE. St. Saviours Church, am.

REGULAR MEETINGS IN KURANDA

1ST Sunday, 9am. Family Service, Uniting Church CWA Hall.

1st Monday, 1.30pm, PENSIONERS, CWA hall Ph 937370

Alt Mondays, Kuranda Lions, Bottom Pub, 7.30pm 937187

Every Monday, Cubs, 938 872

Every Tuesday and Friday Karate 5-6.30pm CWA Hall

Every Tuesday, Respite Care, CWA Hall, 9am - 3pm

1st Tuesday, Cancer Support Group 7.30pm St Saviours Church Hall. Ph. 937125.

1st Tuesday, RSL Meeting, Fallon Rd, 7.30pm

1st Tuesday, IMMUNISATION, (Babies), Surgery, 2-3pm

Every Tuesday, BABY CLINIC, CWA Hall, 2-4pm

Every Tuesday and Friday Course in Miracles Kuranda Hostel. Ph. 937295.

Every Tuesday. PAKS. 7.30PM. Amphitheatre.

3rd Wed, Ass. for Regional Kuranda S&S Club, 7.30pm

2nd Thursday, K.I.S.C. MEETING, 7pm, St Saviours. 937370

2nd Thursday, AMBULANCE Meeting, Fire Station, 7.30pm

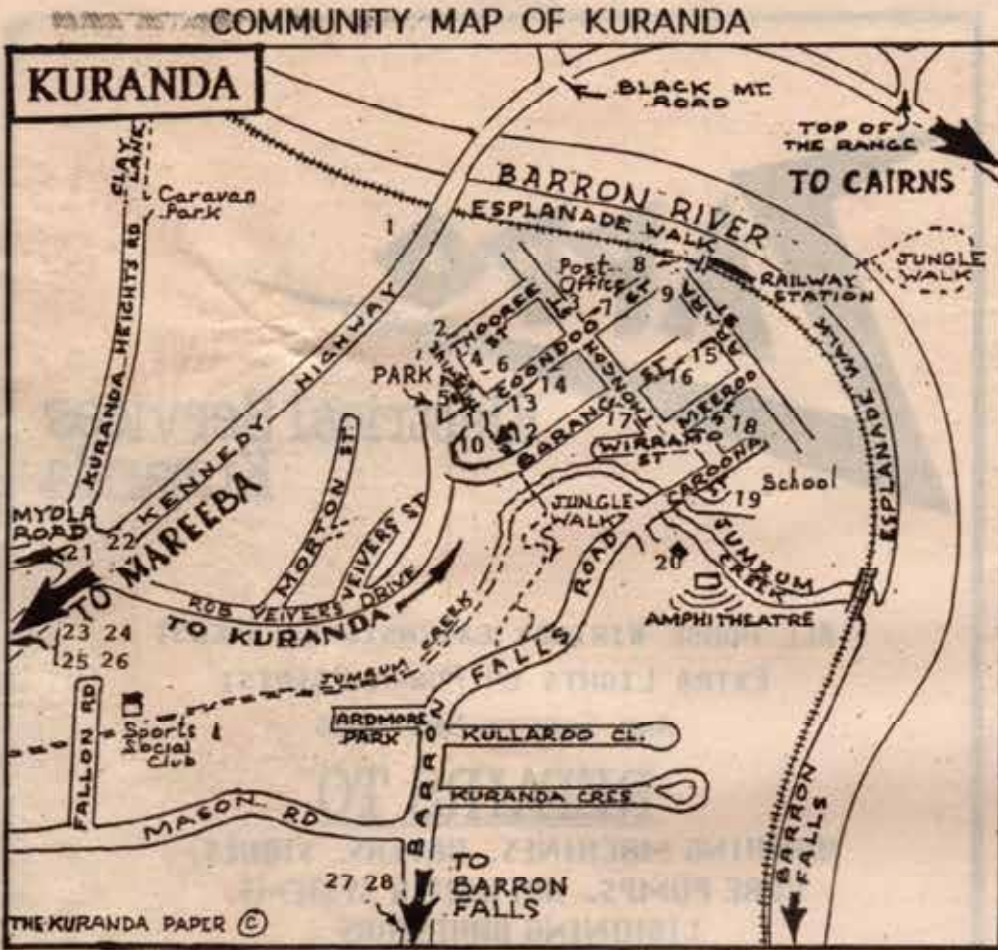
1st & 3rd Fridays, CWA MEETINGS, CWA Hall, 1.30pm

Every Friday, Scouts, 7.30pm 938 872

Saturday, Kuranda Paper Meetings. Ph.937252

Every Sunday AA Kuranda Hostel 10.30 am Ph. 937295.

Oh my love's like a red, red, rose,
That's newly sprung in June;
Oh my love's like the melody
That's sweetly played in tune.
Robert Burns (1759-1796)



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| 4 CAR PARK | 18 RECYCLING DEPOT |
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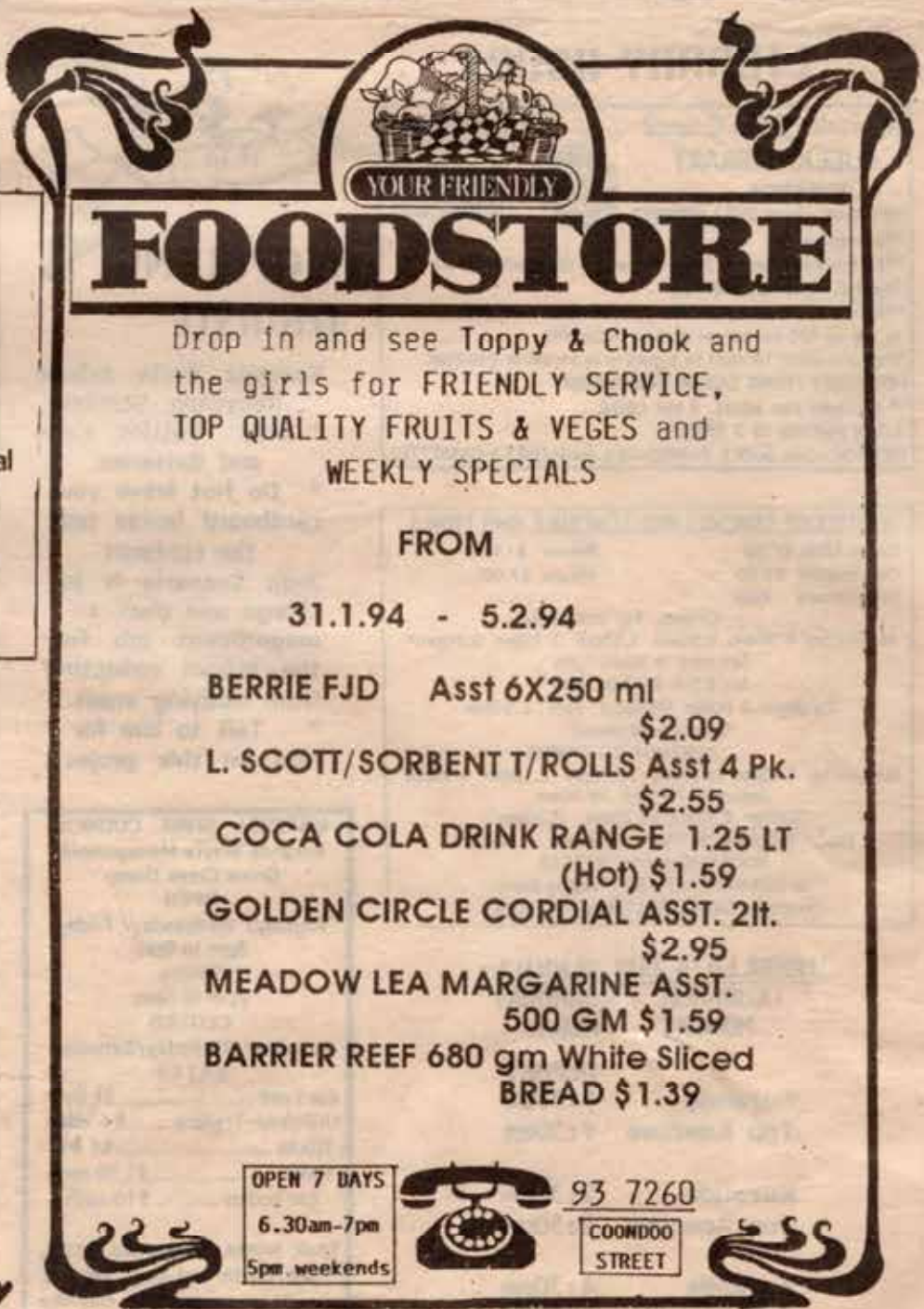
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