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# Ukulele BBQ Kuranda 2015

## 4th & 5th July



**How would you like your ukuleles done this year?** Rare with a side of folk? Medium with a sprinkle of hip hop? Grilled with a drizzle of exotica? While some may say they'd prefer them burnt, whatever your taste there's something for everybody at Ukulele BBQ Kuranda 2015. Now in its fifth year, this annual community music event is hosted by pioneering Kuranda ukulele performers, **Bosko & Honey** (pictured left), and it promises to be a special one this year!

Bosko & Honey formed in 2005 and have received a bit of attention lately, including taking out a People's Choice Award (out of 18 films) at the recent Understory Film Festival for their hilarious music video *Another Day in Paradise*. If you haven't seen the clip you'd better do yourself a favour and look it up because it really encapsulates a fresh and

alternative approach to their instrument of choice.

You can expect a similar sense of fun at this year's Ukulele BBQ Kuranda which runs over two packed days on the first weekend of July. There'll be ukulele workshops for novices and more advanced players, free and ticketed concerts with heaps of great local, out-of-town and interstate acts, performing community groups from the Tablelands, Cairns and Mission Beach, an open-mike stage and the annual by-donation gourmet BBQ.

The free Saturday afternoon concert on 4th July is at the newly renovated Firefly Pool Bar of The Kuranda Hotel Motel and will have a huge line-up of great acts from 2.00pm to 6.00pm.

On Sunday 5th July there will be an all-day celebration of uke music at the Kuranda Amphitheatre with plenty of free daytime performances culminating in the main event, an evening concert at the Amphitheatre Understage featuring headliners **AJ Leonard** (ukuleles/bass/vocals) with **Jenny Rowlands** (cello) (pictured right) from Melbourne and the legendary **Rose Turtle Ertler** from country Victoria. They'll be joined by **Bosko & Honey**, local hip hoppers **The Taste** (doing a special uke set) and **Brealyn Sheehan** and her amazing no-strings-music-box-ulele.

Ukulele BBQ Kuranda is co-presented by the Kuranda Amphitheatre and the community ukulele group Honey & Spice, who also prepare the delicious BBQ. With support from the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF, a partnership between the Queensland Government and Mareeba Shire Council) as well as Barron River Guitars & Ukuleles, Kuranda Media Association, Tourism Kuranda and The Kuranda Hotel Motel, Ukulele BBQ Kuranda 2015 is going to be very tasty indeed! Please visit [boskoandhoney.com](http://boskoandhoney.com) or check out and join the Facebook event.

*Marc Sleeman*





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

The earlier the better! Thank you.

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Thursday 30th July 2015

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Please keep your letter to the point and under 250 words. All letters are subject to editing. Anonymous letters or those of doubtful origin may not be published. Correct name, street address and phone contact are to be submitted with your letter. See left for postal and email addresses.

### Congratulations CAFE

A very big thank you to those involved in the Creative Arts for Everyone (CAFE) project for the wonderful job that they have done on painting and decorating the two bus shelters at Mantaka and on the Kennedy Highway.

For years I have driven by the one on the highway adjacent to Warril Drive and been saddened at its neglect and embarrassed that it was such a poor advertisement for our local community. The makeover that these bus shelters have been given are now a great reflection of the vibrant, artistic community in which we are fortunate to live not to mention the improved amenity and comfort for those using these shelters whilst waiting for buses.

I would be so bold to suggest that other projects that CAFE may consider, and which would add a great deal of appeal to our village, are the tired totem poles on the corner of the Kennedy Highway and Vievers Drive and the notice board outside the Kuranda post office. The refurbishment of the totem poles on the highway would entice people to turn off and visit our village and stand as a proud advertisement for our unique village.

Thank you once again CAFE for a brilliant job for your street art but please, please do not stop at these two shelters, we want more.

*Sharon Donnelly*



### The One O'Clock Rule

As you may, by now, be well aware, the Top Pub recently put up a little sign indicating that they were implementing a "One O'Clock rule" on the sale of cask wine. In doing so did they take into consideration at all the possible financial impact to businesses in general in Kuranda, let alone their own business?

I know what my "numbers" are, i.e. the \$\$\$ I spend down the hill now, that I would have otherwise (and have until now) spent in Kuranda. I'd share that figure with you but it might cause a raid on the pub by all the other businesses in town I used to frequent. And I've heard I'm not the only one!

And, yes, I understand all the "care and concern" for our Good Indigenous Friends, but question the motives of those simply wanting to be seen to "Care". If your heart was truly where your sign is you should have closed the entire shop for good.

THAT would be a sign of "Caring". Not just that little piece of paper on the front counter.

*Dave Hartung, Kuranda*

### Music to the Ears

I recently received a posting on Facebook of an elderly lady playing classical music on a street piano. Traffic was passing noisily behind her. Her aged long fingers were gnarled but beautiful. I shared the posting adding how good it would be to have an old piano here in the village for spontaneous public use. Klaus Brucksch responded that he had seen this lady playing a few years ago in a hotel foyer in one of the southern states. Another friend from Melbourne said the same.

Last week I was at the Original Markets in the village and sheltered from the rain on a covered platform with such an old piano. I noted that the keys were very irregular and unstable. It had certainly seen better days. On leaving the Markets and passing the platform again, a pianist and a group of vocalists were using this facility. I am sure the group were visitors to our village. Their music and voices were 'trained', joyous and full of fun and life.

Even standing in the rain, this was a very welcome and enjoyable experience. Well done whoever donated this old and much loved instrument. It was music to the ears. I wonder now how long it has been there, adding pleasure at our markets.

*Toni Rogers*

### Lost ex Dripstone Connection

What a surprise to see a colleague from a previous life interviewed on the local news recently! Birut please phone Margaret on 4093 8393.

*Margaret Zehntner*

### Plea for Piano

Many Kuranda-ites as well as the international tourists have enjoyed the use of, and the entertainment from, a great (not grand) old piano in KORM (the Original Rainforest Markets).

Sadly the old goanna is losing its teeth, and while it is still playable, only a little more than half the notes still ring true. It is time we began looking for a replacement.

The best scenario would be a gift to the markets which would enrich the Kuranda experience.

Second best would be an economic arrangement which we would have a whip around to finance.

Anybody with an old piano is invited to contact me (The 60 Year Old Hippy) in the Original markets or on 0434 679 783.

*Ken Saville*

### Loved Kuranda Art Work

During our first year of Grey Nomad-travelling to the Far North for some winter warmth, we were thrilled to come across Kuranda, the Village in the Rainforest.

As art enthusiasts we welcomed picking up a copy of the Kuranda Public Art Trail to find the public art pieces, many almost secretly hidden in little corners. In fact, we were able to point out some of the featured artworks we found to some of the more seasoned travellers with us who did not have the benefit of the brochure.

The metal work throughout the main street was, in particular, of the most interest to us, my husband having blacksmith skills. We were, however, disappointed to see that one of the village shops, a tattoo parlour, had advertising tied to some of the ornate small metal posts opposite the lovely little church. We just didn't think that was necessary, in fact, my husband found it insulting to the metal artist.

We loved Kuranda and will return again next winter, God willing. Keep up the artistic atmosphere in the village. Our thanks for this enriching experience.

*Dulcie Ross, Gunnedah*

## Ravenshoe Appeal

Following the tragedy at Ravenshoe, an appeal has been established. You can assist your fellow Tablelanders by going to GIVIT's website

[www.givit.org.au](http://www.givit.org.au)

or by direct deposit:

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**or donate at any branch of the Bendigo Bank.**

*The Kuranda Paper* has donated \$1000 and we encourage all local businesses to give what they can.



**The CAFE 2 Project Art Exhibition** was an outstanding success and enjoyed by supporters of the local youth project and creative art lovers from Kuranda. Held at the CWA Hall, the exhibition was officially opened by Mareeba Shire Mayor Tom Gilmore, who advised he felt honoured to open the event.

The CAFE project has held creative art workshops over the past six months, as well painted two prominent bus shelters and have received RADF Funding to hold three-day workshops in September school holidays, again working with youth to create community art.

Three beautiful Tile Murals that were created by the CAFE Project have now been presented to the Kuranda District State College and the Cairns Hinterland Steiner School and will be on permanent display to inspire youth in creative arts.



**CAFE 2 Art Exhibition : Artists with MSC Mayor Tom Gilmore**

Back: L-R Judy Burness (Community Development Officer MSC) CAFE Artist Anne Fitzpatrick, Mareeba Shire Mayor Tom Gilmore, CAFE Artists, Nicola Chin, Tanique Brim & Leah Kelly

Front: L-R Lara Baker, Manager Youthlink, Project Manager & Artist Gail Betts & Mantaka Bus Shelter Artist Sheila Brim. Artists Anika Betts, Catherine Jacoby and Nikita Joffray were unable to attend on the night.

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*The Kuranda Paper* advertising rates were last increased September 2012, and will still remain most competitive.

*The Kuranda Paper* is a not-for-profit organisation, and profits are used to support various community organisations and projects.



Presentation of Tile Murals to Kuranda District State College  
 L-R Julia Bant (Deputy Principal) Cafe Artist Anne Fitzpatrick, Project Manager & Artist Gail Betts & Sharon Jones (Principal Kuranda District State College)



Presentation to Cairns Hinterland Steiner School  
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**Fay Allen** BCom CPA is the owner of Kuranda Village Accountancy and has successfully operated the business in Kuranda for eight years. Fay is a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA Australia) and is a registered Self Managed Superannuation Fund Auditor. She specialises in individual tax returns, all businesses and self managed superannuation funds.

**Helen Robinson** BBus CPA has a wealth of knowledge having twenty-seven years accounting experience. Helen is also a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA Australia) and specialises in self managed superannuation funds.

**Simone Seeberger** BCom CA gained her commerce degree at JCU and is a Chartered Accountant. She specialises in individual tax returns, business returns and business advice. This year she became a 'true local' by building a house at Koah.

**Linda Davis** Dip Acc is our receptionist and she also specialises in bookkeeping. She has a diploma in accounting and recently attained her registered BAS licence.

**Robyn King** joined our team last year and it was apparent by the many people requesting her how popular she is. Robyn has a wealth of knowledge and has been preparing tax returns in Kuranda for thirteen years.



## Kuranda Village Accountancy TAX TIP

By **Fay Allen** BCom CPA

### TAX RETURN CHECKLIST FOR SALARY AND WAGE EARNERS

It is that time of year again! We have compiled a general list of items that salary and wage earners may need for preparation of their tax returns. This list is not exhaustive and we may require other items not mentioned below. We hope this is helpful to you and that you get a great refund.

#### Income

- All Payment Summaries (previously called Group Certificates)\*
- Bank interest earned\*
- Dividend Statements\*
- Trust or Partnership Distributions\*
- Sale of capital items for capital gains tax e.g. shares and rental properties
- Any foreign income
- Rental property income
- Details of any other income not already mentioned


#### Deductions

- Work related expenses e.g. motor vehicle, travel, uniform, protective clothing, self-education, sun protection, union fees, telephone, tools and any other expenses incurred for work related purposes.
- Donations to charity
- Tax agent fee for the previous year
- Rental property expenses

#### Other Information

- Remote area information
- Private Health Insurance Annual Statements\*
- Names and dates of birth of dependent children
- Spouse income if applicable
- Bank details – BSB & Account No. (The ATO generally do not send cheques)

\*These items may be able to be obtained by us from the Tax Agent Portal  
If you have any questions about any of the items please feel free to call us on 4093 8222 or visit the ATO website [www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au) or call in to Kuranda Village Accountancy (next to The Professionals).



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THREE new or upgraded mobile base stations will be built in Leichhardt under the Abbott Government's \$100 million Mobile Black Spot Programme, Warren Entsch MP announced recently.

"This is a great outcome for the Far North, with a total of \$2.19 million to be invested on new or improved mobile coverage in the area," said Mr Entsch. "Today's announcement will see 19 mobile black spots in important tourism or industry areas receive coverage."

The three base stations that are new or will be upgraded are at Coen Airport, Darnley Island and Speewah. As a result, new or additional coverage will be provided to all or part of the following locations nominated as black spots, using either a mobile phone or other hand-held device, or with an external antenna attached to a vehicle: Butler Drive Kuranda, Mossman Gorge, Cardinia, Kuranda State Forest, Myola, Coen Airport, Masons Road, Port Douglas, Copperlode Dam, Mona Mona, Speewah, Daintree River Ferry, Mossman, Whyanbeel, Kowrowa, Wonga.

"During the consultation phase, we heard about tourists on the Peninsula Development Road breaking down and not being able to call for help, from horse riders at Kuranda who feared for their safety if there was an accident, from cane farmers in Mossman-Whyanbeel who were isolated and operating heavy machinery yet couldn't communicate back to base, and business owners in Speewah who failed to even get a mobile phone signal in their home office.

"It's very good news that parts or all of these locations will now get better mobile phone reception."

## THE BILLABONG KURANDA

The Billabong Kuranda welcomes everybody to watch the Third Game of **State of Origin** on the big screen. Bar open from 3.00pm till late. Real wood-fired pizzas from 6.00pm.

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coming up on **8 August**  
More information in the next *Kuranda Paper*, and soon on [facebook.com/thebillabongkuranda](http://facebook.com/thebillabongkuranda)

## Wet and Wild Postponed

The **City Slider**, a giant 325m long and 6m wide water slide, was due to be set up in Arara Street, Kuranda, on 4th July.

Whilst bookings for the day sessions were popular, not so many folk were willing to brave the cooler evening. So it has been moved to the following School holidays, to **26th September**. See last month's *Kuranda Paper* for more details. Tickets available at [www.thecityslider.com.au](http://www.thecityslider.com.au).



## Kuranda eCohousing

*Our next open day will be Sunday 5 July from 2pm to 4:30.*

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# KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE

## Another Win for Science

### 1st Place Regional Titration Competition

By Lycia Erwin, grade 12

**EVERY YEAR** the Royal Australian Chemistry Institute organises national high school titration competitions in every region and state of Australia.

On 29 May 2015, approximately 100 students from around 18 different schools in the Cairns and Tablelands region – including our school Kuranda District States College – competed in the Regional Titration Competition held at JCU.

The six entrants from our school were Kai Collomb, Bethany Sporre, Lycia Erwin, Connor McHugh, Mick Dzorobek and Kale Taylor. One of our teams called “Drop the Base” – Lycia Erwin (grade 12), Kai Collomb (grade 10), and Bethany Sporre (grade 10) – took out first place in the competition.

We are all very excited to have the opportunity to compete in the State Competition and if successful will be eligible to be finalists at the National Competition later in the year.

Below: Connor McHugh (background), Bethany Sporre, and Lycia Erwin at the chemistry laboratories James Cook University.



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Ulysses butterflies are probably the best known of all the butterflies in the Wet Tropics and are used as one of the symbols for the region, together with the cassowary and the fan palm. Both sexes have iridescent blue wings with black edges.

The female is a little larger than the male and has small blue crescents on the black edging of the hind wings. Ulysses butterflies fly higher in the rainforest canopy than any other butterfly and are therefore the most often seen butterfly at Skyrail. Their flight is more akin to that of bird than of butterflies and this fact takes many people by surprise. This butterfly's principal food plants are pink evodia and kerosene wood.



PHOTOGRAPH BY HELEN DOUGLAS

### Koah Sports and Social Club

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Under 14 Kuranda Rangers with coach Lachlan Donnachie (in the hat).

## LAUNCHING in August...

As part of the improvements at the KRC, we will be launching our new look centre in August with a special event.

We are very excited to be showcasing the work of some of Kuranda's most talented photographers that will include images of our beautiful rainforest. Participating photographers include Greg Watson, Steven Nowakowski, Paul Curtis, Alan Henderson, Hans Van Veluwen, and Gerhard Hillmann. Event details will be sent to our members, advertised in the August Kuranda Paper and on Facebook.

We are now half way through the 2015 soccer season and all Kuranda Rangers teams are really hitting their straps. The players' enthusiasm is truly inspiring and it is a pleasure to see so many local children enjoying sport. Each Thursday afternoon, the KRC fields are a hive of activity as all age groups work their drills at soccer training.

Laughter, chatter and encouragement can be heard as our active kids kick and chase balls around the grounds, watched by coaches, parents and the odd dog. Under 12s and 14s also train on Tuesdays, 'rain, hail or shine' to practise their techniques—and the results are starting to show! **Keep it up Kuranda Rangers!**

The U14 team is also now sporting sponsored strips thanks to Local Search. If any local businesses are interested in sponsoring one of our awesome teams please let us know.

## survey winners!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our online survey. We received some great feedback.

### Our winners are:

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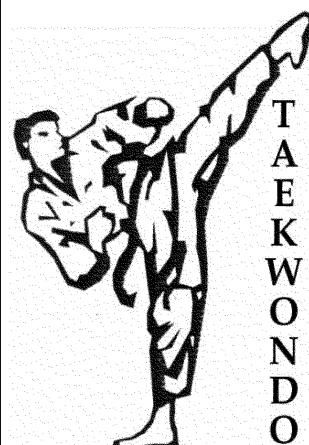
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# Gardening in Kuranda with Alectura



**J**ULY, the Winter solstice past and the year half spent. With the unseasonable, recent prolonged rains, careful observation reveals what plants may resent positioning in poorly drained areas and likewise, where some plants may be stressed for lack of watering during this period – too often potted and basket subjects are forgotten.

Patience is a virtue and no more so than in the task of plant breeding. A recent visit to Tropicolor and meeting with its owner Robyn Ganley confirms this truth. With her nursery all but wiped out in Cyclone Yasi, Robyn has been busy replanting her exhibition beds and also producing stunning Crotons and Cordylines from her numerous crossings. Some of Robyn's Croton seedlings, yet to be released, challenge the extravagance and flamboyance of the Thai hybrids and her Cordyline "Colin Campbell" is only one in the stunning range of colours and leaf forms this tireless plant specialist has produced.

As noted in the last month's column, the plants of *Viola betonicifolia*, possibly subsp. *Novaguineensis* in the garden bed outside the Red House have failed to thrive and may be as difficult as *V. hederacea* to cultivate in our neck of the woods. Maybe a reader at a higher altitude on the Tablelands may report success in maintaining either of these as a flowering groundcover.

**PLANT OF THE MONTH:** *Petraeovitex bambusetorum* syn. *P. wolfei*, commonly known as the Nong Nooch Vine is a comparatively recent introduction to the gardening world and has yet to be commercially released in Australia. Hailing from Vietnam and belonging to the Family *Lamiaceae* (Mint) family, this light vine is grown for its long pendant bright yellow-bracted small whitish flowers. Of easy cultivation, it makes an excellent hanging basket display or potted trellised feature. Planted out, it may grow slowly to 6m and takes sun to light shade. As with so many forest vines, it probably does best with its roots shaded.

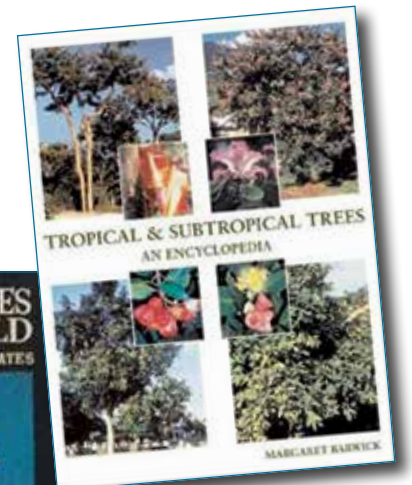
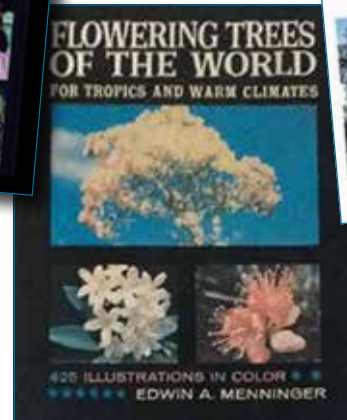
Reputed seldom to set seed, *P. bambusetorum* is propagated from semi-hard wood cuttings and requires a good soil mix and regular watering.

*P. multiflora*, growing on Cape York Peninsula, is the Australian representative of this small group of vines and bears spikes of small white flowers – according to one source, these are scented.

The Top Tropicals site: [http://toptropicals.com/html/toptropicals/plant\\_wk/petraeovitex.htm](http://toptropicals.com/html/toptropicals/plant_wk/petraeovitex.htm) gives further information on this desirable plant and from time to time, the\*boy\*who\*likes\*plants has had it on ebay offer.



**Q & A:** *Dear Alex*, Without the provision of climate control to prevent deterioration, investment in expensive gardening books should be carefully considered, as today the Internet provides so much information. However to answer your question, the golden oldies by E.A. Menninger, **Flowering Trees of the World** and the **Flowering Vines of the World** are well worth looking at as is the more recent M. Barwick's **Tropical and Subtropical Trees**. R.E. Riffle's **The Tropical Look** is also a very useful addition to the gardener's bookshelf.



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



## Ravenshoe Appeal

Following the tragedy at Ravenshoe, an appeal has been established. You can assist your fellow Tablelanders by going to GIVIT's website

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# Friends of the Earth Kuranda

## The Government Reveals its Big Vision for North Queensland

Tony Abbott and Leichhardt MP Warren Entsch revealed their vision for Northern Australia for the next 20 years in their new newly released Northern Australia White Paper. The White Paper predicts that by then north Australia will have a population of six million and that the region will become a food bowl for Asia supplied from new mega farms. The ministers' vision also includes Cairns soon getting Mr Fung's mega Aquis Casino.

The bulldozing that has just begun of 32,000 hectares of open forest at Olive Vale near Laura, using a pair of huge D11 bulldozers linked by a long chain, is part of this plan for what the Government says is 'sustainable development and innovative new crops for the north'. In the case of Olive Vale the crop is to be forage sorghum for cattle feed and in other areas it will be crops like sugar cane, stock feed and biomass.

## Olive Vale Clearing Temporarily Halted for a Reassessment

Despite the claims by Senator Warren Entsch that the clearing of 32,000 hectares at Olive Vale was an example of 'sustainable development' and of 'innovative new crops' the clearing has been stopped, after 2,500 hectares have been bulldozed, at the request of Queensland Deputy Premier Jackie Trad so the project can be assessed under the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act.

The main reasons given for stopping the clearing is that Olive Vale is home to several rare, endangered and vulnerable species and because forage sorghum for cattle feed doesn't qualify as being an innovative new crop. Also another problem with these mega farms is the Gulf of Carpentaria, the Great Barrier Reef and Cape York's river systems may be severely damaged by the added sediment, nutrient and chemical runoff that will be produced.

## Auditor General's Report Finds Efforts to Save the Reef Are Likely to Fail

The recently released Queensland Auditor General's report says efforts to repair Reef water quality are unlikely to be successful even after multimillion-dollar programs aimed at the preventing the World Heritage Committee listing the Great Barrier Reef as being 'in danger'.

The report also found 'the grazing and cane industries voluntary and self-assessed schemes - introduced by the previous government to replace regulation - were not achieving changes needed to improve water quality and the government's 'water quality information lacked transparency and was misleading'.

Overall the Auditor General's report finds the current efforts to cut coral-killing run-off from land degradation and over-development have been largely ineffective. This conclusion means that the Govt has been trying to hide from the World Heritage Committee that the Great Barrier Reef really is 'in danger' - possibly to try and avoid the bad publicity that this would bring to Australia. This is confirmed by the latest studies showing that the Reef has lost half its coral cover in the last 30 years.

## New JCU Research Finds Turbid Water Impacts on Fisheries

Research just released by Centre of Excellence for Coral Reef Studies at James Cook University have found suspended sediment in water damages fish gills, makes it hard for them to breathe and increases the rate of diseases in fish and is another blow to the Govt's plans for mega developments in the north.

## New Study Finds We Are Witnessing the Start of a Mass Extinction Event

A new study published in the journal *Science Advances* found we are currently witnessing the start of a mass extinction event the likes of which have not been seen on Earth for at least 65 million years. The research was designed to determine how human actions over the past 500 years have affected the extinction rates of vertebrates: mammals, fish, birds, reptiles and amphibians.

The fact that Australia is ranked as one of the worst countries in the world for species loss is another reason why the new Queensland Labor government needs to quickly restore strong tree clearing controls as it promised to do and especially considering tree clearing rates in Queensland are now triple what they were in 2009.



## FoE Kuranda NEXT MEETING

Thursday 9 July at 6.00pm at Cyber Cafe.  
All welcome.

For more information call **John on 0499 207 492** or email: [info@foekuranda.org](mailto:info@foekuranda.org)

## Kuranda Artists On Show

Twelve painters from the **Claire Souter Gallery** will hold their fourth Biennial Exhibition at the Tablelands Regional Gallery in Atherton. Each of the artists is a student of oil painter Claire Souter who conducts classes at the Claire Souter Gallery in Kuranda.

Claire will exhibit alongside her students Beth Rose, Brian Willis, Françoise Hourau, Jocelyn Mead, Leanne Griffiths, Lila Klingenberg, Marina Hooper, Pam Carey, Shona Ballantyne, Sylvia Rose and Yvonne Druppers.

Tablelands Regional Gallery patron Louise de Marzi will open the exhibition, which features still life paintings, landscapes and botanical depictions, on Friday July 3 at 6.00pm. The exhibition runs until July 26 during gallery hours Tuesday to Saturday 10.00am-4.00pm and Sunday 10.00am-2.00pm.

Claire said her Kuranda gallery had been operating since 2003, and during this time hundreds of people have passed through as students.

"Visitors and tourists pass through the gallery during classes, providing a further stimulus for the painters as well as a chance to interact with painters and art admirers from all corners of the globe.

"The 12 painters represented in this exhibition are the stayers! They are contemporary artists painting in their time. What binds them together is their thirst for a greater knowledge of the techniques of painting as well as an honesty and appreciation of the joys and fulfilment that painting can provide. These are no fly-by-night painters. They have built up many years of experience in painting and presenting their work to the public."

The Claire Souter Gallery is in The Settlement building in Rob Veivers Drive.

Right: Pam Carey's *Appealing Mango*.



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**Kate's next workshops are from 10.00am-4.30pm**

• **25th July at Dimbulah Community Centre**

• **26th July at Julatten Community Centre**

• **1st August, 2015, at Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre**

This event is supported by the Mareeba Regional Council's, Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF). Kate's recent RADF sponsored workshops in Roma and Yungaburra received overwhelmingly positive feedback.

**To book your place contact Kate at**

**[kcostiga@gmail.com](mailto:kcostiga@gmail.com) or**

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Salutations from Ktown Productions crew.

**NAIDOC 2015 CELEBRATIONS**  
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**Thursday 9th July 12pm - 5pm**

The Kuranda Community is invited to a day of NAIDOC celebrations at the Kuranda Amphitheatre. As the village's own central place, the Amphitheatre has once again melded the town together in support of this day. With so many individuals and organisations alike getting involved, the excitement is building! Our Jobfind Grounds Crew are busy beautifying and tidying the venue and ready to help make the day easier on numerous volunteers involved. Events include:

**Traditional Dancing** throughout the venue. **Bands** on the main stage. A **Live Radio Broadcast** by **BBM/ABC Radio**. **Story Telling** and history. **Face painting** to brighten little (and bigger) faces. **Kuranda District State College Art Competition** display. **Workshops and Stalls** on the terraces including the following organisations: **Ngoonbi, Bibi Yungan, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, Kuranda Medical Centre, Kuranda District State College, Jobfind- Basket Weaving Project.**

A **Kup Murri Lunch** will be prepared and offered by Kuranda's Traditional Kup Murri experts. Yum!! This is a massive feast, so a big thank you to the volunteers. **Snacks, Drinks, Tea & Coffee** will be available on the day and an **Elders Shaded Area** will be provided. Please bring a blanket or a chair, relax on the terraces, and take it all in. *This is an alcohol & drug free event.* The **NAIDOC Street March** will kick off the day's celebrations at 10:30am. Participants meet at the

Kuranda Community Precinct (Old School), Arara St. at 10:15am. We will be walking from the Community Precinct through Coondoo St, stopping along the way to perform impromptu traditional dance and song, and finishing at Centenary Park. **Kids & adults alike, please come and join us!** We thank the businesses of Kuranda for their patience and support of our Community Celebrations.



I was born in the tropical paradise of Far North Queensland in 1986, and studied at the Australian Institute of Creative Design, Gold Coast.

I am a passionate lifelong artist with a fifteen year career in commercial and visual arts, more recently utilising body art and makeup to build creative dynamic images for organisations and individuals.



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I use my talent for sculpting, painting and designing to create inspiring artworks of all shapes, sizes and media. My artworks are publicly featured on sidewalks, signs, buildings and in films across Australia, mainly along the east coast.

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# Amphitheatre News

## Kuranda Amphitheatre News July 2015

Hello Members and Friends,

There's been quite a lot of community stuff happening at the Amphitheatre recently, with the Kids Aerials rehearsing for their upcoming performance "Cats on Curtains". The newly formed group YAK YAK YAK (Youth Arts Kuranda) have been utilising the space for rehearsals too! It's fantastic to see the youth of Kuranda performing and practising at the Amphitheatre.

Have you had a look at the venue lately? Pop in and check out what the Jobfind crew are achieving. They're making some fantastic improvements. Many thanks to the whole team. Paving of the Top Pavilion has just been completed and looks amazing! A zillion thanks to everyone involved in helping to make our community space even better.

A new power line has resolved all power issues within the venue, Yeehaa! (Except for the rain of course). A new phone line is on the way, resolving some issues in that area.

We are currently undergoing some upgrades to the website and looking forward to seeing the end product.

Once again a big shout of thanks to ROSALIE RUSCH and RAYA WOODBRIDGE who volunteer every Wednesday to cook a fabulously delicious BBQ breakfast for the crew.

**Upcoming events**

**Sunday 5th July: UKELELE BBQ - Top Terraces** from 9am, **Understage** from 6:30pm. See Music Page for further details.

**Thursday 9th July: NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS** Street March 10:30am from the Community Precinct and finishing off at Centenary Park. Then celebrations at the Amphitheatre with local live music on the Mainstage, stalls, displays, dance and Kup Murri for lunch! All welcome for this friendly local event. Many thanks to the volunteers and local organisations who are assisting us.

**Saturday 18th July: LOS CARACOLES** with Special Guests **THE MONTGOMERY BROS.** This is a Members' Night, members \$15 guests \$10. Become a member on the night and entry is free! Come along to this fun-filled night of entertainment and bring your dancing shoes!

**Saturday 1st August: JUSTIN WELLINGTON** returns to the Understage!!



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

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*Get Membership Forms from:*

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In April, two of our members attended the Kuranda District State College Anzac Day commemoration. Along with a number of representatives from service groups, we placed wreaths at the Commemoration Stone. A choir from the Primary School sang several appropriate songs while the wreath laying progressed. We were impressed with the presentation and College address by both Senior and Junior College Captains. One of the teachers, Sarah Johnson, played the Last Post on a bugle, bringing a lump to one's throat.

It was great to see that the students had made their own wreaths for this ceremony. Congratulations to all – both students and teachers who were involved in this activity.



A display cabinet has recently been installed in our hall. At the moment on display are several pieces of QCWA badged china (very Art Deco). The badged ware dates back to the 1930s with the earliest examples being made by Stone's Bristol Pottery of Brisbane. This information came from a State Archives Report. We also discovered the following comments:

*During World War II the QCWA undertook patriotic work, often working with the Australian Comforts Fund and the Red Cross, providing such services as mending uniforms and knitting for servicemen, serving refreshments to travelling servicemen, making camouflage nets, and making papier-mâché bowls, basins and splints for military hospitals. Through links with Women's Institutes, food and clothing parcels were dispatched to Britain. Also at this time, in 1942, the first QCWA interest group was formed: the State Handicraft Committee, initially to teach handicrafts to disabled servicemen but soon organising craft activities around the state, including summer schools and displays at conferences.*

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Many people will remember **Cliff Stevens**, who was a long-time resident of Kuranda. Cliff now lives in an RSL ANZAC retirement home in Narrabeen and at 94 years of age was recently and unexpectedly the recipient of the prestigious French decoration, the Legion d'Honneur, together with a medal commemorating the 70th anniversary of D Day.

Cliff was a dispatch rider during the war and has recently been reunited with one of the BSA bikes he used to ride as a 20-year-old. He's not sure which has been the greater thrill, the medals or the machine.

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# MUSIC PAGE

## Ukelele BBQ Kuranda 2015

Saturday 4th July & Sunday 5th July

**U**kelele BBQ Kuranda 2015 are pleased to have **A.J. Leonard & Jenny Rowlands** headline the **Sunday Evening Concert at the Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage.**

**A.J. & Jenny** will be playing a short set on Saturday Afternoon at the **Firefly Pool Bar** at the **Kuranda Hotel**.; and for the ukelele players and enthusiasts make sure you don't miss their two Workshops!



A.J. & Jenny

Multi instrumentalist, arranger and recording artist **A.J. Leonard** is one of Australia's pioneer ukelele players and is highly regarded to be among the best in the world.

After attending the VCA **Jenny Rowlands** continued her study of the cello overseas and has performed professionally throughout the classical scene in Australia.

The duo is a result of an appreciation for classical and film music. They have performed and conducted workshops at major festivals and ukelele retreats across Australia, New Zealand and the USA. Together they are a true melding of musical minds, known on the world circuit for their unique ukelele/cello interplay and finely crafted arrangements.

**Ukelele BBQ Kuranda 2015** couldn't be happier than to have

multi-instrumentalist and singer-songwriter **Rose Turtle Ertler** return to the Far North ... the last time was almost a decade ago.

Without her **Bosko & Honey** may never have left their lounge room. Catch her on Saturday afternoon at the **Kuranda Hotel**, and a full set at the **Evening Concert**. As well as her workshop on Sunday morning.

Cairns' own tropical hip hoppers **The Taste** will be swapping their guitars for ukuleles for **Ukelele BBQ Kuranda!**

**The Taste** are appearing on Saturday afternoon and at the Sunday Evening Concert.



The Taste

**Brealyn Sheehan** and her amazing no-strings-music-box-ulele will be playing the Sunday Evening Concert at the Understage, backed by **Papa Stanley** on double bass.

Appearing over the weekend are hosts to the Ukelele BBQ weekend, **Bosko & Honey** (Kuranda) with their funny, irreverent wit and virtuosic proponents of progressive uke are hoping this year's BBQ will be a hoot for everyone; **Nick Paisley** (Syd) presenting songs from his deeply charming EP *Ukelele Songs*, **Terry Sasaki** (Bne) aka *Romantic-San* is a connoisseur of all things ukelele, **Halelujah Baby** (Tsv) nouveaux folk pop band, **Faux Mo** Kuranda's latest absurdist hip hop uke pop duo, **Honey & Spice**, as well as appearances from **Tableland Ukelele Group**, **F.N. Ukes** (Trnty Park), **Ukelove** (Cns), **Ukes on Mission** (Msn Bch), and the **The Holloways UGS**.

For more information and workshop times visit [boskoandhoney.com](http://boskoandhoney.com) or check out the Facebook **Ukelele BBQ Kuranda 2015** event.

**Didgerizoo Festival** are excited to bring another year of musical extravagance, artistic activities and cultural awareness exchange.

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## THE BOOGIE BROTHERS CD REVIEWS

**Blake Mills: Heigh Ho**



**T**his is one of those albums that you just hate! As a reviewer, that is. It's just too effing good and you know you can't do it justice. How to describe the indescribable? Let's try this: a meta-modern, West Coast, *Astral Weeks*. Just as *Van Morrison* in a moment of pure genius threw together the timeless classic "*Astral Weeks*", **Blake Mills** has cleared the bar with *Heigh Ho*.

Superb guitar playing on all levels, spacings to die for (think Dave Gilmour) some wonder what double-bass vignettes from Don Wass, and Jim Keltner's oh-so-precise drumming.

The vocals drip with emotion and the lyrics get better with each listening. Try "*Don't Tell Your Friends About Me*" for a gut-wrencher. Or "*Seven*", "*It's the seventh song on the record that always make me cry...*"

The music is such a beautiful mix of bells, organs, guitars, guitarron (?) and more. Brilliant production, continuously surprising, never boring or impudent. Just full. Watch this space, **Blake Mills** is very special. Oh, and play it loud. You don't want to miss anything.



## Chris Tamwoy Ngaw Laag (My Home)

This young man wowed us at Kuranda Roots and had many buying this debut E.P. It's the perfect introduction to his music - a fully realized swag of tracks just brimming with talent. He's in the classic singer/songwriter mold; a man with a guitar, but with something quietly massive and refreshingly real going for him.

**Chris Tamwoy** is in total control of his instrument. From the double-time percussive passages on '*Unity to Brothers*' to the jazzy funky little intro to '*Ah Da Sor*' it's obvious a lot of hard work mixed with creative vision has paid off. It's a unique style of playing: intricate and lyrical, busy but spacious. The big country sea-scapes of his Torres Strait home are effortlessly evoked with island rhythms and yearning vocals.

These are all original songs, with one traditional T.I. hymn, and the instrumentals just sweep you out over a shimmering sunlit sea. The title track allows **Mr. Tamwoy's** strong sweet voice to beautifully sadden us, even as he soothes our home-sick hearts. Crisp production and some very cool beat boxing courtesy of Tom Thumb round off a solid gold debut. I think we're going to be hearing a lot more from this rising star.

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## Members Current Exhibitions

'Mrs Kenneally's Seeds' is currently showing at The Flying Monkey café in Sheridan Street, Cairns. Arts Co-op fibre artist **Marcia Bird** has combined with Cairns artist **Pam Kusab** to exhibit their natural plant fibre pieces. Historic evidence of Mrs Kenneally's 'seed scattering' can be recognised from both the Kuranda Range and Skyrail. Marcia's artworks are also available in the Arts Co-op gallery.



**Mrs Kenneally's Seeds**  
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"Mrs Kenneally was the wife of a Mareeba tobacco farmer and a family friend. She was a kind and generous woman with a love of nature. Mrs Kenneally would collect seeds from her farm and surroundings, and when travelling to Cairns down the Kuranda Range, would scatter the seeds out the window.

Now when I am driving on the range and I happen to see a tree in full flower and at odds in its surroundings, I wonder if it is one of Mrs Kenneally's seeds."

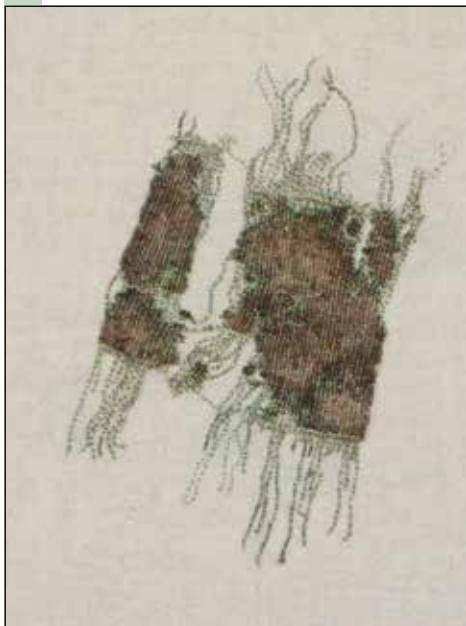
## National Gallery Ceramics Exhibition

**Mollie Bosworth** has been selected to display her work at a special event at the National Gallery of Australia on Sunday 12th July after the Ceramics Conference. The National Gallery is holding special guided tours of Australian Decorative Arts on the day.



## USA Tapestry Exhibition

Arts Co-op member **Dorothy Clews** has recently had her tapestry 'Trying to put it back together again' shown in the Small Tapestry International Exhibition which has recently opened in the Orville Hanchey Gallery, Northwestern State University, Louisiana, U.S.A. The tapestry is one of a series of works shown in the online exhibition at the American Tapestry Alliance website [http://americantapestryalliance.org/exhibitions/text\\_ata/all-is-in-flux/](http://americantapestryalliance.org/exhibitions/text_ata/all-is-in-flux/) that explores the themes of making and unmaking, change, and transformation of the world we live in.



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**LEO Jul 24 - Aug 23** A friend made in your hour of need. Open yourself to being assisted and guided by a woman who has many skills and information you need. Listen to her advice and you will find that things will fall into place. You will feel like you are in control once more.

**VIRGO Aug 24 - Sept 23** The world is at your feet and you have the open the door to opportunities. However in a grand gesture be sure you don't overspend on your finances as it will take the shine off what is being offered. Think before you say yes.

**LIBRA Sept 24 - Oct 23** You may feel you are lost on your path but you are not. Even though you may take the long way round you will soon get to your destination. In other words don't get distracted from your goals or it will take you a full circle and you will have to start again

**SCORPIO Oct 24 - Nov 22** Arguments, disagreements coming your way. Scorpions are ready to lose your tempers and aim that sting. Time for others to stay out of your way and for Scorpions to calm down when in anger otherwise you may find yourself alone.

**SAGGITARIUS Nov 23 - Dec 21** Stay positive and focus on your goals and know that you will achieve all you set out to do. Don't let your own insecurities stop you from getting what you want out of life. Sometimes we can be our own worst enemies.

**CAPRICORN Dec 22 - Jan 20** Time out is needed here for the hardworking Goat. Be kind to yourself and spend time in doing what you enjoy. Time management is most important otherwise you may just find yourself in bed with a ghastly virus. Not a good way to have time out. So take charge.

**AQUARIUS Jan 21 - Feb 19** New opportunities coming your way, don't make excuses why you can't take them up. Open yourself up to the possibilities and shift your energy into positive mode rather than negative. It is time for a move up the ladder and be assured there is no snake waiting for you.

**PISCES Feb 20 - Mar 20** Recognise your potential for you have so much more to do. Don't limit yourself as the Universe is behind you. Improvement in health, happiness and joy coming your way. So get on with what you have to do and don't procrastinate.

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**TAURUS Apr 21 - May 21** A time to learn to do things in moderation. Don't over commit yourself as plans will go astray. So, less of the bull and more of going with the flow and all will be well in your world. Don't take the bull by the horns. Learn to coax and cajole and you will soon have what you want.

**GEMINI May 22 - Jun 21** You may feel as if things are against you and that you are feeling as if you are being treated unfairly, however, know that all problems are short lived and that the skills of communications are your forte. Speak up and be heard. 2015 will show your leadership qualities and you will shine in new ventures undertaken. It is a year of strength and well-being.





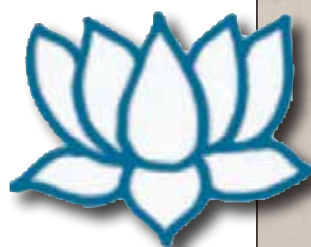
### Wall Yoga

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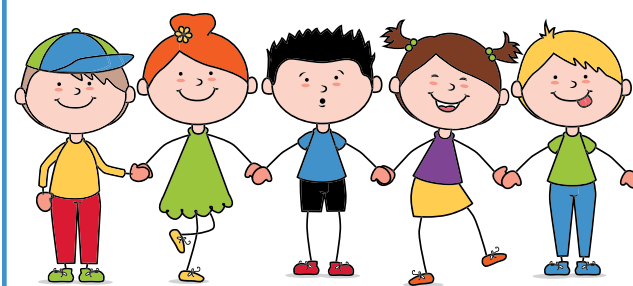
Using the wall and other yoga props benefit kids by building confidence, strength, balance and relaxation through support. Here's how!

Everyday fear holds us back. It stops us from trying new things or doing our best. In yoga fear comes up frequently. Going upside down can be scary. Trying crow pose for the first time is scary. Wheel pose can bring up feelings of fear. Even relaxation and letting everything go can be a trigger for fear. Often, during relaxation, kids like to lie on their belly or side as they feel vulnerable on their back. But yoga has ways of working through these feelings and one way is by practising with support. In classes we often use props like blocks, wall ropes or bolsters to make poses easier and more comfortable. Using these props can ease feelings of fear when trying a new pose or going upside down. At home we can practise poses by using things around the house. Lounges, chairs, pillows, blankets, belts and walls. These can all make yoga more accessible. The use of props helps get into a deeper stretch while feeling safe and not afraid to fall. Props also help with balance and strength building. If we can't get up into handstand then using a wall will strengthen the muscles while also helping progression in the pose. This gives us more confidence to try a little harder. Children naturally like to show off so will want to attempt things without a safety net. If they hurt themselves they may be too afraid to try again. Introducing poses through props or with the wall can help them practise safely and test their limits without injury. Relaxation can also be done using the wall. By placing the legs up the wall and letting our body relax. This is beneficial for healthy blood circulation. Learning to use gravity to our advantage and props as our support can mean more fun on the mat.

Yoga is very good at releasing tension stored in the muscles, heart and brain. This can be physical tension but also emotional tension. If you are fearful or trying to attempt a pose your body is not ready for, you can hurt yourself and cause problems. Using props will help you safely navigate obstacles as you journey through your practise, physically but also mentally.



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Physiological or biological stress is an organism's response to a stressor such as an environmental condition or stimulus.

Stress is the body's way of reacting to a challenge. When a stressful event occurs, the body will activate the sympathetic nervous system and lead to the fight-or-flight response.

Because the body cannot keep this state for long periods of time, the parasympathetic system returns the body's physiological condition to normal.

Chronic Stress is defined as "a state of prolonged tension from internal or external stressors, which may cause various physical manifestations".

These manifestations can include: asthma, back pain, arrhythmias, hypertension, fatigue, headaches, irritable bowel syndrome, ulcers, memory impairment and suppression of the immune system.

Chronic stress takes a more significant toll on the body than acute stress does.

Chronic stress is seen to also affect the parts of the brain where memories are processed and stored. When people feel stressed, stress hormones get over-secreted, which affects the brain. As these hormones are secreted it will cause a temporary increase in an individual's short term memory but can also have the adverse effect and decrease their ability to form long-term memories.

When a person is under stress it disturbs the body's equilibrium and this can have an adverse effect on the

body's immune system.

During times of stress, a hormone called 'cortisol' is released, which regulates the production of cytokines. Cytokines are a broad and loose category of small proteins that are important for cell signalling.

They modulate the balance between antibody and cell-based immune responses.

During chronic stress cortisol is over produced causing fewer receptors to be produced on immune cells so that inflammation cannot be ceased. Because of this mechanism chronic stress can delay wound healing and compromise the immune system.

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R.O.U.S. (Rodents Of Unusual Size) may be a popular line from cult movie *The Princess Bride*, but North Queensland has a few of its own. The most unfortunate thing about our native rodents is their naming by colonial scientists as “rats” or “mice” – thus forever categorising them in modern minds as synonymous with disease, black death, plague and so on. Australia in fact has more than 60 species of indigenous rodents, and only five introduced species.

Probably the largest (up to 1kg) and most common of our local R.O.U.S., the Giant White-Tailed Rat, or to give it its correct name, **Giant White-Tailed Uromys (GWTU)** is unique to North Queensland. Everyone in Kuranda and the wider Tablelands probably has their own story about the ‘pesky’ Uromys gnawing through wire, wall or brickwork to gain entry to household culinary treats.

Wildlife carers who have raised orphaned GWTU assert to their endearing nature and intelligence; they report there is no ‘soft release’ of GWTUs; when they have been raised to maturity and feel the call to go ‘back to the wild’ they simply chew their way out of their enclosure or cage – no matter what material it’s made from.

Reports abound about their ability to open metal food cans, with some even swearing that the GWTU has the ability to differentiate between can contents, leaving cans with unfavoured contents intact and unopened. There are even reports of GWTU’s ability to unscrew jar lids!

Despite its limited habitat range, the GWTU is not in any particular danger as it is a very intelligent creature that adapts readily to changing habitat, and its breeding cycle seems to keep up with losses through predation by snakes, raptors, quolls (and the usual domestic pets, and illegal killing by householders).

A nocturnal, solitary and cautious animal, you can probably live in the rainforest for all your life and never see one – only find frustrating evidence of its passing. Despite being an opportunistic household thief, the GWTU prefers to feast upon insects, reptiles, rainforest nuts, seeds and fungi, and if you see fallen pods or nuts under trees in your yard with the centre eaten out, that’s a pretty sure bet you have a resident GWTU, nesting in a tree hollow or in an under-log burrow.

Then, on the other hand, there is the GWTU’s close relative, the threatened *Uromys hadrourus*, otherwise known as the **Masked White-Tailed Rat**, or Pygmy White-Tailed Rat, only discovered to exist in the early 1970s. These are found only in a very narrow habitat in far north eastern Queensland, including Kuranda, and habitat clearing and predation are slowly forcing this rodent to extinction; some experts believe that this Uromys is one animal in particular that is highly susceptible to severe decline with the threat of global warming.

One could devote pages to the diversity of rodents, and perhaps a future article may expand further on the Melomys or native mice. In the meantime, please throw out your rat poisons and lethal traps – the ‘rat’ you are hunting may be one of our natives. Help your local wildlife, and if you have a ‘rat problem’ try one of the non-lethal traps available, then relocate.



Left: Jaime and Cersei, two juvenile GWTUs raised from small orphans by Iain (Batreach volunteer from Massachusetts); Right: a free-range GWTU in the photographer’s backyard in Kuranda.



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# The Flies That Don't Bother Us

We are all too familiar with the small bush flies that fuss around our faces and try to mop up moisture from around our eyes and even from our mouths. We seasonally endure the biting March Flies as they attempt to drink our blood. Although this is the classic annoying fly behaviour as we know it, it does not apply to all flies. There are flies that are not in the least bit interested in us humans; their focus lies elsewhere, in their own kind – other invertebrates.

With a robust and powerful body, spiny legs and huge eyes, Robber Flies are predators to be feared in the insect world. Although their name suggests they steal a meal from another insect, they are in fact actually stealing their lives. They will often patrol a territory, keeping a watchful eye for any unsuspecting insect that looks like suitable prey. Their prey consists both of flying and crawling insects, particularly those which live above the ground in leaves and grasses. Once a Robber Fly spots its target, it zooms in and plucks the insect up with its powerful limbs, plunging its needle-like proboscis into its victim. It will then find a safe spot to land and suck the juices out of its meal. Many Robber Flies are active at night, and will often catch a large number of other insects napping. They also feed on invertebrates which are mobile at night such as crickets, cockroaches, beetles and spiders.

Another fly which occurs locally that has little interest in us is the Hairy Maggot Blowfly, *Chrysomya rufifacies*. Blowflies are a very familiar group of flies, and most people have experienced them at a barbecue or in the less pleasant company of a dead animal – irresistible to blowflies. You would think that being the first to a dead carcass would be the best thing in the world for a blowie, but not in this case. The Hairy Maggot Blowfly arrives later once all the other blowfly maggots are already at work. Its maggots then go to work attacking and feeding upon the other maggots. In many ways this species is actually beneficial to us in reducing the number of 'primary' blowflies, and also helps to reduce the incidence of fly strike on sheep.

Some flies will attack other insects in more subtle ways. Their method is not classed as predation, but as parasitism. Many species of parasitic flies have a specific target species known as a host. They usually have some sneaky way of getting their eggs onto the host without the host knowing or being able to do anything about it. Their larvae then go to work, usually eating the least important internal organs first so that their host lives as long as possible, providing them with a nutritious food source. Once they have had their fill (or when the host dies due to the damage) they leave the body and pupate in the ground. I have personally witnessed a large stick insect drop dead and several large well-fed parasitic fly maggots crawl out of the body.

With thousands of species of flies, there are of course many that are interested in pestering us and other vertebrate animals, but in the scheme of things much of their continual 'warring' takes place within their own invertebrate world.



A Robber Fly with a blowfly it has captured.



A Hairy Maggot Blowfly, a maggot killer.

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A snail parasite fly (*Amenia imperialis*) which parasitises native snails.



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## Hundreds of 'Grey Nomads' to enjoy Christmas in July celebrations

Grey nomads will be pouring into Mareeba to take part in the town's *Tropical Christmas in July* celebrations to be held 23th-26th July 2015.

The event, which is hosted by the Far North Nomads Chapter of the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia and supported by Mareeba Shire Council, is in its 18th year and offers visitors a variety of fun and interesting events.

Davies Park, Mareeba, will be home to up to 250 motorhomes that will converge from all over Australia for the annual event.

The profits of the event are donated to many local charities and organisations.

Over the four days, nomads will be able to enjoy a range of entertainment, raffles and special events as well as live entertainment from local bands, *Now or Never* and *Kick Start*.

On Saturday 25th, the big *Christmas In July* dinner takes place at Davies Park, (catered by the Mareeba Leagues Club) followed by the open day on Sunday.

The day begins at 9.00am and goes until 3.00pm and features market stalls, raffles and various displays including motorhomes, campervans, and camping equipment.

"Mareeba has a great reputation with the travelling public, and we welcome them with open arms," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"There will be a wide variety of information stalls from local businesses and tourist destinations, and many of these amazing vehicles will be open for the public to see on the day. And it is a wonderful chance for locals to mingle with our visitors," Cr Gilmore said.

"Local multicultural dancers will entertain the crowd and there will be fun for the kids, a jumping castle, face painting, ice creams and all sorts of food stalls," Mayor Gilmore said.

The gold coin donation entry fee will be divided between the Mareeba SES and the Mayor's Christmas Appeal.

## Water Usage in Kuranda

MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL MAYOR TOM GILMORE has appealed to Kuranda residents to curb their water usage during the period beginning in late August 2015, due to maintenance works on the Kuranda Weir. The Barron River level will be at an extreme low and there won't be sufficient water available to supply the water treatment plant.

"Stanwell periodically undertakes planned maintenance on its power generation assets. The upcoming works will see maintenance activity at both Kuranda Weir and Barron Gorge Power station. Increased traffic for short periods may occur along Barron Gorge Road," Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

The power station will run at full capacity over 48 hours to drain the water stored in Kuranda Weir. This water will then exit the power station and continue down the Barron River. It is estimated that the weir will take two days to refill to levels appropriate for users to draw water and approximately 1.5 weeks to refill to capacity.

Following the dewater process all water intake into the power station will cease to allow for necessary maintenance works to be carried out on the penstock (the pipe that carries water from Kuranda Weir to the power station). During this time the power station will not be in operation.

"With the Weir maintenance works, we need to ensure that the reservoirs are at its maximum capacity so we can utilise this water when we need it most. During the Weir maintenance period watering by means of an open tap is not permitted," Cr Gilmore said.

Cr Gilmore said there are a number of ways residents can be water wise in the home, business and garden.

Ways in which water may be better used are:

- Use water for essential purposes only
- Water plants only, as grass will lay dormant and bounce back after the first rains
- Use a broom to clean pathways rather than the hose.

It is estimated the maintenance will be carried out between 24th August and 25th September 2015. More specific information regarding exact dates will be provided by the power station closer to the time. Council will post the dates on the Website as well as inform the Media.

More waterwise tips can be found by going to <https://www.dews.qld.gov.au/energy-water-home/water-usage-pricing/saving-water>.



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# Inside My Studio

Interview and Photograph by Toni Rogers

Art, at its simplest, is a form of communication and is a diverse range of human activities usually involving imaginative and technical skill. It may be characterised in terms of expression, communication of emotion, or other qualities. Local Kuranda fashion designer and musician, **Leah Kelly** combines all these aspects in her daily life and when asked about the definition of her chosen medium, Leah answered "Art". Leah's art is not an action or an object, but an internal appreciation of balance and harmony (beauty). Art provides Leah with a way to express and experience her 'self'. Her music emphasises beauty and enjoyment. For example, music's capacity to express emotion has been a central issue. Leah Kelly's fashion garments adhere strictly to her ecologically and sustainability principles, using only natural fibres such as silk and hemp in her garments and fine cotton lace. Leah's art is a discipline.

## Where is your current studio?

My studio is at my home in the rainforest approximately 15 kilometres from Kuranda. 4WD access is required and there is no electricity connected apart from solar and my generator which I require for my power tools and iron. My pole home is very open and the upstairs is my studio – one massive birdcage with a magnificent view of Black Mountain. The studio is relatively new as I previously used my stall at the Original Markets, but the Markets is a very social place and I had too many interruptions on market days to work seriously.

## Do you work alone or with others?

I always sew and design alone. I have had the support of many local talented women to assist me on my journey which also allows them to grow in their field as well. Heather Miller has been my magnificent photographer, Laura Woody my gorgeous No.1 model, and Jo Martin my website designer. At my 'Stall 30' (previously Earth Connections) at the Original Markets, I share with my stall partner who trades under the name of 'Hidden Echidna'.

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

I require natural light, work benches, cutting tables and dry shelving for storage of fabrics. I guess my 4WD is essential as some local clients come to my studio but they cannot get up my drive and I am required to meet them and drive them up to the house.

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

I don't have days off. I work seven days a week with all my various commitments. I require a lot of preparation and research time with my designs and I cannot sew once the natural light goes, so I do what can be done during the day. As I am also heavily involved in music, I start that side of my life at night. I have family responsibilities which take my time too.

## Describe the works you do in your studio.

I design, I cut, create, I write a lot and I photograph as I go especially when I am placing shells and crystals on a gown...and I sew. I dye my own fabrics when required and embellish the garments with embroidery threads, mainly silk and hemp, to create different textures. I use a lot of natural beads, in particular peridot and rose quartz to enhance the natural aspects of my designs.

## Why is 'Art' your chosen medium?

From a very early age I collected shells and rocks. My Grandmother taught me to sew and embroider, always by hand, and my love of this medium has continued

through my life. I advanced to a University degree in Environmental Health and I have carried these natural health principles into my work with my choice of natural fibre fabrics. I stand by my ideals of being ecologically and creatively sustainable. Music has always been part of my life, I play piano and guitar, so I combine all these aspects, everything I love, into my work – 'Art' from every angle.

## List three things you listen to while working.

I listen a lot to the recordings of our own groups in which I play; 'Secret Tuesdays' with Odette Gorman and Trish Molloy; and 'Gudji Gudji' – I learnt the language over 20 years ago and I have been performing with them ever since. I also listen to Etta James, Frank Sinatra and I love 'big band' music. Music is an essential part of my life, having a musician as a father, who jammed along side of Tommy Emanuel and the Bee Gees. I was always going to festivals and gigs. My uncle was one of the co-founders of the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

## Your favourite tool?

My favourites would be the extremely fine crochet hooks my Grandmother gave me. She died at 98 years so they are very special to me. I also have a small port, similar to one which you would take to pre-school, in which I keep my crochet hooks and needles. I would also have to put my piano on my list. I have had it over 10 years but it is well over 90 years old and certainly needs some work now. I bought an electric keyboard as it is more portable to move to and from gigs.

## How do you identify your work?

On my handmade garments I use my calico label with my logo. My daughter drew it – a stylistic tree with the needle and cotton expressing the stitching 'coming from the heart'. I scanned the drawing and had it printed.



## How do you sell your work?

I have a website and sell from the net, at exhibitions, my 'Stall 30' at the Original Markets in Kuranda village, and by word of mouth. I have had good publicity over the years and that has assisted.

## Do you teach or sell from your studio?

I teach, in fact, I have taught many adult women to sew. I always aim to be an inspiration to any designer and encourage many to stand by their products and not sell out by getting their designs manufactured overseas.

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

Our 'Secret Tuesdays' group write our own music and we perform at festivals and events around the region. 'Gudji Gudji' play at corporate functions, festivals and rallies. Our group numbers have varied over the years but there is usually 6-8 of us. I am an Arts Facilitator with a Mareeba Shire Council program CAFÉ Arts Project 2 working with our local community artists of all ages. Our bus shelter projects have been featured in the Kuranda Paper.

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

I would love to upgrade the solar system to provide better lighting in my studio. I would also upgrade my four sewing machines. Artists can always do with more of everything but I would be quite content to just have more power.

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

I would like to ride again. My totem for 'Gudji Gudji' is 'Yarraman Horse'. I would just take off anywhere, just ride. I am attracted to mountains and deserts.



Leah Kelly is currently exhibiting her handmade organic, elegant lingerie at The Cairns Institute, Level 2, JCU, Smithfield, undertaking research in tropical societies. The exhibition "Designed in Cairns" celebrates local design and architecture. Leah Kelly : [www.leahkellybydesign.com.au](http://www.leahkellybydesign.com.au)



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# PROFILE

## The Mundanas and Nepal



This month we profile **Marion and Ekkehart Mundana** and look at their many activities, including in Nepal. They recently had a function at the Kuranda Recreation Centre, which many locals attended. It raised \$3500 for the Friends of the Himalayan Children to rebuild Nepal, and there was a fundraising Benefit Concert at Fogarty Park on Sunday 28th June.

Marion comes from Tasmania, where she was raised and schooled, completing her BA and DipEd there. She had two daughters. Ekkehart came from Hamelin in Germany. He immigrated to Australia with his first wife in 1988 and did his DipEd in Tasmania, concentrating on music. He then taught in Tasmania. They met and married there and had two daughters, making a family of six.

From Tasmania, they moved to teach in Tennant Creek for two years. Then in 2000 they all came to Cairns. Marion and Ekkehart had various teaching positions in the Cairns region. In 2003 they bought their present property in Kuranda and moved up. In 2007 they began teaching in Kuranda. Ekkehart is still teaching here in music and some other subjects. He plays piano, guitar and some other instruments. For two years he was coordinator of the REACH program, supporting the arts in Tablelands schools. Marion lost her left eye in an accident in 2010 and had to give up that work. She completed a Masters of Education degree at QUT.

More recently they have travelled extensively overseas. In 2013 they arrived in Nepal for the first time and were greatly attracted to the place. Two of their daughters had previously become involved in the charitable organisation Friends of Himalayan Children (FHC) which works in the region of Batase Village north east of Kathmandu, and which has a representative Som Tamang in Cairns. So the parents also became involved. Marion has begun a Graduate Certificate in Applied Research with a view to beginning a PhD in Education. They both also did an English as a Second Language course, all with a view to assisting further in Nepal. Batase Village,



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along with much else of Nepal, has more recently been destroyed by the severe earthquake, so the need is now even greater for assistance.

Ekkehart is about to take leave from teaching so that they both can go back to Nepal, all the daughters now having left home. They have an invitation to assist with an educational development program in Astam Village near Pokhara in the west, as well as helping with FHC in the east. They wish to consult with the community about needs, write an educational program consistent with the Nepalese curriculum, as well as a devising a teacher training and trainer training program. They see teacher training in situ as the most important element, including use of the internet in education.

In Batase there is also an urgent need for material assistance because of the earthquake destruction. This remedial work is already under way, funded by FHC, using volunteers, including a nurse from Cairns. Food, tents and other essential materials have been supplied and the school (under tent/tarp shelters) has re-opened. More permanent construction is being planned and will follow. But many more remote villages nearby are stranded and cannot yet be assisted. It is a long term task. We wish the Mundanas well.

Philosophically the Mundanas feel they are on a spiritual path that guides their educational and general approach. This is particularly appropriate in Nepal which is greatly influenced by Hinduism and Buddhism. Both of them use meditation and practice yoga. They believe in giving back to the community and in contributing through service. They believe that all religions have the same core teachings centred around a formless concept that is beyond mere words, and that merger in this spiritual 'nothingness' is the ultimate goal in life.

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# Rail Tails

A History of Kuranda Rail by Ivana Andacic

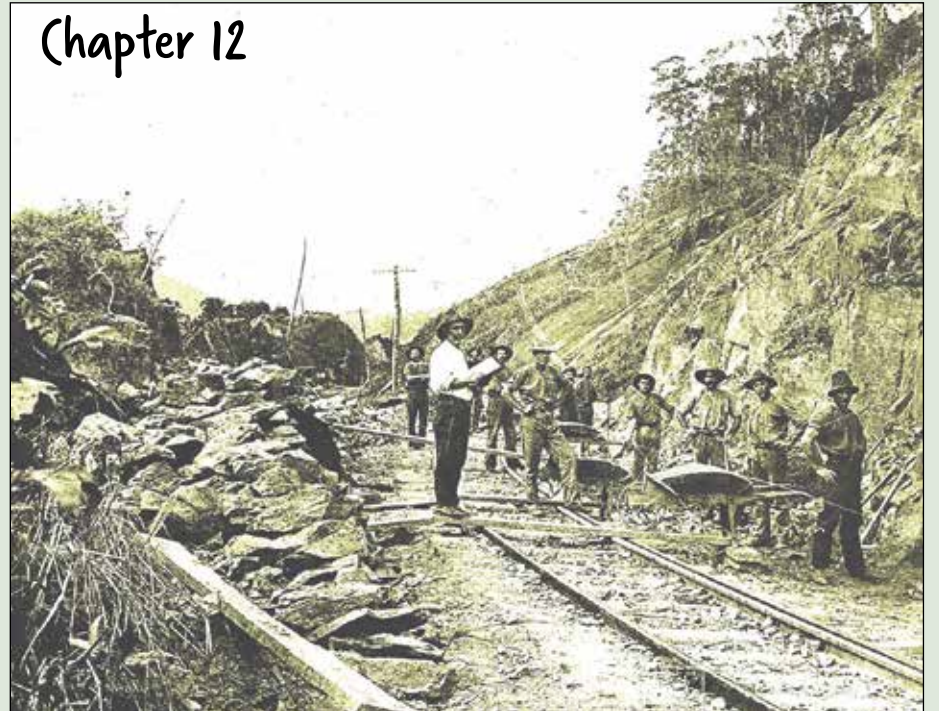
## Chapter 9

The workers on the Kuranda Scenic Railway were known as 'Navvies'. Navvies are a shortened version of the word Navigator, used to describe the workers on major civil engineering projects. At one stage, 1500 navvies, mainly Irish and Italian, were involved in the project. During construction, 'navvy camps' were built at every tunnel and cutting. Accommodation, hotels and even churches were temporarily built on small ledges and cliff faces. Even comparatively narrow ledges supported stores – some even catering for the men's need for groceries and clothes. Small townships thrived at Number 3 Tunnel, Stoney Creek, Glacier Rock, Camp Oven Creek and Rainbow Creek. Kamerunga, at the foot of the range, boasted no fewer than five hotels.



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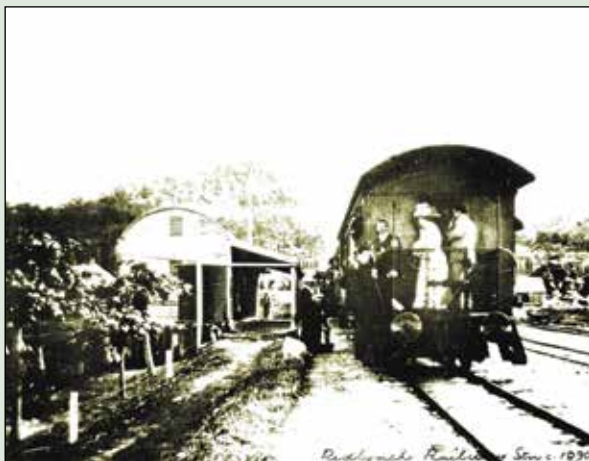


On January 21st 1887, John Robb's tender of \$580,188 was accepted for Section Two. He and his men tackled the jungle and mountains not with bulldozers, jackhammers and other modern equipment, but with strategy, fortitude, hand tools, dynamite, buckets and bare hands. Great escarpments were removed from the mountains above the line and every loose rock and overhanging tree had to be removed by hand. It was during this type of work that the first fatal accident occurred. At Beard's Cutting, a man named Gavin Hamilton stood on the wrong side of a log as it was being rolled in a fire, and was killed.

*Series continued next month.*

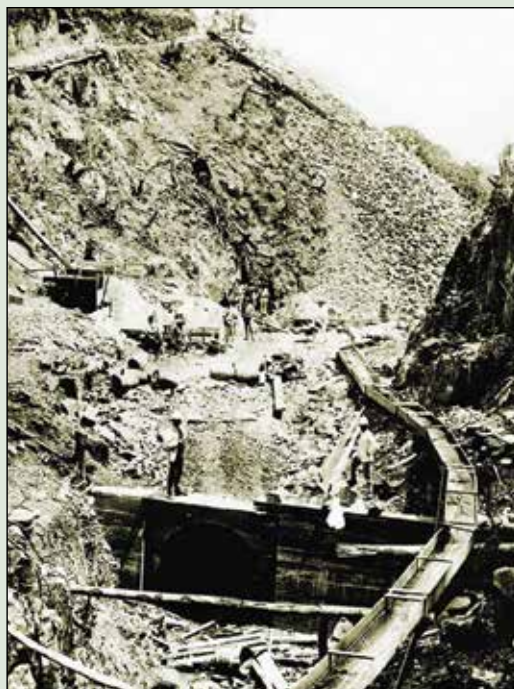
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Courtesy of Cairns Historical Society Mrs Dillon formerly Mary Ann Ward recalls her childhood growing up near Tunnel 10. "We had a bark house made with big sheets of bark for the roof and sides. It had an earth floor but they stretched hessian over it and pegged it down tight. Of course it was dusty, so mother would save all the tea leaves, scatter them on the floor to pick up the dust, then would sweep it out. She had a little hand sewing machine and used to make mats with small pieces of material. Of course, she made all our own clothes, too, as there was no other way getting them except when she went in to Cairns, which was very seldom. Cooking was done on an open fire with big hooks for the kettle and a large tin for boiling corned beef. Bread and buns were cooked in a camp oven. To keep the butter cool, a hole was dug in the ground and a wet bag was placed at the bottom of the hole. Our usual food on the railway construction was delivered by the butcher, and scrub turkeys that were plentiful and that Dad had shot. Then we had gardens and grew potatoes and pumpkins, and we bought blue peas. Once a month, families travelled on a privilege ticket by train to Cairns for supplies"



## Chapter 11

Earthworks proved particularly difficult during the construction of the Second Section of the line – Redlynch to Kuranda. The deep cutting and extensive embankments that were removed totaled a volume of just over 2.3million cubic metres of earthworks. The Barron Valley earth was especially treacherous. Slopes averaged 45° and the entire surface was covered with 4.6-7.6 metre layer of disjointed rock, rotting vegetation, mould and soil.



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## Neighbourhood Centre News

### Kuranda Family Day:

The next Family Day of the year is scheduled for Tuesday 7 of July. These events are held 3 times per year and are funded through local community donations from the *Kuranda Paper*, Medical Centre and sometimes other local businesses. Other contributions are made by members of the Kuranda Interagency Network. They are completely free events for local families and community members with a theme of healthy lifestyle choices and community participation and connectedness. If you wish to participate, contribute or coordinate an activity please ring Ceri on 4093 8933 or email on [kdfs@qld.chariot.net.au](mailto:kdfs@qld.chariot.net.au).

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There are several options to make sure your furry, scaly or feathered friend doesn't become a projectile if you have to stop suddenly. A robust carrier or crate secured to the car seat with a seat belt is a great option. Alternatively, dogs can be harnessed into special 'doggie' seat belts or separated by cargo barriers. It's best not to feed your pet a large amount of food and water prior to travelling. A small meal given two hours before departure is adequate and of course provide fresh water and food during breaks in the journey. A note of advice: Please don't leave your pet in a stationary vehicle, even with the windows down. A car can get hot even in a cool, shaded position as the sun and clouds can move quickly. The last thing you want is to find out that a quick visit to the shops has cost you your pet's life. Each year the RSPCA receives over 1000 distress calls relating to animals being left in hot cars. As the RSPCA points out: "You could lose your best mate in just six minutes."

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- *Holidaying with Dogs*, Sandy Dennis (Life Be In It publication)
  - *Holidaying with Cats*, Kate Harte (Life Be In It publication)
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At the conclusion of Part 6 it was indicated the next article would cover what is there after the third degree and Freemasonry in the wide world. As the writer has just returned from three months in the U.K. it was felt to be more opportune to cover freemasonry in the wide world, leaving side degrees to next month.

As already indicated over the last six articles once a Freemason, it will be possible for him to visit other Masonic Lodges throughout the universe with a warm welcome being experienced. Fourteen Masonic visits were undertaken by the writer during the time of his U.K. visit. Various ceremonies were experienced plus an installation of a new Master, carried out by a brother who was brought into Freemasonry by the writer, and therefore carried a deep degree of personal interest.

All these ceremonies were in the same format as the Australian Masonic ritual, however, although the ritual was the same, variations took place which to the first time visitor would create tremendous interest, as he appreciates the work undertaken by the officers of the Lodge which differ from his mother lodge. In the Cairns area once a Lodge meeting has finished the festive board is composed of plates of various delights prepared by the Mason or his wife.

In England the festive board after the ceremony is a four course meal with coffee. Every Lodge has its own bar offering every type of liquid refreshment from water to bottles of wine plus spirits and liqueurs to cover every taste. Every care must be taken in the amount of intoxicants consumed as drink driving laws apply, as in Australia.

It is often found that whilst the husband/partner is at a lodge meeting his wife/partner has joined the other females for an evening together either at a restaurant, a theatre presentation, or alternative items of interest to them. The writer requested Mary one of the U.K. wives to write an article on being a Freemason's partner, which she writes to you as follows.

"I have been involved with freemasonry over most of my life as my father along with many male members of his family were masons getting to very high ranks in the various Provinces and Grand Lodge. When father appeared dressed up, along with his little brown case, Mother would say there he goes off to play school again and give a little laugh. Some Saturday nights he and she would go out in full evening dress to

attend a Masonic Dinner and dance in celebration of an event of some significance.

"Father had the pleasure of initiating my husband and watched him progress through the offices, unfortunately father passed away before he reached the chair. Now my husband is the secretary of his craft lodge and his Royal Arch Chapter lodge, this results in our telephone ringing many times a week and I find myself taking messages of various degrees of importance. The charity work they are all involved in takes a considerable amount of their time, it is fortunate that many of them are retired. This also involves us wives as we carry out a lot of the support work and food preparation for various events. In doing this we meet many people from various walks of life who have many interesting stories to tell, and their appreciation of the work the Masons are doing to support their particular need.

"Recently my husband and I received a request from a Mason who lived a long, long way, away to keep in touch with a couple of very mature years who lived locally to us. The wife was in need of support in the way of a person to talk to as her husband was starting to suddenly get up and go out walking for no obvious reason, and be away for two or three hours at a time. Apparently he would have no means of identification, or money on him, she herself was very frail and in no way could she hurry after him to find out his intentions. The couple had no family whatsoever to call on for support, and had been very insular all their married life of some 60 years, resulting in no close friends either that she could talk to. Though this couple were not Masons, we are only to happy to undertake this support watch duty and advise our fellow Mason of the situations that happen. You will no doubt realise it is a pleasure and an honour to be able to give support to my husband and the various challenges that come a masons way in his care for the community. Hoping you have all enjoyed this little insight. Mary."



THE **KURANDA** PAPER

The Kuranda Paper is produced monthly on the last Thursday of the month. Deadline for receipt of copy and ads is the Friday before publication. See page 2 for details.

## BRAIN GAMES

### THINK...REASON...SOLVE

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

$$\begin{aligned} \square + \square &= \triangle \\ \triangle - \square &= 4 \\ \circ + \circ &= \square + \square + \square \\ \triangle - 2 &= \circ \end{aligned}$$

**2** Find a nine letter word beginning with the centre letter.

Make 10 words with 3 or more letters using only the 9 letters provided.

O	F	T
U	B	L
I	N	U

**3** In a room there are 21 chairs. Some have 3 legs and some have 4 legs. If there are 68 legs in total, how many of the chairs have 3 legs?

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

8	6	12	2	12
5	4	7	2	?

**5** Fill both pairs of blank spaces with the same 2 letters in the same order to make a word.

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## A Golf Course in Kuranda?

Who would have thought there was once a golf course in Kuranda! As astonishing as this news sounds, it is true. The evidence shows that Kuranda had a golf course for a short time. What became of this facility seems to be a mystery – reports of the golf course appeared in *The Cairns Post* from April 1928 until July 1930, after which there was no mention. On 14 April 1928 an article appeared:

### GOLF IN THE FAR NORTH

#### Kuranda comes into its own

By W.G. Last

The next time Tom Southcombe and I foregather he is going to get a talking to. What do you think of a man who goes to Kuranda, and sets out the sweetest little golf course you can well imagine, and says never a word about it?

It was sheer curiosity that sent me poking around to find out why Kuranda has not added a golf links to the many attractions, such a feature being so necessary an adjunct of any up to date tourist resort in these regenerate days, and then a native casually informs me that he believed Mr. Southcombe had set out a links on Mr. Duggan's place. The new links are encircled by the Maze, and are only a drive and a brassie from the railway station.

If you holed out in Mr. Duggan's garden it would be a bogey five, but the Barron River would constitute a water hazard to your tee shot. A two minute walk from the railway station, and you step into the boat that is always in attendance. One minute in the boat, with another five minute stroll through a pretty winding path, and you are at the first tee.

Doubtless before the month is out Fitzpatrick's bridge will be finished, and then you can go that way to the links. Incidentally, one may mention that there appears to be an excellent opportunity for a motor car to ply for hire at Kuranda.

#### DESCRIPTION OF LINKS

To begin the description of the new links, all Northern golfers will be delighted to learn the "lies" will be of the choicest description, the turf throughout being buffalo couch, and the ball sits up on it looking as big as an orange. Mr. Duggan has pledged himself to throw the links open to the public on the first of June next, and there is no reason to doubt that he will keep his word.

The official opening will take place in conjunction with a carnival to which all golfers will be invited, on a date that will not interfere with the programmes of any of the other clubs. The green fees for visitors will be 2/6 per day. A pleasant feature of the place is the fact that although Kuranda is generally speaking rather hilly, there will be no Alpine climbing at the new course. There are a few steps upward at the third tee, but all golfers who go there will agree that the effort is well worth while. Otherwise the land resembles gently rolling downs.

The first hole will be about 430 yards – bogey five. A lovely tee shot, slightly downhill, lands the ball on an area of even turf, and if you do not drive more than 230 yards you can go straight for the flag. A second good wood reaches the green, but you must carry an inhospitable looking gully with a creek in it. If you are timid play your second to the right, and you can still get bogey. The second is an innocent little mashie niblick pitch of about 80 yards, on to a delightful cup-like green. It will teach you all to keep your heads down, for the least deviation from the line will mean trouble. Bogey three – but there will be lots of eights and tens.

The third is a gem. The high tee dominates the links, and you drive across a verdant gully with a dear little creek at the bottom. The dear little creek will doubtless be called other names as the days go by. If you get your tee shot away your second should reach the pin, but standing scrub menaces you on the left the whole way. The length is about 400 yards or a bit more – bogey four.

The fourth is slightly dog-legged, with the scrub still trying to trap you on the left. A 200 yard drive opens out the green, and a mashie shot of about 130 yards reaches the flag; but for the love of Mike do not overpitch or hook, or you will not do bogey four. Simple addition makes the length of the hole 330 yards.

The fifth is a bobby dazzler. The tee is on the flat top of a ridge, and the green is on the top of another one, dead level with the first, but between the two is a great gulf fixed. A straight 200 yards smack should about reach the green, but a merciful committee will probably make bogey four. If you have hit a straight ball you have no climbing to do, but just walk around the rim of the abyss to the green. A topped ball will be easy to find, but hard on the wind. It must be mentioned that the slightest deviation to the left of the line will land the ball in the orchard, and out of bounds. The puller and slicer should make allowances.

The sixth is just free hitting to a green about 300 yards away, across delightful turf, and the eighth comes back roughly parallel with it, but in this case the line will need careful picking. Both of them are bogey four.

The seventh is a trappy mashie shot over a bunker, with a little gully to worry you if out on the left. Bogey three.

The ninth, as at present designed, is another mashie over a corner of the orchard. You step out a few yards to the right to see the flag, and then if you do not keep your head down you bang the ball into a row of banana trees. A soothing little hole to the man who uses a lofted club with dexterity, but one of the societies should station a missionary permanently at the sliprails.

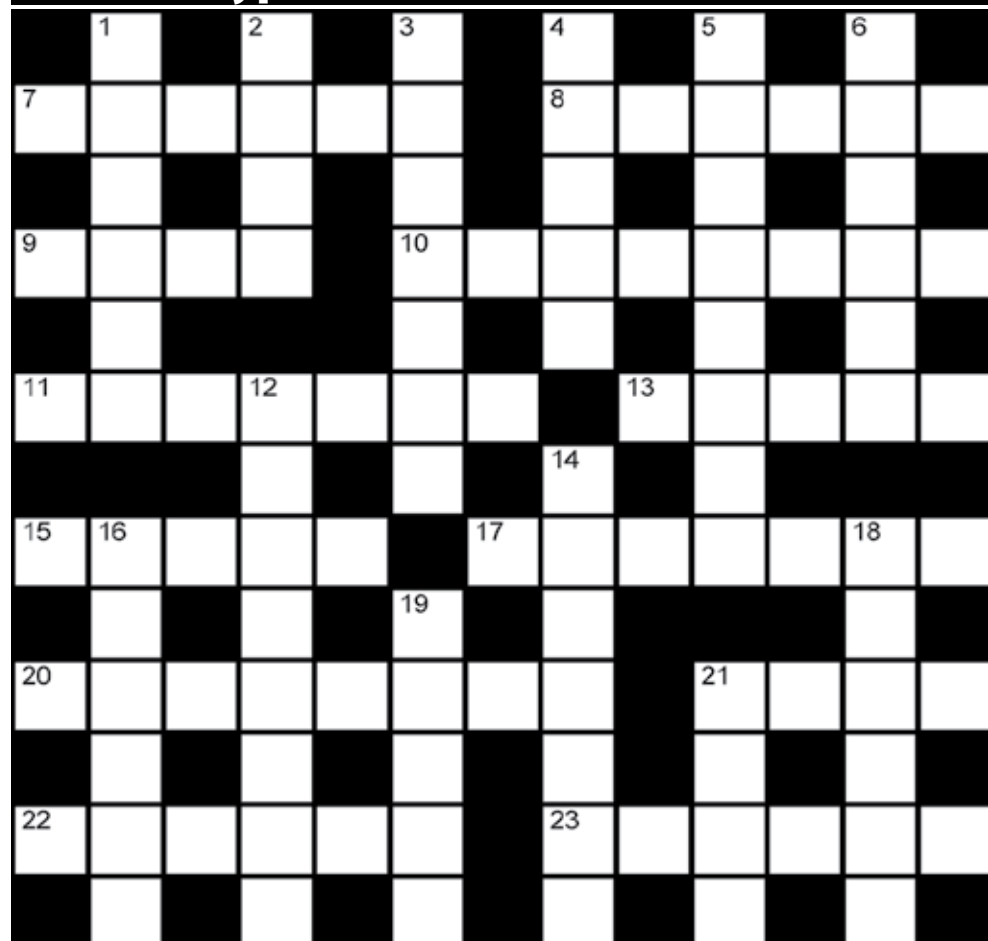
#### DELIGHTFUL SURROUNDINGS

The surroundings of the links are delightful, and it is safe to predict that the new course will be highly popular both with tourists and northerners.

During my visit I had the very great pleasure of attending a meeting at which the Kuranda Golf Club was formed. Certainly no golf club was ever formed under happier auspices, for with Mr. Duggan doing all the work, the club escapes all the expenses that all the other clubs in the district have had to face. Inspired with a true spirit of local patriotism, Mr. Duggan is only charging local members 1/- green fee for Saturdays or Sundays, and is allowing them to practice gratis for nothing on week day evenings. Consequently the club have been able to fix the annual subscription at one guinea for men and half that amount for ladies, with 10/6 and 5/- for honorary members. With such encouragement it will be surprising if the people of Kuranda do not follow the example of the residents of Ravenshoe and "all" join the golf club.

***This rather fascinating article will be continued next month.***

### Cryptic Crossword #15 BY DAVID



#### Across

- 7 Mother and child produce fruit (6)
- 8 Dogs and hounds (6)
- 9 Old God from North, but not North, confused (4)
- 10 Are these required to take in a visual feast? (8)
- 11 Woman takes poet for drinks (7)
- 13 Small lasagna chosen for food (5)
- 15 Duck in fog is damp (5)
- 17 Omen from before the time of wise man (7)
- 20 Famous Viennese physician in charge and causing people to be entranced (8)
- 21 Grandiosity is about money (4)
- 22 Firm containers hold snakes (6)
- 23 After fumble, man dropped the ball (6)

#### Down

- 1 Artist takes vacation after conflict (6)
- 2 American queen finds employer (4)
- 3 Places money inside clothing (7)
- 4 Small island to be rented out (5)
- 5 French writer unconventionally takes degree in Israel (8)
- 6 Small boat in picture (6)
- 12 Herb found by two women (8)
- 14 Money inspires scene about companion (7)
- 16 Mythical king gives award to man (6)
- 18 Seeing strange spirits (6)
- 19 Plant on right comes from undergrowth (5)
- 21 Vessel is right behind (4)

**SOLUTION ON PAGE 28**



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**SATURDAY  
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1pm - 1.30pm Welcome Jam

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**SUNDAY  
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A recent arrival at Batreach is Striped Possum Amber, who was found alone on the ground. There were no injuries to indicate an encounter with a predator so it is assumed that she fell from her mother and was unable to be retrieved.

Amber, at only 50 grams, was cold and hungry, however she quickly responded to warmth and regular feeds of formula. One week into care she had gained nine grams so Pam is now confident of her survival prospects.

Amber will be in care for some months until she approaches 400 grams, the average adult weight of the finely built Striped Possum. A soft release situation will then be arranged so that she can be integrated back into the wild.

*Story and Photo by Helen, Batreach Volunteer*



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

**Budget:** The 2015-16 Council Budget was adopted on June 3. This is a solid budget, built on very small rate rise with no major increases in fees and charges. The long term financial plan is sustainable and the MSC position is solid. Reserves and debt levels are in a healthy position. This has not come easily. Council has spent the past 18 months refining and reviewing almost every aspect of Council services and operations and has already significantly reduced costs and improved efficiency. This has been necessary as MSC is now a relatively small local Council. We have also been fortunate to receive significant government grant funding during the past year. Currently there is a dispute over de-amalgamation funds; however this is quite separate to Council's current balanced Budget.

**Recycling Option:** Over the next few weeks, property owners will receive letters offering them the option of a fortnightly kerbside recycling service at their property. This service will be optional and it will incur a small cost. The letters will be mailed to the Property Owner, not the resident; if you are a renter, you will need to contact your landlord. For a kerbside recycling service to be viable, there will need to be a significant number of people taking up the option. The current recycling bins at the Kuranda and Julatten Transfer Stations will continue to operate as normal. Recycling waste is taken to Cairns for processing. Ideally, recycling will one day become standard practice, rather than an optional service.

**Northern Australian White Paper:** With the release of the Northern Australia White Paper, there are opportunities of further federal funds coming into this area. The development of the Mareeba Airport as a regional aviation hub is one of the projects high on Council's economic development agenda.

**Community Precinct:** Plans and Budget have been approved and the Builders will commence work very soon. The new Library and Service Centre will open later this year.

**Signage:** Recently you may have seen some new signs around the Kuranda Village. Please notice the 15 minute time limits, the Disabled Parking and the Loading Bay near the Post Office. Council is also updating signs on its facilities throughout the Shire. If you notice any signs with the former logos, please let us know.

**Bus Stops Kuranda and Koah:** A Bus Shelter is currently being constructed on the Highway near the Resort. Another Bus Shelter will be constructed later this year near the Koah Service Station. The funding is part of a government program.

**Ravenshoe appeal:** The terrible tragedy at the Ravenshoe Cafe has touched us all. This small community is incredibly strong but has been deeply affected. Many people are donating to appeals. Council itself has donated \$10,000. GIVIT is managing all donations of goods, services and money. GIVIT's website is [www.givit.org.au](http://www.givit.org.au)

Details: Ravenshoe Appeal BSB 633000 Account Number 154940829

**Koah Community BBQ Sunday 19th July:** All Koah residents are invited to come along to the Koah Hall at 5.00pm for the AGM and re-establishment of the Hall operations. There will be a community BBQ also. This is a great facility and everyone is welcome. (Bring the kids too).

**Re-development of Therwine Street:** After a lot of consultation with the local community and businesses, the final plans for the redevelopment of Therwine Street are now on display. Works are expected to commence later this year.

**Speewah Residents Assoc:** Another well attended meeting was held recently. The next meeting is on Monday 7 September at 6.00pm at RosCommon. The new 60m NBN tower is expected to be commenced this month. We are still waiting to hear if Speewah was successful in the submission to the federal government for funding for Black Spot Mobile Coverage.

**Speewah Bridge:** Design work and load testing is well underway and the construction should commence by August-September. During the construction period, the access will remain open. The federal government will fund half the cost of the new bridge.

**CAFE Project:** Thanks to the work of Kuranda youth, Gail Betts, Sheila Brim and others, the Bus Shelters around Kuranda are now beautiful and loved works of art. Congrats to all involved!

**Wheelie Bins:** Reminder to only one bin per property (unless you opt to pay for additional bins) and please make sure the bin is not overfilled. There has been a "grace" period; however the contractors will no longer be collecting incorrect bins. The transfer Station is open 4 days a week.

**Customer Requests system:** If you have a complaint or request for Council action, you can easily and quickly log this. Call 1300 308 461 (both MSC Reception and Urgent After/Hours Service) or email [info@msc.qld.gov.au](mailto:info@msc.qld.gov.au). You are also welcome to contact any of your Councillors who may be able to assist.

**Council Meetings:** Council Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, usually in Mareeba, however meetings are in other areas from time to time. Meetings are public meetings and anyone is welcome to attend.

## How Do I Contact Council?

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The Council website lists contact details for the Mayor and each Councillor, as well the details of their Register of Interests.

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The school holidays will soon be here and we will be holding some holiday events at Kuranda Library. As always, please remember to book as we do have limited places.

Previously, we held a Frond Weaving session, which was very popular. Clayton has kindly agreed to hold another session on Wednesday 1 July 2015 10.30 - 12.30 and, for those of you who did attend this first session, Clayton is going to also offer more advanced techniques.

We are currently organising a schedule of activities to celebrate NAIDOC Week, but have not yet finalised dates before publication of this paper. Some of the activities will include a bark-painting session, and a Word search puzzle, using words from the Djabugay language.

Please contact library staff for the calendar of events.

Our new Mareeba Shire Council library cards are now available for distribution. Please present your old cards for your free replacement card. The new cards are very smart and printed in the colours of the Irvinebank Wattle, which Mareeba Shire Council has adopted as its floral emblem, and for those who are botanically-minded, *Acacia purpureapetala*.

Are your plastic cards taking over your wallet, and have you ever wondered if there is an easier way? If you have a smart phone, there are many apps which offer storage for your barcoded cards.

So, how do you keep your library card on your smart phone? For Android phones type in 'card storage' in Search on Google Play (Apple users will need to search iTunes). Choose an application from the list and install. Without endorsing any particular app, I have selected Stocard for the storage of my personal, barcoded cards. If your device will not scan your barcode, it is possible to manually type in the barcode number and the number will be converted into a barcode. For MSC library barcodes please remember to add the letter c at the end of the numbers, no spaces e.g. M0000123456C.

**A couple of friendly reminders:**

- Story Time and Baby Rhyme Time do not run during the school holidays: Story Time will resume Friday 17 July 2015 and Baby Rhyme Time on Wednesday 15 July 2015.
- The closing date for the colouring-in competition was 5.00pm Friday 26 June 2015.
- The final date for dog renewals was 30 June 2015.

**Kuranda Library and Council Office:**  
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**A guy sits down at the bar...**

and orders drink after drink.

"Is everything okay, pal?" the bartender asks.

"My wife and I got into a fight and she said she isn't talking to me for a month!"

Trying to put a positive spin on things, the bartender says,

"Well, maybe that's kind of a good thing. You know – a little peace and quiet?"

"Yeah. But today is the last day!"



**Craig Crawford**  
MEMBER FOR BARRON RIVER

June was another exceedingly busy month which saw the passing of new industrial relations laws. The Parliamentary Finance and Administration Committee, on which I am a member, spent many hours examining the legislation and taking submissions and it was very satisfying to see the Bill passed.

Thank you to the people who alerted me to the incorrect positioning of a



guard rail in the middle of the cycle lane at the Smithfield roundabout. A quick call to the local office of the Department of Transport and Main Roads resulted in a crew being despatched and the guardrail being repositioned within hours (pictured before and after).

Thanks also to the members of the Kowrova community who brought to my attention their concerns that the quality of the water supply had become poor with brown tainted water.

I contacted my parliamentary colleague Hon. Leeanne Enoch, the Minister for Housing and Public Works, to get this addressed as quickly as possible and within a couple of days the Department arranged for a contractor to attend the community to take samples for water quality testing, as well as to service both the bore and the header tank. In addition, the Department is also arranging for a full chemical clean of the bore to be undertaken as soon as possible.

Machans Beach State School will be alive to the sounds of ukuleles. At a recent visit to the school it was mentioned that they would like some ukuleles so I donated 25 – hopefully the school can take out some titles at the next Cairns Ukulele Festival!

I spent half a day in the electorate with the Hon. Mark Bailey, Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety, Ports, Energy and Water Supply. We visited boat ramps at Bluewater and Yorkeys Knob where he spoke to boat owners about some minor problems which he has asked the Department to address.

I also showed the Minister the shabby and overgrown state of the Henry Ross Lookout on the Kuranda Range which is frequented by hundreds of tourists each day. He agreed that the Lookout needs to be upgraded and has asked the Department to look at options.

There are many other issues that have occurred in the last month such as the installation of more flashing school zone signs, another successful Festival of the Knob, more than \$3 million to improve safety for motorcyclists on the Captain Cook Highway, the opening of new blocks at St Andrews College and my cooking of about 700 sausages at the Trinity Beach SS Fete – but unfortunately space does not permit.

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

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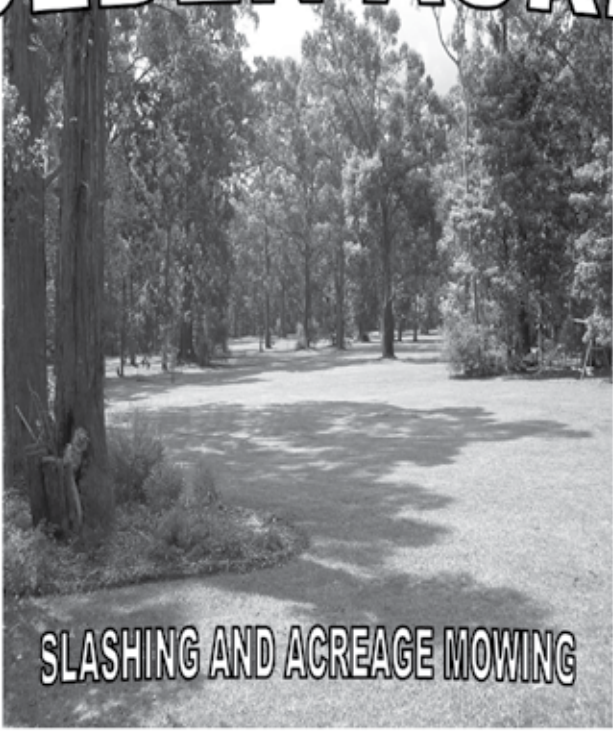
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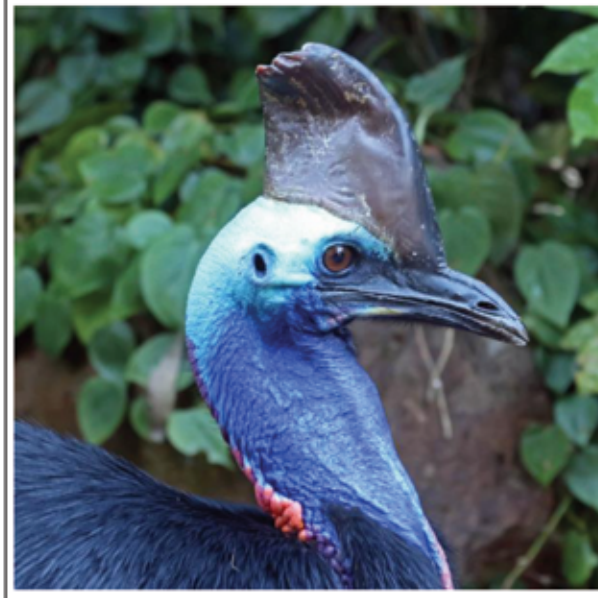
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**THERE ARE STIRRINGS IN THE UNDERGROWTH**

The photo at right (courtesy Lorraine Harris: flickr.com/photos/ausiegypsy) is of "Dad", a well-known local bird. We've compared this with a photo captured on one of our motion-sensitive cameras and it shows there is another bird out there (Black Mountain Road). "Dad" has been seen recently mating with his mate of many years, so he's definitely in the mood. Is this another female seeking him out?

We may soon have better insight into who's who. We are supporting a uni Masters student who is investigating a GPS tagging method and will be undertaking some of his study at one of our research areas.

His method is not invasive, involving the cassowaries swallowing a tiny GPS device in their food. The device will stay in the bird for 8-16 hours, where it can be tracked by satellite, before it



appears in its scat. It can then be retrieved and used again. This will give some insight into the movements of the birds over short distances. It will also help us identify the birds we don't know so much about in the area.

**PLEASE REPORT CASSOWARY SIGHTINGS TO: 4093 8834**

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

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**WORLD CASSOWARY DAY**

**26 September**

This year the day will be celebrated at Mission Beach – last year it was Kuranda and next year it will be Daintree, then Kuranda again. Our three groups are represented on the Cassowary Recovery Team, supported by the Wet Tropics Management Authority.

**Breaking news: ABC Radio has announced that it will be the official supporter of World Cassowary Day. This is an enormous boost to the effort.**

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## Ravenshoe Recovery

The second meeting of the Ravenshoe Café Explosion Recovery committee, held on Wednesday 24 June in the Ravenshoe Town Hall, established an independent Appeal Distribution Committee responsible for the governance and allocation of funds raised through the official fundraising platform – the GIVIT Ravenshoe Appeal.

Recovery Committee Chair, TRC Councillor Shaaron Linwood said the Appeals Distribution Committee will ensure the Ravenshoe Appeal funds will be distributed in a fair and transparent manner. The funds will be used to meet the immediate needs of those directly impacted by the café explosion but the majority of funds will be spent on the recovery process for those severely injured once they are discharged from hospital for their ongoing support and rehabilitation.

"It is imperative that the long-term needs of those significantly affected are taken into consideration when allocating funds as their recovery may take months, and in some cases, years," said Cr Linwood.

So far over \$250,000 has been raised through the GIVIT Ravenshoe Appeal with \$15,000 of financial and material support already being received by those directly impacted and their carers.

"Donations are getting to the intended recipients and those in hospital are receiving high quality care," reassured Cr Linwood.

Queensland Health and other government agencies are meeting the immediate needs of the injured and their families.

GIVIT is working directly with the Ravenshoe Community Centre and social workers at both Cairns and Royal Brisbane Hospitals to ensure the patients and their carers' immediate needs, beyond what government agencies can provide under normal policies and procedures, are met.

Families have been provided with pre-paid Master cards to meet their immediate out of pocket expenses as well as personal care packages, fuel and food vouchers.

"100% of the funds raised will be used to support the injured. GIVIT has also been distributing the generous donations provided by the general public and corporates.

"Corporate donations have included lights and iPads with pre-paid SIM cards to facilitate communication between family members away from home," confirmed Sarah Tennant, GIVIT General Manager Disaster Recovery.

The Appeals Distribution committee will meet monthly. It is chaired by Lyndal Scobell from the Australian Red Cross, with members including TRC CEO Ian Church, Department of Communities Executive Regional Director Michael Linnan, Accountant Kath Scully, GIVIT Chairman Greg Goebel and Director of Nursing Herberton Hospital Deanne Hellsten.

Cash donations for the GIVIT Ravenshoe Appeal can be made online at [www.givit.org.au](http://www.givit.org.au) or at any Queensland branch of the Bendigo Bank. If you want to see what is urgently required and donate material items please visit [www.givit.org.au](http://www.givit.org.au).

Committee meeting minutes, once endorsed, are available on the Tablelands Regional Council website at [www.trc.qld.gov.au](http://www.trc.qld.gov.au).



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## Yellow Crazy Ant Community Taskforce Kuranda

### First Activity Report

In June 20 volunteers turned up for what is to be an annual delimitation activity. They set out with cat food and jam ant-lures and walked in pairs 50 meters out from the YCA infestation boundary (previously determined by Wet Tropics Management Authority), placing the lures every 5 meters. After repeating this process for 40 minutes they returned to the beginning, checked the lures and collected the data.

Positives and negatives were recorded on GPS units and later uploaded to maps, showing a distinct line across the landscape identifying the boundary of the YCA infestation. Areas that were not reached were followed up and completed by WTMA and their Green Army field team.

The monitoring activity involves setting up pitfall traps to collect ants and so determine YCA density

along a 50m transect. The cups are then collected a week later and a count of YCA in each pitfall trap over time determines the effectiveness of treatments. This monitoring activity will be repeated after the June baiting treatment.

Results from the weekend showed that the YCA infestation has not extended much further than the

original 27 hectare infestation area, which means the containment work that WTMA has been doing for 18 months has been successful. However, some impacted areas in Russet Park have no other native ants, lizards, frogs or invertebrates left at all and the YCA are still extremely abundant within the total area, especially along the banks of the Barron River. This is scary. The concern is that YCA could raft off during the next wet season and, if a queen is amongst them, start new colonies downstream.

WTMA Eradication Program will fund baiting treatments until late 2016 but is unlikely to achieve eradication. The Eradication Program has a limited number of operations staff, making residential area baiting treatments time consuming, taking up to four weeks to treat Russet Park. For



effective eradication it is essential to conduct the baiting treatments in a shorter space of time which is why a community taskforce is needed in Kuranda, to assist with treatments, delimitation and

monitoring.

More people are needed on the ground, resulting in a much more effective impact on YCA life cycles and therefore populations, especially along the banks of the Barron and creek-lines.

You can help too! Please self-register to the Yellow Crazy Ant Community Taskforce Kuranda at:

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## PLANT OF THE MONTH

### Pleiogynium timorense – Burdekin Plum

This semi-deciduous tree can naturally reach up to 20m but in cultivation generally grows to approximately 12m. It has a dense canopy with glossy dark green leaves, rough dark bark and yellowish-green flowers between January and March. Its edible fruit have usually plum coloured flesh, however, white varieties have been reported.



Fruit must be removed from the tree to ripen for several days in a dark, damp place. Aboriginals are known to have buried the fruit underground to ripen. Fruit can be cooked, eaten raw or used in jellies, jams and preserves.

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## Date Claimers

- **Thursday 2 July 7.00pm.** General meeting. Guest speakers from Electric and YCA programs. Kuranda Recreation Centre. All welcome.
- **3rd Thursday in July.** Frog Monitoring starting July 20.
- **Regular Saturday activity** Tree planting and maintenance, ring Sylvia on 0409 647 714 or check Events at our website [www.envirocare.org.au](http://www.envirocare.org.au)

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# Magic



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Hint - Do add some local history .. when it was first planted and where it is grown in Australia - Extra marks if there is more fact than fiction - but please make it interesting, not a long list of facts

Drop your Entry into a 'Magic Box' or the Mail - BEFORE July 18

## Dragon's Question



Twisted Riddle .. from Neil P.

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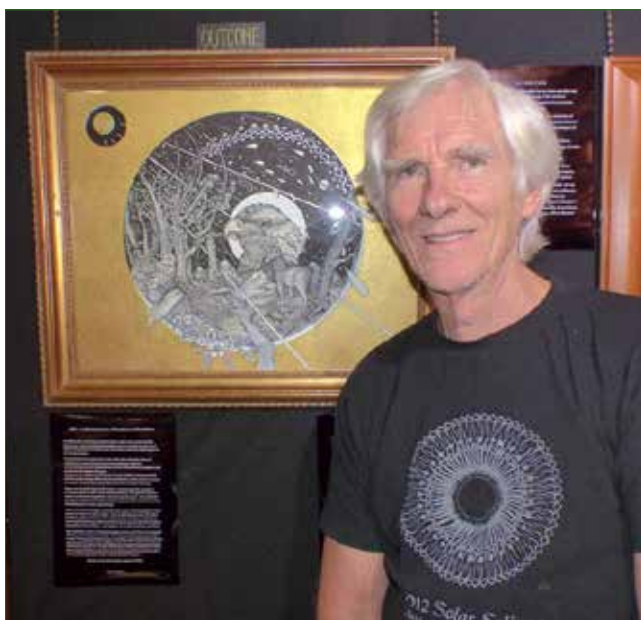
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## A Thought for July

**T**HIS month we read from St Mark's Gospel chapter 4 verses 35-41. Notice something in this month's reading. Whenever Jesus begins to speak in the scriptures about the kingdom of God, we may be sure of two things. What he is saying will sound very simple. Its images will be very familiar. We will think we understand it. But if we reflect on it in our minds, we will find a surprising thing happen. What he has said will yield more and more meaning to us.

In the passage Jesus image is once again simple. The kingdom is "as if a man should scatter seed upon the ground." Jesus points out how human participation in the process of nature is very largely one of spectator. This man sows at the beginning and reaps at the end of the process. In between those times the rhythm of life goes by. Jesus seems to be saying that there is much of the stuff of life which is not in our control. It demands our cooperation. It demands that we wait on the process. That is very true.

These days we are more involved in the processes of nature sometimes disastrously so, as we well know! But we again have to learn that if we intrude too much, if we insist on manipulating and directing the process, refusing, to wait on nature's time and pace and ways, we will bring real disaster. There are many levels of meaning in what Jesus says, but perhaps this is the level at which the scripture speaks most directly to us at this time.

The next image Jesus uses to speak about the ways of God is that of the mustard seed. He wants to get across to us something we see coming true again and again. It's a kind of a joke life plays. We begin something. It is pitifully small. We smile at the possibility of it ever becoming significant, but time teaches us otherwise. A chance remark dropped in a conversation remains in someone's consciousness. Quietly it begins to affect their life until there is a very different person. A few people in an area begin to meet for prayer or Bible study or worship. Nobody thinks anything of it. Then the group begins to grow, and one day there is a congregation of Christians. Very often we can become discouraged about some Christian service we are doing. Clergy can have doubts. An RE teacher can wonder if his or her efforts are making the slightest difference. Parents can lack confidence, wondering why they seem to be abject failures with their children. And years later someone says thanks for a single afternoon, a fleeting encounter, a slight exchange of conversation, a forgotten insight shared. The mustard seed is suddenly seen to have become a great tree beneath which another human being, maybe many, have sheltered and been given resources for living.

We constantly forget that God comes in little things to which we accord no significance at the time.



### COL'S HYMN COMPETITION

The winner of this Competition was Col Jeanes himself, as judged by The Anglican Church ladies last Sunday (14 June) morning in Kuranda.

Col was sponsored to have his words and music recorded at Pegasus Studios (Cairns) on Thursday 11 June 2015.

Many copies have been requested already.

'Jesus The Word' CDs will soon be on sale through Col by early July. Price is to be advised later.

It will also be played on Kuranda Local Radio by Peter.

## Baha'i Thought for the Month

"A fundamental teaching of Baha'u'llah is the oneness of the world of humanity."

"O ye children of men, the fundamental purpose animating the Faith of God and His Religion is to safeguard the interests and promote the unity of the human race..."

"The reality of all is One. Truth is one. Religions are like the branches of one Tree. ....all draw their life from one stem."

(Baha'i Writings)

**Holy Day, Martyrdom of the Bab, Prophet/forerunner of the Faith, Friday 10 July, all welcome, please enquire.**

- **Morning prayers** each Thursday at 8.00am, in the park in lower Therwine Street Kuranda followed by coffee
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## The Stars in July

**A**N interesting start to the month. A palendromic full moon for us. Exact at 12.21pm E.S.T. on 2 July with a Venus-Jupiter conjunction in Leo. The Full Moon cresting over Pluto, and Saturn on the sting of the Scorpion. The good, the bad and the ugly, star-wise. Uranus hovering in trine to the Venus-Jupiter aspect electrifying the effect.

And the effects will pretty much be determined by how all this sits on your own birth chart. Potentially earth-shaking and vastly visual pyrotechnic displays of all the things that make us who we are. On a world scale, well... the best and the worst; the beautiful and the grotesque all on parade. Some really big acts on the big stages. Enjoy the show.

The 7th day of the 7th month has the Sun opposite Pluto, with Mars coming into trine with Neptune. Fire and water, water and fire. Volcanic. Whatever is simmering will blow.

Fracturing of stress lines and irreversible changes in the structures.

So there's the first week. Exciting stuff. There's a build up of creative inspiration here that will really impact on all kinds of creative expression. We'd look at Venus crossing the "gold" degree (29° Leo) on 19 July and segueing into Virgo as the release point for this build up. Dive into your chosen medium of self-expression and create now, and for the rest of the month, the timing is perfect. Venus pendulum-swinging over the zero Virgo degree of sacred perfection. Mercury into Leo too. Liquid gold! Actually the Sun and Mercury both go into Leo on the 23rd. Silence is definitely not golden right now. It's a time for rich and rewarding communication and self-expression.

There's another Full Moon on 31 July. Just before midnight. Some might claim this is a "blue" moon being the second Full Moon in July, but it ain't so. Traditionally, blue moons occur if two Full Moons fall in the same astrological month (or sign). In this case, the first July Full Moon occurs in Capricorn and the second one in Aquarius. Still and all, we are looking here at a calendar month and there are two full moons, so July might be very full but let's not emphasize the blues. Have a full month.

Blessings.



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### First Saturday

**Garden Group** 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

### Every Sunday

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

### First Sunday

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### Second Sunday

**Uniting Church** Recreation Centre 4.30 pm, Krishna 4093 8730

### Every Monday

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

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

### Third Monday

**KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00pm Rob Veivers Drive Ph 4093 8933

### Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

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

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

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

### Every Tuesday

**Yoga** at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

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

**8 Ball** 7.00pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

**Kuranda AA meeting** Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, 7.30pm

### Second Tuesday

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

### Second & Fourth Tuesday

**Mareeba Toastmasters** meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Joe 4092 2089. Guests welcome.

### Third Tuesday

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

### Every Wednesday

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

**Lifeline Counselling** at KNC (appointment necessary)

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

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

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

**Mah Jong** at KNC 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome

**Yoga for kids**. Limited places. Please phone 4093 8283

### First Wednesday

**Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting** 2.00pm at KNC

**Kuranda and District Chamber of Commerce** 4.30pm Kuranda Hotel

### Second Wednesday

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

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

### Every Thursday

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

**Rotary** 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206

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

**Capoeira Training and Roda**. 7-8:30pm. Phone Ole 0468 408 963

**Kuranda Rangers Soccer**: training 4.30-5.30pm Linda 0437 255 229

**Yoga** at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

### Second Thursday

**Ambulance** 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

### First Friday

**House of Chia Mareeba**, Market 9.00-3.00

**CONTRIBUTORS: PLEASE CHECK DETAILS AND ADVISE CHANGES**

## EMERGENCY CONTACTS

**FIRE** or other emergencies – please phone **000**  
**SES Flood or Storm** emergencies – please phone **132 500**

### RURAL FIRE BRIGADE WARDENS

<b>Davies Creek</b>	<b>4093 3181</b>	<b>Lloyd</b>
<b>Koah</b>	<b>4042 5468</b>	<b>Cairns RFO (temp.)</b>
<b>Kuranda</b>	<b>0408 077 746</b>	<b>Nick</b>
<b>Myola</b>	<b>4093 7190 / 0408 151 199</b>	<b>Duncan</b>
<b>Speewah</b>	<b>4093 0211</b>	<b>John</b>

### Permits required for ALL fires

## JOHN'S KURANDA BUS

"The Local Bus"

	Mon & Tues	Wed to Fri	Sat, Sun & Pub Hol
<b>To: Speewah</b>	0900	0900	1000
<b>Koah</b>	*1530	*1530	
	1750	1750	1645
<b>Ex: Koah</b>	#0705	#0705	#0815
	#1315	#1315	
	*1550	*1550	
<b>Ex: Speewah</b>	#0710	#0710	#0820
	#1320	#1320	
	*1540	*1540	

\*SCHOOL DAYS ONLY # BOOKING REQUIRED  
 NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY & CHRISTMAS DAY

### Departs Bus Stop: Orchid Plaza, Abbott Street, Cairns

	Mon & Tues	Wed to Fri	Sat, Sun & Pub Hol
<b>Departs Kuranda</b>	#0720	#0720	0720
	1330	0900	1530
	1530	1330	
		1530	
		*1510 from Smithfield to Koah Mon to Fri SCHOOL DAYS ONLY	
<b>Departs Cairns</b>	**0825	0825	0825
	1700	1000	**1615
		1700	

All services except **1000** go to Speewah & Koah if required

\*\*Mareeba

# Via Caravonica, Redlynch, Raintrees, Westcourt, TAFE, Cairns City  
 NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY & CHRISTMAS DAY

Ph. John 0418 772 953

## Trans North Bus & Coach

### CAIRNS TO KURANDA SHUTTLE

Departs From	Shuttle Runs Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
CAIRNS Central Rail Station	6.45am	8.30am	11.30am	1.30pm	*3.00pm
CAIRNS 79 Abbott Street	6.50am	8.35am	11.35am	1.35pm	3.05pm
SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	7.05am	8.50am	11.50am	1.50pm	3.30pm
KURANDA	7.25am	9.10am	12.10pm	2.10pm	3.55pm

### KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE

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

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

### ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS

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

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SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	9.00am	3.35pm	6.00pm	9.00am	3.35pm	3.35pm	6.00pm
KURANDA	9.20am	4.05pm	6.25pm	9.20am	4.05pm	4.05pm	6.25pm
SPEEWAH	9.25am	4.10pm	6.30pm	9.25am	4.10pm	4.10pm	6.30pm
MAREEBA	9.55am	4.40pm	6.55pm	9.55am	4.40pm	4.40pm	6.55pm
ATHERTON Service Terminates	10.30am	5.15pm	7.30pm	10.30am	5.15pm	5.15pm	7.30pm

Atherton/Cairns Services - No Services on CHRISTMAS DAY or GOOD FRIDAY  
 Sunday Service \*1\* on PUBLIC HOLIDAYS - No Sunday Service \*\*2\*\* on LONG WEEKENDS

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## Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother



*People who wonder whether the glass is half full or half empty miss the point. The glass is refillable.*





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# PROPERTY OF THE MONTH



Fabulous clean and tidy 3 bedroom home with wrap around undercover patios and permanent creek on 2 acres of land. Some rainforest and lawned areas. Do you need somewhere to build that boat you always wanted. This property comes with an ENORMOUS shed big enough to store 4 buses or 12 cars completely undercover. Separate toilet and plumbing for shower in shed. The shed also has a built in enclosed storage area. This property may also be suitable for a horse or two as part of the shed could also be converted into stables. The back patio of the home faces east, giving a lovely place for the first days cuppa to catch the morning sun. All of this and only a couple of minutes away from Kuranda Township, park, recreation centre and school.

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