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## A YEAR FOR GOOD SPORTS



Free wheeling brothers Joel, Neal and Evan Walters.



Kuranda Horse & Pony Club- fancy dress break up November 1995.  
The Club is going ahead in leaps and bounds. See page 19.

The 1996 North Queensland Track Cycling Titles held in Townsville over the New Year weekend proved to be very successful for the 3 Walters' boys from Kuranda.

16 year old Joel won the U/17 North Queensland Cyclist of the Year for 1995 and was presented with his award at the Track Titles. This award finished off a great year for Joel who had won Gold and Bronze medals at State Track and Road Titles, represented Qld. at both National Track and Road Titles and had won a Bronze medal at National level for Track racing. Joel now goes up an age division and rides for 2 years in the U/19 division. At the 96 North Qld. Track Titles, Joel won a silver medal in the 3000m Individual Pursuit, and is training hard for the State Track Titles to be held in Brisbane, Feb 2nd - 11th.

13 year old Evan, racing in his 2nd year of the U/15 Division won 3 Gold medals at the 96 Track Titles and has his sights set on the State Titles in Brisbane on Feb 9 - 11. Evan improved a lot through 1995, which was his first serious year of racing. Evan was presented with a trophy for "Best Junior Rider" for 1995 in the Cairns Cycling Club and he also won the Junior Road Series Trophy for 95. As a result of their good efforts Joel and Evan have both obtained sponsorship from AWA Avionics at Cairns airport.

10 year old Neal was racing in his 1st year of the U/13 division at the 96 Track Titles and he won 1 Silver and 2 Bronze medals. Neal won the Arthur Strike Handicap Trophy which is an annual event for younger riders in the Cairns Cycling Club. He also won the Gold medal for U/11 Club Track Champion for 1995.

Anyone interested in cycling may contact Dawn Nash for details on 533620.

### - ONLY ELEVEN WEEKS TO GO !

\* One of my positions, incidental to being a local Councillor, is as a director of the North Queensland Games Foundation. The Foundation, comprised of northern Local Authorities, operates Australia's largest regional sporting event - the triennial Suncorp North Queensland Games.

This year is a Games year. And the 1996 Games are to be held in our own Cairns- Tablelands region. Come the Easter long-weekend (April 5-8) when the Games occur, it is expected that some 15,000 sports people will be participating in over 50 different sports. With them will come an influx of organisers, spectators and other visitors. Participants in the Games will come not only from North Queensland but from across the country and overseas as well.

The Games provide an opportunity for sports people of any age, whether amateur or professional to show their competitive edge, engage their sporting talent or just have fun. It is the premier sporting showcase for our region and several sports are to be hosted in Mareeba Shire.

Over the past two years I have played a small role as a member of the Cairns Organising Committee for the 1996 Games. With only a small full-time staff the success of any Games depends upon the quality (and quantity) of its volunteers. The Cairns Organising Committee, and many sub-committees, meeting regularly in small numbers (!), and investing countless hours of hard work, have performed remarkably in planning and preparing for the Games.

As the Games now draw close, both I and the Cairns Organising Committee, APPEAL FOR YOUR HELP. You can help make the Games a success in any one (or more) of the following ways:

1. Become a financial member of the 1996 Games. Your \$20.00 membership will help the Games financially.
2. Add your name to the list of volunteers - to assist either before or during the Games weekend.
3. If you have a business or would like to do so individually, consider sponsoring a Games event.
4. Become an active participant in the Games (nominations close 5p.m. Friday, 8th March 1996) or be a spectator from April 5th to April 8th.

Please contact the Games Foundation on 310866.  
- COUNCILLOR OLIVER GILKERSON.

### AUSTRALIA CONSULTS

A public meeting to record the opinions of the Australian community on issues of : a republic, aboriginal reconciliation, and the centenary of federation will be held at the Mareeba Leagues Club on Sunday January 28th from 9am. All welcome

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### DEADLINES

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# COMMUNITY LETTERS

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Dear Kuranda Paper

How wonderful to have a public tennis and basketball court, for children and adults, that's locked up! Where did the money come from for this much needed facility? that has been locked up during school holidays?

Whose ego is involved this time?

Maybe the forefathers of roundabouts? How about sticking a cardboard divider between the tennis and basketball court and re-cycle it into a swimming pool?

Best of luck,

Joell Bacon, Kuranda

KP. please see Sports and Social news in this edition for clarification.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

The impending demise of the Tjapakai Dance Theatre as a performance company in Kuranda, the closing down of the theatre and the transporting of the dancers to Cairns to continue their work, leaves a big gap in the cultural scene in the Village. The Amphitheatre is a venue designed to give opportunity to all those in the community wishing to show their talents and put across their stories and dreams. With the ongoing development of the recreation complex to include the library and exhibition space, and the interconnecting walking tracks co-ordinating the whole area into a rainforest experience for visitors, there is a place for the Djabugay to present their own culture of dance, art and living skills in a beautiful setting. I believe the whole community would be enthusiastically behind such a project as I see it as an opportunity not to be missed by the Djabugay to ensure that their proper place in the history and present life of Kuranda is upheld. It would be good to know what is in the pipeline and I look forward to reading some news in the next edition of the paper.

Joan Dods, Myola Rd.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

How exciting it is to watch progress in Centenary Park on Kuranda's latest development 'The Whingeing Wall'. For those not familiar with the project, it is planned along the lines of Jerusalem's Wailing Wall and will draw whingers from all over the world - a growing market. But it is also designed to provide an important service for local whingers- most especially the growing number of Kuranda Tutt Tutts.

Tutt Tutts are a sub group of whingers typified by a commitment to a daily (or more frequent) ritual of driving around Kuranda whilst "tutt-tutting". One of the main problems faced by the project was the need to provide for extensive car parking for Tutt Tutts as they possess a singular reluctance to be removed from their motor vehicles for all but a very short period of time.

This problem has, however, been addressed and now the only stumbling block remaining is if the Mareeba Shire Council actually delivers on its promise to create a truly beautiful, people- friendly park. Ironically, any shortfalls in the project can really be alternatively viewed as a plus, as they will provide further inspiration for more tutt-tutting and whingeing. A win-win situation. Or is that lose-lose?

B. Moozed. Kuranda ( full name & address supplied).

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Congratulations to the newly formed Kuranda Environment Association. The change of name is excellent. There should now be no confusion about their role in protecting Kuranda from further desecration. Last year a Kuranda resident offered comfrey roots to any gardeners. I phoned and a kind person left the roots while I was out. They have grown very well and provided me with many gallons of liquid manure. I would like to thank the donor of those comfrey roots but I no longer have her phone number. Perhaps she would phone me on 937205.

Marjorie Spear, Black Mr. Rd.

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Visitors enjoying the cool shaded Esplanade.

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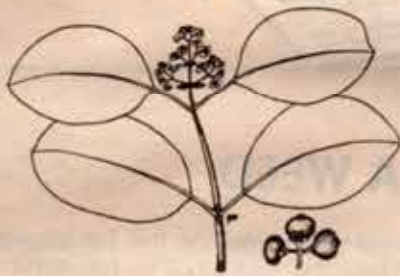
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# CENTENARY PARK PLANNED TO BE A BOTANICAL EXPERIENCE

Kuranda's Centenary Park is to be landscaped with hand-picked rainforest species, selected for their interesting and beautiful characteristics. The aim is to provide a year long display for the pleasure of visitors and locals alike.

This is another step on the long road to the creation of a number of regional botanical gardens and annexes stretching from Weipa to Innisfail.

Mareeba Shire Environmental Officer Gary Barnes has provided us with a plant species list for Centenary Park. He points out this is just the 'main frame' with other regional natives to be introduced over the course of the Park's development.



*Garcinia surrenii* (x 1/4) fruit (x 1/4)  
Illustration from Ornamental Rainforest Plants by David L. Jones

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SCIENTIFIC NAME COMMON NAME

Acmena hemilampra	Blush Satinash
Acmena smithii	Lillipilli Satinash
Agathis robusta	Queensland Kauri Pine
Alloxylon flammum	Satin Oak
Archidendron lucyi	Scarlet Bean
Archontophoenix alexandrae	Alexandra Palm
Arytera divaricata	Rose Tamarind
Austromyrtus floribunda	Cape Ironwood
Barringtonia actulanguia	Freshwater Mangrove
Barringtonia calyptata	Mango Pine
Belischmidia obtusifolia	Blush Walnut
Blepharocarya involucrigera	Rose Butternut
Buchanania arborescens	Jam Jam
Buckinghamia celsissima	Spotted Silky Oak
Callistemon viminalis	Weeping Bottlebrush
Cananga odorata	Perfume Tree
Carallia brachiata	Corky Bark
Cassia ssp. Paluma Range	-----
Chionanthus ramiflorus	Northern Olive
Cleistanthus apodus	Weeping Cleistanthus
Cleistanthus hylandii	Bernie's Cleistanthus
Cryptocarya hypospoda	Northern Laurel
Cryptocarya tripilineris	Brown Laurel
Cyathea cooperi	Tree fern
Davidsonia pruriens	Davidson's Plum
Decaspermia humile	Brown Myrtle
Elaeocarpus angustifolius	Silver Quandong
Elaeocarpus coorangooloo	Brown Quandong
Emmenosperma alphitoniodes	Bonewood
Eucalyptus tessellaris	Carbeen
Eugenia reinwardtiana	Beech Cherry
Euroschinus falcata	Pink Poplar
Evodiella muelleri	Little Evodia
Ficus virgata	Figwood
Flindersia acuminata	Silver Silkwood
Flindersia brayleyana	Queensland Maple
Flindersia illiflora	Hickory Ash
Flindersia pimenteliana	Maple Silkwood
Flindersia schottiana	Bumpy Ash
Ganophyllum falcatum	Scaly Ash
Garcinia warrenii	Native Mangosteen
Harpullia pendula	Tulipwood
Homalium circumpinnatum	Brown Boxwood
Melia azedarach	White Cedar
Melicope eleryana	Pink Evodia
Parachidendron prinosum	Tulp Siris
Phaleria clerodendron	Scented Daphne
Podocarpus grayae	Brown Pine
Pongamia pinnata	Indian Beech
Ptychosperma elegans	Solitaire Palm
Ptychosperma macarthurii	Macarthur Palm
Randia fitzalanii	Brown Gardenia
Schefflera actinophylla	Umbrella Tree
Stenocarpus sinuatus	Wheel of Fire Tree
Syzygium cormiflorum	Bumpy Satinash
Syzygium luehmannii	Cherry Satinash
Syzygium papyraceum	Paperbark Satinash
Syzygium tierneyanum	River Satinash
Syzygium wilsonii	Powderpuff Lilly Pilli
Terminalia sericocarpa	Damson Plum
Toona ciliata	Red Cedar
Waterhousea hedraolophylla	Red Satinash
Xanthostemon chrysanthus	Brown Penda

# MAKING TRACKS

WITH COUNCILLOR OLIVER GILKERSON



1996 promises to be another busy year for the Mareeba Shire Council, and for Kuranda.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT/RECYCLING STRATEGY:**

As of January 1st 1996 a new door to door recycling system was introduced as part of Council's new Waste Management Strategy. A detailed report on the recycling scheme appears elsewhere in this paper. At the same time work on upgrading transfer stations throughout the Shire (with priority being given to Kuranda's) is underway. Once the sorting station at Mareeba is complete Council has agreed to take recyclables from Douglas shire for sorting and dispatch to southern manufacturers. Council is also finalising plans for a facility whereby chemical containers from farmers are collected, sorted, compacted and baled for plastics recycling. Since successfully prosecuting an absentee Bibbithra landowner for uncontrolled and haphazard storage of many hazardous chemicals and minerals, Council has been pushing for the establishment of a noxious waste treatment facility in North Queensland. At present no adequate facility exists outside of south-east Queensland.

**STRUCTURAL REFORM OF COUNCIL:**

Council is also embarking on a major program of structural reform of the Council administration. An independent organisational and management Review Report (available at the Council offices) has identified scope for improvements in the efficiency with which Council is managed and Council services are provided for the community. Recommendations have been made which will probably see the most far reaching organisational and management reforms in the Shire's history. A flatter management structure with the most modern approach toward establishing chains of command, management responsibility, performance review, delegation of responsibility, the introduction of commercial efficiencies into the provision of Council services etc. will all feature in the new arrangements.

Following a number of special meetings to examine the Report and consider its findings, Council has moved to commence the implementation process by adopting a new corporate structure. The new simplified structure is:



It is anticipated that the new Managerial Positions will be advertised shortly. Following recommendations in the Report, Council is also reviewing its Divisional arrangements. Further micro reforms will follow once Managers have been appointed.

**DCP- KURANDA VILLAGE:**

Council will adopt its new Development Control Plan (DCP) for the Kuranda Village very shortly. Many long hours have been spent examining the public submissions and the town planning consultant has recommended some alterations accordingly. Once adopted by Council the Village DCP will be assessed by the Department of Local Government before being "gazetted" as the new official plan. At the same time, the appointment has been made for a complimentary Development Control plan for the Environs of Kuranda. To ensure consistency between the planning instruments opportunity will be taken, at the same time for a review of relevant sections of the Shire's Strategic Plan and planning policies. The entire process of reviewing, updating and improving the planning scheme will be in accord with proposed new State Government planning legislation and will give Mareeba Shire probably the most up-to-date scheme in Queensland.

**1996 COUNCIL PROJECTS FOR KURANDA:** Other projects scheduled for 1996 include:

- \* Completion of Hunter Park Sports Complex.
- \* 1996 Tree planting Scheme (over 60,000 trees planned across Shire).
- \* Completion of Centenary Park (including new toilet facility).
- \* Further Implementation of Kuranda Strategic Management Plan.
- \* Completion of planning & design work for Library and Community Centre.
- \* Improvements & Augmentation to recreation reserves and walking tracks.
- \* And more.

## Kuranda Community Clean-up



3rd March 1996

### To All Residents of the Kuranda Community - be a clean-uper on Sunday 3rd March 1996

Sunday 3rd March 1996 is Australia Clean-up Day. As with last year, we can use this occasion to come together to clean up Kuranda. Last year residents of Kuranda collected some 100 bags of bottles, cans and rubbish which lay on roadsides, parks and the river esplanade. A huge effort was made to clean up the Range Road with volunteers being escorted by Kuranda Police for safety.

Please contact Fred, Bob or Jax listed below or let your community group know you are prepared to give an hour or two on Sunday 3rd March to clear our neighbourhood of litter. If you do nothing else for Kuranda, you'll be part of the effort if you stoop to pick up one bit of litter.

You'll hear more about how to be part of the Clean-Up team in the next Kuranda Paper and through your community group. Keep Sunday morning 3rd March free for the Kuranda Community Clean Up.

The 1996 Kuranda Community Clean-up Committee is:

Fred Nooravi - 939 939 ■ Bob Madden - 930 169 ■ Jax Bergersen - 93 8834

Kuranda Community Clean Up  
C/o Kuranda Feast Factory  
28 Coondoo Street, Kuranda

# ARK

ASSOCIATION for REGIONAL KURANDA COMMUNITY INC.

Residents and Ratepayers Association - established 1990  
PO BOX 573 Kuranda 4872

Although a holiday season for some, the December - January period has been business as usual for ARK, with two very successful meetings. And, as usual, the agendas were jam packed with information. Just *some* of the items of interest covered: for full details join & receive full minutes: \$10 per year, \$5 pensioners.

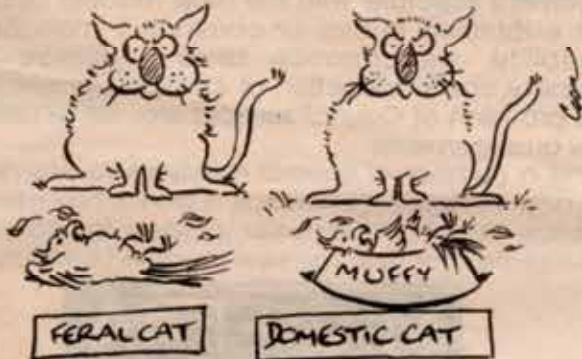
**\*WILDLIFE REFLECTORS:** Following strong lobbying by ARK and Council the Dept of Environment & Heritage (DEH) have agreed to pursue the possibility of conducting trials of new wildlife reflectors in the Shire.

**\*Q-RAIL LAND ON ARARA St, KURANDA:** At the January meeting we were very pleased to hear that Council has agreed to designate the Q-Rail land on Arara St into the Green Belt and reject commercial development there- it now becomes community land. The DCP-Village, with this and other recommendations, will now go to the Minister.

**\*CATS:** The Mareeba Shire Council has developed a draft Local Law for the Control of Cats in the Shire. ARK and other community groups are examining this draft to make comments. Residents can view the draft at Council offices and make comments on the draft before February 15th.

The draft covers registration, breeding, curfews etc.

Cartoon by Patrick Cook  
courtesy of  
the Endangered Species Unit



**\*DOMESTIC FOWL IN CREEKS & WATERWAYS:** ARK has received concerns regarding the release of ducks & geese into natural waterways. Apart from the obvious threat to native amphibians and fish and possible competition for habitat affecting native wildlife, there is of course concerns regarding pollution of water and degradation of creeks banks. ARK has contacted Council and DEH to assess who has responsibility in this area.

**\*ADVERTISING LEAFLETS:** Cnr Gilkerson said that following an application to obtain police approval for the handing out of advertising leaflets in Kuranda and Mareeba, Council has now adopted a SHIRE WIDE policy against the granting of such applications. Therefore such action is not permitted and prosecution can occur.

**\*SPEED RESTRICTIONS IN TOP KOWROWA AREA:** Council will impose a 60km per hour speed limit in this area with signs to be erected, advising speed and warning that pedestrians use this section of Myola Rd. 2.2: CAIRNS-TABLELANDS TRANSPORT OPTIONS: Eleven options (including upgrading the existing situation) were put forward for discussion during a consultation meeting with ARK management and the planners developing the options study for the Dept of Transport.

The 'Quaid' road was not an option.

The other options ranged from Smithfield in the north to the old Tinaroo Creek road in the south. The latter is not considered feasible because of the amount of environmental damage. All other options included a 'tunnel' approach for various lengths of the proposed route. Two options for increasing the range road were considered not acceptable because of negative visual and environmental impact. Clearly all routes were affected by these concerns especially in World Heritage areas although the 'tunneling' of roads

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**PUBLIC MEETING  
KURANDA  
Tuesday  
30th January  
Rainforest Resort  
7-9 pm**

**SHORTS  
& BRIEFS**



Have your say  
on the draft  
Wet Tropics Plan



## CABOMBA WEED

This noxious weed is present in some waterways on the Tablelands. The Lands Department warns it has the potential to become a serious problem if not acted on early.

The weed, submerged in water except for a few floating leaves, and the white or cream flowers produced in summer, can grow in ponds, lakes, dams and slow-moving streams. The submerged leaves are green, feathery and branch into a fan shape up to 5cm across. The slender stems can be up to 2m long. The plant is usually rooted in mud (1-3m deep) but can float in deeper waters.

It reproduces by stem fragments and possibly seeds, so removal by hand must be done carefully to be effective.

The removed plants must then be destroyed. An aquatic herbicide is being developed. Anyone who thinks they may have found an infestation should take a sample, call the Lands Department and report it.

## FREE MAMMOGRAMS

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## GREEN HINT

Add sprigs of Lavender  
or Rosemary to the  
toilet cleaning vinegar.  
Let nature help, open  
windows whenever  
possible

## NEW LOOK FOR MAREEBA SHIRE

The Mareeba Shire Council has unveiled its new promotional logo. This logo does not replace the old familiar coat of arms with its somewhat embattled symbols of Shire wealth: tobacco, timber, tin and cattle. The new logo is meant to convey the unlimited potential of the "Shire of Diversity" symbolised by sweeping ranges and radiant sun.

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## QUEENSLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT MOTORCYCLE TRAINING PROGRAM

Queensland Transport is currently taking enrolments for a comprehensive motorcycle training program to be held in Mareeba on Saturday 10th February and Sunday 11th February from 9am - 5pm. The program is presented by experienced and fully trained instructors and is designed to improve skills for safety and enjoyment.

For further information contact Simon Denny on 31 3382.

# A COOL READ.....

would probably mean they would be acceptable but expensive. Other range options included two lanes up from Caravonica and two down to Smithfield which might improve traffic flow in lower section and a number of variations on part road - part tunnel. The 'tourism' value of the lookout is considered important.

Agreement was reached that the only long term solution was to remove the heavy traffic & through traffic from the Range and direct it towards an area west of Kuranda - preferably beyond the Barron River bridge to avoid a bottleneck there. This would mean the Range Road would essentially serve the Kuranda region as well as continuing in its role as a regional scenic drive - this should prolong its effectiveness by many years without the need for significant widening. Several options along this line were displayed starting in the Redlynch - Kamerunga area and opening onto the Tablelands in the Speewah - Douglas Track area. ARK representatives rejected these options because of the residential nature and environment values of the area and suggested that an option further west be given more support. One route which opened in the region of the Koah road would be very expensive and a route opening somewhere between Speewah and Koah is probably most feasible - this almost all tunnel, so again very expensive. There are also wind problems with such long tunnels.

The Dept of Transport has agreed to keep ARK informed as to the results of the study and ongoing consultation.

\* **CEMETERY SIGN:** broken sign being replaced with new timber sign.

\* **QUEENS CREEK BRIDGE, MYOLA :** has been found unsafe for heavy loads and had a load limit imposed. Will be replaced after the Wet.

\* **YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATOR:** Council has appointed Matthew Arnold.

\* **BLACK MT RD INTERSECTION:** Council has met with the various departments concerned. The Dept of Transport still feel that closure of the intersection is their preferred option. Council has requested more research be done into other options including costings etc. When these are received council will organise a public meeting to discuss the situation with residents and other interested parties.

\* **CENTENARY PARK :** The Advisory Committee has viewed the landscaping plan for the park and it will to be planted out with a wide range of rainforest species to allow for year long display - most are endemic to the area. A community art project is also envisaged for the Park and a public art policy is to be developed for commissions and other projects.

\* **MULTI-STORY CAR PARK :** has not proven viable and will not go ahead. This means interim solutions will now become permanent and a motion was moved and carried at the the December meeting "that ARK write to council requesting that council return to the long term strategy for a bus parking area at the entrance to Rob Veivers Drive, as established during the community consultation phase of the KSMP Study, and pursue it with all speed, to resolve the bus parking problem."

\* **BARRON GORGE LOOKOUT UPGRADE:** Senior Ranger Steve Collins has contacted ARK to advise that the recommendations and concerns expressed by ARK last year had been addressed in the plans and offered a viewing of the plans. More details at February meeting.

\* **KURANDA COMMUNITY CLEAN UP DAY:** March 3rd 1996. A great effort last year with some 100 bags of rubbish collected. Volunteers needed, please contact either Bob Madden on 930 169, Farzad Nooravi 937 160 or Jax Bergersen on 938 834.

\* **SES BUILDING:** to be completed soon and painted to complement Ambulance Station.

\* **KURANDA RANGERS SOCCER CLUB** representative Tracey Rusch addressed the January meeting, outlining the club success thus far and problems caused by a lack of suitable venue for competition sport. ARK offered support for KRSC's efforts and Mayor Chris Lewis, Councillor Oliver Gilkerson and State and Federal Members present all offered their support.

Rohan Rusch replied: "The letter's in the mail !".

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Mrs Emily Matsen is well known to the Kuranda Branch Library users. She looks after regular books, childrens' books, large print, paper backs, tapes and magazines. There is a small area set aside for the reading of reports on a broad range of topics from child care through to senior citizens. Books maybe ordered if not in stock. If you fancy digging into old magazines and paper backs boxes of donated volumes are there for the taking. Mrs. Carol Jeanes also works in the library and confesses to being a true bookworm and has a good knowledge of authors. Planning and design process for the new library is being finalized and Council is hopeful that construction will begin before the end of the year. Our librarians and users are looking forward to removal day.

Photo K. Buhler

## KURANDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM

The Chamber went into recess over the Christmas break but the work to ensure our commercial future continued in the various committees of the Chamber.

The joint Kuranda and Mareeba application for Main Street funding was submitted and congratulations must go to the marketing committee for an excellent proposal. We hope to learn of the Governments decision in the near future. The indications received so far are positive.

Over the next two months the Chamber has to prepare its report to the Council asking for the establishment of a marketing budget through the benefited area rates levy. All too often - the marketing of this town is left to the pockets of just a few of the businesses. This has meant that our advertising strategy has often been implemented on an ad hoc basis and that no continuing marketing theme for the town been instituted. It is also very unfair on the minority who have been forced to carry the burden.

The Chamber has also made submissions to the Kuranda Strategic Management Committee asking that the greening of the town and the remedy of our present "tar and cement" facade proceed as quickly as possible. The Chamber supports fully the Kuranda Strategic Management Plan.


We are also eagerly awaiting Council's decisions on the many applications submitted under the signage by-laws. The Council's by-laws were the result of Chamber's submissions in the past.

A larger and improved design for the Kuranda Village Guide is nearing finalisation. Businesses are reminded that entry to this important publication is only available to the Chamber's members. We hope that the guide will be given to all visitors arriving on either the Scenic Rail or on Skyrail.

Our February meeting will be on Monday 5th February at 7.00pm at the Kuranda Sports and Social Club. Our Annual General Meeting will be in March with the election of office bearers and our committees and representatives.

Mark Freeman, President

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**\*KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL:** Member for Barron River, Lyn Warwick requested direction from the meeting on this matter. All agreed it was the responsibility of the Government to deliver on it's promise of a High School for Kuranda by January 1997 - and although the Minister now admits the facility will not be ready by this date, the site could be and some work begun. On the other hand no one wanted to see the school built on 'bad blood' and wanted the owners of the land paid a fair price. Council and others stated that although there had been exhaustive searches for an alternate site [to the Myola site] which would meet the requirements of the Education Department but it had been to no avail. ARK has requested the State settle this as a matter of urgency.

**\* TABLELAND SUGAR MILL - EFFECTS OF FREIGHT ON RANGE ROAD:** Although sugar in the form of syrup will go to coast via Palmerston Highway not Range Road, construction materials, fuel and ongoing store will come up the Range. This is cause for great concern.

**\*OPTUS & TELESTRA CABLES:**These companies currently operate under the Telecommunications Act and do not need to confer with council nor gain approval. Member for Leichhardt Peter Dodd reported the Federal Government is now reviewing this policy. ARK will urge Council to develop a pro-active policy on this issue.

**\*BARRON FALLS STATION & RAIL LINE SAFETY:** Following the tragic accident recently Council, Police, SES and Q-Rail are examining ways to make these areas safer. Mayor Chris Lewis said Kuranda was very fortunate indeed to have such dedicated people in our emergency services. ARK also sincerely thanks all involved.

**\*WET TROPICS :** A disappointing turn up for the December 11th meeting but very helpful to those who did attend. Thanks to Rosemary Hill for running the meeting. The impact of Wet Tropics on us and visa versa is so important, and we have waited seven years for this draft report. Secretary Gayle Hannah said she felt there are serious problems - the plan comes in two parts - the second part, the statutory plan is the "teeth" and it appeared that the legislation was too weak to actually support proper management. She felt it was unworkable and would for the most part not halt the ongoing degradation and overall 'eating away' of World Heritage areas. There is still more than a month to lodge a submission ( closing date March 1st). Copies free of charge by calling 008 061 134.

**IMPORTANT: THE WET TROPICS MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY WILL HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING on January 30th 7-9pm RAINFOREST RESORT.**

Plans for the February meeting focus on:

**\* WASTE MANAGEMENT & HEALTH/ENVIRONMENT ISSUES:** Council's Environmental Health Officer Bruce Crunckhorn will attend to answer questions and hear concerns.

**\* SKYRAIL:** contribution to Kuranda Infrastructure Program.

**\* KURANDA STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN:** Update from ARK's Advisory Committee representatives with some long awaited good news. Important dates to remember:

**WET TROPICS MEETING :**  
 Wed 30th January, 7-9pm Kuranda Rainforest Resort.  
**FEBRUARY ARK MEETING:**  
 Wed February 21st, 7.30pm Sports & Social Club  
**WET TROPICS SUBMISSIONS CLOSE: March 1st**

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## SUPPORTING OUR AMBULANCE

Rainforestation recently donated \$1500 to the Kuranda Ambulance to assist in purchasing new equipment. The money was raised from an open day held at Rainforestation for locals in early December and also from Kuranda State School visits to mark the end of the 1995 school year.

Special prices were offered to locals and the school on the days to encourage as much participation as possible and Trevor's face tells the story as he gratefully accepts the cheque from Pip.

Trevor said he would purchase a mobile white board and lectern for training purposes as well as some equipment that was needed for use in the casualty room.



Rotarian, Steve Dominikovic presents Ambulance Committee member, Jim Mealing and Ambulance officer, Trevor, with a cheque for \$3,124 to assist in the purchase of emergency equipment.



Trevor & Peter

### FLAGS AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

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For further information contact Mr Dodd's office on 512220 or write to Po Box 7814, Cairns, 4870.



Charles & Pip Woodward proprietors of Rainforestation presenting a cheque for \$1500 to Trevor Clark, Officer in Charge of Kuranda Station.

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# Neighbours

a Kuranda lifestyle column on critters who share our space

The Christmas/New Year period means I haven't got a question this month, so I thought we could talk about one of our most common neighbours in Kuranda. Frogs. And this is not referring to a restaurant in the main street!



Kuranda's frogs have almost become part of our day to day lives. They are constant companions and have provided many an artist with material for their works, whether it is painting, stained glass or quilting to name some. The coming of rain also means the return of the frog calls.

Queensland has about 110 species of frogs and we have many of these in North Queensland. More than half our frogs are found in the Wet Tropics. The more visible ones around here are Green Tree Frog, Dainty Green Tree Frog, Giant Green Tree Frog, Torrent Tree Frog and Rocket Frogs.

We have some of these in our bathroom, in the washing machine, the guttering, under the house, in the loo, just about everywhere really at the right time of the year. The Green House shop had a resident Dainty Green Tree Frog for about three months. All I did was spray it every now and then with a fine mist of water and it seemed very contented.

Once somebody rang the Environment Centre and asked if we would start a campaign calling for a boycott of washing machine company manufacturers until they made their machines frog proof. This guy had just pulled three mangled frogs out of his clothes! Like all good campaigners, he didn't just present the problem - he also provided a solution. He was an engineer and had designed a 'frog proof' washing machine.

There are a number of reasons that are suggested for the global decline of frogs apart from being chewed up in washing machines. Cane toads, herbicides and insecticides, loss of breeding areas through urban development and even the greenhouse effect is suspected. Frogs are increasingly recognised as sensitive environmental indicators.

Frogs have also declined from protected areas such as National Parks and scientists are not fully sure as to why. Even since our northern rainforests were protected by World Heritage listing in December 1988, at least three frogs have completely disappeared from our region.

We are able to raise frogs from tadpoles in our backyard and there is a great book available to get you started. Carried out correctly, the methods suggested result in a high success rate.

Frog spotting at night is great fun. The trick is to go with two friends and take a torch each. Upon hearing a call, circle it from about ten feet away and each point your torch to where you think the frog is. Where the torchbeams intersect is usually not far from the frog. Remember though, it is illegal to collect frogs without a permit. Collecting memories is more fun anyway.

Ann Downey

Resources available from The Green House Environment Shop: A Field Guide to Frogs of Australia; Reptiles and Amphibians; Australian Frogs - A Natural History; Frog Calls of NE Queensland Cassette; Raising Native Frogs; Hand-made frogs, frog stationery, posters, T-Shirts, bookmarks, cards and brooches.



Don't forget to get your questions to the Green House by the 15th of the month.

## WHO CAN HELP IF A NATIVE ANIMAL IS IN DISTRESS?

Since the FNQ Wildlife Rescue Association began operations in 1993 we have helped more than 1,000 animals including birds, reptiles and mammals. Today we have some 270 volunteer carers throughout far north Queensland (from Cooktown to the Tablelands and down to Cardwell) combining their efforts, talents and experiences in a network of caring and growing expertise to provide the best possible attention for the animals referred to the Association.

FNQ Wildlife Rescue Association is an independent, non-profit organisation operating under the guidance of the Qld Department of Environment and Heritage.

### MORE INFORMATION?

If you would like more information about the FNQ Wildlife Rescue Association, or need assistance with native animals in your area, please ring Janet on 939277 for the Kuranda area or Gaby 930413 and/or Annie 930380 in the Speewah area or contact our mobile phone on 015-962075.



## WILDLIFE RESCUE

Life in the wild has always been tough. Everything we do, no matter how large or small, impacts on the well being of our native wildlife. All too often animals that encounter man come off second best. That's why FNQ Wildlife Rescue Association is here to help. Two years after its inception, facilitators of the FNQ Wildlife Rescue Association receive more than 400 calls per month for assistance with native animals in distress, or simply for information and advice. WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I FIND AN INJURED NATIVE ANIMAL? The first thing to ascertain when confronted with an injured or orphaned animal is whether it needs rescuing, and whether this can be done safely for you and the animal. Once rescued, most animals will calm down if placed on a soft towel or similar, in a darkened box or bag. A furless joey cannot keep itself warm. If you have found a young joey you will need to wrap it securely in a warm cloth and either tuck it down your shirt or place it next to a well-wrapped warm water bottle and cover it over snugly. The animal's skin should feel warm to touch (place against your cheek or arm). Once it is nice and warm, leave it to sleep.

Native animals that require rescuing usually are too upset, chilled or ill to eat or drink voluntarily, and will become stressed if forced. It is therefore preferable NOT to attempt to give food or fluids until expert advice has been sought. If they are secure and where appropriate have been warmed, you have given them the best chance of surviving the immediate crisis.



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## OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET FROG 'HERO' THIS MONTH

Frog lovers and carers will have two opportunities to meet frog researcher Jean Marc Hero during February. The first will be the next meeting of the Tablelands Frog Club, the second a free seminar at Cairns TAFE. Details:

**TABLELANDS FROG CLUB MEETING: Thursday February 1st, 7.30pm** at the Yungaburra State School. "Research into Declining Frogs" Details Keith McDonald 914 262 (BH).

**FREE SEMINAR: Friday February 2nd 7pm**, Goodwin Theatre [Building K, Cairns College of TAFE Eureka St CAIRNS. More details phone Doon McColl on 520 555 or Diane Daly on 421 246. NO CHARGE.



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After the last 3 years of tree planting, we can now see many areas around Kuranda where our trees are growing well and transforming ugly wasteland into pleasant green areas. This is not just a beautification program - it also substantially reduces the fire hazard and soil erosion in these areas.

The signs we are erecting in the neighbourhood bring people's attention to the beauty of the area, and point out its fragility. If we are to preserve the special qualities of this area for our children, we must continue to be vigilant and keep repairing the damage. Vigilance is necessary because careless destruction abounds and people have short memories of what has changed. When a road is widened, or a beautiful tree thoughtlessly cut down, there is usually quite an outcry. However, 6 months later we have adjusted and forgotten what it used to be like. As an area develops, this happens continuously. Just go away for a while - on your return you always notice the changes, but those who stayed have already become used to it! So there is a continual attrition and degradation of our environment and eventually we find ourselves no longer in a natural environment at all!

Our Landcare group is trying to rectify this and reverse the trend. It also shows that people can do something - they don't just have to watch it all disappear.

We also have to influence various government departments and instrumentalities. Certain procedures have been carried, and as the vegetation does not appear to be a priority, it is overlooked. This is where we, as a community, can emphasise that the natural environment is a priority to us, and we can help develop more environmentally sensitive policies. Kuranda Landcare has had considerable contact with FNQEB, the Department of Transport and Mareeba Shire Council and we will continue this dialogue in the future.

As our tree plantations become more established, many people are commenting on how good they look. The presence of these plantations shows there is an alternative and so have an educational effect as well. It is most gratifying to see so many private landholders now planting out their properties with rainforest trees. Let's hope the days of people planting rows of pine trees or palms are coming to an end, and we will see the botanical diversity of the area being recreated in people's gardens. This will attract wildlife, recreate wildlife corridors and reduce weed growth and erosion.

After a pleasant Christmas break we will be recommencing plantings in earnest, to make the most of our wet season. We will be working on Fallon Road, Gregory Terrace Park (called Desolation Park for the way the forest was flattened by the old council), Warril Drive, Barron Falls Road, Ros Common, Harris Park and Kuranda Springs. Mason Road has become a much more attractive area recently with many people planting out their properties and considerable natural regrowth being allowed to recur. However, there are a number of areas which could be revegetated and we would welcome comments and assistance from Mason Road residents.

If you would like to be involved as a tree planter or if you could supply any mulch, please give Howard Stevens a call on 938 766. Our planting sessions are from 7.30am to 8.30am every Saturday.

*Tree planting is healthy in every way!*

**NOTICE OF AGM**

The Kuranda Environment Association Annual General Meeting will be held at the Rainforest Resort on Wednesday 7 February 1996 at 7.30 pm in the conference room. All Welcome!

**Agenda:**  
Apologies, Minutes, Reports, Election of Office Bearers, General Business.  
Nominations for executive positions in writing to The Secretary, Kuranda Environment Association, P.O., Kuranda, 4872.

**ORGANIC GROWING** by Marjorie Spear

The dreadful dry hot weather we have had has made life hard for plants. Deep rooted trees are displaying lovely blossoms with no water. But shallow rooted veges like lettuce and cucumber have to be watered twice a day and well mulched and put under shade cloth tents during the heat of the day. Mignonette is doing well and so are my non-hearting lettuce. What a delight to enjoy fresh lettuce. If the soil is healthy the bugs keep away. They prefer the sap in sick plants. Permaculture is preferred by some people. It may be reliable if you like chemically grown food. The earth provides the medium for feeding all creatures. Keep the earth healthy, keep healthy with healthy food. Tomatoes are difficult to grow in summer. Try them in tubs or big pots and never water overhead. The Hardy Tom is a reliable big cherry fruit. If you buy straw mulch try using half a bale, open up the centre and fill with healthy soil. Then plant into that soil, about 15cm of soil, you can use a whole bale and make several holes depending on what you plant. A sharp knife is best to cut out the straw. Pumpkins, cucumbers, vine crops and tomatoes grow well in the straw and can ramble down the bale. For a no dig garden put layers of newspapers under your bale. Apple cucumbers and Italian do best now. They need to scramble but not over metal, it is too hot. The fruit fly menace is serious. The ABC has a leaflet on ways to catch these flies. You hang a bottle in a leafy tree and the flies feed on green fruit eg. citrus and do not need the bait in the tree they attack. Hang a mixture of vegemite and water after making a slurry first. Keep the mixture strong and if it dries out add more water. Make a small hole so the fly can get into the jar above the mix - the flies are attracted to the vegemite smell. The small hole makes it difficult for the fly to get out. A 2 lt milk or coco-cola bottle are best.

Artificial fertilisers cause cells to bloat and cell walls to weaken. This makes it easy for nasty insects to attack your plants. Crusher dust from Tichum Creek is a very useful cheap natural additive to the soil if mixed in well or used to bank up the soil round fruit trees growing on a slope.

There are finer grades of rock dust which are available to plants more readily - phone me 937205 if you need to know where to buy.

At right are Neil and Pat Maclean of Botanica Plant Hire, Jarawee Rd, celebrating their successful tender for the hire and maintenance of all indoor plants at the Cairns Reef Hotel Casino complex.



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**KURANDA GARDEN GROUP**

A lovely afternoon was spent in December on the Kuranda Esplanade. Gary Barnes gave us lots of info on the native trees planted there by Council. They are thriving and some are flowering and fruiting. On Saturday Feb 10th at 2.30pm we will meet at the Alarid's Goat Dairy in Koah Road. After looking at their garden we will have smoko. Please bring a chair, cup, etc. We shall then move on to a fruit orchard and a home garden (if time permits) Any enquiries can be made by phoning Marjorie Spear on 937205. The roads are good so we meet rain or shine but not in a cyclone. All are welcome on Feb 10th.



**KURANDA ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION**

Logo by Jan Stephens

**KURANDA ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION**

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(amendment applied for)

We've changed our name to clearly state the purpose for which the Association was formed. The Kuranda Environment Association was formed by residents for residents who believe they have a duty to preserve and protect the environment in the interests of this planet's quality of life upon which our very existence depends.

The Association's purpose is to represent both individuals and the community as a whole on environmental issues both pro-actively and reactively. That is to say, its members are involved in planning and education for better care and protection of the environment for the future as well as moving quickly to have damage remedied where it has been caused by those who have disregarded their environmental duty.

The Kuranda Environment Association's objectives are:

- To be an advocate for individuals and groups within the district of Kuranda on issues which affect their environment and quality of life;
- To promote and support World Heritage values;
- To support the retention of environmentally significant areas;
- To liaise with all levels of government on planning and development that impacts on the social, economic and environmental well-being of the Kuranda district community; and
- To promote community awareness of environmental issues through education and encourage responsible attitudes to the environment.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday 7 February 1996 at Kuranda Rainforest Resort 7.30pm (1st Wednesday of each month)

**Special guest:** Karen Schmidt of C4, Mission Beach, C4 is a most successful environmental group from which there is much to learn. This will be preceded by Association's first AGM. Coffee and biscuits available (\$2.50).

The ability of the Kuranda Environment Association to fulfil at least part of its purpose will depend on residents making the Association aware of any activity which is impacting, or could impact, on the environment in a damaging way.

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**Kuranda Environment Association**  
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# KISC NEWS

The **HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT** presentation on December 4th was well-attended. Since then there has been great interest from individuals and organisations in Kuranda and from out of town in the report. The report used the responses from the health needs questionnaire many of you filled in to discuss issues regarding the health and well-being of residents in Kuranda and district. Copies of the report are available for reading at KISC and the Kuranda library. KISC plans to separately publish the Health Services Directory section of the report on a regular basis. Mareeba Shire Council has kindly donated \$150.00 towards publication of such a directory. Now that the Health Needs Assessment is completed, Kay Loftes who compiled the report, has finished her employment with KISC. KISC is very grateful to Kay for all the hard work she put in (above and beyond the call of duty and the paycheck!) to make the report such a useful document for future use by the community.

KISC's **LIBRARY** of books, cassettes and videos was on display at the presentation evening and received much positive comment. The resources are all available for borrowing at KISC - come in and have a look! Have a cuppa and a bikkie while you browse. We are open at 17 Thongon St (in the Mareeba Shire Council office building) Monday to Friday from 9:30 to 1:00. KISC is in desperate need of **BOOKSHELVES** - if anyone has some bookshelves, or material for shelving, that they no longer need and would be willing to donate, please ring us on 938 933. We can pick-up. Thank you.

If you are concerned about **DISCRIMINATION** due to gender, ability, race or age, such as sexual harassment in the workplace, or any other related issues, KISC has available a wide range of brochures and information sheets from the Queensland Anti-Discrimination and Human Rights & Equal Opportunity Commissions. Come in and collect whatever is of interest to you.

The details of the KISC AGM on January 22 will be in next month's edition of the Kuranda Paper. Our **GENERAL MEETINGS** are held on the second Monday of each month at 17 Thongon St at 7:30 pm. KISC is presently totally run by volunteer effort, we have no paid workers and rely on donations (thank you to Kuranda Anglican Church garage sales!) to pay for the food parcels we hand out. We would love to see anyone interested in being a part of KISC come along - we are always open to new ideas, such as organising creative (eg. art/craft) or personal development workshops. There are many ways to be a part of KISC - as a committee member, a volunteer at the Centre (including information & referral, food parcels, library loans), organising workshops, writing/typing articles (such as this one, or the Drug & Alcohol Bulletin), filing, home visiting, or emergency driving. In return KISC offers training in volunteer skills (eg. communication) if or when required, the support and friendship of the team that is presently committed to the goals of KISC, and social get-togethers (usually in the form of morning tea in Kuranda!)

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## A Thought for February

Suppose we could ask Jesus what were the most important things He wants to tell us. Most certainly His answer would mention the Kingdom of God. During His Ministry He constantly referred to it and told endless stories to illustrate it; "Listen" He would say, "The Kingdom of God, or the Kingdom of Heaven is like .....". Then He would choose something perfectly familiar to His listeners and weave a story around it slowly but surely. By doing this, Jesus is showing how things would be if God ruled our personal lives and our society. Always the attitudes and responses of at least one figure in the story are those of a totally loving person. We see this very clearly in two of Jesus best-known stories. The father is totally loving in the story of the Prodigal Son, as is the Samaritan in the tale of the Mugged Traveller. In such character sketches, Jesus is drawing a portrait of God. In St. Matthew Gospel, Chapter 5 v 1-12, the Beatitudes, Jesus turned to the crowd and decides to share with them and with us of course, what kind of world we could have if God's holy and loving will were fully reflected in human thought and in human action. What astonishes anyone who really listens is the way that everything He says seems to just fly in the face of all we come to think of as practical and possible and reasonable in the society in which we live! In our Lord scenario it is the poor in spirit, not necessarily the confident and powerful who find the Kingdom. Mourning is not necessarily something which destroys us. It can help us to discover the comforting love of others and so glimpse God's Kingdom of Love. Meekness, contemptible in our society can often be deceptive. Underneath it there may be a great deal of grace and holiness if we can only be open to it and not put up the shutters. On and on Jesus goes giving us a full movie length picture of a Kingdom which turns our values upside down. In a society that puts the merciful into the category of work, Jesus says otherwise. Our society tends to think of pure as rather quaint and old fashioned Jesus says otherwise. Our society often labels peacemakers as interfering or unrealistic or even as being subversive. Jesus says otherwise. What Jesus is telling us is that we would be wise to put our whole set and system of values under the light of God's mind and God's spirit. The results will often surprise us to put it mildly. **TRY IT** Fr. Chris Wright

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1'Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. 2'And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 3'"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4'"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. 5'"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. 6'"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. 7'"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. 8'"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. 9'"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. 10'"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11'"Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12'Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you."

*Matthew 5:1-12*

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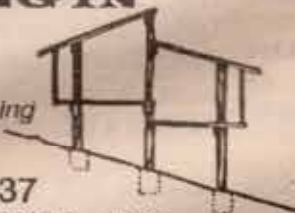
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# MAREEBA SHIRE RECYCLING & WASTE MANAGEMENT SCHEME



The Mareeba Shire Council's recycling scheme has now been running for about a month and reception to the scheme varies from "Great! It's about time!" to "@#\*&!!!!!" and somewhere in between.

Council is confident that the wrinkles can be ironed out using a bit of commonsense, co-operation and EFFORT!

In today's "throw away society", it has easy to put all our rubbish in the bin and forget about where it goes. On the other hand no-one wants more landfill dumps. Remember our fight to stop the regional dump at Lamb Range?

It is now a national goal to halve the amount of waste going into landfill by the year 2000. And whilst this is a worthwhile goal in itself ... it is not enough. We must also learn to treat waste not as a nuisance but as a resource. More about this on Page 14.

By participating in the Mareeba Shire Council scheme you will be doing your part towards supporting a regional waste management strategy, helping to reduce the pressure on our shrinking natural resources, save energy and reduce the negative impacts on the environment.

This scheme offers you the opportunity to be part of the solution not the problem. It also gives you the chance to "think globally, act locally".

A mechanical arm lifts bin. The truck is divided at the top into a waste section and a recycling section. The division is aligned with the divider in the bin, so that waste falls down a hopper into one section and recyclables into another. This hopper can also be controlled to close off either section allowing for bins dedicated totally to either recyclables or waste: handy in commercial areas where volume is greater.



## WHAT CAN I RECYCLE WHERE DOES IT GO?

**PAPER:** paper products comprise a very large percentage of domestic and commercial waste. All paper is recyclable but office waste such as copy paper, envelopes etc is the most valuable. Council is working on a strategy to recover this waste. At present it is too contaminated to be used to its full potential. You could remove stamps ( Amnesty International resell them for their fight for human rights - drop into Green House Environment Shop) and save office waste until you go to Cairns - NQ Recycling on Lyon St take it.

If not it is, with all the other paper waste- including newspaper, cardboard, popper & milk cartons etc taken to the sorting facility at the Mareeba dump, baled and sent to Brisbane to be made into packaging materials. Please break cardboard boxes into small pieces so they do not get jammed in the bin.

**GLASS:** please remember that all recyclables ARE SORTED BY HAND into colours etc. Wash out jars and bottles, remove lids and try not to BREAK anything! Good clean glass can be recycled very efficiently - glass which is contaminated becomes stubby bottles! Please do not put laminated, or milky glass, mirrors, fluoro tubes or pyrex in the recycling section as these are not acceptable. Glass goes to Brisbane. Lids & bottle tops can be recycled.

**REMEMBER:** You can always take glass to the recycling depot at the Kuranda State School, keeping funds local.

**PLASTIC:** All soft drink and milk bottles. Please wash out and remove lids. Lids can be recycled. This recycled plastic is used to make non-food containers such as for dish washing liquid etc. Other plastic is not recyclable at present. Plastic shopping bags ARE NOT RECYCLABLE. Plastics go to Sydney for recycling.

**ALUMINIUM AND STEEL:** softdrink, pet foodcans etc . PLEASE WASH OUT!! and remove labels. If you have a lot crush the cans OR take to the Kuranda State School ( aluminium only). Aluminium goes to Sydney, steel to Wollongong.

## MINIMISING YOUR WASTE

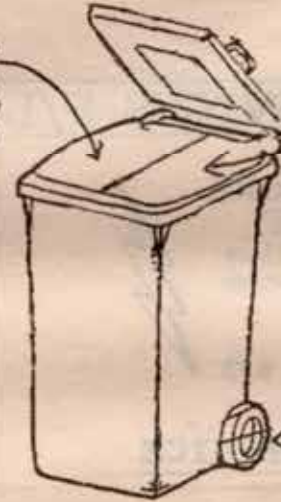
**ORGANIC WASTE:** by large the greatest amount of waste by percentage is food scraps and garden waste. Please don't throw this 'waste' out - certainly DO NOT put it in the RECYCLING section of your bin as it will contaminate paper waste etc and make things VERY unpleasant for the sorters. Organic waste such as food scraps, lawn clippings and leaves etc can be used as compost makings or mulch. Council sells compost bins at cost for \$25. Larger branches etc can be stacked on larger acreages. Consider hiring a mulcher or chipper to return these valuable nutrients back into your garden. Council is purchasing a mobile chipper to mulch large branches. if you must take these to the transfer station at Groves Creek, PLEASE separate them out from your other waste and put them in a pile where you are directed to do so. They will eventually be recycled as mulch.

**REDUCE YOUR WASTE AT POINT OF PURCHASE:** Don't use plastic bags! Use reusable cloth bags or baskets. Buy products with minimal packaging. Reuse any plastic bags you may have ( put 'loose' waste in used bags or use them to line small kitchen bins but DON'T fill too full. Tie off and put waste in waste section of bin.) Buy quality goods which last. Recycle used goods and clothing no longer wanted by giving to charity organisations. Old clothing can also be used as mulch under grass clippings or hay.

**NEWSPAPER and CARDBOARD** can also be used as mulch. If you are worried about inks etc only use on ornamentals or along fenceline. Always wet ground & paper when putting it down and sprinkle with organic fertilizer such as dynamic lifter to boost biodegrading & avoid nitrogen deficiency in plants. Keep mulch away from the stems & trunks of trees and plants so it doesn't bring pests or cause collar rot.

## HOW IT WORKS

Put all your recyclable waste into THIS section of the bin - as marked. Don't jam it in and break up cardboard boxes etc so that the bin will empty properly.



Put all your waste in THIS section of the bin. Again, don't jam things in and don't put in heavy items such as rocks or construction materials.

Place bin on side of footpath with wheels facing towards the road. The truck always collects from the left hand side of the truck so it will do one side of the street first and then the other later ( sometimes this may be hours later as the truck follows a circuit around town).

The truck is actually divided lengthwise- like a sandwich - with recyclables on top, waste on bottom. After waste has been offloaded for landfill at the dump, the truck discharges recyclables via the top 'door' or hatch at the rear of the truck into a pile at the sorting station, for manual sorting.

When the truck arrives at the Mareeba dump, it first off loads waste for landfill via the bottom 'door' or hatch at the rear of the truck before going to the sorting station to offload recyclables.

# I'VE GOT A PROBLEM

## \* MY BIN'S NOT BEING COLLECTED:

\* Call Council on 921 222

## \* MY BIN'S NOT BIG ENOUGH:

\* Has this always been the case or is it just since the recycling scheme has been operating? Were you putting out extra bags etc before?

Perhaps you need to rationalise your waste and take recyclables such as glass to the School ( they will appreciate this as they receive much needed funds from their recycling for school needs). Call Council for further advice. Perhaps a compost bin may help reduce waste or the use of cardboard as mulch in the garden. Otherwise, if you have a large family you may need another bin but this will cost you another \$150 per year - waste minimisation is a cheaper and more environmentally responsible option.

## \* MY BIN DOESN'T EMPTY PROPERLY:

\* Please don't jam things in. Break cardboard boxes, pieces of styrofoam etc up to keep things 'loose'. Don't put pieces of timber etc in which can jam as the mechanical arm 'squeezes' the bin as it lifts.

## \* RUBBISH FALLS OUT OF MY BIN ONTO THE GROUND AND CREATES A MESS:

\* Don't overfill bins. The lid must close properly otherwise it will drop open prematurely, dropping rubbish onto the ground.

# PLEASE DON'T ....

- \* OVERFILL BINS
- \* JAM BINS
- \* REMOVE DIVIDER: not only are you wasting recyclables, you are contaminating other people's recyclables. Please make an effort - give it a go.
- \* BREAK GLASS IF POSSIBLE.
- \* PLACE HYPODERMIC SYRINGES in the bin with needles intact. Please buy & use a sharps container (available from pharmacies). Remember, the sorting is done manually- please be considerate.

# PLEASE DO

- \* MINIMISE YOUR WASTE
- \* COMPOST & MULCH
- \* REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE WHEREVER POSSIBLE.
- \* SUPPORT THE SCHOOL'S RECYCLING PROGRAM.
- \* WASH BOTTLES, JARS & TINS. REMOVE LIDS.
- \* PUT GARDEN WASTE BACK INTO GARDEN NOT BIN


## TRANSFER STATION

The Groves Creek transfer station is being upgraded as a priority. Unfortunately, there has been irresponsible dumping of rubbish. should this continue the dump will be locked and a gate fee charged to cover the cost of supervision. PLEASE follow the signs and sort & dump your rubbish accordingly.


## CHEMICALS DISPOSAL

The Mareeba Shire Council is establishing safe disposal sites for empty chemical containers. If there is a small amount of chemical left eg Roundup etc, add water & use it for the purpose it was intended, then further rinse onto ground ( not down sink!) and dispose of empty container responsibly. These will be recycled by Council.

ANY MORE QUESTIONS ? CALL COUNCIL 921 222




**Reduce your rubbish**



# Compost

### Why compost

Every year householders throw away thousands of tonnes of waste.



Food	36%
Paper	21%
Glass	16%
Plastic	10%
Garden	7%
Steel	5%
Aluminium	1%
Other	4%

(Environment Protection Authority, 1999)

Much of this waste can be recycled or reused. Almost half of household rubbish is kitchen and garden waste that can be recycled into compost.

Composting is a cheap and hygienic method of converting kitchen and garden waste into clean-smelling material used in the garden as a soil conditioner or surface mulch.

Even if you are not a gardener you can still do your bit by reducing the amount of kitchen and garden waste going to landfill.

In the waste minimisation process, composting is an important part because it:

- \* reduces the amount of rubbish we throw away
- \* decreases our need for landfill sites
- \* provides a chemical-free fertilizer for our garden

### What should go into the compost

Most organic materials which decompose readily are suitable for use in a compost heap.

These include:


- \* grass cuttings
- \* clipped garden prunings
- \* leaves
- \* flowers
- \* vegetable remains and peelings
- \* cooked table scraps
- \* tea leaves
- \* coffee grounds

- \* egg shells
- \* stale bread
- \* shredded newspaper
- \* paper tissues
- \* hair and wool
- \* woodfire ash
- \* sawdust and woodshavings
- \* horse, chicken and cow manure
- \* vacuum cleaner dust.

For best results, chop or grind coarse material to speed breakdown

### What should stay out of the compost?

- \* garden waste with thorns or nettles
- \* conifer prunings
- \* pine needles
- \* weeds with bulbs such as nut grass and oxalis
- \* diseased plant material
- \* fat and oil
- \* salt
- \* disinfectants
- \* antibiotics
- \* herbicides



- \* pesticides
- \* septic tank sludge or toilet waste
- \* meat scraps and diseased animal carcasses
- \* any materials that do not decompose
- \* pet droppings

### How does your compost grow?

Compost can be made in either a heap or a bin, depending on the amount of material for composting and the needs and size of your garden.

A heap is useful for gardeners with large quantities of waste.


A compost bin is often better suited to smaller, suburban gardens.

The composting process works efficiently when it is built in about 15cm layers. Start with a layer of branches and twigs, then alternate different ingredients in layers. Twigs speed decomposition by allowing air to circulate.

A 2 cm layer of starter material such as animal manure, blood and bone meal or well-rotted compost added to the top of each layer increases decomposition.

Remember to keep the compost just damp and turn the pile over every few weeks to aid decomposition.


Compost is ready to use when it has a crumbly appearance, an earthy smell and identifying what things were is difficult.





Compost heap                      Compost bin

**For more information on how to start your compost**

**contact Council's Environmental Health Dept. ph 921 222**



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## Composition of the Australian Municipal Waste Stream.

Source: Federal EPA: Monitoring of Performance Against Waste Minimisation and Recycling Targets, Final Report 1994



It has been estimated that about 25% of the contents of the municipal waste stream is made up of green waste from public and private gardens. By composting this green waste we are finding a higher value use for it than landfill and reducing landfill volumes at the same time. However, municipal composting of waste will only be viable if the quality and cost of the product is attractive to potential end users.

The proportions of various materials in the waste stream is very much affected by economic conditions. When times are bad, there is very little building activity

and the amount of construction and demolition wastes decrease. People also buy fewer goods and packaging waste decreases.

On the other side of the coin, when times are good, people buy more and the amount of packaging increases as does building activity.

Note: the municipal wastestream excludes construction and industrial waste.

“ In order to maximise resource recovery, Local Government should investigate the efficiencies offered by a vertically integrated waste management facility which treats the entire waste stream of the region as a single resource controlled by a single operator. ”

Concentrating local waste streams into larger regional waste streams offers three very important advantages for maximising resource recovery.

1. The waste stream is sufficiently large and consistent to justify a large scale investment in processing plant and premises. This factor will become even more important in the future, since lightweighting of packaging will result in less recoverable material per tonne of waste.
2. To be a viable alternative to virgin material, a constant source of recycled material must be available. No manufacturer will commit to a raw material source which is here today, but may not be available tomorrow.
3. Partnerships with the private sector are possible. This is a very important advantage, because although councils are experts in public health, building regulation, waste disposal and many other very important areas, their traditional expertise does not cover the manufacturing and marketing of products out of waste or any other material. This is the expertise of the private sector. A larger, more commercially viable regional waste stream could well be the first step towards a publicly controlled but privately funded and operated waste management system which maximises resource recovery.



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*"Waste to Energy"*  
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*"The Changing Face of Landfill"*  
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*"A Model Regional Resource Recovery Strategy"*  
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## Should landfill diversion be the yardstick?

In order of importance, the three steps towards better waste management for a better environment (known as the Waste Management Hierarchy) are:

1. Avoid producing waste in the first place.
2. If producing waste is unavoidable, recover, recycle and reuse as much as possible.
3. Whatever is left must be safely disposed of.

Our national objective to meet these priorities, as stated in the National Waste Minimisation and Recycling Strategy, is to reduce the amount of waste disposed of to landfill by 50% by the year 2000. This is a Federal Government target accepted by the States and by Local Councils throughout Australia.

The thinking behind this target is that in order to reduce the amount of waste going into our landfills, we will have no choice but to reduce the total amount of waste being produced and recover and recycle more.

Unfortunately, things haven't quite worked out that way.

## Have we got the right target?

The problem with the Year 2000 target is that it is quite feasible to reduce the amount of waste going to landfill by 50% without significantly reducing waste production or improving recycling figures.

On the one hand, it is useful to have an accepted target for reducing landfill, and although 50% is an arbitrary target it is as good as any other.

On the other hand, we shouldn't assume that reaching this target will solve our waste problems, especially recycling problems, because to do that we need a better system, not a bigger target.

NEXT MONTH: Waste as a valuable resource.

The information on this page is taken, with permission, from a very comprehensive publication called " MAKING RECYCLING WORK - A More Business-Like Approach to Waste Management" produced as the result of a 1994 Consensus Conference organised by the Solid Waste Infrastructure Development Group, which is a voluntary association of leading food and grocery manufacturers who share the environmental concerns of the Australian public. The booklet was produced from a number of papers given at that conference ( see acknowledgements left) and is excellent. Copies of the book are available at the Green House Environment Shop.

A donation to Wildlife Rescue would be appreciated.

## MY SHORT STAY IN AN INDIAN ASHRAM

This was my first visit to the Osho Ashram in Poona. I arrived in Bombay one hot and sticky morning, hardly able to breathe owing to all the pollution from all the under-maintained trucks, cars and three wheeler two stroke rickshaws. What a dirty, smelly place this turned out to be. Much worse than my memories of my visit in 1973. Anyway the usual hassle of bargaining with taxi drivers as to what was a fair price to be taken to the railway station went on for about ten minutes before it was settled. And then away I went to get the first train to Poona. Arriving at the station the porters, seeing I was a foreigner were soon flocking around me asking to carry my bags and to book my ticket. I remembered from my last visit to India that it was much quicker to choose a young porter than try to go it alone as ticket sellers and by-standers always seem only to speak Hindi (there main indigenous language), as if to pay you back for not supporting the system. So off we go to number one platform, passed all the crowds along a platform and over a bridge and 200m along the next platform. Me a big strong Aussie/POM, six feet one with my shoes off, carrying just my valuables in a small waist pack and my new ticket following this small skinny 14 year old with a case on his head and a carry-all at the end of one of his equally skinny arms. Where he dropped me off was exactly where the first class carriage stopped. The old steam engine arrived after 20 minutes and I was off up to Poona. Its a bit like Kuranda is to Cairns, up in the hills and about 3-4 degrees cooler with a lot less humidity. Poona used to be where all the wealthy British who lived in Bombay in colonial times went during the hot rainy season. It was indeed much more pleasant when I arrived, even though it was the middle of the day. I lost no time, I jumped in the first rickshaw and asked for the Ashram. As there are so many visitors coming here the driver knew exactly where to go and also to set the taxi metre, as the Ashram have advised the rickshaw drivers to do so under threat of a bus service being used instead. As the Ashram contributes to a very large degree to the local economy because of the 2-5000 tourists visiting there on different days throughout the year, they are only too willing to look after us' all. At the Welcome Centre I was advised to book into the hotel next door and to have a good rest because it would take until the next day for my AIDs test to be checked. The Osho Ashram is an AIDs free zone. They also made me very welcome, gave me lots of hugs, took my photo for my ID card and advised me where I might obtain cheap accommodation for my three month stay. Rooms were easy to find, I looked at 3 or 4 and chose one about 6 minutes walk away at the cost of 1500 Rs per month. that's about \$60. The next day I picked up my ID card and explored the third section of the Ashram, it is divided into three by two roads that pass through. The central section contains Buddha Auditorium which is the main meditation building which can hold 5000 people. it also has the main eating area, offices, safe valuables storage, book and tape shop and Loa-Tzu area which contains Osho's house and a beautiful white marble meditation space used for silent sitting. It is air-conditioned and immaculately clean, and so peaceful that meditation is almost as easy as falling of the proverbial log. The top section is the Multi-versity where many black marble pyramids which are used mainly for groups and training and the lower section contains the arts complex, cafe, post-office and shops etc. Meditations start at 6am with "Dynamic meditation" which is an hour long and is divided into 5 parts. The first is chaotic breathing followed by catharsis (letting it all out, laughter, anger, frustration or whatever) then follows jumping up and down while intoning the old Tibetan mantra Hoo as you land. Suddenly you hear STOP! and that starts a totally quiet section. The meditation ends with a short celebration dance. A very powerful process, especially for those who have trouble going into silence or for those who have never meditated before. Off to the shower and into a good welcome breakfast. All meals are vegetarian and most of the fruit and vegies are grown on a farm run by the Ashram so as to secure safe healthy produce. Indian food is full of diseases that western stomachs take a while to get used to, but at least this produce is very safe as is the water which is UV treated and filtered from there own wells. A 1-2 hour discourse follows and then "Vipasana meditation" which is 45 minutes silent sitting and 15 minutes very slow walking with awareness. Next some morning tea and sometimes there is an African dance session or Heart dance session. Both are fairly energetic, lots of fun and both finish with silence. Now is the time to relax, maybe at the pool or to stroll in the very large gardens built by the Ashram for the Poona community as a good-will gift. Or to find a little hide-a-way of which there are plenty, to chat with a friend or to be quiet on ones own before going to lunch. After lunch has settled the next event is "Nadabrama meditation" which is humming, giving and receiving energy, finishing with silence, like the other meditations it lasts one hour. This is followed after a short time by "Kundalini meditation" four sections, the first 15 minutes being to shake the body until it continues to shake on it's own, followed by 15 minutes of silent standing or sitting and then 20 minutes of silent lying down finishing with 10 minutes of celebration dance. All the day-time meditations are done in maroon coloured robes. these being very comfortable and also contribute towards concentrating the energy. You can buy these robes from street sellers of which there are many, as with so many western visitors it makes for a good local industry. The evening meal can be taken early 4,30 - 6.00pm or after the evening event in which everyone wears white in what is called "The White Robe Brotherhood"



Photo K.Buhler

**OOPS !! WRONG PLANET...** So thought 16yr. old Oliver Philippin from Switzerland when he arrived at Mantaka, Kuranda to spend six months learning English at a Cairns language school.

Warm weather, long rides on school buses, snakes, spiders, frogs, bats you name it... Oliver hadn't seen it!

Making good use of the year in between leaving school and taking up his draftsman apprenticeship, Oliver chose to catch up with relatives and learn English, which is required for the computer component of his course... What he didn't realise is that here we speak 'STRINE', and he had to learn to say "do ya wanna...?" etc.

Oliver is now on the way home - to snow boarding, two hot meals a day, his own German dialect of Suisseddeutsch and memories of a place that seems like another planet.

### WHY WORRY?

There are only two things in life to worry about. You're either rich, or you're poor. If you're rich, you've got nothing to worry about, and if you're poor, there are still only two things to worry about. You're either well or you're ill. If you're well, you've got nothing to worry about, and if you're ill, there are still only two things to worry about. You're either going to get better, or you're not. If you're going to get better, you've got nothing to worry about, and if you're not, there are still only two things to worry about. you're either going up, or you're going down. If you're going up, you've got nothing to worry about, and if you're going down, you'll be so busy shaking hands with old friends, you won't have any time to worry - so, why worry.

### Words of Wisdom from OSHO

No.25 MONEY

Money is like blood circulating in the body: in the body of society money circulates, it is blood. It helps society to be enriched, to be alive—but it is like blood. You must have heard about diseases in which the blood stops and cannot circulate, clots of blood come into existence and they become blocks and they cannot circulate in the body. Then you are paralysed, and if the clots happen you are dead. If money circulates, moves from one hand to the other, goes on moving, the more movement the better, then the blood circulates well, then life is healthy. But when a miser comes in, a clot has happened: somewhere somebody is accumulating, not sharing and that is a clot in the blood circulation, the man disturbs, he does not live himself and because he is blocking he does not allow others to live. The money has stopped circulating.

Osho Information Centre, Saddhen, 930291

this consists of about half an hour of meditative line music which at the end reaches to a big final crescendo followed by 20 minutes silence and about one hour of prerecorded video of an Osho discourse. Sometimes there are special late meditations after this but usually you can relax at the disco or go with friends for a quiet drink at the bar. Sunday evenings is usually movie night sometimes one of the latest, sometimes an interesting old or Indian movie for a change. As well as all the meditations, every day there are many therapy groups, art and craft workshops, training in almost every healing art you can imagine as well as most of the martial arts, drama, and most things creative. too many to list here. I was to spend the first 5 weeks of my visit in meditation every day. More of this in part two of my story in a future edition of our great kuranda Paper, Saddhen

JAZZ HARDBOP HOUDINI'S JAZZ HARDBOP HOUDINI'S JAZZ HARDBOP HOUDINI'S JAZZ HARDBOP HOUDINI'S JAZZ HARDBOP HOUDINI'S



The Houdini's are Holland's most exciting hardbop sextet, a dynamic outfit with a refreshing approach, and they are coming to Kuranda! Thanks to John Howell, Kuranda is yet again privileged to have the opportunity to see and hear one of Europe's top combos. The Dutch delight of the North Sea Jazz Festival, The Houdini's, will be playing at the Kuranda Rainforest Resort on Tuesday 6 February. Bookings are essential please phone 018 770 692 or 070 937 679.

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## Rip-Offs & Copycats

COPYRIGHT AND INDIGENOUS ART FORUM

2 FEBRUARY  
CAIRNS REGIONAL GALLERY  
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*Our art is an integral part of our life. It is not separate from the rest of our life, it is the expression of a total cultural consciousness and is interwoven into the texture of our everyday life. In song and dance, in rock engraving and bark painting we re-enact the stories of the Dreamtime, and myth and symbol come together to bind us inseparably from our past, and to reinforce the internal structures of our society.*

Wandjuk Marika, 1975

Today the indigenous Arts Industry is a multi-million dollar industry. However, there is relatively little return from this industry to the indigenous people who produce the work being reproduced on a wide array of products, from wine bottles to aeroplanes.

*Rip-Offs and Copycats* will be held in conjunction with the national opening of the exhibition *Copyrites: Aboriginal Art in the age of Reproductive Technologies*. This is being organised by the National Indigenous Arts Advocacy Association and supported by Visions of Australia, ATSIIC and the Macquarie University.

The forum will look at some of the practical and legal issues involving copyright and how they apply to artists' work, as well as providing background information on the complex issue of copyright, moral rights and ownership of artistic work.

Speakers at the forum will include representatives from the National Indigenous Arts advocacy association, Arts Queensland and the Arts Industry.

If you or your organisation would like to send a representative to attend this forum, the Cairns Regional Gallery will be offering concession rates for community representatives and indigenous arts organisations.

The forum will be held during the day, with delegates able to attend the opening of the Copyrites exhibition that evening, at which there will be performances by Bama Ngappi Ngappi dance troupe from Yarrabah.

Whole day cost is \$50, or \$25 for concessions, including evening exhibition opening. This forum is of great importance to artists, communities and organisations throughout FNQ.

Enquiries contact Trish Le Compe, Community Liaison Officer Ph (070) 316 865 for registration form.

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## KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE SOCIETY

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY  
3-5pm  
Top Pavilion at the Amphitheatre

**KAS invites all members and members-to-be to attend our AGM. Refreshments will be served.**

This is a good opportunity to become part of your local amphitheatre. We welcome new members and ask all current members to encourage your friends to join and support the Amphitheatre in 1996. We will be electing the new committee for this year. If you would like to be on the committee, please feel free to call Wendi Russell 930178 or Jane Younghusband 937463 for more information on what's involved. It is rewarding work - keeping our beautiful Amphitheatre functioning and growing.

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# Arts, Entertainment and Events Calendar

## February 1996

- 2 **Rip-offs and Copycats:** -indigenous art issues seminar on copyright at the Cairns Regional Gallery all day Ph 316865  
 2 **Copyrites: Aboriginal Art in the Age of Reproductive Technologies:** touring exhibition at the Gallery to accompany above seminar  
 6 **The Houdini's:** Holland's premier jazz sextet on Australian tour at Kuranda Rainforest Resort Ph 018 770 692 or (070) 937679  
 9-24/3 **Ancient Lands, Modern Art:** Queensland Art Gallery tour at Regional Gallery includes FNQ's Thaiday, Thancoupie, & Zane Saunders.  
 16 **Poetry & Pasta.** Regional participant poetry readings with performance elements at Monkey's BYO. Bookings Ph. 937451.  
 17 **Perfect & Professional Art Exhibitions:** Cairns Regional Gallery workshop by Ludij Peden and Heather Byrne. Book Ph 577267  
 16 **BLAH BLAH assemBLAHage:** Tableland Printmakers at Cairns Regional Gallery includes Kuranda's Catherine Jacoby and Val Keenan.  
**Piano Viva:** John and Helen Winther with classical concerts every Sunday at 4.30pm at Gordonvale Ph 565552  
 24 **Kuranda Amphitheatre Annual General Meeting:** 3pm at the Amphitheatre. Enquiries Ph 937782  
 28-2/3 **Blithe Spirit:** Qld. Theatre Co. tour of Noel Coward's classic starring Barry Creyton and others at Cairns Civic Theatre Ph 513211

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## CAPOEIRA

### THE BRAZILIAN MARTIAL ART DANCE



Capoeira is the Brazilian dance ritual where martial art and dance meet. With its roots in Africa, Capoeira evolved in Brazil as a secret fighting art, masked behind a festive dance ritual. The African slaves in Brazil successfully used it in their lengthy fight for freedom from the Portuguese colonisers.

Cairns based dance and entertainment group BRAZIL DANCE SPECTACULARS is exposing this dynamic art form to the community through innovative workshops.

A workshop and book launch about Capoeira will take place on Sunday January 28th at Grafton Arts, 124 Grafton St Cairns. The workshop runs between 2pm and 5pm and is followed by the book launch of "Capoeira, Slave Ritual" at 5.30pm.

**WORKSHOP:** The three and a half hour workshop for adults and children (5 years +) costs \$15 per person and will explore the art of Capoeira through music, instruments (including percussion), movements and ritual. Capoeira is based around music and song and all participants contribute to the songs and instrument playing as well as the dance.

**BOOK LAUNCH:** Leading exponent of Capoeira, writer and classical musician (currently with Opera House Orchestra) Jeronimo Santos Da Silva will launch his book "Capoeira, Slave Ritual" at 5.30pm. ALL WELCOME. The book describes the history of Capoeira in Brazil and the world at large and examines its contemporary role in the Australian multi-cultural community, particularly in the lead up to the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games. It is hoped Capoeira will be included in the opening ceremony of the Games.

FOR MORE DETAILS please contact:  
Andrew Pak Poy 581 543 or 015 607 391.

### R.A.D.F. UPDATE

Congratulations to applicants receiving grants in the recent round of Regional Arts Development Fund allocations. Those successful were:

- FAIRYTALES (Rachel Martin of Kuranda - director/producer) toward costs of producing a professional pantomime to be performed prior to and during the Easter holidays.
- KURANDA PRIMITIVE DANCE COMPANY (Ibena Cundell of Kuranda - artistic director) towards promotional costs of a 10 week season of performance at Kuranda Markets
- GRACE HARI (talented young Kuranda artist) toward cost of attending painting workshop at the McGregor Summer School in Toowoomba
- VIOLET HARI (her equally talented sister) toward studying piano at the McGregor Summer School
- JANDY PANNELL (Kuranda glass artist) toward costs of holding a workshop of professional artists in the construction and operation of a crucible casting kiln.

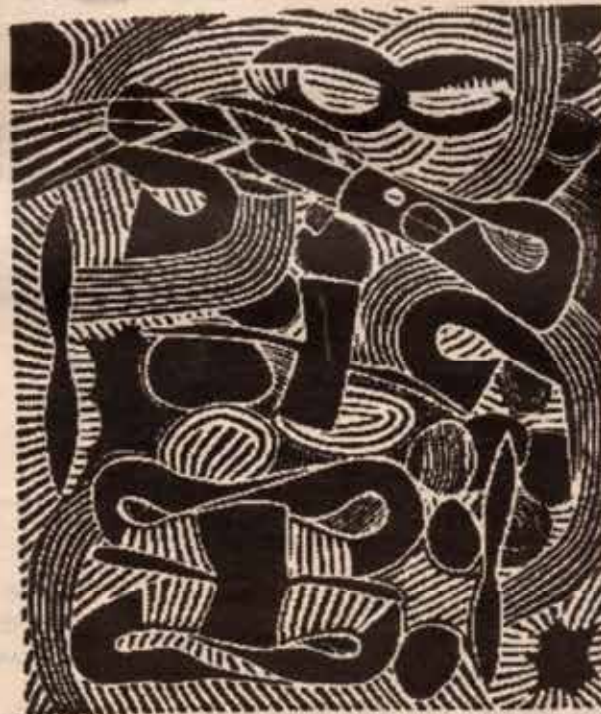
RADF is co-funded by Arts Qld and Mareeba Shire Council and administered by a committee of elected

## Ancient Land, Modern Art

Kuranda's Zane Saunders is one of several north Queensland artists to have work in the Queensland Art Gallery tour of works coming to Cairns Regional Gallery from 9 February.

Ken Thaiday, Thancoupie, Brian Robinson, and Zane are the north Queenslanders among the 23 indigenous artists from nearly all Australia states, showing as part of the regional touring of works from the collection of the Queensland Art Gallery.

There is a great resurgence within artistic traditions thousands of years old. However, the full diversity of Australian art is not generally well known. Because of their high profile, Western Desert 'dot' painting and Arnhem Land bark paintings are what people mostly associate with Australian indigenous art. Styles from north Queensland and the Torres Strait, where there are cultural links to PNG and Melanesia evident in indigenous works, are only recently becoming recognised.



Zane, who works in both traditional and contemporary styles, trained at Cairns TAFE. His work is in major galleries around the country, and is used in the design of the new Cairns Regional Gallery logo.

He exhibited in the *Yu-Pla Me-Pla* show of young indigenous artists at the Cairns Regional Gallery late last year, as well as the *Shock of the New Festival of New Work* in Brisbane, and travelled in Cape York teaching art.

Best known for his lino cuts (as shown here), Zane's touring piece from the Queensland Art Gallery is a painting *Lovers Story* on canvas, purchased by the QAG in 1990.

*Ancient Land, Modern Art* opens at Cairns Regional Gallery on 9 February and continues until 24 March.

Eve Stafford

members of the community. Kuranda representatives are Terry Eager (937492) and Virginia Alberghini (938710).

Under new changes to the funding process councils must now make a bid for the Arts Qld share of the budget for the upcoming year. Part of this bidding process requires an indication by council of the categories of grants intending to be funded. Feedback from the community is desirable to enable prioritising.

RADF funds all areas of the arts - Visual Arts & Craft; Performing Arts, Writing & Music & Cultural Activities.

The five basic categories of funding are:

- Individual Professional Development (individuals attending workshops/seminars elsewhere)
- Projects (proposed outcome)
- Skill Development Workshops (locally presented workshops)
- Concept Development (research, development of ideas)
- Policy Development & Implementation (Councils only)

So, those who have activities in mind over the next 12 - 18 months and require financial assistance, please contact your local reps before Feb 14th with your rough ideas to assist in this process. Information, and assistance with grant applications is always available. Next round deadline is May 15th.

**KURANDA SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB NEWS**

The Club Committee wish members and friends a prosperous and positive 1996.

It is certainly going to be a positive year for the Club with all facilities (except for the Swimming Pool) in place. Our surrounds were very much a building site last year, but with the completion of the Tennis Courts and sealing of the carpark and road entry we are now ready and open for business. . . . no mud, no dust! The finale will be the commissioning of the Junior League football field, (applauded by our football Patron, Norm Provan) and the lawn-bowls lights which will allow night playing. Don't forget there is a pitch for cricket players, all you have to do is form a team. The Dressage area has been given a fair work-out lately.

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If you want to start a local competition and compete with other Clubs in the area, please ring Gene, 939007 or Arch 937511.

**LAWN BOWLS**

Clarrie and George have relaxed the grip on their balls(!). The green has been refurbished, and is now ready for play. Clarrie and George have done an enormous amount of work to maintain the green.

Congratulations to both of you. 'Jake the Younger' sez he'll give you a hand this year. New players have been getting lots of practice in at twilight - I believe the youngest is 11 years old. Night lights have been ordered and will be installed by the end of March. For further information on practice and competition sessions ring George 938057.

**JUNIOR FOOTBALL**

Several years ago, Kuranda had junior rugby league teams in all young grades who represented their town with pride and skill. Quite a number of those teams won their premiership - and promised that Kuranda in the near future would have senior teams representing our region.

Sadly because of difficulties with grounds and various other reasons - our teams were forced to disband. Our best footballers were compelled to either play out of town in Mareeba or Cairns - or to abandon the game because of difficulties with transportation. Now under the auspices of the Kuranda Sports and Social Club - the Kuranda Junior Rugby League is reforming. A committee has been set up and we will be having a player sign-up early in the school year.

Our goal is the open premiership in 2001!

The community's assistance will be essential for the success of this undertaking. A working bee will be held soon to erect the goal posts; and to mark out and mow the field.

Many of our young players come from families who are poor. Just buying the weekly food bill is often a struggle. Therefore we will be appealing to the community in an "adopt a footballer" programme. More details on this in the future.

What is needed now are people who can assist with the setting up and the organisation of the league teams. If you are interested in helping our town establish its football future - just a couple of hours a month - please contact Mark Freeman at the Post Office.

**OPENING HOURS -**

**FRIDAY NIGHTS - 5PM TILL LATE**

Farewell Jenny, hope everything goes well for you.

**DAVE IS BACK.** For the followers, Stories and philosophy for the price of a drink.

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**WALKS FOR FEBRUARY**

*Calling all Walkers.* I have few details of these walks as the planning meeting has only just happened so please contact the walk leaders or myself: Saddhen 930291

**WEDNESDAY 31st JAN Location MT BALDY:**

Meet 8am Old Post Office Gallery, Atherton, Contact: Sandy Keate 933993

**SUNDAY 11th FEB Location Lake Eacham, Meet at the lake car park 11am for lunch, Then a short**

easy Family walk starting at 12 noon Contact Pat Ash 913748

**WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY Location** Walks around KURANDA Contact Saddhen 930291 The walk will be lead by a past Kuranda resident John Mealing. This should be a very interesting walk for locals as John was involved in a lot of interesting things from earlier days.

**CLUB NEWS**



Soil retention at the Sports and Social Club. Well designed wall works behind the car parking area. Photo R.Dods

**KURANDA RANGERS SOCCERTOOS  
SOCCER NEWS**

It's nearly that time of the year for the soccer season to start so get the boots out and shine them up for the 1996 season. The club would like to invite all interested players, coaches and sports-lovers in the community to sign on for the 1996 season and enjoy being involved with playing competition soccer for your town, Kuranda. The Kuranda Rangers Soccer Club plays in the Tableland Junior Soccer Competition, playing home and away fixtures with teams in age groups from Under 7 to the teenage years. This would involve approximately a dozen Saturday afternoons and some Sundays for carnivals for the year as well as the usual club social and award functions. It's a great way to get fit, be social and learn new skills as well as enjoying yourself being part of a team. Full training provided for coaches.

Training will commence soon. To Be Announced.

Also a Social get-together is in the pipeline. Stay tuned. . . . Enquiries; phone 937816.

**SIGN-ON & AGM**

Venue: Kuranda Sports and Social Club, Fallon Road

Date: Saturday, 10 February 1996

Format: 3pm AGM, All Welcome. 4.30pm Sign-on and information hour.

NOTE: Please remember a copy of your birth certificate for the sign-on and fees will be payable at this time.

Results of the Kuranda Rangers Soccer Club Christmas raffle: Drawn Sat. December 9.

1st S & K Brown, Candleabra by M. Janezic

2nd B. Bartnett, Decorative Platter by Terri Eager

3rd J. Battersby, Sports Bag/ KRSC

4th B. Madden, Haircut by Scissorworx

5th L. Salvaras, Aromatherapy, Kuranda Pharmacy

6th R. Trapnell, Candles, by Salie & Zana

Congratulations and thank you for your support.

<b>Kuranda Rangers Soccer Club Annual General Meeting</b>	Saturday February 10, 1996 3pm at Kuranda Sports and Social Club
	<b>AGENDA:</b> Election of Office Bearers Annual Reports Membership Fees



CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY  
4 March  
Kuranda School

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF KURANDA  
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In Aid Of  
**Kuranda Community Projects**

**WHEN:** SATURDAY 23RD MARCH at 2.30PM

**WHERE:** The Kuranda Village Centre, Cnr Coondoo and Therwine Streets. (Refreshments light and heavy available)

**WHY:** To raise much needed funds for some community projects.

**HOW:** By auctioning new and used donated items such as:

A) Unwanted household items

B) Goods or services such as gift vouchers for your shop/stall/restaurant or accomodation

C) Or submit your big ticket items such as furniture, bikes, motormowers, trailer, etc. to be sold on a commission basis, subject to your reserve.

**ANY OLD THINGS WILL ALL HELP**

**RING:** Steve Dominikovic on 937629 or 015-160659 or Mike Mabbutt on 939050 or 018-773116 or drop your items off at L.J. Hooker, Kuranda. Large items can be picked up. Ring Mike to make arrangements. SEE YOU THERE!

# CLUB NEWS



## KURANDA HORSE & PONY CLUB

The Kuranda Horse and Pony Club had a very busy year in 1995, a total of 70 members with 43 riders. The Pony Club met every 2nd Saturday from 10a.m. to 4p.m. with a good lunch and refreshments provided at a reasonable price. Our Instructors covered flat work, jumping, sporting and team riding during the course of the day. Trail rides were offered at regular intervals throughout the year to the Flaggy, where sausage sizzles were available. These rides seemed to be enjoyed by all and are a good discipline for horses. The Club ran 3 Horses Sports throughout the year which were very successful and with the continuing improvements of the grounds and club house, proved very popular. The horse sports are a good fund raiser for the club. The grounds have been used for horsemanship clinics and by the Endurance Horse Club as a base for their long distance rides. The club house has been used on the Friday evening prior to rally day (every 2nd week) as a B.B.Q. and social evening which proved very popular. A new kitchen is in the pipe line with internal finishes to be completed and it is hoped that in 1996, with fund raisers and Pony Club days, money will be available for the completion of the kitchen plus improvements to the grounds. These include, in the long term, horse stalls, a round yard, electricity and water to the far end of the grounds for camping during any weekend events. It is hoped that all forms of horse disciplines may use the grounds, and they are many i.e. sports, jumping, western, dressage, endurance, etc. Other improvements will include a skate board ramp, BMX track, along with the already operational tennis and basketball court. Any other suggestions regarding uses of the grounds will be most welcome.

The Kuranda Horse and Pony Club A.G.M. will be held on the 6th February, 1996 at 7.30 at the Club House. All new and existing members are requested to attend along with anyone interested in finding out what goes on with this horsey crowd!

Any inquiries can be made on the following numbers: 938950 938970 938726 938817.

### RADIO!!!!!! CALLING !!

Calling all persons interested in learning the Art of Radio presenting, structuring, programmes and live to air interviewing. We are trying for 6-8 people and the hope of a TAFE course to cater to this need. If you are genuinely interested and prepared to stay with a course - please drop us a line with name and number to K.M.A., PO Box 66, Kuranda.



## NEW PARK JUST AROUND THE CORNER



Centenary Park is finally taking shape. Next is the new toilet facility, landscaping and a community arts project just starting to evolve.

# Speewah District Residents Association Inc.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Speewah District Residents Association is to be held on Tuesday, February 13th, 7.30pm at the Rural Fire Brigade Building on Roscommon corner of Speewah Road and William Smith Drive. Positions for Nominations are: President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Nominations can be made to: The Secretary, PO Box 149, Kuranda 4872 Alternatively nominations can be made at the meeting. ALL WELCOME. Please bring a chair.



## Rabe Review

For the Attention of: THE MASSIVELY UNCHALLENGED  
Live Performance - "LAUNCH YOURSELF"  
Venue: Kuranda Amphitheatre

1995 had been a Good Year, but Saturday, December 8th, 1995 made it a Great Year. This date made us all look forward to 1996 with a WARM SMILE.

Of the actors, the children, what Angels they were on the moon rising above the sail, balmy night in Kuranda. What energy they had. The boys climbed, fell, flipped and rolled all over the stage. The girls danced, swayed, climbed and rolled from one side of the stage to the other. All Souls soared with delight as we watched. Even when they climbed and rolled together they never lost sight of the Light.

Certainly God's Favourite Angels 6 X Gold Bejewelled Crosses

The MC for the evening (Zeberdy) wore her clothes like a second skin. She kept the little devils in the audience in line and won the Good Sisters favour. THE VOICE that courses through her veins and out through her throat is surely a gift from God.

The Good Sisters of Soul Award 6 X Gold Crosses  
Steve & Eric were the creative force behind the music, lights and slides. True artists, what a gorgeous couple they make in public.

There was no time in space with their arrangements. Combining high-tech with nature sounds, the soundscape was the very thread that wove the fabric of the nights performances. With the dancers, shapes melted into colours, and then into sound. 6 - 10 year olds, costumed in flowing white and with choreographed movements, expressed heartfelt emotions of sea mammals surviving against a backdrop of Pacific nuclear testing - an original dimention to the overall experience of the night.

Apostles of the Night Award 6 X Gold Crosses plus many, many thankful prayers

What could be more delicious fun than hurling insults at UNCLE SCROOGE, knowing the enlightened spirit under there.

The Good Fairy, who reminded us all of a clean cut virgin, did a wonderful, long, slow job with SCROOGE. Of course when he arose and bent over to throw his lollies into the audience, we Good Sisters held our breaths, hoping that his night shirt wouldn't ride up any further. . . .

To The Confessional with 6 X Sprinkles of HOLY WATER  
Now a man who can move dear friends is a man who moves the Good Sisters. Painted black face, white gloved hands (sigh) this act was pure excitement. We hope that God was busy that night as the Sisters were having a few impure thoughts as we watched those hips and buttocks bounce, grind and sway to the groove.

We crossed our letgs and hung on to our rosary beads. DEUS GRATIAS PARIS. 6 X very soft, very pink, Blushes.

The parents want to thank Kel & Mel for showing the children the way in excellent performance. The performers want to thank Kel & Mel for their time and devotion in allowing them to be perfect angels for one glorious night in their lives. Kel & Mel would love to thank all who helped the show come together to allow all present a night of pure, raw, clean fun.  
KELLY & MELANIE - GOAL SUPREME AWARD

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plus 1 X direct, inspirational zapping from heaven.  
But aren't people funny? Imagine staying at home playing the same old movie until BEDDY BYE TIME.

### REMEMBER

A Challenge Not Met  
is a Terrible Thing To Waste

Sister Maria +

Sister Theresa +

# SO that's where they went .....

Lydia and James T. Graham from the Ice Cream Parlour are now in Tasmania running the Colony Inn. They've sent us this info about their new home. "If you needed a reason to visit Tassie, you now have one - US!" said James T. The K.M.A and paper production team wish them well and "many thanks for all the years of work supporting the Kuranda Paper from all of - US!!"

THE state boasts the oldest bridge still in use in Australia (in Richmond), the longest model railway (Alpenrail in Hobart) and the largest antique dolls house in the country.

The last can be found in the Old Colony Inn in New Norfolk. It is filled with miniature furniture, all made by one William Payne. Not a lot is known about William except that he was born in England in 1755. And apparently the dolls house was made in the mid 1800s to house all the pieces he made.

You can see the doll's house, a magical sight indeed for young and old, in the museum at the Old Colony Inn. Other

pieces in the museum include a French baby grand piano made in 1815 and Dutch Delft blue and white kitchen tiles made in the early 1600s.

In addition to the museum, you'll find tearooms, cottage-style accommodation and a charming sunken cottage garden at the Old Colony Inn.

The earliest part of the historic Inn was built with mud and stone by convicts in 1815. It was originally a hop store. The top storey, made from convict brick, was added in 1835.

It's an interesting building from both an architectural and historical point of view.

You might like to browse around the Inn

and enjoy morning or afternoon tea or a light lunch in the tea room. This is open from 9am to 5pm seven days a week. You'll find homemade dishes such as soups, chicken and asparagus parcels and smoked salmon sandwiches on the menu.

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The Old Colony Inn is located close to the approach to New Norfolk from Hobart at 21 Montagu Street. For more information please ring (002) 61 2731.

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## 50 YEARS AGO NEWS of JANUARY, 1946

1. Queensland: The State government establishes a free hospital scheme.
2. Bass Strait: The two missing yachts in the Sydney-Hobart race are found after a search by the RAAF, and one of them, Rani, goes on to win.
6. North Vietnam: Ho Chi Minh wins elections.
7. Berlin: 2000 Polish Jews leave the Soviet Sector.
8. Nuremberg: The trial of Goering and von Ribbentrop opens.
16. Middle East: The Kings of Egypt and Saudi Arabia insist Palestine is Arab land.
20. Paris: De Gaulle resigns, declaring he is retiring from politics.
21. London: The United Nations sets up an Atomic Energy Commission.
23. Nuremberg: Hess asks to conduct his own defence.
28. UK: The first post-war bananas arrive in Britain.
30. London: The UN council picks Norwegian diplomat Trygve Lie as its first Secretary-General.
30. Budapest: Hungary is declared a Republic.

Shep



### SNIPPETS OF AMAR'S STORY (Far Northern Belly Dancer)

In 1982 my life changed. I saw for the first time a real live belly dancer and was totally mesmerised by her beauty, suppleness and skill. Oh how much I wanted to dance like that - I fell in love with Dance Orientale (the proper name for belly dancing) immediately! Yes! I thought I will don the attire of the seven veils and seek belly dancing lessons! Thankfully, a seven veils costume was not required, leotards were quite OK with a scarf tied around the hips. Believe it or not thousands of years ago belly dancing was created by women for women's amusement only and not for the titillation of men.

From the start I realised belly dance was for me. I enjoyed it so much that I practised for hours every day (to the utmost amazement of my partner who knew, or thought he knew my feeling towards any form of exertion!).

Eventually belly dance became my life. I went to live in Egypt to study the dance and culture. There I met one of Egypt's most celebrated and famous dancers, Sohair Zaki, and was taught by her. She was so praiseworthy of me that it gave me the confidence to perform in public. And so I did, even in Cairo where, to my amazement, the audiences were most appreciative. After gaining much confidence and knowledge I went on to London to perform. Although work was plentiful, I decided I could not stay there as it was far too cold. To my relief an agent offered me a contract to dance in the United Arab Emirates, of course I accepted but unbeknown to me I was going to be met at Dubai airport by the biggest crook of an agent you could ever meet. This particular agent omitted to pay me for weeks, along with all his other artists and he ended up going to jail.

I was just about to return to London feeling rather foolish when I received an offer of a contract to dance in Abu Dhabi at the Sheraton Hotel. Before that contract expired I received another from the Ramada in Ruwais, and so it went on. Who needed an agent? I spent a very profitable and happy year there, living in the lap of luxury but working very hard, performing for at least an hour every day on stage. Since then I have been performing and conducting classes in the art of Belly Dance in the Cairns area, including teaching troupe choreographic skills to a number of local girls who now perform in my dance troupe "The Jewels of the Nile". So you can see that a whole new world of adventure awaits every woman. Like me, who knows where it could lead you?!!!!

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Regards Geoff and Stephen

**KURANDA COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION**

Kuranda Community Kindergarten, located opposite the preschool on Barron Falls Road, is a community run organisation providing a child based program for 3 -5 year old children. A management committee of parents is responsible for the finances, maintenance and staffing. The Kindy is fully affiliated with the Creche and Kindergarten Association. Within the program, we plan to help children to

- \* feel good about themselves
- \* value their own efforts and results
- \* develop satisfactory relationships with others
- \* become independent and self reliant
- \* develop persistence
- \* be creative and imaginative
- \* respect the rights and property of others
- \* respect the environment
- \* expand their knowledge of the world

Waiting Lists are now open for 1996 and 1997. For more details, please call Lorraine on 937500 before 24/1/96 or at the Kindy on 938087 after 24/1/96 when staff will be in attendance.

**Grant Success!** - We were successful in obtaining a grant from the Community Gaming Machine Benefits Fund for \$7000. These funds will be used to upgrade the playground and purchase new equipment, including scrambling nets and vaulting mats. This will help improve our already beautiful Kindy and make it an even better place for our Kindy kids.



Kindy kids get a natural history lesson.

**PLAY**  
Criostai Araman  
Some come skipping, some hold hands,  
One looks back where Mummy stands.  
Faces turning, eyes are yearning;  
This is a quest for play and learning.

Eyes light up; she's seen the sand,  
A perfect place for a foreign land.  
The children rush towards the table,  
Play-dough set up for all who're able.

Touching, kneading, pull the dough.  
Maybe we can make a crow?  
Bright eyes move from paint to clay;  
Child moves on, begins to play.

Time stands still while all are playing.  
"Paint bright colours," all are saying.  
Music calling, bright and gay,  
Leads towards another day.

**TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT**

Training and Employment Queensland is a section of the Department of Employment, Vocational Education, Training and Industrial Relations. Three Employment Consultants are available to assist unemployed jobseekers aged between 15 to 24 years and/or case managed clients referred by the CES to explore employment or training options. An Employment Consultant travels to Kuranda on a weekly basis (every Wednesday) and is located at the Council Board Rooms, Thongon Street (behind Fitzpatrick's pub) Kuranda. Hours of business are 9.30am - 12.30pm.

If you are unemployed and require assistance with employment or training please contact Firorza Mohammed 523490 (reverse charges)/ 015-5733450 to arrange for an interview.

**K.I.S.C. DRUG AND ALCOHOL BULLETIN**

This letter was written by George Saveka, who was one of the speakers at the Drug and Alcohol Workshop last July.

"I am George Saveka Drug and Alcohol person for the Tablelands I find that we have let go, what has been left for us by our people who have gone before us. Aboriginal well-being has been discussed and thrashed out by so-called "do gooders" who would not have a clue in the world: what do the five concentric circles directed by six arms found on any wall of caves with Aboriginal paintings and now on paintings done in the dreamtime fashion, mean. This has been left by our people for us. The circles starting from the inner circle represent:

- (a) Self (b) Family (c) Clan (d) Tribe
- (e) Dreaming

The six parts cut by the arms represent  
(1) Land (2) Water (3) Elders & Psychology  
(4) Homes (5) Education (6) Drug & Alcohol  
Think about these things and why they were left for us by our ancestors. I see you soon."  
George Saveka



Kindy lads on an excursion.

**MEN:WHAT'S WRONG WITH THEM ?**

Are Australian men more unhealthy than women? According to recent national data men die 6 years younger than women (who said women are the weaker sex?). Men live to an average of 74: Men are more likely to smoke and be subject to alcohol abuse. More men have high blood pressure, high cholesterol and are overweight. So what can men do to keep up with women. First of all, don't ignore the signals from the body. Obviously if your toilet visit sounds more like a hailstorm or it takes so long that you can read The Kuranda Paper 3 times, your system is not in good nick. If you can't bend over and do up your shoelaces due to a large concentration of saturated fats hanging on the abdomen, the time has come to lose some weight. Less men than women get treatment for their high blood pressure. See the Doctor for a check up. Reducing the salt in the diet might decrease it. Start to read the labels and you will discover a wide range of foods, where you have the choice of salt reduced and no added Salt. That lack of salt causes cramps is an old saying, and no, the army do not believe it anymore either. WHO's recommendations regarding alcohol is "the less the better". The health professionals are more moderate here in Australia where we say two drinks a day. And dont forget the exercise, 30 minutes a day and don't overdo it. You should not be in any pain and not be so puffed that you can't talk. For further advice re: diet and exercise contact me, Aneta Thomsen.

**ANETA THOMSEN**

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47 Jack St. Atherton

For app, please call Dr. McKenzies Surgery 922744



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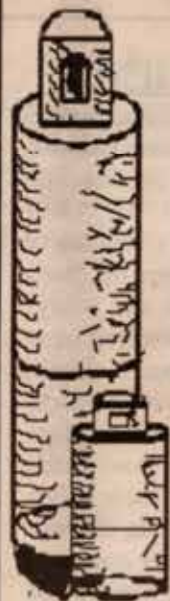
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Section 43(4)  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF AN  
APPLICATION TO AMEND A  
PLANNING SCHEME OR  
CONDITIONS  
An application has been made to the Council for the Shire of Mareeba to amend the planning scheme for the whole of the Shire of Mareeba.  
The proposed amendment is to: Rural Residential.  
The proposed amendment relates to land situated at Lot 1 on RP 71809) Kuranda Heights Road.  
Particulars of the proposed amendment will be open for inspection at the Offices of Mareeba Shire Council, 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba 4880.  
Any person may, on or before: 26th February 1996.  
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## Amazing Grace



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1st Monday 1.30 pm, PENSIONERS, CWA hall Ph 937170  
2nd Monday. 1.30 pm. CWA Meeting, CWA Hall.  
2nd and 4th Monday Kuranda Lions 7.30 pm RSL Sports &  
Social club, Fallon Road. Ph.937187  
Every Monday Life Span exercise CWA Hall 9.30am  
Every Monday Cubs, 938 872  
1st Monday Chamber of Commerce, 7pm. K.S & S. Club  
2nd Monday KISC 7.30 pm, 17 Thongon St. Ph.938933  
Every Tuesday Kuranda Koffi Klub  
Every Tuesday & Fri. Karate 5-6.30 pm CWA Hall  
Every Tuesday BABY CLINIC, CWA Hall, 9.40-12.00  
Every Tuesday & Sat. 10 am. Course in Miracles Hostel Ph 937295  
Every Tuesday Al Anon St. Saviours Meeting room. 8pm.  
1st Tuesday Pony Club 7.30 pm Mantaka  
1st & 3rd Tuesday IMMUNISE (Babies), Surgery, 2-3 pm  
Every Wednesday Poetry, Strangled Mango. 6pm, free.  
1st Wednesday Kuranda Environment Assoc. R. Resort 7.30 pm  
Last Wednesday Sports & Social Club meet. 7.30 pm.  
3rd Wed Ass. for Regional Kuranda S & S Club, 7.30pm  
Every Thursday Respite Care, CWA Hall, 9 am-3pm  
Every Thursday Rotary, 6 pm for 6.30 Rainforest Resort. Ph.937428  
2nd Thursday AMBULANCE Meeting, Frogs 7.30 pm.  
Last Thursday K.I.S.C. 7.30 pm 17, Thongon St. PH 938933  
Every Friday Scouts, 7pm 938 872

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