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## Kuranda Cemetery

At the Ordinary Meeting of the Mareeba Shire Council held on Wednesday 20th February 2019, a resolution was passed that: That Council undertakes further investigation to determine the viability of Lot 514 Plan SP248398 in Koah as a new cemetery to service Kuranda and surrounding communities (*see Map back page*).

Information provided, in a report by the Manager of Technical Service, in the Agenda for the Meeting stated: "The Kuranda Cemetery is approaching its functional capacity and with initial investigations indicating no viable opportunities exist to extend the current facility; planning for the future needs of the community is required."

A preliminary review of correctly tenured land parcels indicates no useable open spaces currently exist within the Kuranda township. However, a potentially suitable site has been identified near Koah which has the potential to provide for the long term needs of the community."

"The existing facility is reaching capacity, consideration as to how to meet the long-term needs of the community is required."

"Due to environmental constraints Council is unable to extend the capacity of the existing facility."

"Council officers will invite quotes for development of concept plans and cost estimates to confirm long term suitability and capacity of the proposed location."

Background supplied in regards to the existing Kuranda Cemetery is stated as: "The existing Kuranda Cemetery is located at 1300 Kennedy Highway, Kuranda. The 5.3 acre parcel of land is a Cemetery Reserve and is bounded by the railway to the north, Kennedy Highway to the east and rainforest South and West, which limits its capacity for growth."

The remaining capacity of the Kuranda Cemetery is anticipated to have the ability to service the community for a period of 12 - 18 months. Initial investigations indicate no viable opportunities exist to extend the capacity of the current facility."

The report goes on to say: "A preliminary review of appropriately tenured land parcels indicates that no useable open spaces currently exist within the Kuranda township which are suitable to meet the long-term requirements of the community." And a recommendation is made: "That Council undertakes further

investigation to determine the viability of Lot 514 Plan SP248398 in Koah as a new cemetery to service Kuranda and surrounding communities."

No more details are supplied as to why Council feels there is no possibility of extending the life of the Kuranda Cemetery, what investigations have taken place or what criteria is used to determine if extending its life is viable or not.

Long term residents will no doubt be experiencing a sad sense of déjà vu in regards to this announcement. We went through much trauma and outrage over this very issue twenty years ago and following a concerted effort by the Kuranda community an agreement was made with the then Mareeba Shire Council and the Queensland State Government with the result that in the December 2001 edition of *The Kuranda Paper* Dr Lesley Clarke, then Member for Barron River wrote: "It has given me great satisfaction to assist the community in the resolution of an issue of major concern to the community, namely the future of the Kuranda cemetery. I am pleased to confirm that the Department of Natural Resources has now recommended approval for the road closure that will allow the cemetery to be extended, thereby guaranteeing that burials can occur locally for at least the next 30-40 years and bringing peace of mind to Kuranda families."

This outcome which the community believed put to rest, for a number of generations at least, the threat of burial in the Kuranda cemetery being denied (as happened in 1999) now seems to be in question. The Council at least in this case appears to be looking ahead which did not happen previously leading to refusals for grieving families. However, it appears that Council has moved ahead with a decision of gravest importance without consulting with our community, or learning from the past. In 1999 an ecumenical delegation including Father Chris Wright OAM, the late Milton Brim, Pastor Nigel Ackland, Krishna Buhler and Mark Freeman impressed upon the Council just how vital the Kuranda Cemetery was to this community. That importance has not lessened. Council is urged to consult with the Kuranda community.

It may also surprise many to find that the Kuranda cemetery is not Heritage listed in spite of its obvious significance. It is not even listed as an historic site within the Mareeba Shire.

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*The Kuranda Cemetery follows the curve of the Barron River. Land comprising a closed road reserve approved in 2001 by the Department of Natural Resources extends beyond the current limit of the cemetery to the Kuranda Caravan Park.  
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### Strike for the Climate

To everyone who cares about a safe climate future, this is your open invite to join our School Strike 4 Climate on 15th March – students standing up when our politicians won't.

Australia is in the thick of the climate crisis. Prolonged drought cripples farming communities. Flash flooding is creating chaos in cities. Catastrophic bushfires and severe cyclones threaten people's homes. Heatwaves are sweeping the nation. Yet our politicians refuse to stop massive new fossil fuel projects like Adani's coal mine.

So, on 15th March, school students are walking out of school to tell our politicians to take all of us seriously and start treating climate change for what it is: a crisis and the biggest threat to our generation and generations to come.

Everyone is invited. Tens of thousands of students across Australia and around the world will join us. If you're an adult, take the day off and join us in solidarity!

See you on 15th March, 10.00am-12.00, Cairns Esplanade (#52)!

– Keila

### World's Greatest Shave

May I take this opportunity to remind people of the annual World's Greatest Shave charity event. Once again I will be offering my hair, which has not been cut since LAST YEAR, to this worthy cause.

Kuranda's scheduled event is planned for **9.00am, Saturday 16th March, to be hosted once again by Sprout Café (24 Coondoo Street, Kuranda, 'The Red House')** which will once again be offering space and taking donations for this cause.

Sincerely, **Robin Anscomb, Kuranda**

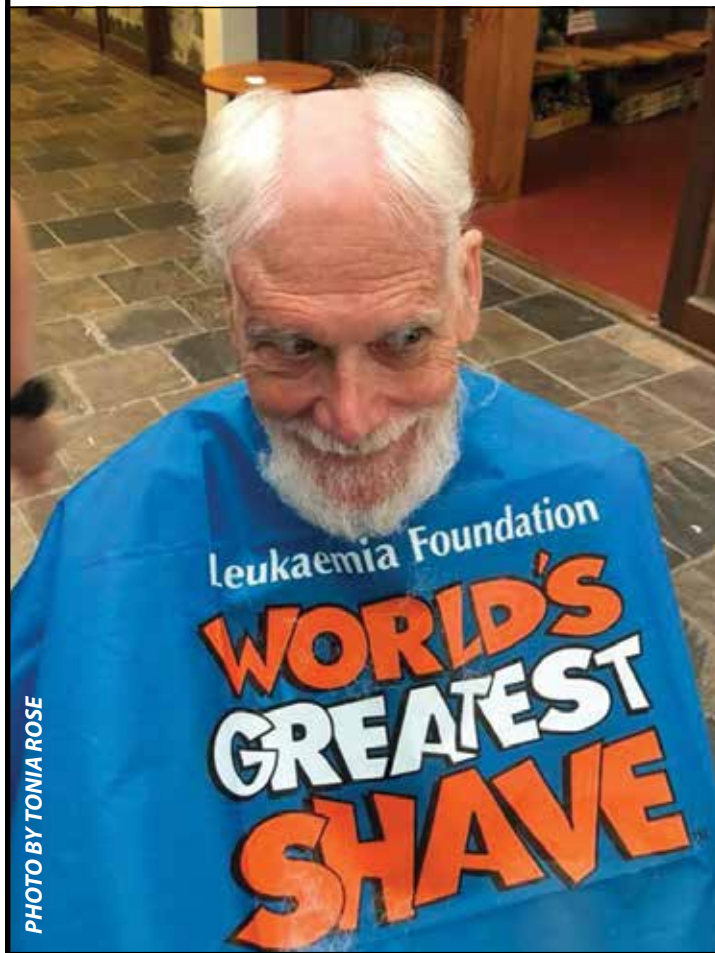


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### Petition To Council

This week I presented to the Mareeba Shire Council meeting the petition containing over 1000 signatures asking for electoral divisions across the shire. The petition was worded by Mayor Tom Gilmore but did not quite reflect the Kuranda ambition that, regardless of divisions in other areas of the shire, Kuranda wants to be an electoral division in its own right. Mayor Gilmore had stipulated that he would only accept petition wording that called for whole-of-shire divisions. At the presentation, I was able to emphasise our desire to select our own person for representation on Council.

The sitting Council accepted the petition and agreed to have a report prepared to be presented at a later meeting.

This is a first step. You, the community, have done your bit and showed overwhelming support for the notion. This is going to be hard for Council to ignore.

We won't just sit and wait for a Council decision on our request (which could well be negative). We will now take our cause to the Minister for Local Government, well supported with arguments as to why a voice for Kuranda is needed, along with a copy of the convincing petition.

The next Local Government elections are in March 2020 and we'll be pulling out all the stops to be voting for our own voice at that time.

It's thanks to our *Kuranda Paper* that the petition did so well. With a clear and understandable explanation of what it was all about and the full-sized petition sheet on p.3 in last month's edition, most of Kuranda's population was reached. About half of all the petition sheets presented to Council were on KP's newsprint.

Another great asset to this community is Jo Martin's [kurandaregion.org](http://kurandaregion.org). It was via this online medium that 167 signatures were collected. Thanks Jo.

**Jax Bergersen**

### Kuranda Cemetery

Twenty years on and once again the Mareeba Shire Council wants to close the Kuranda Cemetery and move it west. Last time it was Lamb Range National Park, this time it is Koah.

I understand that the Kuranda Cemetery is costly to maintain. Much of it needs to be maintained by whipper snipper instead of mower.

Kuranda's present cemetery has deep cultural and societal importance to our citizens. I have seen hundreds of mourners leave church and walk to the graveside to bury their dead. I have done it myself. I know of several occasions where mourners have walked the coffin to the graveside. Over a century of our dead lie here close to our village. Members of every Kuranda Aboriginal family, Diggers from the first and second world war, and Vietnam and others, entire families of our early settlers – the Austins, Veivers, etc. Many of my friends. Koah isn't really Djabugay land. Burying off-country is not good.

There is no reason to move it. The cemetery is built on a road reserve that parallels the railway reserve. It is easy to continue the cemetery to the next hill. Look at Google Earth to see the land available. Twenty years ago the Council came up with a cost of over \$300,000 to show how impossible it was to go to the next hill. It cost less than \$100,000. Sometimes Council reports reflect their desire – not reality.

Kuranda has always buried their dead differently to Mareeba, and many other towns. Most put their cemetery well out of town and that determines the culture of the locals' behaviour. In Kuranda we have it just 'across the road' and that has determined our behaviour.

Really, we are not asking much of Council to extend the existing site. We are only asking to bury our dead the way that we have for the last hundred years. It doesn't seem much to ask. It is what Councils are supposed to do.

**Mark Freeman**

*Kuranda resident and member of the Kuranda Cemetery Committee (1999-2001)*



# Plantings Offer Green Light at End of Tunnel

## *Therwine Street Upgrade*

Residents, and retailers, will be relieved to see the hard edges of construction being softened with plantings of semi-mature rainforest trees along Therwine Street.

With care and time these will soon provide much needed shade and homes for wildlife as well.

Plantings include Golden Pendas (*Xanthostemon chrysanthus*) and Ivory Curl (*Buckinghamia celsissima*) trees which will in time create another beautiful avenue for Kuranda.



### THE KURANDA MEDIA ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SHORT STORY COMPETITION 2019

## *“Tropical Nights: From Delightful To Frightful”*

**PLEASE NOTE NEW DEADLINE: FRIDAY MARCH 22nd**

This year we are looking for stories on the theme of **“TROPICAL NIGHTS: FROM DELIGHTFUL to FRIGHTFUL”**. We will accept both true stories and tall stories of imagination. And in either case creativity is encouraged. There are three categories (details below) to suit all age groups.

**The competition is open to all residents of the Kuranda District (postcode 4881).**

For this competition no entries from outside the Kuranda district will be eligible.

Winners will be decided by judges independent of The Kuranda Paper and Kuranda Media Association.

**DEADLINE : Friday March 22nd 2019.**

**CATEGORIES:**

**Junior entry** (up to 12 years) 300 words or less PRIZE \$50.00

**Young adult** ( 13 to 18 years) 1000 words or less PRIZE \$150.00

**Adult** 1800 words or less PRIZE \$300.00

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**LATE ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** Open to all residents of the Kuranda district (postcode 4881). Entries from outside the Kuranda district will not be eligible. All entries **MUST BE** original, the work of the person submitting and must not have been previously published. All works in the Junior and Young Adult categories **MUST BE** entirely the work of the young person submitting (same for adults of course). Winners will be notified in person.

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On completion of the Dawn Service all are welcome to a gunfire breakfast available on the railway platform with Brian and Gayle from Queensland Rail, who once again are providing their time and cooking expertise, of which we are eternally grateful.

The Anzac Day March begins at the Old Kuranda Post Office (gather at 10.00am for a 10.15am start).

The march is organised on the day by Mick Forde, any enquiries to Mick 4093 9005/ 0412 126 204.

All groups and individuals are welcome to march, see Mick on the day.

The March goes to our park where the Anzac Day Main Service begins at approximately 10.30am. With the help of the Mareeba Shire Council we are lucky to be able to provide marquees for sun and rain protection. With the RSL's gratitude, the Kuranda SES will host a sausage sizzle and drinks after the Service so we can all gather for a yarn. Don't forget the umbrellas.

Any individual or groups are welcome and encouraged to lay a wreath or flowers etc, at any of the ceremonies.

Again this year Father Chris Wright will officiate at both services.

Please come to all or any of our Anzac Day activities, everyone is welcome.

If anybody has a special need for transport, seating or anything at all please leave a message for Mick Forde 0412 126 204 or Adrian Joffray 0429 937 257.



## Kuranda Historical Society

### FEBRUARY UPDATE

Thank you everyone who has contacted us or *The Kuranda Paper* with offers of donations of old copies of our two local independent newspapers, the *Kuranda Village News* (1979-1981) and *The Kuranda Paper*. Our Treasurer lost her father earlier this month so we are still catching up after her return. Apologies for any tardiness in replies – we will get back to everyone soon. We will be in contact soon to arrange pickups and answer any questions.

We are now ready to liaise with the Queensland State Library and The National Library in regards to allowing them to have access to our precious hard copies – we are even more determined (after a week where it was vital to access old information only available through past (hard print) copies of *The Kuranda Paper*) that we must pursue the digitalisation of our newspapers to make them accessible, sharable and searchable for all.

Recent news events have also shone a light on the lack of historic recognition of the Kuranda Cemetery and we have resolved to pursue local and/or State heritage listing to recognise its significance and importance to the history of this area.

We are still waiting to get back into our "home base" in the old Visitors' Information Centre space in the (almost) renovated ablutions block in Centenary Park. We are eager to get our digitisation equipment set up and to start collecting and cataloguing, as well as establishing training procedures for these and other tasks.

Members of the KHS Committee had a very helpful and productive meeting on Thursday February 21st with Dr Joanne Wills who is the Museum Development Officer for Far North Queensland (Queensland Museum Network). Jo's area of responsibility stretches from Townsville to the Torres Strait and out to the Gulf Country, so we are extremely grateful for her time and guidance. She is very excited about the unique stories Kuranda has to tell and is helping us to develop a strategic plan. First comes the need for funding though, so we are having to concentrate on internal organisation and setting priorities and protocols as well as pursuing any applicable grants.

We have also been advised to develop a Collections Policy and we will be working on that in the next month. We also hope to develop a monthly newsletter for members this month.


Please keep an eye on this monthly column for updates. Any questions, suggestions for requests for membership please contact us by email at [kurandahistory@gmail.com](mailto:kurandahistory@gmail.com). Or by post c/- PO Box 66 Kuranda Qld 4881.

Membership fees are \$20 ( Family), \$15 (Single) and \$10 ( Concession).

Please email us for a membership form so we can get your details and add you to our email newsletter.

Executive Committee: President, Dugg Stratford. Secretary, Anne Clarke. Treasurer, Gayle Hannah.

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# “The view from here”

A monthly column by Michelle Murray-Beckman offering a glimpse into Kuranda's bespoke rainforest architecture along with interviews with residents who share with us why they have chosen to call Kuranda home.

## Leon Cartledge

In life we are indeed fortunate if we can say that our profession is our vocation. Leon Cartledge describes being an Ambulance Officer as a vocation that chose him.

Leon has been a Paramedic with Queensland Ambulance Service for 35 years, 20 of those years as the Officer in Charge of the Kuranda station. The Kuranda ambulance station is the busiest two-man station in a region which stretches from Mission Beach in the south to Mossman in the north and west as far as Dimbulah and Georgetown. There are 22 stations in the region.

The Kuranda ambulance station is located near my house and I pass the station every day. Across the road from the station is a construction site that I have been watching with keen interest over the last 17 months. I quickly made the connection that our local Ambo was involved in the build and so decided to pull over one day and say hello.

Modestly, Leon said “everyone knows my story” to which I replied that I don't, and it is quite likely that there are others in the community who are like me and who would like to “meet” our local paramedic through *The Kuranda Paper*. I added that I was curious about the Mediterranean design of his home and the second dwelling of the same style that nestles into the slope below the main structure and the story behind them.

Interestingly, Leon made the comment that the house design also chose him and his wife Belinda. This idea of being chosen for such important life decisions intrigued me and Leon agreed to be interviewed so we met a few days later.

We began with the story of how Leon became a Paramedic.

It was a tragic end to an evening spent celebrating Russell Muir's 19th birthday. Russell is Belinda's brother. Driving home together after dinner on wet roads in Victoria, Belinda (Leon's girlfriend at the time) and Russell were involved in a serious car accident. The car they were driving in rolled several times and tragically Belinda's brother did not survive the accident. Fortunately, Belinda was unharmed.

Leon describes arriving at the scene and feeling an overwhelming sense of helplessness. At the time, he was a potter with the Bendigo Pottery and had never experienced such an event as this. Serendipitously, it was after this life changing moment that a close friend of Leon's had decided to sign up to become an Ambulance Officer and Leon knew that this was what he should do with his life.

Leon explains that the role of ambulance officer in the community is expanding into a paramedic practitioner model which is based around having a broader set of skills and expertise that will provide comprehensive care rather than more basic care such as emergency patient transport and treatment. He tells me that the Local Assessment and Referral Unit (LARU) will have an expanded scope of practice such as performing minor procedures and conducting follow up visits to patients. This will assist in alleviating hospital pressure and allow more patients to recover at home. It makes perfect sense in a small community such as Kuranda that our local paramedic can treat members of the community in their homes so that they can avoid a trip to hospital, particularly for cases such as thrombolysis (heart attack) where time is of the essence. This new model means that drugs can be delivered in the home that previously were only administered in hospital.

I feel deeply in awe of, and appreciation for those who work in healthcare, particularly front line health care.

We move on to Leon's other vocation that he shares with Belinda – that of designing and building their dream home. The inspiration for the design came from an eight-month sabbatical the couple spent in Italy where they rented a villa on a seven-acre vineyard in Ponte a Moriano. Ponte a Moriano is a small, picturesque town near Lucca in Tuscany. My google search returns images of a classic Tuscan walled town on the Serchio river with a charming bridge spanning its banks. Of the 76 pictures on Trip Advisor, 74 of them are of food, so I can understand the attraction of settling in for some time.

Coming back to Kuranda the couple then began designing their Tuscan villa and collecting building materials over a four-year period. This project really is a Grand Designs episode. Arriving on site I felt like I was channelling Kevin McCloud as we made our way through the construction site. The buildings are at lock-up stage so the form is clearly discernible.

Leon and Belinda designed the two dwellings. Best-Overend & Associates (family relations of Belinda) drew the plans and Carl Neal and Sons is the builder. The main house is a two bedroom Italian villa. We make our way up the stairs with harmoniously curved hand rails, past a round window which Leon refers to as the snow globe because of the perfectly positioned view of the barn through it. The Master ensuite is a dream with its free standing copper bath. Back on the ground floor, the ceilings are lofty and the guest wing looks out through reclaimed, 130 year old antique hand crafted French doors with mortice and tenon joints that have been meticulously restored. Leon estimates that the doors have seen over 72,000 movements. This statistic demonstrates the level of investment Leon has in his project.

Leon had an intention to use as much local timber as he could which honours Kuranda's early reliance on timber as an economic resource. He contacted local timber buffs and sawyers (a person who saws timber for a living) on the Southern Tablelands including Yungaburra and Malanda to source materials. Other materials came through local websites. The couple also travelled to Bali to source their “Saltito” tiles, the front door, bath and majestic seven-tier fountain.

The main posts in the living room of his house are from the Cairns Navy Wharf. Reminders that were surplus to the build have been set upright into the lawn and are affectionately referred to as “Woodhenge”. If you look closely you can see remnants of shells in the bases revealing their watery history.

The verandah posts are from Freshwater Railway Station. Leon loves his timber. Bridge bearers cut from Syzygium Kuranda also known as Kuranda Satin Ash or Cherry Penda from the Kuranda Bridge were milled by Leon and cover the Master bedroom suite. He also designed and crafted the rustic, big boned timber fireplace surround and several ledge

and brace doors including the decorative iron door runners. Recycled Red Tulip Oak covers the floor in the kitchen.

The second, smaller villa is home to Belinda's father Barry Muir. Barry spends most of his days on site and I often see him on his mobility scooter pulling a trailer behind filled with building materials. He is clearly an asset to the team. According to Leon, the construction has given him a new lease on life and I can attest to his dedication to the project. Recently Barry built the perfect picket fence to delineate his studio from the remainder of the two acres that slope down to a seasonal creek and beyond.

In keeping with the main house, the Tallowood posts on the verandah to Barry's studio were originally planted as a wind break in Millaa Millaa around the time of WWII. They were snapped off after a cyclone and stored until Leon gave them a new purpose. The same attention to design and detail here are a complement to the main structure.

Leon points out that the Builder Carl Neal, his son Rhuben Neal and the site foreman Justin Andreassend have all had an influence and contributed to the evolution of the build. He said that he encouraged creative licence where it fitted the vision. It helps when you have known your builders for years and have developed that trust.

This undertaking by Leon, Belinda and Barry is an intensely personal project and a labour of love. Leon refers to having some “skin in the game” when he talks about his contribution. Belinda is the chief interior designer and the colours that she has chosen such as Bora Bora for the turquoise blue doors and the Porters Paint colour “Potters Pink” for the exterior render show an understanding of the traditional Mediterranean style and her own flair for colour. Barry is a stalwart on site and as invested as Leon and Belinda.

The couple are documenting the process with photographs, drone footage with the intention of creating a book, just the kind that you can have on the coffee table of your Villa in the rainforest.

I ask the Grand Designs question – are you within budget? Leon looks at me sideways with a smile and says “we are on the edge, but I am confident we will make it”.

We talk about the narrative of the build and the luxury of the house developing organically in some ways and controlled in others, where aspects of the design reveal themselves as it goes along. It's a little bit like your vocation and your house choosing you.

My final question is when do you expect to finish? His answer makes me smile – “It will be finished when it is done”.



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## Introducing Our New Leadership Team at KDSC!

### Steve Moore – College Principal

My name is Steven (Steve) Moore and I am excited to be the new College Principal of Kuranda District State College (KDSC). I was born and raised in South Africa where I completed my university studies, however I started my teaching career in the United Kingdom at the age of 22. I immigrated to Australia in 2005 and secured a permanent teacher position with the Department of Education at Mornington Island State School in the same year.

Transferring to Brisbane, I taught at The Gap State School for a brief period before moving to Dubai, United Arab Emirates to teach at a reputable international school. After returning to Australia I spent a number of years in the Gulf communities working for Western Cape College, Tagai State College and most recently Northern Peninsula Area State College as the Acting College Principal. In amongst this time I have also been a Principal of a school in Central Queensland region and the Principal of Port Vila International School, Vanuatu, in 2017.

I have been fortunate and blessed to have had a rewarding and diverse professional career so far and I am passionate about what I can contribute to the College and wider community. I am thoroughly enjoying getting to know the amazing, polite and friendly students of KDSC and it is them that makes coming to work at KDSC such a pleasure and very rewarding.

I am incredibly fortunate to be working with such a great team of professionals at KDSC. I am excited and inspired by the potential that exists at the College and I look forward to working with everyone to build upon the great work that has occurred in previous years. Together with the team, we have a very full and ambitious improvement agenda for the College and I look forward to sharing our great gains with the community over the next couple of months and years.

My door is always open to you and I look forward to getting to know parents and members of the community better over the next couple of years as your Principal.

### Adrian Hooper – Secondary Deputy Principal

My name is Adrian Hooper and I am the new Secondary Deputy Principal at Kuranda District State College.

I was born in Brisbane and raised and educated in Rockhampton. I started my teaching career at Ingham SHS in the early '90s. Since then I have taught or taken on leadership positions at Woree SHS, Urangan SHS (Hervey Bay), Babinda P-12 SS and Tully SHS. Directly prior to taking on the Secondary Deputy position at Kuranda District State College, I had some time away from education raising my three young children, punctuated by stints back at Woree SHS and in Cairns Regional Office, where Kuranda District State College was one of the schools I supported in the area of Senior Schooling.

From day one at KDSC I was struck by what I can only describe as a deep school pride possessed by both staff and students. The dedication of our teaching staff was immediately apparent, as was the professional and dedicated ethic that has clearly been fostered and nurtured. On a daily basis I have been impressed by the degree of planning and preparation, the commitment to pedagogy and classroom learning, and the real desire for improved outcomes for our students that underpins the practice of the staff at KDSC. My first impressions of the staff at KDSC are that they exemplify the best practice that makes State Schools so great.

All that said, my strongest first impression is of the students of KDSC. In all my dealings with students so far, I have been impressed with their politeness, their good manners, their

friendly nature and the accepting way in which they have welcomed a new face into their school. The staff and parents of KDSC can be rightfully proud of the way they have shaped the young people of our community.

I look forward to meeting many of you in the future.

### Rebecca Forgie – Primary Deputy Principal

My name is Rebecca Forgie and I am the new Deputy Principal at the primary school. I am very excited to be at Kuranda College and thank everyone for their very warm welcome. It is feeling like home already.

I began my teaching career as a high school teacher, teaching in the SE corner for 5 years before moving to Bamaga in 1998. I spent 2.5 years teaching in Bamaga, meeting my husband Luke in the process. In 1998 we moved to the Northern Territory where we spent the next 14 years. We made a lifestyle choice to stay remote in the NT. We have had some amazing opportunities, met spectacular, interesting people and been to places many will never have the opportunity to see. We arrived back in Qld at the end of 2010 with two girls, who are now 13 and 15.

Throughout my teaching career I have taught every year level, including pre-school and adults. I have been a subject leader, regional advisor across 2 states, Head of Curriculum, Head of Primary, Head of Department in Secondary and Deputy Principal. The last two deputy positions in Qld have been 4 years at Yarrabah and Trinity Beach in 2018.



*From Left to Right, Adrian Hooper, Steve Moore and Rebecca Forgie*

### P&C AGM

The P&C are having their Annual General Meeting on Monday 18th of March, at the Secondary Office. All Executive positions will come up for renewal, so please let us know if you would like a nomination form.

We are currently looking for a Fundraising Co-ordinator - someone (or a couple of people) in our school community to assist with the organisation, running and overseeing of our fundraising efforts with assistance and guidance from our current P&C committee members. Please email us at PandC@kurandadistrictsc.eq.edu.au if this is something that interests you. Many hands make light work, so the more involved, the easier it is for everyone!

### Message from our Music Teacher

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**All tickets and money to be returned to the office by Friday 15th March**

**DRAWN MONDAY 18TH MARCH AT KDSC PRIMARY ASSEMBLY**

All students who sell tickets will have a chance to have their name drawn out at the assembly and win one of two prize packs and the class which sells the most tickets will get a reward each – remember you have to be in it to win it!

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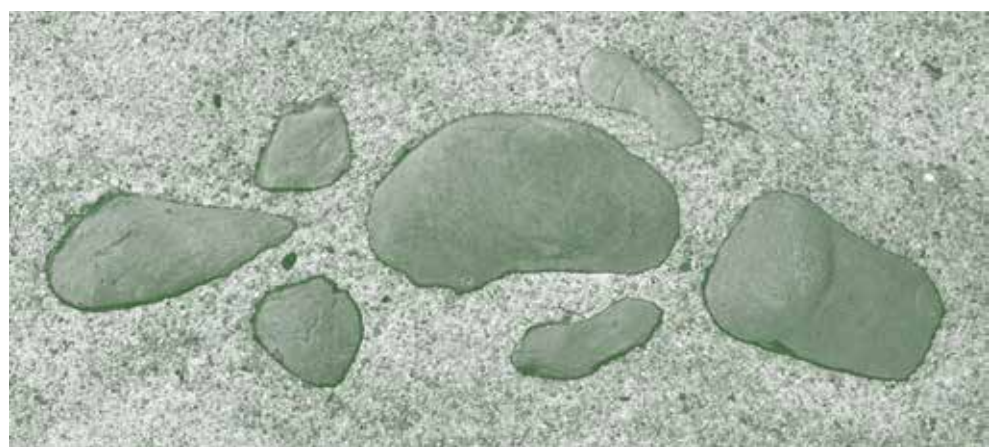


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# Another Walk for Cancer



this walk was to walk on my own. Walkers of all ages and nationalities, some with large heavy baggage on their backs, some with small day packs, some appearing to have walked a long distance, some fresh but all with one thing in mind and that was to reach Santiago. I am a slow walker; a dawdler who stops to takes photos of the alley cats and small insects, pats the guard dogs and stops to smell the roses. Santiago will always be there so I was in no hurry.



**ON 29TH SEPTEMBER 2018** I started to walk the Portuguese Coastal Cahmino up the coast of Portugal and into Spain, commencing in Porto and finishing in Santiago de Compostela. I walked to the Cathedral in the early hours before daybreak, the shadows dancing across the waters, the nerves in my stomach having a party. All I had to do was follow the yellow arrows and yellow walking man, it would be easy or so I thought.

The first day was long, hot and exhausting, my body still trying to adjust to the new country and leave jetlag behind. Thirty-two kilometres later I had to say enough was enough and accept a lift to my bed for the first night. Every bone and muscle in my body ached, every inch of skin bright red and wind swept but tomorrow would be another day and I would walk again. This was the life of a walker.

The next few days were long but the body started to adjust, the country was dry and beautiful, the coast rugged, the people friendly and welcoming. A rest day loomed and it gave me time to sleep, wash my two sets of clothes and taste the local food and wines. On the eighth day I crossed the water into Spain and a change of time. No wonder my body clock was upset. The days were still hot and long as I walked up the coast but I gradually changed route and I walked into Eucalyptus forests, a level above the coast so up several serious hills but always able to see the water.

The pilgrim walkers were starting to increase in numbers so my solitude was leaving me. The main reason I chose

On the 12th October I walked into Santiago de Compostela. The temperature had dropped several degrees and it rained heavily all day as I marched through the vineyards with hundreds of other pilgrim walkers. I was wet through but elated at finally completing the walk, I had walked 356 kilometers. The next day after attending a Pilgrim Mass I collected my Compostela documents; these documents confirm that I had walked this pilgrimage or Camino.

As I wandered around the stone cobbled back streets and narrow alleyways of this interesting and very ancient city I watched the daily pilgrims stand before this majestic Cathedral, pleased with themselves at having completed the walk. I also was pleased that I had walked this short walk and raised \$1,000 for Cancer Queensland.

*Jennifer Rooks, Koah*



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# Go To Sleep

By Sarah Dobbs

You can hear the sound of your partner softly breathing, the whirr of the fan, the tick of the clock as you slowly drift off...or does the clock sound like thunder, your partner's breathing sound like a mack truck and the whirr of the fan more like a roar? And it just goes on and on and on...Maybe you drop off quickly but come 3am there you are, wide awake wondering what you did to deserve this? Awake again, before the dawn, being tortured for all your sins. You pick over every detail of every confrontation or dispute you've ever had. Arrrrrgghhh...just go to sleep!

If only it were that easy! There are so many reasons that you either can't get to sleep or stay asleep. Stress, food and drink, health, hormones...all can disrupt our sleep.

What can we do to help get the sleep we need? Here's eight tips to get you snoozing!

1. Wake up at the same time every day! Research shows that it's not just the time we go to bed that is important but when we wake up to ensure we finish our last 90-minute sleep cycle. Waking before the last sleep cycle has finished can leave us feeling even more exhausted. Check out <https://sleepcalculator.com/> to see when to get to bed!
2. Cut out tea/coffee/caffeinated drinks after 12 noon. This may seem obvious but how many of us resort to an afternoon cuppa to get through the afternoon slump?
3. Eat a light meal in the evening. This means your body isn't desperately trying to digest fatty or rich foods as well as get to sleep. You might find your liver getting jiggy with it about 3.00am trying to sort out all the fatty goodness or sugary fun you had before bed. All you'll know is that you're awake while the liver works overtime.
4. Skip the alcohol. Anyone else get 'the red wines'? It's waking at about 3.00am after a glass or three of alcohol. This is your liver getting extra active trying to process the alcohol. It also results in a much lighter, more disturbed sleep.
5. Before bed eat lots of tryptophan rich foods. This makes sure we have enough serotonin to help us relax and also to make melatonin which helps us sleep. Chicken, lentils, chickpeas, kidney beans, pumpkin, fish and sesame seeds are all loaded with tryptophan goodness!
6. Have a look at some mindfulness meditation apps to sooth the mind after a long and busy day. Smiling Minds is a great free app with some short mindfulness meditations specifically for sleep.
7. Turn off the screens at least 30 minutes before bed or at the very least put a blue light filter on. We're very basic creatures. Our bodies respond to daylight by waking up. The blue light emitted from our screens mimics daylight. Put a filter on it!
8. Have a cup of soothing chamomile tea before bed. You can even add some passionflower to that. There are so many sleepy time teas available to choose from for your nightly cuppa that will nudge you into dreamland. I'm feeling sleepy already! A cup of chamomile tea, a book and my bed are looking blissful...Good night!



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The winning photo will be published on the cover of the 2019 Official Guide that is pre-distributed and available over the three days of the Field Days from 29th to 31st May, 2019.

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Photographs must be in portrait orientation (suitable for the cover of an A3 sized book), but if you have the perfect image of a different orientation, we want to see that too!

Images must capture the true meaning and feeling of the largest Field Days in Northern Australia. Think agriculture or rural.

Please include a description with each image, including location.

All images must be a high resolution JPEG print quality for printing purposes. When emailing your entry, a low resolution is preferred.

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**Poison Free Kuranda – Roundup on Community Survey**

Thank you to those residents who responded to our survey about the use of RoundUp and other Glyphosate-based herbicides in the Kuranda region. Respondents overwhelmingly (90%) support the transition away from toxic herbicides towards alternative weed management technologies. Residents also offered valuable feedback – stories, insights and observations from years of living in the region and witnessing the effect of spraying on human health and the environment.

Some of what you had to say:  
“Having lived in Kuranda for 16 years, I have noticed a huge drop in insects that is alarming to me. We know it is a worldwide problem that threatens our very existence. . .time to get serious about cleaning up our act – we DONT need chemicals!!!!”

“I would like a council audit on how long and where they are using it...also an audit of doctors’ records as well to coincide usage and disease rates...”

“Instead, we could replant the roadsides and shade out any weeds, resulting in no maintenance. On top of that we would have shaded roads with more human comfort for those driving or walking along them.”

**ACTION: See [www.foefnq.org.au](http://www.foefnq.org.au) to complete the survey and be part of this community action!**

**Time for Kuranda’s Voice on Council**

We hope that the petition for divisional representation in Mareeba Shire is successful. It’s about time that our unique Kuranda voice is heard in Council chambers.

**Taxpayers Bill of \$1.3m for Hinchinbrook Resort Clean-up**

On its northern end, an old resort stands as a derelict eyesore and reminder of how successful – or otherwise – private enterprise has been on Hinchinbrook Island. The now abandoned Cape Richards resort was badly damaged in cyclone Yasi and its leaseholder refused to pay to clear up the mess.

Finally Kate Jones, Queensland Tourism Minister has committed \$1.3 million dollars to remove the resort ruins. However it looks as if the government remains inexplicably optimistic about private tourism on cyclone-prone Hinchinbrook. Tenders have been put out for 60 year contracts for tourism companies for not only Hinchinbrook but also the Whitsundays and the Great Sandy National Park.

FoE FNQ was informed by ministerial staff that the contract on Hinchinbrook would be for glamping and wilderness hiking – and that such a contract would allow for removal of rainforest for infrastructure such as camping sites, huts and helipads.

“Cape Richards is an example of how private term leases go wrong in National Parks,” said Bill Sokolich, Kuranda local and Hinchinbrook campaigner. “It seemed to be incredibly hard for the government to revoke the lease and clean it up after it was abandoned.

“Term leases also run counter to the most basic tenant of National Parks: they are there for nature conservation in perpetuity and not to be privatised for personal gain.”

**ACTION: Write to the State Environment Minister about your concerns – see [Mackay Conservation Group website](#)**



**The Passing of Ruth Smith of Kuranda**

Ruth passed away on Valentines Day this year after a long illness which she battled followed by a serious lung infection, passing peacefully. Ruth was born in England and moved to Canada with her family. She developed a love for the theatre there and studied acting. Appearances in stage and in TV programs followed. It was on a visit to Canada by her husband-to-be Michael Smith, that they met, an instant connection. They both returned to Australia where they were married. They travelled, then settled in Kuranda where Michael had a stall in the original markets. Thirty years later they were still here. Ruth was a real character and will be sadly missed. Just before her passing she received a caring message from the Governor-General the Hon. Sir Peter Cosgrove, in which he stated “Our lives are fragile, precious, joyous gifts, full of wishes and chance and the unexpected”. He said that he felt sad that he missed the opportunity to have a conversation with a lady he knew to have been much loved and much admired.



*The derelict Cape Richards resort on Hinchinbrook Island*  
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## Japan Day of Hope

Regular Kuranda performers Miwako, Koto player, and Michi on the Shinobue or Japanese flute (featured in our November 2018 issue), will be performing at the Japan Day of Hope fundraiser at Edge Hill State School on 9th. March.

Our local Japanese community not only welcome your support for the children of Fukushima, but also appreciate the opportunity to share their unique culture.

There will music, dancing, drumming, performance, and a variety of traditional and modern culinary delights. So, if you are interested in Japanese culture or just want to help the kids, be there, March 9.



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## Kuranda Garden Club Inc.

### EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

**2.00pm Saturday 16th March 2019**  
20 Douglas Track, Speewah

Following a recommendation by members at the meeting on 2nd February 2019 to de-incorporate the Kuranda Gardening Club, financial members are invited to the above extraordinary meeting to elect an interim secretary and to formally decide on the future of the club.

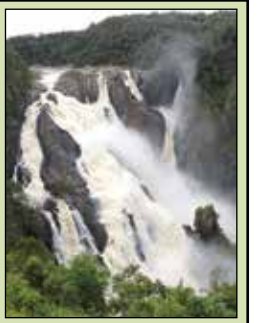
Input from all financial members is welcome whether you can attend the meeting or not.

And please bring a plate to share over afternoon tea.

**For more information please call Margaret Humphries on 4093 8359 or Cathy Retter on 0419 624 940**

ALL IS ART

Artists of all descriptions leave their mark on the walls and doorways of Kuranda. It's an ever changing vista. Old works decay and new ones take their place. For better or for worse, that's art evolution Kuranda style. If you take a walk around town you will see this happening before your eyes. New works in progress, and old ones in need of repair. This applies to us humans too - the young picking up new skills, and the old putting theirs aside. We just need to make sure that we provide the best environment for this to take place. Anyhow, have a magnificent March art lovers *seren.*



A Unique Concert Theatre in the Rainforest

## Amphitheatre News March 2019

Hello Members and Friends,

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Rescheduled**  
for Sunday 17th March  
3:30 pm, Top Pavilion

Be there and have your say!

### GREAT NEWS!!

The Venue has been successful in applying for a CBF grant to erect weather proof sails to the front of the Top Pavilion & back of KAS Kitchen. We envision this being completed in a couple of months!!

### NEXT WORKING BEE

Sunday 10th March  
from 10:30 am, Lunch & refreshments provided

### THE UNDERSTAGE

As a community / small hire venue, the Understage has become increasingly popular over the past year and a bit busy for the few volunteers to keep up with. An Understage crew (regular or rotating team/s of volunteers) is required to assist with the sustainability and availability of the venue on a regular basis.

The following are the positions and tasks required for the UNDERSTAGE:

**Set up:** (mainly for KAS Members' Nights) Check venue and foyer are clean, set up tables, chairs.

**Door:** (KAS Members' Nights) Manage and staff the venue entry (Foyer), collect entry fees, assist with membership registration, pack down and clean up area at end of event, liaise with Treasurer or designated officer at the event.

**Bar:** (for majority of hires and all KAS Members' Nights) staff bar, RSA (KAS may assist with this if required), set up/pack down and clean up of bar area, stock take before and after event. Liaise with Treasurer or designated officer at the event.

**Food:** (KAS Members' Nights) organise menu and preparation of meals/snacks, staff temporary kitchen area, Safe Food Handling cert is desirable (KAS may assist with this if required), pack down and clean up area at end of event, liaise with Treasurer or designated officer at event.

**Pack down:** (mainly for KAS Members' Nights) - assist with venue clean up, pack up tables and chairs.

If you can assist with anything contact the address below or the Kuranda Amphitheatre official Facebook page.

Thank you,  
KAS ADMIN

## KAS ADMIN

Kuranda Amphitheatre  
Membership Forms available from:  
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[support@kurandaamphitheatre.org](mailto:support@kurandaamphitheatre.org)  
[zendesk.com](https://www.zendesk.com)

Support enquiries are accessed daily.



## Exhibition Over but Artwork now in Co-op Gallery

Lieselotte Edwards exhibited "Blossom in the Air" in the Cairns Arts Society exhibition at the Cairns Art Gallery until 3rd February. This colourful triptych encaustic artwork is now in the Co-op gallery. For those who enjoy colour, "Blossom in the Air" is well worth seeing.

Anyone with an interest in encaustic artworks should call in at the Co-op gallery in Coondoo Street and check when Lieselotte is in and take the opportunity to speak to her about the process.

## William Wakefield Heads Off to Florence, Italy

A wonderful art experience awaits Arts Co-op member William Wakefield when he heads off to Florence at the end of the month to embark on an eight-month study course at the Angel Art Academy. The Academy teaches Barque-copy tonal drawings, Barque-copy line drawings of the figure, cast drawing in charcoal and cast painting. William, already a dab hand at still life painting, will include still life and drawing in graphite in the curriculum.

William's collection of paintings are on display at the Co-op gallery and he is currently exhibiting for the first time with the Inkmasters print group at Vivo in Palm Cove. This exhibition continues to 25th March.



# Focus on Kuranda

**Focus on Kuranda Photography Group** is a Facebook group initiated by local resident Liz Tonkin.

The group aims to share images of Kuranda and the immediate region and is open to anyone – resident or visitor.

It's also open to photographers from beginners to professionals and using any kind of medium from fancy cameras to smart phones.

The Moderator of the page has advised *The Kuranda Paper* that the photograph receiving the most 'likes' for 30th January to 26th February 2019 was Patrick Dauwe's "Baby Curlew At Sleep", 21st February 2019.



## Zonta Club of Cairns Celebration for International Women's Day

Four Arts Co-op members, Kate Prynne, Sandy Hablethwaite, Robyn King and Mollie Bosworth will be exhibiting and selling artworks at the Zonta 'Gals at the Gallery' celebration and fundraiser at the Cairns Sheridan Hotel, 8th March from 5pm-8pm. The delightful Voices of Soul Song will be performing on the night.

## Work Experience by French Student

Mollie Bosworth's studio is hosting an intern, currently studying ceramics at La Maison de la Ceramique du Pays de Dieulefit in France, for three weeks work experience during March.

## Two More Workshops with Inkmasters in March

**An Etching Workshop** with Laurel McKenzie will be held over 16th and 17th March, 8.45am-4pm each day at the Inkmasters' facility at 55 Greenslopes Street, Cairns.

All materials supplied.  
Contact: Laurel McKenzie 0412 369 662

**Lithography Workshops** with Theo Tremblay will be held over seven weeks from 28 March-9th May, 6pm-9pm. All materials supplied.

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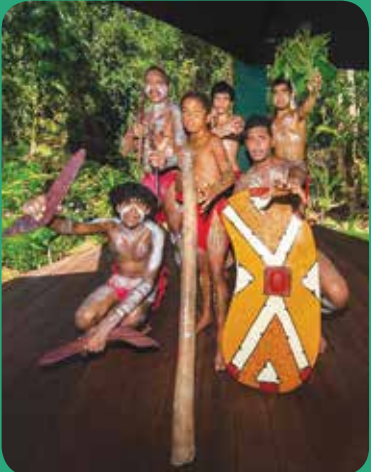
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**FRIDAY 8TH MARCH**  
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# Music in Kuranda

## Koahlition Tropical Reggae

Koah Markets Saturday 2nd March 2019

Kicking off the 2019 Koah Markets with those uplifting reggae feels!



**Koahlition Reggae Band** - Having a busk/jam at the **Koah Markets Saturday 2nd March** with some special guests and a few Koahlition band members between about 9.00 and 12 noon, before it gets too hot. Come out for a look and check out the markets.

## Barron Falls Hotel

Friday 8th March from 3.30pm

**Ashley Coleman**

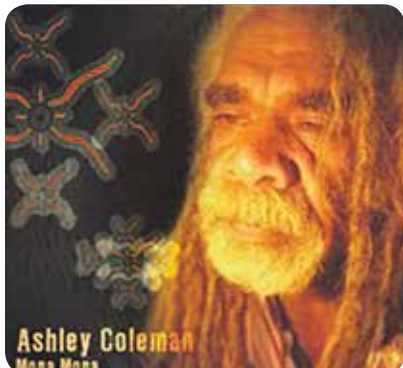
Friday 22nd March from 3.30pm

**Mantaka Band**

**The Barron Falls Hotel** are now offering regular fortnightly live music sessions to entertain their patrons, and are inviting expressions of interest from local musicians.

Staff are excited to be featuring Kuranda's **Ashley Coleman** on **Friday 8th March from 3.30pm** in an acoustic solo set, featuring original songs in Djabugay and English.

**Ashley Coleman** one of the founding members of Mantaka band 1980's, and of Gudju Gudju band in the 1990's, was born in 1959 on Mona Mona Mission. Ashley is an artist, musician, storyteller, and a teacher of the Djabugay language, songs and dances of his homelands.



**Ashley** created his first music CD, **Ashley Coleman Mona Mona** in 2012, while living on the homelands Mona Mona mission. He often performs acoustically with his wife of 20 years.



**Mantaka Band @ Woodford:** (L to R) Manny Ross, Aden Brim, Kaiyu Brim, Willie Brim, Irwin Riley, Willie Levers, Gary Hudson

Back from their **40th year celebrations** at Woodford 2018, Kuranda legends **Mantaka** bring their distinctive roots, reggae, rock sound to the Top Pub on **Friday 22nd March from 3.30pm**.

**Mantaka's** reggae became "the main transporter of the struggle of the Bulwai people," says **Willie Brim**. It also carries a simple message of love. Join **Willie Brim, Irwin Riley, Willie Levers** & friends, and sing along to the iconic songs **Mantaka** is famed for. Songs including, **Walkabout, Getting Stronger, Take Me to Your Island**, and many other Kuranda favourites. With plans to record later in the year, we shall be hearing a lot more from **Mantaka**. **KC**

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 - Jaide 0488 229 700 and Davini 0414 994 123  
**TAI CHI** - Monday 6pm - Les 4093 8276  
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**YOGA FOR ALL** - Wednesday & Sunday - Aileen 0419 726 955

Check "What's On" calendar on website/facebook for more details.

### CONTACT US

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YOGA evening classes with Tanya resume 14th March 5.30-7.00pm

**EVERY 2nd THURSDAY**  
Mankind Project MEN'S GROUP - Open to All Men 7.00pm  
Contact Simon 0459 755 553

**EVERY FRIDAY**  
KARATE with Chris Long 4.00pm-6.00pm  
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Contact Chris 0437 485 600

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Sat 23rd March 4.30pm - 10.00pm  
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## Community Calendar

**Every Month KNC Management Committee Meeting** 5.30pm Rob Veivers Drive; Ph 4093 8933 for details

**First Saturday** March-December, Monthly Markets at Koah Hall

**Every Saturday**  
**Pilates** 8.15am at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Jaide 0488 229 700

**Kuranda Envirocare** Tree Planting, Ph 4093 9926 for details or check website www.envirocare.org.au

**Kuranda Men's Shed** every Wednesday 8.30-11.30am

**Every Sunday**

**Texas Holdem' Poker** Mareeba RLFC, sign on from 12.00 noon, game starts 1.00pm. Prizes for 1st and 2nd. Details Terry 045 990 9900

**Kuranda A.A. Group** CWA Hall 9.30-11.00am Ph 4093 7599

**Yoga with Aileen** 10.30am Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 0419 726 955

**Every Monday**

**Dream Big Tiny Tots** 2 Class (5 years and under) 3.45pm-4.30pm

**Aerial Kids Trapeze** 4.30pm-6.00pm Age 8+ Contact Sophie 0409 333 404

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

**Pilates** 9.30am at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Davini 0414 994 123

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

**Last Monday Kuranda Addiction Community Support (KACS)** 4.00pm Kuranda Amphitheatre Top Shed

**Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday**

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

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

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

**Every Tuesday**

**Tiny Tots** (5 and under) 3.15pm-4.00pm

**Family Circus** 4.00pm-5.30pm. All welcome. Under 8s must be accompanied by an adult.

Contact Sophie 0409 333 404

**Pilates** 5.45pm at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Jaide 0488 229 700

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

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

**First Tuesday Kuranda Interagency Network** Meeting venue rotates. 4093 8933



**Second Tuesday Kuranda SES Training**, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road.

Ph John Baskerville 4093 7246, 0407 144 213

**Second & Fourth Tuesday**

**Mareeba Toastmasters** meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL.

Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Lenore Wyatt 0447 757 336. Guests welcome

**Third Tuesday Tourism Kuranda** meets in the office, Centenary Park 4.30pm

**Every Wednesday**

**Rotary Club of Cairns Trinity:** 5.45 for 6.15pm, Cairns Sheridan Hotel, contact Secretary 0402 253 673

**Pilates** 9.30am at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Davini 0414 994 123

**Pilates** 5.45pm and 7.30pm at the Koah Hall. Contact Jaide 0488 229 700

**Yoga** 5.30 pm Kuranda Recreation Centre: Contact Aileen 0419 726 955

**Craft and Social Morning** at QCWA Hall 9.00am. Contact Carol 4093 7187

**Mah Jong** at Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome

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

**Kuranda Men's Shed** every Saturday 1.00-4.00pm

**Second Wednesday**

**Financial and Gambling Counselling** by Salvation Army. Appts 4093 8933

QCWA meeting 9.30 am at QCWA Hall Ph: President 4093 7187, Treasurer 4093 7393

**Every Thursday**

**Pilates** 9.00am and 5.45pm at the KRC, Fallon Road. Contact Davini 0414 994 123

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

**Capoeira Training and Roda.** 7:00 pm-8:30 pm. Phone Ole 0468 408 963

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

**General Yoga Class** at Koah Hall 5.30pm. Ph Tanya 0428 590 203.

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

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

**Every Friday**

**Pre-Natal Yoga** at Koah Hall 9.30am. Ph Beth 0476 276 876

**Mums & Bubs Yoga** at Koah Hall 11.00am. Ph Beth 0476 276 876

**Fourth Friday**

**Rotary Club of Cairns Trinity:** 11.45 for 12.00 noon, Cairns Sheridan Hotel, contact Secretary 0402 253 673

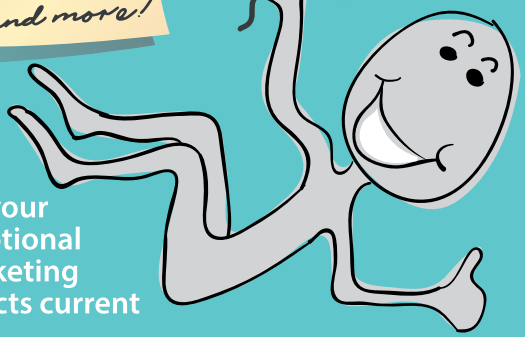
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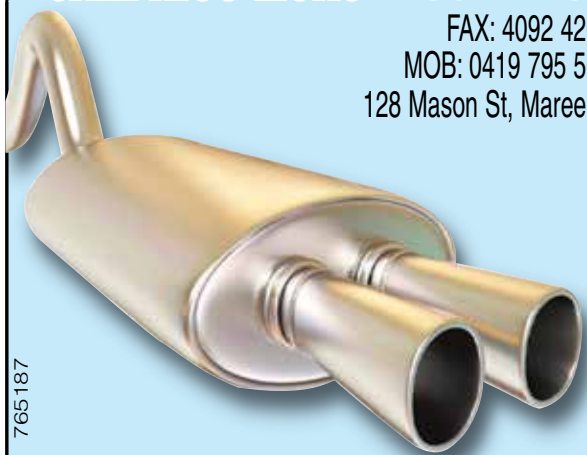
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## Tiger Huntsman

Kuranda local Ruth Van de Velde is one of lucky few to encounter this beautiful Tiger Huntsman spider, and capture its beauty for us to share.

The Tiger Huntsman is one of Australia's most spectacular spiders. Local residents Alan and Deanna Henderson of Minibeast Wildlife (regular contributors to *The Kuranda Paper*) first collected this species in 2006 and at that stage there were no official records of it.

In December 2006, while on a field trip in North Queensland for Melbourne Museum they discovered this amazing spider, the likes of which they had never seen before.

They knew immediately that this was something special, and it was no surprise to find on their return to the Museum that it was a new species to science. The initial female specimen was gravid and at Melbourne Museum they managed to raise and even breed from her offspring. Specimens have been submitted to Australia's huntsman taxonomists, and the species awaits classification.

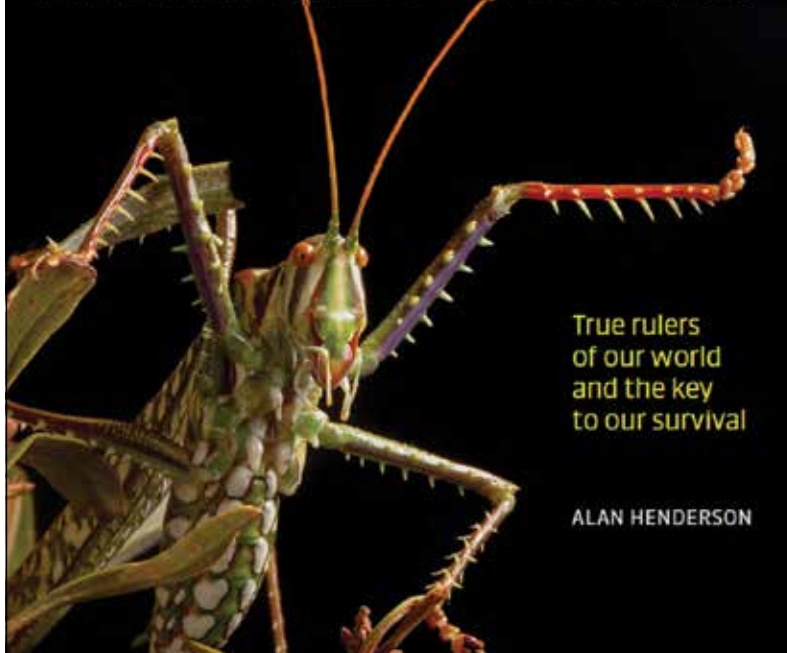
The Hendersons have been keeping and breeding Tiger Huntsmans since 2007 and say they have learnt a great deal about the husbandry of these intriguing spiders.



Tiger Huntsman, Kuranda

22nd February 2019  
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## Fantastic

LAST YEAR I wrote about Fungi partnering with plants as mycorrhizas (

This time I want to look at the amaz

Most mushrooms fruit above ground their spores as far as possible. The com evolutionary design – shelter above fr area on gills or tubes; and with a hand the surrounds.



Wind and air currents carry the m for germination and growth. However, weather turns dry, the umbrella may r stalk may not grow tall enough.

It appears that in evolutionary tin considerably. Rainforests have shrunk extended their range. But eucalypts partners. So some of the fungi have als ("underground") fruiting habit. Instea remain closed, in or just below the leaf l the fruit body. This, however, produce





# Fungi – Truffles by Fran Guard

Queensland Mycological Society Inc.

s nature's recyclers and their role in  
see issue Feb 2018, March 2018).  
ing story of **Australian Truffles**.  
l, for the obvious purpose of dispersing  
non umbrella shape is a masterpiece of  
m rain; large spore producing surface  
e (stalk) that lifts the fruit body above



minute spores to new locations suitable  
not all fruiting is successful, and if the  
ot unfold, the cap may shrivel and the

e, the Australian continent has dried  
and the dry-adapted eucalypts have  
require macro-fungi as mycorrhizal  
adapted by developing an hypogeous  
l of open spore bearing surfaces, they  
ter, and the spores are protected inside  
a new challenge for spore dispersal.



Enter the Ozzie mammals. Many of our small mammals eat fungi as part of their diet, but some have become specialist gourmet truffle eaters. These include the bettongs and potoroos, small members of the kangaroo family. Over 90% of their diet is fungal and much of that is truffle. You may well ask how they locate the truffles when they are hidden from sight. The answer is another amazing adaptation of the truffle's underground lifestyle. As the fruit matures it emits pheromones, which are highly attractive for the bettongs. They sniff out the fruit, dig it up, consume the nutrient dense package and move on. They pass the spores in their scats as they go. This is a highly efficient spore dispersal mechanism, which includes delivery of the spores in a little dollop of moist fertiliser. The casual consumers of fungi – antechinus, bush rats, wallabies, even brush turkeys – contribute a small portion to this dispersal. However, the specialists consume a much greater diversity and quantity of truffles. So their role is critical in the ecosystem.



The next step in the story is that for the fungi to grow, they need the partnership of eucalypts. The trees produce sugars, through photosynthesis, some of which they trade with their fungal partners in exchange for water and minerals. A mutually beneficial arrangement indeed!

Clearly this interconnected relationship between tree, truffle and mammal is a very effective part of the ecosystem. It is also very vulnerable. Changes that affect any part of that relationship could potentially destroy the lot.

To learn more about the Kingdom of Fungi, you are invited to attend a  
**Workshop in Kuranda on Sunday morning,  
24th March at the CWA Hall.**

Please book through Kuranda Envirocare – [info@envirocare.org.au](mailto:info@envirocare.org.au)  
or ring Margaret on 0478 676 122 or Cathy on 0419 624 940

**NEW** Pocket Guides for some of our incredible Tropical Fungi,  
including truffles, will be on sale at the Workshop.

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2. Truffle a
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# Mareeba Airport Upgrade



**Stage 1** of the Mareeba Airport Upgrade Project will be officially opened on Thursday 7 March 2019 by Senator Ian Macdonald, Cynthia Lui MP, State Member for Cook on behalf of the Hon. Cameron Dick MP, Minister for State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning, and Mareeba Shire Mayor Tom Gilmore.

• **Stage 1** includes the construction of a new 52-lot commercial precinct connected to water, sewerage, power and telecommunications. Stage 1 has also included connection of potable water supply and upgrades to the airport fire-fighting system. Surrounding roads and associated infrastructure have also been upgraded.

• Mareeba Shire Council received \$5 million from the Australian Government and \$13 million from the Queensland Government towards the upgrading of the Mareeba Airport.

• Last year, Council received a further \$5 million from the Australian Government under the Building Better Regions Fund to further enhance the Stage 2 upgrades.

• **Stage 2** work is underway and includes upgrade of the runway, taxiways and airfield lighting.

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## My fourth red toaster just packed up.

I buy cheap red toasters because I can't get attached to them as they don't hang around for long, and because they are red.

I didn't keep the receipt because in business time and fuel, a trip to Big W to return it amounts to approximately eight times the cost of the toaster. Besides, it would just join all its hundreds of brothers and sisters to end up in landfill, where at least I can add to the metal recycling pile at Cardinia.

And there was also a risk that on returning said toaster, I might get indicted for Possession of a Controlled Weapon/Improper Use of a Toaster. There's no way I would share a watchhouse cell with this toaster, I hardly had time to get to know it.

Besides that, I'll get sidetracked while I am down there, and probably buy another piece of Chinese junk (excuse the pun) in the shape of a computer keyboard. Thank heavens real Chinese junks stand up to the test of time.

Googling 'Australian made computer keyboard', I was delighted to see Logitech come up. Hold on, isn't my current reject a Logitech? I turned it over reverently, feeling suddenly guilty as I recalled the extreme (but not unprecedented) violence with which I had stabbed at the useless stuck Backspace key with an accusing index finger just five minutes before.

Surprise, surprise, 'CE Made in China'.

I banged it back down on the desk, causing every single Asian made item to bounce in horror, every single, short lived, unrecyclable piece of black plastic and a Bali purchased silver pendant that will gradually reveal itself as an alloy along with the 'silver' statue purchased in Ubud that is now the colour of brass.

I've beaten keyboards before, turning them over and knocking them sharply on my desk, dislodging breakfast and dinner crumbs, dead ants, and any manner of foreign objects (no rice yet though), forgetting there's a customer on the other end of the telephone line.

"It's just part of working in a Word Factory", I explain, and by way of explanation "Words are very noisy in the manufacture thereof" and expect them to laugh. They never do.

So back to Google, reluctantly, as I have been all over Cairns looking for an Australian keyboard. I decided to try [australianmade.com.au](http://australianmade.com.au). With rising anticipation, I typed in 'Computer Keyboards'. I was rewarded with various ads for software, culminating in soft leather handbags at just fifth in the list. I checked my spelling and tried to fathom how 'computer keyboards' could lead me to handbags or even more so, next to handbags, Rhodes Sandy Chaff – a blend of 50% Lucerne Chaff and 50% Rhodes Chaff, and then Therapacks Lavender Eye Pillows. How did I get chaff in a search for computer keyboards?

For fun, I searched for Lavender Eye Pillows, using reverse psychology, and the results were a little more accurate – lots of eye products and bed pillows, but alas, no keyboards. And then chaff, of which there were indeed six choices, but all from the same company. Please don't tell me our chaff is made in SE Asia. I'm just going to the feed shed to check.

I'm back. It's okay, I checked my chaff bags. Thank God the world had not shifted. We do still have hay in Australia, although sometimes the government seems intent on preventing it going where it is needed, seeming to prefer sending anything of value, viz our well earned money, overseas. We seem to retain those things of no value, like child molesters, drug traffickers and terrorists.

While I'm on that subject, some time ago I started a Change.org petition urging politicians to fly economy rather than business to Parliamentary sittings and cabinet meetings and the like. It has about 2100 signatures and I'm about to rev it up. After all, I think I might vote for a party who would direct its politicians to suffer an economy flight with us plebs and our hastily packed Vegemite sandwiches, and donate the huge difference in their fare to a sludge fund for our farmers, wouldn't you? Then we could call it cattle class with impunity. Count the number of politicians in Australia, think of the difference in cost between economy and business, and consider how many fodder boxes that would buy over time for the salvation of farming communities in strife.

I reckon the Australian government must have got wind of my petition as there's only a handful of sitting days this year before the next election.

You might not care too much if you're vegan, but farmers come in all forms and losses aren't restricted to livestock.

Petition can be found at <https://bit.ly/2BKX4kr>

It's not much, but it's a start; we need some true grit, like my driveway, politicians who remain solid under pressure, stay on the straight, jettison the weeds and take us where we need to go. I'm not actually sure at this stage whether that should be backwards or forwards.

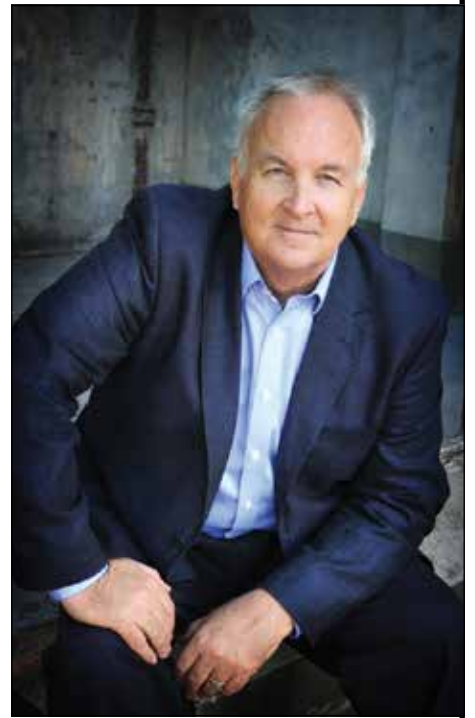
## How To Become an Amazon Bestseller: seminar

**C T Mitchell** is one author who has cracked Amazon as a bestselling author of mystery short reads and novels with a thriller edge. He received a 5 star rating in the 2017 Readers Choice Awards for his novel *Murder Secret* (formerly published as *Breaking Point*), yet he only published his first book in 2015.

A former Cairns boy, he has since had twelve (12) publications in the #1 Amazon Bestsellers, and has a massive social media following close to 40,000.

Hosted by Cairns Tropical Writers Festival as part of its year round events, his seminar on Sunday afternoon 31 March 2019 at Cairns City Library will show local writers how to get their books into the Amazon top 10 category without spending a fortune on Facebook ads, with the Amazon 'magic' selling your book.

C T Mitchell recently gave this seminar for the Queensland Writers Centre in Brisbane. This is a great opportunity for local authors in the far north with manuscripts or books already published to get some timely professional development on this important step.



**Book or Look:**

[www.CairnsTropicalWritersFestival.com](http://www.CairnsTropicalWritersFestival.com)

## BULURRU BIDJARR-DJADA The Story and the Dreaming

NYII GUDJI NGIRRMA NYIWUL-MU MARA-MALIM BADJI-BADJIL?

What is the voice of one hand clapping?

NYINAN DJAGAL!

Sit quietly!

BINA NGUNDA!

Listen!

DJULARRI NULA-NULA- -YA.

The cicadas are calling out.

BAGARRA WAY-WAY DABAYA.

The forest is breathing.

WUBUN GAWAL DJANAYA.

The frogs are shouting.

GILI-GILI WANDAYA.

A fine rain is falling.

NYURRAN BURRNYA BADJI-BADJIYA.

Your heart is beating.

BALABIRA WULNGGU DJANAYA.

Curlew is singing out.

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## New Members Welcome!

### Donations for Queensland Rural Farmers Greatly Appreciated

Donations can be made to the Public Rural Crisis FUND (PRCF) – an initiative of the Queensland Country Women's Association.

Public Notice from Secretary QCWA FNQ; "So many people in need – The North Western Division of CWA is under water and loss of livestock horrendous". "You can stipulate where you would like your donation to go – and by donating through PRCF it has DGR status" (Deductible Gift Recipient).

To donate send to QCWA Rural Crisis Fund BSB: 064000 Acct: 1460 3729 Ref code: Your name or company name.

As you can see from above the CWA is closely aware of rural issues and is strategic in its approach to playing a supportive role. The Kuranda Branch proactively provides opportunities for local residents to have a safe, inviting place to meet, and participate in creative ventures – including fundraising for others in need. BUT we need more Members! And there is place for more on the committee – come and play an active part.

Membership gives you Volunteer status and a say in what we can achieve in Kuranda and State wide. Also discounts for State wide CWA accommodation.

Groups regularly utilising the CWA building – Cnr Thongon and Barang Streets include; Taekwon-Do, Kuranda A.A., Yoga-Gentle, Karate, QCWA Craft and Social Morning (9.00am Wednesdays – contact Carol 40937187). Recently the new 'Men's Shed' blokes have generously helped out with some restoration.

For Room Bookings phone Sarah 4093 7599.

For Membership information try me - Krishna Buhler, Committee Member Kuranda CWA, phone 0427 938 730.



## Kuranda Men's Shed

Shoulder to Shoulder

# Tales From The Crypt ~~Shed~~

Hi all!

It's been another steady and positive month here at the Kuranda Men's Shed. We've had a few new members sign up and we're also maintaining good numbers at the shed days. Now that we've finished our largest project to date, ant traps for EnviroCare, we will be moving on to constructing some seedling trays as well. Some of our newest members have eagerly accepted the task.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind the community of a couple of important dates. Firstly, our AGM will take place on Saturday 2nd March at the Koah Hall at 1.00pm. Anyone is welcome to come along and mingle, and if interested, sign up.

Secondly, a reminder that the Australian Hearing Bus is coming to town, and will be located at the Kuranda Men's Shed on Wednesday 20th March 2019 from 9am-12.00noon. Free hearing checks will be available for anyone who is interested in coming along that day. No appointment necessary, just come along and speak to one of Australia's hearing experts.

If you would like any further information, please feel free to contact us by any means below:

**Trading Hours: Wednesday 8:30am-11:30am & Saturday 2.00pm-5.00pm**

We are located down the end of Kuranda Heights Road, continue on past the caravan park, and in to the old council depot

**Contact: Daryl Douglass (Secretary): 4093 9421/Richard Clews (President/Treasurer): 4093 0457**

Or search on Facebook for Kuranda Men's Shed.

did YOU know Kuranda has a RECYCLE DEPOT?

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## Computer Classes for Beginners

When: Friday from 1.00-2.00pm  
Starting on 1st March 2019

Where: Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre  
Who: Anyone wanting to learn the basics of computers and get online

Come and join me for a fun and educational 1-hour session learning the basics of computers. The goal is to build your confidence.

Throughout these sessions we will learn the very basics of computers like:

- How to turn your computer on/off
- How to open Google/Internet Explorer/Fire Fox as a browser for the internet
- How to get into your emails and set an account up if you don't have one
- How to print/photocopy/scan documents
- How to do online banking
- Write Resumes and Cover Letters
- Plus, any topics you want to learn about...

We have five computers available to use for these classes. If you have a laptop or device you would like to bring in on the day, you are more than welcome to bring this as your preferred device to use.

Bring with you a note pad so you can write notes down or any important information, like passwords etc. I will have "Be Connected" Resources and Information available on the day.

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**Mareeba Community Support Centre New Emergency Relief:** MCSC has two workers attending KNC every second Tuesday (13th and 27th of March) to deliver a new model of Emergency Relief around overdue bills. You will need to make an appointment by contacting Margaret or Tricia at KNC and then bring a Centrelink Income Statement and the actual bill to the appointment. A case plan is then developed with the worker to include a partnered approach to managing the bill payment. To discuss this further or make an appointment please contact the Centre.

**Partnership with Youthlink for Volunteer Training:**

KNC is partnering with Youthlink to deliver volunteer training. This will commence at the end of March and run for 8-9 weeks, one day per week. At the end of the training, trainees can choose to work either at Youthlink or KNC or both. Volunteering is a great way to connect and contribute to your local community. Please contact Lara Baker on 0424 326 758.

**Outreach Services at KNC:**

KNC continues to provide a venue for the following outreach services: Mareeba Street to Home program, QuiHN dual diagnosis and substance misuse counseling, probation and parole (fortnightly), UCC Financial Counsellor every second Wed (ring to make an appointment), Mental Health Social Worker (private practitioner), Psychologist (private practice), Domestic Violence worker. All services are strictly confidential. Please contact KNC for referral and contact details.

**KNC Shed Space:** We are still encouraging community delivery and ownership of group-based activities in the newly renovated space. If you wish to discuss use of this space, please contact Margaret.

**KNC Food Program:** KNC has an ongoing request for donations of nonperishable food items for our food program. This is for those individuals and families in Kuranda who don't have enough food. KNC is also partnering with OZ Harvest <http://www.ozharvest.org/news-location/cairns/> to distribute food to those in need in the District and so there will be fresh produce for people to take when available from the Centre. This will usually be on the table in reception or labelled items in the fridge in the kitchen.



**Volunteer Peer Educators and Workers Wanted**

Are you passionate about creating equity and empowerment for young people in Kuranda or would love to work in the community sector?

Youth Link and the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre is offering a Volunteer Peer Education and Worker Program.

The opportunity to split your volunteer hours between Youth Link and the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre to gain as much experience as possible and to give back to our local community.

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- \* Be able to commit 1 day per week (Thursdays)
- \* Have a passion for youth work and or community work
- \* Enjoy working in a team
- \* Be able to obtain blue card

The program will run from March 2019 to September 2019

Applications close 21st of March

Please send a brief email of interest to:

[lara@youthlink.org.au](mailto:lara@youthlink.org.au)

or phone 0424 326 758 for more information



My name is Caitlin and I am proud to say I am a part of the Kuranda community. I believe being part of a community also means giving back to it. That's why I joined our local SES when I was 17. The State Emergency Service (SES) is a volunteer-based organisation empowering people to help themselves and others in times of emergency and disaster.

Volunteering with the SES is a challenging and rewarding way to give back to your community and you don't require any previous experience.

Across my time at the SES I have learnt many skills, including first aid, map reading and navigation, operating a two-way radio, basic rescue, storm damage response, land search techniques, leadership and team-building, chain saw and many more things. At no cost to yourself, you are provided with equipment and training. We encourage people to undertake any training that interests them.

We train every 2nd Tuesday night and it's a great way to get to know people in your community, we know people live busy lives and can't always be available. I am a university student and I am often away for university or placement, but the flexibility allows me to still be a member.

After such a busy wet season already, we need people to join our local SES.

To learn more come and see us outside the Kuranda Foodworks on the morning of Saturday 2nd March.

Or come along to a special information evening on 12th March at 7.15pm.

We are located on Fallon Road next door to the Ambulance Station.

Or call John on 4093 7246 or 0407 144 213 for more information.



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## Input into Wayfinding Signage Sought by Council



As part of the Kuranda revitalisation project, Council is seeking community feedback on new wayfinding signage. This project involves the provision of new signage in keeping with the existing theme to assist visitors to navigate to places of interest by vehicle or on foot.

**What is Wayfinding?** All people wayfind in one way or another. The term wayfinding encompasses the way we navigate and spatially orientate ourselves within spaces and from place-to-place.

Wayfinding signage is therefore designed specifically to assist in the process of orientation and navigation through the use of map, directional and location information. Due to the specific nature of their role in the public realm, they should not be confused with interpretative and other types of signage.

You can view and comment on the draft design themes by visiting the Mareeba Shire Council website. Link: <https://msc.qld.gov.au/kuranda-wayfinding-signage/>



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LATE LAST YEAR the UK group Extinction Rebellion (Rising Up), made up of concerned citizens and almost 100 senior academics from across the UK, started a campaign of peaceful mass civil disobedience.

“The planet is in ecological crisis – we are in the midst of the sixth mass extinction event this planet has experienced. Children alive today in the UK will face the terrible consequences of inaction, from floods to wildfires, extreme weather to crop failures and the inevitable breakdown of society. We have a duty to act.”

Backed by professors and academics and such prominent names as the former archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams and US politician Bernie Sanders Extinction Rebellion are calling on the government to act.



### Fight for Life

**We are facing an unprecedented global emergency.  
The government has failed to protect us.  
To survive, it's going to take everything we've got.**

### Our demands:

- **The Government must tell the truth about the climate and wider ecological emergency, reverse inconsistent policies and work alongside the media to communicate with citizens.**
- **The Government must enact legally binding policy measures to reduce carbon emissions to net zero by 2025 and to reduce consumption levels.**
- **A national Citizen's Assembly to oversee the changes, as part of creating a democracy fit for purpose.**

<https://rebellion.earth>

Extinction Rebellion's aim and mission is to create a world that is regenerative and fit for generations to come through non-violent means that achieves this by challenging current power systems – “To spark and sustain a spirit of creative rebellion, which will enable much needed changes in our political, economic and social landscape.”

The group is a support and encouragement organisation that can train and mobilise people to bring about positive change to current toxic systems. Currently this is to challenge our world leaders and governments on denial and planet destroying systems that they inexplicably keep supporting.

“World leaders have failed to adequately confront the existential threats posed by climate and ecological breakdown, let alone the causes of the crises. Polite lobbying, marching, voting, consumer- and shareholder-activism, have all failed. We are now on the brink. If asking the establishment nicely doesn't get them to act, then the only option left is civil disobedience, to disrupt the ordinary working of things, so that decision makers HAVE to take notice.”

The 'social contract' between citizen and government has been broken. It is now normal for vested interests to dominate real world political policy leading to denial, politic rhetoric and dangerous inaction from our world governments. Therefore, people must take up the right and moral duty to bypass criminal governments and defend all of life itself. Some of our children are already trying to get their governments tried for crimes against humanity. There are no excuses left.

“We have presented governments with pretty hard choices. We have pointed out the enormous benefits of keeping to 1.5C, and also the unprecedented shift in energy systems and transport that would be needed to achieve that,” said Jim Skea, a co-chair of the working group on mitigation for the UN IPCC. “We show it can be done within laws of physics and chemistry. Then the final tick box is political will.”

Frustration and urgency are growing in many of us: we are wondering what we are doing going in our lives and work, many of us are feeling it is pointless and currently not where our energies should be directed, many of us are weary – of rhetoric, of stupidity, of a growing lack of compassion and tolerance. Many more of us are very frightened.

So, what to do... Join the growing requests that are flooding into the Extinction Rebellion site and declare International Non-Violent Rebellion Against the World's Governments for Criminal Inaction on the Ecological Crisis. <https://ausrebellion.earth>

Closer to home join the Australian Earth Laws Alliance (AELA) which promotes and supports Earth Jurisprudence or Earth Laws. Earth jurisprudence is a new legal theory and fast-growing social movement that proposes we 'rethink our legal, political, economic and governance systems so that they support, rather than undermine, the integrity and health of the Earth.' <https://www.earthlaws.org.au>

And join any of the environmental and justice groups that are fighting for the continuation of this planet for all species and life on earth. Write long letters full of grief and anger to your government and leaders asking why they are participating in crimes against humanity?

Or go further and join Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, and his peers in suing your federal government for violating your constitutional right to life, liberty, prosperity, and the pursuit of happiness or whatever your country's constitution says.

Stir up some civil disobedience and save a planet!

**Rachael Kelly**





## SPREAD THE WORD: Easy Ways To Use Kale

Kale is well known as a SuperFood but don't let that put you off. It is also delicious but can require a little attention to unlock its potential. There are usually two common kinds of kale available – the Curly Leaf Kale (which must be as fresh as possible because it can get tough and bitter otherwise. Don't pick any bunches with yellowing leaves. Once you get it home, soak in cool water for a little while, drain and wrap in a damp tea towel until preparing). The other commonly available kale is the smoother, darker green Tuscan Kale. Either versions can have tough stems so it's best to strip off the leaves for most recipes (though stems can be chopped and frozen to add to soups etc later). Once you have your leaves ready there are recipes galore for salads, baked dishes, smoothies etc (Google away). Here are four recipes for kale spreads to have on hand for a daily dose of green goodness.

Enjoy – *Queenobears*



### Super Kale Pesto via [cookieandkate.com](http://cookieandkate.com)

Makes about 1 1/4 cups

**Ingredients:** 2-3 cloves peeled garlic, 3 cups packed kale leaves, 3/4 cup hemp seeds or toasted nuts of choice, 2 tbsp lemon juice (about 1 lemon), 3/4 tspn sea salt, 1/4 tspn ground pepper, chilli flakes, optional, 1/4 cup flaxseed oil or extra-virgin olive oil (more if desired).

**Method:** In a food processor, add garlic and process until minced. Add the kale, hemp seeds, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Turn on the food processor and drizzle in the oil. Process until the pesto reaches your desired consistency, stopping to scrape down the sides as necessary. Taste and add more lemon, salt or pepper if necessary. (You can thin out the pesto with more oil, but if you're serving with pasta, keep in mind that you can also thin it out with reserved pasta cooking water.)

### Kale Chimichurri Sauce via [mantitlement.com](http://mantitlement.com)

Makes up to 6 servings

**Ingredients:** 1/4 cup fine chopped parsley, 1/4 cup fine chopped kale (and other leafy greens if desired), 2 tbsp fine chopped shallot, 3 minced garlic cloves, 1/2 cup olive oil, 1 tspn honey, 1/4 tspn sea salt, 1/2 tspn crushed red pepper flakes.

**Method:** If you have the patience and time, chop by hand and mix together, otherwise blend in a processor taking care to keep a little chunky. Delicious sauce which has many uses.

### Curried Lentil and Kale Hummus

via [aplantbasedsoul.com](http://aplantbasedsoul.com)

Makes up to 6 servings

**Ingredients:** 1 cup cooked brown lentils (fresh cooked and cooled or canned), 1/2 cup walnuts, 1/2 red onion, chopped, 2 cups organic kale leaves, 1 1/2 tspn curry powder, 2 tbsp lemon juice, 1/2 tspn fine sea salt, 1/4 tspn black pepper, 1 cup water.

**Method:** Add all ingredients to a food processor or high powered blender. Blend on high for 2-3 minutes or until smooth and creamy or your desired texture.

### Banging Vegan Kale Basil Sauce

via [thismessisours.com](http://thismessisours.com)

Yields 2 to 2 1/2 cups

**Ingredients:** 1 cup raw cashews, soaked overnight, drained and rinsed, 1 poblano chilli pepper, roasted, seeds and skin removed, 1 cup warm vegetable broth, 1/2 cup fresh basil leaves, 1/2 cup flat leaf parsley leave and stems, 1/2 cup shredded Tuscan kale leaves, 1 medium-sized clove garlic, peeled and roughly chopped, 2 tbsp minced shallot, juice of 1 lemon, kosher salt and ground coarsely ground black pepper to taste.

**Method:** Place all of the ingredients in the order listed into a high powered blender. Blend until completely smooth. Use immediately or store refrigerated in an airtight container for up to three days.



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# Mareeba SHIRE COUNCIL update

**Centenary Park Amenities:** Refurbishment of the toilet block at Centenary Park is progressing well and is scheduled to be completed by April.

**Wayfinding Signs:** KIAC is considering concepts for new wayfinding and information signs throughout the village.

**TOURISM KURANDA:** Congratulations to the following nominees who have been appointed to the Tourism Kuranda Advisory Committee for a period of three years:

- **Angela Freeman** – Director, Koala Gardens/Birdworld. Board director of Tropical Tablelands Tourism for the Kuranda region, previous committee member
- **Terry Pates** – Owner, Frogs Restaurant. Long-standing committee member and community and business operator representative
- **Richard Berman-Hardman** – General Manager, Skyrail Rainforest Cableway
- **Robert McCartney** – Operation Manager North Queensland, Kuranda Scenic Railway/Queensland Rail
- **Rob Dean** – Sales Manager Greater China, Rainforest Station/Butterfly Sanctuary (CaPTA Group)

**KURANDA CEMETERY:** Within the next two to three years, the current Kuranda Cemetery will have reached its maximum capacity and a new cemetery needs to be established. Council has carefully looked at the land parcels it has available in the area and the only one which appears to be suitable is at Koah. Council will undertake further investigation to determine the viability of the site located opposite the Koah service station off the Kennedy Highway as a new cemetery to service Kuranda and surrounding communities.

**APPROVED ANIMAL INSPECTION PROGRAM:** Council officers will be conducting a 'doggy doorknock' in a few months' time to ensure residents are being responsible

pet owners. I encourage everyone to ensure their dogs are registered with the Council and comply with regulations.

**RECYCLING EFFORTS CONTINUE:** The Kuranda drop off point continues to be popular as is the drop-off point at the transfer station. Remember cardboard and paper is recycled through the general waste stream and not through normal recycling. General waste goes through a recycling process itself and over 50% of it is diverted from landfill, making us one of the highest recycling Councils in the State.

**WASTE LEVY:** The new State Government Waste Levy comes into effect on 1st July 2019. While its impact on residential waste is yet to be felt, all commercial waste will be impacted by the new \$75 tonne levy which is payable to the State.

*Cr Angela Toppin*

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Mareeba Shire Council to wish all Kuranda residents success and prosperity for 2019.

It has been a very 'wet start' to the year; however, it is wonderful to see so much 'greenery' in our Shire again.

**KIAC:** As a Councillor, I am a member of the Kuranda Infrastructure Advisory Committee (KIAC), and I am pleased to see the progress with the following projects. These projects will enhance the visitor tourism experience, as well as improving infrastructure and amenity for our local residents.

**Therwine Street:** Completion of the re-development is on the horizon after wet weather slightly delayed works. Finishings are underway to lower Therwine with landscaping scheduled to occur in due course. We thank business owners and the community for their patience while these works are being carried out.

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## Goldfish are Dumb

**I'D SET UP MY FISH TANK PERFECTLY.** Crystal clear water, a fantastic variety of plants and plankton, rocks and reef, sand and gravel. Then I added the fish. They swam in a riot of colour and shapes. It was perfect -- a delicate balance. The fish gathered in small groups to protect their eggs in the gravel, and to harvest the plants more effectively, and the balance remained.

But then the goldfish began organising the other fish into schools. Arranging the gravel became a bit more efficient and collecting food was a little easier, and so the goldfish became fatter with the extra. It did create conflicts among the goldfish, and the schools would have to fight to gain the best food or gravel pits or sometimes just to prove they had the best goldfish.

The bigger their schools were, the fatter the goldfish became, so they encouraged the other fish to collect more edible plants and create more gravel pits for more eggs. Even though they became as fat as they possibly could, they still wanted more.

Goldfish are dumb.

Some of the inedible plants and plankton were destroyed by the fish to make room for the others; some were destroyed by accident. As gravel became scarce, the goldfish had the other fish break down the reef and rocks to make more. My tank was still OK -- for a while.

Some of the other fish pointed out that the rocks and reef might be useful just as they were and the plants which disappeared could have been as well. The goldfish scoffed. They told the other fish that unless they kept getting more food, making more gravel pits and laying more eggs all the fish would grow thin. The goldfish urged this even though it was obvious that it could not last. When some fish pointed this out, the goldfish would say "That's ridiculous; it's a huge tank. Now look over here", or "Look over there", and the other fish would be distracted and they'd soon forget.

Some of the smartest fish noticed the tank warming up and that the water was not as clear. They predicted the bad things that would happen soon. The goldfish scoffed again and did nothing.

Goldfish are dumb.

The smarter fish said that the problems with the tank were because of excess food collection and breaking rocks and reef into gravel and sand. When their predictions came true, the goldfish had to admit they were wrong and some got together to solve the problem. They decided to break only the cleanest rocks into gravel and to increase the efficiency of getting food. How else would all of next months' eggs be fed?

Some fish pointed out that if all the fish laid fewer eggs, the main problems with the reef, gravel, plants and plankton would just go away. The goldfish would still be fat and there would be plenty of food for all. But the goldfish said, "Look over here" or "Look over there" or "Look at this bright new thing", and the other fish got distracted and forgot.

Even when the smart fish discovered the tank was getting dirtier and hotter faster than they first predicted, and even though all the fish could now see the terrible effects already happening, the goldfish did virtually nothing. They'd say "Well, I'm doing more than that goldfish" and "We need another gravel pit over here, more eggs are coming", or "Look over there" or "Look at this bright new thing". And the other fish would look around and get distracted and forget.

Maybe all fish are dumb.

Chris Harth



Advanced Care Paramedic Jeff Hodgetts, who recently received a Paul Harris Fellow Medal on behalf of The Rotary Foundation

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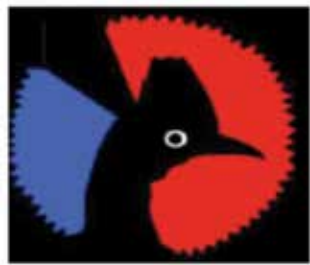
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*Oh boy! Hasn't it been hot, dry, wet and windy! Yet the nursery has stood up to the lot and hardly a plant has suffered too badly. It's been a good year for seeds resulting in a great deal of new growth. We're potting madly at the moment, but still the seeds come followed by the tiny new plants. It's a race to keep up.*

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**EXPANDING THE NURSERY**

With gifts of nursery benching (thanks Tony Osborne), we're in the process of building more potting benches to ease congestion in the work area.

More and more people are bringing in seeds that we can't bear to waste so we're always sowing seeds. Then there's potting the seedlings and then potting them up into larger pots for more advanced sizes.

On top of that, we have more volunteers, so we need more room to move.

Fortunately, the plants move out as quickly as new ones grow to take their place, so we are maintaining our nursery area, just making it more efficient.



Photo by Dianne Daniels

There's something primeval about new life emerging from a seed pushing up through the soil. Here is the lovely *Maniltoa lenticellata*, Cascading Bean, coming to life. This seed came from the tree outside the Kuranda Post Office. It is notable for the brilliant pink bunches of new leaves that cascade over the tree.

There's little to report on **CASSOWARIES** on the Kuranda Range Road because **NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE** in the last month. We wrote a strong letter to DMR and DES, holding them to account for any ill that might befall the adult (Karl) and his chick on the roadside. We pointed out that a wire-mesh fence can be erected off the road, out of sight, to prevent the birds from accessing the roadway, effectively blocking off the space between the existing Armco barriers. No response. Dept Transport & Main Roads works to formulae. There's not much in the way of innovation. If the formula doesn't fit, then basically whatever needs to be done, can't be.

Cassowaries on the roadway doesn't fit any formula, so there's no way to address the problem. You can sense our frustration.



We're working on identification templates to help us describe the cassowaries that appear in our neighbourhoods. Along with this, we're creating family trees for the groups of birds, e.g. the Black Mountain Road birds (Dad with Missy then Gertie and their offspring) and the Speewah group (Cadagi Boy with Cadagi Ma and their offspring Lucas and his offspring, Zorro). It's hard because we lose track of the juveniles when they leave the parent birds. Now there's a project!

**HEAT WAVES**

No amount of watering will save some plants in heat wave conditions. If this level of heat is a way of the future, it may be indicating which plants can survive and which can't. Reading the signs and adapting accordingly may be showing us the choices we need to make from now on.



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## YCA Sticky Trap Workshops

The Saturday afternoon workshops have been going well with 1300 monitoring traps made by local community volunteers and delivered to the Wet Tropics Management Authority for placement in the field since December. The Men's Shed have played an active role in cutting the steel traps to size and punching the ant holes, with the volunteers then filing them smooth, numbering and painting them for visibility in the field. Partnerships include the Bulmba Ranger Team. The next workshop will be held on 9th March from 2.00-4.00pm followed by a supplied afternoon tea and we are always looking for new willing volunteers. This is a safe, fun way that you can contribute to eradicating these pests and protecting our unique wildlife and forests.



## Eradication Success at Edmonton Site



On 13th February Stakeholders gathered to celebrate the eradication of YCA in the Wiseman Road Reserve area in Edmonton but the fight is not over yet. Ongoing funding is vital to continue the momentum of this project that everyone has worked so hard for, and the opportunity was taken on the day to launch an open letter to the Qld and Federal Governments to equally fund \$6 million a year over seven years to eradicate YCA from the Wet Tropics World Heritage area. Read the open letter here <https://bit.ly/2UQrKry> and send an email from here [bit.ly/YCA-action](mailto:bit.ly/YCA-action).

**Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has** – Margaret Mead

## DATE CLAIMERS – UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Saturday 9th and 16th March, Kuranda Envirocare Nursery – YCA Sticky Trap Workshops
- For more information or to get a free YCA check on your property, email [yca@envirocare.org.au](mailto:yca@envirocare.org.au)**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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# RANGERS

## r e p o r t

### Training commences Thursday 7 March

Reminder to our families that Kuranda Rangers training will commence on **Thursday 7 March 2019.**

**TRAINING:** Thursdays 4.30pm @ KRC, Fallon Rd  
**FIRST GAME:** Saturday 27 April @ Endeavour Park, Manunda

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## Vigilance – the Price for our Lifestyle and Forests

There's been a discovery of a Yellow Crazy Ant (YCA) infestation site at Green Forest Road, Kowrowa. It's probably two to three years old, judging by the spread, not fully defined yet.

Our regenerating rural residential forested blocks are ideal habitat for these ants which are on the list of the 100 most invasive species in the world. The YCA threaten your lifestyle (just ask long term Russet Park residents about the impact, driving residents away from their gardens). YCA can ultimately eliminate all creatures in our forests. The eradication will depend on your direct help. Don't assume someone else will sort it.

Qld Biosecurity gave up the fight in 2012. Now WTMA has a great success story, with a community based approach. BUT... Funding for the current Wet Tropics Management Authority treatment program is ceasing in June this year. Lobbying for further funding, by our local MP's is assured, but we will need to add our voices and try to find any other sites sooner than later.



Photos (above left) YCA, slightly smaller than a green ant: long antenna, distinctive bend halfway; (above right) Volunteers generating stick ant trap shells, adding to the 20,000 needed for monitoring at 10m by 10m grid.

## YCA's: What you can do to help yourselves

Look around your garden, pot plants, edge of the pathways for YCA. They can be moved via plant material, soil, rocks and pot plants. If in doubt, don't, and give us a call. (Lisa, temp YCA coordinator 0435 016 906, Cathy 0419 624 940 or Hans 0459 978 842)

We are devising a more precise way for you to monitor, right across Kuranda, to determine if there are any further undiscovered infestations. For now – keep alert for ants which you haven't seen before especially if you notice all other ants seem to have vanished except one species. It could be YCA

**Another action:** if you're happy to add your voice to the need for further funding for this program, please google Kuranda Envirocare facebook page for the post from CAFNEC and use the links

**Another action:** Join one of the next few YCA sticky ant trap construction workshops. Google Kuranda yellow crazy ant community taskforce facebook page or see the YCA community task force coordinator column in Kuranda paper.

## Introducing Fungi Field Guide for FNQ:

**Workshop at CWA Hall – Sunday 24th March 9.30 am**

You are all invited to a workshop on Sunday 24th March 9.30am till 12 noon at the CWA hall. Bring some fungi along and learn to identify them using the handy field guide. Workshop will be run by Queensland Mycological Society (QMS) and hosted by Envirocare. Bring along some cash if you'd like to buy one of the field guides direct from QMS (\$10)

Photo right: Truffles eaten by Northern Bettong



## Youth Climate Action Network

Our Speaker meeting on 7th March 7.00pm hosts Sarah Gibson, a volunteer who is into her 3rd year of an Environmental Sustainability degree and switching to Urban Planning. Sarah has been attending the Youth Climate Action Network conferences and gatherings over the past 2 years and will update us on the latest thinking from a youth perspective.

### Date Claimers

- 2nd March (Sat) 7.30-9.00am Tree Planting opp. McKenzie Street
- 7th March (Thu) 7.00-8.30pm General meeting – Youth Climate Action: a youth perspective by Sarah Gibson, Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road
- 9th & 16th March (Sat) 2.00pm-4.00pm YCA sticky trap activity, Nursery 284 Myola Road
- 9th & 16th March (Sat) 7.30-9.00 am Tree Planting Russet Park
- 23rd March (Sat) 7.30-9 am Tree Planting Warril Creek
- 24th March Introducing Fungi Field Guide for FNQ workshop 9.30-12 noon, CWA Hall
- Frog Monitoring week 18th-24th March. To confirm text Cathy, 0419 624 940 or Simone on 0432 216 816
- Every Saturday morning conservation activities: Meet at nursery 284 Myola Road at 7.30am or call Cathy on 0419 624 940 for details. Email [info@envirocare.org.au](mailto:info@envirocare.org.au) to be placed on the regular email list.

## Great planting time

Visit our collection of garden-sized natives at 284 Myola Road. \$2 donation per plant. Sun lovers – musk mallow flowering strongly, dianellas, Cedar Bay cherries. Basket ferns, gingers and other shade lovers. Lemon myrtle (*Bachhousia citriodora*) Some bigger pots \$4

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# GARRANG, GALING, DJUNGGANG, YUNGANG

Coming, going, running, swimming... Things we do

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## GARRANG, GALING, DJUNGGANG, YUNGANG

Coming, going, running, swimming... Things we do

**BABAL:** to push. (Nyurra nganya babal. Gari nganya baba!) You are pushing me. Don't push me!  
**BADJIL:** to strike, to hit. (Bama-lu bibara badjil.) The Bama is hitting the clapsticks.  
**BAGAL:** to spear, to poke. (Gari nganya baga!) Don't poke me!  
**BALGAL:** to build, to erect something. (Yaluguli nganydji bayu balgal Ngunbanydja.) Today we are building a bayu in Platypus Place.  
**BANDANGAL:** to taste. (Gudji djambun bandanga!) Taste that witchetty grub. (Nganydja gurii.) Taste is good.  
**BANYDJARRIL:** to follow. (Nganya bandjarri!) Follow me! (Ngawu nyurrany banydjarril.) I am following you.  
**BAYAL:** to bite. (Ganyarrangu gurraa bayal.) The crocodile is biting the dog.  
**BIDJARRIBAYAL:** to dream. (Bugadjala ngawu bidjarri bayal ngawu burraya.) Last night I'm dreaming I'm flying  
**BINANGUNDAL:** to listen, to hear, to think. (Nganya bina ngunda!) Listen to me! (Ngawu bina ngundal.) I'm listening.  
**BUGAY:** to eat. (Nganydji guyu nyinggarra-djada bugang.) We are eating fish and eel. (Nyurra bugay-galing?) You going to eat?  
**BULBAL:** to rub or grind. (Nganydji badil bulbal.) We're grinding up cycad nuts.  
**BULWAL:** to jump. (Dulbil bulwa-bulwal djumburru-la.) The wallaby is jumping along the track.  
**BUNDARRIL:** to lead. (Nyurra nganya bundarri!) You lead me!  
**BUNYDJIL:** to come out, to emerge. (Didja djulbin-da bunydjing.) The blossoms are blooming on the trees.  
**BUWAY:** to enter. (Buway garran!) Come enter! (Munu buwan!) Come inside!  
**DABAY:** to throw. (Ngawu wungal dabang.) I'm throwing a boomerang. (Nyurra galga daban!) You throw a spear!  
**DAGAY:** to hide. (Guludji garrang!) The gulidji are coming! (Dagan!) Hide!  
**DJANAY:** to stand. (Ngawu djanang.) I'm standing. (Nyurramba djanan!) All of you stand up!  
**DJARRIY:** to drown. (Nganya wumarri!) Help me! (Ngawu djarring.) I'm drowning.  
**DJILIDJARRAL:** to stare. (Gari nganya djili

jarra!) Don't stare at me!  
**DJILIMUNING:** twinkling. (Gaway djilimuning djin.gal-nda.) Stars are twinkling in the sky.  
**DJUDAY:** to come down, descend. (Bungan djudang-ala.) The sun is setting now.  
**DJUNDAY:** to walk. (Nyurramba djunda-djungang Gimunyda?) Are you all walking to Gimuy(Cairns)? (Munu buwan mudaga-la.) Get in the car!  
**DJUNGGAY:** to run. (Gudji bandjil girigiri djunggang.) That girl runs fast.  
**DUUL:** to hit. (Ngawu nyurrany duul-a-galing.) I'm going to hit you. (Gari nganya duu!) Don't hit me!  
**GALIY:** to go. (Ngawu galling-ala.) I'm going now. (Nurra galin nguma!) You go tomorrow!  
**GAMBAY:** to crawl. (Bibuy gambang digarra-la.) The little one is crawling in the sand.  
**GANDAY:** to burn, to cook. (Bulmba gandang-ala.) The country is burning now.  
**GANIL:** to tie. (Ngawunggu djugabal ganil bidjarra.) I'm tying up a djugabal (framework for a bayu a shelter) with split lawyer cane.  
**GARRAY:** to come. (Garran!) Come! (Ngawu garrang.) I'm coming.  
**GUNBIL:** to weave or plait. (Wulam milba yimbi gunbil.) Wulam is good at weaving yimbi.  
**GUNDAL:** to make. (Nyurra ngayang mundu gurii gundal.) You make my spirit good.  
**MAGAYIY:** to climb, to rise. (Gindan magaying.) The moon is rising.  
**MAGARRIL:** to pick up. (Nyurran gambi magarri!) Pick up your clothes!  
**MARRIY:** to cross. (Wawun djumburru-la marring djalabagirr.) Brush turkey is crossing to the other side of the road.  
**NAMBIL:** to hold. (Djandal nambi! Magayin!) Hold on the fig root! Climb up!  
**NYINAY:** to sit. (Nyinan gundii!) Sit there! (Ngawu nyinang gulun.) I'm sitting here.  
**WALNGGAL:** to float. (Ngudaa walnggal djin.gal-nda.) Clouds are floating in the sky.  
**WUNA:** to lie down. (Nyurra wunan gundii!) You lie down there! (Ngawu wunang gulun.) I'm lying here.  
**WUNGAY:** to drink. (Bana wungan!) Drink water! (Ngawu bana wungang-ala.) I'm drinking bana now.

## Word Search

(Please note: some words may share letters)

BABAL  
 BADJIL  
 BAGAL  
 BALGAL  
 BANDANGAL  
 BANYDJARRIL  
 BAYAL  
 BIDJARRIBAYAL  
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 WUNGAY

## NGIRRMA EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND

The Bama (people) of this area (bulmba) shared a common ngirrma, language.

The Djabuganydji, Bulwanydji, Nyagali, Yirrganydji and Gulunydji have lived here for millennia. The Djabuganydji called it Djabugay. The Bulwanydji called it Bulway. The Yirrganydji on the coast called it Yirrgay. The 'ay' sound at the end of these words sounds like the archaic English word 'aye' for yes.

Some of their stories go way back in time. The Djabuganydji believe that once their hunting grounds stretched to the Barrier Reef. At the end of the last ice age there was a rise in sea-level that pushed the people back inland and created the present shoreline. Nowhere else in the world have people been able to reside continuously in one place for so long, passing on their stories to the present day.

The actual world 'bulmba' has many meanings: home, camping ground, territory, the weather and the authority of the elders, upholders of the Law. This bulmba is constantly changing, depending on the time of the year, the season and the weather.

Thanks to the Bulmba Rangers for help with selection of wordsearch words and to the Djabugay Tribal Aboriginal Corporation for its work in preserving the area's linguistic inheritance.

— Michael Quinn

## EXPLANATION FOR VERBS

Looking at these verbs we see that some end in -l and others -y. Djabugay has two conjugations of verbs. A conjugation is a pattern that verbs follow to carry different information.

### For - Y conjugation verbs:

nyina-y belongs to the-y conjugation.

To make the present tense take off the -y and replace it with -ng.

Ngawu nyinang. I am sitting, I sit...(present)

To make the future tense take off the -y and add -na  
 Nyurra nyinana nguma. You will sit tomorrow...(future)

To make the past tense take off the -y and add -ny

Ngawu nyinany bugaarra. I sat down yesterday...(past)

To make a command take off the -y and add -n.

Nyurra nyinan! You sit down! (command)

### For -l conjugation verbs:

Ngawu minya dugal. I'm getting minya. The -l marks the present.

To make the future add -na:

Ngawu minya dugalna nguma. I'll catch minya tomorrow. (future)

To make the past take off the -l and add -ny.

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## A Thought for March

**T**HIS month we open our Bibles and read from St Luke's Gospel Chapter 6 verses 39 to 48.

We are listening to the heart of Jesus' public ministry. Every word of this passage, and of what comes before and after it in this chapter, will be relevant for human life for all time. Here Jesus communicates a vision of human life and human relationships which challenges all our normal levels of acceptance.

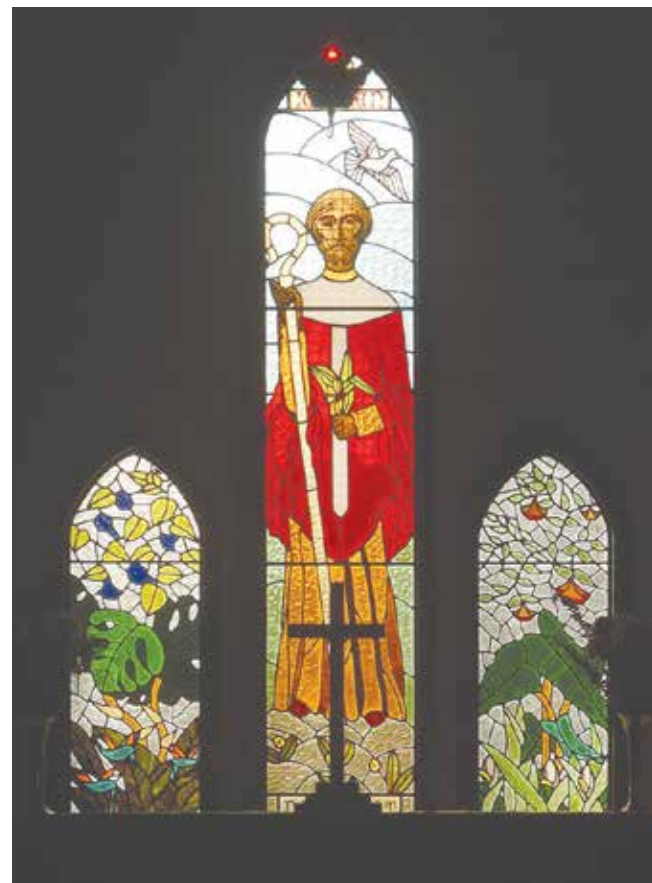
"Love your enemies, do good ... bless ... pray for those who abuse you." This whole passage stands like a mountain peak in the moral and ethical imagination of humanity. It is a statement of the ultimate: it is not possible to reach above or beyond it. Perhaps that is why he repeats the challenge in image after image. Loving, doing good, blessing, praying, offering the other cheek, offering one's shirt, responding to begging — each one of these images repeats the demand for the ultimate moral response not merely to friend but also to enemy, to the attacker, the abuser, the thief.

The question we must ask ourselves is can we respond to this demand? All of us are quite safe in saying No! Then why does this seemingly impossible demand haunt us. Why does it continue to shine like a light in all the darkness of human experience? For two reasons. Jesus did not just say these things to us; he lived them among us. To give oneself totally? He did. To pray for those who abuse us? He did. To love one's enemies? He did. This is why this passage can never be dismissed as idle dreaming for human life. We cannot dismiss something as unreal and visionary if it becomes real in front of our eyes and walks among us as Jesus did.

The second reason this vision of human response will not go away is that there is something in us that responds to it even if we cannot reach its ultimate heights. That something is perhaps the most wonderful and valuable element in our human nature. Saint John once spoke of it as "the light that lightened every man that cometh into the world."

It is a light that, though it can be brought very low by our own will and our own self, can never be extinguished. It is this lesser light in our lives which reaches out for the greater light which is Christ. Jesus light blinds us but we are attracted to it like a plant bending towards the light. As Isaiah said centuries before the time of Jesus, "The people who walk in darkness have seen a great light." Who are these people? We are.

Jesus shares his vision of human behaviour totally obedient to God. We cannot live this vision but it will be light and grace to us for ever.



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"From the beginning the Bab [1819 – 1850] must have divined the reception which would be accorded by His countrymen to His teachings, and the fate which awaited Him at the hands of the mullas. But He did not allow personal misgivings to affect the frank enunciation of His claims nor the open presentation of His Cause. The innovations which He proclaimed, though purely religious, were drastic; the announcement of His own identity startling and tremendous. He made Himself known as the Qá'im, the High Prophet or Messiah so long promised, so eagerly expected by the Muhammadan world. He added to this the declaration that he was also the Gate (that is, the Bab) through whom a greater Manifestation than Himself was to enter the human realm."

*(Shoghi Effendi, The Dawn-Breakers, p. xxviii)*

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## The Stars in March

**There's a strong Aries urge here to leap into the Equinox and Full Moon that begins astrological New Year.** But that's not until 2st March so we'll work our way up to it – grab the ram by the horns for a moment:

March begins with Venus moving out of Capricorn into Aquarius, that's enough of being responsible; let's go wild, appearance, obligations and respect for the basic decencies of relationships suddenly seem irrelevant, restricting and boringly old-fashioned. Really? Well, during the first week of March, Uranus also changes signs – out of Aries and into Taurus, so we have a lovely little "mutual reception" emerging. The wild edges of the Venus shift being tailored into a vibrant growth-oriented and, perhaps, profitable direction. The natural ruler of Aquarius is Uranus and the natural ruler of Taurus is Venus, in each other's signs as it were. That a mutual reception and it allows the energies; beautiful and loving Venus, wild and eccentric Uranus to discover and define a way of harmonizing to their mutual benefit. See what you can make of it in your own life. Taurus and Aquarius don't harmonize and neither do Venus and Uranus, but what a mix, "Space Visitors Abduct Beauty Queen and Seed a Hybrid New Race of Earth Beings", could be the lurid headline for the astro-extravaganza!

There's a current of energy flowing between Jupiter and Pluto during that first week as well. Nudge, nudge, go on, do it, push the plunger and set off the charge. Something needs to be demolished and it might as well be a big fire burst. The ashes will blow away, and the dragon is getting ready to breath new fire next month.

Now let's get to the Equinox. A very rare and beautiful experience it will be this year. As the Sun sits over the Equator at 0° Aries we have a balance and a beginning of the next annual journey. **This** year there is a Full Moon at 0° Libra right on the Equinox. So literally, on the morning of 21st March we have the Sun rising at 0° Aries in the east and the Full Moon setting at 0° Libra in the west. **Exactly** over the Equator. How cool is that? All is in balance; all is renewed and we can tip the scales with a gentle touch. By then Venus has moved into a powerful polarity with Pluto. Not so gentle perhaps, more inspired and passionate, and with Mars in perfect trine to Pluto, well, storm the castle! Take no prisoners! And let love and passion run wild. Not at all gentle it would seem, but what a high-wire balancing act it would be! That Equinoxal Sun-Moon line is strung really tight and so, yes, you can direct your life from this point with great passion, courage and daring. Chances like this are quite rare. It will be interesting to see how the world responds to this set of cosmic energy-lines. Quite dramatically I would expect.

As Venus led us into March, so Mars takes us out. On the last day of the month, Mars moves out of Taurus and into Gemini. Tempers flare, the slugger frustrated by the butterfly. Everything speeds up and the Bull is left snorting outside the gate as we dance and glide into the next six weeks of Mars in Gemini. Uranus in Taurus will keep the bullfight going through, just a change of matadors. We wish you a beautiful Equinox – Full Moon.

Blessings,



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Year to date: 1290.5mm

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MAREEBA	6.30am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.30am	9.30am	9.30am	4.00pm
SPEEWAH	6.55am	9.55am	4.25pm	6.55am	9.55am	9.55am	4.25pm
KURANDA	7.15am	10.05am	4.35pm	7.15am	10.05am	10.05am	4.35pm
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Departs From	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday	
	1	2	3	1	2	*1*	**2**
CAIRNS Central Rail Station	8.45am	3.30pm	5.45pm	8.45am	3.30pm	3.30pm	5.45pm
SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	9.00am	3.45pm	6.00pm	9.00am	3.45pm	3.45pm	6.00pm
KURANDA	9.20am	4.15pm	6.25pm	9.20am	4.15pm	4.15pm	6.25pm
SPEEWAH	9.25am	4.20pm	6.30pm	9.25am	4.20pm	4.20pm	6.30pm
MAREEBA	9.55am	4.50pm	6.55pm	9.55am	4.50pm	4.50pm	6.55pm
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# Kuranda Cemetery History

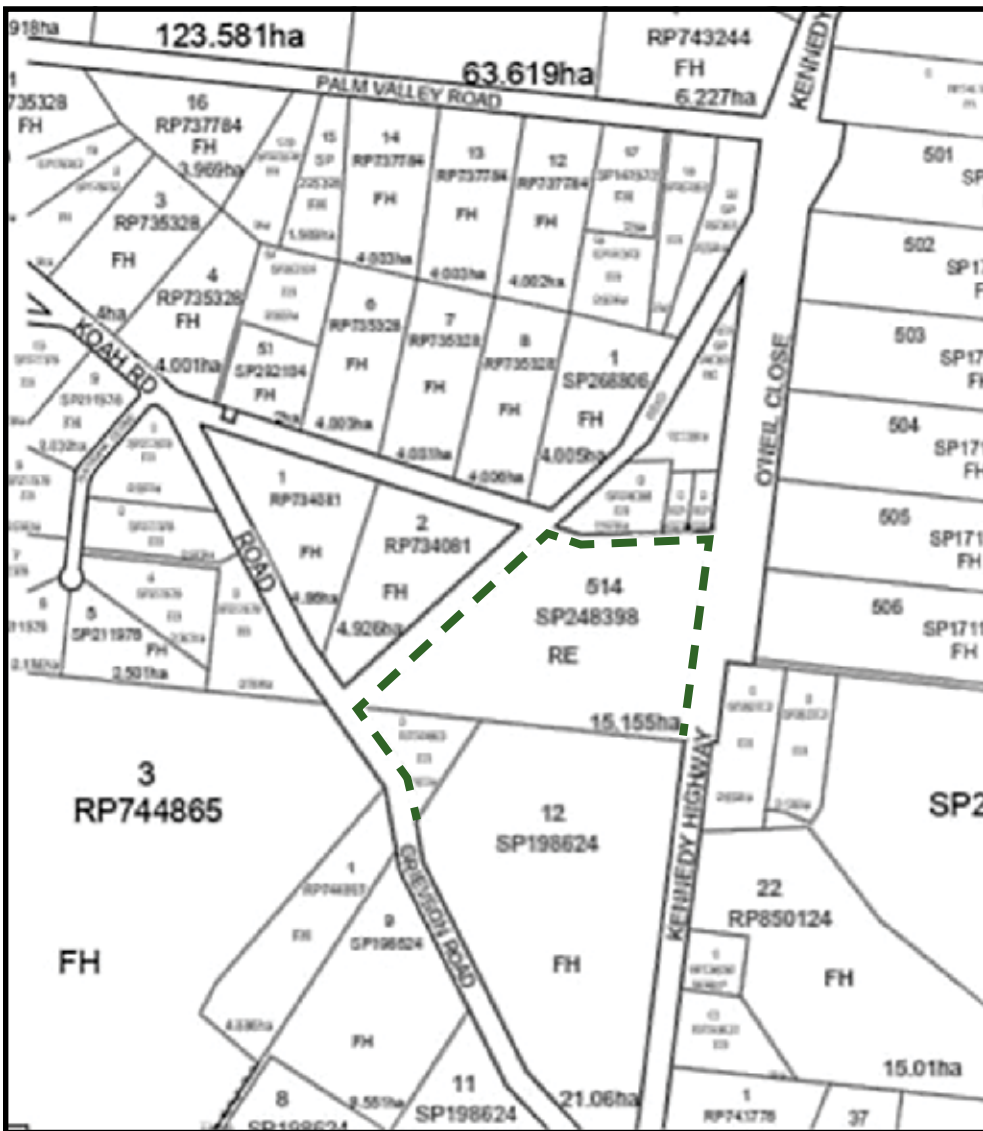
The earliest date recorded on gravestones in the Kuranda Cemetery is 1910. However, it is thought that there were informal burials previous to that date as Kuranda waited two decades for the cemetery to be officially established and named. The first record of a community push for a cemetery appears in *The Cairns Post*, December 9th 1909: "MEETING AT KURANDA. A meeting of the residents of Kuranda is called by the Progress Association to be held at the Barron Falls Hotel on Saturday next, at 8 o'clock in the evening to arrange for procuring a site for a cemetery and to improve the town common." (source: Trove)

In a situation which seems timeless and familiar, the request is passed back and forwards between council/s and State but at some point, evidently after a number of burials had already occurred, the Kuranda Cemetery becomes a reality.

The first mention of the "Kuranda Cemetery", as such, to be found online appears in *The Cairns Post* on July 7th 1921: "Young Lad's Death. William Edward, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Watkin, Kuranda, died on Wednesday, aged twelve years, and will be interred this afternoon at the Kuranda Cemetery. Great sympathy is felt with the bereaved family." (source: Trove)

Possibly the most "famous" grave in the Cemetery is that of Frederick Parkhurst Dodd, the magnificently named "Butterfly Man of Kuranda", known internationally as both an entomologist and a great Kuranda character. His grave is still the subject of occasional pilgrimages by admiring entomologists. Our photo of his newly cleaned headstone (2008) is by local entomologist David Rentz ([bunvipco.blogspot.com](http://bunvipco.blogspot.com)). Another cleaning trip is being planned, such is Parkhurst Dodd's enduring stature in that world.

It needs to be said that in the hundreds of graves, be they famous, humble or even unknown, are people whose lives shaped Kuranda and district and each deserves lasting respect and thanks from we who have inherited their legacy. May they rest in peace.



## Lot 514 Plan SP248398 (Koah Site)

"The property has access off both the Kennedy Highway and Koah Road and is currently tenured as 'Reserve - Strategic Land Management' (refer Attachment 2), which affords Council the ability to utilise it for cemetery purposes. The site is approximately 37.9 acres in size, significantly larger than the existing location (5.3 acres), with a large proportion expected to be suitable for use as single depth burial.

Possible constraints affecting the location include an existing waterway which bisects the property and gradients which may restrict burial from some areas of the site, however sloping areas may lend themselves as suitable for the establishment of a carpark and roadway within the land."

(Agenda for Ordinary Meeting MSC February 20th 2019)

**RESOLUTION:** "That Council undertakes further investigation to determine the viability of Lot 514 Plan SP248398 in Koah as a new cemetery to service Kuranda and surrounding communities."

(Minutes of Ordinary Meeting Mareeba Shire Council February 20th 2019).

