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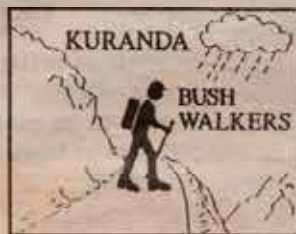
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## walks on the wildside



On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July 13 walkers visited the large Penda trees off Barron Falls Road, a wonderful feeling of peace and wonderment was surely felt by all. This was to be just a warm up for the walk that followed which took us down off Barron Falls Station to the bottom of the Gorge. Quite a steep track this turned out to be and we all managed it quite well from teenager to pensioner, a very mixed group of adventurers. Once at the bottom we just drank in the

breathtaking majesty of the gorge with every change of viewpoint. 10 of us continued down the gorge for a couple of km examining the 1935 power station on the way. One of our walkers after being shown the way by Oliver continued to go down towards Lake Placid to return up the railway track meeting up with the rest of us at about the same time. A really great day, we were all able to share some of the places which our hike leader, Oliver explored during his school days.

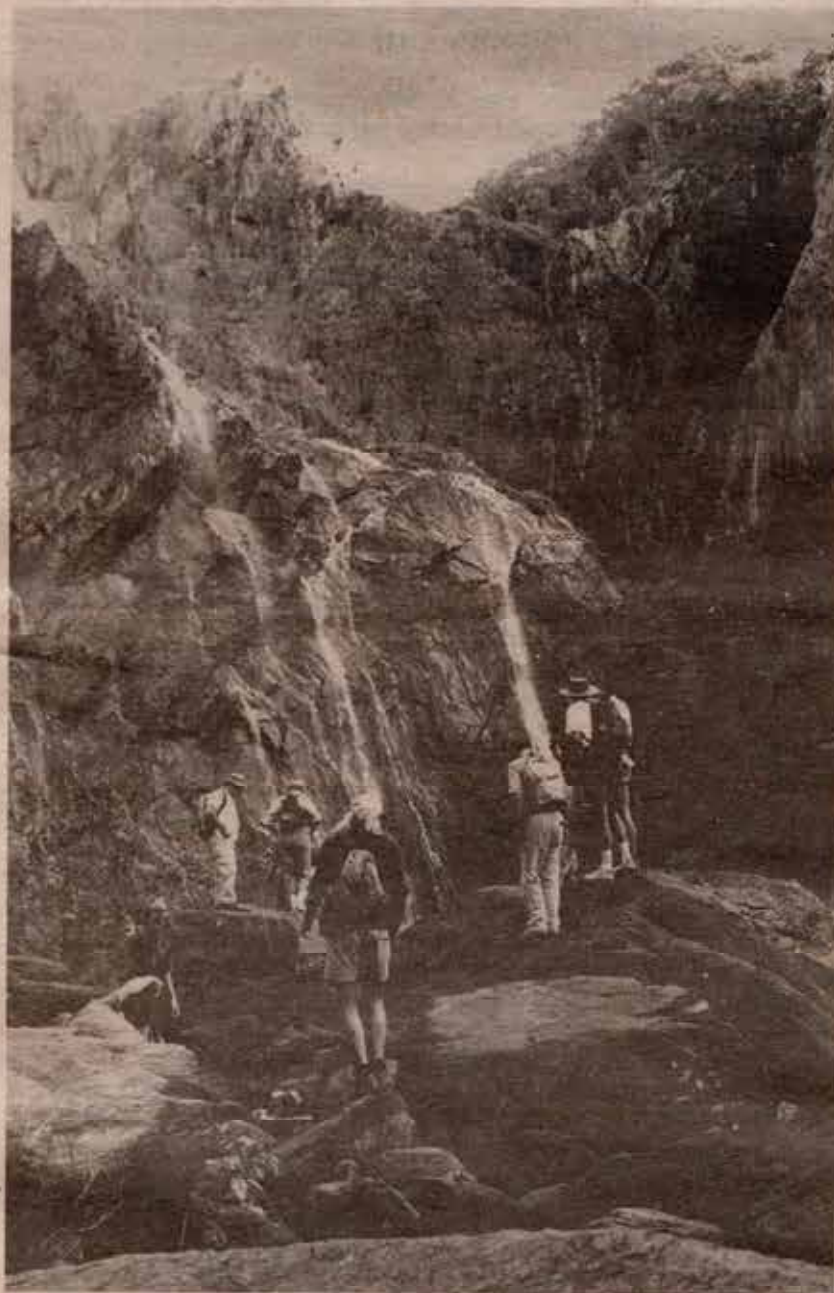
On the 16<sup>th</sup> July our hike took the 10 of us from the top of the range up to the Met station on Saddle Mountain with very spectacular views overlooking Smithfield and the Coral Coast. This was one of our shorter walks to cater for less experienced walkers as well as regulars. It is to be hoped that we can continue to have a selection of walks to cater for all tastes.

### FUTURE PLANNED WALKS.

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> July 7-30am CWA.** Top of the range to Clifton Beach with lunch at Palm Beach and return. A full day so please bring lunch and a warm jumper or jacket and something to drink.

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> August 2pm** An informal meeting to discuss our future and to plan for a possible walk over the Douglas track as we will need cars at each end. The meeting will be at John and Ruth Beasley's place, Lot 89 Douglas Track Freedom County. A short walk of about 2 hours around part of the Douglas Track and Speewah Road will follow the meeting or if a suitable day we can hold the meeting in the bush.

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup> August** A possible date for the Douglas Track walk. Phone John or Ruth on 930303 to confirm.



## GOAL WITHIN SIGHT

A four acre block on Fallon Road has been purchased by the Queensland Ambulance Service. This will also accommodate Fire Services and the State Emergency Service in the future and will cater for the growth in the region. Phil Chirio handed over \$10,000 cheque from Kuranda Ambulance Fund Raising Committee to Jiffy Reynolds to be added to the Trust Fund. Now totalling over \$50,000. Raised by the Kuranda Committee to provide equipment and fittings for proposed Kuranda Ambulance Centre.

The Ambulance Vehicle Collection Box in the photo was made by Mr. Reg. Jacobsen of Minnie Street in 1937. He was a lodge mate of the then Superintendent Mr. Les Clark and was employed by Smellie & Co. The vehicle replica of a 1936 Dodge ambulance Vehicle which was the first metal roofed car the Cairns Centre owned. It was the first Ambulance Vehicle with a hatchback in Australia. The box collected monies for the Fund at the Kuranda Markets for years.

(historical material supplied by Dawn Van Leeuwen)



The community owes a vote of thanks to the tireless workers on the Ambulance Committee. More info re ambulance page 14

Deputy Superintendent of the Queensland Ambulance Service - Geoff Reynolds, Atherton Bearer - driving the new style Ambulance, Betty Timmins - fund raiser, Phil Chirio - treasurer, (hidden) Neil Morris, Olive Mealing - fund raiser for the Kuranda Committee - Jim Mealing President of the Kuranda Branch. Absent is Beryl Blakey.

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**DEADLINES**

FOR SEPTEMBER PAPER  
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 Paper out Fri Aug. 26

**COMMUNITY LETTERS**

PO Box 66  
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**PLEASE NOTE: the Kuranda Paper attempts to print all letters received. Please keep yours to the point and under 150 words if possible or some editing may be necessary.**

**SKYRAIL LETTERS**

Dear Kuranda Paper;

The Anti Skyrail Camp is operating at a low key and successful level now. We have a good functioning kitchen. Two legal toilets, that will never pollute the area, are now on location. We are limiting our activities in the National Park for that of surveillance. Damage to the forest by protestors is virtually non-existent. We are always appreciative of help. Keeping the protestors fed so they don't need to leave the sites unprotected is an ongoing process. If you can spare the time to be present on days of action (even an hour helps) leave your name and phone number with Ann Downey at the Green Environment Shop, Kuranda ( a donation of \$2 to cover phone calls would be great). We still need basic food items - powdered milk, breakfast cereals, brown rice, sugar, honey, coffee, tinned food for rainy days, butter and biscuits etc. Firewood and dry kindling is also always needed. Kero lamps, kero, candles and 12 watt batteries accepted gratefully. Donations including money can be left with Ann Downey also. We have an accounting system that acknowledges gifts. Thanks for help so far.

Michael Daunt, Kuranda.

Dear Kuranda Paper;

It seems to me that the recently released "Range Road Plan Shock" came hard on the heels of the (nearly) final butchering of the proposed Skyrail tower sites. I wonder if Mr Chapman was as "shocked" as the other landowners and residents of Carvonica undoubtedly would have been, reading their Tuesday paper.

It also seems, to me, that there is a lot more to these issues than is being publicised. Call it paranoia, but I have a natural mistrust and disrespect for any ethic which keeps me in the dark about issues which affect the future quality of life of myself and my children.

I don't sit in judgement of Ken Chapman and other developers for their perception of what's a "fair buck". I do, however, feel incensed and and insulted by a governing body which; instead of being staunch and focussed on the reasons WHY environmental restrictions have been imposed, persistently manipulates the "small print" and picks at loop holes to achieve a task which is "deemed worthy" by a small amount of people (by no means a true representational cross section of the attitudes of the individual residents of these areas).

It is easy to see how society got so confused and convoluted, when daily, we allow decisions affecting all our futures, to be made by people whose motivation and integrity are regularly shown to be remiss or questionable at best. . . .People supporting an ethic which manipulates us into accepting the great "Double Standard".

Debbi Jones, Kuranda

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Faulkner's approval of the Skyrail project was on the condition that if any World Heritage values were adversely affected, that Skyrail would be immediately stopped and the forest regenerated. Damage to the forest has occurred, and the fragile ecosystem has been affected.

The most valuable area of the forest is the western side of Red Peak, as zoned red by the Wet Tropics and noted by Dr.'s Olsen and Goosem. The tower sites in this area were the first logged by Skyrail, and the steep clay slopes have been since left bare. The recent rains have badly eroded the hillsides, undermining the slopes' stability and washing silt into the creeks. There has been no damage control by Skyrail at all.

When questioned while logging was in process, neither Skyrail employees nor the DEH could answer what effect clearing would have, or what more damage would be done by digging foundations.

Damage allegedly caused by some 20 bush-wise blockaders is nothing in comparison with the damage that would be caused by Skyrail's construction. Crews trekking into the sites with their heavy equipment for up to the next year, plus the cyclonic downforce from the helicopter blowing out the canopy - all to allow 600 tourists per hour into the forest at Red Peak and Deans Lookout, would completely destroy the forest's fragile ecosystem.

A 10m long track, which was made and used by police and loggers when the trees were felled, Mr. Greg Wellard (Regional Manager, Department of Environment and Heritage) now alleges was cut by blockaders. Over 8km of tracks have so far been cut by Skyrail, and after the last bout of destruction, tracks were left trashed, stomped, muddy, wide and bare.

Contractors for Skyrail logged in the rain, felling trees which were temporarily unoccupied by the bhlockaders, who had the sense enough to know what damage is caused by walking muddy tracks in those conditions. Following the logging, blockaders used the stockpiles of branches and leaves to cover the tracks and tower sites, which minimises further to damage and encourages regeneration. Skyrail has done no regeneration, no weed clearing - not even as requested by Dr.'s Olsen & Goosem in 1992.

"Every area cleared will be regenerated, every act of destruction blocked, Skyrail will be stopped. Regardless of who owns the project, or what they say, we have a commitment to stopping the project. The members of the blockade would like to give a warm thanks for the overwhelming support we have received with regard to supplies and equipment."

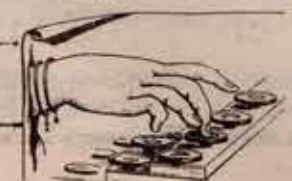
Skyrail's negligence and total lack of environmental knowledge is criminal. For example, one of the famous antiseptic dips was located in the middle of a Lantana grove, on the ridge near Red Peak. This could only make more likely the tracking of weeds into the forest. If Skyrail cannot even recognise the most troublesome forest weed on the east coast, then they have no business being in the forest.

To bring public attention to the project, orange flags have been raised at tower sites opposite the Barron Falls lookout, opposite Kuranda and on the Range road. Each site is proposed to have a 40m high fabricated steel tower, with cables strung between them.

If the Queensland office of the Coordinator General (Premier's Department) had not interfered with the approval process in the first place, then the advice from Wet Tropics, the DEG, Australian Heritage Commission, Commonwealth Rainforest Management Unit, not to mention CAFNEC and PAKS, would have been listened to. All this advice pointed out the damage Skyrail would cause - which is now happening. All this advice said STOP SKYRAIL, which must now happen.

Where is Faulkner's "ongoing monitoring system"? If the DEH spent as much time monitoring Skyrail's destruction as monitoring the blockade, they would have recognised the damage done, and the project would already be stopped.

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# ARK

Association for Regional Kuranda

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## Presidents Report

Jax Bergerson attended Julatten/Mt.Molloy residents and ratepapers meeting and agreed to exchange monthly minutes of meetings. Fran Kelly from KISC informed ARK of her study into health needs of the community. There is a need to reach people who are unlikely to respond to surveys in the paper or the mail. Contact her on Ph. 938933 A welcome to eleven new members. Pleasing to see our ranks growing. These people recognise the need to be part of this 'watchdog' group. Cairns/Mareeba rail link Dept of Transport believes bus services are adequate for the region and are unlikely to promote rail use. Skyrail Levy

## Contributions

Dept of Transport informed Dr.Clark that "It is expected that the amount contributed by Skyrail will be based on a 'per ticket sold' basis and that the amount would be set with due consideration of the viability of the Skyrail project."

This is not ARK's understanding of the levy agreement.

## Wet Tropics tree planting

It is welcome news that this scheme is to continue over the next two years and the Commonwealth Gov. has committed a further \$3m.

## Cr. Gilkersons report

Oliver outlined the forthcoming budget. We feel better informed about where our rates dollar is being spent.

## Medicare Office

The health insurance commission has no future plans for a Medicare office in Mareeba based on an insufficient turnover of claims. Mareeba Shire Council seeks ARK's support in making further representations because it does not think the Commission has taken full recognition of the needs of this area.

## Ambulance/Fire/SES site.

A site has been selected and extensive community input is invited on design and landscaping. ARK is the forum for such input.

## FNQEB

ARK will continue its dialogue for undergrounding and bundling of electrical cabling to preserve the environment and to increase efficiency of supply.

## Telecom

Marjorie Spear requested ARK write to Telecom requesting upgrading of our exchange to provide itemised accounts, a more reliable service and other facilities as enjoyed in Cairns.

## Pavement Use

Tables, chairs, placards and goods for sale on pavements in the village to be investigated.

## Advisory committee for the Kuranda management plan.

Summary of Gayle Hannah's report:

- Shire Engineer will recommend priority of works.
- Council will employ Design Engineer to co-ordinate Plan.
- Collection of levy - Many people may not be aware that Council will not receive any levy monies from Q.Rail until it is proven that Council is collecting money from all other forms of transport into the village - this includes buses and private vehicles as well as Skyrail.
- Investigation will continue into feasibility of parking station to be shared with a private enterprise partner to facilitate collection of levy monies and traffic control
- Coondoo Street design - businesses on the south side are requesting reconsideration of the widening of the north side as they say this discriminates against them. However, the Advisory Committee believes that when the south side is redeveloped in an attractive manner, pedestrians will cross to it.
- Council urged to preserve the integrity of the Management Plan but to be flexible in considering compatible developments.
- Your views and suggestions on the Management Plan should be directed the the Advisory Committee via ARK.

## Walking Tracks

Hugh Edwards, a Landcare and Environment Action Program trainer, reported that 12 students have completed 70m. of walking tracks, have been trained in first-aid and are continuing with TAFE courses.

## Walking Club

enjoys an enthusiastic following and have now completed two walks. Ph. John Beasley 930303 for info. Next Walk 7 Aug Boundaries Issue Mark Freeman thanked Gayle for an excellent submission to Greg Hoffman and reported that there had been no further action. He noted that Mulgrave Shire Council did not want Kuranda unless a large section of Mulgrave was lost.

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# NATURE

by Joanie Byrnes  
Written whilst down the Barron River



Bennets Tree Kangaroo  
(*Dendrolagus Bennettianus*)  
by Joanna Baldwin

Sitting, watching the tossing tree tops.  
Moving, walking the great wide river bank.  
Rocks tumble in heaps and no one speaks.  
Gathering power I draw strength from the silent rocks.  
Serenity from the movement of the great waters.  
Love comes from the green force that drives the great forest trees.  
From the sun warm beams of light energised by the thunder and lightening in between . . . the gusts of wind in my hair  
Dancing - dancing, I laugh, I sing.  
Mixing water and clay  
I clothe myself and gain strength from the mighty sun spirit.  
To speak as if it is the calling of a bird  
(such a desire in me)  
With the new moon I come to sit beside the fire  
And soon the full moon comes to dance in splendour.  
Coastal scrub unfolds the mysteries of long ago.  
The great water spirit sound the tune of hurried tones and my soul tells me where to go.  
Flecks of colour glint brightly in the dark night,  
The water spirits, the fireflies, the glow worms alite.  
The sacred night-jar afar, calls.  
The fire speaks and Osiris oversees.  
Drawing upon the power within, I breathe.  
I chant my strongest song and the clinging earth hears my call and I make my bed under the trees.  
O' great spirit of the night take me to thy bed of light and bring the morning sun upon my face and I'll be forever warm and free  
To swim in your inviting waters.



ABOVE: celebrating three years of The Kuranda Paper are Krishna Buhler, Suzie Serletto, Saddhen, Gayle Hannah, John Woodbridge, Lydia Graham and Joan Dods. Members of the Kuranda Media Association enjoyed a great birthday feast at Monkey's Restaurant.

## A.G.M.

KURANDA MEDIA ASSOCIATION INC.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13. 9.30am.

UNDER THE FIRE STATION

AGENDA: Apologies, Minutes, Reports, Election of Office Bearers, General Business.

Nominations for all management positions should be received by last post on Thursday 11 August, P.O. Box 66, Kuranda.

All current members are eligible to vote. Positions vacant are: - President, Secretary, Treasurer and two committee members.

The August General Meeting will be at 9am SHARP prior to the A.G.M. All welcome. Refreshments will be served.



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# COMMUNITY LETTERS

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Details of the damage must be made public immediately. Greg Wellard - what environmental impact has been made on Red Peak? What erosion has occurred? What damage was done by logging in the rain? Skyrail was approved with a deficient Environmental Impact Study, and the impact is now not being adequately studied.

Faulkner must immediately recognise the advice of the Australian Committee for the International Union of the Conservation of nature, and live up to his promise to STOP SKYRAIL and regenerate the forest.

Tony Hastings, 015-578223

*Note: The Kuranda Paper operates on a contributions received basis and in the interest of a balanced coverage of the Skyrail project we have and continue to offer Skyrail space for information and editorial concerning the company's views. As regards future coverage preference will be given to up to date and new information which can be shown to be accurately sourced.*

Dear Kuranda Paper;

A special thank you to the Cairns City Square Dancers who donated \$30.00 to the BNS Day Respite Centre in Kuranda recently. Your donation was appreciated and will be put to good use. Des Lackey, Co-ordinator on behalf of clients of Day Respite, Kuranda.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

'Was it too cool to think pool?' Perhaps if it had been a hot summers night, after a day spent trying to find some comfort and reprieve from the heat, more people might have turned up to a meeting to get a pool for Kuranda. But, it was a very cool night and to stay at home was definately more appealing besides - other people will do it and when it's all done we'll all be able to cool off, relax and enjoy a much needed and wanted pool for Kuranda. So, only four of us came.

Everyone's busy and meetings can be such a bore. Meeting after meeting and seeing little progress, people lose enthusiasm.

I feel as residents of Kuranda, who contribute so much to the Mareeba Shire, we should be entitled to any recreational funds that may be available for the construction of a pool.

So, if you're too busy, too cool, or just too comfortable to come to a 'pool meeting' you can do your bit, to try to get one, by writing a letter to the Council and letting them know you'd like a safe place to swim or just cool off. Please put pen to paper so that, perhaps, in the not so far future you can know you played some part, however small, in making this a reality that all of Kuranda's residents can benefit from.

Jill Melody

Dear Kuranda Paper;

After representations from A.R.K., Mareeba Shire Council has erected Wildlife Warning signs on some Kuranda roads. These will do little to reduce native animal deaths caused by vehicles. The number of road kills is likely to increase with the completion of the new highway. The speed of through traffic would seem to be the major problem. Trucks travelling to and from Mareeba probably account for a fair percentage of kills. Local drivers should show care on Myola and Black Mountain roads and the highway stretch to Speewah.

Most motorists having hit a bird or animal are inclined to drive on with a shrug. Injured animals are left to be finished by later traffic. There are people in Kuranda who will care for injured wildlife; many vets will treat native fauna free of charge. The Kuranda Veterinarian Centre is very good in this regard as in all other aspects.

Steve Haines

Dear Kuranda Paper:

People like me who live in the Kuranda environs are very fortunate. If I can help any newcomers with advice I will. 26 years ago I settled and built a home on 4 acres of treeless soil. I have planted hundreds of trees etc. I urge you to plant what suits our rain forest's heavy soil to then enjoy the birds which will then sing to you most of the day and eat some fruit.

Recently the FNQEB desecrated all the trees on my land which were growing under the power line "bulldozed out, because they were too tall". Land Care were too busy to replant shorter growing trees. I pay tribute to Mrs Tony Caldwell who did a great job planting 200 trees with the aid of a friend of mine. Thank you Tony for saving the soil which would have washed down the hill without vegetation. If anyone would like to help plant more trees please phone me, there are a few to go.

The Boy Scouts in Kuranda are a very active group. Recently I heard they wanted to have a newsletter. I was glad to pass on my Gestetner duplicator to them together with plenty of stencils and duplicating ink to last many years. I gave up printing for the Healthy Soil magazine so had no further use for the machine. I hope the scouts continue to thrive and use my gift in Kuranda for many years. Any reader who can make use of some 1/2 gallon clear glass jars, ring me on 937205.

Marjorie Spear

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Re ' Words of Wisdom From Osho' (page 13 July Edition KP) regarding the concept of duality i.e life being one and not divided in any way and urging us to consider life in degrees not opposites - Saddhen, could it be that your closing recommendation that this is the 'right' way to look at life puts you, to a degree, at odds with your own philosophy as expressed ?

Gayle Hannah



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## FLYING HIGH

Congratulations to Anna Morris of Mason Rd., Kuranda on achieving 4 solo flights and also Crash Landing at Mareeba with the instructor. Anna is having instructions in flying from Cairns Air Port. Well done Anna.

**People Against Kuranda Skyrail**

P↔A↔K↔S



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Phone 070 518496

**PRESS RELEASE**

This Sunday, 31st July 94 at 10.00 am at the Barron Falls Railway Station a rally will be held to show community support for the Kuranda Tourist Railway and opposition to Skyrail.

The 10.10 am train will be welcomed and momentarily delayed while leaflets are handed out. Music, fire dancers and jugglers will feature at the front of the train. At 10.15 there will be an abseiling display as a banner is hung over the edge of the Barron Gorge. The train will then be walked into Kuranda accompanied by singers, dancers and banner waving.

The purpose of this rally is to draw people's awareness to the threat which Skyrail poses to the financial viability of the Cairns-Tablelands Railway Service.

Until now the major focus of the P.A.K.S. campaign has been the environmental problems of Skyrail. What appears not to be understood by the community is Skyrail's impact on the viability of the Cairns - Tablelands Railway Service and more importantly the future of the Scenic Railway which presently keeps Kuranda a popular tourist destination and through route to the Tablelands.

The Kuranda Scenic Railway is an established and successful tourist attraction. The State Government has used the Tourist Railway's success to cover financial losses on the Rail's freight service. By allowing Skyrail to take, as it must, a substantial slice of business away from the Tourist Railway, the Cairns - Tableland Railway could become economically unsustainable. Rail freight charges would be further increased and what purely imagined initial benefits Skyrail may have in reducing traffic on the Range Road will be lost as heavy freight trucks continue to take over the Rail's business and use the Range Road. Buses would still come up the range empty and collect tourists from the Skyrail in the same way they do from the Railway now. Tableland bus tours, and the flexibility of the motor car for site seeing, would be untouched by Skyrail. Road traffic reduction, as predicted by Skyrail's Ken Chapman, is a myth. Upgrading the railway would achieve more benefits for both tourism and the community.

Skyrail has been allowed to work in secrecy. The Development Agreement with the Government is not open to public scrutiny. Queensland Rail is not obliged to reveal financial details of Skyrail's likely impact on the Railway's profits. They are giving away a healthy monopoly of the Barron Gorge tourist business with out a fight and to the serious visual detriment of a unique tourist attraction.

The Railway has recognised potential for supporting both an expansion of tourism and a growth of industry on the Tablelands. It is presently under used, inefficient and neglected. It appears to be accepted Government policy to encourage this worsening situation by allowing Skyrail to take some of the Railway's business. A present Government estimate for bringing the Railway up to acceptable operating condition is put at \$64 million. We believe the Government is not sincere in its efforts to preserve the Tourist Railway and are looking to Skyrail as an excuse to close the line and avoid this maintenance cost.

Skyrail should be recognised for what it is, a poorly researched and ill conceived grab for tourist dollars which would financially cripple the Railway and justify its staged closure from Kuranda onward, if not the whole line north of Cairns. Skyrail could never stand on its own as a major tourist attraction. If the Railway is closed Kuranda may be forgotten and Skyrail would be dismantled like a carnival joy ride. If this were not true Skyrail would have established itself independently on another site that offered equally, and perhaps more, spectacular views of the coast and rainforest.

For further details on the rally:

Michael Daunt 015 578223

**THE DCP GROUP REPORT**

The DCP for Kuranda Environs Group meets regularly every 2 weeks. We meet at Jax's house (off Fallon Road, Highway end) on a Sunday from 10am to noon. Our next meeting is Sunday 31 July.

John Beasley has coloured a large map showing the forested areas, residential areas, agricultural areas, water ways, roads and so on. We have had this base map laminated so we can draw on top of it as we test out our ideas. This map also shows us what is existing and what we have to work around.

We have come up with two new zone ideas, one to facilitate satellite town developments with facilities to service such intense type development; and one that allows for development while preserving our existing natural environment. We've named that one "Eco-residential".

Because of the large number of technical references we have to take into consideration, each member of the group is studying one of the references so that the group as a whole can properly address all aspects of a worrissome issue.

To be sure your ideas, views and concerns are built into the new DCP for the environs of Kuranda, be present at the meetings and if you can't be, then call Jax on 31 5751 or 93 8834 to have your opinions recorded for tabling at the next meeting.

See you 10am Sunday 31 July

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The annual Flower Show and Fete is coming up on Saturday, 13th August in the Mareeba Shire Hall from 10am - 4pm. This is the opportunity for the residents of Kuranda to exhibit the results of their gardening efforts with competitions in Cut Flowers, Fresh Produce, and Pot Plants. Those who are adept in the culinary arts will find plenty of scope, and titles such as "Sun's Glory" and "A Touch of the Orient" will, the organisers hope, inspire those interested in Floral Art. There are a variety of classes in handcraft, including one for the over seventies, and throughout the competitive classes in the Show there are special sections for children.

Refreshments will be available and a programme of entertainment runs on the hour through the day. The usual fete stalls can be visited also. Admission is \$2, children free. Entries for the competitions will cost a mere 10 cents up to a maximum of \$1. A collage activity for children will be run at 12.30pm.

Schedules are available from Lydia at Kuranda Fruit and Veg. and one of these gives you full details of all competitions.

Even if you do not compete, this Show is worth a visit for all the family. For further information phone 930303.

Entertainment programme: (subject to alteration)

- 11am Mareeba State School Band
- 12 Mareeba State School Choir
- 1pm St Thomas's Grade One
- 2pm Tablelands Dance Academy



**News from St. Saviour's Church**

The Anglican Bishop of North Queensland, The Rt. Rev. John Lewis, S.S.M. will visit Kuranda on Saturday 6 August to preside and preach at a special Eucharist to celebrate The Patronal Festival of St. Saviours Church. The special service will be followed by a dinner and social evening. Works at the rear of St. Saviours are now complete with the new fenced and paved area being ideal for social events and Sunday School activities. The new area is fitted with child proof fences and gates so as to provide a safe area for young children during busy Sunday mornings.

Sunday School has now moved back to 9.30 am on Sundays and is again part of the family Eucharist. Sunday School teachers this year are Barbara Houston and Christine Dadvidson. Painting of St. Saviours is now complete both inside and out and work on restoring and polishing the floor will take place in August. St. Saviours new morning prayer and praise service Morning Light is proving popular at 8.30 am on Sunday mornings, the modern informal service is simple with music drawn from Australian and International sources which is bright and led by guitarist Graham Metcalfe.

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**Off to College**



Kuranda sculptor John Beasley recently completed work on a large Red Cedar sculpture commissioned by St. Ursula's College in Toowoomba. The timber for the almost 2 m. tall carving came from a Cedar tree submerged for over 30 years by Tinaroo Dam. The largely abstract design incorporates a female figure representing the vision the school has for its senior students. The sculpture will be installed in the foyer of a new senior wing at the school. This is the largest work in timber that John has completed.

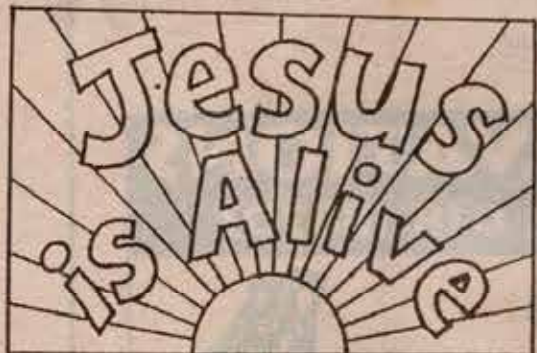
**BIBLE READING: Psalm 19:14**  
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**meditation of my heart**  
**be acceptable in thy sight,**  
**O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

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THE MASTER ARTIST  
by Rosemary Houston

When God created the world  
He took his palette, full of countless  
lovely shades  
It was full of a myriad greens, a  
thousand kinds of blue,  
Deep red, softest yellow, flaming gold  
and violet, too;  
A medley more beautiful than man's  
eyes ever knew,  
When God gave beauty to the world.

And then he took his brushes fine  
And coloured all the lovely world that  
He had made.  
He painted with clean, bold strokes the  
canvas of the skies;  
The clear blue, the sunset glow, all that  
delights our eyes,  
The deep blue at midnight, and the  
clouds, and the sunrise,  
When God gave splendour to the world.

And then He turned His artist's skill  
To painting all the smaller things that  
He had made.  
He painted the peacock's tail, the tiny  
Alpine flowers,  
The brilliance of butterflies, which live  
for a few hours,  
The gay fish of tropic seas - more  
bright than jewels of our's,  
When God gave colour to the world.

O God, great artist, unsurpassed  
By all our greatest men of genius can  
produce.  
We praise You for rainbows, brightening  
up the misty skies.  
They're signs of Your love for us, which  
never, never dies.  
We'll think of their beauty when tears  
spring into our eyes.  
Praise God, who made this wondrous  
world!



Thou art My Light and My Light shall never  
be extinguished, why dost thou dread  
extinction?  
As members of the human race we are all  
aware that death is inevitable, but how many  
of you have pondered the fact that there is  
life after death.  
To gain an insight into the Baha'i perspective  
of life after death you are cordially invited to  
attend a talk and discussion on this subject on  
Sunday 7 August commencing at 3.30 ph.  
938842 for information.



**KISC NEWS**  
AUGUST 1994

From: Jean Anderson, Co-ordinator

We have had a productive month at KISC, with the introduction of regular Monday night Information Evenings, continuation of the Exercise Classes for the Mobility Disadvantaged, and Fran has been contacting a lot of local people regarding the Kuranda Health Access Program. (See below) The regular Information Evenings will continue, at 7.30pm each Monday, in the meeting room under the Anglican Church, details in the Calendar in this paper. Everyone is welcome to come to these evenings, please look at the program, and come and bring a friend!

**KURANDA HEALTH ACCESS PROGRAM**  
*Report from Fran Kelly*

**Background**

The Kuranda Health Access program was initiated by the Kuranda Information & Support Centre (KISC), who applied for funding through the Qld Health Dept for a project worker. Their submission for funding was successful and I have been employed (as at 16th May) on a part-time basis for a 12-month period to implement the Program.

**The Program**

The Health Access Program aims to:

- promote and encourage community participation and access to visiting/existing health services
- work with the community to identify gaps

within existing health services

- develop, in consultation with the community, possible strategies to address the gaps/health issues arising.

The Program is targetted at the residents of Kuranda and surrounding areas and is managed by the KISC Management Committee. In looking at health needs and issues, the Program will be focussing on much more than physical illness - it will also include aspects of physical, social and mental wellbeing.

**Program update**

To date, I have been working with the Management Committee, key health service providers, and individuals to establish clear guidelines and strategies to address the goals and objectives of the Program. (This includes basic details like the HOW, WHY, WHEN and WHO of the Program).

I am currently in the process of setting up a steering committee to oversee the Program. This group of people will be drawn from community health professionals, representatives from various organisations, as well as individuals from within the community, representing various groups, e.g. young people, etc. The Steering Committee will provide community-based knowledge on health issues, as well as provide contact between the community and the Program, community participation, and a two-way flow of information. The idea of having this group is simply to ensure that the Program is directed by people from within the community - both health providers and individuals.

**Where to from here?**

At this stage, it has been agreed that one method which will be employed to find out about health issues, needs and priorities, is via a needs analysis survey. This 'survey' will be

in the form of a questionnaire, designed to collect information that will give a good indication of the 'needs' of the community - re services available, gaps, additional resources required, issues, etc. The survey will be widely distributed, and we are hoping for a high response rate! In addition to the survey, we will be holding public meetings where groups of individuals can discuss the issues, and more information will be gathered. Information about the survey and the meetings, will be widely publicised via this Paper, noticeboards, and through established groups. We hope to gain a broad overview of the health-related issues in this community, including those about services currently available, how they are responding to needs, where are the gaps, what additional services/resources are required.

**Where will the information collected go?**

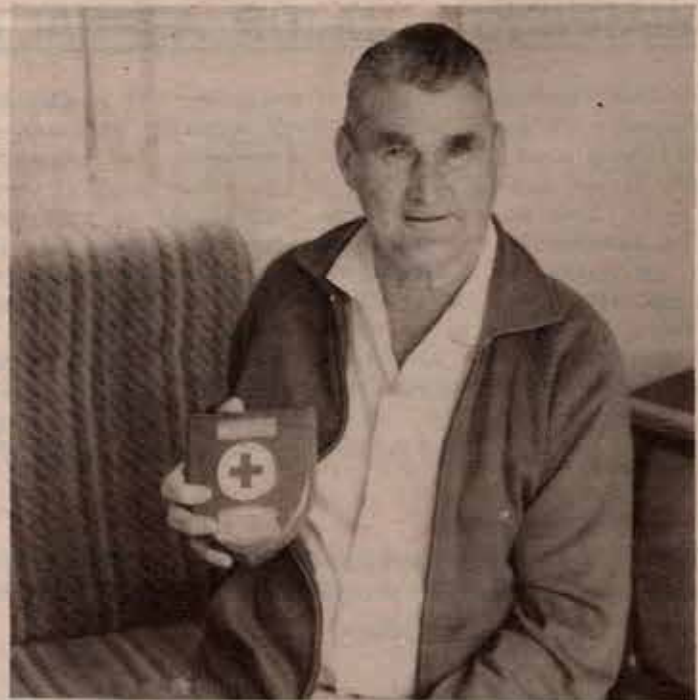
Once the information required is collected, the results will be widely available to the community - so that you know what issues people are raising and the sorts of needs that are arising. This information will be disseminated via public forums as well as the Paper, and again noticeboards. From these discussions and workshops will take place as to the possible strategies to be employed to meet the needs/issues that have arisen.

While the project is limited (by budget) in the strategies it can adopt to address the issues arising, the information gathered will serve as a convincing body of knowledge to argue for additional resources/services. Thus, the Program may culminate in funding submissions to various bodies to gain resources required to implement the sorts of strategies identified to meet the needs.

Some of the issues/needs arising may be able to be met within the confines of the Program - strategies such as information provision/workshops around specific areas, accessing resources external to Kuranda are all examples of such possibilities.

This Program is designed to be a community-based project with the overall aim being to gather information from the community re its needs - and for this information to form the basis of future planning and strategies to be employed to meet the needs arising. It is NOT an exercise to produce an impressive report, with lots of information -- end of story! The success of the Program in these terms is dependent on YOUR involvement. Your participation in the community survey is VITAL in ensuring that the information gathered is REAL information about the whole community, which can then be USED.

If you want to know more about the Program - or would like to contribute in any way whatsoever, or just comment on the Program, feel free to contact me at anytime on 93 8933. My base is the crypt, at the back of the Anglican Church in the main street, so drop in and leave a message if I'm not around. See ya 'round..... Fran Kelly



TOM PUNCH WAS RECENTLY AWARDED A PLAQUE IN APPRECIATION OF HIS CONTINUAL AND RELIABLE SERVICE OVER THE YEARS AS THE ANNUAL DOOR KNOCK APPEALS MARSHALL, IN THE KURANDA AREA, FOR THE AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY, DIVISION OF QUEENSLAND.

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## WARNING - MAJOR ASPHALT THREAT !!

Wherever you look more asphalt is appearing! It is obliterating the Kuranda we knew. As a community we have achieved much recently, however, the greatest danger remains - the destruction of the character of Kuranda. It seems that we are concentrating on specific issues and losing sight of the broad picture! We need to keep a vision of Kuranda as it could be, in our minds. We should be bold enough to demand that Kuranda be developed as a unique destination - one where the forest vegetation is the priority! A vision of a village of large spreading forest trees, mottled sunshine, coolness and soft green vegetation everywhere, people meandering along malls and walking trails, or sitting in the shade sipping refreshments. Buildings blending subtly with the vegetation, and no vehicles anywhere in sight!! We could further enhance the village with babbling brooks, waterfalls and possibly piped bird-calls. It still is possible, if we have the will. If we believe in making Kuranda a World-class destination, we must demand it!! A few ornamental plants does not make a statement to the world!

Let's look at this more closely.

Firstly, the only distinctive feature that remains in Kuranda is the forest setting. Surely, we must guard this at all costs! We should treat remaining trees as national treasures, as another country would treat an historic village.

Secondly, we should put more effort into restoration, as the Europeans do for their national treasures. Landcare have put in 4500 trees around Kuranda over the last 12 months, but this is just a drop in the ocean. To save Kuranda, we must have visions of forest plants and trees everywhere we look. We can have development, but it needs to blend with our natural setting, not dominate it. I think that current planning requirements for parking are substantially to blame.

Thirdly, we must design accordingly. If the main features of Kuranda again become forest trees, then we will need our services underground, our buildings will need special features such as leafless roof guttering and our cars will need to be hidden away.

How should we approach to this? May I suggest the following-

- MSC should require all developments to provide a landscaping plan of forest species to cover 40% of the site. Cairns City Council now has very strict landscaping requirements - surely Kuranda deserves to have the most stringent landscaping requirements of all.
- Impress on MSC to cease on-site parking requirements as these encroach on the ability to provide adequate landscaping.
- The payments to MSC to date, in regard to provision of parking, must be well in excess of one million dollars. This and future payments should be put in a trust account to provide a hidden, preferably underground carpark, immediately adjacent to the Coondoo St. shops, for residents, as was suggested in the recent Vision workshops. Another carpark has been suggested for visitors in Rob Veivers Drive. This was costed by the Management Plan consultants and they found it to be feasible for such a carpark to be financially self funding.
- We must act decisively now, and accept that carparks are necessary, and should be hidden away from view. Our streets are already congested with parked cars, and the new design plans will substantially reduce available parking as the landscaping progresses. To not have definite plans for carparks appears to be a major oversight.
- All vacant land around the village, and particularly around new developments could be cleared of weeds and planted with rainforest by a combined effort of landholders, Council, LEAP and Landcare programs.

It appears certain that without such an all-out effort, which requires a clear commitment more than it does funds, Kuranda will degenerate into just another tacky little tourist town.

***But enough of words!! We have all had a gut-full of meetings, workshops, and feasibility studies! LANDCARE NEEDS YOU NOW - WE HAVE AT LEAST 20,000 TREES TO PLANT THIS YEAR!***

We now plan to revegetate the whole of Fallon Rd. from Kennedy Highway to Masons Rd., also Kennedy Highway from the Rainforest Resort to Rob. Veivers Drive, and denuded areas of the Top of the Range Estate.

The way to tackle this is a little at a time. What we propose is to have a regular planting hour each week. Just one hour per week! Most of our planters prefer to start early, so the rest of the day is free. So, let's make it 7.30 - 8.30am every Saturday. Of course, we do not expect you along every week, but ask that you mark your calendars so that you will remember to be involved when you can. We will also arrange for you to ring an area organiser so we have an idea of the numbers. We have about 120 members on our books. We will be contacting you soon to check on your availability, and we ask any new people wishing to join in this very worthwhile community project to ring me on 938766.



Howard Stevens, Landcare.

## COMMUNITY GROUPS !!

Community news is printed free of charge, send in your news, dates and up dates !

## LANDCARE STOP PRESS

At the Top Of The Range Estate, we have been told by MSC that we can now replant the road reserve opposite to the side of the powerlines. If any residents have any suggestions regarding this please contact me (Howard Stevens) on 938 766. We will be depending on residents to maintain any plantings in front of their properties.  
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# Organic Gardening



by  
Marjorie Spear



Gardening lately has been a joy . . . plenty of sunshine and generous rain so watering has only been necessary for seedlings and celery, which does like plenty of water and sometimes lettuce which has a shallow root system. The insects are mostly having a deep sleep but be prepared. My choko vine has been fruiting well. Picked really young they are delicious and cook quickly if chopped up skin and all. No water needed but a tasty sauce gives flavour and a taste sensation.

Lots of shrubs are flowering well especially Azaleas. Only some varieties thrive in Kuranda with no disease. The single mauvy-pink are hardy grown of course in an acid soil with a spoon of sulphur sprinkled annually around the roots.

The Saraca tree which comes from overseas is gorgeous with masses of huge golden florets. It is not gigantic and the birds and Birdwing butterflies spend hours devouring the nectar and pollen. I enjoy watching them as the tree is only a few feet from my upstairs verandah. It is not easy to find Saraca trees for sale and there are different varieties. I can tell you where you can buy a seedling if you phone me. The tree flowers three times a year and is not deciduous.

Another tree worth growing is the Dwarf Malay coconut. It is pretty and being dwarf the fruit are easy to pick. You can enjoy the flesh before it gets real hard. The branches are not difficult to dispose of when they fall with old age. The dwarf is not a heavy bearer so picking up fallen coconuts is not a chore as with the usual towering coconut which I do not recommend. Never park your car under those monsters. You can get a smashed bonnet from a fallen branch.

Grapefruit are doing well. My juicy golden fruit look and taste lovely. Phone me 937205 if you would like to barter something for grapefruit. Citrus trees do not like bare soil in their root zone

which extends from the trunk to the drip line of their canopy. If there is sufficient sun you can grow beans or peas or Aibika etc: or Busy Lizzies. You can also mulch with straw or heliconia stalks as I do but not round the trunk.

My yellow Jacobinia flowered fantastically till early July. The honey eaters are now hoping the bottle brush flowers will provide as much food as the jacobinias did. New plants grow well from rooted stalks if anyone wants some to grow phone me.

My Zyga cactus is flowering well. It needs morning or late afternoon sun. Water well when the soil dries out. I grow zygas in pots and nourish them about 6 months after flowering. Zygas are available at nurseries that flower at all times of the year but winter and Christmas are common flowering times. Disease resistant if well nourished and not overwatered. Use a friable soil. Heliconia and flowering ginger roots are still available to anyone who wants to dig them out. They multiple so you do not need to dig a big clump.

The Rare Fruits Social is on Wed, August 3rd, 7.30pm and will feature Alan Carle talking on "Plants Useful & Rare in the Botanical Ark", with slides. Venue is the Cairns Library Hall. Enquiries:937205



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## TALKING HERBS

This month : Herbs for Hair

by Barbara Burke



I'd like to dedicate this article to all the hair in the Kuranda region. The already 'converted' will know that (1) it's generally ideal to shampoo a mere once a week.  
(2) Most shampoos strip the hair and scalp of natural oils necessitating the use of a 'conditioner' which leaves a build up on the hair, not to mention the cost.  
(3) Diet plays a large part in healthy hair and scalp. here's a recipe which will do your hair and your pocket good!  
Buy a bottle of good shampoo from the health food shop, tip half into a jar and store. Put 4 tablespoons each of any of the herbs below into a saucepan with 2 litres of water. Boil for 10 minutes. Strain thru' a cheesecloth or double chux and allow to cool.  
Fair hair - elderflower, chamomile, calendula.  
Dark hair - nettle, sage, rosemary.  
Dandruff - bay, nettle, comfrey, willowbark, chamomile, rosemary, mallow root.  
Hair loss - nettle, rosemary, thyme, sage, southern wood.  
Oily hair - lemongrass, lemonpeel, willowbark  
Normal hair - bay, basil, nettle, clover, lemon balm, comfrey root, lavender.  
Dry hair - mallow root, clover, comfrey root, orange peel, elderflower, chamomile.  
My favourite mix is nettle, rosemary, sage, bay leaves, chamomile and comfrey root. I add a dropperful of lavender or teatree oil when the herbs and shampoo are mixed.  
Now pour the herb liquid into the shampoo bottle and gently shake to mix.  
To the remaining herb liquid add enough cider vinegar to make the whole up to 2 litres.  
Use a 2 litre milk or juice bottle. Mark this mix 'Herb Rinse'  
The shampoo is more runny than usual, but it works beautifully. Set up the rinse before you hop in the shower. 1/4 cup of 'rinse' mixed in a jug of warm water. Pour this over your hair after shampooing. Happy Hair!

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- JULY**  
 29-30 July **Dance North:** "Worlds Apart" Triple Bill at Cairns Civic Theatre at 8p.m. Book 513211.  
 30 July **Four Bands** Hobblers Bus Fundraising at Kuranda Amphitheatre 5-12 midnight.  
 30-31 July **Regional Writing Conference:** hosted by Qld. Writers Centre at Cairns Holiday Inn.
- AUGUST**  
 5-8 Aug. **Travelling Film Festival:** Cinema 5: Six titles & shorts. See times printed elsewhere.  
 5 Aug. **Doug Anthony Allstars** Cairns Civic Centre. Book Ph. 513211  
 12-20 Aug. **South Pacific Musical** by Cairns Choral Society at Cairns Civic Centre Book 513211.  
 21 Aug. **Earth Reggae/Mantaka/Djabugay & Stradbroke Dance Troupe** at Amphi. 1-10p.m.  
 28 Aug. **Gypsy Moon Band** (headline of Maleny Folk Fest.) at Kuranda Amphitheatre 3-10p.m.  
 31 Aug **Youssou N' Dour** at Kuranda Amphitheatre 7-11 p.m.
- SEPTEMBER**  
 9-10 Sept. **The Elocution of Benjamin Franklin:** Kuranda's Blip Theatre at Tjapukai Theatre.  
 11 Sept. **Paul Kelly:** Kuranda Amphitheatre.  
 14-15 Sept. **The Elocution of Benjamin Franklin:** Kuranda's Blip Theatre at Rondo Theatre Cairns

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### Art Winners

Showtime here, there and everywhere. The following Kuranda artists took out awards.

**Mareeba Art Show**  
 Tobacco Growers /Mareeba art Soc. Realistic Award  
 C G (Paddy) Taylor - Eddie and May  
 Mareeba Shire Council Purchase Award.  
 - Catherine Jacoby- Mantaka Life Barron River  
 Tjapukai Artifact Aquisition Award.  
 - Corrine Brimm-Didgeridoo Dreaming  
 Kidson Gold/Mareeba Art Soc. Sculpture Award.  
 - Roland Steele-Wareham - Trace of Colour  
 Pamela Dickenson Award Local Sculpture Award.  
 - John Beasley -Celtic Myth  
 Northern Building Society Local artist Award.  
 - Angela Meyer- Bat with Bananas  
 Kuranda Markets Mixed Media Award.  
 - Catherine Jacoby- Mantaka Life Barron River  
 Golden Leaf Motel Drawing Award.  
 - Margot Grant - Miss Teak  
 Mareeba Photofair Portrait Photography Award.  
 - Eve Stafford- Early Days

### Kuranda Printmakers Association?

Prints are 'the original creation of an artist who, instead of the paintbrush or the chisel, has chosen printmaking tools' as a means of expression (Encyclopedia Britanica; I couldn't have said it better myself).

If you are an artist working in printmaking - e.g. silkscreen, etching, stone lithography.... - and would like to meet and exchange with other printmakers who live in Kuranda, then you might be interested in starting up a printmakers association. The association could take whatever form we want, or have no form at all. It could be 'Printmakers Anonymous', 'Kuranda Imprints Ltd.', or reflect the philosophy 'I Print so I Am'. Possible objectives might include exchange of information and techniques, promotion of prints vs reproductions, bulk purchase of materials (artists who limit editions to 99 prints are entitled to purchase materials tax free), etc.....

If the idea of an association interests you, give me a call. A first meeting could be organised for early August. Henri: 938-776.



**POET OF LOVE**  
 "Be of love a little more  
 careful than of everything"  
 F. E. CUMMINGS

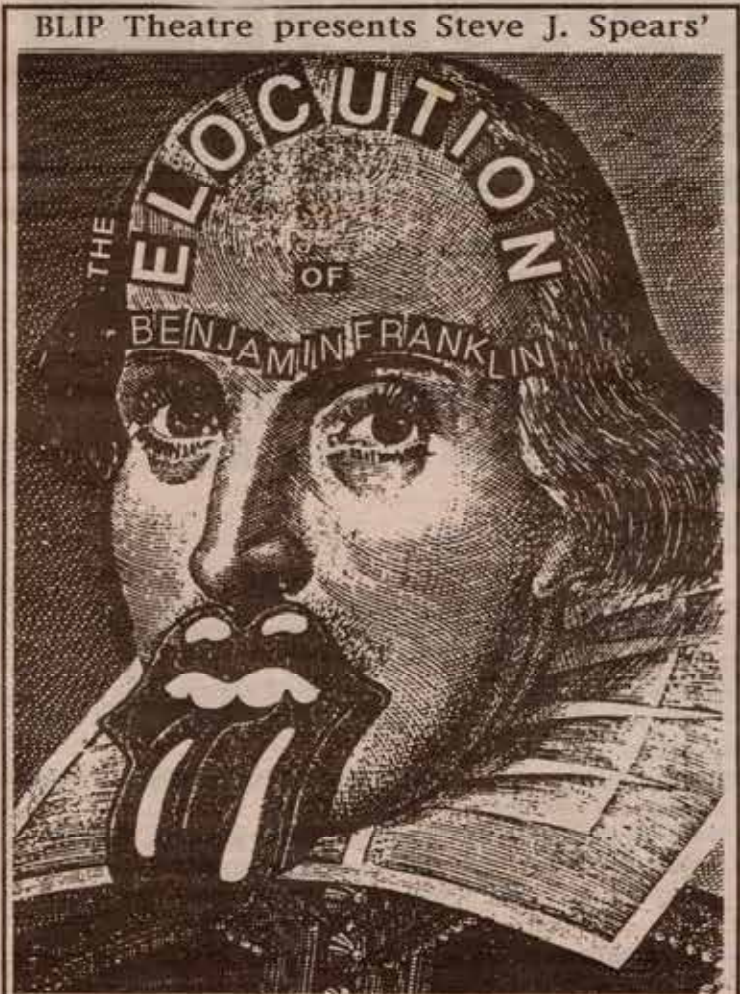
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 TREMULOUS FORCES WITH NO EASY NAME  
 AS MULTITUDES OF COLOURS  
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Kuranda's Buck Richardson is set to bare all in BLIP Theatre's production of The Elocution of Benjamin Franklin at Tjapukai Theatre on Friday 9 September and Saturday 10 September.

This Australian play is a brilliantly written tragi-comedy. First made famous featuring Gordon Chater as Robert O'Brien, it toured all Australian capitals and had seasons in London, San Francisco and New York, where it won awards for the year's best play, performance and direction.

Buck, however, is not Gordon Chater. He is better looking - skinnier some would say. Make a note in your diaries not to miss Buck as Robert O'Brien, the Transvestite Terror of Toorak. "There's no doubt about this man. You either love him or hate him."

BLIP's production can also be seen in Cairns at the Rondo Theatre on Wednesday 14 September and Thursday 15 September.

# TsArTsArTsArTsArTsArTsArTsArTsArTs

## KURANDA MUSIC LOVERS CAN HELP LIVE CLASSICS

Live music of high quality is a great joy. It's also expensive and hard to find, but due to the high musical ideals of our most enthusiastic local impresario—Herman D. Soenario—we have been treated to a few rare afternoons and evening Musical Soirees in the gracious old tradition—definitely stress-releasing in this age of busy sound pollution.

Those fortunate enough to attend the Rainforest Resort Soiree may remember the exquisite cello tones of the famous Jacqueline Du Pre's equally lovely and accomplished student.

Recently the Hilton was graced with Herman's personal efforts—& personal expense—bringing the four young Robertson "Wunderkinder" up from Brisbane with their pleasant, and slightly perspiring parents.

The two older girls on piano were a marvel of mature sensitivity and breathless technique. Closing the eyes, it was easy to forget the size of the small fingers flying over rippling melodies of stream and leafy glade, sounding like far older performers. The two younger boys were vital players both on piano and strings, as the children grouped themselves in various duets and quartets, harmonising and accompanying each other. The smaller instruments weren't always capable of the full tonal range of adult sizes, but their musical vitality was an inspiration for all listeners. A peaceful and elegant setting completed the reminiscence of the gracious times in which this music was composed.

Herman's effort was also instrumental in bringing the acclaimed Chamber Music Concert to the Civic Centre last week. His next personal effort will be the piano music of Rachmaninov and Liszt brought to the Hilton on August 7th by the artist Leslie Howard—tickets still available.

Does all this leave you a bit breathless? There's more—Victoria De Los Angeles is in the works for next year, and much more. For those who feel inspired to assist this single-handed cultural revolution in our community, you can contact Herman on 939018 with offers of time or financial support. He is now personally responsible for travel and hall expense, and hasn't broken even yet! It's quite possible with the right interest, we might have a Live Music Society of our own, creating subscription concerts with discounts for members, choosing performers and venues to refresh and delight us all. Thanks again, Herman.

*Punoela and Fadden*

### LATE AGAIN

As I Put  
Pen to Paper,  
I wonder what to write,  
BECAUSE .....  
I know that very shortly,  
Eve will say, are you reading tonight!  
.....  
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My COUNTRY OF BIRTH  
OF THE KILT ..... AND THE CLAYMORE  
The GROUSE and THE GLEN.  
BUT  
Here I am with 5 minutes again !!  
But I did Put Pen to Paper,  
AND  
I did something write .....  
BECAUSE  
I know That all contributions are acceptable.  
HERE  
TONIGHT !!

By Lydia Graham

Congratulations to Paddy Taylor (C.G.) on winning the Realistic Award at Mareeba Annual Art Show and also winning the Atherton Agricultural Society Art Show.

A welcome to potters Martin and Mollie in their new green and white Gallery adjacent to the B.P. Service station. Their fine ware displays unusual colours and sculpture techniques. A gift for a friend, a browse and a seat under the umbrella with a coffee. What a pleasure to see the old Bewick house with a caring coat of paint. Nice one Mollie and Martin, even if it is only a nine month reprieve.

### DRAWING A FINE LINE

The past 36 front pages of the Kuranda were displayed at the 3rd Birthday dinner of the Kuranda Paper. EVERY MONTH has had a NEW ORIGINAL masthead. Time constraints are making it harder for the volunteers who make the paper happen every month to be able to cover all that needs to be done. ARTISTS and those who love to draw: please submit mastheads so we can continue to put new original art and design on the front page every month. No pay .. but you're work is in every Kuranda home for a month or more.. and you'll enjoy seeing yourself MAKING NEWS. Please use pen not pencil and use a copy of the paper to get dimensions right. Drop into Kuranda Fruit & Vegetable.

## Travelling Film Festival

Fri 5 August Olivier Olivier (France) M 7-9 p.m.  
Short: Rosie's Secret (Australia)  
Sat 6 August Mississippi Masala (USA) M 2-4.05 pm  
Short: Uneasy Pieces (Australia)  
Le Samourai (France) M 4.30-6.20 p.m.  
Short: Palace Cafe (Australia)  
Close to Eden (Mongolia/Russia) 7-9 pm.  
No short  
Sun 7 August Fiorile (Italy) PG 2-4.10 p.m.  
Short: Spring Ball (Australia)  
Blackfellas (Australia) M 4.30-6.35 p.m.  
Short: Gorgeous (Australia)  
Olivier Olivier (France) M 7-9 p.m.  
Short: Rosie's Secret (Australia)  
Mon 8 August Close to Eden (Mongolia/Russia) 7-9 pm.  
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# LISTEN UP

## MANTAKA

In the near future, Kuranda should be and will be very proud of Mantaka. The Kuranda Fruit and Veg Shop has invested time and money ...into the Mantaka CD project.



Willie Brim

It is overdue and we want to make it rite. With the help of Mantaka, Ziggy and friends... I think the Mantaka Project will be huge.



"Ash"

In todays music industry it does not always mean that the true talents get contracts, so our local talent product needs to be supported by our local Migloo and Murrie population...Question if we can't make it work!! Why?? "Should a major record label pick up the act..."



C/C

## LIFE & TIMES

Let me ask "is 5 times out of ten good enough?" I think it is tops. We should take it to Tamworth. This woman is hot. The CD is hot. Get it now... and you can say you were in at the start... cause C/C is not a corn chip...she is the real thing... A good taste at the best of times. If a C/C needs to be dipped in a good sauce, this C/C i.e Carinda Christie is "HOT SAUCE".

Migloo

## NEW RADF COMMITTEE

The A.G.M. of the Mareeba Shire RADF (Regional Arts Development Fund) Committee was held on July 4th. A new committee was formed for the next 12 months as follows:-

- |                |                               |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Cr Linda Rudd  | Mareeba Shire Council - Chair |
| Faythe Keogh   | Visual Arts and Secretary     |
| Terry Eager    | Kuranda all Art Forms         |
| Ida Portella   | Youth                         |
| Graham Morrow  | Performing Arts               |
| Ken Cotterill  | Dramatic Arts                 |
| Helen Kindt    | Historical Arts               |
| Merilyn Holmes | Business Sector               |

This committee will be meeting on August 15th to review the shire's Arts and Cultural Policy. Anyone wishing to have input into this policy review, or wanting information about RADF grants, please contact Kuranda representative. Terry Eager on 937492.

## DREAM GROUP

Dreamers and non-dreamers alike are invited to join the weekly Dreamwork group - "Dreams - Opening Doors to the Unconscious" being held in Kuranda on Tuesdays 1 to 3pm at the Kuranda Amphitheatre.

The groups are run on practical lines, using simple tools and techniques to explore the secret world of dreams, symbols and unconscious thought.

Research shows that we normally dream five to six times a night. Although they can be a doorway leading to knowledge of our hidden drives and motives, most dreams fade as we wake to consciousness.

So finding ways to keep the door open can give us the chance to explore this often strange and illogical world. Dreamwork has many practical benefits in understanding, healing and re-ordering our lives, setting goals and making sensible decisions.

The weekly seesions continue until September. Contact Jo Trezise 531463 for information and registration.

## KURANDA NITE - OUT



A good time was had by all (10) plus human beings at the live gig at Frogs by Roy Tyler. The night was promoted as "A Romantic Night Assured!" If you could find a partner you could have danced the night away. Roy made Frank Sinatra Mr. Big come alive, and I loved it. Of course there will be these people in the Kuranda region that will always say "Nothing ever happens in this town after dark". I say ... "It will never happen if you so called Kuranda Village People don't come out to support your local promoters like Carol and Don Cook. They put the big money up front, do the hard work and put their hearts on their sleeve."



**WHY??** ... are you not at the gigs? Should Carol and Don, Herman, John and more, bring live talent to your so called "Village in the Rainforest" ..... It's a big joke. I am up to here about " You so called Kuranda Village people talking about nothing happens after dark in Kuranda"..! "FROGS is a good live gig!" "Who cares? Do you?..."

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This is how it happened...

"For a long time I have held a dream within my heart, and have patiently waited for the right place and time to bring it forward. I also realised that to fulfill the dream I had within, I needed a partner to share my dream with, so I asked my best friend, my Mum.

Bringing this dream into reality involved a lot of organising and very hard work. It was like climbing a very steep mountain. We went one step at a time without looking up. We have now reached the top of that mountain, and would like to share our dream with the community of Kuranda. We hope to fill your hearts with warmth and leave you Spell Bound!

Photos by James T.



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*Kerry & Pauline*

## CONFLICT RESOLUTION

In 1986 the International Year of Peace, the U.N. Association of Australia founded The Conflict Resolution network as part of their peace program. They believed that in order to have peace on a world scale, individuals need to handle conflict effectively in their daily lives. Conflict Resolution is about tools, not rules. Any of the following 12 tools can be used at different times to handle conflict effectively.

**WIN/WIN.** Everyone's needs are respected  
**CREATIVE RESPONSE.** Problems are turned into possibilities

**EMPATHY.** Hearing how it is on the other side  
**APPROPRIATE ASSERTIVENESS.** Attack the problem not the person. Talk so others will listen.

**CO-OPERATIVE POWER.** Defuse power struggles

**MANAGING EMOTIONS.** Fear, hurt, anger and frustration can be handled wisely.

**WILLINGNESS TO RESOLVE.** Recognise personal issues clouding the picture

**MAPPING THE CONFLICT.** What are the needs and fears

**DESIGNING OPTIONS.** Design creative solutions together

**NEGOTIATION.** Be soft on the people, hard on the problem

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## SCHOOL NEWS

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## KURANDA TEACHERS GO BUSH

Teachers introduced themselves to local parents of the Mantaka / Korowa area on the evening of Tuesday the 27th July at the Myola Bush Barn. It was another successful monthly meeting held to help parents become more familiar with their childrens education and with what is going on at Kuranda School. Rhonda Brim.

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**HOT PEOPLE**

Pete's..... Folk came to Kuranda. Your local paper was on the case.

THE BOOK - "ACROHC AUSTRALIS" SERGE TESTA ASPLY QLD. PH. 2636956.



THE CAPTION FOR THE PHOTO IS "HAVE BLADE.....WILL TRAVEL

Score: Dozer (1) Cocky...NONE...



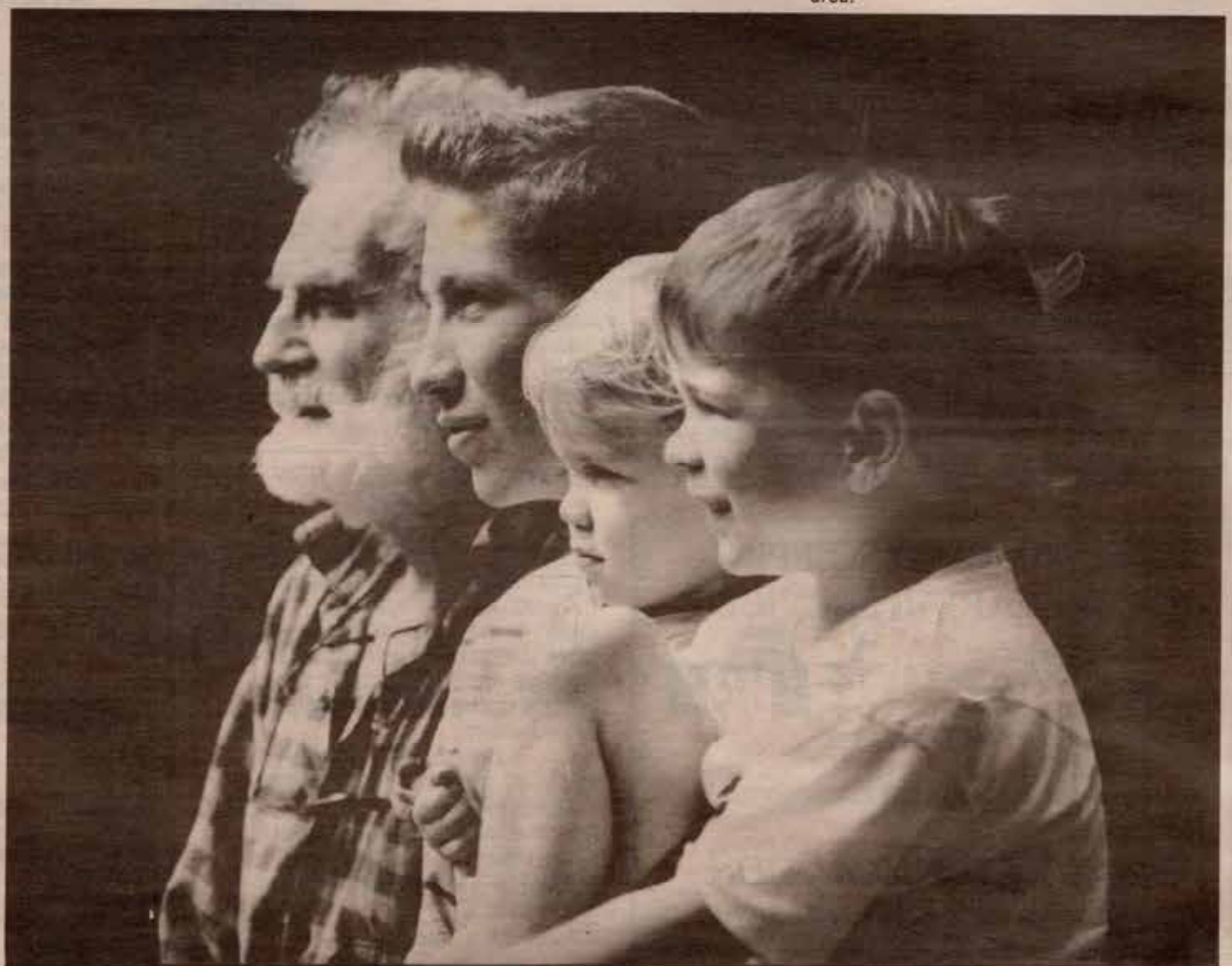
**AMBULANCE LAND PURCHASED**

A four acre block on Fallon Road has been purchased by the Queensland Ambulance Service. This will also accommodate Fire Services and the State Emergency Service in the future and will cater for the growth in the region. The State Government will require Council consent for the establishment of emergency services on the site which is zoned rural residential. Dr. Lesley Clark said that she hoped the local community would support the proposal but encouraged anybody with concerns to contact her. When all relevant local authority approvals are in place then the Government will call for expressions of interest for constructing a residence for the Ambulance Officer and the operational Station. The Minister agreed that the Kuranda community could have some input into the design of the buildings and landscaping so that they are appropriate for the Kuranda area.

*Profiles*

Lookalikes? Our International Year of the Family for August is father Jon Williams with the youngest three of his six children, Josh Raymond (17), Cory Williams (20 months) and Harley Williams (3 years 9 months).

PHOTO: Eve Stafford



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## Kuranda Post Office - the future?

Many residents took part in the recent survey conducted by the Post Office to obtain the community feeling in respect of moving the Post Office and what type of office it should become. These are the results of that survey.

There was a total distribution of 1095 forms to all delivery addresses; post office boxes and poste restante serviced by the Kuranda Post Office. The total return was 208 responses or 19%. This reflects a very high level of community interest as 8-10% is normally considered very high in an unaddressed survey.

The survey responses are as follows:-

- 93% responded "You can move the Post Office and the boxes to Morong Street."
- 92% responded "Better in the older brick building".
- 90% responded "post office boxes and retail post office should be in the same location".
- 95% responded "I want a garden style Post Office".

Unfortunately - the Mareeba Shire Council rejected the consent application at their meeting on the 7th July for the following reasons.

1. It was against the wishes of the eight letters of objection received by the Council.
2. There was a concern about adequate parking.
3. As a community facility it was against the present Development Control Plan designation of Village Residential.
4. It was in a cul-de-sac.
5. Car parking would diminish the scenic river views of the area.

In response I tender the following observations on the above points.

1. All but two of the objections were from people who live in or are related to the residents of Morong Street. They have very real concerns about the changes that the Post Office would bring to Morong Street. Their belief that the Post Office would force people to park on their streets and footpaths have credence just as they experience the same difficulty now on market days. However - it is easy to design the street to ensure that the residents will have even greater privacy than at present and that the single lane section of Morong Street would in essence become a private road.
2. With the redesign of Morong Street there would be 15 on street car parks and 14 off street car parks in Morong Street - a total of 29 parks. Per shop - this is considerably more than any other commercial street in Kuranda and we need every car park we can obtain in Kuranda now. Indeed - it is more car parking than is available at the existing location.
3. The Council has foreshadowed that the existing Development Control Plan is totally unsuitable and they have instructed the preparation of a new DCP in accordance with the information developed through the Kuranda Strategic Management study. Under all of the information displayed of this proposal - the site is given the same designation as the rest of Coondoo Street and the remaining residences are re-classified and Village Commercial.
4. The road where the Post Office was proposed is not a cul-de-sac. It is a split road with a separate entry and exit. This makes traffic control and safety a relatively easy matter.
5. The only point on the property where the river is visible is from the roof of the garage. There was no intention of parking cars on the roof of the garage. The additional suggested seven car parks are on the lower section of the street and do not occlude any view of anything.

The Post Office is now in a very invidious position in that it cannot stay where it is because the size is now too small to handle the mail volumes already being experienced. It has already occurred that mail bags have not been unpacked because we had nowhere to put the mail. This means that we can no longer provide the quality of service that we wish to provide and you can no longer get the quality of service that you deserve. It cannot expand on the present site because of very real economic reasons and it cannot split the operations against the wishes of 90% of its clients.

The Post Office cannot move to the top half of Coondoo Street or to Therwine Street because under the changes to be made under the Strategic Management study - traffic volumes and parking become a nightmare. It cannot move to anywhere else in Thongon Street because there is nothing available and it cannot move to Thoree or Barang Streets because it is too steep for our elderly and infirm to walk to.

And it cannot move to Morong Street. We have run out of streets!

My only option is to challenge the Council's decision through the courts and I have instructed this to commence. My advice is that there I have a very good chance of success - but with courts you never know.

I hate Litigation because it is a waste of money for me and for the ratepayers.

Kath and me had hoped to preserve a beautiful residence in the village where we have already lost most of our old homes to commercial expansion. We had hoped to give this community a Post Office that reflected the feeling of Kuranda - green and lovely - and to provide premises with the ability to expand for many decades and at a cost that the Post Office can afford. There is now some doubt if we can provide this facility.

I advise that I cannot say for certain where our future Post Office will be - or even if it will be in the commercial area of the village but the decision must be taken before the end of August and it must move before the end of November.

*Mark Freeman*  
Mark Freeman,  
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## Charity Begins At Home by Dick Burge

The house was in disrepair and drunken fence posts staggered around the paddocks. The buggy shed with its tangled skeins of old harness collaged on the walls, was occupied by a chook squattocracy. At the end of the bottom paddock was a windmill still pumping water into useless troughs. Near the windmill was a sturdily-built galvanised iron shed, evidently built at a much later date than anything else on the property. It had a huge lock on the door. My mother had warned me never to try to open it, because, she said, there was a big tiger snake living in it. She always referred to it as "Uncle Charlie's shed".

It was about this time I first met Uncle Charlie. From instances my mother mentioned, he must have lived here for a while about the time when I was born. He was a small, quiet, unobtrusive man. He had arrived unexpectedly one day in a motor truck and my mother went out into the yard to greet him.

"Hello Charlie, it's been a long time," she said. He acknowledged her greeting with a big smile and a nod of his head. Later that night, I overheard mother and Uncle Charlie talking in the kitchen. I heard him say he would gradually do a lot of necessary repairs about the place. Listening intently, I heard the words, "I will put it in my purse for safe keeping", indicated to me that he must have given my mother some money.

"They can say what they like; but you have always been a good brother to me," she asserted.

For the next three weeks, this quiet, even taciturn, little man was as busy as a wasp building a mud nest, hammering, sawing, repairing and replacing things that needed to be done around the house. The last week of his stay was occupied in covertly transporting the old portable blacksmith's forge from the buggy shed, together with some bags of coke that he had brought with him, down to the shed in the bottom paddock. Every morning, after breakfast, he would disappear into the shed only to reappear at tea time. Being curious, I asked my mother what he was doing down there, only to be told:

"Never you mind, he's fixing something, and you keep well away from that shed."

From that time on, one month every year, Uncle Charlie would arrive and repeat this procedure.

Every time he came, my mother's finances seemed to improve considerably. Gradually there was a new stove, new lino, new blankets and sheets, and even a new carpet for the dining room.

By the time I was sixteen, I had finished school and was working in the local paper shop. I had decided I wanted to join the navy. I read in some of the papers at the shop, about the wonderful life which could be mine when I turned eighteen. Just before my birthday, I informed my mother and Uncle Charlie (he was on one of his annual visits) of my intentions.

"It isn't right to leave me on my own," my mother objected.

"Let the boy go and I will come and live with you," said Uncle Charlie, rescuing the situation.

Everything turned out perfectly, I joined the navy, and Uncle Charlie moved in with my mother full time.

On my first leave home, I was amazed at the improvements around the place - a new garage with a tractor and a "Falcon" parked alongside Uncle Charlie's utility. Cows in one paddock, sheep in another, the house newly painted, everything so spruce, tidy and trim.

The first night home, I noticed a framed motto on the kitchen wall, something that had never been there before. It read, "CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME" in large red letters. I asked my mother where she had obtained it?

"It's just something that took my fancy in the second-hand shop in the town," she explained.

I became a leading seaman, and later, a petty officer. After a four year lapse I went on leave again. I didn't know the place, Uncle Charlie had turned it into a beautiful little farm. An electricity generator with a pump supplied water to the house from new tanks. There was a solar system on the roof for heating. On asking my mother where the money had come from, she told me that Uncle Charlie had had a stroke of good luck.

Later that year, I was called before the Captain of my ship, who, tactfully told me that my mother and her brother had been killed in a horrific road accident. After recovering from the shock of this terrible news, arrangements were made for me to take leave immediately, and I flew home in time for the funeral.

The day after the funeral, in company with a solicitor, I was conducted into the bank manager's office. There was another man with the bank manager, who, I assumed, was another bank official. The safe-deposit box was opened and the contents examined and checked. The wills of both my mother and uncle named me as the sole beneficiary. There were quite a few official-looking documents belonging to my uncle. I was a bit bewildered, as they were all in the name of Charles Fox and not Forbes as was my mother's maiden name. The solicitor advised me to leave things for him to sort out.

That night, a car came into the driveway at the farm and the strange man from the bank meeting stepped out. He informed me he was Senior Detective O'Hara of the Sydney C.I.D. He said he would like to come inside and have a word with me concerning my uncle. I took him inside and seated him at the kitchen table. I sat opposite. He asked me about my uncle and I told him all I knew about him. How he appeared one day out of the blue, how he had looked after my Mum and myself, how hard he had worked fixing up the place, and that he had lived with my Mum since I joined the navy. Detective O'Hara told me it was quite obvious I was completely ignorant of my uncle's background.

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Joan Dods in Forsayth waiting to start her Last Great Train Ride

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A glorious "dry country" sunny day and our guard tells of the delights to be seen along the way, the stops we are to make. We pass the Undara Lava field strewn with rivers of porous rock, strange "walls" thrown up as the lava moved 190,000 years ago. Then climbing into lightly forested country and the line hugs the bouldered ridges with dry water courses running alongside. Rock wallabies, camouflaged in dark coats, with long thin whippy tails bounding among the rocks, careless of the passing train slowing for a camera session. Vegetation is sparse and occasional water holes poorly filled, three years of drought. We slow down to negotiate every long curve and hill, a row of heads, eyes peering forward, hang out of the windows, someone plucks a gum leaf as we pass, we cheer our engine to greater efforts. In a bend or two, a stop, all out and up through the boulders, ironwoods and bloodwoods, to view an ancient water hole, a natural rock formation, a collecting place known and used by aboriginals since the Dreamtime. All aboard and it's Einasleigh for morning tea, the tiny station full of wonderful home baked goodies, tea and coffee. We have plenty of time to explore Einasleigh, walking across the long trestle bridge, some to the old hotel for a beer and a yarn. Our engine is shunting freight cars busily, and trucks and people appear to off-load mail, and goods, and to order the groceries for next week. And so to Mt. Surprise, whistle blowing a warning to roaming stock. Cattle yards, and the bitumen running alongside to Georgetown and places west to the Gulf. We wave to cars and campers, "don't you wish you were us on our train", we yell. Lunch on the shaded cafe patio while our engine works over time collecting yet more freight cars. Some in need of a culture hit visit the Feather Art Gallery. The whistle blast summons us, bounding over the tracks to swing aboard closing the wrought iron gates at the top of the steps, where we cluster between the carriages waving to Mr. Surprise. There is a frightening series of metal plates covering the buffers, brake and power connections, grinding back and forth in mad tectonic frenzy, not for the faint hearted the walk between carriages.

Fishing comes next, we only half believe our guard's statement as he speeds along the corridor laughing with delight at our sceptical responses. He hands us the menu for the evening dinner stop - do we have to catch our own we mutter nervously, as the empty river beds wander beneath the bridges. Fossilbrook, water, and we jump on to the lines and on to the river bank. The engine driver and the guard sling in a hook and lo! and behold a Black Bream and a tortoise are in the bag in five minutes flat. We look for gold and find shining mica, but no fossils. Our engine is hissing, is there a note of resignation as six travellers clamber aboard the engine cab - three inside, three out front with their legs dangling over the buffers wind streaming their hair. The lines, fading to the horizon, appear crooked and wobbly, with bigish gaps at the joints, "what stops the engine coming off the line" one asks as we jerk violently from side to side "...there's this flange..." our driver gives a mirthless laugh, puts the engine in neutral, swings out on the front platform and points out things of interest, rock formations, a pioneer's grave, soda springs where an entrepreneur set up a bottling plant on the edge of the creek in far off times, the gas was so powerful the bottles all burst and the project fizzled. We pick up speed again, the round brass knob has to be struck every 7 seconds throughout the journey or the emergency scream sounds, this is to keep the driver awake. His co-driver is the look-out for trouble on the line, stock, roos, people, rocks and the work gangs. Ootann flashes passed as we hit a steady 40k on this flat section - we saw a shed and a track and a man waving his hat at Ootann. Then we stopped, the travellers left the engine cab by the high stepped metal runged ladder and a new group took over speeding us to Almaden and dinner. A long halt, and a three course meal at the Cafe, the hotel was some peoples preferred fuel stop, and the engine shunted and shunted freight cars off and on. Almaden station was crowded. A surprise, travellers, locals and the station master there to witness an outback extravaganza. A very large, big horned, wild eyed cow stood on the platform ready for the game, leering, head-butting and snorting in manic fashion she heaved herself up the steps of the waiting room in pursuit of the engine driver's bag of bread. In she went and then backed out unexpectedly fast, a roar and she was charging up the platform scattering all in her path, eyes rolling. We cheered! The lights were on in our carriage and we settled down for the dark stretch. Lappa, Dimbulah and through to Mareeba. To us locals the familiar countryside with red soil, the ground-down results of volcanic action of aeons ago, signalled the home stretch. The Railway Institute served supper to-wards midnight with a game of darts and snooker and we chattered about our journey, a special cake baked by our engine driver crowned the evening.

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Charity Begins at Home Continued from page 16.

Years ago, he said, Uncle Charlie was a member of a gang of notorious bank robbers. The last big job they pulled was a gold bullion armoured car. Eight ingots of gold were stolen, each worth a quarter of a million dollars. Three of the gang were captured with six of the ingots. My uncle escaped and was put on the wanted lists throughout the country. At my father's funeral, when I was only a year old, an alert Victorian policeman recognised him from the "Wanted" posters and he was arrested. He was brought to trial and was sentenced to twelve years gaol. They never found the other two ingots, and Uncle Charlie adamantly maintained, right throughout his trial, that the armoured car company, or some of its staff, had put it over the bank, and the six ingots recovered by the police, was the total loot of the gang.

I made a cup of tea and O'Hara continued. Charlie Forbes was paroled after serving eight years. We then lost track of him. Those papers of his in the safe-deposit box at the bank, showed Charlie changed his name from Forbes to Fox by deed poll. He went to Tennant Creek and registered a gold mine that he named "Sweet Charity". Every year he would come to Victoria and sell his gold. It must have been a pretty good mine according to his bank account. Yet, nobody had ever found gold where he had his mine, and it had been prospected over and over in the past.

After he had driven away, I sat at the table, stunned, to say the least, when my eyes focussed on the framed motto on the opposite wall. "CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME". My mind raced over the facts. I remembered the taboo shed, the blacksmith's forge, the bags of coke and the annual visits by Uncle Charlie to Victoria, selling his gold in small lots; gold that was supposed to come from the "Sweet Charity" mine.

Did the gold that he smelted in the shed, come from the mine, or was it the stolen gold? Perhaps the answer is in that motto on the wall, "CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME".

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LAST GREAT TRAIN RIDE Cont: from Page 17

Our little engine shunted on yet more freight, a total of 22 cars to pull down the line to Cairns. And then a treat, from an old shed in the Mareeba yards we rolled out a little bit of history, an ambulance car first used to carry butter and cold goods early this century, then set up as a mini-hospital with bedding, drug cabinets, oxygen, stretchers and all the paraphernalia to transport the ill on the long slow journey to hospital. All aboard again, some already asleep in their bunks, others playing cards and reminiscing about other great train journeys in other great countries. Through Biboohra and Koah along the Barron River the smells of the tropical night and the rumble of the trestle bridges as we pass over the rivers and creeks. Familiar lights, homes of friends, and so quietly into Kuranda, the last stop for us, but for others there is still the long slow two hour descent to Cairns and breakfast on the platform. Many seasoned train buffs and the nostalgia for the days of steam, and stories of the heroic exploits of engines complimented this very special railway journey, The Last Great Train Ride from Forsayth to Cairns.

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# KURANDA COOLS NEWS

## SOFTBALL

The weekend of June 25th-26th saw the Kuranda softball team and supporters travel to Julatten's Geraghty Park for the annual Mirrorcraft Slo-Pitch softball Tournament. This increasingly competitive event brings together the Kuranda Cools, the Bloomfield River Rats, the Palm Cove Pirates and the Julatten D'Anglers in a fierce struggle for softball supremacy in the far north.

The preliminary games in this round robin tournament are usually played in a light spirit with experienced softballers joining forces with players who may have never seen a softball prior to "training", which only begins a few weeks before the big match.

Saturday's draw saw Julatten beat last year's premiers, Palm Cove, 14 - 7. Then Kuranda edged out Bloomfield 120-9. Faced with having to play a double header the Rats succumbed to the D'Anglers, 13-4, and the Cools went on to take out the Pirates for the first time ever, 14-9.

Food and drink were provided by the Julatten D'angler's Fishing Club. Sunday morning came much too quickly for most campers. The kids were up early playing a semi-organised ball game. Breakfast was provided by the Julatten Play Group and by 11:30 the final round of competition had begun.

Julatten and Kuranda played to a 4-4 draw in a game shortened to accommodate an extended grand final. The Bloomfield River Rats then excelled to defeat Palm Cove, 16-6, to take third place in the competition. As tension mounted Kuranda and Julatten warmed up to face each other in the "Grand Final to the Death".

The nine inning "Serious Slo-Pitch" game started out a close one with the scores level at 30-3 after four innings. Then the D'anglers made a break and Kuranda could not match the big hitting of Dale "Pop-up" Stumpe's Julatten crew. The final score of 22-6 was something of an embarrassment for the Cools and a triumph for the D'Anglers but, hey... there's always next year and we all had fun.

On behalf of the Kuranda Cools I would like to thank our Royal Loyal cheer squad who consistently provide some of our lighter and brighter moments. We hope to see more players and athletic supporters at the 1995 competition. Good softball and good times guaranteed.

Submitted by Slim on Second Base



Cools captain Richie Trapnell surveys the competition.  
photo Jeb Buck



Bronwyn and Hacka Harris - the Coolest supporters!  
photo Karen Pearse

## SOCCER

K.R.S.C. attended a friendly game in Dimbulah recently for all age groups. It was an epic journey on Mr. Baileys bus and we all had a great day. The U7's won their games, with Chris Sachlikidis strong in defence and Jesse Pickering in attack. Josh Guy and Darren Coleman were also strong in defence.

The U8's were also too strong for Dimbulah with Lloyd Ross, Philip Emmerick and Josiah Rusch playing strongly.

The U9's went down 4 goals to nil. Rhys Martin played keenly and Jai Lamb played a good marking game. The combined 11's also went down, though for most of the game they were equal to the opposition. Robert Vernau was safe in defense with Willo Levers threatening up front. Coaches are thrilled with how the players have been improving so quickly.

The U10's and U11's will be attending a carnival at the Marlin Coast Soccer Grounds on Sunday 31st July and the U7's and U9's will be attending the 'Big Tomato' carnival in Mareeba on the 27th of August. In the meantime, we have been marking out soccer fields at Bartley Park and the goal posts are ready so we should be holding a home game soon after the Kuranda School Sports Day.

We have planned a social afternoon/evening at the Amphitheatre on Sat August 13th starting at 4pm-8pm, so if anyone is interested in joining the club, come along, we will keep you posted. P.S. Still needing coaches or supervisors for training. Can you help? Ph.937816 of 938803 for more information.

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# CLUB NEWS

## SCOUTS AND CUBS

The Kuranda Cub's & Scout's would like to express their gratitude to everyone who supported our Garage/Boot Sale held on the 18 June. This fundraising event was a great success and we extend our grateful thanks to those who donated items to the Scout's stall, registered for the Boot Sale, helped to organise the event, and worked on the stalls on the day making this a profitable and fun day.

The Kuranda Newspaper and the Kuranda State School also receive our appreciation for advertising. Another thank you is extended to Jim Mealing and the Lions Club for allowing us to use the Merry-go-Round for the day. The kids loved it and it kept them busy while the parents browsed.

Finally, on behalf of the Cub's & Scout's I would like to thank everyone who came along on the day to look for a bargain. Your generosity cannot be understated because without your help the Kuranda Scout Group would be in dire financial straits.

Due to many requests, the Kuranda Scout Group's Fundraising Committee have decided to hold another Garage/Boot Sale later in the year. Thanks once again, Sue Van Koeverden



"What have the Lions ever done for Kuranda?"  
Someone asked me this question a few months ago. Well, briefly:

## We Serve

In the past year your local Lions Club spent over 400 hours in community service, raised over \$5000 & donated it to various groups and causes. Recipients included the Kuranda Ambulance Project, Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis, Kuranda Blue Nurses, Kuranda CommunityKindy, Kuranda School athletics, Quest for Adolescent Skills project, Kuranda Information & Support Centre, Sightfirst & the Kuranda Scouts to name a few. We also continued to build bus shelters for the school children, etc.

Our group is small, usually between 15 and 20 members.

The Lions International Service Club began in Dallas, Texas, USA in 1917 and soon became the world's largest service club, passing the 1 million member mark back around 1970.

When you multiply the above abbreviated one year synopsis by the thousands of Lions Clubs in over 150 countries with several million members, you can better appreciate our Lion's Motto: WE SERVE...and have for over 75 years.

Lions is open to young and old, male and female. If you care about your community and you want to get involved - talk to any Lion, or call President Ken Aland on 937951.

SHEP

## SPEEWAH AND DISTRICT RATEPAYERS

Our next bi-monthly meeting is to be held on Tuesday, August 9th 1994, 7.30pm at John Beasley's home, 89 Douglas Track (on the right hand side of the road just before Rosebud Farm). All members old and new and non-members are welcome to attend.

At our last meeting held on 14th June 1994 Councillor Oliver Gilkerson brought us up to date on council matters in the Kuranda region including the Boundaries Review, Tree Preservation By-Laws, the Regional Dump, the planning of the new D.C.P. for Kuranda and Environs, Betta Gamma 41 Pty Ltd. and other topics residents have confronted him with. His reports to this Association are of great interest and value, we thank him for his attendance and hope he can continue to attend our bi-monthly meetings.

A report on Mareeba Shire's budget will, we hope, be made at the next meeting.

T.V. reception in this area is very bad for many people and we are endeavouring to have a representative from the Communications Department to attend our next meeting to discuss the problem. If this concerns you, come and have your say!

Other progress reports usually made at these meetings are from the Grove Creek Bush Fire Brigade, A.R.K., Bushwalkers Club and the future Swimming Pool for Kuranda.

Meetings usually last 1 and a half to 2 hours, so join us, Tuesday 9th August 1994, 7.30pm

Any enquiries phone: Bob Madden 930169

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# Amphitheatre NEWS

## KASCAN CLASSES

- Acapella singing - Mon. 7.30 - 9.30 pm.
- Aerobics - Tue. Fri. 8.45 - 9.45 am
- Inner Peace - Tue. 1-3 pm
- Drama - 8-11 yrs Sat. 10-11 am  
- 12-16 yrs Sat 1-12
- Discover the Dance Within - Mon 4-5.30
- Intro. to Drawing and Painting Fri. 12.30-2.30
- Juggle Club - Mon.7 pm

At present the Amphitheatre is in the throes of upheaval with the stage renovations.



## COMING ATTRACTIONS

July 30 Hobbler's Bus Fund Raiser

August 21 Reggae, Tjapukai, Stradbroke Island Dance Co.

August 28 Gypsy Moon

August 31 Youssou N'Dour - Reggae

Date Claimer - Sept. 11 Paul Kelly  
Sept. 17 KAS Kids Theatre.



## IT WAS NEWS

# 50 YEARS AGO IN JULY 1944

**1 July** Since D-Day, 6 June, the Allies have landed in Normandy 920,000 men, nearly 600,00 tons of equipment and 177,000 vehicles.

**2 July** Field Marshal von Rundstedt asks to be relieved of his command of the Western Front. Hitler agrees. General von Kluge takes over on the third of July.

**3 July** Minsk, the last big German base on Russian soil, falls to the Russians. 100,000 Germans are trapped.

**7 July** Gen. Saito, after ordering his troops not to be taken alive, commits harakiri on Saipan. Admiral Nagumo also commits suicide.

1,129 USAAF bombers attack aircraft and oil plants in the Leipzig area.

**9 July** Final banzai attack on Saipan kills 3,116 US Marines. Over 27000 Japanese soldiers die.

**11 July** Second mass exodus of children from London begins because of the V-1 bombing.

**13 July** Russians capture Vilna.

**17 July** Victoria. The Government releases plans to build 3000 homes on 800 acres at Maidstone.

Rommel is severely wounded by Spitfire strafing attack.

**20 July** Hitler escapes assassination attempt at his "Wolf's Lair" HQ. Many generals who were implicated commit suicide, including von Kluge (18 Aug.) and Rommel (14 Oct.). Many escape trial because the war ends (Halder, von Falkenhausen).

**21 July** Harry Truman selected as FDR's running mate, as Roosevelt runs for 4th term as US President.

US troops land on Guam.

**24 July** The 4th US Marine division lands on Tinian.

German armed forces ordered to use the Nazi salute and the words "Heil Hitler" instead of the normal military salute.

**27 July** As part of post-war plans, Myers announces a free school for dressmaking for girls.

Guam captured by US forces. SHEP

## ARK continued from page 3

### WOMEN IN POLITICS WOMENS PENSION COASTAL ENVIRONMENTS

Senator Cheryl Kernot, leader of the Australian Democrats, is visiting Cairns on Tuesday August 2nd. She will discuss the above topics at a Women's Dinner at the Manohra Thai Restaurant. Vegetarian meal available. Bookings can be made through the Green House Environment Shop.

Phone 938 917.

### KURANDA FRUIT & VEG

### ALL ADS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

#### Kuranda Environs DCP Group

Maps have been coloured to identify existing uses of land and forested areas. Two new zones - a Special Development Zone, to allow for integrated village style developments with all facilities, and an Eco-Residential Zone, to preserve forested and catchment areas while allowing for residential development.

#### Library/community Hall

Preferred site is adjacent to the Scout Hut on the Recreation block of which the Amphitheatre is a part. Architect Brian Guy will complete his report in early August when Council is expected to give approval to proceed.

#### Swimming Pool

Awaiting costing from Bob Colefax as part of a feasibility study.

#### Tele-Cottages (Computer facility for general use in the community)

Mark Freeman is developing a submission and urgently seeks input from computer literate residents.

#### Village Carparking

Howard Stevens asked ARK to request Council to review the requirements of site coverage in new developments to include 40% vegetation and cease on-site parking. Carparking contributions made in lieu of on-site carparks should be put towards a hidden carpark. This could be a self funding enterprise.

Decisive action now for parking and revegetation of the village.

#### ARK is the Forum

Our meetings offer the time and place for your opinions and suggestions to become part of the decisions that are made By Us: For Us. Membership \$10, pensioners \$5. Secretary Lynne Provan, Association for Regional Kuranda, P.O.Box 573 Kuranda 4872 Ph.937665. Next meeting Wednesday 17 August at 7.30 pm, Fallon Road Sports Centre. Stop Press!

At the 17 August meeting, Dept of Transport will present the various options for linking the coast with the Tablelands. Please attend this important meeting and come prepared to present your opinions.

#### FROM COUNCIL

Note that road works at present being completed will lead to the enforcing of the Plan, which is at present with the Minister. No more visible works will be undertaken during August.

## BOTANICA NURSERY

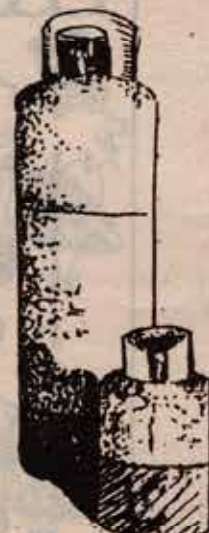
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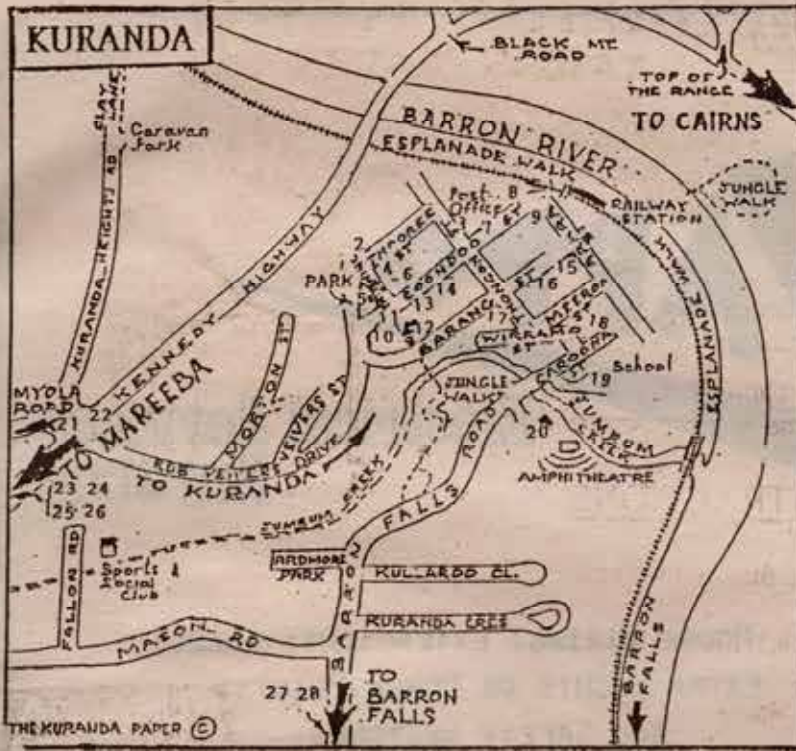
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR



COMMUNITY MAP OF KURANDA

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1 CEMETERY                                      | 15 YOUTH HOSTEL         |
| 2 LAUNDRY (Coin Op)                             | 16 CATHOLIC CHURCH      |
| 3 TELEPHONES                                    | 17 CWA & BRANCH LIBRARY |
| 4 CAR PARK                                      | 18 RECYCLING DEPOT      |
| 5 TOILETS                                       | 19 KINDERGARTEN         |
| 6 ST. SAVIOURS                                  | 20 SCOUTS               |
| 7 N.P. BUILDING SOC. (Auto teller)              | 21 TO RUSSETT PARK      |
| 8 POLICE  | 22 TO PONY CLUB         |
| 9 HOTEL/MOTEL                                   | 23 TO RAINFOREST RESORT |
| 10 BP SERVICE STATION (fuel)                    | 24 TO SPEEWAH           |
| 11 VET  | 25 TO KOAH              |
| 12 FOOTPATH TO BARANG ST. & JUMRUM JUNGLE WALK. | 26 TO CLOHESY           |
| 13 KURANDA FIRE STATION                         | 27 TO WRIGHTS LOOKOUT   |
| 14 SURGERY                                      | 28 TO SURPRISE CREEK.   |

**WHITECAR COACHES BUS SCHEDULE AND FARES**

Single Adult \$7                      Return \$14  
 Concessions \$3.50                  Return \$7  
 Pre-primary Free

**CAIRNS TO KURANDA**  
 Mon-Friday 8.30am 9.30am 1.30pm 3.15pm 5.30pm  
 Saturday 9.30am 1pm  
 Sat & Sun 9.30am 1pm  
 Sundays & Public Holidays 1 pm 2.50pm

**KURANDA TO CAIRNS**  
 Mon-Friday 7.30am 10.20am 12.45pm 2.10pm 4.30pm  
 Saturday 7.30am 10.20am  
 Sunday 8.30am 10.20am 2.10pm  
 Public Holidays 8.30am 10.20am 2.10pm

BOOKINGS: CAIRNS 519533  
 KURANDA 937166 (Trading Post)  
 Christmas and Good Friday - NO BUSES

**JULY**

- 30-31 FNQ Writers Conference. Holiday Inn.
- 30 Bush Walkers to Clifton Beach Ph.930303
- 31 UNITING CHURCH - Special Parish Service 10am. Kindy.

**AUGUST**

- 1 Mon. KISC video "Surviving difficult people". 7.30 pm
- 7 Bush Walkers meeting., Ph. 930303
- 8 Mon KISC Jan Parr Alcohol and Drug counselling 7.30 pm
- 13 SAT. Flower show/fete Mareeba Shire hall.
- 13 Sat KMA Inc. AGM 9.30 am under Fire Station.
- 15 Mon. KISC Susie Geyer -Youthlink Family Support 7.30pm

**REGULAR MEETINGS IN KURANDA**

- 1st Sunday, 9am. Family Service, Uniting Church Kindy
- 1st Monday, 1.30pm, PENSIONERS, CWA hall Ph 937370
- 2nd and 4th Mondays, Kuranda Lions 7.30pm 937187 RSL Sports and Social club, Fallon Road.
- Every Monday, Cubs, 938 872
- Every Monday. KISC meeting room Anglican Church.
- Every Monday, Amph. Creative dance with Kate 9.30am
- Every Tuesday Amph. Dreamwork 1-3pm \$6 Ph938904
- Every Tuesday and Friday Karate 5-6.30pm CWA Hall
- Every Tuesday, Respite Care, CWA Hall, 9am - 3pm
- Every Tuesday Soccer at Bartleys Park 3-5 10-12 yrs
- Every Tuesday, BABY CLINIC, CWA Hall, 2-4pm.
- Every Tuesday & Friday Course in Miracles Kuranda Hostel Ph 937295
- 1st Tuesday Pony Club 7.30 pm Myola Club
- 1st Tuesday, Cancer Support Group 7.30pm St Saviours Church Hall. Ph. 937125.
- 1st Tuesday, RSL Meeting, Fallon Rd, 7.30pm
- 1st and 3rd Tuesday, IMMUNISATION, (Babies), Surgery, 2-3 pm
- 3rd Wed, Ass. for Regional Kuranda S&S Club, 7.30pm
- Every Thursday Soccer at Bartleys Park 3-5 All ages
- Last Thursday, K.I.S.C. Meets 7.30pm, St Saviours. 937370
- 2nd Thursday, AMBULANCE Meeting, Fire Station, 7.30pm
- 1st & 3rd Fridays, CWA MEETINGS, CWA Hall, 1.30pm
- Every Friday, Scouts, 7pm 938 872
- Every Saturday - Landcare planting 7.30am .Ph 938766
- Every Sunday AA Kuranda Hostel 10.30 am Ph. 937295.

DATE CLAIMER September 9 and 10 Blip Theatre at Tjapukai.

**Groups !!**

please check days and dates in this calendar.  
 Correct information is YOUR responsibility.

**MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL**

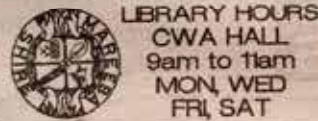
Kuranda Waste Management  
 Grove Creek Dump  
**OPEN**  
 Monday/ Wednesday/ Friday  
 3pm to 6pm  
 Sunday  
 2pm to 5pm  
**CLOSED**  
 Tuesday/ Thursday/Saturday

**RATES**

Car Load ..... \$1 each  
 Utilities/ Trailers.....\$4 each  
 Trucks .....\$4 m3  
 Tyres .....\$1.50 each  
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 FRI, SAT

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**BROTHER TREE**

Who came twenty million years ago to prepare earth for man to live.  
 O' Holy Forest forgive us now as we move in on thee. We the children of the forest have tried to save you by sitting here.  
 But the inexhaustable blades of progress are felling you to the ground.  
 And we are being beaten by the submission and the call of the never ending material gain.  
 How long does it take for humankind to understand?  
 O' sacred tree I treasure thee. The angel of earth embraced your seed and gave life to it and the kiss of the angel of water awakened your seed and the angel of sun made your seed grow. The angel of air embraced you and made you strong.  
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as you have supported us. Thank you.

