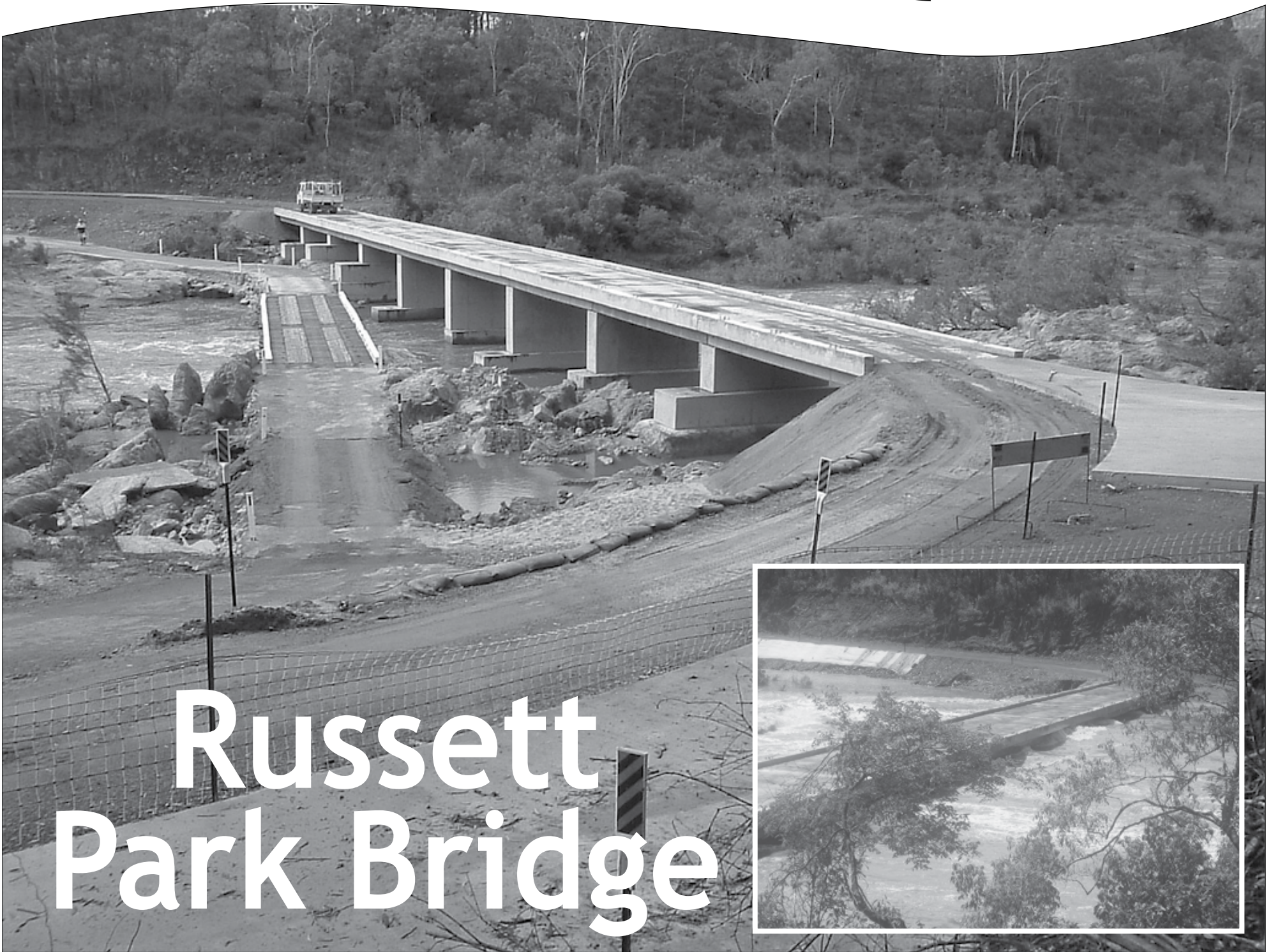
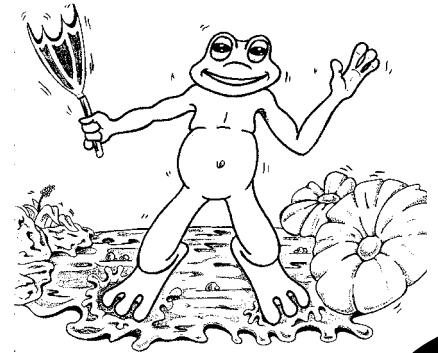


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Russett Park Bridge

The build-us-a-bridge campaign is over. Many years of watery crossings in dangerous floods, meetings, meetings and more meetings are now water under the Bridge! Funding or no funding, where to site this bridge, how high, how long, yes we build, no we will not build this bridge. People pressure and wholehearted support from the Mareeba Shire Council spanned all the obstacles and the crossing was bridged. Full credit to the designers and builders who completed this project under budget and ahead of the cyclonic event in March which brought the Barron river up to within 5cm of the road surface. Good timing! A cheer and a huge vote of thanks from all those Russett Parkers who now travel safely to work and play and home again.

FRUIT, FRUIT, FRUIT!

Bananas and pawpaws are urgently needed at Batreach. The cyclone disaster in the Innisfail area has totally destroyed supplies of fruit and Pam at Batreach is at her wits' end searching for alternative sources to feed 200 animals in her care. Can you help – desperately needed.
Phone Pam on 4093 8858.

Inside **New Local Arts Page**
Check it out pg 12 & 13

COMMUNITY LETTERS

PO BOX 66 KURANDA 4881

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Opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Kuranda Paper.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

In reference to Norman Janke's letter that was published in the March issue, I don't understand Norman's views on being pulled over for a breathalyser check. I would only be "embarrassed" to be pulled over for a breathalyser check if I had been drinking. Queensland's road toll last year was 329 people losing their lives. The major causes of death were drink driving and speed. More specifically, there have been 504 deaths on the roads involving alcohol in the past five years alone. Road safety is an issue that affects all of us. Injury and death through road crashes devastates families, friends and whole communities. If only the drunken driver who collided head on with my parents and grandmother in the 1960's had been breathalysed, it would have saved four lives. Surely we must support and commend the police in their endeavours to stop the road toll climbing.

Elaine

Dear Kuranda Paper,

I just wanted to update you on two developments at the Kuranda Medical Service. The Steve King Dental group have fitted out one room & are now offering a dental service on Fridays and due to popular demand this will increase to a Tuesday & Friday in March. Appointments can be made via 4046 3555 or ring the dental clinic on 4093 9199 on Fridays (from 3.2.06). Secondly we have been joined by Dr Dominic Bannerman. Dominic is a GP Registrar - this means he qualified as a doctor many years ago but is now completing his training for the speciality of General Practice. Dominic plans to work with us for the next twelve months.

Dr Dave Cuming

Dear Kuranda Paper,

We would like to thank Tracey and KaSa for their service at the Deli Lama. A sad departure for us, we will certainly miss our Wednesday afternoon dhal, deli wrap or fried rice. Well done guys and good luck.

Leo van Gemert, Kellie McBride and Wil.

Dear Kuranda Paper,

This is a letter to thank those certain residents of Cadagi Drive who manage to find the time in their busy lives to slow down when driving on our dirt road. For so many of us the dust is becoming such a problem, which has been exacerbated by the Council widening the road. Unfortunately at this time of year the lack of rain and wind direction increases the amount of dust, and when people drive fast, the dust goes straight into our homes, gardens and lungs. I too, lead a very busy life and find it hard to fit everything in, but if I'm not in a rush I really try not to leave my neighbours choking on a mouthful of dust as I drive to and from home. Particular thanks to the people who slow right down when passing pedestrians like residents walking their dogs or strolling with the family. And to the other residents, who don't suffer from the dust at this time of year, take a look through your rear view mirror as you travel along our road, your neighbours would really appreciate you slowing down because it really does help.

S. Bell, 16 Cadaqi Drive, Russet Park

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Thanks to all those who braved the pouring rain to make our latest screening of End of Suburbia another success. We are planning to screen this very pertinent film again in May, watch this space for details. In the meantime, the next meeting of Kuranda Economic Localization will be at the back of the Catholic Church, Barang St, on Monday March 27. KEL is a grassroots community group aiming to increase self sufficiency in the Kuranda area. There will also be an in depth discussion meeting on Sunday April 2nd at 2pm, please call Svargo on 4093 7755 for details of the location. At this meeting we will be screening a one hour presentation on Peak Oil by acclaimed author Richard Heinberg, followed by discussion of the potential fallout of high oil prices.

Pip Clarkson

Dear Kuranda Paper,

A large bunch of peeled grapes for the Kuranda Paper and its "Gripefruit" column. A willingness to expose shonky practices, rip-offs and con-artists is important not only to protect unwary tourists but also to ensure that local businesses do not capitalize on their monopolies. A good tradesperson is worthy of their hire but overcharging and poor service need exposure.

Zananda Foord

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Closing Date. Friday June 30th.

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VIDEO STORE KURANDA
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Dear Kuranda Paper,

Telstra's recently announced decision to cut down on the number of public phones should have come as no surprise to Minister for Communications Helen Coonan.

After all she must realise that Telstra is a public company and the Government, while presently a shareholder, has expressed its intention not to be a significant shareholder as soon as it can arrange the sale of our (taxpayer-owned) shareholding. However, if the provision of public telephones was to be part of Telstra's Community Service Obligation, and Telstra could interpret their obligation in a completely different way to the Government, then we would all have to be concerned about the strength of the arrangements the Government has made with Telstra on our behalf.

Perhaps this is only the first of the disappointments for Minister Coonan. When the government loses its voting power it loses any effective control. Regulator or not. Then of course Telstra's management becomes our problem. A problem without recourse.

Selwyn Johnston - Leichardt Independent

DEADLINES

MAY 2006 Paper

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The Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage

See-in the Easter long weekend at the Kuranda Amphitheatre when Cairns outfit- The Swingin Alley Catz play the Understage on Thursday 13th April.

The Swingin' Alley Catz is a seven-piece band that includes a big brass line-up. They bring their funky up swingin' sounds of 1930's jazz to Kuranda for the first time.

The event promises to be a dance-all-night good time. "It's the 25th Anniversary of the Kuranda Amphitheatre, a high- energy dance act of this calibre is the perfect way to begin our celebrations" said Brian Clarke, President of the Kuranda Amphitheatre Society.

The gig is the first amphitheatre event for 2006 and is a timely opportunity for locals to take up or renew their society membership. Door prices remain the same as last year, \$8 members, \$15 others. Or, become a member at the door for \$20 and receive free entry to the Swingin Alley Catz show and discounted entry to every members' night until March 2007. Members

Nights have an open, social ambience, a vibrant crowd of dancing locals and affordable drink prices- a great night out with friends and a very useful way to shake off post-Larry blues.

The Amphitheatre is a community-run venue. It is managed and staffed entirely by volunteers. Support the venue that has supported local acts since 1981.

Kuranda Amphitheatre, Barron Falls Road, Kuranda

Questions, Interviews, Feedback <kuranda_amp@bigpond.com.au>

Swingin Alley Catz <swinginalleycatz.com>
 Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage
 Thursday April 13 2006
 Doors Open 7pm
 Band 7.30-11.30pm
 Price- \$15 or Free Entry with New / Renewed Annual Membership for \$20 (Provides \$8 entry to all Members' Nights for the next 12 months)

Kuranda QCWA

are prepared to accept any donations of linen, sheets, towels, pillowslips, blankets etc.

For the Cyclone Victims

kitchen items, toiletries - (no furniture or similar items) for transporting to Red Cross Centre Cairns. at the Kuranda Hall on Wednesdays between 9am & 12 noon or at other times by arrangement.

Please contact 40937016 for further information

The Bendigo Bank

in Coondoo Street is the collection point for cash donations for the fund for Innisfail. Come on Kuranda be ultra generous it could well have been us crushed under the weight of this disaster.

The Social Event of the Month!

Are you missing out?
 Kuranda Paper - Paper Folders
 Bring a stool or a cushion.
 Last Thursday of every month
 7am outside the Post Office.
 For Hot Gossip, Cold Facts, Join now!
 Circulation now 2000 - You are needed.

KMA wishes to thank Korina Jones for her kind donation of a copier to the Kuranda Paper Office and Liane Barrett who sprang for a table. Thanks and a thousand inky kisses from the production team! We still need a couple of typing chairs - anybody out there with some charity to spare?.

THREE SISTERS AGES 92, 94 AND 96 LIVE IN A HOUSE TOGETHER. ONE NIGHT THE 96 YEAR OLD DRAWS A BATH. SHE PUTS HER FOOT IN AND PAUSES. SHE YELLS TO THE OTHER SISTERS, "WAS I GETTIN' IN OR OUT OF THE BATH?" THE 94 YEAR OLD YELLS BACK, "I DON'T KNOW. I'LL COME UP AND SEE." SHE STARTS UP THE STAIRS AND PAUSES. "WAS I GOING UP THE STAIRS OR DOWN?" THE 92 YEAR OLD IS SITTING AT THE KITCHEN TABLE HAVING TEA AND LISTENING TO HER SISTERS. SHE SHAKES HER HEAD AND SAYS, "I SURE HOPE I NEVER GET THAT FORGETFUL." SHE KNOCKS ON WOOD FOR GOOD MEASURE. SHE THEN YELLS, "I'LL COME UP AND HELP BOTH OF YOU AS SOON AS I SEE WHO'S AT THE DOOR..."

Dear Kuranda Paper,

Friday, March 3, I woke to hear the geese calling madly. I threw-on some clothes and down the stairs to see what the commotion was! There were feathers everywhere and one goose missing - the young goose. She was the same size as the parents.

I walked over the area but could not find her. Thinking it was a wild dog I would encounter, I took a stick and went down the hill into the long grass.

I nearly fell on a monster snake with the last of the goose hanging out of its mouth. What a sight - I nearly fainted! After coming from the city and only being in the area 18 months, I am green to these experiences.

I rang the fire brigade and was told about the Wildlife Carers in Myola. Thank God for the Wildlife Carers who came and saved the day by taking my uninvited visitor deep into the rainforest.

Noela Pedersen - Myola



**THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA
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KURANDA Invites you to Worship**

SUNDAY
8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Sung Eucharist
9.30am Sunday school 5.00pm Afternoon Worship
Holy Communion (April 2nd and 16th)
Informal Praise (April 30th) all other Evening Prayer

THURSDAY 10.00am Holy Communion

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Monday 10th Tuesday 11th Wednesday 12th
12.30pm Holy Communion

Tuesday 11th 7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday 13th (Maundy Thursday)
10.00am Morning Prayer
7.30pm The Eucharist of the Last Supper
and Washing of Feet

Friday 14th (Good Friday) 9.30am Family Service
2.00pm The Liturgy (Holy Communion)
6.00pm Evening Prayer

EASTER SERVICES

Saturday 15th (Easter Eve)
7.30pm The Service of the Light Easter Vigil Eucharist

Sunday 16th (Easter Sunday)
8.00am Easter Communion (BCP)
9.30am Easter Family Eucharist
11.30am Easter Communion 5.00pm Easter Communion

CAKES BOOKS AND OTHER GEAR
Saturday 8th April 8.30am to 12.30pm

Activities, Home Groups, Alpha,
A life Worth Living, Sunday School

Enq Fr Chris Wright -Tel 40938735
Email wrightc@iig.com.au

A THOUGHT FOR APRIL

This month's Bible reading is from St John's Gospel Chapter 2 verses 13-22.

Unlike the other three Gospel writers Matthew, Mark and Luke, St John hurls us into confrontation almost immediately. We are in a shouting, heaving mob. There are the sounds of stalls crashing, money tinkling on the ground, animals howling, and birds squawking. Amid it all is the angry figure of Jesus surrounded by the astonished and enraged trading community of the temple.

What is being said to us? Everything that John writes is meant to communicate on many levels. This episode, which took place some fifty years before John wrote, would have spoken in a particular way to a Christian reader of John's time. It would have pointed to the relationship between Judaism (still recovering from the temple's destruction in 70AD) and the emerging Christian community.

That relationship was mostly bad and was rapidly worsening. By reporting the incident John is implying that this past confrontation still describes the relationship between Jew and Christian. What does it imply for us today?

Jesus stands for the spirit at the heart of Christian faith. The temple stands for all the wrong things which can develop in a religious system. We are seeing the clash between spirit and institution all down through Christian history. It is not necessarily a tragic clash. It is absolutely necessary if Our Lord is going to correct and cleanse and reform his church.

Times without number, in many voices and lives of great witness, Jesus has challenged his church to finer ways than it has chosen. Again and again Jesus has gone into the "temple" of many churches over the centuries. Our Lord has overturned the life of that church, making demands upon it to get its priorities more in line with his purpose.

Our task is continually to watch the patterns and priorities of the church's life, to see where it is necessary and desirable for a judging Christ to do some overturning of us and our priorities! When Our Lord speaks of raising a temple in three days, he is saying that we can never be content with building only the institution.

We must also build the inner temple of the heart where he dwells. It is in the heart that some dying must be done, so that there we can experience resurrection. If we are ready to do the first, then the second will surely take place. As Christians we are called to the outer life of the institution and the inner journey of the heart. There are times when one must challenge the other.

CAKE STALL
SATURDAY 1st APRIL
8.30AM TO 12.30PM
OUTSIDE ST SAVIOUR'S

Be part of a new group!
* *Exploring Spirituality* 21*
Meditations - Discussion
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THOUGHT OF THE MONTH FROM THE BAHAI' I FAITH

"prejudices of all kings - whether religious, racial, patriotic or political are destructive of divine foundations in man."
(Abdu' I-Baha)

Spiritual Meeting: reading from the great religions, Wednesday, 7pm, Baha'i Info Centre, 5 Therwin St, Kuranda (next to Monkeys), all welcome.

Study Circles by arrangement, please feel free to enquire

Children's classes every weekend

Primary School classes each week

Baha'is worldwide celebrate the 12 days of the Ridvan Festival from 21 April to 2 May each year. This is their most holy Festival, commemorating the declaration of the Founder, Baha'u'llah, in the Ridvan Garden in old Baghdad, Iraq in 1863.

BAHA'IS welcome contact with all people of all beliefs, no proselytising, no cost, all views respected.
Telephone 4093 7120/8499

From the local Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Kuranda

If someone in your family has a drinking problem, you can see what it is doing to them, but can you see what it is doing to you?

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ALL WELCOME
Informal style of family service



1st Sunday of the month.
St. Christopher's church,
Barang St. Kuranda. **9 am 2nd April**

NEXT SERVICE:
Enquiries to Pr. Russell Clark
Phone 4092 1175
& Krishna Buhler 4093 7348

St Christopher's Catholic Church
Barang St

Our Sunday Mass will be held at 6 pm

1st Wednesday of each month
Mass 7.00 pm

Kuranda
Seventh-day Adventist Church




Wirramoo St.
Sabbath School (all ages) - 9.30 am
Divine Service - 11 am

Services held every Saturday.
ALL WELCOME !!!

COMMUNITY GROUPS



Seniors Day Event

The Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre (KNC) submission for funding made the Department of Communities deadline OK, and we wait to hear if we are to get the funding we've applied for.

Last year's event was such a wonderful day, that we now have a hard act to follow! This time, in collaboration with the HACC program at Ngoonbi, the support of their excellent chef Eddie (who, along with his assistants, supplied us with such totally delicious, healthy food last year!), and the kind support and assistance of many other local agencies and services, we plan to hold the event at the Ngoonbi Farm, Kennedy Highway, on the last Tuesday in August 29/8/06 from 10.00 am – 4.00 pm.

This year's event will, we hope, involve a presentation/display from KSHS students and a cultural show and display from the HACC indigenous ladies who have been doing such wonderful art and craft work with Jaye Claire for some time now. These 2 activities/displays will probably provide the main focus for the morning, interspersed with refreshments, morning tea etc. During lunch and the afternoon there will be a variety of musical entertainment, including a multi-cultural group of local musicians that June Graham plans to organise, and a very popular local country and western band that everyone speaks well of. This event will be free to attend, and all members of Kuranda's community will be most welcome. Watch out for more news and publicity flyers as we get nearer to August.

Proposed Women's Support Group

We have been contacted by a local resident, Susanne Geyer, about starting up a Women's Support Group that would meet at KNC about once a month. More news of this as things progress, but if you're already interested give us a ring at Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre (KNC) on 40938933

Domestic Violence Worker to visit Kuranda

Toma Hartley (a worker from Atherton Women's Centre) is offering her services to women in the Kuranda community on a twice-monthly basis. She has arranged to come to Kuranda on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month from 1.00pm – 3.00pm. Her services include information and referral, counselling and support, legal advice and court support. She will be based at our Neighbourhood Centre on her visits to Kuranda, but is prepared to meet with clients wherever is convenient.

For further information, or to make an appointment, you can ring us at KNC on 40938933, or contact Toma in Atherton on 40915100.

Mah-Jong Group This small but dedicated group meets every Wednesday afternoon from 2.00pm at KNC. The group is free to join, and new participants are always welcome.

Debbie Crow has been working wonders on the Neighbourhood Centre op shop, and is now Op Shop Manager! The KNC op shop has been christened 'The Rummage Boutique', and we will be featuring Boutique news regularly in our monthly Kuranda Paper articles.

With rising costs and an increasingly tight budget with which to operate, we are having to look at some type of pricing system for our 2nd hand goods. We haven't yet confirmed prices, but general discussions with others on the subject suggest that we will continue to aim at being the best priced op shop around. Most items are expected to be priced in the gold coin range (\$1.00-\$2.00) with very few items costing over \$5.00.

As part of our new-look boutique and book exchange, we have had a big clear-out of 'dead' stock that hasn't moved for some time. This could, therefore, be a great time for KNC to get new donations of goods or books, so if you've got any items you're planning to get rid of that might prove handy for someone else Have a great month!

Vicki Donovan, KNC Coordinator



Village Green

See and be shown
how to play
LAWN BOWLS



We had a wonderful Christmas Party with friends and families joining in the festivities.

Father Christmas was a huge hit and festivities carried on well into the evening. Thank you to those who put in so much time and effort to make it such a lovely time.

In our Christmas Raffle Lorraine G. won the Weekend for Two at Port Douglas and Vaughan won the huge Christmas Hamper. Our thanks to all those who helped and participated on the day.

Just prior to Christmas we received the wonderful news that we had been successful in our application for several grants from the Reef Casino Community Benefit Fund. The club now has four sets of Indoor Bowls and 2 Carpets. They will fit perfectly in the upstairs dining area. Now we can cater for those frustrating "wet" nights and plan other occasions. Community groups who are interested in using the mats should contact the Secretary on 40939583.

We also received a grant for 4 sets of Junior Bowls. With the High School already involved in coaching clinics we now have even better facilities for their involvement. The grants were worth \$5,000 and our thanks go to Peter and Lorraine who spent so much time putting together the trying grant applications, the legacy of that work will be enjoyed by all of us.

Thanks again to Ray and his helpers who were busy over the Christmas break with the greens being rejuvenated, fed, watered and rested. The green is now mobile again and play will be on Thursday nights, sign-on at 6.30 start 7.00 p.m., and Sunday afternoons, sign-on 1.30, start 2.00 p.m.



Kuranda Playgroup now has Tuesday session

Kuranda Playgroup kids all agree that we love our new playgroup. It's fantastic fun!

So far over thirty of us kids (around 25 families) are enjoying Wednesday morning sessions from 10 to 11.30am. We think it's so good, that thanks to the Kuranda Community Kindergarten's support, we have started an afternoon session on Tuesdays from 1.45 to 3pm. (Session times include set up and pack up time.)

We are grateful for the thoughtful and extraordinary support of the Kuranda Community Kindergarten's Management Committee, volunteers, and their staff, Lorraine, Angela and Sue. They are committed to us having fun and enriching play in a safe and stimulating environment. We feel **very** lucky to be using the Kindy's outside and undercover areas while the Kindy kids are inside.

Thanks also to Kim Ryan for kick starting the Playgroup's toy drive. We especially need toys suitable for kids up to the age of

eighteen months, such as baby gyms and activity centres, and ride on toys for the older toddlers (the Kindy's trikes might be a bit big for us). We also need a portable baby change table, a few baby bouncers, an esky and more outdoor chairs. Please get in touch if you can help in any way. So if you are under five you are welcome to come along, and bring whoever looks after you (your mum, dad, grandparents, other family members, carers etc.).

Playgroup sessions are \$2 per family and these funds will be used to cover set up costs, operational needs, Playgroup resources, and may help to subsidise our families' excursion costs in the future.

Families can attend three times before they must become

Playgroup Queensland members. The annual membership is \$28 or \$20 concession. This entitles your family to use of the monthly Cairns' Playgroup Toy Library, a quarterly newspaper, access to any Playgroup in Queensland, and other membership promotions and discounts. As a member of Playgroup Queensland, our playgroup is covered by comprehensive insurance, gets Playgroup information resources, and free use of the Cairns' Playgroup Toy Library.



QCWA KURANDA NEWSLETTER

Kuranda was spared the brunt of "Larry" and now that power has been restored things will be back to normal (we hope). Our thoughts are with our QCWA "sisters" in the cyclone ravaged areas at present. Whilst most came through fairly well, Division Secretary, Pam Garner, lost both roof and one wall of her house at Flying Fish Point. The most frustrating thing for our members is that until the situation normalises, we can only wait until notified of any assistance required. QCWA State Office (Brisbane) has donations coming but offers of bulky donations such as furniture etc. cannot be accepted at this time.

Our branch prepared a large quantity of emergency toiletry bags and these have been given to the Red Cross in Cairns for dispersal in Innisfail or Babinda. Red Cross informed us that basic needs are required at this time – bed linen, towels, blankets etc. which can be dropped at their centre in Lake Street Cairns.

Paper crafts (Parchment Embossing, Teabag Folding etc.) have been popular this past month. Other crafts will be on the table during the year – candlewick, Elizabethan embroidery, Mountmellick embroidery, Shadow Appliqué, Shadow Trapunto, Beading and Gold Work embroidery.

Our mornings are held every Wednesday 9am – 12 noon. Why not come along and join our friendly group – learn a craft, teach a craft or just come along for a bit of social time – have a cuppa – we would like to see you. Our Rummage Room is also open to the public on these days.

For further information contact:
Yvonne Dighton 4093 7016
Hall Convener 4093 7599

The Lost Chapter of Genesis

Adam was hanging around the Garden of Eden feeling, and looking, very lonely, so God asked him "What's wrong Adam - aren't you content with what I have made for you?"

Adam replied "I don't have anyone to talk to"

So God said that He was going to create a companion for Adam and that companion was to be called - Woman

God said, "This pretty creature will gather food for you, she will cook for you, and when you discover clothing, she will wash and repair it for you.

She will always agree with every decision you will make, she will not nag you and will always be the first to admit she was wrong after any disagreement. She will always praise and respect you!

She will bear your children and never suggest that you get up in the middle of the night to take care of them.

She will never have a headache and will freely give you love and compassion whenever you need it.

Adam asked God, "What will this Woman cost"

God Replied, "An arm and a leg"

Then Adam asked, "What can I get for a rib?"

Of course the rest is history.....



The Barron Falls in flood after Cyclone Larry's recent visit.

"Did Adam and Eve have navals?"

"It's better to be silent and be thought a fool than to speak and remove all doubt."

Don't argue with an idiot; people watching may not be able to tell the difference.

Save The Earth? From Global Warming? Truly? Using Terra Preta?

Terra Preta is soil to which up to 30% of Charcoal (carbon) has been added, it is also called Anthrosol meaning human affected, it is black, and it is highly productive soil. The identical soil without the charcoal is very poor.

As Scott Bidstrup points out, you can imagine that if every square metre of farming soil had 30% of charcoal added to it down to a metre, that would be an enormous amount of carbon removed from the atmosphere. My suggestion is that we should each try adding charcoal to our soil and observe the results, - it may only help poor soils, it may help some soils more than others, it may simply reduce the compost and fertilizer required, (interestingly, research overseas indicates that although Terra Preta responds very well to compost, it does not so much to chemical fertilizers, - Monsanto will not be pleased).

The other area I am looking at is in the manufacture of the charcoal, - wood contains potentially about 50% charcoal, if you burn it in an open fire you only get about 7%, or less. - I guess a bit more if you pour water on those red coals before going to bed at the end of a barbie...

Wood is turned into charcoal if you heat it to 470 degrees Fahrenheit, (243.3333 Celsius) there is an amount of gas given off, which contains water, tars, flammable oils, - all manner of things, which can be burnt to provide energy for heating the wood.

Approximately three quarters of the energy from burning wood is from oxidising the charcoal, one quarter from the gases, so there is plenty of energy from just the gases for the heating and probably enough left over to run other things. If one was to put aside a small portion of the charcoal and get it burning, then run the gases through the glowing charcoal bed with reduced oxygen, you get a clean gas which will run internal combustion engines or can be used as a cooking/heating gas. That glowing charcoal bed could be under the oven for heating the wood, - thus recycling the heat... - low grade heat at the end of the process can then heat water for other uses. I would think one day every

farm and village could have units doing this, providing the energy for the farm while producing charcoal which would increase the farm's ability to grow more, thus making more plant matter available to produce more charcoal.

Obviously there is a great deal of work to do to get things to that stage, charcoal making machines/ovens have to be developed and built, research conducted, mechanisms perfected to measure charcoal content of soil, what to do in the cities, etc.

For those countries that have signed Kyoto, the putting the carbon in the soil is a direct carbon credit, so would receive the appropriate cash return, - only thus can one envisage the poor countries of the world responding to the idea, so good to pressure Mr Howard or his successor to sign Kyoto so that those who cause the global warming can help pay to mitigate it. - Even now in Australia one can receive some carbon credit money.

The news about Terra Preta is very exciting and has enormous implications, but which will also involve enormous amounts of work, by the people of the world.

Governments and coal companies talk about sequestration, although they admit they don't quite know how to go about it, whereas trees and all land plants together sequester about 100 billion tons of carbon every year, - of course it goes back to the atmosphere again as it breaks down, it is a cycle, so we would be breaking that cycle in that we would be retaining the carbon in the soil. The charcoal in the soil in South America, Mexico, South and Central Africa, has lasted for thousands of years, so this is a real sequestration. If done sufficiently, that would balance the carbon being added to the environment by burning coal and oil.

For further info, or maybe we could found a discussion group, feel free to contact me. This is the potential as also explored in an article to be found at Internet address <http://www.bidstrup.com/carbon.htm>

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Friends of the Earth Kuranda

Beazley demands "action not denial" we couldn't have said it better ourselves!

Friends of the Earth Kuranda welcomes the Federal ALP's new promise on climate change action - but questions whether Mr Beazley communicates with his State counterparts in Queensland who happen to be in power right now?

Federal Labor leader Kim Beazley has committed Labor to ambitious greenhouse targets, pledging emission reductions of 60% by 2050. Mr Beazley has used a trip to Far North Queensland's Great Barrier Reef to emphasize this pledge.

"Labor is setting strong Federal greenhouse goals while pursuing - at State level - development policies that make ambitious targets impossible to achieve," said Sid Walker of FoE Kuranda.

"FoE Kuranda has just lodged a submission against the State Government's proposed Kuranda Range 4-Lane Highway. In it, we said this is NOT the time to start building large car-dependent suburbs, connected to other suburban sprawls

by new 4-Lane Highways. Yet to date, the Beattie Government has refused to review the FNQ regional plan that justifies these environmentally damaging developments in Australia's most biodiverse region.

"Can Mr Beazley get policy change in Brisbane and help avert a clash between the ALP and environmentalists over greenhouse-negative policies he claims to oppose?" asked Mr Walker.

"Honest and consistent long-term policy to avert the climate change crisis is required - not rhetoric matched by incompatible actions." Mr Walker added.

Mr Beazley's March 7th statement says: "We need a government that puts the preservation of our environment before its own political self-preservation. Action. Not denial. Not delay."

"We agree! Would he please tell Premier Beattie?" Mr Walker concluded.

For more information please contact Sid Walker 07 4093 7330 or 0422 470 300

Canis familiaris - man's best friend?

Story by Petra Lovey

They guard their owners, amuse them, hunt with them, cuddle up to them and are even prepared to die for them. No wonder the dog is so popular. Australians, in particular, are a nation of dog lovers and I must admit I am one of them.

But have any of us ever pondered the devastation domestic dogs have caused worldwide? You might find the following facts startling:

In Italy, in one day, five non-controlled dogs completely destroyed the largest flamingo colony in the country.

In New Zealand, a single free ranging dog killed an estimated 500 kiwis, in a population of only 900 birds.

In the Galapagos Islands, feral dogs threaten the population of giant tortoises and breeding colonies of flightless cormorants.

In the Atherton Tablelands, at least four Lumholtz kangaroos died from attacks by domestic dogs.

Most people in Cairns know that domestic dogs killed the last remaining Cassowary on Mt Whitfield

Unfortunately that is just the tip of the iceberg.

To make matters worse, the dingo is in danger of extinction in the wild, due to crossbreeding with domestic dogs. In northern Victoria, it is estimated that only 10% of the dingoes are pure bred. Instead 37% are feral dogs and the rest are hybrids.

All species of the genus *Canis* are

closely related and can interbreed and produce fertile offspring. Researchers have recently discovered that the supposedly purebred European wolf population is in fact mainly hybrids between dogs and wolves.

To add to this catastrophe, dogs are infecting wild animals with diseases such as canine distemper. In Serengeti National Park, 1000s of lions died in 1994, when this disease infected wild populations. Scientists suspect that canine distemper may have played a part in the extinction of Australia's marsupial wolf (*Thylacinus*).

Farmers know only too well the devastating effects packs of dogs have on their livestock.

In Cairns two roaming dogs harassed a pregnant woman and her toddler, while literally eating her horse alive.

As human population increases, people are moving into more remote areas, and closer to the refuges of endangered species. The fragile environment of Far North Queensland is one of those sanctuaries. The recent sighting of two wild dogs on the Kuranda range road, coupled with regular reports of roaming dogs, highlights the need to not only keep our domestic dogs out of nature's harm, but to start a strategy of combating the feral dogs threatening one of the last unspoilt environments in the world.

If left unchecked, who knows, man's best friend may become one of man's major enemies.



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HIGH DRAMA PLAYED OUT IN A BACK STREET OF DOWNTOWN KURANDA

Resident: *"What a lovely flower! I want that in my garden."*

Envirocarer: *"But it's a weed. There are other lovely plants you could use."*

Resident: *"It'll be right. I won't let it spread. I'll keep it in a pot."*

Some time later, the resident is transferred to Brisbane; can't take pot plants so empties it out on the compost heap down the back. Threatening music is heard playing in the background as the sinister weed races across the yard, jumps the fence, leaps up the nearest tree and heads for freedom in the rainforest canopy.

This is a drama repeated every day. New people to the area bring memories of the flowers they've left behind. Envirocarer Jax tells the story of how 20 years ago she picked up some cuttings from a Cairns street garden bed of a lovely yellow flower on a dense dark green creeper—yes, Singapore Daisy. She lives to rue the day. If only she'd known then what she knows now! Today she would at least have the benefit of Envirocare's Information Booklet and DNR's Weed Pocket Guide. If only she'd taken the time to look around at this fantastic green place she'd chosen to be in and accepted its values instead of trying to change it.

FAUNAL IMPOSTERS TOO

Envirocarers recently received a brochure on feral deer, seen regularly in Speewah these days and soon to be in numbers that damage the landscape, compete for the food of native species and bring disease our native animals are not equipped to combat.

Too many residents in Speewah, Boonooloo, Myola and Koah are frustrated with the numbers of feral pigs—big, fat beasts that turn a vegetable plot into a mud hole and injure penned domestic animals. They are here because we brought them when we came and released them into this special wet tropical world when we left. Dealing with the impacts of our recklessness is proving to be many times harder than introducing the problem in the first place.

Still we bring in our cats, dogs, goats, rabbits and pot plants.

KOAH/CLOHESY PLANTATHON

A major effort is being organised by the Koah Envirocarers to plant out 1ha and get 4000 trees in the ground on the long weekend of 29th, 30th April and 1st May. It'll be a marathon plantathon. We'll have a continuous barbecue on the sizzle with fruit and juice refreshments. We have gloves and tools, but you'll need a hat and sensible shoes.

DIRECTIONS: Take Koah Road to its very end and it'll bring you to the junction of the Clohesy and Barron Rivers.

Bring your swimmers and canoe. Come for an hour or a day.

SATURDAY MORNING WORKING BEES

We'll try to help out with planting sessions on private property but priority at this time of year are our public land projects. However, we have committed to a plant-out at Walter Gotten's place in Williamson Drive (end of Mason road, then turn right) on 6th May, 8am.

We're concentrating on Kowrowa (Big Sands) to turn it back into Cassowary country.

**Annual General Meeting followed by normal meeting
Wednesday 5th April 2006, 7pm at Kuranda Primary
School, Arara St.
Refreshments, all welcome.
NEW INFORMATION AND TRAINING SEGMENT
Druce Horton will teach us about a plant a month—how
to identify it, its name and family, and its use.**

CURLW

Bush Thick-knee. (Burhinus gfallarius)

Breaking the pre dawn silence
Of another humid tropical day;
The shrieking, blood curdling, banshee,
Calls plaintively to it's mate.
The indigenous with superstitions,
Foretell a death in the family.
But my Dad told me sincerely,
The sound was a sign from above,
That this environment
Is alive and well,
When a Curlew cries out in the dark.

~

Dedicated to my Dad, Gray Johnson
Written by Arlene Wienert
@ 5 am Thursday, December 08, 2005

Have you spotted the Kuranda Range Road Cassowary in the last couple of weeks. If so, would you please phone Kuranda Envirocare on 4093 8834.

EnviroCare is edging out the ferals

If you would like to save money then give us a call. If you own one Taxi or a fleet of Taxis, if it's just a one man courier service or a fleet of forklifts then you can call us to look after you. We service, repair and install a LPG system to suit your needs. Petrol prices are rising and you can save on LPG. We have a complete repair service for LPG systems from small connections to an entire range of converter components so, if you break down, your time off the road will be minimal. We can also offer you our loan car so that your valuable time and money is not lost. We are your local RACQ road service contractor. Our workshop has the latest in automotive testing equipment including the Carman Scantool. We can service your car or fix your air conditioning.

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Ayurveda views individuals as a result of three life-giving forces, called "doshas", namely Vata, Pitta, and Kapha. VATA characteristics: dry, cold, light, irregular, mobile, rarefied, rough, and quick. PITTA characteristics: oily, hot, light, intense, fluid, acidic, liquid, sharp. KAPHA characteristics: oily, cold, heavy, stable, viscous, dense, smooth, dull.

The unique characteristic of Vata is dryness, Pitta heat, and Kapha, heaviness. So, if there is a lot of dryness in the body, Vata energy is high. This may be dry skin, dry hair, cracked lips, or internal dryness causing constipation. Pitta energy is high, as in the case of fevers, inflammations, or hot temper. Kapha energy makes for excess weight, cellulite, water retention, swelling, or puffiness. It is very important to know your body type, when choosing Ayurveda beauty treatments and diet.

Please remember that too much change at once – even in a positive direction – is hard for the body to handle.

Change a few things at a time. Reflect on the results. If they seem to make a sufficient difference in how you look and feel the chances are these new ways will become a part of your daily life. This is how discipline arises from the true self and will add a sense of joy in doing what works. Using Ayurvedic principles as tools for self-exploration in this way, you can become your own healer and truly be in command of your own potential.

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GUIDELINES FOR FOOD SELECTION

When the rishis wrote about diet, they were living in a simpler, less polluted world. Times have changed and many issues need consideration when addressing diet. The suggestions that follow are not necessarily traditional, but are in keeping with the spirit of Ayurveda.

* Select organic foods when possible. Not only do you avoid potentially poisonous chemicals that block and age tissues, but also organic foods are richer in nutrients, especially trace elements - important to skin, hair, nails, and temperament.

More information about Ayurvedic treatments and diet next month.

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VEGETARIAN RECIPE

KHALTA (Aubergine with Spaghetti)

Syria & Egypt

TO SERVE 6

3 large aubergines

.454kl cooked spaghetti

½ cup bouillon made from cube

¾ cup toasted brown breadcrumbs

2 heaped tablespoons flour

3 tablespoons butter

2 green peppers, thinly sliced

2 cups tomatoes, skinned and chopped

¾ cup grated cheese

½ cup yoghurt

Salt and pepper.

Put spaghetti in a well buttered baking dish, add the tomatoes and green peppers in layers and sprinkle each layer with a little seasoning and flour. Cover with the aubergines, cut lengthwise in quarters and well cleaned so that no bitterness remains.

Add bouillon to yoghurt and beat a few times with a fork so that the two are well combined, and pour over vegetables and spaghetti. Sprinkle with the cheese and breadcrumbs, and dot with butter. Bake for 60-70 minutes in hot oven, 200c, and serve hot.



POULTRY AND GAME RECIPE FROM KURANDA BUTCHER

**COLD SPICED
CHICKEN:** (from
14th to 16th Century
England)

This dish was served at the coronation feast of Henry IV at Westminster on 13 October 1399. It is a delicious relish, rather like chutney, and should be eaten as a garnish for roast chicken rather than as a dish by itself.

SERVES 4

1 cup white wine

½ cup sugar

½ cup honey 1 teaspoon cloves

¼ cup raisins

1 teaspoon grated lemon peel

3 egg yolks

2 ½ cups cooked chicken, finely chopped

2 egg whites (optional)

MAKE a syrup of the wine and sugar and boil for 10 minutes, until thickened. Reserve 4 tablespoons (1/4 cup). Add the honey, cloves, raisins and lemon peel, then bring to the boil and simmer for 2 minutes. Beat the egg yolks in a bowl and stir in the syrup. Pour back into the saucepan and cook, stirring over low heat, without boiling, until thickened. Stir in the chicken. Pour into a dish and pour the reserved syrup over the top. Chill thoroughly. If you prefer a fluffier texture, fold in 2 whipped egg whites at the end, before pouring into the dish.

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KURANDA POOL LATEST

At this wet time in the tropics, we the Rate payers of Kuranda are being left high and dry by our Council in terms of their current contribution of \$200,000 on a pool that could end up costing double the original estimates of \$800,000. With gross underestimates in amenities costs and the latest \$116,000 miscalculation of power connection costs our original "modest levy" of \$16.00 a year for 10 years (that was highly consulted on) will now blow out to over \$50.00 dollars a year. Our committee has advised Council a maximum \$30.00 is our absolute limit.

Originally we asked Council to service the need for a Pool in Kuranda. We thought that this meant general revenue (our rates) and the State Government grants would fund the whole project. We later agreed to a 50-50 split, that is, \$200,000 levy and \$200,000 from Council out of general revenue. Recently, however, all other costs and increases are being absorbed by our once modest levy. We never agreed to this. Currently Mareeba Shire Council is not contributing 1.2 million of the 1.4 million dollar project. They are still only contributing \$200,000 from general revenue, while we are now paying more like \$600,000 or \$700,000. Either we meet 50-50 again on the project or we are at least invited to negotiate the costs down. Some examples being things like:- we did not ask for heating;

savings = \$82,000 (something to aim for in the near future), we did not do the feasibility study on 48 weeks a year, (where did this come from?) wasting money on wages and maintenance in the coldest months, savings = thousands of dollars per year. There are many things that can be done to cut costs back. This absolutely negative development, where we rate payers are absorbing all the costs on an outrageous levy has dampened all of our committee's efforts to communicate and fundraise over the last few years when at the last stages of the application we were stung; the 20th of December 2005. We have thousands of dollars in pledges, donations, raffle items, auction items stored away pending Council's consideration of our efforts.

By the way, word is no special levy will be imposed on Mareeba local residents wanting a million dollar upgrade to their existing Pool and if this is paid for from general revenue, we will pay for theirs as well. If the Council relinquish and create leeway with the levy we would like to thank the community in some of the positive events we still have planned that prove our local contribution to the cause. After all we were asked to do this by local Sport and Recreation officers two and half years ago and we have faithfully gone about "putting our money where our mouth is". You, the locals, have

been so kind in donating items for the cause and we will not disappoint; you have been united behind this mighty effort. The land tenure issue is seemingly sorted out between Ed. Queensland and the State Treasury Department and that has given the green light to the comprehensive application document. The committee put together over 50 pages of the final application and much of the feasibility study evidence comes from our scrutiny. Now we only need to wait for the State Sport and Recreation Department to review the application. If they go ahead we will see works commence after June this year. Yee Haa !!! With the land go ahead the Council have been the beneficiaries of much planning work by the State Departments of Education, Treasury, the local committee's footwork and they also already have a carpark setup, so they have "real" support to begin from.

Now it's about time Council meet their part of the bargain. Mr. Borzi, we have proved the need for this pool, now as a Council elected member, please service this need in a respectable and positive manner by paying for this project out of Council's General Revenue, as you would pay for Mareeba's Pool upgrade. We, in Kuranda pay our rates too. We the Kuranda residents deserve far better.

Gary Davis, (President K.D.A.C.D.C.)

at 5 am

In the pre dawn pale grey light,
Neither here nor there,
A mournful sleepless cuckoo
And rasping spangled drongo
Argued and derided each other.
Breaking the silence of the sleeping,
Aroused, disturbed and interjecting.
The morning shift volleyed into voice
Announcing one by one
O happy day with joyful notes
Then hallelujah echoed chorus
From tree-top to tree-top
As the secret sun skulked
A warm pink haze
From behind the centre stage
A crescendo of bush birds
Now summoned the new day.

 Arlene



ANZAC DAY
25th. April
2006

Dawn Service

0450 Assemble in front of the Honour Boards at the Kuranda Railway Station.

0500 Service begins.

Morning Service and March

1015 Marchers gather in Thongon Street in front of the Post Office.

1030 March commences

1045 (approx) Marchers and visitors assemble in front of the Memorial Rock in Centenary Park.

1100 Morning Service commences.

Visitors are welcome to attend both the Dawn Service and the Morning Service. Members of community groups, sporting groups and schools are invited to join in the march.

QSDTA KURANDA SPORTS REPORT

On March 11 2006, members from the Academy met at the Mareeba PCYC to sit their quarterly grading examination. A highlight of this year's first grading was the promotion of two students to 2nd degree blackbelt, and two attaining 1st degree blackbelts.



Robert sparing with Christopher

in a long time. Each day Master Hutchinson had all attending students involved in stretching activities, combination routines, pattern exercises and jumping techniques. After 6 hours each day, we felt extremely fatigued, but definitely richer for the experience. Master Hutchinson has invited QSDTA students to attend a "friendly" seminar and tournament in Scotland next year. This is an excellent opportunity for students to

Robert Espinosa, Christopher Camp, Regine Isautier and Kylie Simmonds were all successful in their testing for the above mentioned blackbelts. All four students were put through a rigorous testing format that demonstrated each participant's determination, focus, stamina, and technical ability through a range of activities.

Sparring, board and roof tile breaks, self defence and patterns were assessed by Chief Instructor and Examiner, Mr Graham Moulden of Brisbane. Each applicant was formally presented with their new belt at the conclusion of the testing, and it was obvious by the response from the onlookers and junior belt students, that each participant had performed well on the day.

On March 17 and 18, Instructors Jeff and Marcelle Dieben travelled to the Sunshine Coast to participate in a Taekwondo seminar conducted by 8th degree Master Les Hutchinson from Scotland. This is truly one of the most vigorous seminars attended



combine training with an overseas trip. Regine sparing with Anneke Plans are currently underway to ensure we are adequately prepared and will perform well while in Scotland.

Meanwhile, students are currently focusing on preparation for the June quarterly testing to be conducted by Examiner, Mr Anthony Coleman.

Regional Instructor Jeff Dieben



Regine performing Joong - Gun pattern

the *Arts* page

Peter Thompson (known around Kuranda as "Potter")

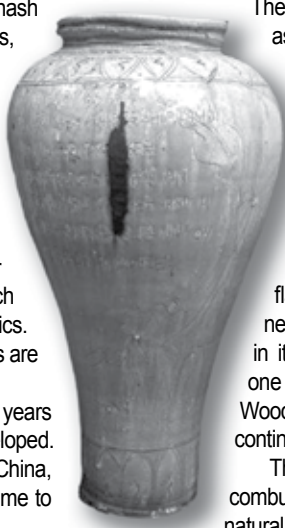
Profile

A lot of you may already be familiar with Peter. He has been a Kuranda resident for many years and has constructed his own rainforest retreat where he lives a contented life with his partner Julie. The retreat is a testament to their love of art and beauty of the natural world. Peter consecrates his whole life to his art and can be seen "potting around" contentedly with a smile reminiscent of the Budha's.

Initially self-taught, Peter studied in Naining - China, Monash and National Arts School. (Posy Grad.Hons. Chinese Fine Arts, Grad.Dip. Visual Arts, Dip Ceramic Arts) and also studied informally in USA, China and Japan.

His pottery is highly appraised and valued but Peter's journey continues to be one of unending search of truth through practice and continuous evolution. Contrary to some other artists, Peter loves people and work at his best when his life can be enriched by other human beings. True to a lot of masters he shows a real humility about his art. Peter places a lot of importance in using local raw materials which certainly adds to the spiritual dimension of creating his ceramics. Pieces from his Mai Ping and Vase Forme wood fired ceramics are exhibited at Australis Art Gallery in Coondoo Street.

The ceramic art of Potter has its origins in China over 3000 years ago where the first wood fired **Anagama kilns** were developed. Traditionally Anagama kilns originated in medieval southern China, and after spreading through Korea and northern Thailand, came to Japan where their strongest tradition remains evident today.



The word Anagama translates as "hole kiln" or "oven" and, renowned for its high temperature capabilities, consists of a brick construction single arched tunnel. It is built on a ten to twelve degree angle to allow accumulated heat and flames to naturally rise and negotiate the pieces stacked in it and fitted with port holes one meter apart on both sides.



Wood is introduced into the kiln during its 80 hours of continuous firing.

The flames, gases and particles generated in wood combustion interact with clay surfaces giving flashing and natural ash glazing. Thus, its aesthetic is distinctive and

results from the works being stacked, often in contact with, or even being buried under ash and embers. This firing technique can produce dramatic works that have been fired so that molten glass runs around them, and works with great subtlety of surface.

Clearly the Anagama woodfire method is physically demanding, time consuming and complex, often described as a medium which is almost entirely irrelevant to modern Australian art work and society, yet enigmatic in its role of the history of ceramics. For Potter it is a process "from the heart" which continues all year along in evolution, beginning with sketched ideas and designs. Some of the forms called "Ding forme" are emanating from the meal cauldrons of the Bronze age in Asia and are now used in shrines and temples being filled with sand and incense sticks. Potter modifies their traditional form to fit his own interpretation.



Above: Peter's Anagama woodfire kiln
Top: Peter "Potter" Thompson

Art Exhibition Local Artist Christa Youngman

presents her work at the Cedar Park Rainforest Resort

Christa Youngman came to Australia with her family in the nineteen sixties. They had travelled from Austria to make their home here. There are just a few letters different, but it is a world away from their beginnings. Over the years Christa had yearned to paint, but, unfortunately, making a living tended to get in the way.

In later years she finally succumbed to the call of the canvas and began to paint and draw. At first it was mainly self-teaching, but she soon recognised the need to acquire more skills, and so sought out several tutors in drawing, acrylics, oils, and watercolours. Many of the seminars she attended were with tutors from the tablelands and Cairns, and some seminars were with tutors from interstate.

In 2006 she furthered her skills when she attended the McGregor College summer school at the University of Southern Queensland, in Toowoomba, where she studied under the tutelage of Herman Pekel of Melbourne, using Acrylic paints.

Christa loves colour, and this shows in her still life and floral studies, although her main love is depicting landscapes. From time she also plays with mixed media, with interesting results.

For those of us watching from the sidelines, it has been an interesting journey, watching as Christa developed her talents.

Come to the Exhibition on the 8th of April at the Cedar Park Rainforest Resort and enjoy her work.

KURANDA ARTS CO-OPERATIVE

Photography for such a long time was the unwanted relative in the family of fine art. Fortunately for serious photographers, those times are long gone and today many people have a strong interest in collecting fine art photography. Art photography collectors have come to appreciate the diversity of photographic practice in contemporary society and understand and appreciate the range of uses and importance of photography in society.



Photographers will tell you that their images are for the heart and soul. From dramatic black and white to brilliant colours, many photographic art pieces share the beauty of the world's scenic beauty, nature, and creations of man.

This region's photographers have excelled in a very comprehensive photographic exhibition 'In the Raw' held in Cairns at Gallery 53 in Spence Street. This exhibition opened on 10th March and runs until 10th April and is recommended as essential viewing to all photographers. (Mon-Friday 9am -6pm and on Saturday 9am -1pm). Many of the works, including the overall winner and the finalists can be seen on the gallery's website www.gallery53.com. All photographic works in the exhibition are for sale.

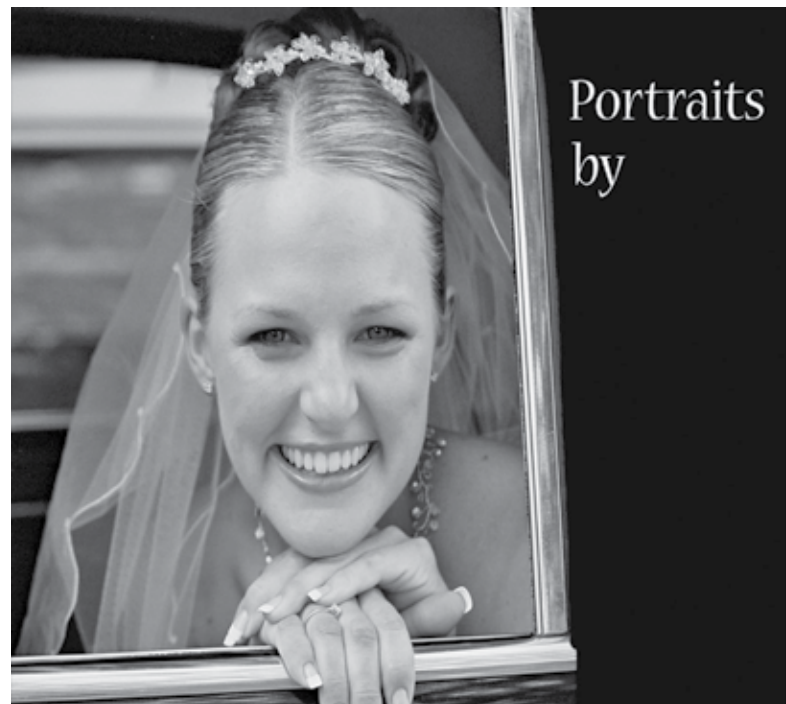
110 entries were received from as far as Lockhart River, Dimbulah and Townsville and over 150 people attended the exhibition opening. It says lots for the enthusiasm of the region's photographers and for the acceptance of photography as art.

Two highly regarded Kuranda photographers, Ken Saville and Toni Rogers have their work included in this exhibition. Toni Rogers is a member of the Kuranda Arts Co-operative and her image 'The Cleansing' (above) has been chosen by the judge Keith McMilan as one of the nine finalists in the Gallery 53 exhibition. The Kuranda

Arts Co-operative congratulates Toni on her achievement. Toni works through her Cantata Studio in Kuranda and many of her photographic images can be seen and purchased as greeting cards, at the Co-operative's Gallery in Rob Veivers Drive.

PUBLIC INTERNET FACILITIES

Public e-mail and internet facilities are available at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative gallery. We can offer downloading of photographs from digital cameras, laptop connections and CD Rom burning, at very affordable charges.



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Photography Workshop

Cantata Studio is offering a special photography workshop on Saturday, 22 April by Kuranda professional photographer Toni Rogers.

It doesn't matter what level of competency you have achieved - Toni will open your eyes to a whole new way of seeing and capturing pictures. The ultimate aim of this photography workshop is to make you think solely in visual terms. Along with extensive practical advice, this ability will enable you to convert your thoughts into successful photographs.

Subjects will cover portraiture to architecture, land and cityscapes, still life and abstract/modern. It will include textured, conceptual, and decorative compositions that have been created by chance, many elevating the ordinary to statuesque, enhancing the dignity of the image.

We are confident that Toni's interactive approach to photography will provide you with a new found stimulus and enthusiasm.

Sat. 22nd April 10 am - 3 pm \$65 (lunch provided)

For details and bookings contact

Cantata Studio, Kuranda 4093 9293

or e-mail: tonirogers-cantata@bigpond.com

A current award winning photograph by Toni Rogers is displayed in the 'In the Raw' exhibition on www.gallery53.com website or www.cantatastudio.com.au

Performing Arts

**PETER AXFORD
TO SING IN KURANDA**

Peter Axford, currently under contract to Opera Australia, can be heard in Kuranda on Friday, April 7th at 8pm in the SDA Hall. Thanks to the generosity of Opera Australia and Peter's continuing interest in the Mareeba Community choir with which he has been associated since it began in 1992, he is coming north to sing with that group as they present the cantata "God Moments – the Crossroads of Life".



What is a Cantata? It is a work for choir, soloists and narrator and can be of a secular or sacred nature. In a sense it is like a mini 'Messiah' with narration added. This particular one explores the mystery of the relationship between God and humankind.

The words of the cantata have been written and compiled by Audrey Francis of Perth and the music composed by his sister, Ruth Beasley, of Kuranda. Ruth will conduct the 50+ voice choir, drawn from Mareeba and surrounding districts and it will be accompanied by piano, trumpet, flutes, cello and bongos. The narrator's role has been expanded this year to include some group speaking. This performance also provides an opportunity to hear Kuranda's own soprano, Julia Brant, as well as soloists Richard Holt from Mareeba and Nigel Stork from Cairns.



This is an opportunity to hear first class musicians in our own village, an opportunity not to be missed. While admission is free there will be a chance to give a donation towards expenses. The choir appreciates the support of a grant from the Regional Arts Development Fund through the Mareeba Shire Council.

The cantata will also be presented in Cairns on Saturday, 8th April, in the Uniting Church in Brown Street at 8pm, in Atherton on Sunday, 9th April at 4pm in the Uniting Church there and in Mareeba's Catholic Church at 7.45 pm also on Sunday, 9th April.

The choir appreciates the support of a grant from the Regional Arts Development Fund through the Mareeba Shire Council. For further information phone 4093 0303.

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The Kuranda Amphitheatre

This year the Kuranda Amphitheatre Society celebrates 25 years of operation. This is a massive achievement of enduring community spirit and artistry. To mark the occasion, the 2006 committee is calling for memorabilia-tickets stubs, posters, reviews, flyers, photos, recordings, video, anything. The material will be archived electronically and the originals returned.

If you have a great story about your all-time favourite Amphitheatre event, be it in 1982 or 2005, please email it to Kellie at: acukell@email.com, kuranda_amp@bigpond.com.au or leave a short message at the Amphitheatre 40937633. A committee member will return your call to get the details of your story. Watch this space for accounts of the funniest, most tragic, most intriguing stories and the tallest tales received by the committee.

The significance of the Amphitheatre's 25th Anniversary is yet to be defined by the Kuranda community. The Committee cannot extend themselves any further beyond their existing roles and invites readers to plan an event, or a series of events; large or small to mark the 25th anniversary. Go solo or form a team with friends, your input, energy, ideas are welcome. Please contact us!

Did you know that the Amphitheatre exists ONLY because of the commitment of active members? Did you know that it was originally known as the Kuranda Sound Shell? Did you know that some of Australia's best musicians rate the Kuranda Amphitheatre as the best 'muso's venue' in the country?

The Kuranda Amphitheatre is a voluntarily managed community venue, built by the people for the people. Since its inception in 1980 the Amphitheatre has hosted many successful events. These events benefit the Society, venue and the community, and would not be possible without the many community and /or business members who give their assistance and support to the Kuranda Amphitheatre.

2005/06 Annual General Meeting on 25 February 2006 was well attended and an eager Management team was elected.

Thankyou to the outgoing committee, and welcome to the following committee members:

- President: Brian Clarke – 0412159212,
- Secretary: Mandy Dewey – 40937633,
- Treasurer: Trish Green – 40937633,
- Caretaker: Paul Latter – 0400767591
- Events: Patrick McHugh – 40930112,
- Bar: Pete Hemming,
- Media: Kellie McBride - 0404206788

Current members are reminded that their 2005/06 membership will expire on March 25th, please find 2006 renewal form attached.

Planning is underway for the first members' night for 2006. The music will be danceable, the ambience casual and the drinks affordable. Be sure to pencil Thursday 13th April (night before Good Friday) on your calendar and look out for local advertising closer to the date. The door price remains the same as last year: \$8 members /\$15 others or, membership is available on the night for \$20. Membership affords you free entry to this event and discounted entry on all members' nights in 2006. This is a great opportunity to renew membership early in the year and gain free entry to the event.

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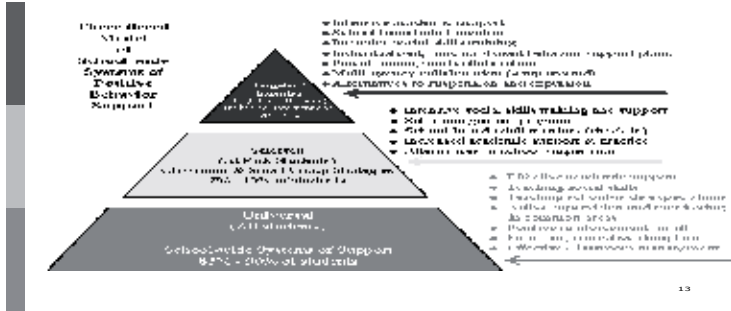


PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Student Leaders: On parade on Monday, seven student leaders were acknowledged and presented with their lanyards and name tags. The students were chosen to be leaders within the school and on occasions outside the school (e.g. ANZAC Day). Each student has demonstrated a capacity to lead, do their best and is able to meet the school's three expectations of "I am safe, I show respect and I am a learner". Parents of our seven leaders attended the parade. It was great to see the pride of parents and the student leader together. I am sure the student leaders will represent themselves, their family and their school to the best of their ability. I would like to introduce our student leaders for 2006 – (from left back to left front) Gina Irwin, Sidra Henderson, Djawarry Hobbler, Bryson Purcell, Mia Dunne, Tim Robinson, Nyurrawi Gilkerson.



Positive Behaviour Program update: On Thursday 9th March a team from both schools (soon to be Kuranda District College) attended the third workshop in Townsville. At this workshop the emphasis was on developing programs to support the 3-5% of students who continue to make poor social and learning behaviour choices. The positive behaviour program aims to design a positive environment where all students can demonstrate appropriate social skills and learning behaviours. Both schools have been working on this program for 12 months and have agreed to continue implementing school wide, classroom and non classroom systems for at least 3 more years. I am seeing benefits to students, staff and families at this early stage. Learning is taking centre stage now.



KURANDA SCHOOLS

UNIVERSAL EXPECTATIONS

I am **SAFE**

I show **RESPECT**

I am a **LEARNER**



Building Personal Success Together

New P – 6 Campus News: At last night's meeting (7th March) the steering committee received approximately 50 survey forms to decide the new school logo and motto. At Kuranda District College in 2007 the logo will be the concept design displaying the frog and cockatoo (open wings) and the motto will be "Building Personal Success Together". The next step is to take the concept design to a graphic artist and several school uniform manufacturers for input.

Uniforms: There will be 3 uniforms as there are now with one change. The Primary uniform will remain the same. Students from the Preparatory year to year 5 will wear the current primary school uniform which will have logo and motto changes. The second uniform is being changed so that it is significantly different from the Senior uniform. Leslie DE Faveri, Gail and Judy will lead the process of finding the best solution for a new middle school uniform. Students from year 6 to year 9 will wear the Middle school uniform. The year 6 students will be the leaders at the P – 6 campus and will also begin to access specialists classrooms on a limited basis. The Senior uniform remains the same and will be able to be worn by Years 10 – 12. All students will be expected to wear black or dark green shorts or skirts as part of the uniform.

Exciting After School Activities: Last Wednesday, at 3.30 when the school is normally quiet, there was a real buzz and excitement evident by the noise of active participation of over 100 students in MILO cricket and circus skills. Just around the corner in one of our demountable classrooms there were dancing lessons taking place. It is great to have these activities available for students. They learn so much more than the skills of cricket, circus and dance. These activities build upon what we do in the classrooms and what you do as parents.

Football – Under 12 Team: The under 12 team has been training each Friday morning before school. The boys are so eager to train and enjoyed their first practice match last Thursday at the high school. Special thanks must go to Jeremy and Blain Richards and Dameon Hunter who are training the boys regardless of the weather. The discipline of football instilled by Jeremy and Blain is paying dividends in their classrooms. Thanks also to Senior Constable Jeff Magnus and Cheryl Matley for organizing entry into the competition and helping out with training.

New classroom technology: Come and see the new electronic whiteboards in the library and in your child's class. It is amazing to see students using this new tool for learning. The boards are interactive, in that students are able to touch the screen (now the size of a 1200 x 600 whiteboard) and move objects around, open programs and see their attempts at learning on the big screen. Learning is able to be individual, in small groups and as a class. It promotes discussion by students which is important – students talking about their learning – a very powerful tool. Teachers are learning more about the board and the programs each week. This is creating a very powerful learning environment for your child.

STAN SHEPPARD

JUNIOR ROTATIONS

Year 1P/S and 1/2B are enjoying group rotation work. During this time they learn to:

- discover a variation of skills and activities
- they learn self discipline
- take responsibility for their own learning
- they learn how to get on with one another
- develop leadership skills
- organization skills
- and learn independent work habits

Students also learn with adults to develop language and mathematical skills.

Here during the activities pictured the students spent time discovering books, made and used playdo.

Students learnt about different shapes as they crafted a paper mouse.

Students also took part in a hands on science experiment. They discovered absorption and capillary action. They did this by cutting out a bear shape from paper. They then folded the paper bear up into a sleeping position, placed the bear into a bowl of water and watched the bear unfold as it woke up!

All students involved showed a keen interest in all of the activities.



POETRY BY YEAR 6H/T

SHE IS



By
Nikkarla Dotoi

She was...
A sister who became
A woman
A mother
An aunty

She was...
A girl who went to
Brisbane and back
A lady that finished
high school
A woman who went to
Melbourne on a
scholarship

She is...
Good at quizzes
Good at jokes
Bad at singing

She is...
Good with her career
She has a son named
Dudley

She is ... good at
cooking a lovely
dinner

She is... good at
plaiting and braiding
She has the same
color skin as me
She is... an
interesting person
She likes playing
cards

She is....
Kassandra my eldest
sister

SHE IS

By Jarrod Veivers



She is...
Green, blue and
yellow

She is... nasty and
good sometimes
She likes her home

She is ...hungry
She sorts out her own
food when we put her
food out

She is ...clever, she
eats her peanuts first
She likes passionfruit
She doesn't drink a
lot

She is...playful with
us
She doesn't like being
frightened

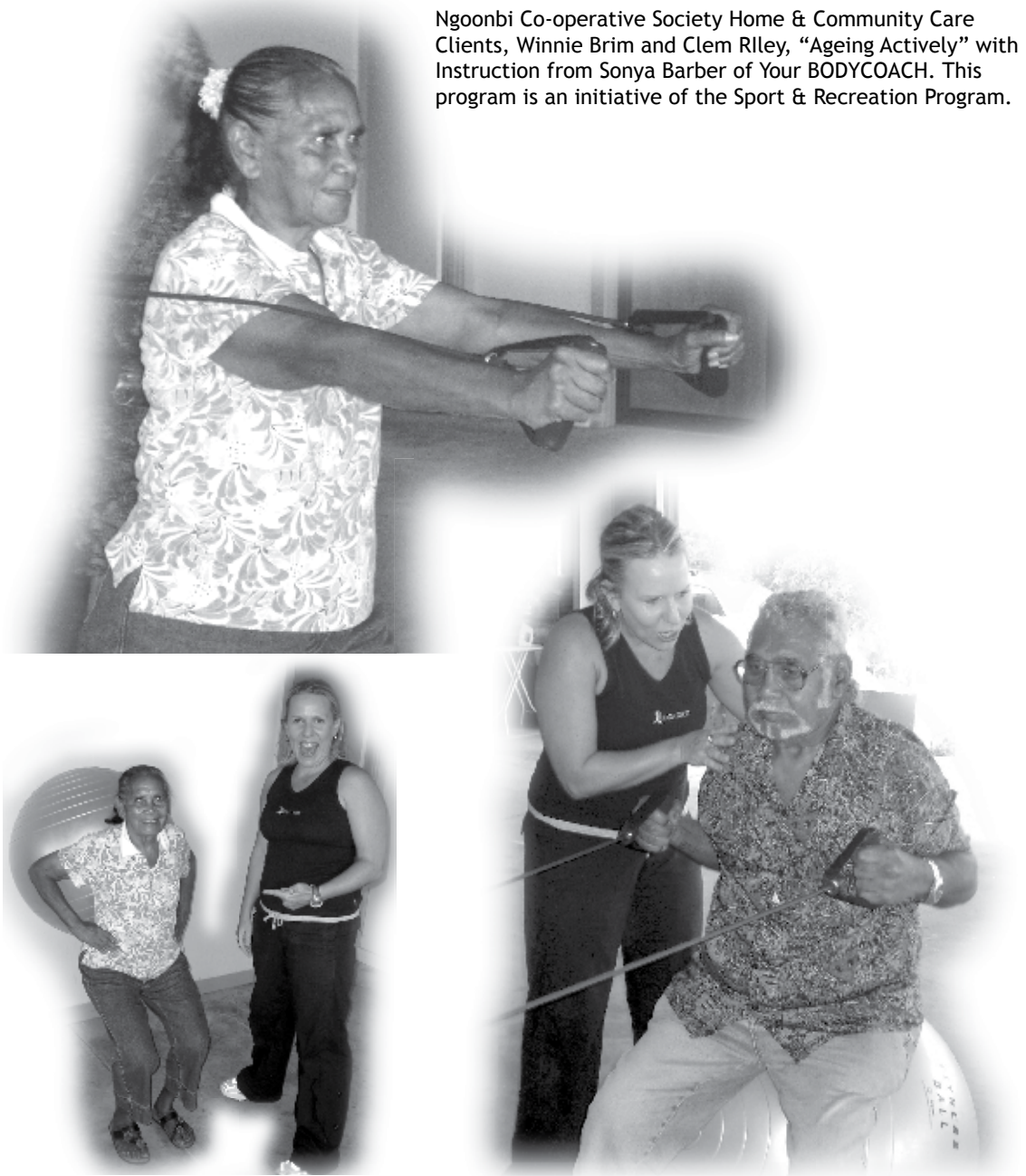
She is ...an early bird
She sits on her timber
pole

She is... Cupcake my
bird



HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM "GETS ACTIVE"

Ngoonbi Co-operative Society Home & Community Care Clients, Winnie Brim and Clem Riley, "Ageing Actively" with Instruction from Sonya Barber of Your BODYCOACH. This program is an initiative of the Sport & Recreation Program.



Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.

In the hope of reaching the moon men fail to see the flowers that blossom at their feet.

~Albert Schweitzer

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Parents & Citizens Association

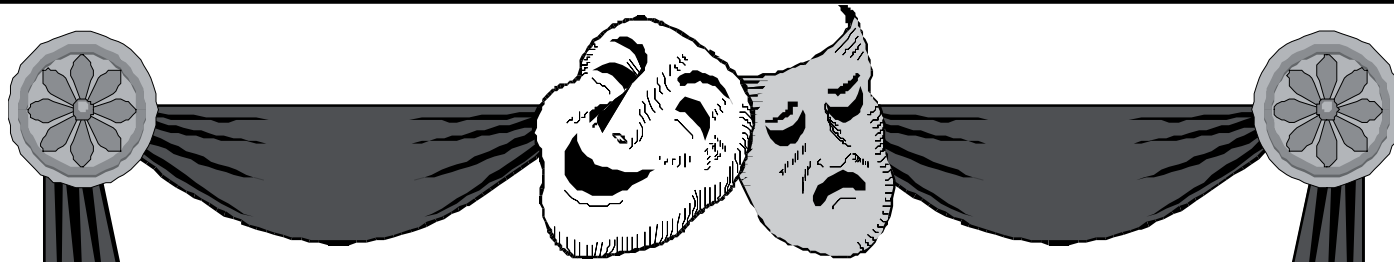
Last Saturday night the **Speewah Tavern** held their first annual Ute Muster, in which both the Primary & High school 's P&C and the Community Kindy were involved.

It was a great night with a good turnout. **Rumba the Wonder Horse** did two paintings that were auctioned off, with the proceeds going to Kuranda Primary School.

There was a painting exhibition with works from Anne Fitzpatrick, Irene Majer & Rumba, a '**Save the Douglas Track**' ride by, topped off with **Johnno's Blues Band** playing late into the night. Proceeds from this event were very kindly donated to Kuranda Primary & High Schools and Kuranda Community Kindergarten.

We would like to say a very special thank you to Anne Fitzpatrick, Georgia Bruce, Rumba the Wonder Horse and Deb & Bella from the Tavern.

Thank you to all who came and helped to support our schools, particular thanks goes to those people who helped on the door and with the raffle and also to those who donated extra towards our schools.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING RADF COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) supports the professional development and employment of arts and cultural workers in regional Queensland. The Annual General Meeting of the RADF Community Committee will be held in the Mareeba Shire Council Boardroom, 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba on:

Tuesday 4 April 2006, commencing at 5.30 pm.

The Community Committee will be elected and a presentation from the successful 2005 RADF Applications will be made.

Members of the public who have interest in arts and culture are invited to attend.



GARDEN JOTTINGS BY ALECTURA

Things to consider this month:

April 2006 and a wild wet beginning. We are fortunate indeed to have been spared the worst of the cyclone. The awesome forces of Nature unleashed, the devastation and heartbreak caused should give pause to petty concerns of whitefly and thrip, a few fruit taken by the birds, a blossom ruined. Truly, the marks we gardeners make are so temporal and fleeting but strongly anchor our hearts to the earth and our fragility. Think of all the labour, love, tenacity, tears and sweat expended in the plants and gardens swept away.

The high winds and heavy rains have tested the gardens' strengths and weaknesses, revealing poor drainage, washout and compacted soils as well as what trees may pose a danger in more savage blows. The use of mulches and strong ground covers should have paid off. While great to be green, don't be deterred from taking out trees that may pose risk - too late when down on house or life. And plant another better placed for tomorrow!

Plant of the month: The Clerodendrum family

- *Verbenaceae*. A 200+ genus of vines, shrubs and small trees widely distributed through warm tropical areas and contributing many floral gems to the ornamental garden.



Many flower in panicles or trusses and unusual. every flower colour is represented. Some also have attractive foliage and brightly coloured fruits adding to their garden use. However, caution is required as some are given to strongly invasive suckering (indicated *) and most are water hungry,

prone to flagging on very hot days. Paradoxically, too much water combined with humidity, can see the total collapse of mature plants. The following are a selection, readily available locally. Propagation either from seed, semi hard cutting or sucker taken in the warmer months. So while extremely beautiful, caution is required as to site and weed potential.

***Clerodendrum bungei**, "Cashmere Bouquet" probably the most invasive of the family and not recommended with reported suckering up to 6m+. Endemic to southern China through to India, the usually unbranched stems up to 3m are clothed with dark green, large, slightly hairy, particularly underleaf, foliage which has a foetid odor when crushed. Mainly spring flowering, the packed flower heads with centre flowers opening first, start dark purplish and open to a pure pink with a strong perfume which some people find unpleasant. If you must grow it, keep contained in a large pot, taking out spent flowering stems.

***Clerodendrum paniculatum**, "Chinese Pagoda". Presently in flower around the town with its tiered floral spike in a striking burnt orange, this mildly suckering to 3m. shrub is usually unbranched with attractive very large deep veined shiny green leaves.

***Clerodendrum quadriloculare**, "Shooting Stars" or "Sunburst". To 4m. and probably the most spectacular in leaf and flower with long lanceolate dun greyish green surface and deep maroon underleaf and usually

good shrubiness. At flowering, great terminal flower heads clothe every branch in a symphony of long tubed palest pink flowers, the shrub resembling a sumptuous iced cake. Requiring sun to flower well and mildly suckering, this would make a great potted feature. I have found this somewhat prone to collapse of parent plant but suckers carry on.

***Clerodendrum thompsoniae**, "Bleeding Heat Vine". Beloved by our grandparents, this mildly suckering vine to 6m, makes a dense cover in partial shade. With blooming through the year, its cluster of white pouched calyces and protruding red flower with long white stamens are spectacular against its dark green foliage. A very attractive form with gold variegate foliage is sometimes available and is much more tender and restrained.

* **x speciosum** "Bleeding Heat Vine". Reputedly *C. splendens* x *thompsoniae*, this slightly more shrubby and less rampant twiner is similar to the preceding except it has purplish calyces.

Clerodendrum ugandense, "Butterfly bush" - after the shape of its flower and not to be mistaken with the *Buddleia* family beloved by cooler-climate gardeners for their rich nectar yield. From tropical Africa, this sprawling shrub to 3m carries in heads a flower consisting of four blue and a lower darkish blue lipped petal and upright anthers which, on closer inspection, yields to view a pert butterfly at rest.

Clerodendrum wallichii syn. **nutans**, South Asia. A large shrub to 4m. often single stemmed with pendant whippy branches and dark green glossy leaves to ground. White flowers in long pendant panicles with orange tipped white anthers. When well grown, a very attractive columnar shrub.

Q&A

Dear Claire, The leaf in your Thai soup was from the Kaffir Lime (*Citrus hystrix*). Easily grown either in the ground or potted, the Kaffir Lime likes good feeding, good drainage and as much sun as possible. To about 4m, with long thorny stems, and distinguished by its double glossy green leaves, this citrus is mainly grown for its leaves. These have poor keeping quality and are better stored in the freezer. The fruit is small, warty and almost juiceless.

Added at the beginning of cooking, the flavour imparted by the leaf is unique and gives a distinct sharp, sour edge to so many Asian soups, curries and stir-fries. An added bonus is that the plant is traditionally regarded as keeping away evil spirits.

Dear Hazel, The Cardinal creeper (*Ipomoea horsfalliae*) is notoriously difficult to propagate and this accounts for its still relatively high price. Coming from the West Indies, it seldom sets seed here as it is pollinated by humming birds. A good

trim after flowering will see, with warmer weather, copious new growth and result in a tighter and more floriferous display next season. Also available locally is *Ipomoea horsfalliae* "Briggsii", reputedly larger-flowered. Given the difficulties involved in propagation of both forms, I would buy new plants rather than break your heart in attempting to multiply your own.

Dear Ron, To cover the sunny bare area now cleared of Singapore daisy, you could think of the sweet potato (*Ipomoea batatas*) in its golden form or the dark purple leafed "Blackie". Quick growing and tough, plantings may be seen in road side plantings around the Cairns area. Another choice, favoured in many tropical plantings is *Rhoeo spathacea* "Moses-in-the Cradle" to .5m in its original form but now with a tighter miniature available as well as several variegated forms. Clumping with lance leaves, characterised by deep purple undersides. *Rhoeo* is relatively tough once established. Discard carefully as easily rooting and for some people, sap may be allergenic..

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Mix together the lemon rind and juice, honey and raisins in a tall jug and leave, covered, for several hours. Stir in some ice cubes then the apple juice.
Remove the pith from the orange and divide into segments, cutting away all the skin and membrane. Core the apple and cut into segments.
Pour the ginger ale into the punch. Float the segments of orange, apple and the mint on top.
CINDERELLA
60ml orange juice
60ml pineapple juice
60ml fresh lemon juice
Ice
Pour all ingredients into shaker, shake, then pour into serving glass.
Glass: 285ml highball
Garnish: fruit in season

RAISIN AND GINGER PUNCH
Rind and juice of 1 lemon
1 tablespoon clear honey
50g plump raisins
Ice cubes
600ml apple juice
1 orange
1 apple
600ml ginger ale
Sprigs of mint

Billy's & Fitzpatrick's Garden Bar & Barbecue

Frank and Rowena Giufre and Staff welcome our new Chef Ross Inman to the Fitzpatrick Tavern. Watch the **ON-STREET BLACKBOARD** for our **NEW MENU**.

Ross is a dedicated professional and understands our catering requirements from having worked for Rowena and Frank in Blackwater, Central Queensland. We are looking forward to meeting many more Kuranda residents at the Tavern who delight in having a **great night out.**

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Kuranda Town Water- What is in it?

Ever wondered what you're drinking?

Tests recently carried out on Kuranda town water for Friends of the Earth Kuranda found that both zinc and copper levels were elevated.

Zinc was 0.012 mg/l, nearly 2 1/2 times higher than the freshwater and marine water environmental guidelines set by ANZECC.

Copper was 0.004 mg/l, 4 times higher than the environmental guideline of 0.001 mg/l.

The World Health and Australian drinking water guidelines, based on severe gastrointestinal effects, are 1 mg/l but are presently being reviewed. Indeed some nutritional health scientists recommend that an alternate source of water is used if copper levels exceed 0.001mg/l (1/4 of Kuranda test results).

Trace amounts of copper are essential for the human body. However too much copper in the system can cause a variety of ailments, including diarrhoea, eczema, haemolytic anaemia, high blood pressure, kidney disease, nausea, premenstrual syndrome, sickle cell anaemia, stomach pain and severe damage to the central nervous system.

High levels of copper are also associated with mental and emotional disorders, including autism, behavioural problems, child hood hyperactivity, clinical depression, anxiety, insomnia, mood swings, hallucinatory and paranoid schizophrenia.

Town water is drawn from the Barron river and water quality is changing constantly depending on weather conditions and agricultural activities upstream.

Friends of the Earth Kuranda call for regular water testing to monitor water quality for both humans and wildlife.

At the moment the only tests done on town water are on pH, bacteria and aluminium, as aluminium sulphite is added to remove sediments. (The water is also chlorinated).

With heavy metals and pesticides you take your luck in your own hands using town water as no tests are done. We ask Mareeba Shire Council to investigate the source of these excessive heavy metal levels and to implement strategies to reduce them in the interest of a healthy river environment and our children playing in it.

Friends of the Earth Kuranda would like Mareeba Shire Council to budget for and conduct regular heavy metal and pesticides tests and make the results publicly available.

In the meantime we would like to do further investigations and would be grateful for any donations as water tests are costly. To contribute, please ring Nadine on 40850054.

Kuranda Range Highway Update

Many thanks to everyone who sent in submissions. Go to our recently updated website www.foekuranda.org to view the FoE Kuranda submission plus ones by other environmental groups and individuals. A decision on environmental approvals is expected in April. Ring Nadine for further information on 4085 0054.

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- Lynn Starkey-Neate -Secretary

Following the meeting a farewell drink was held for Una Chambers from the Billy's/Fitzpatrick Tavern. Chamber would like to take this opportunity to wish Una well in her forthcoming endeavors and we wish the new owners of the Fitzpatrick Tavern, Frank and Rowena Giufre, all the best for the future.

All General Meetings will now be held at the Kuranda Hotel Motel. These will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 5.00 pm in May, July, September and November. Social Meetings will be held at alternate venues, to be advised. Guest speakers will be invited to all social meetings and all members are encouraged to attend as this is an ideal opportunity to meet with your fellow business owners in a relaxed atmosphere.

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the garbage first. But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the garbage anyway, I may as well pay the bills first. I take my cheque book off the table, and see that there is only 1 cheque left. My extra cheques are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Coke that I had been drinking. I'm going to look for my cheques, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over. I see that the Coke is getting warm, and I decide I should put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold.

As I head toward the kitchen with the Coke, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye - they need to be watered. I set the Coke down on the counter, and I discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers. I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly I spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table. I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, I will be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers. I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor. So, I set the remote back down on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill. Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do.

At the end of the day:

- * the car isn't washed
- * the bills aren't paid
- * there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter
- * the flowers don't have enough water,
- * there is still only 1 cheque in my cheque book,
- * I can't find the remote,
- * I can't find my glasses,
- * and I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all day long, and I'm really tired. I realize this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my e-mail.



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We have been carrying out an exchange of our non-fiction collection with the Mareeba Library. There is a larger history and travel section and we are about to exchange our Cooking, Health and Arts section. So come on in and find some exciting new material.

Our monthly storytelling is always popular. We have decided to change the starting time to 10.00am to fit in with childrens rest times etc. The next session is on April 7th at 10.00am so come along and enjoy.

As some people noticed my Mystery authors general list last month finished at F (People actually read the column YEH!!!) So here is part B - Mystery Authors - General

Jonathan Gash, Joseph Glass, DM Greenwood, Gerald Hammond, Georgette Heyer, Elizabeth Ironside, Jonnie Jacobs, Russell James, Iris Johansen, Morag Joss, Nora Kelly, Sarah Lacey, Emma Lathen, Janet Laurence, Martha Lawrence, Roy Lewis, Sarah Lovett, Val McKermid, John Malcolm, Denise Mina, Gladys Mitchell, Walter Mosley, Roger Ormerod, robert B Parker, Iain Pears, Mike Phillips, Richard Pitman, Richard Preston, Claire Rayner, Kathy Reichs, Mike Ripley, David Roberts, betty Rowlands, Dorothy L Sayers, Manda Scott, Stella Shepherd, Veronica Stallwood, Jim Thompson, Robert Walker, Patricia Wentworth, Derek Wilson, Don Winslow. Till next month, Happy reading and have a great Easter.
Leanne and the library team

KVPP News

With Easter just around the corner, a media campaign has been organized for Townsville. It will involve both TV, print and a brochure insert in the Townsville Sun. Accommodation operators will offer a 10% discount to guests who produce the brochure and are aware of the promotion. Given our proximity to Townsville this is considered a key market for us.

Thanks to the support of a number of businesses we have been able to secure a six page Kuranda feature in the 3 publications "Welcome to Cairns", "Welcome to Port Douglas" and "Welcome to Cairns Highlands". The total distribution of the three magazines is about 380,000, so this should give the village some excellent exposure.

Kuranda was well represented at the launch of the 2006 Discover Magazine at Mareeba. The magazine is highly regarded by self drive tourists in the region and contains an excellent section on the village, supported by Kuranda businesses.

New promotional posters developed by Pira Melody are now complete and will be distributed once received from the printers.

The Kuranda component on the Tropical Tablelands Tourism website has been updated, since the launch of their new site. New images have also been incorporated.

Budget forecasts for the next financial year have been prepared and will be put forward at the next committee meeting.
- Steve Caught

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Hello Kuranda, well isn't the year flying along. As always we have lots of in store specials up to 80 per week so if you haven't already, come and have a browse. Don't forget we now have the Digital photo lab come and get a free demonstration. It's really easy you can make cards, calendars or just print your favourite pics. We are trying to bring in new lines for you all to try so while you are here look out for our new products with more arriving weekly. Hope you year is going well. See you soon in the store or out and about with many thanks for your support

Ray Perry & Colinda Dooren
Coondoo St Kuranda T. 07 4093 7260 F. 07 4093 7276

Community Calendar

Mondays Come & Try Junior Rugby League **3:30pm Bartley Park Oval** adjacent Primary School. 4093 7177

Every Sun **Soft Ball**, Hunter Park, Fallon Road 2.30 pm Ph 4093 7113
Kuranda Bowls Club every Sunday social games 2 pm (reg. 1:30pm)

1st Saturday **Kuranda Film Society** screening 7.00pm, 19 Kullaroo Close, Kuranda. Ph Cathy 4093 9926

1st Sunday **R.S.L.** 5pm, Lower Market Mall, Thoree Street.

3rd Sunday **Bowls Club Meeting** 1.00pm

Every Mon **Life Span** exercise QCWA Hall 9.30 am.
Karate at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm – 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
8 Ball 7.00 pm at Speewah Tavern, Fitzies Tavern, S.&S.Club & RSL

1st Monday **Kuranda Horse and Pony Club** 7.30 pm Mantaka
Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30 pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026
Kuranda State Primary P & C Assoc 7.00 pm in school staff room, all parents welcome

2nd Monday **QCWA Meeting** 1.30 pm at the CWA Hall

3rd Monday **KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00 pm Rob Veivers Dve. Ph 4093 8933

Every Tues **Tae kwon do & Self Defence adults** 7.00 pm CWA hall Ph 4093 8682
Focus Theatre Group 7pm Kuranda Amphitheatre, understage
Tai Chi Sports and Social Club 6.00 pm Ph 4093 8276

2nd Tuesday **High School P & C** 5.00 pm

Last Tues **Kuranda Sports and Social Club** Management Committee at 7.00 pm – All members welcome as observers.

Every Wed **Craft classes** at QCWA hall 9.30 am
Kuranda Playgroup - Kuranda Community Kindergarten, 10am, Contact Lida on 4093 9882 or Lisa on 4093 0038.
Baha'i "Spirit of the Forrest" 7pm at Bahai Information Centre, Therwine St, Kuranda (next to Monkeys)
Karate at Koah Hall 6.15pm – 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
Yoga at CWA 6.30 pm
Focus Theatre 6:30 – 8:30 pm Understage Amphitheatre. All Welcome.

First Wed **Kuranda Envirocare**, Primary School 7.00 pm Ph 4093 8834
Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting at 2.00 pm @ KNC

2nd Wed **QCWA meeting** 12.30 pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016

Last Wed **Kuranda Pool Cmtee**, 7.00 pm Neighbourhood Ctr 40939594

Every Thurs **Rotary** 6.00 pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph: 4093 7206
Kuranda Bowls Club Night Bowls - Casual 7.00 pm [reg. 6.30]
Tae kwon do & Self Defence 7.00 pm CWA Hall Ph 4093 8682
8 Ball S & S Club 7.15 pm & RSL
Koah Tree Planting: Ph 40937 979.

1st Thursday **Kuranda Charity Bowls** 7 pm (reg. 6.30 pm)

2nd Thurs **Ambulance** 7.30 pm Ambulance Centre Fallon Road

Every Fri **Cloggers** at CWA

2nd Sat **Garden Group** 2 pm Phone Arlene Wienert Ph 4093 7927

Every Sat **EnviroCare** 8-9 am. Tree planting bees Ph 4093 8834


PLEASE CHECK IF THE DAY, TIME AND PHONE NUMBERS ARE CORRECT

| KURANDA TRANSFER STATION OPENING TIMES | | |
|---|----------------|--------------------|
| Monday | 7.00 am | to 10.00 am |
| Wednesday | 3.00 pm | to 6.00 pm |
| Friday | 7.00 am | to 10.00 am |
| Saturday | 8.00 am | to 12.00 pm |
| Sunday | 1.00 pm | to 5.00 pm |

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ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS

| Departs - | | Monday to Friday (not Public Holidays) | | | |
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| Ravenshoe | Herberton | Atherton | Mareeba | Kuranda | Cairns |
| #7.45am | #8.15am | 8.45arr / *9.15dep | *9.45am | 10.20am | 11.15am arr |
| #2.00pm | #2.30pm | 2.50arr / 3.30dep | 4.00pm | 4.30pm | 5.15pm arr |

| Departs - | | Saturday (not Public Holidays) | | | |
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| Ravenshoe | Herberton | Atherton | Mareeba | Kuranda | Cairns |
| #7.45am | #8.15am | 6.30am | 7.00am | 7.30am | 8.15am arr |
| | | 9.15am | 9.45am | 10.20am | 11.15am arr |

| Departs - | | Sunday and Public Holidays | | | |
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| Atherton | Mareeba | Kuranda | Cairns | | |
| 9.15am | 9.45am | 10.20am | 11.15am arr | | |

Towns above serviced to/from Atherton by Kerry's Bus Service Ph 40977167 or 0419020370

Kuranda Branch Library Council Office

4-12 Thoree Street
Phone 4093 9185

OPENING HOURS

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|-----------|----------------|
| Monday | Closed |
| Tuesday | 11 am - 6 pm |
| Wednesday | 11 am - 5 pm |
| Thursday | 11 am - 5 pm |
| Friday | 9 am - 12 noon |
| Saturday | 9 am - 12 noon |

No Council Services available Saturday
Council Cashier Closes at 4 pm
Tuesday,
Wednesday and Thursday.

Your Rural Fire Brigade Contacts For Fire Permits etc.

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| Kuranda Urban | - Russell 40938159 (mob. 0417 195 035) |
| Davies Creek | - Lloyd 4093 3181 |
| Koah | - Peter 4093 7006 |
| Kuranda/Myola | - Paul 4093 8540 |
| Speewah | - John 4093 0211 |

KURANDA S.E.S. 40939143

In Case of Fire or Other Emergency Please Phone 000

CAIRNS TO ATHERTON TABLELANDS

| Departs- | | Monday to Friday (not Public Holidays) | | | |
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| Cairns | Kuranda | Mareeba | Atherton | Herberton | Ravenshoe |
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| 10.00am | 10.35am | | 3.00pm | #3.30pm | #4.00pm arr |
| 3.15pm | 3.55pm | 4.30pm | 5.00pm | #5.30pm | #6.00pm arr |
| 5.30pm | 6.05pm | 6.40pm | 7.15pm arr | | |

| Departs - | | Saturday (not Public Holidays) | | | |
|-----------|---------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Cairns | Kuranda | Mareeba | Atherton | Herberton | Ravenshoe |
| 9.30am | 10.05am | 10.40am | 11.15arr/11.45dep | #12.05pm | #12.45pm |
| 1.00pm | 1.40pm | 2.15pm | 2.45pm arr | | |

| Departs - | | Sunday and Public Holidays | | | |
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| Cairns | Kuranda | Mareeba | Atherton | | |
| 1.00pm | 1.40pm | 2.15pm | 2.45pm arr | | |

Towns above serviced to/from Atherton by Kerry's Bus Service Ph 40977167 or 0419020370

(Subject to change without notice) * Connect with Chillagoe Bus Service (Mon/Wed/Fri) Ph 40947155 (This timetable does not show all routes and/or times)

- AIRPORT/TRINITY WHARF DROP-OFF AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST (Surcharge Applies)
- HOSPITAL & DOCTORS SURGERIES DROP-OFF (Eastern Side of Sheridan St. only) (Surcharge Applies)
- INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CARDS NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR CONCESSION
- NO SERVICES OPERATING CHRISTMAS DAY OR GOOD FRIDAY
- PASSAGE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF SEATS

LOCAL SHOW HOLIDAY IS NORMAL TIMETABLE
(Cairns Show please check with drivers/office)

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| ATHERTON | HEAD OFFICE | 6 McConaghie St | 4091 1855 |
| ATHERTON | PHILLIPS NEWS, | 48c Main St | 4091 1105 |
| CAIRNS | 46 Spence St | (Pay driver) | 4091 1855 |
| KURANDA | 15 Therwine St | (Pay driver) | 4091 1855 |
| MAREEBA | MAREEBA NEWS, | 125 Byrnes St | 4092 1030 (Bus stop is at old Railway Station - behind KFC) |

JOHN'S KURANDA BUS "THE LOCAL BUS"

| | MON | TUES | WEDtoFRI | P/HOL & SAT/SUN |
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| DEPARTS | #0730 | #0730 | *0730 | 0830 |
| KURANDA | 1330 | 1330 | 0930 | 1500 |
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| DEPARTS | **0830 | **0830 | 0830 | **0930 |
| CAIRNS | 1715 | 1715 | 1015 | **1600 |
| | | | 1230 | |
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