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Don't Let Electric Ants Get a Foothold in Kuranda

KURANDA RESIDENTS are rallying to help stamp out electric ants in their area. New detections in Fallon Road, Tully Court and Kullaroo Close this month show how easily this highly invasive pest can spread.

Biosecurity Queensland Control Centre's northern operations manager Russell Gilmour said the new finds followed an earlier detection in Kuranda in December.

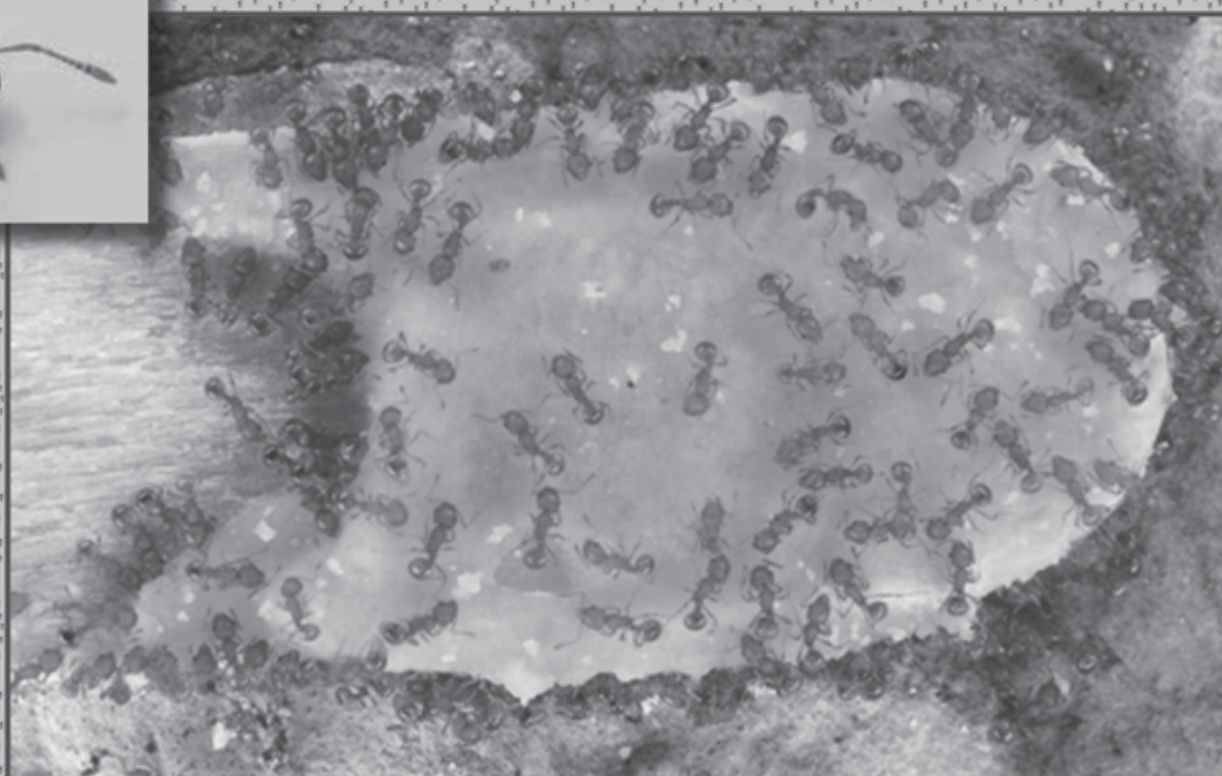
"The co-operation of Kuranda residents has helped us to fast-track responses to the detections," Mr Gilmour said. We are investigating the possible sources of the new infestations, which will give us an idea of the extent of the spread. While electric ants themselves are slow-moving, they can easily spread through the movement of plants, soil and machinery. A friendly gesture of giving a friend a pot plant is all it takes for this tramp ant to spread. We urge you to check your place for electric ants and if you think you might have them, give us a call on 13 25 23 as soon as possible. We have staff in the area who are available to help."

Mr Gilmour said Tablelands Regional Council was undertaking a kerbside collection of green waste. "We advise Kuranda residents that collection may be delayed by about a week in some cases because we are treating waste from their area to eradicate electric ants. The council advises that Kuranda residents can take any green waste to the Kuranda Transfer Station where it will be treated and subjected to ongoing monitoring."

"Electric ants (*Wasmannia auropunctata*) are incredibly small, but despite their tiny size, they have a sharp sting that can cause irritation for up to a week. If they get into your pet dog or cat's eyes, they can cause a painful sting and possibly blindness. They are a threat to native wildlife as well and we need to make sure we safeguard our rainforest areas. We recently learned of a goanna that was blinded by electric ants and it had to be put down. Look everywhere – under leaves, rocks and even litter. Electric ants are known to climb trees and tropical garden plants and get into houses and caravans. They can move on water and several people have been stung in and around their swimming pools."

If you suspect you have electric ants in your area or need to move a high risk item contact Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23 or visit www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au for more information.

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Dear Kuranda Paper ...

Cyclone Warning

Wow! We were lucky with Cyclone Yasi and our thoughts go to those on the Cassowary Coast. The notion that Kuranda is somehow immune from serious cyclone damage needs refuting. Neither the low Kuranda Range hills nor a "kuranda kosmic karmic kone of spirituality" is going to stop a determined cyclone.

The Cairns Post of 4/2/1920 reports on a cyclone – "At Kuranda the damage was indeed very severe. Remiltons Hotel was partly unroofed. Hunters residence was unroofed; Dodds' Hall was moved off the blocks, and portions of the residence unroofed. The School of Arts was blown down, and was completely wrecked. Pierce's Hotel was unroofed, and the Carruthers' family lost their verandah. Harriman's house was blown down. K. Beavis's house was blown off its blocks...The Mantaka school was blown off its blocks, and the shelter shed blown away...R. Veivers' house was blown down. Mr. Smith's residence was also demolished. The goods-shed, station roof and refreshment rooms also suffered severely."

A photo in the book "Kuranda. 1888-1988" by Shep Humston on P.10 shows "Devastation at Mona Mona 1920" referring to the same cyclone hitting the then Mission about 20kms north of Kuranda.

Also, the cyclone season is not over! Three of Queensland's worst cyclones have occurred in the month of March:

a] 4 March 1899. At Bathurst Bay north of Cooktown a cyclone caused a massive storm surge on a pearling fleet killing about 307.

b] 10 March 1918. Almost all buildings in the Innisfail/Mission Beach area demolished. About 100 dead.

c] 20 March 2006. Cyclone Larry crosses coast at Innisfail.

Hopefully no more cyclones will hassle us this year but in general over-preparation is better than being under-prepared.

Graham Bell. Kuranda



Brush Turkey Chick
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Noise and Visual Pollution

Re *Concerned Citizen's* letter "Village Vandalism" – well said! However, equally offensive is the ever-increasing signage – both council and private, and the proliferation of footpath displays and loud music issuing from various establishments. I am yet to be convinced that this competing cacophony of signage and noise has much to do with a memorable experience of our Village in the Rainforest and the planning of tourists' return visits.

Concerned Citizen Too

Welcome Pocket

I read Ms Cheryl Tonkin's letter in the February edition of this paper with great interest. You may object to Welcome Pocket but you are not 82 years of age.

I have been a contributing member of this community for 24 years. I love Kuranda, its people, its climate and its peace. I have no wish to leave, ever. I look forward to moving to Welcome Pocket when cottages become available and I am no longer capable of managing my own property. Unless the project is successful commercially it cannot be a socially responsible success.

Cate Lamont,
For Very Welcome Pocket

Sandra,

You called to advise interest in my Beginners' Basketweaving class held on 12 February. The telephone number I received, I believe, was one digit short and after many attempts I was unable to contact you. If you are still interested in a class, please ring me again on 4093 9293.

Toni Rogers
Cantata Studio



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Village in the Rainforest

Marc's Tourism Tweets

Kuranda open for business

Since the cyclone, Tourism Kuranda has been sending out positive messages via our e-mail database and posts online through our popular Facebook site, letting people know that Kuranda wasn't damaged in the cyclone and that our doors are open for business 7 days a week! You can also help by sending out similar messages to your own databases or facebook sites letting your friends, family and business associates know that Kuranda is 100% OK and open for business – every bit helps!

Positive news stories – film crew in the village

Tourism Kuranda hosted a camera crew in the village this month who were here as part of a TTNQ positive news story initiative. We showcased some of our talented local artists and musicians, unique shops and promoted the village as a vibrant "Must do" place to visit with something for everyone. Thanks to Cathy Harvey for helping pull the afternoon together and also to Kirk & Gail for being our amazing buskers for the filming! Jump online and visit the link to check out these positive tourism news stories – <http://www.youtube.com/CairnsGBR#p/u/o/VuaHTfWfKjM>

Photo shoot for the village

Tourism Kuranda will be co-ordinating a photo shoot in the village next month for some exciting new images that will be used in the development of our new website, new brochures and advertising material for Kuranda. Tourism Kuranda is seeking volunteers to be involved in the photo shoot next month and if you would like to be involved please contact Tourism Kuranda on tk@kuranda.org

Cruise ships hit the village

Cruise ship number are on the rise and February and March are the busiest months for the year with 17 cruise ships spending time in the region. Kuranda Village is included in most itineraries for visiting cruise ships and is an important market segment for the village. The Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal welcomed the Cruise Ship SEABOURN SPIRIT on her inaugural call to Cairns on Friday 18 February 2011 with approximately 350 passengers and crew on board. This visit of the SEABOURN SPIRIT had particular significance for Cairns as the vessel was carrying out a full passenger exchange or base port instead of a transit call. Base Porting has additional benefits for the region as many passengers will usually spend time in the area before or after their cruise.

Domestic sales mission/roadshow

Tourism Kuranda will be attending the TTNQ Domestic Roadshow again for 2011, which will be held in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane from 21-25 March 2011. The road show is a series of four trade and media evening events aimed at educating and inspiring the travel trade on our amazing destination and products. It is also about TTNQ and suppliers hosting trade and mainstream consumer media to maximise promotion of the region, as well as to provide media with many stories to pitch new product and experiences to gain exposure throughout the campaign. It is important that we keep Kuranda front of mind with our domestic suppliers and ensure our position as a "Must Do" – Iconic destination for all visitors in the region!

First event for 2011

After the wonderful success of the Easter in the Park Celebrations last year, we are extremely excited to advise everyone that TK has committed significant funds to ensure this year is bigger and better with plenty of games, competitions, another massive Easter Egg Hunt and activities for the kids with live music in the Park! The event will be held again on Easter Saturday the 23rd April and will be a time for the local community to celebrate. Also, the annual Kuranda BUSKING competition is scheduled for May/June this year so start practising now if you plan to challenge the "Origines" for the title as Kuranda's No 1 busker for 2011.

Kuranda trivia night for port industry

Tourism Kuranda has just started work on coordinating the upcoming 2011 "Kuranda Trivia Night" for the Port Douglas Tourism Industry. It will be our single main event held in Port Douglas to promote Kuranda for 2011 and we are working closely with our key industry stakeholders Down Under Tours, Reef n Rainforest Connections, Skyrail & Kuranda Scenic Railway to help coordinate this vital promotional event. This trivia questions for the evening focuses heavily on Kuranda Village and is an excellent educational vehicle for Tourism Kuranda with all of the key selling agents in attendance.

Discover Magazine 2011

We are happy to advise that the artwork for Kuranda's three pages in the new Discover Magazine for 2011 has just been finalised. Kuranda is the number one participant again for the second year running which ensured fantastic positioning at the front of the magazine and we also secured the front cover with an image of the Barron Falls. We are extremely thankful for the co-operative advertising support from the 22 local businesses this year as this type of exposure for the village would not be possible otherwise!

International year of forests

The United Nations General Assembly declared 2011 as the International Year of Forests to raise awareness of sustainable management, conservation and sustainable development of forests. Our own local company, Skyrail was the first tourist attraction in the world to be Green Globe certified. Skyrail has also achieved EarthCheck Gold, Advanced Ecotourism and Climate Action Innovator certifications. These independent assessments recognise Skyrail as an innovative leader, committed to environmental best practice and conservation and providing guests with the opportunity to learn about the environment.

For further information about any of the above topics or if you would like to know more about Tourism Kuranda please contact Marc Sleeman - Executive Officer via e-mail discover@kuranda.org or Ph: 0427 592 203.



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Neighbourhood Centre News March 2011

Mah Jong Group sponsors new computer:

The Mah Jong games group that meets on a Wednesday afternoon 12.30–4.00 (ish) at KNC is sponsoring the purchase of a new computer for KNC with their weekly \$2 per player contribution. Over the last few years this has added up and is a considerable sum to put towards updating our computers and maintaining the computer bank for public use. KNC wishes to thank all the Mah Jong participants!

No Interest Loan Scheme:

NILS is a no fee, no interest loan for low income earners to purchase an essential household item in an affordable and responsible way. For more information on eligibility and processes please call to make an appointment at KNC on 4093 8933.

Step Forward:

Step Forward is a relapse prevention program that identifies the change cycle to assist people modify behaviours that are causing ongoing negative consequences in their lives. The program is by Ceri Hughes and myself with face to face counselling available through an Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Service (ATODS) counsellor upon referral. The next program commences on Wednesday 2nd March from 10.30–12.30 weekly for four weeks. Referral is necessary – please contact us to find out more or fill in a referral form. The program is strictly confidential and we do not even need to know what behaviour you are seeking to change.

Family Support Items Needed:

Thank you to those who have generously donated items recently. This program is growing with the support of the local Kuranda District and we have been able to assist families in need of essential household items. Right now we know families who need: double or queen beds/mattresses, washing machines, freezers, lounge suites/sofas, dining table and chairs, fridges and baby items. If you have any of those items that you no longer need, please give us a call.

Need a new washing machine, fridge or other essential household goods?

NILS

The **No Interest Loan Scheme** provides interest-free loans for individuals or families on low income.

How much can you borrow?

It varies, but usually up to \$1,000 and the repayment period is up to 2 years.

Who is eligible?

Anyone holding a Health Care Card or Pension Card.

See Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre for more details.

OUTCOMES Adult Numeracy and Literacy:

OUTCOMES from Atherton are delivering courses to improve numeracy and literacy for adults – this is helping with learning to read, write and manage numbers. Please contact KNC or OUTCOMES directly on 4091 4277.

Lifeline Financial Counselling:

Lifeline financial counselling sessions can be arranged at KNC on Monday mornings with Sharon Cook. Sharon is very experienced and can help you sort out how to manage financial problems, debts and budgets. So if you find yourself in a pickle with money troubles, someone is there to help work out the best way forward. Appointments are necessary, so please call or come in to make a time.

Marg Yandell, Coordinator

Enrol Now for After School Care/Homework Centre at Kindy

C&K Kuranda Community Kindy runs an affordable after school care and homework centre for school children up to Year 3 until 5.30pm on school days.

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It's perfect for parents who need a safe and loving environment for their children after school. Our fun, learning activities include:

- homework supervision and support from qualified teachers
- art and craft
- cooking
- science activities
- books, games, puzzles, and construction toys
- outdoor activities: ballgames, swings and sand play/wet play

Our service is \$15 per child* including an afternoon snack, and can be easily organised for set days or casually. (*We are an approved child care centre so families entitled to claim Child Care Benefits (CCB) can further reduce this cost.)

Call Tina or Tamara at C&K Kuranda Community Kindergarten on 4093 8087 to enrol your child.



Annual General Meeting NOTICE

A warm invitation is extended to past and current families and the Kuranda district community to our upcoming AGM.

IT IS ESSENTIAL WE ELECT A NEW COMMITTEE TO REMAIN OPEN.



Our Kindy is a community controlled, not for profit association.

WHEN: 9am, Sat, 26 March 2011

WHERE: Kuranda Kindy,
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CONTACT: Lisa Macalister 4093 0038 or
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- He who hesitates is probably right.
- If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.
- Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.



Gardening in Kuranda



March – The heavy rains post-Yasi certainly tested gardening skills and property for capacity to prevent soil erosion, water-ponding and soil compaction. The wise gardener usually mulches garden beds not only in the Dry to conserve moisture but also prior to the Wet to prevent soil compaction and slow down run-offs. Judging by the colour of water to creek and road from many properties, considerable soil is being lost to severe rains. Remember that soil from your property once it runs into waterways is usually lost forever. Like the old saw that one day's weed seeding makes seven years' weeding – the careful gardener takes zealous preventive action to conserve their soil. A sound tip is if any bare soil not yet planted up, mulch thickly to prevent run-off, compaction and weed infestation.

The prudent gardener will also usually be reluctant to dispose of any plant material from their garden preferring to compost and return to the soil rather than dumping. It is important that persistent weeds and easily propagated vegetative growth like Syngonium is well and truly "cooked" by placing in a black baggie and placing in a sunny spot

Another responsibility to be taken seriously is regular checking of ponds and any receptacles holding water for mosquito infestations. The introduction of native blue-eye or for the less ecologically minded (and by far a cheaper proposition) – the humble guppy – taking care that same are not released to waterways.



Anthurium veitchii

Plant of the Month

Worthy of consideration for any garden with dappled to shady situations is the Anthurium. This large family with an estimated 600+ species comes from Central and South America and ranges in habitat from coastal to mountain forest – temperature range may be a factor in the growing of some species e.g: A. corragatum.

The major consideration in successful growing of all Anthuriums is to consider that many are epiphytic (growing on or in tree trunks and branches) some are lithophytes (growing on rock) and others, forest floor dwellers. As a general rule of thumb then, full attention and should be given to good drainage and very open and humusy soil mixes. One old local grower reported that early days successful growing was in 50/50 coarse river sand & rice-hull mix with annual repotting.

Another consideration is plant growth with some species growing to considerable size in leaf and/or nest form as well as scandent and pendulous growths.

Probably the best known Anthuriums are the many hybrid forms of A. andreaeanum and A. scherzerianum because of their colourful spathes. Sometimes known as the "Flamingo Flower" or "Boy Flower" - referring to the structure of the spathe and spadix, these are well known for their utility as long lasting cut flowers with the Dutch introducing an amazing range of colours and spathe sizes.

However, the real gobsmack jaw-droppers are to be found in the ornamental leaf species with an infinite range of leaf shape, size and some amazingly beautiful patterning.

Recommended to start you off, easily and cheaply obtainable and of relative ease of cultivation are the trio of A. crystallinum (terrestrial), A. veitchii (the King Anthurium – a scandent epiphytic) and A. warocqueanum (the Queen Anthurium, also scandent epiphytic). Often grown from seed, there is wide variation in colour intensity and veining/ruffling of leaf and it pays to look over stock carefully.

A good local source is Equatorial Exotics carrying a large range of species, illustrated on their site at <http://www.equatorialexotics.com/>

Another great and inspiring site is Rainforest Exotics developed by the late great Steve Lucas who did so much to inspire and teach at: <http://www.exoticrainforest.com/>

The only drawback with this family is that they quickly become addictive.

TIP: Newcomers to the area should seriously consider joining the Kuranda Garden Club. Not only do you meet other keen gardeners but have the opportunity to see great gardens in the area and learn what plants do well and how to cope with the many new trials and tribulations facing gardeners coming from other climes.



Anthurium crystallinum

For plant identification, sourcing and general questions contact Alectura at kurandamedia@bigpond.com or wortwoad@optusnet.com.au

Kuranda Chamber of Commerce and Tourism

Due to Cyclone Yasi the KCCT February meeting was cancelled and will now take place on Tuesday 1st March 2011 at Malcolms Original Market Place at 4.30pm. At this meeting an appropriate date will be set for the AGM.

We invite you to join the Kuranda Chamber of Commerce & Tourism and you will find that by networking with other business people you will promote and learn more about your Village and other businesses in the area.

All welcome.

Robyn Vogler, Secretary



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AIR SCOURING – KURANDA TOWN WATER SUPPLY

Residents of Kuranda are advised that air scouring will be undertaken on the town water supply reticulation from **7 March until 28 March 2011**. This process cleans the water mains using a combination of air and water to remove sediment in the pipes. To carry out this work, sections of the water supply will be interrupted for approximately one (1) hour at a time.

Residents are advised that they may experience dirty water on occasions during the week. Anyone who experiences dirty water or any other problem related to these works should contact Council's Reticulation Coordinator, Northern Section, Mr Ray O'Brien on 0417 642 693 or 4043 4688.

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Speewah District Residents Association - NEWS UPDATE -

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4 April 2011. It will be the Annual General Meeting.

Telstra matters: Our guest speaker will be Amanda Albon, the recently appointed manager of Telstra CountryWide, Cairns Region.

We ask residents of Speewah to contact us with issues that they would want raised at that meeting. The reason for asking this in advance is so a list of issues and a position paper can be prepared and sent to Ms Albon prior to the meeting.

This is your opportunity to have a say in what is discussed. It is important that you attend this meeting on 4th April as well.

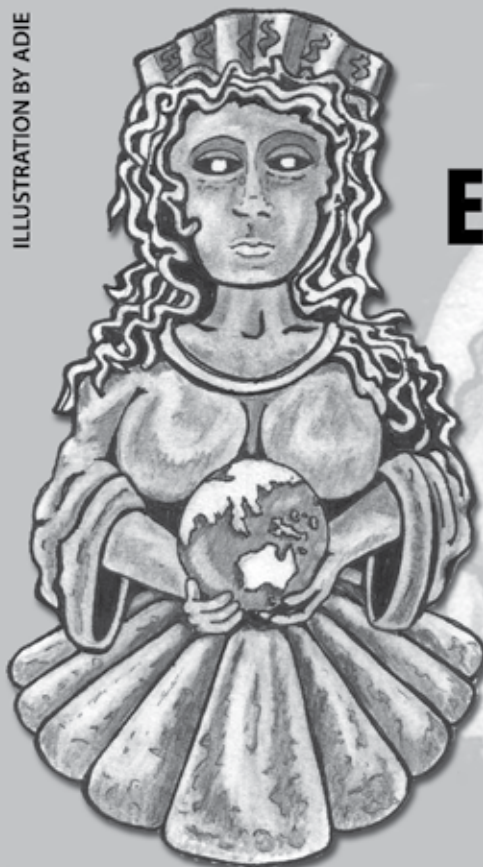
Other Matters for information and discussion will be included in the following reports:

- Councillor Jenny Jensen will give us an update on the digital television change-over due after July this year.
- The upgrade of facilities on Roscommon Park.
- Speewah Rural Fire Brigade and the need for more residents to volunteer to staff the Brigade. Training sessions for volunteers are held on a regular basis.

Other reports from Councillor Jenny Jensen:

- Community planning workshops conducted by Tableland Regional Council will be held in the Fire Brigade Building, Roscommon on Wednesday 23rd March. Residents will receive a flyer in the mail prior to the meeting. Finger food will be available at the meeting which will be held from 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm.
- Residents who want any matter/s included in the agenda for April 4th meeting as well as issues on Telstra matters should contact Bob Madden, President on 4093 0169 or Margaret Buttelng, Secretary on 4093 0100.

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EARTH HOUR

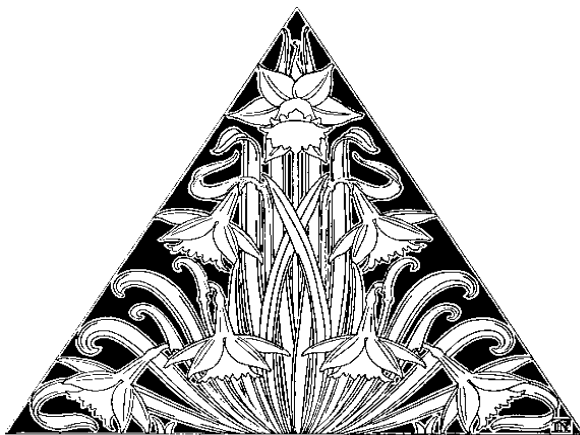
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the Arts Page



President's Report

Dear Members and Friends,

The Annual General Meeting will be held this Sunday, at 4:00 pm. when the new management committee will be elected for 2011. We wish the new committee all the best, and look forward to another exciting year at the Amphitheatre.

Top of the list is a huge thank-you to all the **Volunteers** and **Team Leaders** who assist endlessly to ensure the sustainability of the Society. In 2010 alone, over 200 people volunteered at events, working bees etc.

It's been great to see so many new, fresh faces giving their energy to the Amphitheatre. This is what we are about! Each committee (and generation!) has the responsibility of ensuring this happens. Without new faces and fresh blood we run the risk of becoming stale. The renewed interest and energy in the place is astounding.

Much work has been done on a new constitution, position descriptions and procedures this year and we must thank, once again, the volunteers who have assisted with this. These people are ensuring the Amphitheatre is ready for 2011 and beyond. Obviously these are all still in draft form and will need more workshoping to complete the project, and everyone's involvement is

greatly appreciated.

Some great news for the Amphitheatre is we have been included in the Kuranda Infrastructure Strategic Plan! Many thanks to Tablelands Regional Council, Mayor Tom Gilmore, Councillor Jenny Jensen, and Steve Wettenhall MP for their fantastic support of the Amphitheatre this year. It's been a great pleasure to have worked with Council on the many current and future projects for our community place.

Loony Poets is turning into a hugely successful local event in the Top Shed. How beautiful to sit there and watch the full moon rise over the main stage and be entertained by both local and regional poets, musicians and more! Don't miss the next one, a "Dark Moon" adults-only event at the Understage. Each event is becoming more popular with audience and performers alike.

For March events see back page.

Cheers, **Mandy**
email: kuranda_amp@bigpond.com



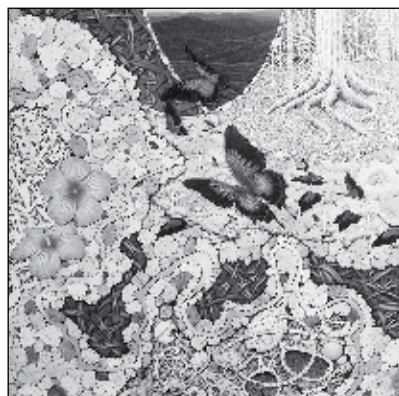
Kuranda Amphitheatre

**Annual General Meeting
Sunday 27 Feb, 4:00 pm.**



by Ruth Mallock (left)

by David Stacey (below)



The next
**Loony Poets is a Dark Moon event,
strictly adults only,
at the Amphitheatre Understage
on Sunday 3rd April at 7:00**

So come on this dark and moonless night
where poets, bards, and minstrels might
weave their webs with words, that's right,
and artists paint, and paintings hang
and acrobats leap all about,
and clowns and wizards can be found
at the bar, or on the ground,
so if you haven't lost your spark
come join us when the moon is dark!

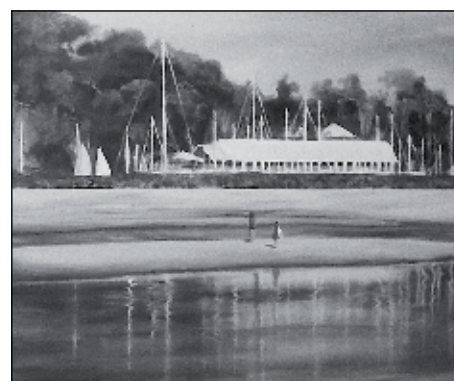


Some art from the last Loony Poets Night...



Amber (above) paints a portrait of Morgan (right) while the poetry flows.

and some performers!
(see Music Page for more)



by Trevor Kyle



Rob



Leah



Lighting technicians helping Di



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ALL WELCOME!



ALL IS ART

Ah, Loony Poets. Great local music and performance, and art exhibitions as well! Thanks Loonies. And thanks Yasi for not blowing too hard here in Kuranda. The frogs and birds are singing here while elsewhere in the world people are getting rid of their masters. People power making a bid for freedom. Maybe then there will be a bit more peace so we can all get on with our art. Maybe they will come over here and teach us how to dance. I guess we should practice our steps in the meantime. See you next month, Art Lovers
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The Way it Was (Part 5)

by Peter Ryle

This is the fifth instalment of the article "The District of Cairns" from The Cairns Post 23 July 1890.

The District of Cairns

By our own Reporter
(Continued)

Near the end of the second section but over the other side of the river are situated the homesteads of Mr. Garrett and his two sons. These selections although near the railway line are so situated that the difficulties of getting to them are manifold and great. When Mr. Garrett first arrived in the neighborhood he spent two months in endeavoring to cut a track to his land, but the country was so rough and so many gullies and creeks had to be passed, that the attempt was given up in despair. These selectors appear to have had an uncommonly hard time in fighting with the difficulties they have had to contend against, both Mr. and Mrs. Garrett being taken ill at the most inopportune time, and Mr. Garrett meeting misfortune in other ways. Now, however, a boat over the river conveys everything to the selection. The Divisional Board is clearing a road up the river from the Middle Crossing, but except for packs it cannot be anything but impassable. During floodtime the numerous creeks are backed up and the crossings rendered extremely dangerous. As far as I could see Mr. Garrett has done his uttermost to fulfill the spirit of the Land Act.

The area cleared is 20 acres, and now there are five acres of corn in. Last year there were 15 acres of corn, but Mr. Garrett assured me that it did not pay for pulling, the cost of getting it off the selection being so great. There are a quantity of fruit trees consisting of mangoes, oranges, citrons, lemons and limes and all are looking well. An enormous amount of work has been done by these selectors. Scrub has been fallen on each of the three selections, but the largest item so far is the work done in endeavouring to get to the selections and settle down thereon. Whoever selects on the banks of a river in mountainous country must expect a certain amount of trouble and expense, which need not be incurred by those on the plains or tablelands, but it is patent that a great deal could be saved when in the first instance the lands are taken up and surveyed.

One of the most highly improved selections on the top of the range is that of Mr. G.W. Monk. This property situated near the Barron Falls with a mile frontage to the main Thornborough road and a half a mile frontage to the railway, is dignified with the euphonious name "Moscotte." The really handsome residence erected here by Mr. Monk is built of that beautiful timber known as silky oak. It is two-storied with front and back verandahs. The internal arrangements are exceedingly pleasing and comfortable, the drawing room upstairs deserving mention on account of being unique. It is ceiled, and papered with wall-paper of neat pattern with a dado and skirting board. The piano and other "town" furniture on the Brussels carpet gives it a look of one of the houses of merry England without the fireplace. Outside, Mr. Monk has been none the less complete in his operations. Thirty five acres have been cleared and planted with fruit fit for manufacturing purposes --- that is to say lemons, limes and citrons. But very few oranges have been planted, for Mr. Monk believes that very quickly the local demand for oranges, mangoes, &c., will be satisfied and the markets will be clogged, but in the case of fruit that can be manufactured there must always be an unlimited demand. Besides, says he, very soon we shall have a jam factory here and then these fruits will have a good and ready market. Apples are being tried as an experiment and besides Mr. Monk has put in peaches, pears, figs, nectarines, nuts, quinces, English potatoes, and different grasses. Rather extensive experiments are going on concerning grasses for fodder and chaff, but I do not consider it fair to give the results, although Mr. Monk most generously told me all he had done in that direction. I must not omit to mention that all Mr. Monk's 35 acres of fruit trees are seedlings which have been treated to the root pruning and transplanting process. That these are the trees for North Queensland becomes more patent every day. They cannot however be called seedlings proper, as they nurtured and attended to. A seedling, one would imagine would be a plant raised from a seed and put in the ground and not touched for years. Then climate and soil would have their sway, the fruit would be sour and the tree about 20 years old before it produced much fruit. These seedling trees under notice are transplanted several times while in the nursery, and each time the roots are pruned. They are treated with manure, watered every day, kept free from pests of every form, so that in reality they require more manual labour than grafted trees and therefore are more expensive. To form the ground-work for future water supply and irrigation, Mr. Monk has erected a water-wheel and pumps in a running stream at the back of the house and the water is pumped

a distance of 10 chains (200 metres), up a stiff hill to the back yard where a three-quarter inch stream is discharged. The waterwheel shows that great ingenuity has been at work on it. It is built of silky oak in a light yet strong manner. Of the type known as the undershot wheel it requires but a small stream of water to turn it and develops a remarkable amount of power. The motion is communicated to the force pump by means of a beam action. A crank on the spindle of the water-wheel moves a beam hung in the centre, the further end of the beam in its turn moving the pump. By this excellent arrangement the wheel is made to do its work at the moment when it is developing the most power. The creek has been dammed up with boulders and bags of earth, and a low concrete wall will be built across to provide more water if necessary. The wheel is placed on the inner side of the creek just below a turn, and therefore any debris or logs coming down will miss the apparatus altogether. To further provide for the safety of the wheel in case of flood, Mr. Monk has erected a boom which reaches over the wheel and hauls it up with tackle out of danger when required. I was shown a piece of machinery called a "devil" used for pulling down trees. One end is anchored to a stout tree and the chain fastened half way up the tree to be pulled up. The chain is then tightened with a long lever which multiplies the strength of one man 120 times. The whole affair works upon a combination of the 1st and 2nd order of levers, and might prove serviceable in certain localities. However, it seems that the best scrub exterminator or forest devil for North Queensland scrub is the axe.

Fowls and pigs disport themselves in comfortable domiciles, and everything that ministers to the wants of a household seem to have been done by Mr. Monk. Bees swarm, vegetables flourish, flowers bloom, creepers climb, and altogether a budget (as big as Goaschen's) of improvements have been effected, rendering the place a very beautiful one.

(To be continued.)



Dave Cooke appeared at
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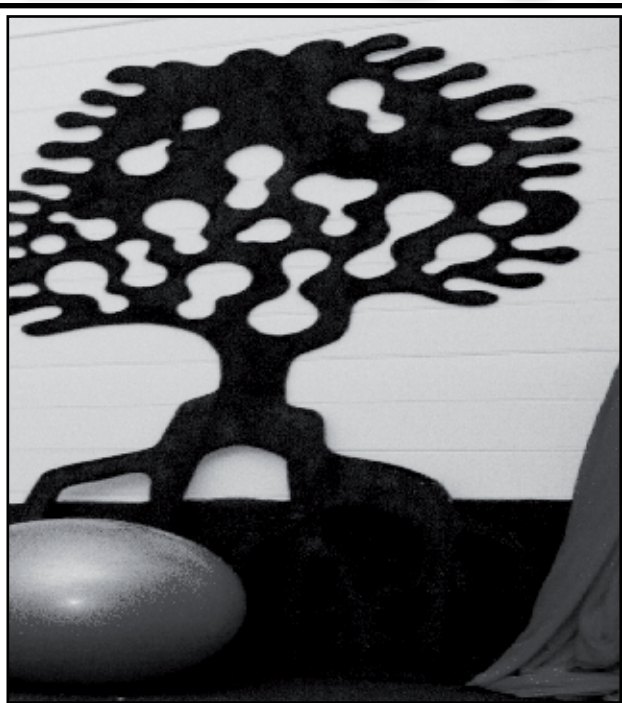


Local musicians Davy Simony & Jayden Williams selected for Australia's Got Talent

Davy Simony & Jayden Williams have made it through the second round of auditions for **Australia's Got Talent**. The auditions were held at the Gold Coast Art Centre, on Sunday 20th February 2011, and Davy & Jayden were amongst the Queensland winners who will now make it through to the next round of auditions to be held in Melbourne, some time in April this year. Davy & Jayden played two selections for the audition, including one of Davy's originals, 'Here We Are'.



Davy Simony & Jayden Williams



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**SUNDAY 3RD April**  
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& Jungle Bar  
Dave Cooke  
3-6pm

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Kuranda Amphitheatre
The Understage
Loony Poets Night
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## THE BOOGIE BROTHERS MUSIC NEWS & REVIEWS

**GRINDERMAN: "Grinderman"** Nick Cave and his fellow journeymen all get equal billing here. Guitar, bass and drums pulling this thing along like a freight train. Full FX on the guitar; and a fat driving bass and solid pounding drums. But it still belongs to the Caveman. Wolfish, dark and sardonic and the lyrics full of weird images. Emotional roller coasters and dark beauty. Hard, intelligent, stark poetry. Some sections of driving monotonous rhythm that give the nod to Velvet Underground, Hawkwind and the acid days and some very Jimi-like waa-waah.

If the Nick Cave genre stands like a dark mountain in a world of musical mediocrity, then this is the pinnacle, doesn't get any higher than this. After 40 minutes it's really tight – but maybe this is the ideal album length. No fillers and it just leaves you wanting more. To be listened to as loud as your system can deliver it.



**Note to the Amphitheatre: Book Grinderman. Please...**

**Mica P Hinson and the Pioneer Saboteurs:** Not at all what you may expect. On the cover, a raunchy stripper, Kitty La Rue no less, down to a leather suspender belt and brandishing a very mean, in 'ya' face, Colt 45 scary!

But the music: heavily laced with lush strings and exotic drum beats, it swirls around Mica's deep, dry vocals. Here is a poet. A patient man who enters the mix at exactly the right moment.s with a sensitivity and depth that's both beautiful and ugly. The pace is slow (some might even say boring) and gentle with the occasional sweet guitar line and always, the swirling strings .

Not everyone's cup of tea, but if you can slow down to its pace, very rewarding.

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**Ray La Montague: "God Willin' and the**

**Creek Don't Rise"** This is the album Ray La Montague was born to create. His first release "Trouble" was raw and earthy and oh-so sad. Then he travelled from the Canadian backwoods to New York for a couple of ordinary albums; lushed out with strings and brass, kinda disappointing. Now he's back in the mountains, this beautiful, big bearded, Canadian. The music is simplified, sweet electric guitar; pedal steel, harmonica and the occasional banjo. Nice bass lines too.

And the voice, imagine, if you can, the lonesome high nasals of fellow-countryman, Neil Young, blended with the earthy guttural delivery of one, Joe Cocker. Well, Ray wails it. He still does sad, but with a raw edge of hope and rock'n'roll; a cold prairie wind biting against his upturned collar and his mates laying down just the right blend of music to compliment Ray's vocals and words of truth and emotion. A masterpiece.



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"See the Lights"

## RECREATION CENTRE

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Social Night, 5.00pm

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**Wednesday:** Tennis, 6.00pm-8.00pm

Social Night, 5.00pm

**Thursday:** Tribal Dance 6.00pm-7.00pm

**Friday:** Social Night, Pool, Darts, Table Tennis and Tennis. Meals in Sandra's Kitchen.

**Saturday:** Free for opportunity bookings.

**Sunday:** FILM CLUB, first Sunday of every month. Contact Margaret or Hans 4093 8393.

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We encourage everyone to *Come and Try* these sports so they can come together regularly and have some healthy fun!

**The Recreation Centre:** a base for lots of activity. The next **Come and Try** day to be announced in future editions of the Kuranda Paper — keep you posted.

**SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2011**

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**Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road**

"See the Lights"

## Kuranda Recreation Centre

NEWS AND ACTIVITIES UPDATE

### 2011 – The Year of the Rabbit – let's get hopping



## Invitation to the Annual General Meeting of the Kuranda Recreation Centre Inc. at 4.00pm on 5 March 2011

Members and friends are invited to the Annual General Meeting at 4.00pm on 5 March 2011, at the Centre, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an overview of 2010 activities, present the accounts, receive nominations and elect a new Committee.

We now have bowls, soccer, netball, volleyball and softball ready for 2011. The tennis courts are open again and managed by the Centre. Please come along and bring anyone interested in recreational activities. We are always looking for volunteers, players, coaches, referees professionals and people who want to have fun. Please give us your support and come along to the meeting.

*PS. We are also taking Junior Soccer registrations now for an April start.  
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# Kuranda Pool News

What a crazy start to what was going to be a long term and now we have only nine weeks till the Easter break.

Thank you to the Kuranda Swimming Community for being so understanding in our having to close the pool for 5 days due to the very sad loss of our dear Mother/Mother-in-law/Nanna. With all backup staff away and still recovering from losses from Cyclone Yasi, closing down was an unfortunate situation that could not have been foreseen. Thank you for the many kind thoughts and condolences that we have received.

There are two Student Free days at school (4th March & 15th April) this term – we still conduct classes on these days. **Kuranda District State College will have their swimming carnival on 24th February** – no morning classes on this day but all are welcome to come and watch the school kids participate in their races.

We are looking forward to getting back into the water, and the pool and surrounds held up extremely well during the big blow early last month.

Did anyone see the shade sails that were up briefly and unfortunately removed again due to the cyclone coming? They are blue, yellow and amber and will provide great coverage for our patrons. What had to be taken down in great haste may take a while to go back as the company will now have to re tension and strain the cables to get back to the position they were in. We will push to see this happen soon.



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**W**ITH our first craft morning of the New Year cancelled due to an impending visit from Yasi, the members were back again the following week to enjoy another year of craft and social activities. Keeping in mind the

flood damage down south and Yasi up here in the north, we will be doing our bit to assist with fundraising and also making quilts etc. as donations to those in need.

We would like to thank Kuranda Newspaper for placing our State President's letter about QCWA crisis fund/donations on the front page last month. At present the QCWA is getting between 5 and 10 requests for assistance a day – and the post-cyclone requests have not really started yet. In the (roughly) month from 10th January to 14th February we helped 136 families to the tune of \$67,500. As mentioned before, 100% of all donations through QCWA Crisis Fund are

distributed where needed.

State Office is now receiving requests for aid from people affected by Yasi. So do, where possible, find a bit of cash and help those in need. Having spent a couple of days as a volunteer around Tully, I can assure you that the need is there and also in the little places not mentioned in television reports – Flying Fish Point, Silkwood, Mena Creek and East Palmerston for instance.



*CWA Project Team*

On a lighter note, our long-time member, Emily Matsen, was presented with her QCWA 50 year membership badge at the Far Northern Division Executive Meeting in December. Joining the Association in Proserpine, Emily is a valued member and friend in our CWA family.

**Garage Sale:** the next garage sale will be held on Saturday, April 9. Our hall will be open at 8am for those wishing to have a table. Please contact 4093 7016 for bookings.

**Craft:** February lesson day was devoted to learning the correct way to do "Australian Cross-stitch" or as it is also called – "Gingham Embroidery". Everyone seemed to enjoy the lesson and the ensuing results of their handwork. March lesson on the 23rd will be a "Beaded Ball" suitable for a scissors keeper or key ring. Why not come along and enjoy a day with our friendly crafters. Kits will be available.

Just a reminder about our Division Variety Concert:

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# Inside My Studio

Interview and Photographs  
by Toni Rogers



Many artists change course during their lives but the personal style, and precision of their work, still shows through in the new direction. Kuranda glass artist **Judy Davies** is no exception. Enroute to her 'studio' to talk with Judy about her beads, I passed a tall cabinet filled with the most beautiful porcelain dolls. Each hand-made in 'another life' and each face its own delicate work of art. The embroidered and smocked dresses are worthy of a place in the Victoria and Albert collection. But Judy's talents progressed to hand-made glass beads, equally as beautiful and precise; their creation now well established in her current art practice. On the table lay a handful of wires with variations of blue beads atop, elegant in the extreme, waiting to be removed and polished.

## Where is your current studio?

I work at a large table on the back verandah at my home on the edge of the rainforest in Kuranda.

## Do you work alone or with others?

Usually by myself as my torch is very noisy so it is difficult to hear conversation when the gas is on. Also, if I don't concentrate I am likely to burn myself.

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

Good ventilation and lighting, a gas torch and a work bench, a kiln and lots of colourful glass. I also have a fire extinguisher and Aloe Vera at the ready.

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

During the summer months I can only work in the evenings, if they are cool enough. The winters of North Queensland inspire, motivate and enable me to also work in the daytime. I then make use of every opportunity.

## Describe the works you do in your studio.

I design and create jewellery with glass beads. The process involves melting coloured glass rods over a torch (a hot head torch – naked flame), and winding the molten glass around a steel mandrel to form a bead of varying shapes and sizes. Sometimes I add silver or gold leaf or frit (crushed glass) to the bead for extra effect.

## Why is working with glass your chosen medium?

I love the rainbow colours, the inexhaustible combinations and shapes. It is challenging and ever changing. Further down the track I would like to extend to making free form glass sculptures.

## List three things you listen to while working.

The sound of my torch as it controls the melting process, my son's cockatiel (which has a lot to say, and loudly), and the rainforest birds – when the torch is off.

## Your favourite tool?

There are three. Firstly my marver. (Judy produces a handled graphite paddle, light but well balanced). I use this tool constantly to shape, squash and reshape my bead or to roll them in frit (crushed glass) or metal leaf. Although not perhaps my favourite, but certainly very important, are my torch, which I cannot work without, and my crockpot of vermiculite to slowly cool down the finished bead to avoid cracking.

## How do you identify your work?

I do not mark my beads, although they are very easily recognisable to me. Your hand-made work usually is. I have to rely on identification tags or a card on my finished pieces of jewellery.

## How do you sell your work?

Through galleries and I am a regular at Yungaburra and Tanks Markets. Also by word of mouth, sometimes the best selling point.

## Do you teach or sell from your studio?

No, I don't, for the same reasons as in your second question – the noise and responsibility. Using this equipment can be a dangerous exercise for the uninitiated. However, if I was asked to demonstrate or teach in a suitable and insured venue I would be happy to do so.

## What do you do with your seconds?

I melt them into cabachons for earrings or pendants or I gift them.

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

I am a volunteer at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative gallery and at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

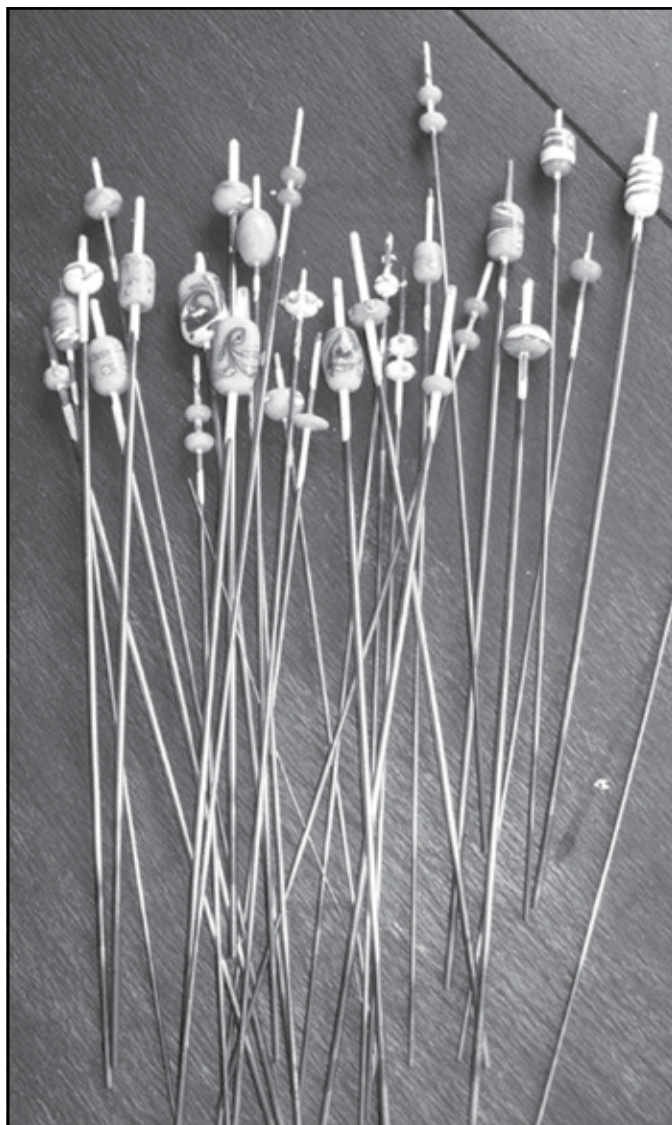
## If you could change one thing about your studio what would that be?

I would love an air conditioned room providing me the ability to create all the year round. A better and quieter torch which runs on propane and oxygen would be great. I would be able to hear my phone.

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

More than likely pottery. Certainly something hands-on with which I could express my emotions. I rather fancy the thought of freelance photography.

Judy Davies' exquisite glass jewellery can be seen at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative gallery in Coondoo Street, Tolga Woodworks and the Hilton Hotel Lobby in Cairns.



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# Book Review

## “In The Tropics: Great Houses Extraordinary Lifestyles”

Eugenie Navarre Cairns, 2010

ISBN 9780 98079 5004

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Eugenie Navarre is a Cairns author and freelance journalist who has written and compiled this new book. It had its launch in December last year. She has developed a great interest in the unique heritage and history to be found in north Queensland and the people that live here. Her first book was on the story of the cane barracks to be found in sugar plantations in the north for housing the cane cutters. This new book explores the houses and lifestyle of some north Queenslanders.

Well illustrated, it tells the tale of the dreams and philosophies of selected people who have chosen to express themselves in unique housing styles, going beyond the imported suburban urban development that reflects southern, quarter-acre preferences.

As Eugenie states, the book is a north Queensland journey to discover unique town and outback dwellings, exotic tropical castles and our grand pioneering past. It is most often a story of uniqueness, of the unusual, of the unconventional, as owners and builders have sought to architecturally express themselves in new ways while still trying to do so within the constraints of narrow building regulations and the need for comfort (and in a few cases, perhaps unfortunately, the demands of institutional building financiers such as banks).

Usually the stories in this book reflect a quest for that which is appropriate and comfortable to meet the tropical conditions encountered. They also often reflect the use of locally available materials, such as rocks and local timber. For example, there is one entry of an earth-covered house.

This is not to say that the chosen dwellings do not display outside influences. The designs chosen sometimes incorporate such influences as the typical elevated Queenslander, tin mining cottages, left-overs from the war and the pastoralist homestead with wide-verandahs. But there are also some overseas influences evident, from castles and Bavarian houses to art deco, domes and Balinese styles.

Diversity is apparent, which with adaption, proclaims that individuality is the key. It says something about north Queenslanders, particularly for those living outside the cities; they are not entirely like their southern cousins. They tend to be more individualistic, more self-sufficient, more aware of their environment, less conventional, perhaps even more creative.

There is one entry in the book for Kuranda, being the home of Ulrike and Roger Quinn. Other localities covered include Atherton, Ravenshoe, Tolga, Chillagoe, Babinda, Herberton, Mossman, Malanda, Yungaburra, Mareeba, Rocky Creek, Mt Garnet, Daintree, Georgetown, Innisfail, Charters Towers and Karnak. Some homes are those of famous people such as Xavier Herbert and Diane Cilento. Some of the homes are of outstanding design, others are typical of a period past. Most are still lived in, in some cases by senior citizens who were pioneers themselves. All the entries tell a story.

Dr Jan Wegner, a James Cook University lecturer with an interest in heritage matters, and who has a particular interest in the Kuranda area, writes of the innovative nature of northern builders from the 19th century onwards. They built for the climate. But she notes that from the 1970s, southern styles of housing were dumped on northerners with no concessions for climate.

Fortunately there are still enough examples of earlier housing styles, and innovation has not entirely disappeared. Commenting on this in the Foreword, Dr Stephen Naylor, a James Cook University lecturer, states that the challenge is to reflect upon the rapid development over the last 30 years and to recognize the impact of alien architecture inappropriate to the northern conditions.

This is a book for those looking for building ideas, for those interested in northern history and heritage, for those interested in tropical adaptation and for those who are interested generally in northern issues and its ways of life.

**Graham Nicholson**

*Hidden Words Bookshop, Kuranda,*

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A minister decided that a visual demonstration would add emphasis to his Sunday sermon. Four worms were placed into four separate jars. The first worm was put into a container of alcohol. The second worm was put into a container of cigarette smoke. The third worm was put into a container of chocolate syrup. The fourth worm was put into a container of good clean soil.

At the conclusion of the sermon, the Minister reported the following results:

The first worm in alcohol – Dead

The second worm in cigarette smoke – Dead

Third worm in chocolate syrup – Dead

Fourth worm in good clean soil – Alive.

So the Minister asked the congregation, “What did you learn from this demonstration?”

Maxine was sitting in the back, quickly raised her hand and said, “As long as you drink, smoke and eat chocolate, you won’t have worms!”

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There is a great variety of classical and contemporary jewellery in the Kuranda Arts Co-operative Gallery. Our local jewellery artists include: Kate Prynne, Judy Davies, Klaus Brucksch, Esther Hodi, Toni Rogers, Cathy Harvey, Mollie Bosworth and Jana Iriyadi. Come in and adorn yourself.

## ARTS CO-OPERATIVE AGM

The Kuranda Arts Co-operative AGM was held in January and a new committee was elected:

Mollie Bosworth, Chairperson

Kate Prynne, Secretary

Cathy Harvey, Treasurer

In the unofficial positions; Toni Rogers will be continuing with publicity, Margaret Genever with exhibitions, Terry Eager as technical and accounting advisor and Jana Iriyadi as gallery display coordinator.

The Arts Co-op is managed and operated by local artists and craftspeople. It is a self help organisation where the emphasis is on professional development of its artists. Visitors to the gallery are able to meet the artists personally. Excellent service and written information on the artists and artworks is available. The Arts Co-operative provides training support and encouragement for artists and art activities in our community. Through professional development of artists we work towards the sustainable future of our community.



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- **Sport & Recreation** has relocated to Ngoonbi Co-Operative office. Contact details 40 937 177. Dameon Hunter, Kayla Weaver, Jahmarl Miller.
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- **Counselling** is available through this program, should you require personal support please do not hesitate in contacting Rosa on 40 937298. Ngoonbi Society thanks the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre for their support with office space.
- **Youth Night** for 12–17 year olds supporting the Kuranda Seventh Day Adventist Church to run programs on Monday nights from 6.00pm–8.30pm. This has been operating for the past month and is run



by Kelvin Coleman and Volunteers. Ngoonbi provides a bus run for outlying areas.

- **LITERACY & NUMERACY**, by Bryony – FNQ Volunteers Tutors – Basic Computers & Train the Tutor operates out of Ngoonbi Projects office. Classes are held on Tuesday and Fridays from 10.00am–3.00pm. Application forms must be completed and returned to office. This course is available for community members for all skill levels.

Bryony is also a **ZUMBA** instructor and **ZUMBA** is held every Friday at the CWA Hall, Kuranda. Cost \$10 Time: 5.30pm–6.30pm. Bring a towel, water.

- **LIFELINE** Counsellor is available at Ngoonbi on Mondays. Do you need assistance with financial matters? Lifeline to date has been very instrumental in assisting clients in financial matters in and around the community. Ngoonbi thanks Neville and Nicky for the good work done and wish them the best in their new careers.

- **QUEENSLAND TRANSPORT** will visit Ngoonbi office on the 23rd and 24th March 2011. Vehicle Licenses, Learners and License renewal, 18+ Cards. Learners license at 10.00am and 1.00pm both days. Service is available to all residents. Please contact Thea to complete form as required by Qld Transport.
- If you require assistance in obtaining **Birth Certificates, Medicare Cards**, Ngoonbi Society Community Support Workers can assist you.
- Arrangements are being made with Public Trustee, if you are interested in completing your **Will & Testament**.
- If you need to organise a **funeral fund** for self/family please come see Thea to find one that will suit you.
- **FAR NORTH QLD RURAL DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE ASSOC. INC.**

A referral is required from the Kuranda Medical Service, Health Workers, or Community Support to attend these services.

## Services for March are as follow:

1st March 2011 Kuranda: Ngoonbi HACC office, Physiotherapist 8th March 2011 Kuranda: Ngoonbi HACC office, Psychologist 15th March 2011 Kuranda: Ngoonbi HACC office – Diabetes Educator- Wendy Nour.

- **DRIVING LESSONS** can be arranged for those with Learners License. Four places available weekly. Bookings are essential and cost involved.

Should you need to contact Thea Buthmann, email address is as follow: [css@njgoonbi.org.au](mailto:css@njgoonbi.org.au), telephone number is 07 4093 7298.



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# Living in Kuranda

## A reminder about living with cyclones!

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Get ready: [http://www.emergency.qld.gov.au/emq/css/pdf/SES\\_Get\\_Ready\\_Guide%202010.pdf](http://www.emergency.qld.gov.au/emq/css/pdf/SES_Get_Ready_Guide%202010.pdf)  
[http://www.redcross.org.au/ourservices\\_acrossaustralia\\_emergencyservices\\_prepare.htm](http://www.redcross.org.au/ourservices_acrossaustralia_emergencyservices_prepare.htm)

### BEFORE THE CYCLONE SEASON

- <http://www.bom.gov.au/cyclone/about/checklist.shtml>
- Check with your local council ([www.trc.qld.gov.au](http://www.trc.qld.gov.au) **1300 362 242**) or your building control authority to see if your home has been built to cyclone standards.
- Check that the walls, roof and eaves of your home are secure.
- Trim treetops and branches well clear of your home (get council permission).
- Preferably fit shutters, or at least metal screens, to all glass areas.
- Clear your property of loose material that could blow about and cause injury or damage during extreme winds. In case of a storm surge/tide warning, or other flooding, know your nearest safe high ground and the safest access route to it.

Prepare an emergency kit containing:

- A portable battery radio, torch and spare batteries; recharge all batteries;
- Water containers, dried or canned food and a can opener; matches, fuel lamp, portable stove, cooking gear, eating utensils;
- Masking tape for windows and waterproof bags;
- First aid kit and manual, plan for necessary medications including special needs for babies, elderly and pets;
- List of emergency phone numbers on display.

Check neighbours, especially if recent arrivals, to make sure they are prepared.

Check your house and contents insurance, check your car insurance.

Gather together all copies of your personal information including Identity documentation.

### WHEN A CYCLONE WATCH IS ISSUED

#### 36 hours to prepare

<http://www.bom.gov.au/cyclone/index.shtml>

- Re-check your property for any loose material and tie down (or fill with water) all large, relatively light items such as boats and rubbish bins.
- Fill vehicles' fuel tanks.

- Check your emergency kit and fill water containers.
  - Ensure household members know which is the strongest part of the house and what to do in the event of a cyclone warning or an evacuation.
  - Tune to your local radio/TV for further information and warnings. See below.
  - Check that neighbours are aware of the situation and are preparing.
- Tracking a Cyclone** - <http://www.bom.gov.au/cyclone/about/plotting.shtml>  
[http://www.cairns.qld.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/7824/CycloneTrackingMap.pdf](http://www.cairns.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0003/7824/CycloneTrackingMap.pdf)

### WHEN A CYCLONE WARNING IS ISSUED

#### 24 hours to prepare

Depending on official advice provided by your local authorities as the event evolves the following actions may be warranted:

- If requested by local authorities, collect children from school or childcare centre and go home.
- Park vehicles under solid shelter (hand brake on and in gear)
- Put wooden or plastic outdoor furniture in your pool or inside with other loose items.
- Close shutters or board-up or heavily tape all windows. Draw curtains and lock doors.
- **Pack an evacuation kit** of warm clothes, essential medications, baby formula, nappies, valuables, important papers, photos and mementos in waterproof bags to be taken with your emergency kit.
- Large/heavy valuables could be protected in a strong cupboard.
- Remain indoors (with your pets).
- Stay tuned to your local radio/TV for further information. See below.

### ON WARNING OF LOCAL EVACUATION

- Based on predicted wind speeds and storm surge heights, evacuation may be necessary.
- Official advice will be given on local radio/TV regarding safe routes and when to move. See below.
- Wear strong shoes (not thongs) and tough clothing for protection.
- Lock doors; turn off power, gas, and water; take your evacuation and emergency kits.
- If evacuating inland (out of town), take pets and leave early to avoid heavy traffic, flooding and wind hazards.
- If evacuating to a public shelter or higher location, follow police and State/Territory Emergency Services directions.
- If going to a public shelter, take bedding needs and books or games for children.
- Leave pets protected and with food and water. <http://www.trc.qld.gov.au/disaster-management/pets-livestock>.

### WHEN THE CYCLONE STRIKES

- Disconnect all electrical appliances. Listen to your battery radio for updates.
- Stay inside and shelter {well clear of windows} in the strongest part of the building, i.e. cellar, internal hallway or bathroom. Keep evacuation and emergency kits with you.
- If the building starts to break up, protect yourself with mattresses, rugs or blankets under a strong table or bench or hold onto a solid fixture, e.g. a water pipe.
- Beware the calm 'eye'. If the wind drops, don't assume the cyclone is over; violent winds will soon resume from another direction.
- Wait for the official 'all clear'.
- If driving, stop (handbrake on and in gear) – but well away from the sea and clear of trees, power lines and streams. Stay in the vehicle.

### AFTER THE CYCLONE

- Don't go outside until officially advised it is safe.
- Listen to local radio for official warnings and advice.
- Check for gas leaks.
- Don't use electric appliances if wet.
- If you have to evacuate, or did so earlier, don't return until advised.
- Use a recommended route and don't rush.
- Beware of damaged power lines, bridges, buildings, trees, and don't enter floodwaters.
- Heed all warnings and don't go sightseeing.
- Check/help neighbours instead.
- Don't make unnecessary telephone calls.

**Bureau of Meteorology** – [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au)

Cyclone Advises (Watch/Warning):

QLD: 1300 659 212 Automated Telephone Messages

**SES - State Emergency Services 132 500** 24hrs service  
Police Ambulance Fire - Life threatening emergencies - **000**

Ergon Energy: **13 22 96**  
Road Closures: **1300 130 595**  
Coastguard Cairns **4051.2192**  
Coastguard Innisfail **4063.2396**  
Coastguard Pt Douglas **4099.5392**  
FNQ Wildlife Rescue **4053.4467**  
RSPCA **1300 264 625**

### Radio Stations

ABC Cairns 801AM, 106.7FM & 95.5FM

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|-------|----------|-------|---------------|
| 87.6  | XFM      | 89.1  | 4CCR          |
| 98.7  | FM       | 99.5  | SEA FM        |
| 101.9 | Coast FM | 102.7 | 4CA FM        |
| 103.5 | HOT FM   | 106.7 | ABC Far North |
| 107.5 | Triple J |       |               |

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After January's flood disaster devastated ¾ of Queensland, it spread to New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia causing billions of dollars in damage. On 5 February dramatic bushfires occurred in Western Australia with virtually no warning.

For Cyclones, we do get warnings and we can be prepared. If you are overwhelmed by all this and need help to organise and plan, email: [Kuranda\\_cares@peacemail.com](mailto:Kuranda_cares@peacemail.com)

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## What have we learned in 2,064 years?

"The budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled, public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled, and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed lest Rome become bankrupt. People must again learn to work, instead of living on public assistance."  
Evidently nothing.

— Cicero - 55 BC

## THE HEALTHY KURANDA-ITE

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## Oils ain't Oils...

A bit of a confusing topic... buying the right cooking oil is almost like choosing a bottle of good wine, it pays to look and choose very carefully!

GOOD OILS are those that contain 'essential fatty acids' (EFAs). In my opinion this is one of the most important supplements for health and beauty because the little membrane that surrounds and protects each cell in our body is made of EFAs.

If our cell membranes break down or weaken, it can result in chronic inflammation, degeneration and ageing of cells.

EFAs are not made by our bodies, so we have to get them from food. There are two kinds – the Omega 6 and Omega 3 fatty acids.

They are both extremely important for Inflammation, Hormones, Cholesterol, Skin, Hair and Nails, Circulation and the Heart!

The main problem we have in our modern diet is that we automatically consume a great deal of Omega 6 foods, but not enough of the Omega 3s.

Omega 6 is found in almost all vegetable oils and seeds, nuts, eggs, meat, cereals, whole grain bread and more.

Omega 3 is found mainly in the humble Walnut, Flaxseed oil and Fish like mackerel, sardines, tuna, salmon (Eskimos don't suffer from heart disease!).

The normal western diet has a ratio of about 20:1 for the Omega 6 to the Omega 3, whereas the healthy balance is supposed to be about 4:1. Studies show that this imbalance can cause disease.

What about the BAD fats and oils? Of course there are the saturated fats that we all know about, like fatty meat, full cream dairy, butter, fried foods etc. It pays to reduce those to be healthy and slim, but there is another kind of really bad fats called 'Trans Fatty Acids'.

The bulk of them are found in margarine, shortening and processed foods and oils used for cooking in the Fast Food Industry – nicely hidden in yummy cakes and biscuits! Also, watch for the words 'hydrogenated vegetable oil' – it means the oil has been made solid, which increases the shelf life, but in the process has become toxic to us.

So, what to do? Buy yourself a bottle of Flaxseed Oil from the health food store (it doesn't have to replace your bottle of 'Red'!). It has the highest amount of Omega 3 fatty acids (needs to be kept in the fridge), take a spoonful every day or use in salads. Alternatively take a couple of good fish oil capsules a day.

Use Virgin Olive Oil as your main cooking oil, it has the most Omega 3 and least Omega 6 and is high in mono unsaturated fatty acid (doesn't get rancid very easily). Our humble Macadamia Nut also produces excellent oil and can be used alongside in your kitchen (available at the old Kuranda Markets or Woollies). Replace them for the Canola, Sunflower, Safflower or Soya Oils and Margarine. Don't forget to eat Walnuts!

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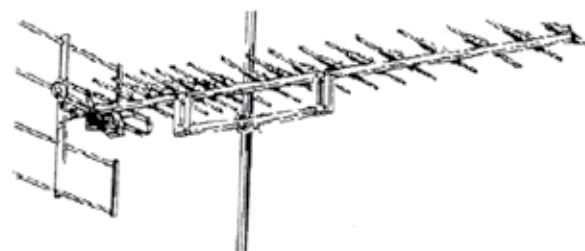
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# A View from the Past – Emily Matsen

**EMILY MATSEN** of Myola has had connections with Kuranda for about 60 years and is this month's profile. She has not only observed the many changes to the Village and the Region in that period, but has also significantly contributed to the life of the local community. It makes her an excellent subject of a profile.

Born in 1924 in central Queensland, the daughter of a cane farmer, she went to primary school at Foxtail, Proserpine and then Blackheath College in Charters Towers to junior level. She had an early involvement with arts and crafts and remembers going to the local show with her father, the head steward, in a horse and buggy. She worked with a local solicitor until employed at a local bank (another bank declined to employ her on a policy of no women employees).

She married in 1947 to a local cane farmer Roy Matsen who worked a property with a brother. The farm was too small for two families, so her husband bought a run-down farm on his own further out of town. It was very hard work and initially they had no vehicle. They were typical of the early hard-working people that developed the north. It was in this period that Emily joined the local CWA for the first time and became quite active. They also had a daughter during this period. Their first contact with Kuranda was during a holiday up on the Tablelands at a time when the high level Barron River bridge was being built.

Roy had some illness so they decided to sell up in Proserpine and move to Kuranda, which they particularly liked. They purchased several hundred acres in Myola with an old elevated house on it and moved up in 1967 to live. Roy ran cattle. Unfortunately he passed away after some time in Kuranda.

Kuranda Village at that time was only a small place, but Emily remembers that the people were very friendly and helpful. The train was the main mode of transport to Cairns, although the Range Road was not too bad. She recalls a grocer shop, butcher, service station, two official pubs, post office, the old primary school and a police station with one officer. There were no doctors to begin with. The chemist had a business in Cairns but you could leave your prescription at his house. She thinks there were local movies. There were no arts and craft shops or cafes at that



time although a few tourists used to come up. She recalls many Aboriginal people living a more traditional life in the region, although when the Mona Mona Mission closed some were moved to Palm Island.

Emily particularly remembers the late Mrs Grace Veivers, known as "Aunty Grace", who was extremely friendly and was instrumental in getting Emily involved in the local CWA. So continued Emily's long association with that organisation, both in an official capacity (variously Treasurer and President at different times) and in many of its activities. She has won many prizes for her arts and crafts and received various awards. And not so long ago, she was awarded the 50 year membership pin.

Although originally attending the Presbyterian Church, in Kuranda she joined the Anglican Church. With the arrival of Father Chris Wright, she became a member of the new Church Committee and has been Treasurer ever since. She is still closely involved with the Church and supports the Welcome Pocket development, for which she says there is an

urgent need.

Emily recalls the arrival of the hippies to Kuranda, the start of the local markets and the beginning of local ashrams and communes. She was a bit shocked initially by their dress and way of life and did not have a lot to do with them, but accepted that they were all children of God. Kuranda began to change with them. More tourists came to the Village and new businesses started.

Emily now lives in a ground level house, built after Roy passed away, on her property in Myola and close to her daughter. She has two grandchildren. She no longer drives a vehicle so is not so active. She is a quietly spoken lady, sincere and friendly. A person of strong but simple Christian beliefs, she regards all people as God's children even though very different. Her faith assures her of a spiritual life after death and she is content with the Divine will.

Thank you for the privilege of interviewing you Emily.

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## NEWS from your COUNCIL



### Tablelands 10-YEAR COMMUNITY PLAN

**GET INVOLVED AND HAVE YOUR SAY!**

**T**ablelanders are being given a chance to have a say in their region's future, with Tablands Regional Council urging all to take part in the development of the 10-year Community Plan.

The plan will set out the aspirations, ideas and concerns of the community and will set out the priorities for the long-term progress of the region in the areas of social, economic, environment, and governance.

It will also guide future Council budgets and planning activities. Over the next 12 months, Council will be offering many opportunities for residents and stakeholders across the region to have their say.

In 2010, Council held 22 events to provide opportunities for people to have a say about the most important issues facing their town and district for the next 10 years. In the five larger towns/districts, 32% or 1489 people out of a total population of 4616 aged 18 years or over participated in one or more of the events. In some of the towns, up to 42% of people aged 18 years or over participated. The **table (above)** shows what these people had to say about the most important issues in their towns.

This year, 49 more community plan events will be held to provide opportunities for residents to have a say about the future of their towns and districts and the region as a whole.

**For information on the Tablelands Community Plan, contact Glenys Pilat on 4043 4110 or Joy Wii on 4043 4115.**

| Town/district                 | Most important issue or community aspiration identified by residents   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Walkamin</b>               | Keep the primary school open                                           |
| <b>Irvinebank Watsonville</b> | Restore and develop the Mill and Museum Cultural Precinct Area         |
| <b>Kairi Tinaroo Dam</b>      | Establish safe bike and walking tracks for Kairi and Tinaroo Dam       |
| <b>Mutchilba</b>              | Lack of land for residential subdivision                               |
| <b>Dimbulah</b>               | Establish a fulltime doctor service                                    |
| <b>Millaa Millaa</b>          | Improve the road infrastructure (eg. maintenance, signage and safety)  |
| <b>Herberton</b>              | More accommodation and support services for elderly residents required |
| <b>Yungaburra</b>             | Maintain village theme of Yungaburra                                   |
| <b>Mt Molloy</b>              | Improved phone, internet and TV reception required                     |
| <b>Julatten</b>               | Improved phone, internet and TV reception required                     |

#### KOAH

**Tuesday 1 March 6pm-9pm** at Koah Hall – **Community Planning Workshop** to identify and prioritise important issues for Koah, develop vision statement and strategies to achieve priority community aspirations.

#### BIBOOHRA

**Wednesday 9 March 5.30pm-8.30pm** at Biboohra State Primary School Library – **Community Planning Workshop.**

#### MT GARNET

**Tuesday 15 March 10.30am - 2.30pm** at Mt Garnet Town Hall – **Mt Garnet Planning Workshop for Indigenous residents.**

**Tuesday 29 March 10.30am - 2.30pm** at Mt Garnet Town Hall – **Community Planning Workshop.**

#### SPEEWAH

**Wednesday 23 March 6pm-9pm** at Speewah Rural Fire Shed – **Community Planning Workshop.**

#### MALANDA

**Thursday 3 March 8.30am-4pm** – **Voting Stall** at Malanda Spa Supermarket.

**Friday 25 March 8.30am-4pm** – **Voting Stall** at Malanda Spa supermarket.

**Commencing early March** – **Indigenous Survey** (closing 25 March) and **Town Survey** (closing 15 April)

#### TOLGA

**Sunday 6 March 8am-12 noon** – **Voting Stall** at Tolga markets.

#### RAVENSHOE

**Friday 11 March 8.30am-4pm** – **Voting Stall** at Ravenshoe supermarket.

**Saturday 19 March 8.30am-12 noon** – **Voting Stall** at Ravenshoe supermarket.

**Commencing early March** – **Indigenous Survey** (closing 1 April) and **Town Survey** (closing 29 April)

#### ATHERTON

**Sunday 13 March 9.30am-2pm** – **Voting Stall** at Atherton IGA.

**Thursday 31 March 8.30am-4pm** – **Voting Stall** at Atherton Woolworths.

**Commencing early March** – **Indigenous Survey** (closing 15 April) and **Town Survey** (closing 27 May)

#### KURANDA

**Commencing early March** – **Indigenous Survey** (closing 3 June) and **Town Survey** (closing 17 June). A Community Planning Workshop will also be held in June.

#### MAREEBA

**Commencing early March** – **Indigenous Survey** (closing 20 May) and **Town Survey** (closing 3 June)

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# KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE



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## Principal's Message



A windy start to the year has not dampened the spirit of the staff and students at Kuranda District State College. We have commenced the year with many programs and strategies designed to raise the standard and deliver excellent outcomes for all students. Obviously we are extremely proud of the OP scores our college achieved in 2010 with students leaving our college with OP 2,3,4,5 or 6. This sets the benchmark and clearly demonstrates the ability of the college to deliver the highest results for our students.

So far this year we have already had 6 students recognised and chosen to participate in the Outstation North project as a result of the certificate courses and the training opportunities available at our college. These six boys Darcy Mont, Lawrence Payne, Jordan Mitchell, Len Donahue, Dakota Stewart and Fred Riley will be taken from school and community for a 5 week training block to work and gain certification in a range of trades and lead directly to employment opportunities. There were only 50 young men chosen from across Australia for this opportunity.

On the sporting field we have already had seven students chosen to represent the college and Kuranda at higher levels. Kesley Richards, Roma Gabrang and Jaymee Wason were chosen in the Peninsula U19 softball team with two others, Tamyra Hunter and Lycia Erwin listed as shadows. Our boys have also stepped up with three chosen to represent the Barron River cluster at the Peninsula trials next Friday. We are proud of our students' achievements and trust their excellent work will continue into the class room.

Our college is continually asking parents and carers to be involved in the everyday operations of the college and again we thank and recognise the work completed by many volunteers. One area all parents can play an important role in the direction of the college is on the P&C committee. At present we are recruiting former and new parents to be involved with the college on this committee. I ask any parent interested in helping or simply coming to listen to all the news to join the P&C. Our AGM is to take place on the 8<sup>th</sup> March on the secondary campus. Please come along at 6.00pm and become involved in the school. Finally we are opening our new buildings with a formal ceremony on the 11<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 am. All parents and community supporters are invited to meet our special guests and share in the celebration.

**Gary Toshach**  
Principal

## 2011 TERM DATES

| <u>Terms</u> | <u>Start date</u><br>( first day of school) | <u>End date</u><br>(last day of school ) | <u>Student Free Day</u> |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Term 1       | 25 January<br>(Monday)                      | 15 April                                 | 4 March (Friday)        |
| Term 2       | 27 April<br>(Monday)                        | 24 June                                  | 15 April (Friday)       |
| Term 3       | 12 July<br>(Tuesday)                        | 16 September                             | 11 July (Monday)        |
| Term 4       | 03 October<br>(Monday)                      | 09 December                              | 17 October (Monday)     |



Pictured: back row Lawrence Payne, Len Donahue. Front row Darcy Mont, Fred Riley, Dakota Stewart and Jordan Mitchell (not pictured) recognised and chosen to participate in the Outstation North project.

## TERM 1 2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| <u>SCHOOL WEEK</u> | <u>DATE</u>           | <u>CLASS</u>  | <u>EVENT</u>                                         |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Week 5             | Wednesday 23 February | Prep -12      | Leaders Induction Ceremony 2pm                       |
|                    | Thursday 24 February  | Year 4-12     | Swimming Carnival                                    |
| Week 6             | Friday 04 March       | Whole College | <b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>                              |
| Week 7             | Monday 07 March       | Year 8        | Vaccinations                                         |
|                    | Friday 11 March       | Whole College | Building Education Revolution (BER) Opening Ceremony |
| Week12             | Friday 15 April       | Whole College | <b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>                              |



Pictured : from left front Jaymee Wason , Kesley Richards and Roma Gabrang chosen for the Peninsula U19 softball team with Lycia Erwin and Tamyra Hunter (pictured far left and back) listed as shadows.







**T**HIS month is all about beginnings (and endings). Why is this so? Well, almost all the planets are cusping between Aquarius and Aries. By this I mean they are leaving, or moving into, Aquarius, Pisces or Aries: that symbolic part of our zodiacal circle which signifies the ending and beginning of our equinox-based relationship with the galaxy.

Let's look closer. In chronological order Venus goes into Aquarius on 2nd March; Mercury enters Aries on the 10th; Uranus into Aries on the 12th; the Sun into Aries for the equinox, the beginning of our annual cycle, on the 21st; Venus into Pisces on the 27th; Mars is now moving through the last degree of Pisces and Neptune is at the very last few minutes of the last degree in Aquarius, about to return home to Pisces and start another 160 year cycle.

To counterbalance all this Saturn sits squarely retrograde in the middle of Libra, where it is a very solid foundation. So: whatever is earthed, balanced and rock-solid will hold the anchor point while everything else shifts.

To get some practical value out of this time of massive change we might look at how the energy of these shifts could best be personalised:

2nd March, Venus into Aquarius, unusual and unexpected love-meetings; sudden changes in relationships and inspired artistic and creative flashes.

10th March, Mercury into Aries: new ideas and the courage to express them; aggressive communication and pioneering new ways of learning, teaching and communication.

12th March, Uranus into Aries: big, very big. The third and final pass of Uranus over the zero Aries point, nine months in gestation and now birthing a true Aquarius consciousness: enlightened, expanded and resolving the paradox of duality: oneness and separatedness.

21st March equinox, Sun into Aries: joining with Uranus as we synchronise Earth's one year orbit with the Uranus 84 year orbit right on the alpha point. Now it begins, begin it now.

27th March, Venus into Pisces: where she is exalted. The celebration of love; total, unconditional and beautiful. Love is beauty is truth.

Neptune into Pisces and Mars goes into Aries: both coming home. Home is the poet, home to gentle peace and the warrior returns to the quest.

What will you end and begin this month? And how does this serve?



**Rob Hart**

Paddy was a youthful and hard working Irishman at a coastal village in Ireland. Daily he would pole a heavy old punt out to sea then work a heavy iron grapple to bring up the sand oysters which he sold to the local ice works.

He was a man of regular habits. He always arrived home each day at a certain time. Sadly, Paddy did not realise the heavy grappling was taking a toll on a faulty heart.

One day he failed to come home so his wife contacted the Police to investigate him being missing. They rowed out and found Paddy dead in the punt; beside him a huge grapple full of oysters he'd tried to hoist aboard.

Headlines next day in the *Irish Times* newspaper said:  
OYSTERS KILL PATRICK !!!!

# Kuranda SES News

Welcome back everyone; I apologise for missing last month's paper. Very busy, I'm afraid.

Well we have a lot to report on this month and a huge lot of people to thank.

Firstly I would like to thank all the people involved with Operation Rudolph. Thanks to the generosity of the people, and businesses of Kuranda, Speewah and Koah we had a fantastic day. Because of this generosity we were able to cover a larger area than before, and the smile on the children's faces were fantastic to see. Due to a few concerns, we added potato chips and health bars to our assortment of lollies.

Thank-you must go to Chris and Andrea O'Brien and their lovely family for their most generous donation, also to Foodworks, QCWA, Speewah Community, Jenny Jenson, Down & Dirty Quads Bikes, Speewah Hotel, Koah Mobil, Kuranda News & Pharmacy, Coffee Republic, Emu Ridge Gallery, Honey House staff, Lisa Simsons, Petite Café, Three Crows, Dragon Fire, Easy Rider, Kebabs, Chez Louise, Serendiba, Bico, Stillwater Workshop, German Tucker, Peter Jarvier gallery staff, Debbie Isgar, Aboriginal Art, Opals from the Earth, Jax, Kath, Marion and another host of people who gave money when they were asked by our members. Also a big thanks to Steve Deprada from the Speewah volunteers fire fighters for helping raise money for this event.

Thanks to the Fire brigades, Ambulance, and Police for their noisy sirens (and Lucy with the door bell), which brought every one of all ages out of their homes to watch the convoy.

Next, I would like to thank all the volunteers and their families for the time they give generously, and to their families who had me ring their homes at early morning hours.

With all the flooding disasters in Queensland we were initially unable to send volunteers but in the following days two of our members, Josh Warrington and Brian Parker went down to help with the clean up at Rockhampton. Our thoughts are with all of those who have lost everything in the southern regions.

Our members have been kept busy though with a few call outs in Jan, two homes with trees down, one landed on top of a ute and the other went through the roof of a house.

We had members go to Mareeba to search for the young German back packer who went missing at Granite Gorge and sadly lost her life.

In February, due to Cyclone Yasi we had several callouts. Thank you to the people who came to the unit to let us know of the jobs as our phones were also down. Several trees down across driveways and a few on top of the homes themselves for which we needed a crane to help us.

A big thank-you to Jul's Lawncare and Speewah Volunteer Firefighters who came to the unit to offer assistance



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and boy did we need them. Jul's and staff did quite a bit of work for us all for a big thank-you and nothing more. A team of us then went down to assist Holloway's Beach SES, some big jobs down there, with skylights off and trees down. The Speewah Volunteer Firefighters – (Steve & Tim) then went down to Innisfail and helped out the SES down there, for a helpful nine days.

Thank-you to all the Kuranda, Speewah people who came and offered their assistance.

On our training: Lucy and Rob Johns are now sporting the Orange colours and congratulations to Greg Sutton who passed the Heights and Safety course.

With all the disasters around it is high time that we set up an Emergency plan for our area. I would appreciate any businesses or persons that could give us assistance, to contact me so that I can enter all the information onto our emergency boards at the SES unit. A business car would be greatly appreciated. Our region covers a large area taking in Koah, Speewah and Kuranda.

Also on this note, we are always after more members, our unit can never be too large, so please think about it. We meet every Tuesday night 7.30pm at our unit in Fallon Road, next to the Ambulance station. Please come along and see us, we are a very friendly bunch.

Also congratulations to the new Foodworks store, looks great guys, well done.

Thank you all and I will see you next month.

**Carolyn Day**

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Professionals Kuranda would like to wish Chrissy Thompson all the best in her new position at the Library. We will all miss you...  
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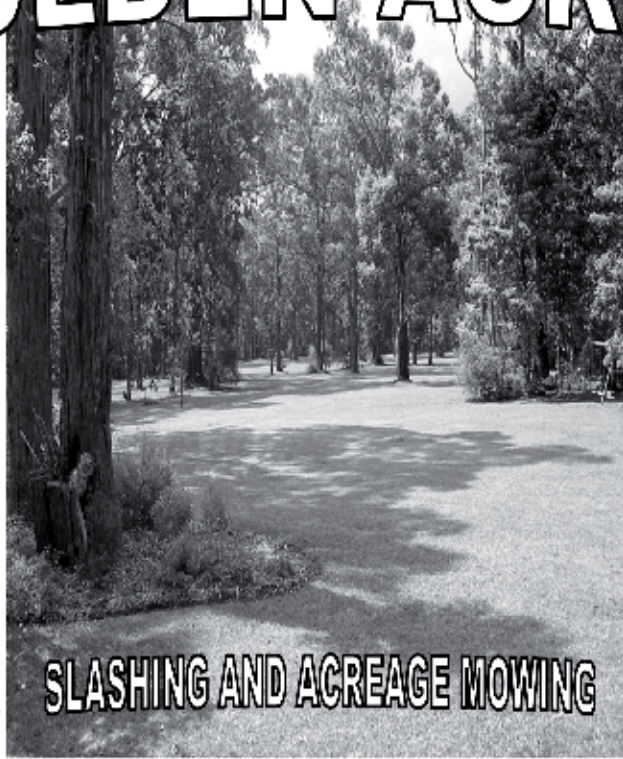
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# Are you prepared?

by **Kim Stedman**

With the La Nina weather pattern upon us, Queensland has experienced its worst flooding and largest cyclone ever recorded. This arouses a very important question: 'Are you ready?' Many of us ensure there is ample food stocked in the cupboards and candles/torches ready but have you considered the other issues we may be faced with should such an event occur.

Do you know how to maintain your common health ailments, should you have restricted access to medical advice or resources? Many of us have a first aid kit with

bandages, tweezers, scissors, slings and band-aids.. but is this enough?

Here are a few extra ideas which may come in handy should such a tragedy occur, to help save you and your family from avoidable health issues.

**Water:** Should our water supply become compromised or unavailable then we may need to cleanse an alternate water supply.

1. Iodine: Drops placed into the water for emergency disinfection. NB not recommended for those suffering from hyperthyroidism.
2. Grapefruit seed: Works similar to iodine however can also be used externally for skin conditions as well as ear-aches and internally for infections.

The following recommendations are homeopathics, bush flower essences and tissue salts which are safe for the whole family including the pets unless otherwise stated.

Ailments with their relevant cures include:

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It is important to seek medical advice where possible especially regarding underlying issues or chronic conditions.

There are also a variety of other natural first aid kits available such as birthing kit, travellers kits, home and office kits.

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"Put out into the deep water and let down your nets". Simon is nonplussed. They have just had a frustrating night: they didn't catch a thing. However, Simon pulls out into the lake, probably expecting to say "I told you so." What happens shakes him to the depths of his being. They are inundated with fish; so much so that they have to yell for help?

What would it mean for you and for me for Jesus to say to us "Put out into the deep and let down your nets?" He might be saying that he wants us to invest ourselves in areas where we are holding back. He might be saying that he wants us to invest more, risk more, contribute more to our marriage, or our job, or our children or our own spiritual journey. He might be suggesting that if we don't expect more we will certainly not find more!

Simon responds to the great catch by feeling unworthy. He has done nothing to deserve it. But, come to think of it, when we look at the various blessings we have been given, can we really say that we deserve them? If there is any truth in that thought, then perhaps it is time for us to bow down to Jesus and acknowledge our unworthiness, as Peter did. Our Lord's great generosity and love toward us will fill us with a sense of gratitude, and will give us a sense of great joy. I know that this may sound too simple, yet the good news of Christ is essentially simple! Jesus said that unless we can be childlike, which surely includes simplicity; we can't even see his kingdom.

If Jesus said to his disciples "You will be catching men," and if we claim to be his disciples today, what can this promise mean for us? It will mean different things for each of us. But surely it means for all of us that we find some way of communicating to others that faith in Jesus Christ is an important factor in our lives. After all, if you or I discovered something of immense help to us, wouldn't we share it with others for whom we care? If Jesus used Simon's boat, what ordinary and taken-for granted elements of our lives could he use?



## Thought of the month from the Baha'i Faith

*"Religion is the outer expression of the divine reality. Therefore it must be living, vitalized, moving and progressive. If it be without motion and non-progressive it is without the divine life; it is dead. The divine institutes are continuously active and evolutionary; therefore the revelation of them must be progressive and continuous. All things are subject to re-formation... Shall man gifted with the power of reason unthinkingly follow and adhere to dogma, creeds and hereditary beliefs which will not bear the analysis of reason in this century of effulgent reality?"*

( Baha'i World Faith, p. 224)

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## Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother

*The original purpose of Stonehenge was to be the setting for the very first game of "Who Wants to be a Millionaire."*

*If they name a cyclone after you, you have to pay for all the damage it causes.*





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## Blowin' in the wind.

Our February meeting was scheduled for the same time Yasi was threatening to blow in, so we put it off till 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Hopefully the weather will be calmer but who knows.

### ON THE AGENDA for 2011:

- \* Interest is building over development of a project to create a walking, horse trail and cycle track (non motorised) from Boyles Road to Koah. It'll be for us locals but has the potential to be a draw card for tourists who want to enjoy this experience. Local landholders at the end of Boyles Road have expressed interest in where the track will leave Boyles Road and veer off towards Koah.
- \* There is also considerable enthusiasm over promoting Kuranda for products that are "unique" or "pure" to Kuranda and only available here. This is going to be a particular and positive focus for ADVANCE KURANDA this year. We'll try to bring together groundwork done in the past by the likes of Melissa Clinton, Anja Bakker, Kathryn Edwards and others.
- \* Other matters pertinent to the village include the availability of promotional maps, slow clean-up after Yasi and seeking changes to train times to increase visitor hours in Kuranda.

### NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 4pm at Nevermind Café, Heritage Markets  
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On behalf of the Kuranda Community I'd like to thank Maddie for all her enthusiasm and innovative ideas, and for making everyone feel special and welcome to the library.

We'll miss her entertaining contributions to the paper too!  
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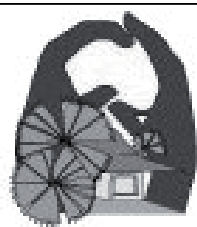
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**"Electric Ants in Kuranda"**

You may have heard about the Electric Ants infestation discovered in Kuranda over Xmas. All the Kuranda nurseries, including the Envirocare nursery, have been cleared of harbouring these ants. This was a major concern for us as Kullaroo Close, Kuranda and Monaro Close in Myola both have established infestations.

Reddish in colour and small like the little sugar ants you get inside, **but very slow moving**. Unlike other ants which appear to be on fast forward, especially when disturbed, these ants are the "turtles" of the ant world.

For the environmental risk they pose and to learn more about them, see the feature article in this edition of the Kuranda paper.

**"CYCLONE YASI - Cassowary Survival Appeal"**

Thanks to our volunteers not one plant was damaged in the minor impact sustained in Kuranda. All the plants were taken off the racks and placed on the ground, no doubt protecting them from foliage damage.

The social and environmental impact further south of us is immense. In 2006 in the aftermath of Cyclone Larry, a large percentage of the Mission Beach Cassowaries died of starvation, were killed by vehicles or attacked by dogs as they came to search for food.

Cyclone Yasi, has had an even worse effect, if that's possible. For the first week or so, Cassowaries were able to eat fallen fruit on the rainforest floor. Now that's run out, there will be no falling food for the Cassowary until the rainforest recovers, which could take

18 months or more. Feeding stations have been set up and aerial food drops started. This will be a huge ongoing effort for some staff and many volunteers in the area.

With government funds stretched, private donations are needed to support this feeding program, literally for cassowary survival.

To make a donation, refer to website :  
<http://www.rainforestrescue.org.au/ourprojects/save-a-rainforest-mission-beach.html>

If you'd like to help with cutting up fruit in Innisfail, for these feeding stations, please contact

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*Residents are welcome to contact me in regards these or any other matters. Your opinions are always welcome.*

**Yasi:** We are all so fortunate to have “dodged” Yasi and thankfully our beautiful area has come through relatively unscathed. Thanks to our local emergency volunteers and the SES (more members are always needed!) for all their help. Our southern neighbours have sadly borne the brunt of the cyclone damage and the Tablelands Council has been assisting in the Cassowary Coast area with vehicles and staff to support both the initial response and the continuing recovery efforts. Some parts of the TRC area were also quite badly affected and Council workers who have been helping in those areas. Council is conducting a full review of Disaster Management. Many things worked well, but there are some areas for improvement. I know that there was great confusion in the Kuranda area regarding Evacuation Centres and I have made sure that the concerns of Kuranda residents will be discussed in the Review. Council has also established a great Facebook page for disaster events, so use this communication if you can. Donations to the Disaster Relief Fund can still be made.

**Community Planning Meetings in Speewah and Koah:** Consultation for Council's new 10 Year Community Plan (a requirement of all Councils to guide Council plans and budgets over the next 10 years) is coming soon. You really need to have a say on this as it includes all issues that affect you. (whatever they may be.. roads, housing, services, communications, environment, planning issues etc etc) Really important to add your input via the Facebook page and/or attend the meeting in your area. You will see signs up soon, plus notices in your mailbox. Dates as follows: Koah: March 1<sup>st</sup>, at the Koah Hall, Speewah: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Rural Fire Shed at Ros Common, Kuranda Indigenous community: June 16<sup>th</sup>, Kuranda area: June 28<sup>th</sup>

**Kuranda Parking and Traffic Review:** Many people have raised concerns about parking and traffic movement in the Kuranda Village; some of you have received parking tickets; many of you get frustrated at the lack of parking near the Post Office; pedestrian safety issues are common. Council has funds in the Kuranda Parking Reserve and has now agreed to undertake a parking and traffic study to work out some solutions and plan for improvements. In the meantime, parking regulations do still apply, so be careful where you park and for how long.

**Kuranda Infrastructure Plan:** If anyone is interested in reading the report on the \$6m Kuranda Infrastructure Plan, you can download/read it at: <http://www.trc.qld.gov.au/my-community/kuranda-community>. The 10 Year Plan maps out how the

Kuranda Infrastructure Funds will be allocated. Projects include upgrade to the Visitors Centre, Development of the Riverwalk, an Indigenous Tourism precinct and upgrades to the Amphitheatre. These projects are planned over 10 years, so it will take some time. The funding also depends on visitor numbers to the Village, so the costings are estimates only.

**Speewah Digital Television Switchover:** Along with the Speewah Residents Association, I have been working towards a solution for Speewah residents to manage the switchover to Digital Television later this year. Council has agreed to upgrade the Re-Transmission site at Speewah so that residents will be able to access digital services. The next Residents Association Meeting (April 4<sup>th</sup>) will be able to provide more information or you can contact either Bob Madden or me for more details. The Manager of Telstra Countrywide has also agreed to come to that meeting to discuss mobile reception in Speewah.

**Speewah Road upgrade:** Good News. After some funding glitches, funding is now confirmed for the upgrade to Speewah Road. I am very hopeful that this work will be undertaken before the end of the financial year.

**Kuranda Library new appointment:** Welcome to Ann Thompson who has been appointed as the new Coordinator at the Kuranda Library. Ann will join Roz at the Library very soon.

**Optus Telecommunications Facility at Koah:** Council has approved an application from Optus to construct a telecommunications tower at Koah.

**RLCIP Projects:** Round 3 of the Commonwealth funds for Community Infrastructure have been received by Council. The projects in this round include development of a playground at Kowrowa, (with walking access on Myola Rd) as well as safety compliance work at Block C at the Kuranda Community Precinct. These projects follow Round 2 projects at Ros Common at Speewah.

**Closure Barang Street:** Unfortunately Barang St has had to be closed while repair works are carried to a collapse in the road surface and drainage. It should reopen soon.

**Water Main Cleaning Program in Kuranda:** As a part of the regular maintenance program on water supplies, the water mains cleaning (air scouring) will be carried out in Kuranda between March 7<sup>th</sup> and March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Extension to Kuranda Visitors Centre:** As a part of the Kuranda Infrastructure funding program, the Kuranda Visitors Centre will be extended. The current

Centre is very small in area and the extension will enable visitors and volunteer staff a little more room, plus the opportunity to develop an interpretative area for visitors. The building plans will be developed over coming months and works will probably commence next year.

**International Women's Day March 8<sup>th</sup>:** March 8<sup>th</sup> is International Women's Day and this year is the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the celebration. The TRC hosts a function each year to celebrate the event and this year the function will be in Kuranda! So ladies (and gents) please come along. Details will be advertised.

**Community Consultation for Kuranda Community Precinct:** Council has now approved funding for an independent Consultant to do a consultation throughout the Kuranda community about the old school site. The new name for this area is the **Kuranda Community Precinct**. Council received 9 applications from Consultancy firms and have appointed the firm Engagement Plus. The firm is Brisbane based, with an excellent record in community consultation and sound methodology. The Consultants will start work soon and the consultation is expected to take place during March/ April / May). A wide range of consultation methods will be used, so that everyone can have their say. There will be lots of info coming out soon. Yes, this costs money, but it is very important that we get a clear picture of all the different views about this. Also important that we have an independent consultant. I am very confident that the independent consultation will draw together all the different viewpoints in the community and that we will end up with a clear view of what this community wants and needs and what is realistically possible.

**Kuranda Office:** The small office in Rob Veivers Drive has now closed. My office is now housed in the Kuranda Community Precinct (Block C at the old school), however there is no public access yet until the fire safety and compliance work is completed (early 2011). In the interim, I will still be available to meet with residents/ groups at the Kuranda Library (not when the Library is open) and I am always available by phone or email.

**Council Meetings:** Council Meetings in March will be held on Wednesday March 2nd in Mareeba and Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup> in Atherton. Anyone can attend. Requests to address Council can be made by contacting the Mayor's Office.

**Councillor Contact Details:** Ph: 0417 002 046 or 4093 8601 or 40938466 (all numbers have voicemail; please wait for the message) Email: [jennyj@trc.qld.gov.au](mailto:jennyj@trc.qld.gov.au) Also check out Face book page for updates.



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## Cyclone Yasi

I would like to commend all Kuranda residents for the way they prepared for Cyclone Yasi. I would also like to thank all those residents who shouldered additional responsibilities during this crisis either as part of their jobs or as a volunteer. As a community, I think we have responded magnificently to this disaster. I have documented my experience of Yasi in a diary available on my website [www.stevewettenhall.com.au](http://www.stevewettenhall.com.au).

## Tourism

In the wake of the floods and cyclones, I have focused on working with the tourism industry to make sure government fully understands their concerns and supports the industry recover as best we can. An additional \$10Million for marketing Tourism in Queensland to help the industry recover after the disasters has already been announced by Premier Bligh and Prime Minister Gillard.

## Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has raised funds or contributed to the Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal. Appeal funds will now be available to victims of Cyclone Yasi so it's really important donations continue. People who have lost so much need our help. You can donate online at the Queensland Government website [www.qld.gov.au/floods](http://www.qld.gov.au/floods).

## Insurance

This wet season has been particularly severe and with two months of cyclone season and wet weather to come, now is the time to check your insurance is up to date and that you understand what is covered by your policy. All insurance policies are different. Although storm or rain damage is covered in almost all home and contents insurance policies, some home and contents policies specifically exclude floods. Also, the definition of flood varies considerably from insurer to insurer. If you are in doubt about your coverage, get advice. If you have made a claim but you feel you have been treated

unfairly you can appeal with the insurance company, take your claim to the Financial Ombudsman Service or seek legal advice.

## Dengue

High rainfall this season with more to come creates the ideal conditions for dengue mosquitoes to breed. Please remember to take precautions such as wearing insect repellent and reduce breeding sites that hold freshwater such as buckets, old tyres, tarpaulins and black plastic, pot plant bases, vases, boats, tin cans and plastic containers, roof guttering, rainwater tanks with damaged or missing screens, birdbaths, drain sumps, fallen palm fronds and coconut shells.

## Are you a volunteer?

We have seen the floods and cyclones bring out armies of volunteers so now is a good time to make volunteering a permanent part of life and lend a helping hand in 2011. To get involved in volunteering visit [www.fnqvolunteers.org.au](http://www.fnqvolunteers.org.au) or phone 4041 7500.





## Electric ants may delay Kuranda green waste pick-up

The recent discovery of electric ants at Kuranda may cause some delay in the collection of green waste in the area following Cyclone Yasi.

Tablelands Regional Council is currently undertaking a kerbside collection of green waste, but residents are advised that in some instances, collection may be delayed by approximately one week due to the treatment of this waste by Biosecurity Queensland for the eradication of electric ants.

Biosecurity Queensland is undertaking regular surveillance and treatment for electric ants, and asks the public to be on the lookout for tiny ants with painful stings.

To date, the ants have been located in Fallon Road, Monaro Close and Kullaroo Close.

The ants favour hiding under debris, stones, leaf litter and rotten trees and limbs rather than establishing distinct nests. They are about 1-1.5mm long and are golden brown in colour.

The ants can inflict a painful sting and inject venom that can cause painful itchiness, persistent pimples and occasionally a severe allergic reaction. They are also known to sting the eyes of pets and cause blindness.

Please report any suspicious ants to Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23.

## Free mulch available at waste transfer stations

Tablelands Regional Council is offering free mulch to residents in the wake of Cyclone Yasi.

The mulch has been generated from the massive amount of green vegetation being collected from across the region.

Residents can bring a ute or trailer to waste transfer stations to collect their free mulch at the following places and times:

**Kuranda Waste Transfer Station:** mulch will be available on Saturday 19 February all day from 8am.

**Mareeba Waste Transfer Station:** available at any time the transfer station is open.

## Long-distance bus shelters to be established

Sites for two long-distance bus shelters and the architectural style of the facilities have been approved by Tablelands Regional Council. The shelters will be established on the Kennedy Highway at Walkamin and Tolga, at sites where buses currently pick up and drop off passengers.

The shelters will provide passengers with a high degree of protection from adverse weather conditions and will cost approximately \$7750 each. It is hoped the shelters can be manufactured by local fabricators to provide local businesses with an opportunity to benefit from the project.

## Council supports Men's Shed proposal for Rocky Creek Igloo

Tablelands Regional Council has given its support to the Rotary Club of Atherton for a proposal to convert the Rocky Creek Igloo into a "Men's Shed".

The proposal comes after Council relinquished its responsibility for the land and structures on the World War II site, due to the costs associated with upgrading the building and complying with the Queensland Heritage Act 1992.

The Rotary Club proposal would require the land to be designated as a Community Purpose Reserve. Council will advise the Department of Environment and Resource Management that it supports the creation of the reserve and for it to be leased directly to the Rotary Club.

Council will also commence negotiations with DERM to allow for the existing water and power infrastructure to remain on site to benefit any future trustees of the site and for the Rocky Creek Rest Area.

## Kuranda Parking Review

A comprehensive traffic and parking study within Kuranda's central tourist district will be undertaken to

identify where future parking facilities may be located.

A previous report to Council identified a number of issues to be considered including the location and allocation of loading zones for service vehicles, increased local bus services and the need to expand pick-up/set-down areas, limited parking for motor-homes, and a limited number of parking spaces close to the retail area.

The report indicated that between 1500 and 2000 vehicles were entering and leaving Kuranda via Rob Veivers Drive each day between 7.00am and 6.00pm, but noted that all these vehicles would not require parking in the central business area.

Council agreed to call for expressions of interest from consultants to conduct the traffic and parking study.

## Kuranda to be consulted on Community Precinct project

Tablelands Regional Council has engaged consultants, Engagement Plus, to undertake a comprehensive community engagement program to determine the views of residents about the future use of the former Kuranda Primary School site.

The consultation program will take about eight weeks and provide the Kuranda community with an opportunity to give its views on what is now known as the Kuranda Community Precinct should be used for.

Divisional Councillor Jenny Jensen said she was very pleased that an independent consultant had been engaged to carry out the project.

"The idea of a Kuranda Community Precinct is long overdue and we need to find the best way to use the old school site," she said.

"I am very confident that the independent consultation will draw together all the different viewpoints in the community and that we will end up with a clear view of what this community wants and needs and what is realistically possible."

Council was made aware of the desire for additional community consultation on the project after a public meeting held in October last year. Following the meeting, Council resolved to halt work on the site until further consultation was carried out. Meetings of the Kuranda Community Centre Advisory Committee were also deferred until the consultation phase has been completed.

The consultation will include one-on-one interviews with community organisations, government agencies, commercial operators, and local groups; a forum aimed at enabling residents to hear the issues from different points of view and weighing the consequences of their choices from both a cost and benefit perspective; on Online Survey; and a hard copy survey.

Residents will be advised the start date of the consultation process via the quarterly Kuranda Community Precinct newsletter due to be distributed in March.

## Upgrade for transmission towers to provide Digital TV to Speewah and Chillagoe

Tablelands Regional Council will upgrade the re-transmission facilities at Speewah and Chillagoe to enable residents to switch onto digital television.

Speewah will be first cab off the rank, with the analogue signal to be switched off for that area later this year, while Chillagoe will be done at a later date to cater for its switchover in 2013.

Council was given the option of taking up the Federal Government's Viewer Access Satellite Television (VAST) system which would place the onus on residents to put in their own satellite dishes, with a subsidy provided by the Government to assist with installation. However, Council was told residents would be up for \$300 to install the system for one television set only and additional sets would come at further cost. For commercial businesses such as hotels, pubs, and caravan parks, no subsidy is provided.

There were also concerns that satellite TV would not provide residents with a reliable service, as the signal would be affected during rain events.

Another concern was the inability by tourists, specifically grey nomads, to access television services in Chillagoe without having their own satellite dish and tuning that into the signal.

Council will write to the Federal Government to advise that it will not be taking up the VAST option. Instead, Council will upgrade the re-transmission

facilities and will seek funds from different sources to reduce the overall cost of the upgrade to the resident. Council will advise residents in due course as to the final cost and how that will be recouped from users of the services.

## Green Waste pick-up post cyclone Yasi

Tablelands Regional Council wishes to advise residents that it is continuing to pick up green waste from the kerb as a result of Cyclone Yasi.

Council is asking residents who have **NOT had their green waste picked up by Thursday 24 February afternoon**, to call Council on 1300 362 242 and register their address. Council expects that all green waste will be picked up by 4 March.

- I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.
- Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
- I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather. Not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.
- Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
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# New art exhibition for Tableland Regional Gallery

She may not have been practising her art for a long time, but Port Douglas-based Yoshiko Kirby is already turning heads with her unique talent.

An exhibition of Yoshiko's artworks, entitled "Shuffling Cards on a Full Moon Night" will open at Tableland Regional Gallery on 4 March from 6pm.

Well-known Atherton identity and fellow artist Kerri Reading will open the exhibition which will remain on display at the gallery until 3 April.

Yoshiko began her artistic journey in 2006 when she took a short painting course with Douglas Art Base in



Mossman, then joined their advanced painting group.

Her decision to become a professional artist was, in part, generated by her realisation that art could be a new tool with which to express her thoughts and to communicate with people, instead of using English words, which were foreign to her.

As she is a Japanese artist, Yoshiko has an appreciation for the natural world and the spiritual mind. Her artworks captivate the soul with her subtle philosophies and their passionate beauty. Over the past four years, her paintings have been exhibited at various galleries in the region and have sold very successfully. She practices art at her home studio and also at Port Douglas Artists studio/gallery, shared with three other artists in the Meridian Marina in Port Douglas.

Yoshiko enjoys observing the artist in her, how she rapidly changes and develops the styles, colours, techniques and subject matters in each new painting. It makes her feel like a mother watching a child growing. It's simply a joy to her.

Fellow artist and previous art gallery owner, Jill Booth recently wrote – "Yoshiko could be described as an 'emerging' artist. It is interesting to observe how this 'butterfly' has so quickly shaken off the confines of its cocoon and grown in confidence and stature. Her career looks set to reach new heights as she explores the possibilities of her chosen 'language'."

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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- If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.
- We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
- War does not determine who is right – only who is left.
- Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening', and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

**A**n old man placed an order for one hamburger, French fries and a drink. He unwrapped the plain hamburger and carefully cut it in half, placing one half in front of his wife.

He then carefully counted out the French fries, dividing them into two piles and neatly placed one pile in front of his wife. He took a sip of the drink, his wife took a sip and then set the cup down between them. As he began to eat his few bites of hamburger, the people around them were looking over and whispering.

Obviously they were thinking, 'That poor old couple – all they can afford is one meal for the two of them.'

As the man began to eat his fries a young man came to the table and politely offered to buy another meal for the old couple. The old man said, they were just fine – they were used to sharing everything.

People closer to the table noticed the little old lady hadn't eaten a bite. She sat there watching her husband eat and occasionally taking turns sipping the drink.

Again, the young man came over and begged them to let him buy another meal for them. This time the old woman said, 'No, thank you, we are used to sharing everything.'

Finally, as the old man finished and was wiping his face neatly with the napkin, the young man again came over to the little old lady who had yet to eat a single bite of food and asked 'What is it you are waiting for?'

She answered, "The teeth."

**A**golfer is in a competitive match with a friend, who is ahead by a couple of strokes. "Boy, I'd give anything to sink this putt," the golfer mumbles to himself.

Just then, a stranger walks up beside him and whispers, "Would you be willing to give up one-fourth of your sex life?" Thinking the man is crazy and his answer will be meaningless, the golfer also feels that maybe this is a good omen so he says, "Sure," and sinks the putt.

Two holes later, he mumbles to himself again, "Gee, I sure would like to get an eagle on this one."

The same stranger is at his side again and whispers, "Would it be worth giving up another fourth of your sex life?" Shrugging, the golfer replies, "Okay" And he makes an eagle.

On the final hole, the golfer needs another eagle to win. Without waiting for him to say anything, the stranger quickly moves to his side and says, "Would winning this match be worth giving up the rest of your sex life?"

"Definitely," the golfer replies, and he makes the eagle.

As the golfer is walking to the club house, the stranger walks alongside him and says, "I haven't really been fair with you because you don't know who I am. I'm the devil, and from this day forward you will have no sex life."

"Nice to meet you," the golfer replies, "I'm Father O'Malley."

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**Tai Chi Chuan** 9.30am CWA Hall. Contact Sifu Julie 042 705 4132 or Tai Chun Academy 0409 104 753.  
**Aquafitness** 8:30 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

1st Sat **Kuranda Camera Club - Photo Shoot** 2.30pm, (see Art Pages for this month's location)  
**Garden Group** 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492  
**A.A.** CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599  
**Speewah Country Market** 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361

Every Sun **R.S.L.** 5.00pm, Lower Market Mall, Thoree Street.  
**Kuranda Film Society** 4.00pm to 8.00pm Kuranda Recreation Centre Ph Margaret or Hans 4093 8393

1st Sun **Simply friendship club.** Men and women over 45. Kuranda Resort 12.00 to 3.00pm. Nola: Ph 4093 8824  
**Al-Anon Family Groups** 7.00pm and 6.00pm respectively. Ph Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON  
**Karate** at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm to 7.15 pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380  
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**Soccer Training**, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. 4093 7109/4093 7109  
**Kuranda Horse and Pony Club** 7.30pm Mantaka  
**Koah Sports & Social Club** 7.30pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026  
**KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00pm Rob Veivers Dr. Ph 4093 8933

2nd & 4th Sun **Tae kwon do & Self Defence** 6.30 pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196  
**8 Ball** 7.00pm at Kuranda RSL, Top pub, Recreation Centre, Speewah Tavern, Kuranda Resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537  
**Tai Chi** 6.30–7.30pm, Recreation Centre, contact Les Anwyl, 4093 8276 or 0400 938 276.  
**Aquafitness** 6:15 pm Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109  
**The KCCT** meets at Malcolm's original markets at 4.30pm.  
**Tourism Kuranda** meets behind St. Saviour's Church.  
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**Volleyball under lights** at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. contact Lisa 4093 9659 or Leo 0405 116 066  
**Craft and Social Morning** at QCWA hall 9.00am  
**Kuranda Playgroup** – 9.30am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. New e3families please phone Lynda Ph 4093 8361.  
**Weekly Meditations/Reflections** 7.00pm at The Hidden Words Bookshop, bottom of Therwine Street.  
**Karate** at Koah Hall 6.15pm–7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380  
**Yoga** at CWA  
**Mah Jong** at KNC 12:30 to 4pm. All welcome  
**Soccer Training**, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. 4093 7109  
**Aquafitness** 8:30 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

1st Mon **Kuranda Interagency Network Mtng** 2.00pm at KNC  
**QCWA** meeting 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016  
**Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group** – 10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

3rd Mon **Rotary** 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206  
**Tae kwon do & Self Defence** 6.30 pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196  
**Lifeline Counselling** at KNC (appointment necessary)  
**Women's Acapella Choir** Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre, Cumberland Ave, Smithfield 7.00-9.00pm Thursdays  
**Aquafitness** 6.15 pm Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109  
**Ambulance** 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

Every Tue **Sandra's Kitchen** at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. Contact Sandra 4093 7393 Thursday. Bookings essential  
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1st Wed **Contributors: CHECK THAT ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT**

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## Kuranda Amphitheatre March Events

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| KURANDA            | 7.30am           | 10.05am | 4.30pm | 7.30am   | 10.05am | 10.05am |
| CAIRNS (Spence St) | 8.15am           | 11.20am | 5.20pm | 8.15am   | 11.20am | 11.20am |
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| CAIRNS (Central)   | 8.35am           | 3.20pm | 5.35pm | 8.35am   | 3.20pm | 3.20pm |
| KURANDA            | 9.10am           | 4.05pm | 6.10pm | 9.10am   | 4.05pm | 4.05pm |
| MAREEBA            | 9.45am           | 4.40pm | 6.40pm | 9.45am   | 4.40pm | 4.40pm |
| ATHERTON           | 10.20am          | 5.10pm | 7.15pm | 10.20am  | 5.10pm | 5.10pm |

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