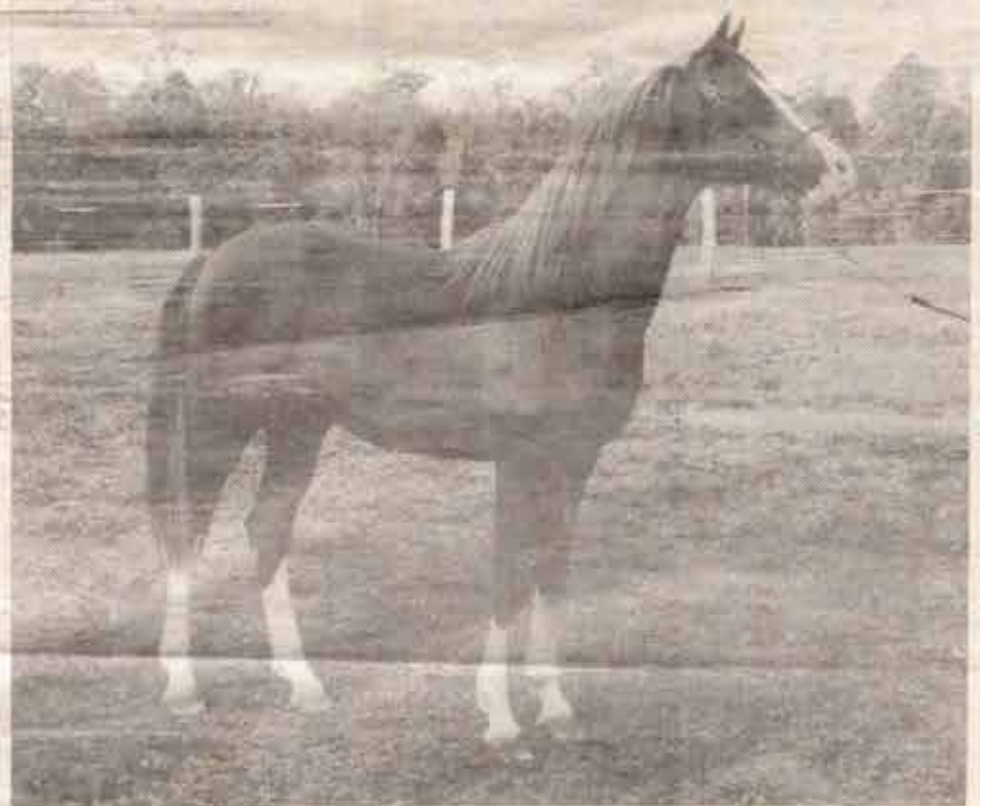
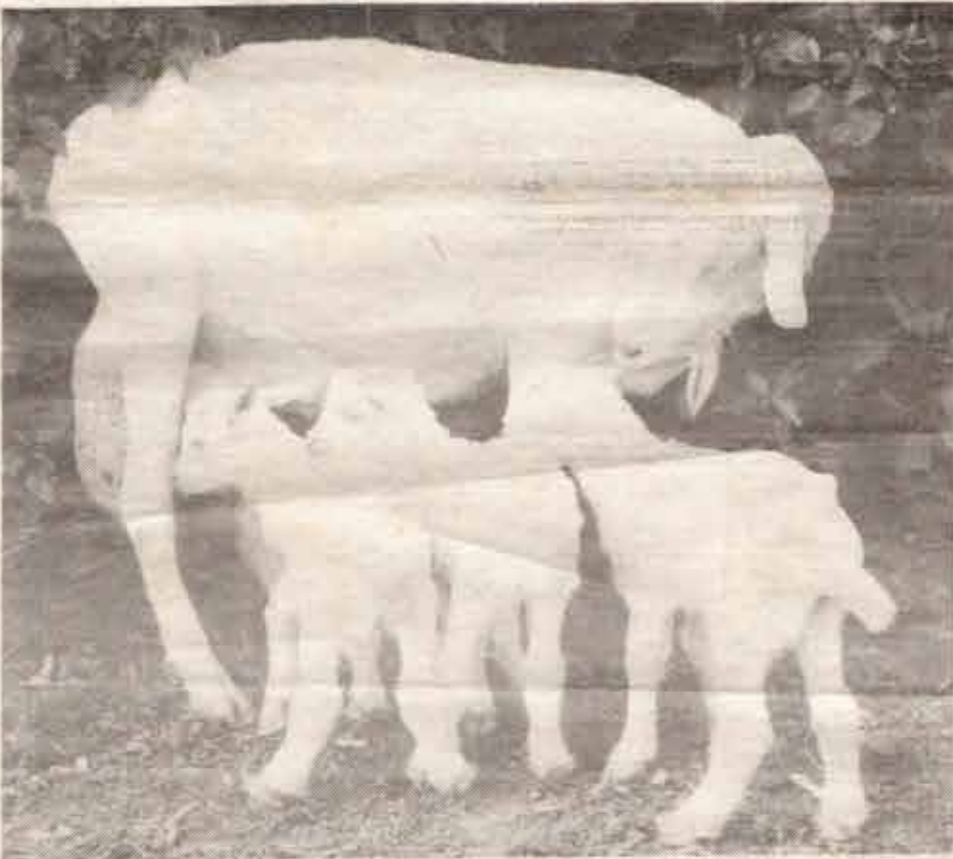




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EDITORIAL

A PLEA FOR OPEN GOVERNMENT

The issue of a site for the Kuranda High School is dividing the community.

The decisions have been made with NO open discussion with the Kuranda and area residents and apparently a private business will be ruined if the Moana Stud is resumed against the wishes of its owners.

Surely it is Kuranda's school and the people should have a say in all aspects of their new institution, including the site.

Intelligent decisions cannot be made without analysing all the facts. Give the area residents the facts and ask for their opinions! Obviously demographic and environmental impact studies have been necessary. The results of these studies should also be made available for public consideration and debate. If community advice is sought, the people will support the eventual decision. Otherwise the people of Kuranda could be forgiven for thinking that they have been treated with contempt and that they are the victims of the tyranny of arbitrary petty authority.

Or was all the secrecy necessary because there is a hidden agenda somewhere?



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The Regional Art Development Fund Committee members are G. Hannah, D. Monaghan, J. Dods, N. Boys, B. Baskerville, M. Holmes, B. Brandon K. Cotterill & C. Lewis (Chairman)

The Chook Wheel at the Bottom Pub will be raising money for the BLUE NURSES on Saturdays-have a yarn with new hosts Mal & Pat and get yourself a ticket.

MUD CRABS SWIMMER

Gerda Williams attending the Australian Masters Games in Brisbane has won 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 1 Bronze in the individual medal awards. Gerda is strong on fitness. Managing the Kuranda Van Park and regular aerobic exercises back up her swimming training. Congratulations Gerda.

HUNTERS & COLLECTORS

Well done Front Promotions. The time was right and the price was right! The kids were there!! Do it again. Great to see a band with this appeal to teenagers playing outside licensed premises.


CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Now meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Next meeting is on 20 November, CWA Hall, 7:30pm

GOOD NEWS!!! JOHNS BACK

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LETTERS

NO SCHOOL PLEASE...

In approximately five years it is proposed that Kuranda will have its own high school. Kuranda is a small country town where most people know most other residents. For the younger generation this close-knit community offers emotional support and a ready-made social life in their growing years. Upon reaching puberty, however, this same closeness can become suffocating. The need to break away and form a social life of their own becomes extremely important to teenagers.

While it would appear that most parents are in favour of a high school in Kuranda thereby avoiding the hours of travel up and down the range road. Has anyone considered the feelings of the students on this matter? Attending a high school in Cairns gives them the opportunity to meet and interact with a wide variety of people. Due to a larger number of students in Cairns schools a wider choice of courses are available broadening their career opportunities. Also, with accommodation provided by the friends they meet in Cairns the social lives of the Kuranda teenagers are greatly expanded along with their non-scholastic education.

They can 'hang out' with people who share their interests, and through trial and error find friends with whom they share a real affinity.

They can experience a little more, learn a little more and thereby grow a little more.

It costs no extra unless the parent chooses it to and the range road is no more dangerous than the Kuranda streets on a market day.

The youth of Kuranda have said they want this chance to grow a little more; surely they are the people who count in this issue.

I appreciate the point of view of the parents supporting a local high school. I hope after reading this they will give some consideration to the points I have raised.

Negan Howe
Grade 12

NO SPEEWAH SITE PLEASE

Editor,
I have lived in Kuranda for 20 years and been involved in a number of community groups. I am the elected representative for the central Kuranda Consultative Committee.

I strongly reject the Speeswah site for the Kuranda high school. It is no surprise to me that the site was deemed the most suitable by the National Party in 1989. This was an obvious for development in the then Tablelands electorate (pre-EMRC), as opposed to the Barron River section of Kuranda—a Labor stronghold. My else position the high school at the opposite end of Kuranda from the ambulance, doctor, police, post office, and community and business infrastructures?

As for dangerous road conditions, there have been more fatalities on the stretch from Kuranda to Speeswah than on Myola. The Kuranda turn-off is the only section with a reduced speed zone.

And where will the water come from for the Speeswah site? How are bore-users faring right now during this dry period?

And if, as is being mooted, the primary school is eventually to join the high school site, can the site cope with this? Dismally poor planning by both the Mareeba Shire Council and previous State Government has left Kuranda with virtually no

community services or facilities, and no suitable crown land for such.

Kuranda children already start behind the eight ball, with hours of travelling, no reference library and no social or sport training facilities.

Do we really have to start such a potentially-important community resource as a high school in a dry, dusty paddock in the middle of nowhere?

Gayle Hannah
Old Kennedy Highway,
Kuranda

Editor,

On Monday night I attended a public meeting held by the committee which has been working for several years to obtain Government approval for a high school in Kuranda. The committee has been successful and I congratulate them. However, it was very disappointing to hear that there were objections to the Government's proposed site on Myola Road, and that obstructions and protests were being instigated.

In view of the fact that the Government has made a positive decision and has selected a most suitable site I hope the Kuranda community will support the decision and the site. The Myola Road site is close to forest land and to the Barron River. It has permanent water, fertile soil and cool breezes and is reasonably central. The site also has the support of the Aboriginal community both environmentally and because of its traditional links.

If this issue is allowed to degenerate into a controversy it is likely that the projects priority may be down-graded and perhaps temporarily pigeon-holed. To insure that the impetus for the project is sustained I would suggest that all concerned Kuranda residents write to the Minister for Education and the Premier expressing support for the project and the Myola Road site, and urging the Government to begin construction of the high school at the earliest possible date. I am happy to make form letters available for those who wish to do so.

Rob Hart
Hidden Valley

NO MYOLA RD SITE PLEASE

Dear Mr Ed,
I'm writing to express my concern about the Moana Stud site being selected and resumed for Kuranda's high school.

It is probably not important that our rainforest is unlikely to survive a high school on this site. The Red-legged Pademelons graze on the Moana property morning and evening and retreat into the rainforest during the day. The area is teeming with wildlife that will be threatened. Privacy and a desire to protect the environment were reasons for living in this area. Of course, we can move on.

More to the point, the thought of dozens or even hundreds of bicycles crossing the Kennedy Highway at the dangerous and poorly designed Myola Road intersection is frightening, as is the thought of all that bicycle traffic on Myola Road.

Surely a site could be found that is close enough for students to walk (or cycle safely) or far enough away for them to merit free bus service. And, of course, it should be crown land.

Letters to the Cairns Post are merely emotive and do not address any of the problems associated with the Moana location.

Mrs. E. M. Hamston
Lot 13, Fairyland Road
Kuranda

Dear Ed

I would like to express my objection regarding the Myola Road site for the high school.

When Mr. Little stated at a meeting on the 7/10/91 at the Kuranda State School that the families land was not for sale and the land needed for the school was to be resumed from them I thought wouldn't the people of Kuranda and districts be more in favour of land being acquired for the high school to be at the best alternative site where no one would be disadvantaged unnecessarily.

Anyone who has travelled Myola Road knows from experience or observation that the road is dangerous, whether in mist or not.

Therefore the road would have to be upgraded enormously to allow children to walk or ride to school safely. Does this mean more land resumption along Myola Road?

J. Pope
Kuranda

The Editor
Kuranda Community News

Dear Sir,

We not only have the Kuranda High School Steering Committee and local council but now our Minister of Education appearing to be indulging in a campaign of disinformation. Comments such as "finally negotiating the purchase of the land with the owner" and "strong local support for the site" are incorrect. At a recent meeting chaired by the committee, the owner of the favoured site was in attendance. He clearly stated that the Moana Stud is being resumed i.e. Compulsory purchase against his wishes. Having lived in the immediate vicinity for nearly twenty years and speaking recently to many people throughout Kuranda on the subject I have yet to meet one who is in favour of the site and the governments tactics.

Why is available Crown land not being utilized? Alternatively suitable sites are for sale closer to the town centre with highway access with equally "panoramic views of world heritage rainforest".
Yours Faithfully
Linda Stewart
PO Box 10
Kuranda 4872

The Editor, KEN

RE: The Kuranda High School
I wish to point out two important facts about the choice of the Myola Road site for a future high school. This land is privately owned and is not for sale to the government for use as a school.

The second point is that it has been said that this site is most suitable as Myola Road area is supposed to be the growth area in time to come. If this is so, there must be land which will become available for subdivision. Let this land then be looked at as a school site, not land that is being used productively and is not for sale.

Yours Sincerely
Don Smith
Lot 1, Fairyland Road
Kuranda

Dear Sir, RE: Kuranda High School.

I wish to point out one important fact about the choice of the Myola Road site for the future Kuranda High School—this land is privately owned and is not for sale.

The Moana thoroughbred stud is a beautifully maintained, fully operational horse stud that is a landmark in the district. I feel that it is totally unnecessary for the Government to resume this land, and thus reduce the property to an unworkable size when there is an alternative site available for the high school.

Yours Sincerely,
Val Smith

OPEN LETTER TO FELLOW INDIVIDUALS OF KURANDA

TO THE PEOPLE OF DIVISION 4

Dear Friends,
If you have chosen to live in Kuranda - not because a job or other financial gain forces you - but because:

1) you are a thinking and caring person,
2) you want to live in harmony with nature and live in the now,

3) you want to make your own decisions and remain an individual,
and for having all that you were and are ready to compromise, give and take, then this letter is for you.

You made a decision for your own life; now is the time to PARTICIPATE in its realization, implementation.

The Kuranda area has 3500 ratepaying residents. According to Mr. D. Beddall, Federal Minister for Small Business, our village last year was visited by 600,000 tourists who generated \$30 million in revenue. (the Tablelander 1/10/91). Don't you think that we are entitled to some say in our own affairs for such a handsome contribution? What are the hosts getting for being welcoming, friendly, helpful, patient and tolerant? We are allowed to foot the bill by having our money allocated for urgent public amenities used mainly by visitors (outsiders). The tourists' money goes to the promoters, mostly for transport, and only in small percentage to our businesses who in terms constitute again only a small percent of the population.

What can we, individuals, do now and for the future? We can and must PARTICIPATE in decision making; in proposing and approving future developments; in deciding allocation for our monies; in coming forward with constructive suggestions.

Come to the next (and all) Ratepayers' Consultative Meeting and be informed first hand. But please leave your frustrations, prejudices and apathy at home. Come open minded, team oriented, levelheaded and with heaps of goodwill.

You might, just might, experience some mini-miracles happening right before your eyes.

See you in November.
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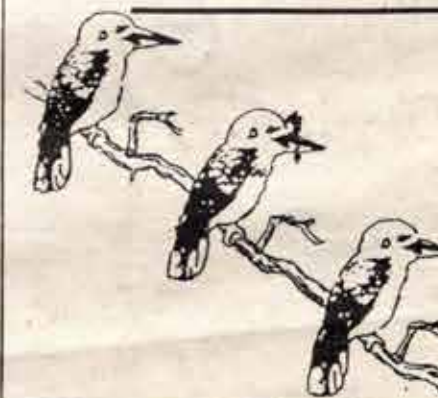
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AS THE BARRON FALLS

Episode three

For those who came in late...

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Charlie Dancer knew a lot of things. Trouble was, no one wanted to listen. The young ones were always in a hurry with their videos and walkmans - no time to learn traditional ways. And as for the whites - well it was a case of what they wanted to hear.

He was part of the Barron community, well known and respected. He wanted to help solve the timber mill mystery, wanted to talk about what he knew. But would they understand. And there was a stronger obligation. Charlie wouldn't betray the secret knowledge of his people. He needed to go further north to meet with other tribal elders. Together they would make this decision.

The trial seemed to have taken it all out of Don Hill. People avoided him. His wife, Barbara, did all she could to convince him that he was imagining things but Don couldn't get it out of his mind that maybe they secretly wondered if he was in some way responsible for what happened at the mill like that upstart out-of-town lawyer had tried to suggest. When he finally got around to delivering those sleepers and banana suckers to Simon Gleam, even he seemed uncomfortable and there was no welcoming tea and cake from Kara.

So he didn't take it all in when he went to answer the door and found a smart looking woman on his doorstep. Something about university in Melbourne, had been given his name as an established member of the community who would know some history of the area.

"Come in. What is it you're studying?"

"Anthropology. I'm doing a thesis."

"OK. I don't know if i'll be of much use to you but I'll try to help. What was your name again?"

"Melanie. Melanie Gleam."

Next month: Is Melanie really an anthropology student?

Is there a connection with Simon?

Marilyn Newman



Carol Larsen designed the Masthead for our paper this month.

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This year the Qld government introduced the Regional Arts Development Fund scheme (RADF). It has invested \$5 million dollars with the express aim to fund regional arts. Before anyone thinks we have pennies from heaven or 'heaven cents', the money available will only be interest earned on the \$5 million: about \$150,000 in the first year, and will be spread throughout all Qld shires and cities. Responsibility for administration of funding on a local level will be through local council, in our case the Mareeba Shire Council.

IT is not available for capital expenditure such as building halls (RATS!) or buying pianos.

It is designed to provide for artists while fostering community cultural development. An artist is defined as an individual with the skill/training/talent and recognised by peers or the 'Arts Industry' as a professional artist, who may or may not earn an income from work as an artist. Aboriginal & Islanders may include their peers as being members of their communities. Artists may be writers, visual artists, musicians, performing artists, designers, craftspeople etc.

Some activities which do attract funding are:

*Cost of travel, fees, accommodation for local artists to workshops/ seminars in major cities.

*Professional services to amateur groups.

*Professional activities by visiting artists and networking, training and professional development of local artists.

*Community arts projects.

Some other objectives it is recommended councils may consider are:

*Identification with and greater use of local cultural facilities.

*Arts activities & projects to coincide with local festivals.

*Training and projects for young people.

*Residencies of artists for community development of arts & culture.

*Development of local professional arts groups e.g. theatre, dance.

HOW IT IS DESIGNED TO WORK:

*Council convenes a public meeting and an RADF community committee is elected. There will be a minimum of 5 and maximum of 9 members. This committee is subject to the same provisos against self-interest and conflicts of interest as in the Local Government Act. This committee will work with and advise council to establish an arts and cultural development policy. It will also advise on the assessment of applications for funding. Its recommendations pass on to council which, in turn, advises the Arts Division (Qld Gov). Funding is then passed back to council for the projects applied for.

FUNDING: is weighted towards smaller regional shires farthest away from major population centres. E.g. Shires under 3,000 people need not contribute to receive funds, whereas large Shires and cities (over 150,000) will have to get \$3 from their councils to attract \$1 from the State.

In the Mareeba Shire we need Council to offer \$1 to receive matched funding of \$1.50 from the State Government. This is not a NEW idea. It has worked well for sporting and other community bodies for years. What is new, and may take some time for councils who do not have a history of Arts and Culture support to learn, is a recognition of the wider benefits of art and cultural development in communities.

The Kuranda Branch of the Qld Arts Council has been working to get the MSC to recognise the benefits to the community for almost nine months, with great support from Cnr June Rees, and we are pleased to be able to say:

The Mareeba Shire Council has called a public meeting for the election of a Community Committee.

Picture credits for 'Sniper' article in Sept. paper: Billy Zane (Peter Howard), Les Van-Pelt, Film Crew, Chopper Pilots & John Raaen (Bob Standen), Murry Boyd (Steve Dimitriou). Sorry they were omitted.

POET'S CORNER

QUESTIONS

WHAT

IS RHYME?

WHO KNOWS?

WHO CARES?

AND DOES IT MATTER?

BUT

ROSES ARE GREEN...

DOGS ARE BLUE AND A BIT...

HERE I SIT.

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WONDER IS THIS A RHYME?

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IF YOU ARE A KURANDA RESIDENT AND YOU THOUGHT A HIGH SCHOOL IN MYOLA ROAD WOULD NOT EFFECT YOU, PERHAPS YOU SHOULD RETHINK!

1. NO community consultation or room for objections.
2. NO free bus service within 4.8 kms of Moana Stud. Students from Black Mountain Road, Warrill Drive, Kuranda Village, Mantaka, Kowrowa, etc. will need to find their own way to school or pay to ride the bus. Some students from Black Mountain Road or Mantaka may find the railway line the easiest walking access to school.
3. There is great danger in hundreds of bicycles crossing Kennedy Highway each day, especially at the very dangerous Myola Road intersection.
4. Division 4 ratepayers will probably have to fund the Myola Road upgrading, the bike tracks, etc.
5. Roadworks may require the resumption of more land along Myola Road.

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THE SCHOOLS



KURANDA STATE SCHOOL CENTENARY

In October 1992, the Kuranda State School will be celebrating its 100th year.

A committee of staff members has been formed and is in the process of collecting historical information, e.g. real life stories, old photographs, etc.

We intend to hold workshops in drama, pottery, photography, mural painting, video production, computers, bush tucker, a Centenary booklet, etc. All these workshops will have one aim-to make the Kuranda State School Centenary a truly memorable occasion.

A collection of old photographs has been kindly loaned to the school. Many more are needed, as is other community input and support.

The next Centenary meeting is to be held on Monday, November 4, 3pm in the school staff room. If you have any ideas or information to offer, please attend this important meeting.



KIDNEY RAISING THE BLOW

President of the Kuranda Crèche and Kindergarten Association, Mrs. Donna Pierce advises that Stage I of the proposed \$100,000 building is now in progress, thanks to widespread community support. Present accommodation at the school is only available Tuesday through Thursday from 9am to 12, and this does not suit working parents, the aim is for a full time kindergarten and crèche. Hoping to ensure that all children may benefit, fees are kept low; but because the organisation is non-affiliated, Government funding is restricted and constant fund raising is needed to cover operating costs.

So that Stage II (walls and roof) may continue, the following are urgently needed: donations of cash-those over \$2 are tax deductible; labour-block-layers, plumbers, labourers; and materials-blocks, cement, concrete-pumping, iron, trusses, guttering, etc. If you can help, please contact Hertley Paton on 930254 or Donna Pierce at 930157.

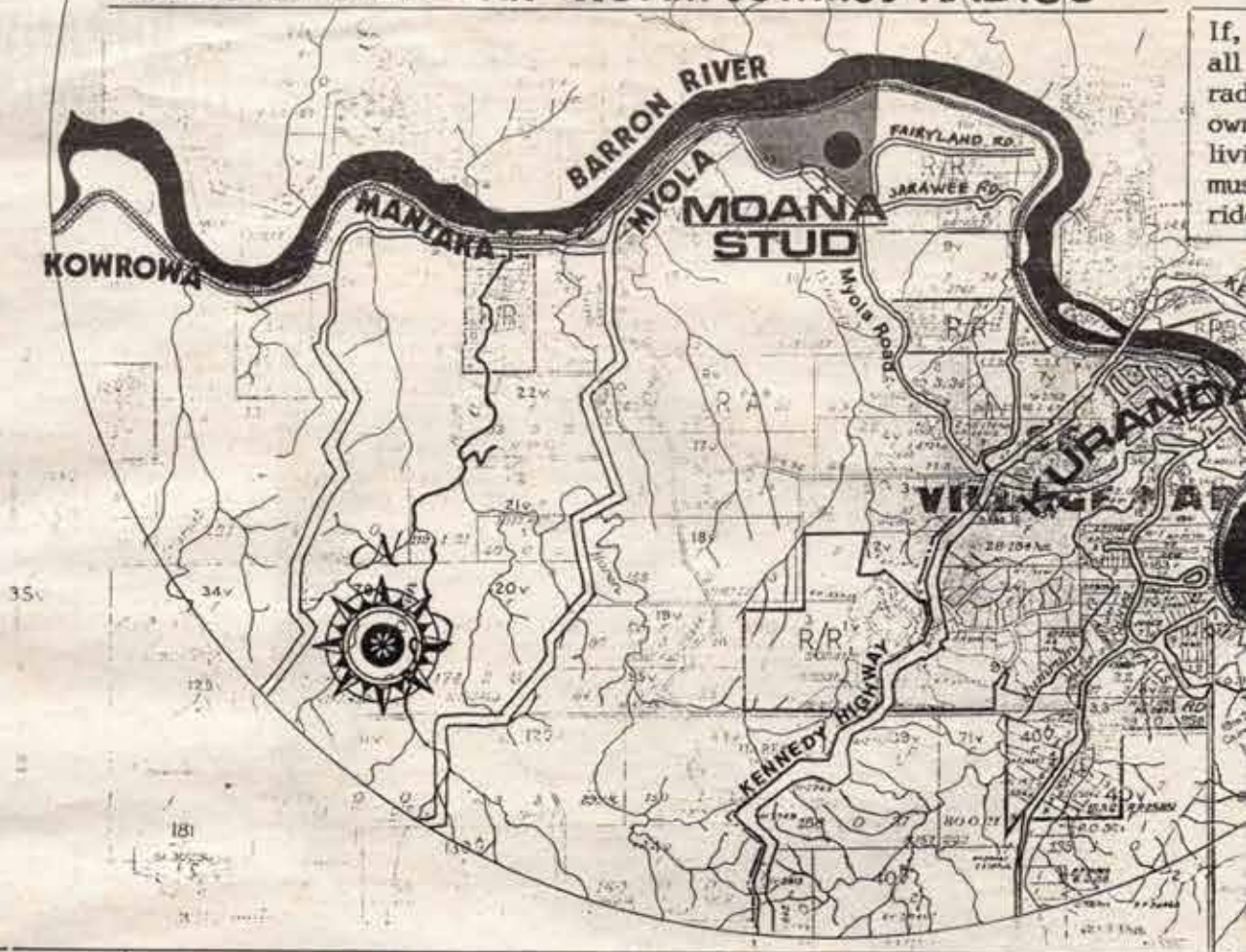
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IMPORTED COLT FOR KO

Prince Rasheyd (imp) is a new and exciting acquisition Copland Rd, Koah, where we have been breeding since 1978.

We saw him as an eight-months old foal whilst both our daughters were on working holidays over festivities, and during our visit went to the s. All the horses were in thick winter coat, but t and on returning home we thought very hard and quarantined in England for a month, flew out via quarantined in Sydney for another two weeks. A unfortunately on arrival in Koah he developed a weeks. Happily he is now well and has settled.

Prince Rasheyd is a descendent of the purebred England by Sir Wilfred and Lady Anne Blunt in t a terrible toll on the breed, and the Blunts' i horses that were kept at their property, Crabbe beautiful animals that have been sent to many c Importations of Arabians from Poland, Egypt. Sp the breed, most of these animals tracing back t horses.

Prince Rasheyd is of pure Crabbet lineage, mean those bred by the Blunts or their daughter, Lad grounds of Crabbet Park itself, the Archers' at Crabbet land. He is a bright chestnut, with fo a calm temperament and friendly nature. At six will not be standing at stud until the 92/93 as purebred mares, and will be available for outst dished head, the hallmark of the Arabian breed, hindquarter.

In a year or so Rasheyd will be broken in to s show work. His lovely action and carriage will equestrian scene. Visitors are welcome at Koah show off this elegant youngster whose ancestors deserts of what was once called Arabia.

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STATE GOVERNMENT RESUMPTION LAWS FORCES LAND OWNERS OUT

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Moana Thoroughbred Stud Farm Myola Rd, Kuranda.

We need you to express your concerns on the resumption of private land, home and a viable business when CROWN LAND IS AVAILABLE for a High School.

Correspondence is available for viewing, eg:- Stating advice to the Mareeba Shire Council to recommend alternative site.
PETITION AVAILABLE TO BE SIGNED

I am unable to attend the Open Day at Moana Stud but would like to support the opposition to the resumption of private land when suitable Crown Land is available.

Name Signature

Address

(Post to P.O. Box 33 Kuranda)

we have been told, residents within a 4.8km must provide their transport, then those inside this circle walk, cycle or pay to bus.



ARABIAN STUD

by Fay Copland

ation for our stud, situated at ... and riding our Arabian horses

a holiday in England last Christmas. there so we joined them for the ... of Mr and Mrs Archer in Sussex. little colt completely captivated us ... decided to import him. He was in ... and Fiji, and then was ... undertaking for a youngster, and ... respiratory virus and was sick for six ... to his new life in North Queensland. Arabian horses that were brought to ... 1870's. Disease and famine had taken ... ortations saved a valuable nucleus of ... Park. From these ancestors developed ... ntries, Australia having a great many. ... n and other countries have diversified ... a great extent to the original Crabbet

g that all his ancestors trace back to ... Wentworth. In fact he came from the ... being situated on some of the old ... white stockings and a blaze, and has ... en months he is still growing, and ... on. He will be used over our own two ... mares. He has the classical short ... and has good straight legs and a strong

He and used for pleasure riding and ... ensure that he makes his mark on the ... Arabian Stud where we will be happy to ... once carried the Bedouins in the sandy

BARBARA WITH HER BUCKS.

SAANEN GOATS - TOP PRODUCERS.

By Jan Aland of Koah.

I first became interested in goats 24 years ago when I saw a multi coloured herd on Prince of Wales Island in the Torres Straits - these being the progeny of a domestic herd from the early pearling days of the 1930's.

We caught a young doe and once I realised how intelligent and personable they were I was hooked. Our first purebred Saanen was bought in 1969 - how she survived the trip I'll never know, 6 days by goods train from Brisbane to Cairns, and then by sea, from Cairns to Thursday Island.

Since moving to Koah in 1977 we have aimed to breed Saanen does of the style of our first purebred - nearly a metre high at the withers (shoulders) with high milk production. Our last three does to kid are giving over 6 litres per day. At present we are milking thirteen does and seven goatlings are due to kid soon. Kids are hand raised and at present eight are being fed.

We use a two ball walk through dairy with a two unit milking machine, chilling the milk quickly with a cooling coil, then packaging it into 1 litre and 2 litre sachets and 2 litre plastic bottles. A viable alternative is snap frozen milk which has excellent thawing and keeping qualities.

The goats are blood tested annually and their milk is tested quarterly for certain systemic diseases which have thankfully never been recorded in this area in goats. They are also tested annually for pesticide residues and monthly for iodine content, Antibiotic inhibitors and total bacterial count - the latter being with the lowest in the state.

Incidentally having a raw milk licence requires a count below 50,000/ml which is the allowable count AFTER Pasteurisation of cows milk. Ours has been NIL and frequently is 1000/ml (the lowest count). It will keep for a fortnight if refrigerated below 4C.

Overheads are high for us, especially at this time of year with the hay at \$12.00 per bale. Licences and milk tests come to \$700.00 annually so I would describe our dairy as a sometimes paying hobby.

Health food shops usually sell our milk although at Mossman, Port Douglas, and Innisfail the Greengrocers are the outlet. George's Cash Store at Grove Creek is the local outlet.



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Migloo's
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What is a moment? It is a short space of time. It can be very brief and very important.



What is Migloo? It is a Murri term for a white fellow. - Lets have some Migloo moments. It is Friday nite at the AMP. Why am I here? It is all about some small booking. To my surprise the night is a killer! Good DJ music, great crowd, top food and lots of magic in the air. Birthday parties were not like that when I was a kid. Happy Birthday to **Liz Williams (16th)**, pictured.

Now its off to Kowrova and another magic moment. It is the 18th Birthday party for **Ralph Riley**. Happy Birthday Ralph, it was great!

DEXTER CATTLE, NEW AND ECOLOGICALLY SOUND.

Dexter cattle are the smallest British breed, descended from the original mountain cattle of Ireland. They are usually black, sometimes red or dun, with height at shoulder 34" to 42". They are a dual purpose breed, the milking cow having the ability to produce more milk for its size than any other breed, with butter-fat levels as high as 8%. The beef is also considered excellent.

Dexter cattle require half the maintenance ration of larger breeds, and because of their lighter weight do not poach the land. Hardy and intelligent, they are an ideal family cow. The bulls are as friendly and easy to manage, but as with all bulls caution is the word.

Interest from small farmers is growing, and the demand is well ahead of the supply. Dexters have a bright future in this more ecologically conscious world; they are very efficient animals. In the past they have been exported from U.K. to 14 countries.

Breeding from imported semen began in Australia and New Zealand in 1981. The first purebred Dexters arrived from England at Kalinda Stud at Kuranda in March 1988. There is now a ban on all cattle importations into Australia from U.K. Since then 45 Dexters have been imported from Canada and the USA and more cattle are on their way.

The cheapest way to breed a Dexter is to AI (artificially inseminate) a solid coloured foundation cow and hope she has a heifer, which can then be registered as Grade I by the Australasian Dexter Association. It takes four grades to be registered as purebred.

PIX: "KALINDA ANGUS"
 (Imported in Utero)
 Calved Kalinda Stud 14-10-88.

THE CHURCHES

Bible Reading.

John 15:12.

He said, ' My commandment is this: love one another, just as I love you.'



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AROUND THE RIDGES



BY JUNE REES

June apologizes for not having finished her article in time.



MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL

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CALENDAR

- Nov 1991
- Fri. 1st. Scouts at Scout Den 7.30pm. Ph. J.Akerman 937500
 \$15th. C.W.A. Meet in C.W.A.Hall 1.30pm. Ph. Carol 937187
 - Sat. 2nd. Kuranda Media Association Meet. 9am. Monkey's. Joan Dods Ph. 937252
 Koah Barn Dance - Koah.
 Kuranda Amphitheatre General Meeting. 3pm.
 Family Service Uniting Church. C.W.A.Hall 9am. Ph. Krishna Buhler 937348.
 - Sun. 3rd. Pensioners Meet. 2pm. Monkey's Ph.M.Clark 937250.
 Chamber of Commerce. A.G.M. Frogs 8pm.
 Consultative Comite. 7.30pm. C.W.A. Hall.
 Q.A.C. 7.30pm. Frogs. Ph. Gayle 937487.
 - Wed. 6th. Kuranda High School Meeting. 7.30pm. School Library.
 - Thurs. 7th. Kuranda Friendship Club 10am at AMP. Every Thursday B.Y.O.tea/coffee. Jean Anderson ph. 937370.
 - Mon. 11th. \$ 25th. Lions Club at Monkey's 7.30pm.
 S.P.S. 7.30pm. Old Police Building/next to Police Station. All welcome. Ph. Kaye 937188.
 - Tues. 12th. Sports and Social Club. 7.30pm. At Club, Fallon Rd.-off Mason Rd. Ph. Arch. MacArthur, 937511.
 - Thurs. 14th. Ambulance Meeting. 7.30pm. at Fire Station. Ph. Kaye 937188.
 - Tues. 19th. Support Group/ Blue Nurses Morning Tea. 10am C.W.A. Hall. All welcome, bring an instrument!

PLEASE PHONE KRISHNA - 937348 IF YOU WISH TO BE INCLUDED HERE FOR FREE!



STRANGER IN A STRANGE LAND

Amused, I looked at the slip of paper I held in my hand. The simple line drawing was a map given to me by my eight year old daughter. Placing the piece of paper in my hand with a solemn gesture, she explained that if I followed the directions on the map, I would find the special place which she disappeared to for a short time almost every day.

"Wow!" I exclaimed in my most patronizing voice. "I'd better go and find it then. Inwardly wishing to get back to my work as quickly as possible.

The map showed the track from our house to the chook pen about twenty metres away with a smaller track veering to the left, just short of the chook pen.

Setting off down the track, I was surprised to see a small path, as shown on the map turning to the left into the bush. The path appeared to have been made by the constant use of someone's feet (obviously my daughters).

Turning onto the path, I walked into the bush, silently cursing the wait-a-while which hooked onto my clothes. Free once again, I resumed my journey. Judging from the big red cross on my map, I had only a short distance to go.

A few more steps and I stopped and looked around for some sign of where I was supposed to be. Although the bush around me looked familiar, I was amazed to see how exquisite the scene in front of me became as I walked further into the bush.

"This place is fit for a fairy tale!" I thought to myself. In fact I stopped and watched entranced as the animals and birds which inhabited this place scurried to and fro amongst the vibrant green foliage which grew there. A heavenly blue sky filtered down through the leaves and the whispers of the gentle breeze lulled and caressed my ears.

I could detect the faint sounds of water flowing in the distance. Letting my ears guide me I was led to a small stream, flanked on both sides by trees of all types and sizes. I sat down to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the place.

Forgotten were the dishes on the kitchen sink. Forgotten the clothes piled up waiting to be folded and put away. In fact all was forgotten but the pleasure I felt as I sat here and drank in all this beauty.

Here there were no distractions vying for each others attention. No pressing telephone calls to make, no rooms to tidy, no bills, no headaches, no cares. Only the gentle existence of nature, always changing but possessing the air of the eternal now.

I imagined being a primitive, who had lived in these forests centuries ago. Yet I was aware of being a stranger to this place so different from my world only a short distance from where I sat.

None the less I felt like a stranger whose host had reached out to me in welcome. "Come" I heard the breeze whisper through the leaves. "Rest in the shade of my leaves. Take what food you can find in the stores of my home. All that I have is yours".

My eyes brimmed over with tears at the thought of such generosity and I felt a sad tinge of regret as I thought of my world, where open grasping possessiveness was often the order of the day.

I understood now why my daughter came here so often and always returned looking more serene and happy. I wish I had found this place years ago.

I lost all sense of time as I stood in this strange land and the longer I stood here the the less strange it seemed. The image of this place became singed on my soul and I began to feel I had known this place for eternity. Yet I knew if I came here again it would always be different and fresh in my eyes.

Suddenly it dawned on me that this place had always been here, it's just that my eyes have become jaded and dull. It had taken the wonder of looking through a child's eyes to see what I had seen.

The light became dimmer and the air cooler. I took it as a sign to return to the house. Silently I said goodbye to the bush around me.

Making my way back up the track I was greeted by my daughter running up to meet me. "Did you find it Mum?" she asked, searching my eyes for her answer.

"I sure did," I said squeezing her tightly. "Thank you for letting me share your special place," and taking her by the hand, we walked home.

Di Russo

PHYSIO JUDY BUSHKENS

B.APP SC. PHYSIO. M.A.P.A.

Anyone who has suffered from back pain will agree that one of the worst things they can do is go for a ride in the car (neck pain sufferers will probably also agree with this). Despite knowing better I often discover myself sitting like a sack of potatoes behind the wheel. If you do a lot of driving, for your occupation for example, it is important not to underestimate the stress which can be put on your neck and back.

There are two main areas which should be "checked" while driving. The most obvious is the lower back (or lumbar spine) which should be curved slightly forward. Unfortunately the soft car seat coupled with inadequate lumbar

support encourages the pelvis to tilt backwards, forcing the lower back into the car seat. This problem is aggravated by having the legs stretched out to reach the pedals which puts the hamstrings (the muscles along the back of the leg) into a stretched position causing the pelvis to tilt even further back. To see how difficult this position can be for people with tight hamstrings and weak back muscles, try sitting on the floor with your legs straight in front of you, pull your toes up, press the backs of your knees into the floor and straighten your lower back. Now try the same exercise on a softer surface like a bed and see how much harder it is to maintain a straight back. A small towel rolled

to about 10cm diameter and placed in the small of the back (just below the waist) will help to maintain the ideal slightly forward curve of the back while driving, however it is a good exercise in itself to maintain this position unaided.

A more commonly overlooked area is the neck. If you pull your chin in, you will be surprised just how far it was sticking out and how much straighter you can make your neck. If you suffer from headaches from driving this area is particularly important.

So the next time you are stuck behind a slow-moving vehicle on the range pull your chin and your back in and you will probably be surprised just how much straighter you could be (you may even have to re-adjust your mirrors!)

A wild Papuan frogmouth visits regularly at our house in Black Mountain Road.

It particularly likes music - classical and pop - and will not hesitate to join in on a party if there is an outdoor speaker.

For many years he lived in the sewing box of Gran Cresswell and was her constant companion. He would sit on her head and with his beak somehow scratch her head.

As he no longer has this companion, he now visits everyone. Presently he has a partner but she is less outgoing. The only occasion I was close was when she decided to take her sleep on the driveway. She sat there all day. You could stroke, touch and pick her up and she just continued to sleep. She eventually woke about 6pm and flew off.

We do not feed these birds and only see them when they want to be seen.

Kerri Adams

Frogmouth at rest atop Howard Stevens

photo Kerri Adams

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KURANDA AMBULANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

On Saturday, 30th November, 1991, The Kuranda Ambulance Advisory Committee is holding a dance at Fitzpatrick's Tavern, starting at 8pm.

The tickets are \$8 per head, which includes a light supper. The proceeds of the night will go to the Kuranda Ambulance Trust Fund, which was set up by the Cairns Q.A.S. and the Kuranda committee to raise monies required for our Kuranda Ambulance Centre.

Please come along to the night. Not only will you have a great time, but you will be supporting a much needed cause for the town of Kuranda.

Make a table of friends. For your tickets, please phone Jim on 937639, Niel on 937376 or the top pub on 937203.

The next committee meeting will be on Thursday, 10th November, 1991, at the Kuranda Fire Station. Due to daylight savings the meeting will start at 8pm.

We do need more input at these meetings, so if you feel you can help us in any way, please come along and join us.



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THE CYCLONE SEASON

LIVING WITH, AND SURVIVING CYCLONES

The general name given to cyclone watch and warning messages is an Advice or Tropical Cyclone Advice. The Tropical Cyclone Warning Centre issues these messages and liaises with the police, State Emergency Service and the media.

Immediately it is recognised that a cyclone might endanger life or property of coastal or island communities within 48 hours, the bureau's public warning system is activated.

CYCLONE WATCH is issued if a cyclone or potential cyclone exists and there are strong indications that winds above gale force will affect coastal or island communities within 24 to 48 hours of issue. Watch messages are renewed every six hours.

CYCLONE WARNING is issued as soon as gale or stronger winds are expected to affect coastal or island communities within 24 hours. Communities under threat are also advised to take precautions necessary to safeguard their lives and property. Cyclone warnings are issued every three hours.

When a cyclone is under radar surveillance close to the coast and poses a severe threat, hourly advices are issued.

A tropical cyclone advice is prefixed "FLASH" when it is the first warning to a community not previously alerted by a cyclone watch. It is also issued when major changes are made to the previous warnings due, for example, to unexpected movement towards the coast or rapid intensification.

BEFORE THE CYCLONE SEASON ensure your transistor radio is working and that you have fresh batteries as well as spare ones.

Check your house is sound, especially the roof.

Clear property of loose sheet iron, and other potential missiles. Remember, damage done to someone else's property through your negligence leaves the onus of repairs on you.

Know your community disaster plan.

Collect tinned food, water containers, emergency lighting, candles, essential clothing, first aid kit and medicines. Store in a secure area.

UPON A CYCLONE WARNING listen constantly to your radio and TV for further warnings and advice.

Batten down house, secure doors, board and tape windows. Store loose articles inside, place documents/clothing in plastic to protect against water damage.

Lock up pets, fill water containers, fuel car and place under cover.

EVACUATION Based on the predicted wind strengths, it may become necessary to evacuate some areas to avoid casualties. Be ready to evacuate to shelter facilities as directed by the police and emergency service personnel. High winds and flooded roads will be hazards during the movement.

Advice will be given through local TV, radio and other media. Police and emergency service personnel will also give verbal warnings. Heed these warnings—they are not given lightly.

ON WARNING OF LOCAL EVACUATION lock up dwelling, switch off power, gas, etc. take emergency evacuation kit.

Follow advice given.

When cyclone comes, stay inside. Shelter in the strongest part of the house—perhaps bathroom, internal toilet or passage way.

If house starts to break up, protect yourself with mattress/blankets. Anchor yourself to a strong fixture (such as water pipes) or get under a strong table or bed.

Beware the calm "eye". Remain indoors until advised that the cyclone has passed. A cyclone may have more than one eye.

AFTER CYCLONE Don't go outside until advised officially that the cyclone has passed.

Listen to your radio.

If you have had to evacuate, don't go home until advised. Use route recommended.

Stay Calm.

Don't make unnecessary phone calls.

Don't stay in the open.

Don't under any circumstances go sightseeing. You will only hinder rescue workers.

Above all, do not ignore warnings.

EMERGENCY/EVACUATION KITS

EMERGENCY KIT (HOLD READY IN HOUSE)

1. Battery operated radio. Tinned food. Water in containers. Torches. Candles. Matches. Essential clothing.
2. Emergency self-contained cooking gear.
3. First Aid Kit. Essential medicines.

EVACUATION KIT (CARRIED IN SMALL BAGS)

EMERGENCY KIT PLUS

1. Warm utility clothing (jeans, skivvies, etc. wrapped/placed in plastic).
2. Wear strong clothing to protect against cuts from debris. Strong footwear (not thongs) should be worn to protect against cut feet.

If you are in any doubt or need any assistance before or after a cyclone, the Kuranda State Emergency Service group leader, Kaye Mülle, may be contacted on 937188. During an emergency, the S.E.S. Headquarters telephone number is 938816.

If you are elderly or incapacitated, please do not hesitate to call on her home number as the S.E.S. would like to keep a register of people who may need checking before and after a cyclone.

SES STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE

The State Emergency Service is made up wholly of volunteer personnel who train to the requirements set down by the disaster planning committee of each shire.

Under the Mareeba Shire there are four S.E.S. units: Mareeba, Eranada, Disbullah and most recently on line, the Lotus Glen unit, consisting of low security prisoners. This is the first time in Australia that prisoners have formed an S.E.S. unit.

The Eranada unit of the S.E.S. has many varied roles to perform in an emergency, ranging from searches and rescues to providing lighting, if needed, at traffic accidents or helping reload 2,300 cases of snappes off a semi that had over-turned.

Our unit was involved with the fatal Mt. Emerald plane accident in May last year. In January this year, the unit was involved with the missing light aircraft believed crashed in Cairns harbour. Two of the members drove relatives of the missing couple up Black Mountain Road looking for any signs of downed aircraft. Recently we spent two days in Atherton in the search for Julie-Anne Leahy and Vicki Arnold. Last December we worked side by side with the Mareeba Shire Council and the FNQED to help restore water and power to the township. We also had charge of Telecom's generator during the emergency to keep the telephones operating. We de-treed 5 houses and cut up numerous trees which had fallen across roads. After the emergency, we had time to stop and think, we realized how lucky we were that Cyclone Joy did not come into Cairns.

We may be activated for any emergency by any of the following statutory organisations: Council, Police, Ambulance, Fire Brigade or the FNQED. In short, we may find ourselves doing anything from mowing roadblocks, to setting up triage for a multi-casualty accident and assisting in the release of trapped passengers.

All these skills for the various emergencies do not come automatically. They take time and practice.

The unit trains every second Monday at our headquarters—the old police building next to the present police station. The next training night will be the 4th November at 7.30pm.

At present we are doing storm damage, being very appropriate with the oncoming cyclone season. In mid-December, weather permitting, we will have a small exercise where we will

put theory into practice and iron out any problems.

You do not get paid for being in the S.E.S. Quite often after an unsuccessful search, or looking at one more body that has gone over the falls, you wonder what it is all about. But after a successful search, a successful rescue you understand that no one can take away from you the absolute joy and pride you feel inside yourself and you hold your head high and say "Boy, that was great. I belong to this terrific team that has just saved someone's life!". To us in the unit, that feeling is worth more than money can buy.

If you want to be part of this group, just come along to the next training night (yes, we do have fun), or ring the group leader on 937188. Due to workers compensation laws, you must be 16 years of age or older, up to 60. Women are more than welcome to join. Our group leader is just one of the many female group leaders throughout Australia.



Trivia And Other Unimportant Facts CYCLONES AND OTHER BIG WINDS



$$\text{FORCE of wind} = \text{MASS of ship} \times \text{ACCELERATION of ship}$$

Then up and spoke an old sailor, had sailed to the Spanish Main, "I pray thee put into yonder port, for I fear a hurricane."

Last night the moon had a golden ring, and tonight no moon we see! The skipper he blew a whiff from his pipe, and a scornful laugh laughed he.

from "The Wreck of the Hesperus" by Longfellow.

The Indians of Guatemala called the god of stormy weather "Hurakan". Capt. de Ovidio gave these storms their modern name when he wrote "So when the devil wishes to terrify them, he promises them the 'Huracan', which means 'tempest'."

The word 'hurricane' was used for a force 12 blow by Beaufort when he devised his wind force scale, probably about 1805. Today we use hurricane (or typhoon or cyclone, depending on which ocean is being churned up by the wind) for tropical storms which form near (but never on) the equator and whose winds have reached 65 knots (or 75 mph or 117 km/hr) near the centre. The winds around these storms spiral inward, clockwise in the Southern hemisphere and anti-clockwise in the Northern. Along our coast, the storm surge as a cyclone makes landfall will be south of the path of the storm's centre.

Beaufort's Scale was not concerned with wind velocity except as it effected a well-conditioned man-of-war "in chase, full & by". It was a FORCE scale.

Note that in the original scale there is no mention of wind velocity. Numbers 0 through 4 refer to the speed of the ship carrying all canvas. 5 through 9 refer to how much sail can be carried in the chase and 10 through 12 are concerned with the survival of the ship. Obviously Beaufort 6.5 has no meaning. Topsails are either single reefed or double reefed—there is nothing in between.

The importance of this force scale can hardly be over-estimated. In 1805, England had been at war with France (and most of Europe) for 12 years and, with only brief pauses, would remain at war for another 10 years. Keeping the sea lanes open was vital for Great Britain's survival. A captain could fail to bring a chase to action in two ways. First he could fail to carry every bit of canvas his ship could stand and let the enemy outsail him. Fail to press the chase and you are court-martialed and dismissed from the service in disgrace. Secondly he could blow out his sticks and lose command to one of the half-pay officers on the beach. There were many more qualified officers than there were ships available. The French ships of the Napoleonic Era which the English were chasing were often faster than their English counterparts, but the English could tack in 5 minutes whereas the French took 15. Fine judgment was required.

The wind could be very different at deck height than it was high in the rigging, and even after the cup anemometer was invented, gustiness made it difficult to obtain an exact wind speed. Yet every experienced sailor, by observing the ship, would get exactly the same Beaufort Number, which was required to be logged and sent in every message.

But the age of sail is gone and all attempts to adapt the scale to land use have failed. It was a tool for sailors in the age of sail. It is time the scale was given an honourable burial at sea.

The coastal yachtsman may find some utility in the Psychological Scale for small boat sailors.

You may wish to save this page for cyclone advice.

NO.	ORIGINAL BEAUFORT FORCE SCALE TO DENOTE THE FORCE OF THE WIND	SMALL BOATS IN COASTAL WATERS	LAND EFFECTS OBSERVED	PSYCHOLOGICAL SCALE	NO.
0	Calm	Calm	Calm; smoke rises vertically.		0
1	Light Air.....Or just sufficient to give steerage way.	Fishing smack just has steerageway.	Smoke drift indicates wind direction; vanes do not move.	BOREDOM	1
2	Light Breeze... Or that in which a man-of-war, with all sail set, and clean full, would go in smooth water from	Wind fills the sails of smacks, which move at about 1-2 mph.	Wind felt on face; leaves rustle; vanes begin to move.	WILD PLEASURE	2
3	Gentle Breeze... Or that to which a well-conditioned man-of-war could just carry in chase, full and by	Smacks begin to careen and travel about 3-4 mph.	Leaves, small twigs in constant motion; light flags extended.	PLEASURE	3
4	Moderate Breeze	5 to 6 knots. Good working breeze; smacks carry all canvas with good list.	Dust, leaves, & loose paper raised up; small branches move.	GREAT PLEASURE	4
5	Fresh Breeze... Royals, etc.	Smacks shorten sail.	Small trees in leaf begin to sway.	DELIGHT	5
6	Strong Breeze... Or that to which a well-conditioned man-of-war could just carry in chase, full and by	Single reefed topsail and top-gall. sails.	Larger branches of trees in motion; whistling heard in wires	DELIGHT TINGED WITH ANXIETY	6
7	Moderate Gale... Double reefed top-sails, jib, etc.	Smacks remain in harbour, and those at sea lie to.	Whole trees in motion; resistance felt in walking against wind.	ANXIETY TINGED WITH FEAR	7
8	Fresh Gale..... Treble-reefed top-sails, etc.	All smacks make for harbour if practicable.	Twigs and small branches broken off; progress generally impeded.	FEAR TINGED WITH TERROR	8
9	Strong Gale..... Close-reefed topsails		Slight structural damage occurs; slate blown from roofs	GREAT TERROR	9
10	Whole Gale..... Or that with which she could scarcely bear close-reefed main-topsail and reefed fore-sail.		Seldom experienced on land; trees broken or uprooted; considerable structural damage occurs.	PANIC	10
11	Storm..... Or that which would reduce her to storm stay-sails.		Very rarely experienced on land;	I WANT MY PUPPY	11
12	Hurricane..... Or that which no canvas could withstand.	Yacht crews decide to take up Golf. (Heaton, 1949)	usually accompanied by widespread damage. (Bowditch, 1958)	YES, MR. JONES. (Marchaj, 1964)	12





KURANDA HORSE & PONY CLUB

Another Update

We have heard from the Mareeba Shire Council and have been advised to go ahead with the power connection to the value of \$4,350 and an allocation of \$3,500 has been made for a pump to be connected to our bore so water can be made available to various areas.

We do feel that the Council will be sympathetic to the communities need for a more suitable clubhouse where different sports and other activities can take place, so anyone with ideas for other clubs i.e. table tennis, archery, etc. do contact us so that the community may fully utilize the facilities.

KURANDA HORSE AND PONY CLUB

HORSE CARE HINTS

Feeding, worming and hoof care. By Mrs. Kathy Edwards.

If your horse paddock is short of good quality grass and your horse is losing weight - here are some suggestions and advice.

I am presently feeding two big horses on this diet with NO EXTRA grass and both are shiny and fat. Weekly the cost is \$12.00 each horse (about the same as a big dog). A pony would cost less and a poor horse or pony may cost more for a short time and the cost would then level out.

THE DIET

SUPASTOK OR PRIMESTOK WORK HORSE MIX
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HOW MUCH TO FEED

FIRSTLY..you need to know the weight of your horse. HERE'S HOW.. Measure the height of your horse (if you need help phone the pony club for information) WORK OUT approx. weight for height like this.. Height 13.1 hh pony weighs approx. 300kgs. Height 14.2hh galloway weighs approx. 440 kg. Height 15 hh horse weighs approx. 500 kg. NOW LOOK at the feed amounts recommended on the tag seen on the workhorse mix bag.

USING KITCHEN SCALES and an old saucepan or ice cream container fill the container and weight the amount. Work out how many ice cream containers are needed to give the required weight of feed for your horses approx weight. Record this information on the ice cream container with a felt pen so its NOT FORGOTTEN.

FEEDING THE CORRECT QUANTITY will fatten your horse, TOO MUCH will make him hard to ride and to control.

ADD one cup of cottonseed meal and a heaped tablespoon of CalPlus twice each day. NO OTHER FEED, GRASS OR HAY IS REQUIRED. Your horse's diet will be adequately balanced and nutritious.

WORMING

Horses need worming every 10-12 weeks. Wormers are available from PRIMAC in Mareeba and will save you feed costs if done regularly.

HOOF CARE

Hooves need trimming every 5-6 weeks. Kuranda is visited by Farrier, Mick Pike on Saturday every 5 weeks and he will come to your paddock. Phone 36.2860 and leave a message. Costs are 19.00 trim and \$35.00 for shoeing including shoes.

In the dry conditions, at present, a hoof dressing will prevent cracked and chipped hooves. This is available from Primac.

FURTHER HELP AND ADVICE IF REQUIRED IS AVAILABLE FROM KURANDA HORSE AND PONY CLUB, SECRETARY MRS KATHY EDWARDS PHONE 9337297 OR MRS MAUREEN BIRGEN PHONE 938817.

CLUB NEWS

PENSIONERS CLUB

Four new members have joined the Pensioners Club as a result of advertising in this paper!! Margaret Clark, President of the Kuranda Pensioners Club, is delighted with the response and welcomes new faces.

The meetings are held every first Monday in the month at 2pm at Monkeys.

No meetings will be held in December and January.

Kuranda Writers

Congratulations to Gayle Hannah of Kuranda Writers Group for gaining one of six Highly Commended awards from over 500 entries at Brisbane's Warana Festival Short Story Competition.

The Little Dictator, her story of an unresolved father-daughter relationship, will appear in the March issue of IMAGO magazine.

At their recent meeting, the original circle of Kuranda Writers read to the set topic of *Alien*.

The topic was tackled creatively, with human alienation, tourists, a census collector, a learner's guitar, a mermaid, and images in a hall of mirrors, seen as aliens.

The Leader is the next set topic, with entries as short stories or poems for reading aloud. This is followed by members reading a free topic each.

A second circle of Kuranda Writers has been formed and is currently scripting a Christmas play as a co-operative writing exercise.

Efforts are being made to have a joint meeting of the two writers circles later in the year to share ideas and information on competitions and publications.

Negotiations have begun to bring the Greek unorthodox performance poet Komninos, and Aboriginal writer Maureen Watson, to Kuranda in late 1992.

Episodes in the serial *As The Barron Falls* in this newspaper are being written by a different Kuranda writer each issue.



GARDEN & JUNGLE

ORGANIC GARDENING IN KURANDA

I have worked hard with organic methods since I bought 4 acres of eroded, lifeless sloping land (off Black Mt. Rd.), for a song in 1968. It has been my love of the environment that has kept me working with little finance to make my paradise. Harmony Farm has productive fruit trees and many trees and plants to delight birds, butterflies and me.

My water supply is small so mulch is the saviour for all my plants and trees. Newspaper and cardboard are fine around trees, covered with some leafy branches or any natural material (avoid plastics and synthetics here). Mulch around the drip line to conserve moisture. Mulch stops weed growth and breaks down in our wet to improve the soil. Stop around if buying straw mulch, avoiding weed seed, but legume mulch can benefit the soil if some seed germinates.

My heliconias and exotic ginger provide good mulch-after flowering the leaves are cut to ground level. I will exchange roots of the "lovelies" for some free labour...helpful to a solitary old lady.

The only annuals I grow are vegetables. Cabbages, carrots, tomatoes, lettuce and celery are continuing to feed me.

All Kuranda soil is bad news for vegies until improved. Compost is best. Sand and 'dynamic lifter' are good. Dolomite is necessary twice yearly as our soils are acidic and lack magnesium.

Mulch your vegies lightly and water well in the late afternoon, daily for lettuce and twice weekly for others.

Send your organic gardening questions to the Kuranda Community News, c/o Post Office, Kuranda.

Marjorie Spear



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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

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BIRTHDAY

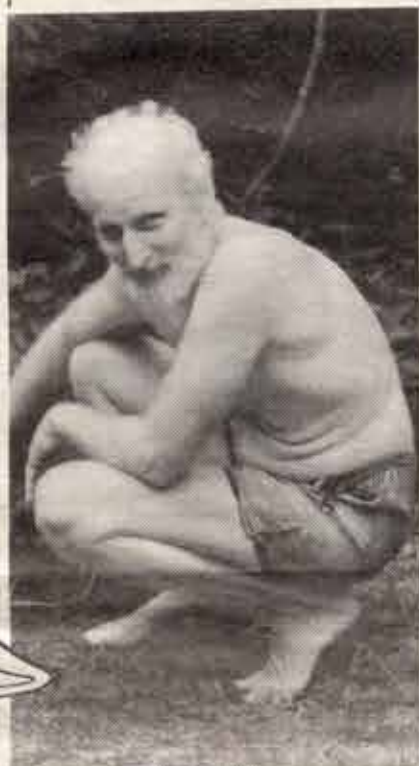
Happy 61st Sammy. All our love-Shep, kids, Grandkids & 6 Grandkid.


OBITUARY

PIETER VAN DER BELDEN, the potter of Black Mountain Road, died on the 30th of September. He will be missed by the many people who visited him for talk and advice. A master mould maker, his figurative work inspired by Indonesian culture was well known.

It is proposed to offer his simple moulds and his reference books to TAFE as teaching aids.

Pieter taught at Yarrabah for some time, passing on his skills to young people as an important part of his life. We salute a fine craftsman.





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