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KUR-WORLD : YOUR FUTURE, YOUR SAY

Last Chance for Public Submissions

The promise/threat of KUR-World has been a hot topic, dangling before/hanging over this community, for two and a half years. Now the time has finally come for anyone who has an opinion or concern to make your voice heard. Please also make heard, through your voice, the voices of those who will come after you, who deserve to have just as special a lifestyle as you now experience. Stand up for all the wild things which will disappear under the massive clearing and habitat destruction involved.

This project by first-time developer Mr Ken Lee, a Macau resident, is sited on the old Barnwell family property, several kilometres along Myola Road past the Kuranda School. In its latest form currently before the Coordinator-General in Brisbane, it **promises** the following:

- A Village Centre with a plaza, shops, restaurants, offices, an amphitheatre and markets
- A 12-hole Golf Course, Golf Clubhouse and Function Centre
- A Sporting Precinct
- A Produce Garden with a cafe and restaurant
- A Four Star Business and Leisure Hotel and Function Centre **with 270 apartments**
- **300 apartments** on a KUR-World "campus" up to 5 stories high
- A Five Star Eco-Resort of **200 rooms** up to 5 stories high
- A Health and Well-Being Retreat with **60 accommodation suites**
- **25 Glamping tents**
- A Farm Theme Park and Equestrian Centre with **110 homestay beds**
- A Rainforest education centre with **350 beds in dormitories.**
- **21 Queenslander Lots** of 800 Sq mtrs
- **56 Lifestyle Villas** on 2000 to 4000 Sq mtrs
- **288 Premium Villas** on 600 Sq mtrs.

This development, should it proceed in its proposed form and be fully realised, will create a **duplicate Kuranda Village**, privately owned and operated. And **double our current population**, drawing on already inadequate infrastructure including roads, power and most especially water. It will raise land costs and increase rates and rents in a community which already struggles to meet the existing cost of living.

Construction is planned, in three stages, over nine years. The five-star hotel, "university campus", health and wellbeing retreat and premium villas in the final stage are not due to be completed until 2026, at the earliest. During and after construction helicopter flights will increase – as many as 20 per day. Roads will be under increased pressure, especially the Kuranda Range Road (the developer's solution to increased congestion and accidents is to lower the speed limit to 40kph!)

NONE of what is promised is guaranteed to be delivered, including jobs for locals. Especially the fancy, perhaps fanciful, high end items slated for Stage Three, the least likely to materialise and also supposed to provide the majority of ongoing local jobs. First comes what the developer originally wanted, cutting up of rainforest into tiny, expensive



building lots, but could not achieve without the Integrated Resort Development tag, a strategy commonly used to bypass local scrutiny and development constraints. This project has already been forced to change. But not nearly enough to guarantee endangered species, including the Kuranda Treefrog (*Litoria myola*) and vulnerable cassowaries, will not be obliterated on this property, further threatening their very existence. And all that draws visitors to us, our unique natural setting and wildlife, our potential as a high value nature-based destination

will be compromised forever.

On-site sewerage works are proposed to be constructed and at least 500 tonnes per year of sludge is to be trucked off site for disposal – but to where the developer cannot say. In an extreme weather event such as we experienced this March, the overflowing waste from the plant will have nowhere to go but into the creeks.

Demand for water by the massive project cannot be serviced totally on site and will need an additional quantity taken from the Barron by the MSC and provided by an extension to the existing town-water supply to the Kuranda village. This will be supplemented by water from five bores on site, operated to their absolute limit of 14 hours pumping per day, then 10 hours rest for them to hopefully recharge. However, rainwater is to be "harvested" and stormwater intercepted, directed anywhere but into the aquifer, ultimately lowering the water table.

With or without your voice, at this crucial time, your future will be decided not in Kuranda, nor even Mareeba, but in Brisbane. Do not miss this final chance to safeguard your quality of life. The Environmental Impact Statement (the EIS) is with the Coordinator-General, who will make the final decision as to whether this development proceeds or not. It is worth noting that the C-G's office is established to streamline the process large developers must undergo and not necessarily to help localneighbourhoods, small businesses or wildlife. However, it must also assess credibility and worth against negative impacts and burdens. And to impose conditions, restrictions and direction.

There is not a person who currently opposes this development who would not welcome a truly sustainable, intelligent, world class "eco" resort, built and run with sensitivity and integrity, for the Kuranda region. KUR-World in its current form is NOT that. It is a looming environmental disaster and social time bomb. It is a cynical land grab. PLEASE do your bit to demand an appropriate and responsible development. It is in all our interests, even the developer's, to demand THE BEST.

Submissions in response to EIS must be received by the C-G before 30th November. THIS IS THE ONLY CHANCE WE HAVE TO MAKE OUR CONCERNS KNOWN AND TO INFLUENCE WHAT HAPPENS. Daunted? Please don't be put off by the idea of making a response. A community awareness strategy has been planned, to help all to be able to make their views known and considered. How to start:

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To All Music Lovers

The 2nd Annual Festival of Small Halls (FOSH) is coming to Koah on Wednesday 5th December. This great travelling festival is brought to you by Koah Hall and the inspirational folks of Woodford Folk Festival fame (Woodfordia) through their efforts to share the music with rural and regional Australia. Wending their way here from the Mullum Festival, we are excited to welcome Chris Luedecke, a Canadian singer-songwriter and banjo player from Nova Scotia, and Australian Lucy Wise, who accompanies her songs on ukelele, guitar and Appalachian dulcimer. Koah's own Dream BIG! Circus will be opening the show. Having cut our teeth on the inaugural family-friendly festival last year, this year we plan to have someone on 'playground duty' to keep an eye on the children. We will have bar-access only from the outside window, and introduce other changes to cut noise from outside. Market stall-holders' fee includes entry ticket (enquiries to Koah Hall fb page). Tickets are available at the Visitor Information Centre (cash only – \$25/\$20) and online at <https://festivalofsmallhalls.com/koah-2018/>. Check out the musicians and get ready for a great afternoon and evening at the Koah Hall in about five weeks. See <https://festivalofsmallhalls.com/tours/> for the Spring and Summer tours (we're Summer!).

Keila Waksvik, for the FOSH committee

See page 15 for further details.

Firies Fundraiser

I would like to personally thank the following people and businesses who contributed to a successful function I recently held to raise funds for the Firies who helped protect properties and fought the fires in the Herberton, Watsonville and Petford areas and hills.

Major Sponsors: Danny Simony, Dream State Entertainment, Paddington Developments, FX Photography, Toyota – Mareeba, Goodyear Tyres – Mareeba, She Shed – Mareeba, Scouts Australia – Mareeba, Venturers Girl Guides Australia – Mareeba, Seniors Neighbourhood House – Mareeba, Craft and Sewing Centre – Mareeba.

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Thank you everyone for a very successful event.

Steffany Naymen

KUR-World EIS

The KUR-World EIS Study is now out – about 4000 pages of it. Could take a while to read, however, a few little gems found in there so far:

- KUR-World to help fund a VSL system for the Kuranda Range Road that will reduce the speed limit at times down to 40 kph and add 37% travel time on to the trip.
- Twenty helicopter flights a day – that's tranquility for you isn't it.
- Eco Resort/KUR-Village/KUR-World Campus and Business and Leisure Hotel and Function Centre will contain buildings up to five Storeys high – yet the Draft Plan of Development for the 5 Star resort and Campus say that Buildings and structures do not exceed a maximum height of two Storeys – Figure that one out if you can!
- Cuts that part of the wildlife corridor in two.
- Constructing a new access road through areas of nearly extinct flora and fauna.
- A Traffic Study that appears to me to contain incorrect information and computations – some of the assumptions look like sheer guesswork. How would they know that 41 people will work for KUR-World instead of working in Cairns and thus won't have to travel to Cairns every day, so that subtracts some 82 trips from the Range daily figures.
- Uses Thala Beach Resort for Study comparison figures – Thala is hardly a \$650 million resort example – why not use Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas which is more like it or would that produce unwanted results?
- Construction materials to be supplied from Mareeba and Tablelands. How does it get there in the first place? Perhaps Astral travel to avoid using the Range Road and suggesting that Cairns suppliers may be willing to transport their construction supplies via the Palmerston instead of up the Range Road holds no weight for me.
- Just about every subject touched on has a proviso written in: "more studies needed", "will be confirmed as the design progresses", "will need to be investigated", "should it be determined", "on the basis of further investigation", "further modelling to confirm", "no monitoring undertaken", "has the potential to", "will be considered" and the list just goes on and on.

Peter Cohen, KUR-Alert Inc.

Cairns for Refugees

Churches have started ringing their bells at noon 52 times for each of the children still on Nauru. They will continue until 20th November, Universal Children's Day. Uniting, Anglican, and Catholic Churches are stepping up. Twitter handle #refugebell. If you are a member of a church in this area, please share with your minister and congregation.

Keila Waksvik

Djabugay AGM

Notice of AGM

25th November 2018

10.00am

at

Nyawarri Estate
Kuranda

Combined AGM for all
Djabugay Corporations

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THE KURANDA PAPER

If you would like to have your say on the management of the paper, you are welcome to join the Kuranda Media Association for \$5 per annum. Contact details top left of this page.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of The Kuranda Media Association Inc.
(publishers of *The Kuranda Paper*)
will be held on

Monday 3rd December
at 10.00am in

The Kuranda Paper Office
Red House Arcade

Shop 2, 24 Coondoo Street, Kuranda 4881



**“Not blind opposition to progress –
opposition to blind progress”**

John Muir.

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- Come to “have your say” community meetings to get information and do an easy submission. See below for dates and venues.
- Go on line and read the EIS section that interests you and make a submission. Start here: www.kurandaregion.org/eis
- Go to the Kuranda Library and read the EIS in hard copy.
- Look for a flyer soon in your post-box and put it on the fridge – all important dates and booth venues – bring your concerns and questions to any of the events.

Follow FaceBook for events and commentary, www.facebook/kur-alert

IT'S TIME TO HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE KUR-World EIS CHOOSE A DATE/VENUE – LAST DATE 23 NOVEMBER			
Town	Date	Time	Venue
KURANDA	Thurs 8 Nov	Talk on Wet Tropics Values	Kuranda Recreation Centre
	Mon 12 Nov	6.00 – 8.00pm	CWA Hall
	Wed 14 Nov	6.00 – 8.00pm	CWA Hall
	Fri 16 Nov	6.00 – 8.00pm	Recreation Centre, Fallon Road.
	Sat 17 Nov	9.00am - Midday	CWA Hall
	Mon 19 Nov	3.00 – 6.00pm	Foodworks
	Tues 20 Nov	3.00 – 6.00pm	Foodworks
	Thu 22 Nov	3.00 – 6.00pm	Foodworks
	Sat 24 Nov	10.00am – Midday	Centenary Park, Kuranda - Rally
	Sat 3 Nov	8.00 - 11.00am	Koah Markets
KOAH	Fri 23 Nov	4.00 – 6.30pm	Koah Hall
SPEEWAH	Wed 7 Nov	6.00 – 8.00pm	Speewah Tavern – Steak night
	Wed 21 Nov	6.00 – 8.00pm	Speewah Tavern – Steak night
ONLINE To make an online submission	https://haveyoursay.dsd.qld.gov.au OR www.kurandaregion.org/eis To make a signed hand written submission, print a ‘have your say’ form and drop your completed form into the post box at the Ezy Ryder shop in Kuranda, right next to the stairs beside St. Saviours Church (10-3pm 7 days a week). KUR-Alert will do a bulk postage to the Co-ordinator General in Brisbane		

Save Our Kindy

Kuranda Community Kindergarten desperately needs your help! Over the past few years the number of enrolments at the kindy has declined considerably resulting in the kindy experiencing financial trouble – and the doors may have to be closed if this continues in 2019.

The C&K Kuranda Community Kindergarten is a community managed kindergarten which has been operating in Kuranda for over 25 years. Nestled amongst the rainforest in our quiet village, the play based kindy has established itself as a beautiful and creative alternative for our local community's children, away from the city mainstream options. The kindy offers quality education and care to children aged 3–5 years old and prepares children so that they are ready for the important start of schooling, the year of Prep.

The kindergarten relies on enrolments, fundraising and government assistance to remain financially viable. To increase enrolments we are offering a Free Kindy promotion for eligible aged children (must turn four by 30th June 2019), waiving all fees and levies for:

- Guardian or child who identify as being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander;
- Guardian or child who holds a current Australian Government Health Care Card (or have a child who does)
- Foster family with a current Australian Government Health Care Card
- Guardian who holds a Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card or White Card
- or Guardian who have 3 or more children, of the same age, enrolled in the same year.

2019 will offer two alternate groups to kindy families across a five day fortnight for 40 weeks (School Terms)

Group 1 (DJAMA) – Monday, Tuesday and alternate Wednesday, 8:20am to 2:30pm Group 2 (BUNDARRA) – Thursday and Friday, 8:20am to 4:00pm.

Please note that the subsidy mentioned above can be claimed once only (for attendance in one group). Full time enrolments are subject to availability & additional fees apply.

Whilst support from the local community in the form of continued enrolments is the primary key to keeping the kindy open, the kindergarten also welcomes any donations or monetary aid that may assist. In addition if there are any local organisations that would like to discuss any fundraising support this will be greatly appreciated. Donations from businesses are tax deductible.

Our kindy has the vital job of caring and developing our young Kuranda regions children. Please help us to keep it operating.

Contact us via email at kcka@westnet.com.au or call 4093 8087 for all enrolment enquiries or if you are able to assist our community kindergarten. Thank you for your support.

– the Kuranda Community Kindergarten Committee

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Community Tree Planting & BBQ Street Party

Creating Better Riparian Access for Yellow Crazy Ant (YCA) Eradication and Kuranda Tree Frog Habitat Restoration

Bulmba Rangers and Kuranda Envirocare will be hosting a tree planting and BBQ Street Party, made possible through a State Community Sustainability grant. Join us for this fun community tree planting on **Saturday 3rd November at 4.00pm on the Barron River banks in Russett Park**, Kuranda. Signs will be out in Cadagi Drive to indicate access to the exact planting location.

This will be followed by a BBQ and street party at 6.00pm to celebrate the push back on the Yellow Crazy Ants at Russett Park.

We are winning but it's not over yet!



The last treatment for YCA was during September – YCA numbers continue to be at an all-time low.

Currently the Bulmba Rangers are conducting a downstream delimitation from Russett Park all the way to the weir, to detect if any YCA have spread down the Barron River. Working closely with Biosecurity Queensland, the Rangers will be checking for Electric Ants also.

Monitoring of YCA continues with a new technique on the horizon – sticky traps will be used to lure, trap and therefore detect YCA density of an area. We are calling on volunteers to help with the construction of some 12,000 sticky traps.

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

– Margaret Mead

Date Claimers – Upcoming Activities

- **Saturday 3rd November, 4.00pm**, Cadagi Drive – Community Tree Planting & BBQ Street Party
- **Saturday 10th November, 9.00am-11.00am**, Kuranda Envirocare Nursery – YCA Sticky Trap Construction & Morning Tea

For more information or to get a check on a suspected YCA, email yc@envirocare.org.au or call project coordinator Mikhaela Jacoby 0400 018 332.



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Therwine Street Upgrade

EXCITING CHANGES UNDERWAY

The focus of works has moved to Upper Therwine Street but all businesses are operating as usual.



NON-GOOGLE DOODLE – OVERHEAD KURANDA watercolour pencil and ink Gayle Hannah (2018)



Mareeba
SHIRE COUNCIL

Australia Day Awards for 2019

Nominations for Mareeba Shire Council's Australia Day Awards are now open. Nominations are not category specific and close 17 December 2018. Download a nomination form from the MSC website or pick up a form at Council's Customer Service Centre or Shire Libraries and nominate an inspiring individual or event within Mareeba Shire and they could be recognised with an Australia Day Award.



RANGERS r e p o r t

Preparations for 2019 Season

Whilst the 2018 season may have just finished, there is no rest for the KRFC as we start preparing for the 2109 season.

A small group of volunteers have come together to commence making planning decisions for next year. A stocktake of all equipment is also underway to identify any shortfall in team kits and arrange a restock ready for the new season.

A major admin change for 2019 will be the implementation of a new national registration portal and sign up process – due to be rolled out in December. This will be a more user-friendly way for families to sign up for soccer and a much easier tool for club administrators to manage.

We thank our new volunteers for stepping up to help run the KRFC and we're excited to see where this core group takes the club. We will always need help to run the club particularly with coaching and fundraising. So if you would like to assist in any way please let us know.



Kuranda Rangers Football Club



When Joh and the Shah Came to Visit: A Kuranda Snapshot

IN SEPTEMBER 1974, Kuranda's world famous railway station was included in the official State Tour of Queensland by the then Shah of Iran and his wife, Farah. Their proud guides were Queensland Premier Joh Bjelke-Petersen and his wife, Flo. Two more different couples it would be hard to imagine.

The Shah was riding high at the time but downfall was not far away. He had been feted by governments around the world, admired to an extraordinary degree by some including sections of the US government, and portrayed as a suave, clever moderniser but his increasingly authoritarian rule was creating a seedbed for resentment and rebellion amongst impoverished and repressed Iranian people. His fancy lifestyle rankled.

In addition, he had lobbied OPEC nations to further increase oil prices in 1973 despite pleas from US President Richard Nixon. World oil prices increased 470% over a 12-month period, also increasing Iran's GDP by 50%.

The State Visit by the Shah and Empress was at the invitation of the Australian Governor-General Sir John Kerr. The visit was not without controversy and protests occurred wherever the entourage appeared, though any protests against the royals in FNQ are not recorded and probably Joh himself would have been a more obvious target at that time.

General media coverage tended to treat the visit as a celebrity tour, focusing in particular on the sophisticated fashion choices of the Empress. FNQ was a picture perfect background. "Their two-day visit to Cairns was informal but marked by tight security. They travelled by train through the dense tropical rainforest to Kuranda, where they drank tea from thick railway cups, and ate railway sandwiches. On Green Island, holiday-makers sunbathing or swimming stared as the Shah and Empress walked along dampened sand paths." (*Australian Womens Weekly* October 1974)

However, the visit also had a serious purpose and no doubt a long train trip up the mountain and drive back down the Range would provide perfect opportunities to talk minerals, mutton and...uranium.

While in Australia the Shah signed a trade agreement with the federal government that opened the way for Iran to purchase Australian uranium. The Shah was dedicated to increasing Iran's military capacity and to extending his influence to the Indian Ocean.

"A new concept of Australian, Iranian and Japanese co-operation in a giant petro-chemical complex in the north-west of Australia is reported in *The Australian* newspaper. The plan is that ships should bring to a Pilbara complex oil that Japan has bought in the Middle-east, and that it should be refined there for the Japanese. On their return voyages, the vessels would take Pilbara iron ore to steel mills in Iran and Saudi Arabia, as well as to Japan. Refinery by-products would be combined with natural gas obtained from the sea off the north-west coast to make petro-chemicals for Australian use and for export. The Shah of Iran is said to have offered funds for the Pilbara concept in return for Australian ore for the Krupp steel works that he has bought in Germany, and also in return for uranium for atomic energy plants he is to build in Iran." (*PNG Post Courier* October 1974)

The uranium deal (modelled on a secret US-Iran deal) never eventuated for in many ways 1974 was the last of the "good" years for the Shah. Not only was his regime on the road to collapse which would force him into exile but he had been diagnosed with cancer. He would die in Egypt in July 1980. "Thanks to a massive gerrymander, Bjelke-Petersen won seven state elections. He then ran for prime minister, notwithstanding the absence of a federal poll. On his own recommendation, he was knighted for services to parliamentary democracy." (Shane Moloney, *The Monthly* September 2014)

It is said Joh admired the strong-handed Shah, who at one time had such enormous power that in 1976 he changed the Iranian calendar from Islamic to Imperial, marking the conquest of Babylon by Cyrus as the first day, instead of the migration of Muhammad from Mecca to Medina. This supposed date was designed so that the auspicious year 2500 would fall on 1941, the year when his own reign



started. Overnight, the year changed from 1355 to 2535. Joh, for his part, held firm against daylight savings ever being introduced in Queensland, safeguarding curtains and cows.

An interesting "local" link to the wealth of the Shah, and Iran, is that the oil industry upon which it is built began in Far North Queensland with the lucky discovery of gold by two brothers, the Morgans, and an even luckier small time Rockhampton lawyer William Knox D'Arcy. The Morgan brothers chose D'Arcy just because they needed a lawyer. D'Arcy didn't have any expertise in mining or metals. A place called Ironstone Mountain twenty miles away, later renamed as Mt Morgan, would make D'Arcy a very wealthy man who was also given another lucky investment opportunity in 1901. He took a big gamble on oil prospecting in Persia (later Iran). He almost went bankrupt but once more his luck held, thanks to a timely investment by the British Government in his concession. In 1908 (under threat of closure) he finally struck "black gold". Britain had a secure supply of oil for its navy and the discovery of Persian oil formed the 'Anglo-Persian' oil company, which later became British Petroleum (BP). One wonders if at any point the Queensland Premier reminded His Highness of just what a fortunate connection there was between their two "kingdoms".

There is a video of the visit on Youtube (Shah of Iran Australia Visit - Part 1). The Kuranda Rail trip starts at the 3 minute point. It shows the royal couple and their hosts, railway staff and locals at the Kuranda Railway Station. It looks like a beautiful day, just like so many which millions of other visitors have experienced and continue to enjoy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=olFEq5X7-XA&t=23s>

The photo of Joh and the Shah ascending the old concrete steps up from the station entrance is by an unknown photographer, courtesy of Kim Haskell and the late Richard Trapnell (Rosebud Farm, Kuranda).

As to what the locals who turned out for a glimpse thought of the fuss there must be quite a few around who could tell us. This excerpt from a poem printed in the *Kuranda Village News* (likely penned by the editor, the late Peter Hohermuth) was probably written in response to news of the death of the "King of Kings", in 1980, some six years after Kuranda's day in the international spotlight. It is typically irreverent, in Peter's style.

The Sheik of Crude Oil Creek

"There was excitement at Kuranda,
When the rumours spread about,
That the Sheik of Crude-Oil Creek
Was coming in ...

The Railway staff so busy,
Tried to make the place look right,
They worked from dawn to sunset
And well into the night.

They shifted all the grass and weeds,
And empty stubbies too,
The station was a lovely sight –
It looked as good as new.

They ran a special train
Up the mountain from the cane,
With an engine back and front
And one to spare.

There were policemen by the dozen,
And detectives by the score,
Inspectors, spics and bodyguards
galore.

There were guards at every tunnel
And some around the bend,
To make sure there were no terrorists,
His Highness to offend ...

The Hydro boys were on the job.
In suits and ties and all,
Let three buckets of water go,
To trickle down the Falls.

When at last His Highness did arrive,
The shock was far too great –
The train arrived on time for once,
It usually comes in late.

He entered the Refreshment Rooms,
And enjoyed young Rose's scones,
Had a cup of tea as well
And seemed to linger on ...

He ignored the barman and his ilk,
'Cause they offered him only beer,
Perhaps he wanted camels milk
Which is rather scarce round 'ere.

We were all a bit deflated,
'Cause we'd been taken in;
He wasn't Someone Special
Just an ordinary King.

This poem won't be famous
And is signed by ... IGNORAMUS."

Next Meeting

Kuranda Historical Society
SUNDAY 9TH DECEMBER 4PM
(Old) Visitor Info Centre Space,
Centenary Park
ALL WELCOME
E: kurandahistory@gmail.com

The Kuranda Historical Society wants to help celebrate ALL the many stories of Kuranda. Do you have a story to share?
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“The view from here”

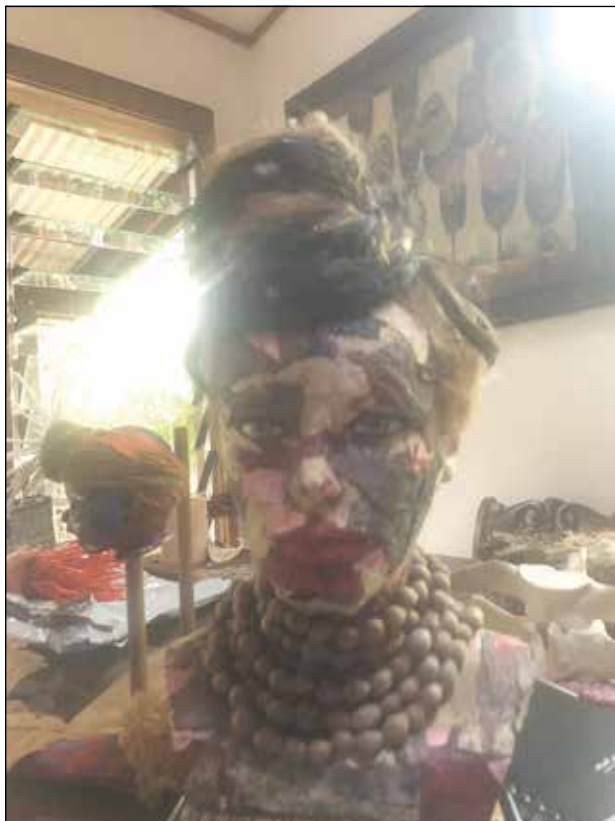
A monthly column by Michelle Murray-Beckman offering a glimpse into Kuranda's bespoke rainforest architecture along with interviews with residents who share with us why they have chosen to call Kuranda home.

SUSAN DOHERTY and I met quite by chance as we both walked along Weir Road early one morning. We chatted amicably as we ambled along parting ways as I set off to the Falls and she made her way back towards the village. Although I didn't know then that she was an artist, it was evident to me by our brief discussion that she was observant and thoughtful. I went on my way thinking what a lovely neighbour I have.

You can imagine then, how delighted I was to contact her recently, for this column.

Susan's sculpture practice pursues the re-purposing of found objects. The materials that she uses combine organic and manmade matter. She has collections of all sorts of objects. Bundles of prickly Pandanus, a stack of natural sea fans, hair both human and Poodle(!), bundles of cloth, dolls heads and even cassette tape. She describes herself as “an assemblage artist – always scouring through other people's mess and giving it new life”. She is very resourceful, and her techniques are often unconventional and always evolving. She uses these disparate elements and blends them together by stitching, weaving and wrapping. Her art is inspired by and connected to the natural world, in particular, the variety and beauty of the Australian landscape.

Susan lives, like many of us, in the rainforest. Arriving at Susan's front door



is via her washing which is strung up at the front of the house - sensibly, to catch the sun. Along the pathway that passes around the laundry are artworks sturdy enough to weather the changing seasons – sculpture constructed from bones, weavings made from palm fronds and those that look as though they could be fish traps or perhaps totems guarding what lies within.

The entrance to the house is decorated with more art and through the open door I can see that the entire house is a work space. There are projects underway everywhere I look. Hallway, steps, coffee table, dining table, kitchen bench. Works in progress and a variety of natural materials cover most of the available space.

Susan makes tea and we sit on the sofa below the gallery above which showcases various works and the most darling installation of bird's nests constructed from hair (human, dog, and lamb's wool), all sorts of grasses, flowers, moss, leaves, bones, wire, string and cassette tape. The nests hang from wooden crutches, which sounds quite odd, but works terribly well.

I ask about the crutches and this gives Susan the opportunity to explain the philosophy behind her art practice and how she came about finding and using the crutches.

She explains that as an assemblage artist she sources materials from just about anywhere. She collects, up-cycles, is given material and re-uses anything that catches her eye. “I will spy something that speaks to me – I'll take it home and use it now or later” She has sent friends on missions to bring back a grass that is particular to an area they are visiting. She is intrepid enough herself to take an extension ladder to an 8m Palm, climb up with a saw and cut the inflorescence (which in itself is large enough) and make her way back down with her prize. No harness – just a bicycle helmet for protection!

If you are new to gardening like me, you may be wondering what an inflorescence is. It is such a beautiful word. The term inflorescence was introduced by Linnaeus, who also introduced many of the common terms for types of inflorescences such as raceme, spike and umbel. The inflorescence was defined by Bentham in 1892 as “the arrangement of the flowering branches and the flowers upon them”. Susan uses the word so seamlessly – it is my chosen word of the week and I shall be attempting to use it as often as possible.

Back to the artist and her philosophy.

At the forefront of Susan's dialogue is consumerism within our society. By re-purposing found objects, she brings attention to what we discard as rubbish and changes the useless to the meaningful thereby making comment on our disposable consumer world. That's where the crutches come into the story.

In addition to being a practising artist, with over 70 group and solo exhibitions to her credit, Susan is also a community health worker. She has worked in community nursing in the Cairns region and in the Cape, including several Indigenous communities for over 20 years. She has a Graduate Diploma in Women's Health



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specialising in women and young children. After finishing a shift at Cairns Base Hospital, she noticed a skip filled with hand made timber crutches. She immediately knew that they could be put to better use than simply being thrown out in favour of aluminium and plastic alternatives.

The crutches were re-purposed beautifully (and cleverly) as frames to show off the birds' nests for an exhibition at Cairns Regional Gallery in 2014 titled “Intuit”. In her Artist statement Susan writes “I am overwhelmed by art in nature and I am humbled by the immensity of this power. Birds, I believe, are artists themselves. My nests are a metaphor of imagination, a journey of collecting and I pay homage to pure play and the joy of making”

The Intuit exhibition was also a comment on the degradation of the natural environment and loss of habitat and species. According to Susan, these reimagined nests test the audience's ability to consider these objects and their structure from a new perspective. As I examine the nests up close, I can see the delicate weaving of different materials and I marvel at both the maker's ability and her inspiration – a bird's ability, to construct something so complex, delicate and sturdy.

The nest as a metaphor is powerful. It evokes a feeling of protection, hope and renewal. We refer to nesting in our homes, where we nurture ourselves and our families. It is also a powerful feminine symbol. Expanding on this thread I ask Susan if she identifies with ecofeminist art.

Ecofeminist art emerged in the 1970's in response to ecofeminist philosophy. Ecofeminist philosophy describes a feminist approach to understanding ecology. The term eco-feminism was coined in 1974 by French feminist Françoise d'Eaubonne to bring attention to women's potential in creating an ecological revolution. According to eco-feminists, questions of class, race and gender as well as the rights of trees, water and animals are all feminist issues because they delineate the interconnections between the domination of women and other subordinate groups of humans as well as the domination of non-human nature.

It all sounds a bit heavy and when I ask Susan the question she responds by saying that she is always concerned about the environment and has aligned with many feminist viewpoints and narratives over the years, both in her nursing and her art. She then goes on to say that she is “just a sheila who makes art and has many concerns regarding the neglect of our beautiful Australian environment”. In her view the environment has been off the political agenda for far too long. She adds that her art is an extension of the woman's craft of making and she employs that skill to communicate her message.

Susan, like many female artists and scientists is humble and self-effacing. Her work is powerful, and one can feel the intent and the love that has been woven into the creation of the art works.

Another equally important aspect of Susan's work is the ephemeral and transient nature of her art. With the construction materials being organic or up-cycled there is the underlying knowledge that the works will eventually breakdown, making us reflect that we too will not be here forever. We must embrace and preserve, as best we can, ourselves, our relationships and our environment. ■



PREP-12 Health and Physical Education

Kuranda District State College providea opportunities for students to participate in various Health and Physical Education experiences and extra-curricular activities. We also partner with a number of external providers, which provide specialist training to our students. These experiences engage students to develop and enhance peer relationships, fitness levels and address health and wellbeing.



Foggy mornings have not stopped the Prep to Year 6 students who have been participating in the Run Around Queensland Program on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8.00am to 8.45am. Students have been running laps around the oval which have been transferred onto a map of Queensland to see how far the students can travel as a whole campus. Participating students are given a chance to win weekly prizes with their name placed in a raffle and announced at school assembly each Monday. To challenge the more competitive students the top three lap runners have been awarded a sports prize at the beginning of each Term. Running over twelve weeks and the students have completed 892 km which is a total of 1784 laps of the designated course.

The Year 5 and 6 students have learnt the fast paced game of Touch Football by participating in sessions run by Touch Football Australia. Sessions took place during class time and were also offered to students from Year 3 to 6 on a Wednesday during lunch time. Thirty students, in Prep to Year 6 have been participating in an after school Hockey Program delivered by Cairns Hockey. The program is sponsored by sporting schools grant, making it free for students to participate.

The Kuranda Stars cheerleading team is currently working hard on their routines for the upcoming competitions in 2019, including the Schools Nationals. The team trains every Monday afternoon from 3.00pm to 4.30pm.

Last term students studying Certificate II in Sport and Recreation learnt the



skills and knowledge of Golf. The students went to the Cairns Driving Range at Smithfield and Half Moon Bay golf course at Yorkeys Knob as part of their assessment.

Students were able to compete and represent Kuranda District State College at the TCN Athletics carnival which was held in August at Barlow

Park. This year twenty two students competed in various track and field events.

Highlights of the day include:

- Thomas B broke our school 400m record
- Monica B placed third in the 100m and second in the 200m sprint
- Wil D placed second in long jump
- Callum D placed first in long jump, second in high jump, discus and the 100m sprint
- Shaun D placed third in high jump, long jump and 100m sprint.



Many of our students also made the age champion list for the first time. Congratulations to Callum D who was our top age champion and came in at second place for the 18 Year old male category.

Students from ten to twelve years old competed at the Barron River Athletics Carnival, held at Smithfield State High School in July. It was a successful event for Kuranda District State College with twenty two of our students doing a fantastic job representing our school.

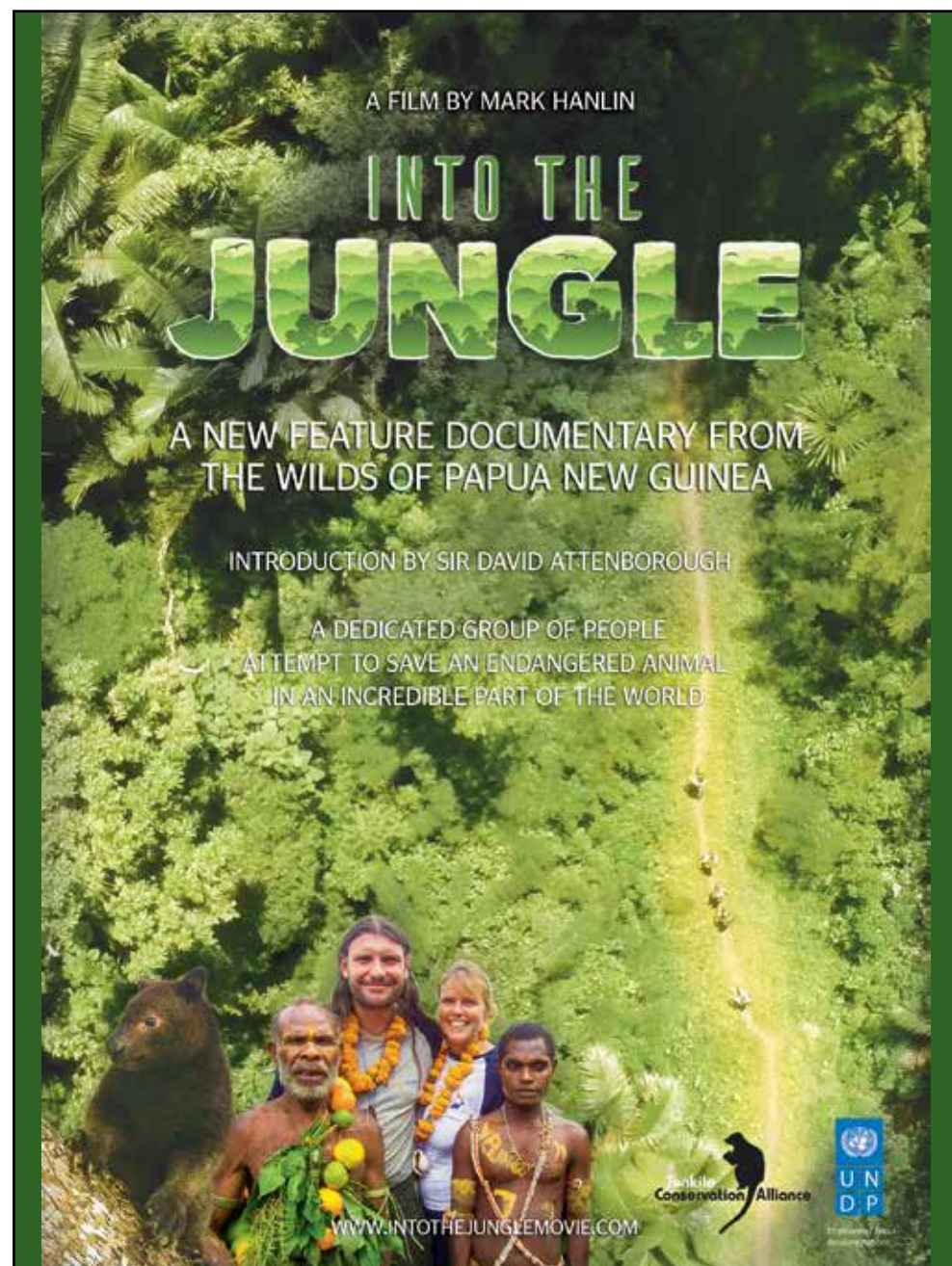
A big congratulations to Jack D for making it to the Barron River Athletics team and competing in the 200m event at the Peninsula School Sport Track and Field Regional Championships.



Into the Jungle with Jim & Jean

JIM AND JEAN THOMAS are award winning conservationists who live near Ravenshoe. They have dedicated their lives to protecting endangered species, initially as Zoo Keepers in Melbourne and for the last 15 years in remote Papua New Guinea working with 50 village communities. Their initial aim was to conserve the critically endangered Tenkile Tree kangaroo from extinction. With only 100 left it was critical to do something. They soon realised that real conservation outcomes would be gained if they worked directly with the local people and integrated the conservation work with sustainable community development.

Last month their movie, ***Into the Jungle***, which documents their story, was a sellout at the Malanda theatre.



Please look at the preview here: <http://intothejungle.net>

By popular request the movie will be shown again in Malanda and Smithfield this coming weekend.

Malanda ticketing: Saturday 3rd November 12.30–3.30pm.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/into-the-jungle-malanda-tickets-50773375533>

Smithfield ticketing — Sunday 4th November 3.00pm–6.00pm

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Take part in your future

By **Ann Harth** for the **Kuranda Region Planning Group**

KUR-World's draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is now open for responses from the public. If you've been waiting to have your say, your wait is over. If not, a 650-million dollar resort complex on Barnwell Road will affect your future, so now's the time to take a stand.

We have until 30th November to read, understand and respond to a document that outlines a major change in our lives.

We are invited to:

- clearly state matters of concern
- provide suggested solutions.

The EIS is a massive 4000 pages, but this isn't as daunting as it sounds (links to full document at kurandaregion.org/eis). There are two ways to become informed without trying to wade through this colossal document.

Visit drop-in sessions

These will be run by the Kuranda Region Planning Group beginning 3rd November (See front page of this issue of *The Kuranda Paper* for details). The sessions will offer streamlined, relevant information compiled from the EIS by a small army of professionals and volunteers. Template submissions that include possible concerns and solutions will be available, as will blank forms for you to write your own submissions. Those with a working knowledge of the EIS will be on hand to assist. This aims to prevent high levels of frustration and hair loss.

Read the executive summary

The executive summary (Chapter 0 in the EIS document) is 30 pages or so, but includes a comprehensive table of contents so you can zero in on what worries you most. Form your concerns by reading between the lines. This development will radically change our lives. We have the right to clear and honest responses. Remember, if this goes ahead, we will be affected.

A few examples:

From the Executive Summary:

KUR-World's vision is to '... complement the region's unique natural and cultural assets.'

Concern:

Quad bikes, resorts, shopping complexes, a golf course, sports facilities, and accommodation for over 2000 people will overwhelm our small community and sensitive area.

From the Executive Summary:

KUR-World has the opportunity to '...contribute to the sustainable growth of the region...

Concern:

Growth, by definition, is not sustainable unless we have infinite resources. We do not.

From the Executive Summary:

'... and to offer experience with diverse activities for a wide range of visitors.'

Concern:

Kuranda and the surrounding area already offer diverse activities that suit the region. Also, the attractions proposed at KUR-World are already found in the Cairns and Tablelands Region. Our natural and unique assets will be bypassed or harmed for similar, existing attractions.

From the Executive Summary:

'KUR-World intends to become a hub for nature-based, cultural, educational and agricultural tourism on the Atherton Tablelands and beyond.

Concern:

Businesses are most effective with a specific consumer target and brand. KUR-World's aims seem like a wide throw of the net and raises concerns as to the actual aim for the use of the land.

From the Executive Summary:

One of the KUR-World objectives is 'protecting, managing, and enhancing the site's environmental values for the wellbeing and enjoyment of the local community.'

Concern:

Historical actions of the developer and how they reflect on future actions:

- An illegal dam cut on this property in December 2015 has already destroyed one seasonal breeding habitat for the endangered Kuranda Tree Frog.
- There has been little consultation with the people of Kuranda. When invited to public information meetings, the developer has declined all but one.

The Executive Summary's table of contents will give you some triggers for other areas of concern: water usage, transport, sewage, waste, noise, cultural heritage and more.

To voice your concerns and make a formal submission in response to KUR-World's draft EIS visit kurandaregion.org/eis.

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Spiritual Celebrations Across Australia

Friday and Saturday 9th & 10th November 2018



Spiritual celebrations will be occurring across Australia and elsewhere as thousands of families, individuals and communities mark two special anniversaries.

All over the world the Baha'i community will celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Forerunner of the Faith, the Bab (1819-1850) and of Baha'u'llah (1817-1892), the Prophet-Founder of the Baha'i Faith.

Messages of congratulations on the bicentenary have come from many prominent leaders.

The celebrations will occur at the Baha'i House of Worship in Sydney and recently took place in the Federal Parliament.

In the North Queensland Tablelands there will be a celebration on **Friday 9th November in Kuranda**, and a celebration in **Malanda on Saturday 10th November**. These are open to all people and all religions, no cost, all welcome. Details on request.

In addition to participating in collectively organised events, individual Baha'is will hold their own celebrations, with family members, friends, and workmates and casual acquaintances joining in.

Personal Transformation

The prophetic figure known as Baha'u'llah (The Glory of God) was born in Tehran, Persia, in 1817. His followers, numbering more than five million, can be found throughout the world.

Incited by a fanatical clergy, the authorities exiled Baha'u'llah from Persia to

Baghdad, Constantinople and Edirne, and then via Gallipoli to the Holy Land (now Israel), arriving in 1868. His Shrine near Acre is a place of pilgrimage for Baha'is the world over.

The Baha'i Faith arrived in Australia in 1920. There are now Baha'is in all parts of the country.

The great vision of Baha'u'llah (1817-92) is of a world civilisation based on the principle of the oneness of humanity and encapsulated in the quotation: *"The earth is but one country, and mankind its citizens."*

Baha'u'llah said a united world would produce the peace and prosperity foretold in the holy books of the great religions of the world and in the poems and songs of sages down the ages.

At the heart of Baha'u'llah's teachings is the need for a personal spiritual transformation, followed by a commitment to serve others in striving to enact His vision of a world civilisation based on the principle of the oneness of humanity.

Baha'u'llah taught that there is one God, recognised by different names throughout the world. The diverse religions, He said, are expressions of a single underlying truth, related to one another by a common origin and a common purpose: to transform humanity's inner life and outer condition.

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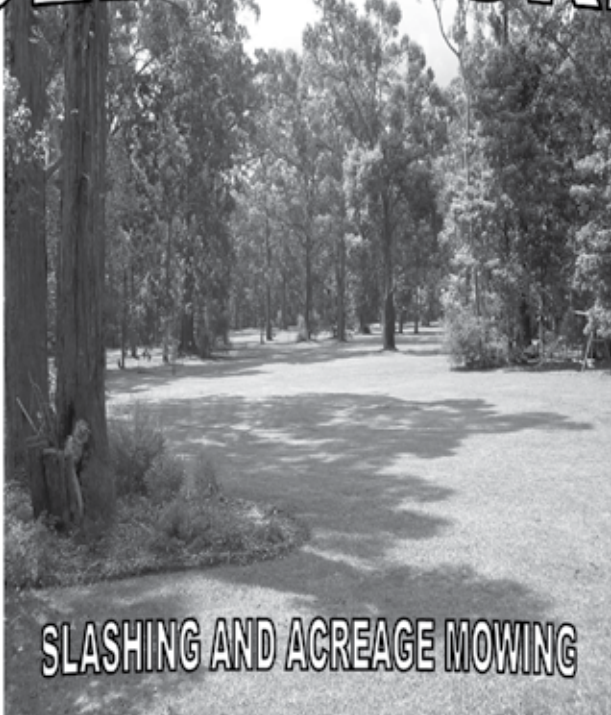
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**AGM Sunday 18th November at midday
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Time for Real Climate Action

In early October, yet another science report (http://report.ipcc.ch/sr15/pdf/sr15_spm_final.pdf) was released by the World's leading climate body, the IPCC, confirming that climate change is well underway, and that under current estimates warming will reach 1.5 degrees in the next few decades. An increase of 1.5 degrees Celsius will make the climate much more unstable; bigger storms and cyclones, harsher droughts and heat waves. However, 2.0 degrees hotter is much, much worse and would cause very serious social, economic, and environmental problems. Destruction of coral reefs, rising sea levels, collapsing food supplies are all real and happening now.

Limiting warming to 1.5 degrees would require a complete reduction of greenhouse gases to zero by 2050 or sooner. This requires fundamental change to energy, agriculture, transport systems and pretty much everything that humans do – and on a global scale. A few solar panels and wind farms is only a start.

But we all know this – scientists have been telling us with increasing alarm for decades that the planet is getting cooked – and we, its inhabitants, are facing a very uncertain and unstable future. The IPCC report is optimistic that governments across the world will see the light and quickly move to phase out fossil fuels and start planning to adapt to the uncertain future. Unfortunately, this optimism seems misguided. The Paris Climate Agreement signed in 2016 will not limit global warming to 1.5 degrees – actually it will do very little because the commitments are too weak and the United States has run away.

Most governments and industry either don't care or far worse are staging a huge deception campaign to undermine climate science, and any real efforts to limit greenhouse emissions. The public has been duped by the likes of the coal and oil industry, by their slick marketing companies, and by dodgy scientists and lobby groups funded by these interests. For example, Tony Abbott and his colleagues have happily pushed the coal industry's agenda, undermining energy reform and dumping real climate action. These people and the industries they support are a minority, holding humanity to ransom for their own political or financial gain.

Let's stop being hoodwinked by big industry and demand immediate and far reaching action to reduce greenhouse emissions to zero.

ACTION: To move Australia beyond fossil fuels, the climate movement must grow to an unprecedented scale and size. Join FoE Australia's Tipping Point team of national volunteers: email info@tippingpoint.org.au to find out more.



Quick Quiz

Enter this fun wildlife and environment quiz to win a family pass to our beautiful Australian Butterfly Sanctuary in Kuranda. Just go to the FoE FNQ website – <http://www.foefnq.org.au/> or see last month's *Kuranda Paper*. Hard copy entries can be sent to PO Box 727 Kuranda 4881 or scanned and emailed to sarahi3451@gmail.com.

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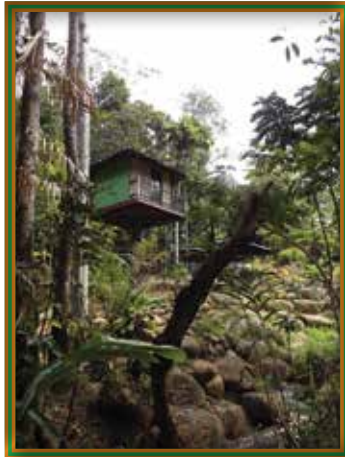
Plants, trees, rocks, water, sand, flowers, wood, metal and earth... Does that make art? Well if you come at it with wheelbarrows, shovels, picks, hammers, saws, nails, some willing hands, and a grand plan, then yes, of course it does. But don't take my word for it, come to the Botanic Gardens (left) and see for yourself. Our gardens, be they a forest, a back yard, or anything in between, will always be a precious place for us to find peace and connection with nature in an ever encroaching built environment. If it must be built, then let's build it right with plenty of growing spaces, for the sheer joy of it, and for our own survival. What could be better than being in a living, breathing, growing, gallery of ever changing colour and form, serenaded by the sweet buzz of life all around us? Take some time out to listen to the birds and hear some real tweets this November, Art lovers, **seren.**

Kuranda Original Rainforest Market



BOTANIC GARDENS

Down behind the Original Markets you will find one of Kuranda's newest attractions, the Botanic Gardens. This piece of landscaped art features rainforest walks, picnic areas, and a stage for community events.



The first of these will be the return of Miwako and her koto (see poster below) on Sunday 4th November (Miwako and koto featured in our September issue). Mal and the crew have been working tirelessly to make this piece of once neglected Kuranda inheritance great again. Much of the work is now completed and the rainforest walks are open to all. Planting out is still taking place so if you have any exotic plant species that would fit in, they would greatly appreciated, and available for all to enjoy. The stage area, under the Tree



House, will be available, by arrangement, for local events, music, etc. and free to all. For more info on upcoming events see: www.kurandaoriginalrainforestmarket.com.au Visit the Botanic Gardens now!



SOUND OF JAPAN – KOTO 箏の調べ
at Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets "Botanic Garden Stage"

Sunday 4th November 2018

11:00 – 11:20	三段の調べ	Sandan
	春の姿	Haru no Sugata
	鷹	Taka
12:00 – 12:20	もののけ姫	Princess Mononoke
	六段	Rokudan
	桜 変奏曲	Sakura Variations
13:30 – 13:50	薫る花	Kaoru Hana
	荒城の月	Kojo no Tsuki
	いざない	Izanai

Koto by 榎染幸子 Utsuka (Miwako Murai)

KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE

A Unique Concert Theatre in the Rainforest

Amphitheatre News November 2018

Dear members and friends!
GENERAL MEETING

GENERAL MEETING
Sunday 25th November
3:30 pm, Top Pavilion
and
Volunteers Xmas Sausage Sizzle

The Kuranda Amphitheatre encourages members to come along, participate, and learn of the day to day running of the venue. Please support your community's venue.

WORKING BEES



We are having a Working Bee on the second Sunday each month. It is important that the venue can be maintained by our membership base and community volunteers. Please come along, if only for an hour or two. It is amazing what half a dozen people can do in a few hours.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON WORKING BEE
1:00 pm, 11th November
Refreshments provided

Even if you can make one Working Bee, it's a big help to the few that regularly come along. At each Working Bee, the Amphitheatre will focus on one area at a time.

As we are heading towards our cyclone/wet season, we are preparing the gardens with mulch, etc, to see them through the summer months. Other smaller jobs on the day will be watering the gardens & terraces, hosing pathways & general tidying, or other smaller tasks that you may like to do.

December's Working Bee will also be focusing on this and tidying up the grounds of any debris, etc, in case of cyclones.



This little girl spends a lot of her time helping out at the Amphitheatre, so deserves a special mention.
Thank you Amaru Onyx!!

We do close for a period through Xmas and New Year to give our Committee & Active Volunteers a much earned rest with their families. As we all know, it is a big venue to maintain and upgrade.

On a community level, we all love to make use of the facility, so if you can do your bit, we would love to see you there!!

THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE is currently focused on grant applications both big and small for such things as new chairs, office equipment and weatherproof sails for around the Top Pavilion.

Outstanding projects are being discussed by our voluntary Management Committee as part of a 10 year planning project approved some years ago. These projects are simmering away in the background.

All equipment and upgrades help to decrease workload on our active volunteers and committee and streamline the way the Amphitheatre operates.

Streamlining is a crucial process as the years go on, as people have less and less time to give. The Management Committee is focused on looking at the big picture moving into the future.

The Amphitheatre thanks everyone for the part they play in keeping our community venue alive and vibrant.

Have a Great November & hope to see you at the Amphitheatre,
KAS Admin



KAS ADMIN

The Amphitheatre is a multipurpose community arts venue voluntarily managed by the people of Kuranda since its inception in the late 1970s and is still powering ahead almost 40 years later. Volunteering your time ensures its sustainability.

Membership Forms available from:
www.kurandaamphitheatre.org
or "The Honey House", Therwine St.

All enquiries: www.kurandaamphitheatre.org
email: support@kurandaamphitheatre.zendesk.com
Support enquiries are accessed daily.





Award-winning Ceramic Bowl

Co-op member Mollie Bosworth has won the 'Open Wheelwork' award at the Port Hacking Potters Group 50th Anniversary exhibition with her porcelain bowl with decal decoration called 'Time Traveller'. This competition was judged by a distinguished panel of three of Australia's leading ceramic artists.

The exhibition is currently being shown until 31st October at Hazelhurst Art Centre, Sydney.

Kate Prynne's Glass Workshop

Co-op glass and jewellery artist, Kate Prynne, recently conducted a two-day glass workshop at the Cairns Potters' Club. There were ten participants who made glass windchimes, small dishes and a cheese platter. It was such a fun event with lots of laughter and great results.

Kate will conducting more glass workshops in 2019. Watch this space in the New Year for dates.



Sculpture Botanica

Marcia Bird, Co-op fibre artist, recently exhibited fibre artwork 'Understory' in the Sculpture Botanical exhibition in the Cairns Botanical Gardens.

Marcia's artwork can be seen in the Arts Co-op Gallery.



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Focus on Kuranda

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

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

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

The Moderator of the page has advised *The Kuranda Paper* that the photograph that has received the most 'likes' this month from 26th September to 30th October was Gerhard Hillmann's "Cassowary". Gerhard says: "Another beautiful Cassowary at rest in the forest in Black Mountain Road, Kuranda. Very thirsty. After this photo went for a half hour drink."



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Community Event Raises Awareness of Family Violence



An awareness raising community event was held in Kuranda on 4th October. Organised by Kali Sailor and Rhonda Duffin of STAR (Stand Tall And Rise) and Mulungu Deadly Choices, (Mulungu Aboriginal Corp Primary Health Care Services), it began with a march starting from Centenary Park with a smoking ceremony to acknowledge ancestors and pay respect to Country. Approximately 300 people attended the march to Bartley Park where various activities were enjoyed including dancing, speeches, jumping castle and climbing apparatus for the children and a community BBQ.



Many suffer in silence. One in four women and one in seven men are affected by family violence, and the ages of 18-24 are the most victimised. It can be physical, verbal, emotional or sexual. It is a violation of human rights. A healthy relationship will never require you to sacrifice your friends, your dream, or your dignity.

Written by a Domestic Violence Survivor:

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For expressions of interest for market stalls contact Nicky on 0488961660. Submissions due by the 20th.

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(if space is left as you found it)

Community Calendar

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

First Saturday March-December, Monthly Markets at Koah Hall

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

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

Kuranda Men's Shed every Wednesday 8.30-11.30am

Every Sunday

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

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

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

Every Monday

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

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

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

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

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

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

Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30pm Barbara La Bayse 4093 7026

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

8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda Recreation Centre

First Tuesday Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting venue rotates. 4093 8933

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



Ph John Baskerville 4093 7246, 0407 144 213

Second & Fourth Tuesday

Mareeba Toastmasters meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL.

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

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

Every Wednesday

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

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

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

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

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

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

Yoga for kids. Limited places. Please phone 4093 8283

Kuranda Men's Shed every Saturday 1.00-4.00pm

Second Wednesday

Financial and Gambling Counselling by Salvation Army. Appts 4093 8933

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

Every Thursday

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

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

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

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

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

Yoga at the Kuranda Amphitheatre 9.00-11.00am

Second Thursday Ambulance 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

Every Friday

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

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

Fourth Friday

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

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Constipated?

By Sarah Dobbs

This topic is a doozy! It's been a hard one to tackle without continual references to double entendres littered with expletives...but I gave it a red hot try!

If you find yourself going more than a couple of days without a bowel movement, chances are you're constipated. You might have a distended, bloated stomach, flatulence and a generally uncomfortable feeling in your gut. When you do pass a stool, it is commonly hard and dry or very large and painful. Maybe you don't feel like you've fully 'finished'. It can manifest itself in irritability and poor behaviour in kids. You're basically storing waste and that's not good! You need to flush that down the loo!

For those suffering chronic constipation you'll have heard these before but a little reminder never hurt anyone.

- **Water** – I can't say this enough...drink more water! It is an excellent way to flush waste and hydrate stool. If we're dehydrated our bodies will pull the moisture out of our stool.
 - **Fibre** – we all know that eating more fibre is the key to being regular. But did you know that there are different types of fibre? Both of these are found in most foods just some are higher than others.
 - o *Soluble fibre* turns to a gel like substance in the bowel as it soaks up water which bulks up the stool and allows it to pass easily. Food with high levels of insoluble fibre include pulses/peas/beans (kidney beans, lentils, chickpeas etc), oats, nuts, seeds, broccoli, avocado, apricots, figs, pears, sweet potato and carrots. That's just a sample size list folks! But I think you get the picture.
 - o *Insoluble fibre* is found in brown rice, wheat bran and vege peels (eat the skins when you can) and bulks stool up which can also keep you regular.
- So do yourself a favour and ditch the commercial cereals that claim to keep you regular in favour of oats and natural muesli that are loaded with nuts and seeds and topped with fruit. Up your fruit and veg intake on a daily basis and get reacquainted with the throne.
- **Gut health** – this is really a topic of its own but very briefly if the bacteria in our gut are out then our digestive system will not work properly. It may result in constipation (but also a host of other issues). Here's the basics. Eat more prebiotic foods like onion, garlic and asparagus as these feed the good bacteria. Fermented foods naturally contain prebiotics and probiotics which make them an ideal choice! Take naturally fermented sauerkraut. The cabbage contains soluble fibre plus it's a great prebiotic and the fermentation process gives it a probiotic kick. Nice!
 - General tips-
 - o Take your time when you do go. Don't try and get it out the second you sit down. Get comfortable but no need to spend more than 15-20 minutes in there.
 - o Go when the urge hits. If you ignore the cue the stool hangs around waiting and the body pinches the water from it for other bodily functions. You'll find the body is a fast learner and will stop reminding you after a while of ignoring it!
 - o Exercise is crucial! If you want a movement you have to move! Get the digestive system moving with some exercise. If you do none at the moment start with a 10 minute walk every day.

If you are still struggling to get your stool to pass muster then consider a trip to a natural therapist to get to the bottom of the issue. There are so many reasons for constipation and a slew of natural remedies and supplements to get you and a small army going regularly.

1. <https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/foods-high-in-soluble-fiber#section20>
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3. Henry Osiecki, *The Nutrient Bible*



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Latest News from the Kuranda Community Precinct



Kuranda Community Precinct



Landscape Concept Plan

In 2017, the Kuranda Community Precinct Advisory Committee secured funding from the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) to engage a consultant to create a 'place-making plan' (Plan) for the future development of the Precinct. This culminated in a community workshop in October 2017, where 10 Kuranda community groups met at the Precinct to contribute to the vision for the precinct.

At the Workshop, the community agreed to a list of priority projects and the consultant utilised this information to develop the place-making plan. This inclusive approach ensures that the development of the Precinct will take place in a way that reflects the needs of the broader community.

The Plan

The Plan provides a long-term vision for the Precinct which incorporates a range of potential environmental and structural elements, including paths, to ensure that the space is opened by improving lines of sight through the Precinct. The potential projects identified by the Kuranda community include some short-term projects, through to very long-term aspirational projects.



Works Underway

The Kuranda Community Precinct Advisory Committee has started working with Kuranda Envirocare, RISE Ventures (Kuranda-based employment agency) and Djabugay to commence with the first project, which incorporates building the walkway throughout the precinct. This feature is a foundational element of the long-term vision for the precinct.

Envirocare has completed detailed vegetation mapping and has recommended plants which may be cleared to improve lines of sight through the precinct, and also identified trees which are significant to the area.

Envirocare representatives are finalising these recommendations which include the removal of exotic plants and vegetation in locations which are not conducive to opening the site up for community use. There are some native trees which Envirocare have identified for removal, mainly due to their location.

The clearing of this vegetation will allow the commencement of the pathway, with

a view to also incorporating a picnic setting soon. Initial plans are also underway with Djabugay Aboriginal Corporation and the Kuranda Garden Club to achieve other elements of the plan.

The significant contributions offered by these groups will ensure that the cost to complete these projects is more achievable by providing volunteer efforts, cultural knowledge, historical information and a workforce.

Funding Sources

The consultant provided preliminary cost estimates for the implementation of the plan which are significant, at almost \$500,000. This means that projects need to be very carefully prioritised and a strategic approach to securing funding is required.

Mareeba Shire Council has set aside approximately \$130,000 for the development of the Precinct. These funds will be used over the long-term to contribute to projects which will increase the community utilisation of the Precinct. As these funds are not sufficient to achieve the lofty vision in the Plan, the Committee will work closely with Council's staff to identify grant programs from the State and Federal Government, and other funding bodies. The Place-Making Plan is a valuable tool in applying for grant funds, and Council will consider allocating some funds as seed-funding for grant applications. A portion of Council's funding allocation will also be used to pay the material costs for projects with partner groups including Kuranda Envirocare, Djabugay Aboriginal Corporation and the Kuranda Garden Club; and fund some short-term projects to encourage immediate use of the precinct, by Kuranda residents.

The contribution of the Kuranda community in determining the priority projects, under the leadership of the Kuranda Community Precinct Advisory Committee to Council, has been significant, which means the development of the precinct aligns with the vision for the site which is:


The Precinct is a well-used and flexible community space which is available for the long-term enjoyment of all Kuranda residents for recreational, sporting, cultural and educational experiences and activities. The Precinct is integrated and connected with surrounding facilities and promotes the history of the site.

For further information please contact John Baskerville, Chairperson, Kuranda Community Precinct Advisory Committee.



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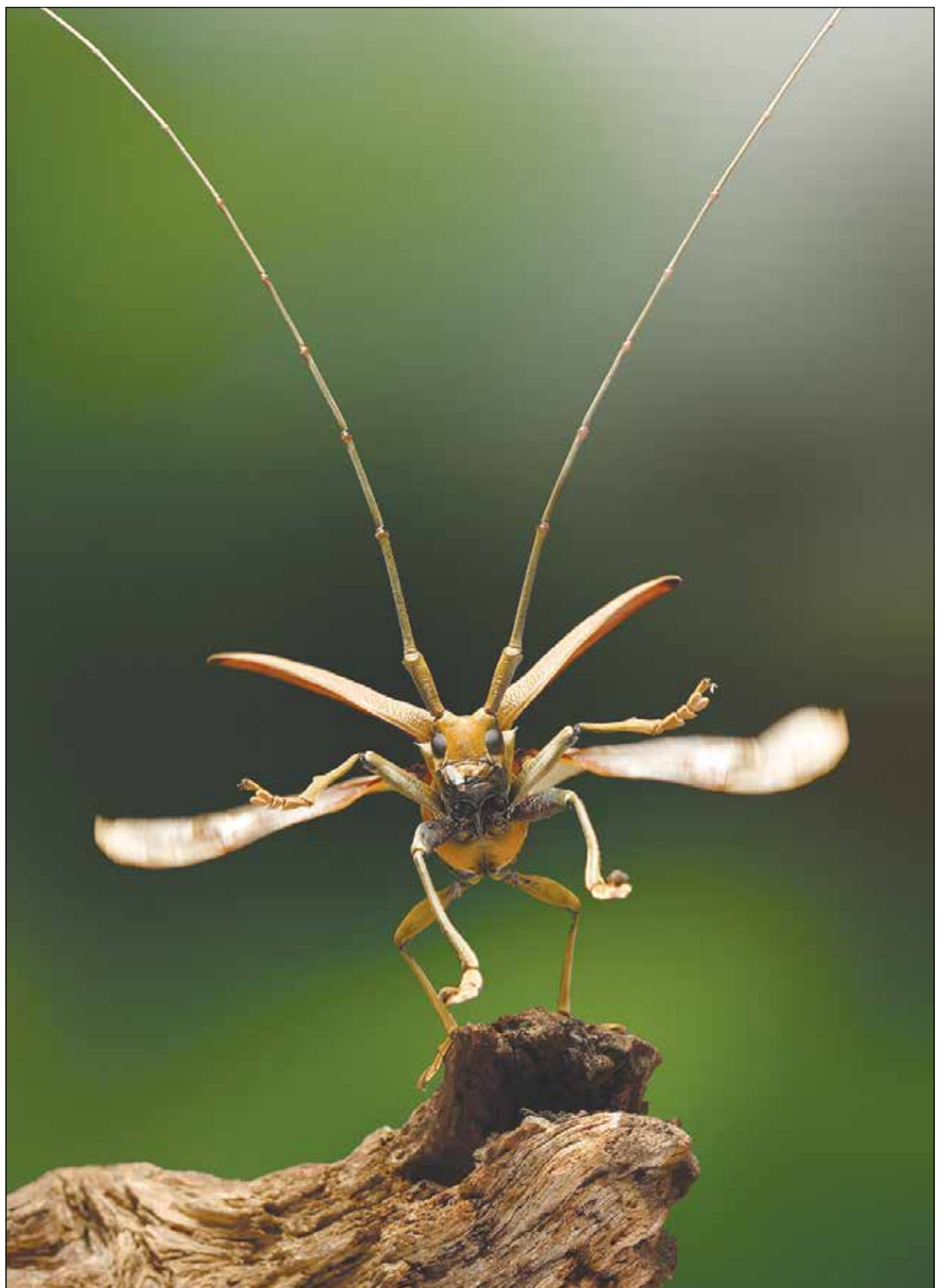
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A Longicorn beetle takes off. Beetles must lift their elytra and unfold their flight wings.

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Masters of the Skies

Although we think our skies are busy now with aircraft flying constantly around the globe, these thousands of aircraft flights on a daily basis add little congestion compared to the millions of flights made by insects every second. Insects rule the sky and have done for around 300 million years. Taking to the sky was one of the most significant evolutionary events within the insect world, and within the animal world for that matter. With the ability to fly came great opportunities such as increased ability to hunt and forage for food, ability to escape predators, and a means to find mates and colonise new areas quickly.

Not all insects have wings, and those that do only develop them when they reach maturity. Their full wings appear after their final development stage, and at first are soft and delicate. Blood is pumped into the wing veins, which expand them rapidly to their full size before they harden in the air. Insect wings come in a multitude of shapes and sizes. Some are clear, while others have intricate patterns and colours on them.

Flies are one of the most frequently encountered flying insects and are accomplished fliers. They have a single pair of wings, and are counterbalanced with small organs called halteres. These gyrate in time with the beating wings, allowing the fly to control balance during flight. Most flies have the ability to take off quickly, to fly quite rapidly, and zoom through all number of obstacles with exact precision. Some of the masters in this group are the hoverflies, which have the ability to hover and fly backwards.

Butterflies and moths have wings which are covered with microscopic scales, and unlike the flies, they have two pairs of wings. Most butterflies fly by day and most moths fly by night, but there are exceptions. Their wing scales are an important part of their defence. Shedding scales is an excellent way for butterflies and moths to struggle free from a spider's web. This group includes not only some of the most beautiful flying insects but also some of the most accomplished. Some moths are extremely fast (60km/h) and can hover whilst feeding on flowers, while some butterflies have been observed flying at altitudes of 6000m. The largest wingspan of all flying insects is shared by members of this group; the Atlas Moth and Queen Alexandra Butterfly can measure up to 30cm across!

If there are true aerobic champions within the insect world, the dragonflies would have to take the crown. With their two pairs of long wings and excellent flight control they have the ability to fly forward, backward, up, down, sideways and hover, much like a helicopter can. Unlike a helicopter, dragonflies can accelerate at an incredible rate and reach top speed in seconds which for some is close to 100km/h.

While these insects have the ability to fly very quickly to avoid danger, their wings are always exposed and vulnerable to damage. One group of insects, the beetles, evolved wing protection in that their forewings become hard armoured plates called elytra to protect their hind wings. Although the speed of take off is slower, beetles are able to protect their valuable assets when they are not in use, which allows them to burrow, climb and generally do things that other flying insects cannot. The heaviest flying insect in the world is the Goliath Beetle and weighs a mammoth 80-100gs. The flight of this beetle has to be seen to be believed.

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A Hoverfly. Flies have single pair of wings.



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A Grinter's Tale

A Word to the Wise

I have a business called Word Factory. I started it as a secretarial service at Trinity Beach in the early 80s and sold it in 1988 when I moved to Perth to work for the infamous Alan Bond, no relation to 007 but definitely Oh Oh.

I feel another story coming up, but I won't digress (much) today. Garth and the team are waiting for my late, as always, article. I should get detention.

Back in the eighties, I wrote resumes and 10 page statements answering selection criteria for government jobs. I transcribed police reports, medico legal reports, insurance assessor reports, I wrote media releases for various hopeful political candidates, letters in reply to workplace bullying accusations, and statements for admission in court for drink driving exonerations. I wrote references and speeches and funny birthday poems.

In all that time, I never recall coming across the appalling grammar, lack of vocabulary and spelling mistakes I see now. Words fail me. Although saying that, I did type an assignment (type only – she didn't have a typewriter) for a university student studying law. I was astounded. It was primary school level.

Words fascinate me. I wind them around my tongue, I swallow and store them for use later, and just occasionally, I spit them out because they taste like grit in my mouth.

I look at their use in history, I see how they are used then and now, and I get high on discovery in the same way that you may do on all sorts of other things.

I'm one of those people who starts to use trendy words a decade after they were trendy in the same way that I wore duffle coats when everyone was wearing Afghan jackets. I had a bobble hat when beanies were debobbed.

'Cool'. Well, I just could not get my head around the fact that the opposite of hot was used to describe anything from an agreement to meet someone at a certain time, to the purchase of a new phone. Funny, it's 2018, and I find myself using that word, and wondering if I am doing it because it makes me feel younger.

Then there's my pet hate. 'Awesome'. Now this word means something that inspires awe. That does not equate to meeting someone for coffee at McDonalds, ooh definitely not. The word for that is 'Never'. Nor does it fit comfortably with describing a recipe or a new flavour of potato chip. Awesome comes to mind when you watch someone perform heart surgery on a pet canary, or making furniture out of recycled aluminium cans. That kind of thing is truly awesome. Do you get my gist?

When you do what I do for a living, when your whole (exceedingly long) life has been devoted to stringing words together in such a way that the:

- (a) make sense
- (b) make someone want to do something they normally wouldn't think of
- (c) read to the end; words just rule your life. In fact, you become an intensely annoying person, in front of whom no sane person would place text.

I am not, by any means, the only one for whom grammatical mistakes, or even more prevalent, misspellings, leap off a page, a sign, a poster, a menu, a resume. And oh! Facebook. I have to nail my tongue to a fence post every day to prevent commenting on social media. Here's a good one I saw today...

"Does anyone now sameone that can cut a whole in a wall to make an air conditioning whole bigger."

Then there's OMG, born on that TV show "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy"? I have to admit to watching it; it was a bit like biting your nails, you don't really want to do it, and you know it's not doing you any favours, but something drives you there nevertheless and there's a weird sense of satisfaction gained in the doing thereof.

I could never relate to any of their perpetrators of untidiness or disorganisation.

Getting rid of spare clothes and shifting furniture around is so different than the reality of owning border collies with tails like Velcro that bring entire hay bales, spiders and detritus from paddock to living room. BUT, every week on that show, those front doors opened and I fought to cover both ears and eyes, because you knew, without shadow of a doubt, the naughty messy culprits would simultaneously raise both hands to their faces and yell, "Oh my God! Oh my God!" You would think they'd walked in to find the walls painted in molten gold, or the carpets covered in \$100 bills, where in fact someone had just vacuumed and shoved all their mess in a car to take to the Salvos.

And I can guarantee none of them have been to church in their hitherto cluttered lives. OMG must be the atheist version?

It took me a long time to work out what the term 'bae' meant. I thought it was short for 'Baby'. Then 'Cray cray'. How hard is it to say 'crazy'? And the worst, like. But that actually seems to be fading away, or is that my imagination.

We won't even go to common misspellings here, because... well because they're too common and I didn't set out to offend. But please don't say "I would of" to me, because I'll throw a tantrum.

So I've just written a whole article and not even told you what Word Factory does these days. My bad. I was totally going to get a bit of a plug in. Ha ha, did you spot the last two irritants?



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CONTINUING THE SERIES ON KURANDA R.S.L. MEMBERS

Graham Fowles

The suggestion was made for members of the Kuranda RSL to do a brief summary of their service life. This is mine. Please excuse any cynicism that may sneak in. My period of service covered some very significant changes in this country.

In 1969 I joined the Army with my new brother-in-law in Perth. We had been job hopping for a while, which was easy in 1969. Just so much work, but not all future based.

I think this came as a surprise for the women folk but “nothing ventured” as they say. We departed by air, bound for Melbourne in early October – landing, of course, in Launceston due to weather, nobody knew who the heck we were, and by the time we finally made it to Melbourne, the transport to Kapooka NSW had departed. So that was my introduction to military movements.

Kapooka, the sign on the gate still to this day says “*The home of the Soldier*” and so it was for 10 weeks. It was as perceived, quite tough. We were also called out to fight bush fires raging across the Riverina at the time.

The New Year saw both of us at Ingleburn, NSW, again doing more advanced training... in weapons, helicopters, gas, mines, booby traps and other pleasantries.

On march out, I was awarded “Best General-Purpose Machine Gun Shot in Australia”. The fact that I came across a spare box of ammunition unattended, which I used, didn’t seem to matter. The Brigadier was happy and so was I.

March saw both of us at Woodside in South Australia with the 3rd Battalion of the Royal Australian Regiment (3RAR). Me in Delta Company and Bro Andy in Alpha Company. I was joined in Adelaide by my wife and young son, and we lived in Adelaide in what passed for a married quarter.

The next year was all exercises. We were training for Vietnam whilst the era of moratorium marches and demonstrations was happening in Adelaide.

We were working with the tanks in Victoria, or the range in Murray Bridge or Shoalwater Bay, or the jungle training centre in Canungra. This was very divisive and as we got better, read ‘lethal’, the demonstrations got more intense, culminating in one demonstration clashing with leave of some soldiers. Soldiers were charged, fines imposed, cheques flooded in from the community and bruises healed.

In 1971 3RAR deployed to South Vietnam. The Unions refused to move the Aircraft Carrier *HMAS Sydney*, dubbed the “Vung Tau Ferry” and there was talk of wharf-side demonstrations.

The Navy used landing craft to push us on our way, and after some discussion on ‘fixing bayonets’ such was the degree of feeling in ’71. Demonstrations did not occur. Strange way to farewell troops but that was nothing compared to the welcome we got at the other end of our 10-day Navy cruise.

The Navy was very good. They issued two cans of Fosters every day, for our good health I presume, but they were one litre cans.

We went directly to Nui Dat, the task force base, in time for the government to



announce the withdrawal of one Battalion.

There were three Battalions engaged, but now two. That was a good idea. It appeased those in Australia who were still demonstrating. Good win for them but Labor was for ending conscription, and indeed the war, and gaining popularity.

A good win for the Vietnamese who could also read the newspapers. So, between the devil and the deep blue sea, we went forth to win the hearts and minds of the locals; and those not so local, like the North Vietnamese Regulars.

By July, we had removed our adversaries, namely the 3/33 Viet Cong and the D445 North Vietnamese regiment from Phuoc Tuy province and, with the help of the Americans, engaged and defeated them at the Battle of Long Khanh.

By October, the Battalion was withdrawn and responsibility given to 4RAR and New Zealand soldiers. The Vung Tau Ferry returned.

So, we marched through the streets of Adelaide. Some clapped, some jeered but it didn’t matter anymore because we were winning when I left.

We were back, well most but not all of us.

The next year was a major reorganisation for the Army.

Gough Whitlam became the Labor Prime Minister; conscription ended, and I was posted to Brisbane. Really enjoyed Brisbane.

Getting there in a petrol strike was challenging but managed to return to Adelaide in a beer strike to enjoy the birth of my daughter.

Now, joined by my wife, son and new baby daughter, we had a nice ‘married quarter’ in the burbs. All good until Cyclone Wanda flooded Brisbane and I was engaged in the CBD with sandbags. 16 people lost their lives in that small rain event.

I was posted to Darwin around Christmas. It was at my father-in-law’s house when he told me I wasn’t going. “Well”, he said “Darwin isn’t there anymore.”

We deployed to Darwin post-Cyclone Tracy, so did the rest of the Defence Force. Pictures are all there nowadays in their Museum. We went fully armed. All Australian early warning systems were down. British Warships were off-

shore. From memory, 65 were killed but, to this day I think it was understated. Either that or a lot of people were missing bits.

General Stretton was in charge of evacuations and Darwin was evacuated. 35 000 people. A massive undertaking and I ponder to think if, or when, it happens again.

In my merry band, we took Casuarina and Nightcliff to the tip. Not all in one go, but over the next three months.

Incidentally, as no water or sanitation was working, the southern breweries sent pallets of beer. Seriously, thanks but that was all that was available. In NT heat, by midday, some of the workers were not working to their full capacity, to say the least. This is before the popularity of bottled water.

Next posting was in the opposite direction. To Puckapunyal in Victoria.. also a great posting. Pucka had everything for families to do — clubs, activities, entertainment on the base or explore goldfields, snow country etc. We were soon on the Base and the kids learning to become army brats.

“What happened at school today?”

“Nothing much, just a paratrooper who got blown off-course landed in the playground.”

“Oh, just normal stuff then...”

Leopard tanks arrived from Germany to replace the aging Centurions. The Wharfies refused to allow Army onto the docks to unload them. They had to be trained instead. But eventually the tanks arrived and we were often entertained by live firing after which we would collect firewood for our fireplaces, and the Army paid compensation to the local sheep farmer. More than one leg of lamb was forthcoming.

Melbourne was a fairly easy drive away and I was now promoted to Sergeant.

Life was getting better — so that was not allowed to happen — and I was posted back to Brisbane.

Brisbane is a good posting. Also, lots to do in a capital city. We had a married quarter next to an undertaker’s assistant. Well, briefly. We bought a house, our first, and quickly.

Peacetime Army nowadays. Rumbles about postings again... “Just leave me be”, I was thinking.

At this stage I had done 13 years. It should have been 12, being two 6-year terms, but ‘they’ lost the paperwork — no computers then.

I let the Army continue in their own way, bade them farewell and became an Ambulance Officer.

My son now is a Timor and Afghanistan veteran. My daughter-in-law has just returned from Iraq. One of 50 women over there.

Nowadays, it’s coffee at the Speewah Tavern, and although there’s a few Navy there, it’s a great spot once or twice a week. The thing with the military is that nothing leaves... you join, you serve, you retain skills.

Mine is best general-purpose machine gun shot in Australia... but nowadays, no ammunition. Like those who have written before me, I am proud to have served.

Peace.

56126 Graham Fowles




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KURANDA BRANCH

OKAY GUYS AND GALS get out your fashions and fascinators and hats. It's Melbourne cup time again. Tuesday 6th November 11.00am at the CWA Hall, Kuranda. \$20 per person for a three-course lunch. You can't do better than that. Bookings essential ph. 0448 434 186.

Our Branch President is off to Brisbane to the State Conference to keep up with all things CWA. The CWA has a very powerful voice when it comes to making and changing laws, improving the lot of women and children and helping those in need and much is achieved at these meetings.

Our Xmas break starts soon (usually December and January) with Craft mornings restarting the first week in February and our branch meeting the 2nd Wednesday.

Craft ladies have been busy the last couple of weeks making Christmas cards, so if anyone would like to join us, we start at 9.00am. Lots of beautiful cards are being made.

The Hall is still quite busy with the regular groups during the week. If you would like more information on bookings phone Sarah on 4093 7599.

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Kuranda Men's Shed
Shoulder to Shoulder

Tales From The Crypt Shed

Another fantastic whirlwind month for the Kuranda Men's Shed. First up, we had the Hon. Warren Entsch MP present us with a grant for \$7000 to go towards a new septic system. This grant was through the National Sheds Development Program, overseen by the Australian Men's Shed Association. We were further honoured by the appearance of Craig Crawford MP, member for Barron River, with \$500 for Personal Protective Equipment (provided from Bunnings Smithfield) and first aid kit to improve safety for all of our members on site.

November will see us out at the Koah Markets on the 3rd, selling a variety of items to help raise funds for the Shed. Please come along, have a look or even just a chat! We will also be hosting our monthly meeting at the Koah Hall at 1.00pm.

We're also moving to digital platforms, utilising Facebook Marketplace and the Buy Swap Sell pages to help sell the surplus of hardware equipment that is currently filling our shelves, as well as our planters being built by the hardworking members of the shed.

Our numbers continue to grow with two or three new members joining us each month. It's fantastic to see the continued support from the community. We will continue to provide a safe space for local men to come and have a cuppa and discuss any issues they may have in complete confidence.



Due to the warmer weather, we've decided to temporarily change our opening hours on Saturday now 2.00pm-5.00pm. This will make our time there a lot more bearable and enjoyable.

For any information please don't hesitate to contact our Men's Shed reps -

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Kuranda Horse and Pony Club

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October was busy, with many riders travelling to towns across the eastern part of the continent and achieving great success. Several rally days were held at the grounds to work and develop new skills in competition.

The year has flown by and we are all very excited about celebrating a couple of milestones in November.

Date Claimers:

Saturday 3rd November 9.00am. Last rally day is going to be a HUGE one with a party, fancy dress, games and slip and slide throughout the day. Plus – the Main Event on 3rd November is the grand opening at 10.00am of our new training room at our Kuranda club grounds. There will be morning tea provided and everyone is invited to attend. Love to see you there. RSVP to our Facebook site please.

Friday 23rd November, starting at 6:30pm is our end-of-year Presentation Night. Please see Facebook for updates on dates and times.

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Miniature Art for November



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"Aldunin poses in the work area of his Moscow apartment. His tools include superglue, syringes and toothpicks. The microscope dates to 1985."

http://content.time.com/time/photogallery/0,29307,1831665_1748571,00.html



Incredible Miniature Art by Tatsuya Tanaka. See his site Miniature Calendar.



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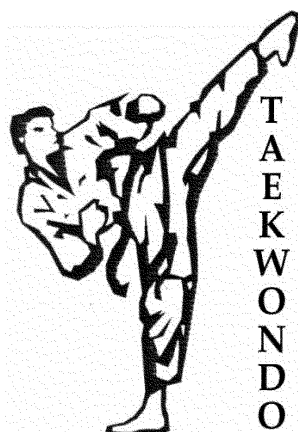
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Tis the season of the zucchi! I received a half a dozen in my local Growers Box last week – from little baby ones up to a couple of small truncheons. That much of one ingredient might be daunting for some but there are so many uses for them, and so many ways they can be stored and saved that I always say “Yes, please!” to any offerings.

I’ve included three recipes this month that have been tried and had the thumbs up. In addition to the many, many other recipes out there you can also dehydrate zucchini strips to increase flavour, or grate or dice and freeze to add to soups, cakes, breads, curries and homemade pasta sauces. They add bulk, fibre and flavour and cook down quickly.

Zucchini is also great in salads – you might also want to invest in a spiraliser which makes “zoodles” – raw zucchini noodles.

Super Quick Choc, Banana, Date and Zucchini Muffins

Makes 9-12

Ingredients: 1 Choc Muffin mix (I use Orgran brands, which is both vegan and gluten free and so suits everyone), 1 large ripe banana, mashed, 8 fine diced pitted Medjool dates, 1 medium fine grated zucchini, half teaspoon each ground ginger and nutmeg spice (optional).

Method: Following the directions on pack, mix all ingredients into muffin batter (adjust amount of liquid if necessary). Bake and (if possible) allow to cool slightly before devouring.

Zoodle Pad Thai

(vegan, gluten free)

via onegreenplanet.org

Serves 4-6

Ingredients: For the Pad Thai: 3 zucchinis, spiralised or julienned, 3 carrots, spiralised or grated, 2 cup red cabbage finely sliced, handful radishes sliced, 1 whole bell pepper sliced, 1 whole tomato, chopped, ¼ red onion, finely sliced, a handful coriander, chopped, handful green onions, sliced. Garnish: Roasted salt



peanuts (optional). For the dressing; ½ cup coconut milk, juice of 1 lime, 1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar, 4 tablespoon olive oil, 2 garlic clove minced, 1-inch piece ginger, minced, 2 teaspoons tamari, 2 teaspoon coconut sugar, 1 Thai red chili, ¼ tspoon sea salt.

Method: Toss together all the vegetables except the coriander and green onions. In a blender, food processor, or by hand combine all the ingredients for the dressing until smooth and creamy. Pour dressing over the vegetables and toss to combine, top with cilantro and green onion and serve. Optional garnish; crushed, roasted salt peanuts.

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Zucchini Butter/Jam

(vegan, gluten free) via thekitchn.com


Makes about 2 cups.

Ingredients: 1 kg zucchini – more or less, ¼ cup olive oil or Nuttelex (or combination) or (non-vegan) butter, 2 minced shallots, garlic, or combination of both. Herbs optional. Salt and pepper

Method: Coarsely grate the zucchini. Let it drain in a colander for 3 to 4 minutes or until you are ready to begin cooking. To hasten cooking time, squeeze the water out of the zucchini by wringing it in a clean cloth towel. In a deep skillet, heat the olive oil/Nuttelex. Sauté the shallots briefly. Add the zucchini and toss. Cook and stir over medium to medium-high heat until the zucchini reaches a spreadable consistency. If you scorch the bottom, turn the flame down! (And scrape those delicious bits into the mix for added flavour.) To take it past “butter” stage keep reducing down, the zucchini will hold its bright green colour and slowly caramelize into a nice vegetable jam. Enjoy on toast, or as a side dish



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Get Online Week: KNC held a Get Online Week BBQ and sessions on 17th October. As a result, Ruby Eichholz has offered to be available to work with people on basic computer and internet based skills for a couple of hours per week. Please contact the centre to enquire.

Not So Young People's Activity Discussion Afternoon Tea: There will be an afternoon tea on Thursday 22nd November at 2.30pm for anyone wanting to be involved in a discussion about ideas for a group to meet once per week at the KNC. We can use the new renovated shed space and we are seeking people to put forward their suggestions about activities. If you are or someone you know may be interested, please RSVP or enquire to coordinator@kurandanc.org.au or ring Margaret on 4093 8933.

KNC Garage Shed/Group Space: We have been undertaking some renovations to our shed to create an additional space for group activities. We are hoping to encourage community ownership of group-based activities. If you wish to discuss use of this space, please contact Margaret.

KNC AGM: KNC will be holding the Annual General Meeting on 5th November 2018. Community members are welcome and RSVP for attendance will be on Monday 29th October. If you wish to become a member of the KNC, please contact the centre for a membership form. Membership is \$4.40 per year.

Mareeba Shire Council Mayor's Christmas Appeal: If you wish to make a donation to this appeal, please contact the Mareeba Shire Council on 1300 308 461. If you or someone you know is experiencing significant hardship leading into Christmas, please contact us to apply for assistance from this Appeal. Historically these have been in the form of a food voucher at the Kuranda Foodworks.

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

Do you know someone who may need a commode, shower chair or crutches? We have recently received donations of a commode and shower chair. If anyone knows of someone who could use these items, please contact the centre.

Furniture Exchange: We want to thank all those who have thought of our program and donated much needed items. There is an ongoing need in the community for double, single and queen mattresses and frames/bases, lounges, coffee and dining tables, chairs, dressing tables and cupboards. Any items in good, working condition can be picked up on a Wednesday morning or they can be dropped to the Centre. Please note we are unable to take full size fridges due to the risk of injury to volunteers who assist with this program. We can accept smaller bar fridges, and these are much appreciated. Please contact Tricia or Margaret on 4093 8933 – Thanks!

– The Neighbourhood Centre Team

Not So Young People Activity Concept

Are you or someone you know interested in a group activity such as art, craft, book club, garden talk group?

We are going to hold an informal afternoon tea on Thursday, 22nd November at 2.30pm to discuss ideas and see how much interest exists. We would like you to come along and join the discussion. Everyone is invited – please RSVP if possible.

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Sundowner with writer and publisher Anne Summers

AFTER MONTHS OF NEGOTIATION, it is a coup that Cairns Tropical Writers Festival have managed to get the far north included in the national tour by prominent Australian Anne Summers AO to launch her ninth book. *Unfettered and Alive: a memoir* is a fascinating read from someone who won a Walkley in her first year of journalism.

Anne has since become an international best-selling author, editor, publisher and thought-leader with a long career in the media, politics and business in Australia, Europe and the United States.

As women's liberation took hold in the social ferment of the 1970s, she was instrumental in setting up the first women's shelter in Sydney. Many other support groups sprang up, including the Women's Electoral Lobby (WEL) and women's health services, while many middle-class women entered tertiary education and the workforce for the first time in increasing numbers.

Her famous first book, *Damned Whores and God's Police*, marked a turning point for women worldwide as the International Year of Women unfolded in 1975. The blockbuster, in continuous print ever since and selling over 100,000 copies, offered a new framework for understanding the narrow options open for Australian women as shaped by the brutality of the young colony.

Summers book identified two stereotypes that characterised Australian women as being either virtuous mothers, whose function was to civilise society as 'God's Police', or bad girls who failed to conform and were spurned and vilified as a result. Summers argues that as a consequence of women in the early colony being in extreme short supply, with the first women arrivals convicts, Australian society was profoundly shaped by the 'damned whores' female stereotype.

Anne wrote a controversial 'Letter to the next generation' in 1994 questioning why so few young women identified as feminists. She asked, 'Where are the books

'I was born into a world that expected very little of women like me. We were meant to tread lightly on the earth, influencing events through our husbands and children, if at all ... and fade into invisibility as we aged. I defied all of these expectations and so have millions of other women.'

Anne Summers



SUNDOWNER WITH ANNE SUMMERS AO

A conversation with Anne about her new book 'UNFETTERED AND ALIVE' – a Memoir

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or the articles by young Australian women setting out their thoughts, seizing control of the debates, tweaking the noses of the old guard?' This succeeded in prompting debate and a raft of new publications by younger women. In 2003 the book was voted one of the top ten books of the past 40 years, and in 2011 the Australia Day postage stamp featured Anne Summers AO in its Australian Legends series. The next reprint led to a three-day conference at the Sydney Opera House in 2013 titled *Damned Whores and God's Police 40 Years On*.

Anne's new book chronicles her early progress as a journalist through the ranks of Australia's major mastheads (*The National Times*, *Australian Financial Review*, *Le Monde*), and her work setting up the first federal Office of Women from 1983-1986. Then there are the years in New York as founding editor-in-chief of the landmark feminist magazines *Ms* and *Sassy*, and her return to Australia to helm *Good Weekend* magazine for Fairfax. She is currently living in NY where she is based with her husband, who is the director of the *World Voices Festival* for PEN America.

Now the author of nine books, Anne has had an extraordinary career. Her latest book, *Unfettered and Alive: a memoir*, brings her story of travelling around the world as she moved from job to job, revealing first-hand stories about famous and powerful people. She is refreshingly frank about her own anxieties and mistakes as well as her own family story of violence and ultimate reconciliation.

This is a woman who broke through so many boundaries to show what women can do. The Cairns event is late afternoon from 5.30pm on Monday 5th November 2018 at Rydges Esplanade Resort, Cairns. Join us for a compelling conversation, followed by Q&A and book signings.

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update

I am delighted once again to have the opportunity to communicate with the Kuranda community. First of all, my sincere thanks to the many local artists who participated in Arts in the Park festival this year, and a special thank you to the Kuranda Arts Co-op for its great support. Close to 2000 people attended the event which was hailed a great success.

On the infrastructure front, I am a member of the Kuranda Infrastructure Advisory Committee (KIAC) and I am very excited about the many projects that are planned for the town. We hope these projects will enhance the Kuranda Village profile for residents and our many visitors. Here is a quick update on some of

the projects:

- Therwine Street Redevelopment (construction underway and progressing well)
- Walking Tracks to Barron Falls (design works are underway)
- New Wayfinding Signage (audit of existing signage has been completed and design concept is under way for the new signs)
- Centenary Park Toilet Block Refurbishment (contract has been awarded and works will commence directly)
- Street Furniture Refurbishment (almost complete)

ANNUAL REPORT: At the October ordinary Council meeting, we adopted the Annual Report for 2017–18 financial year with an unqualified audit report. This was very pleasing to see, and I express my sincere thanks to the Council staff for their continued dedication and commitment to delivering high quality services to our Shire. The Annual Report provides a transparent overview of the organisation and highlights the progress we have made over the past 12 months while planning for a financially stable future.

Cr Angela Toppin



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KURANDA INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (KIAC)

Expressions of Interest for Advisory Committee Members

In line with Council's Terms of Reference for the Kuranda Infrastructure Advisory Committee Council is calling for expressions of interest for two (2) vacant positions as per below.

The committee is a skills-based committee and members must be committed to the sustainable development of infrastructure for tourists and the community in Kuranda.

Vacant positions

- 1 member with Tourism Skills
- 1 member with Traditional Owner Skills

To nominate please refer to the Handbook for Advisory Committees and download the nomination form from the Council website: www.msc.qld.gov.au

Nominations must be received by Council before **5.00pm Friday 16 November 2018**.

Should you have any questions please contact:
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OCTOBER was a busy month visiting and learning more about our local organisations throughout the Barron River Electorate, Kuranda in particular.

I had the pleasure of unveiling the new artwork for the Kuranda Ambulance Station. The painting was created by a Kuranda local artist, George Riley (Jillibalu, Wallangundji). The art is a large painting, acrylic on canvas depicting Djabugandji Country and animals; the Kuranda Ambulance hope that the artwork created by George will assist in their endeavours to create better cultural engagements within their community.

I met with the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre community pantry during the month – a well deserving recipient of our new \$20k Barron River Grant Scheme, with \$250 for the purchase of supplies for their community pantry which will assist vulnerable and disadvantaged people in the Kuranda District. The Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre provides support for a range of human services that are accessible to individuals, families and community groups in the Kuranda district, particularly those who may be considered 'at risk'.

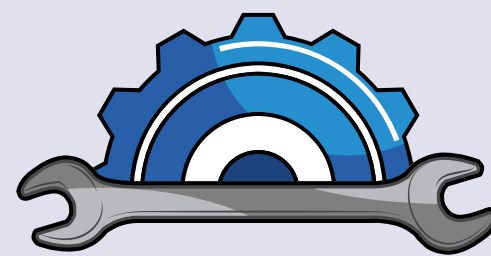
Finally, what a pleasure visiting Kuranda Men's Shed, a recipient of our new \$20k Barron River Grant Scheme, with \$500 for the purchase of First Aid and safety equipment. There was a great turn out with eight of the friendly local members there to greet us and share their achievements and future plans over a 'cuppa'. Kuranda Men's Shed is a community based, not-for-profit, non-denominational organisation accessible to both men and women interested in improving their health and wellbeing by working together on meaningful projects to benefit themselves and the people of the Kuranda district.

But wait there's more! Last week my office received some great news, the recipients for Round 97 of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund were announced which included Kuranda Conservation Community Nursery securing \$800, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre securing \$10,000 and Kuranda Men's Shed securing \$35,000! Congratulations to all of these well-deserving groups.

As always, if I can be of assistance please do not hesitate to contact my office via email barron.river@parliament.qld.gov.au or phone 07 4229 0100.

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Cassowary Dad's chicks now on Black Mountain Road

They'll be crossing Black Mountain Road at the first corner after the dirt road starts, straight after the second bridge, so please take that corner ever so slowly.

We know of at least two more males who are sitting on eggs as we go to print. Our task is to keep them off roads, especially Kennedy Highway, and to plant at least one tree a day

Photo of 2-week-old chicks taken by Phil Gregory of Cassowary House.



With cassowaries now in mating mood, parent birds are sending off last year's offspring, now 9-12 months old, to find their own home ranges.

This is a distressing time for the young juveniles (brown feathers and maybe a trace of colour on their neck) as they must move away from familiar territory. We recently saw a young bird on Kennedy Hwy on the overtaking lanes as you leave Kuranda heading down the Range Road. The bird was hit (80kph) by a car but managed to pick itself up and run off into the bush. A search did not find it but a few days later it was seen again at the same place.

Thanks to all those who posted pics on Facebook and reported the incident. We believe the bird is Ollie, offspring of Elvis who is once again interested in mating with Priscilla on the banks of the Barron. So Ollie is confused and disoriented looking for somewhere else to find food and safety. Tragic as it sounds, it's a natural cycle and they've been doing this long before we came along.

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Fresh purpose for agricultural waste

Agricultural waste can be used to rapidly filter lead from wastewater, new Edith Cowan University (ECU) research has found.

An ECU study found that canola stalks and lupin straw, which currently have no commercial use and are generally burnt after harvest, can strip up to 98.5 per cent of lead from wastewater.

Researchers collected canola stalk and lupin straw from a farm in WA, ground it into a fine powder and added it to water contaminated with lead.

Associate Professor Mehdi Khiadani from ECU's School of Engineering said the powder bound with the lead.

"So when contaminated water is in contact with the powder, it can remove up to 98.5 per cent of the lead in just 30 minutes," he said.

"This work could provide farmers with a way to turn what is currently agricultural waste into a viable and useful product.

"Western Australia currently produces just under 2 million tonnes of canola and about 750,000 tonnes of lupin each year. So this is potentially a huge untapped resource that could be put to use."

Professor Khiadani said one potential application of the technique would be to treat stormwater runoff from roads.

"Stormwater can be contaminated by lead after running over roads. With this technique, we could potentially use agricultural waste to treat this water, which could then be used for other purposes," he said.

Cost benefits

Professor Khiadani said using agricultural waste to treat wastewater compared favourably to current methods of filtering lead.

"Some existing methods, such as membrane filtration, are often prohibitively expensive or do not work with water that has high concentrations of lead," he said.

"In contrast, agricultural waste offers a cost-effective way to remove lead from wastewater."

Professor Khiadani said the next step was to examine if there were ways to further treat the agricultural waste to improve its lead-stripping capacity.

"We believe that by modification of the agricultural waste powder we may be able to improve its properties to remove other pollutants from wastewater, but this needs to be tested," he said.

The research was completed as part of Hanie Hashtroudi's PhD 'Using agricultural wastes to treat lead-contaminated water in Western Australia'.

Below: typical Canola field, Victoria



Kuranda Garden Club

Saturday 3rd November Peter Shanahan will guide a tour of the Cairns Botanical Gardens

Peter has been a significant part of the gardens for many years so comes with great knowledge. Bring plenty of questions with you too.

Meet at the 'main gate' at 2.00pm.

Parking is always a problem so allow yourself plenty of time to find a park and get there. We will have afternoon tea at one of the great coffee shops so there will be **no swap table** and **no need to bring afternoon tea** with you.



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KUR-World EIS submissions open to 30th November

For better or worse the KUR-World project will affect all of us, if the project goes ahead as proposed over the next 10 years. Most people care about their immediate future so google KUR-World EIS and follow links on the State Development website or go to your local library to view a hard copy. Please take the time to read at least the executive summary for the project and then dive into chapters that interest you most. You can get assistance making valid submissions via the Kuranda Region Planning Group in their "Have Your Say" help sessions. *See the front page for details.*

Kuranda Envirocare's membership stance has been that this project is too large scale for so sensitive an area environmentally and socially. Early indications from reading the the EIS are confirming this.

Kuranda Envirocare is coordinating an expert's submission which will effectively be a peer review of the EIS. If you know of anyone who works professionally in the field of large projects planning, engineering, and impacts assessment and would like to make a contribution to the analysis, please contact Cathy on 0419 624 940.



Above: Musk Mallow (Abelmoschus moschatus) Hibiscus flowering in the nursery now. All forestry supa tubes \$2 per tube.

"What we have—2nd most irreplaceable natural World Heritage area on the Planet"

by Terry Carmichael WTMA — November Thurs 8th — See Date Claimers below

This will be an updated version of the talk which was cut short several months ago. There will be animations and other new material. An excerpt from Terry's talk:

"The International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) voted the Wet Tropics of Queensland as the second (2nd) most irreplaceable natural World Heritage Area on the planet. So why is the Wet Tropics globally significant?"

This presentation sets out a framework to understand the concept of "Outstanding Universal Value" and starts by discussing the origins of the Wet Tropics. So how does the driest inhabited continent on earth contain one of the world's oldest tropical rainforests?

Terry has spent a lifetime working in the environmental sector, specifically with wildlife for over 37 years and has always enjoyed sharing his passion with others. He works now at the Wet Tropics Management Authority, as a science communicator. He has amazing photos and elements of a video being developed by WTMA. It will be an engaging and inspiring talk.

Date Claimers

- 3rd November (Sat.) 4pm Community Planting Cadagi Drive, Russet Park, followed by free BBQ. Frog habitat project and YCA push back. Meet at site or call Mikhaila Jacoby on 0400 018 332 for more information
- 8th November (Thu.) 7pm. "Our Wet Tropics World Heritage Area". Terry Carmichael will show what makes our Wet Tropics area so irreplaceable in world terms. Kuranda Recreation centre, Fallon Road. Light supper provided
- 14th November (Wed.) 10am Launch of Kuranda tree frog Action Plan in Centenary Park, Kuranda with walk to Jum Rum Conservation park creek crossing. Call Cathy on 0419 624 940 for more details
- Frog Monitoring week 12th–18th November. Monitoring days vary. Check FB page or text Cathy 0419 624 940 or Simone on 0432 216 816
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NGIRRMA EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND

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

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

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

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

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

— Michael Quinn

— TRANSLATION —

DJIRRI NGAAL: How to say Numbers, Colours, Qualities of Things

BANGGAL big (BADA BANGGAL big head)
BIBUY little (BIBUY DJAMA little snake)
BILMBIL hard (GULU BAWU BILMBIL this nut is hard)
BINGGAYBINGGAY cold (NGAWU BINGGANYDJI I'm cold)
BIRRI near (NYURRA BIRRI NYINAN! Sit nearby!)
BUGAAL black (BULMBA BUGAA-MAYING. Place getting dark)
DAWUL three (DAWUL WUYA three times/three days)
DJAAYMULU four (DJAAYMULU BARRINI four sisters)
DJAGARRA rough, uneven (DJUMBURRU DJAGARRA rough track, rough road)
DJAMBA narrow, a squeeze (DJUMBURRU DJAMBA a narrow track or road)
DJIGAWARRA white/white clay
DJIRRBADJIRRA brittle (GULU WURRU DJIRRA-BADJIRRA this stick is brittle)
DJULGA round (MARA DJULGA a fist)
GADAGADA dry (BULMBA GADA-GADA MAYING. Place getting dry)
GAGAY far, far away (NYURRA GAGAY-WU GALING. You are going far away)
GAGI deep (GULU BANA GAGI DJANANG this water stands deep)
GALBAL red/blood (GALBALGALBAL red-eyed, metallic starling)
GALGALAY long, tall (BUDA:DJJ GALGALAY a long carpet snake)
GARADAN clear (DJIN.GAL GARADAN clear sky)
GILMBARRI fat (BALGU GILMBARRI fat belly)

GINYDJUN wet (GAMBI GINYDJUN wet clothes)
MAGI all of something (GARI MAGI BUGAN! Don't eat it all!)
MARA five (GINDAN MARA five moons/five months)
MARRGA yellow/ yellow ochre
MAYNGGAL none, no more (BANA MAYNGGAL. No water)
MULUMULU a few (NYINGGARRA MULUMULU a few eels)
MULU two (MULU YABA two brothers)
MUNUMUNU crooked (Flaggy Creek and origin of word Mona Mona)
NGABI lots, plenty, many (NGABI BAMA many people)
NGIRRINGIRRI many coloured (NGIRRI-NGIRRI-NDJI DJIN.GAL many coloured sky)
NGURBAM green and blue
NIYWUL one (GUYU NIYWUL one fish)
WAGARRA wide (WURUU WAGARRA wide river)
WANDI short (BAMA WANDI short fellow)
WIRRIWIRRI winding (DJUMBURRU WIRRI-WIRRI winding road)
WUBA red ochre/red
WUMBUL hot (BULMBA WUMBUL-MAYING. Place getting hot)
YADJUL straight, correctly (YADJUL NGA! Speak the truth!)
YAMALYAMAL cool (BANA YAMAL-YAMAL Cool waters)
YUDJUN in line, straight (YUDJUN-YUDJUN GALIN! Go straight!)

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A Thought for November

THIS month we read from St Mark's Gospel Chapter 10, verses 46-52

St Mark has a great gift for contrast. We have just felt the disgust of Jesus and the other disciples for the mean request made by James and John for their self-advancement. Now comes another request, but how very different this is in many ways!

Jesus is heading south out of Jericho, preparatory to turning west up the mountain road to Jerusalem. He is heavy of heart because something tells him that he is heading into danger, and maybe worse. There are a thousand things on his mind. He may be only half aware of what is going on around him as the dusty road unwinds under his tired body. At the side of the road are the eternal lines of beggars of every description, some with terrible physical afflictions.

One of them is quite determined to contact Jesus of Nazareth, known all over the country as a healer. Those trying to protect Jesus are equally determined that he will be kept away. We can imagine the reaction to Bartimaeus by Mark's telling us that "many rebuked him." It is Jesus who breaks the impasse. He has every reason not to, every excuse to be so concerned with himself that there is neither time nor energy for anyone else. But Jesus reaches out to another in need.

Now we hear one of the great questions of Jesus. "What do you want me to do for you?" How would we answer that question if Our Lord were to ask it of us? The tremendous thing about Christian faith is that Jesus is asking it of us, again and again!

"Master, let me receive my sight," said Bartimaeus. What would it mean for us to say that to Jesus. What might you and I want clearer sight for? What are we blind to, without realizing it? To someone who loves us? To the needs of our family for more of our time? To the worth of a friend or an employee in our professional life? To the ways we are hurting someone without knowing it? There are all sorts of reasons why we would be wise to say to Jesus that we want our sight.

A small thing before we leave this scene. Mark recalls the detail of Bartimaeus "throwing off his mantle" before coming to Jesus. What things hanging around us do you and I need to throw off before approaching Jesus? To get one thing we usually have to let go of another. Only when we let it go, do we realize that what Jesus gives us in exchange is infinitely better.

Bartimaeus asks Jesus for his sight. We might consider in what way we need our own vision cleared to see around and inside ourselves.

NEWS FROM ST SAVIOUR'S

During October we celebrated two very special occasions at St Saviour's.

On Sunday 7th October, we held our **St Francis Day** service with the Blessing of the Animals. Big dogs and small dogs came and even ankle biters; dogs noisy and lovable; and numerous other animals small and large. All the animals behaved very well. The service was held at the back of the church so everyone, mostly the owners of the pets, was able to relax. It was great to have such a wonderful large enthusiastic gathering.

Our second celebration was the **Harvest Festival** held on Sunday 21st October. On Saturday afternoon the church was decorated with all sorts of fruit and vegetables in preparation for the services next day. We held three services during the day. The church was decorated with produce which was sold after the afternoon service.

Also, during October 40 boxes were dispatched as part of **Operation Christmas Child** which aims to bring a Christmas gift to children in poorer parts of the world.

On November 11th St Saviour's will hold a special morning service at 9.30am to commemorate the **Signing of the Armistice** ending World War 1 on 11th November 1918. The theme of the service will be Peace. St Saviour's Church Bell will join many others across the nation by tolling from 10.59 until 11.00am and then be silent for one minute until 11.01am when it will ring out joyfully.



Baha'i Thought for the Month

"If love and agreement are manifest in a single family, that family will advance, become illumined and spiritual; but if enmity and hatred exist within it destruction and dispersion are inevitable. This is likewise true of a city. If those who dwell within it manifest a spirit of accord and fellowship it will progress steadily and human conditions become brighter whereas through enmity and strife it will be degraded and its inhabitants scattered. In the same way the people of a nation develop and advance toward civilization and enlightenment through love and accord, and are disintegrated by war and strife.

Finally, this is true of humanity itself in the aggregate. When love is realized and the ideal spiritual bonds unite the hearts of men, the whole human race will be uplifted, the world will continually grow more spiritual and radiant and the happiness and tranquillity of mankind be immeasurably increased. Warfare and strife will be uprooted, disagreement and dissension pass away and Universal Peace unite the nations and peoples of the world. All mankind will dwell together as one family, blend as the waves of one sea, shine as stars of one firmament and appear as fruits of the same tree."

(Abdu'l-Baha)

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The Stars in November

IT’S time for some good news from the cosmos, wouldn’t you say? It seems to have been too serious for too long so let’s see what we can find...

The month begins with a retro — venus slipping back into Libra — over the cusp and home again. A refurbishing of all things beautiful, aesthetic and loving. Maybe just a touch up or maybe a full scale makeover. The dragon’s head (moon’s north node) is also retrograding out of Leo and crossing into Cancer, so yes, home and family is the focus and mother-dragon rules.

Home is where the best energy is... Jupiter is almost home: it crosses into Sagittarius on 8th November. First time this rich uncle has been home since 2007. No doubt he has many gifts, stories and words of wisdom to give us. All things to do with expansion, travel, higher learning and spiritual growth are exponentially enhanced now. No half-measures with the old Jupiter... Saturn is nicely settled at home in Capricorn now – home for the next two years and quite focussed on making things comfortable. So home does look like a focal point.

As all this is settling in there’s a Moon–Mercury alignment and Uranus is dancing on the edge of the Aries–Taurus cusp. Running the high wire as it were: the communication lines are running hot. So much information, invitations and opportunities to connect, expand and be outrageously inventive and individually eccentric. There’s a lot of electricity in the air around 14th to 16th November: an Aquarian Moon as Aquarian Mars crosses into Pisces. Don’t drop the hair-dryer into the bath! Sizzle sizzle. But Venus going direct on the 16th in Libra brings things beautifully into balance and harmony. Smooth.

Neptune also at home in Pisces slows down, stops, and goes direct on 25th November in harmonious aspect to a just-past-full Cancer Moon. That’s a lot of water: still, deep, flowing and serene – like a sparkling waterfall dropping into a sacred pool. Emotions flow, create rainbows and go very deep. Again, quite beautiful. The Sun leaving the waters of Scorpio and entering the wide-open spaces of Sagittarius on 22nd November, right on a zero degree Gemini full moon, has everything dancing, reflecting and it’s party time!

There’s a whole month’s star-viewing and it’s all good. Did we leave out the dark and serious? Nope! Just couldn’t get past that way: optimistic, joyful promise. Let the light shine.

Blessings

P.S. Some Melbourne Cup clues just for the fun of it: a top weight, come from behind, where things end, a surprise, with a “deep south” touch. Nice balance, outside barrier. See what you can get out of that lot.



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MAREEBA	6.30am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.30am	9.30am	9.30am	4.00pm
SPEEWAH	6.55am	9.55am	4.25pm	6.55am	9.55am	9.55am	4.25pm
KURANDA	7.15am	10.05am	4.35pm	7.15am	10.05am	10.05am	4.35pm
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MAREEBA	9.55am	4.50pm	6.55pm	9.55am	4.50pm	4.50pm	6.55pm
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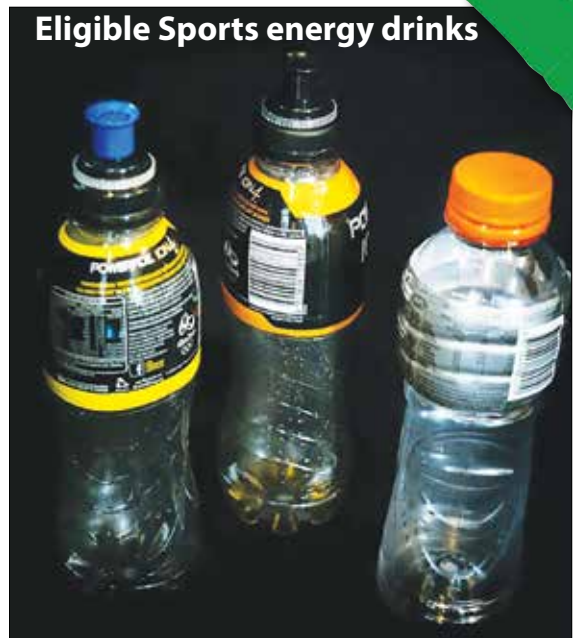
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Non-Eligible milk bottles



ABOUT THE CONTAINER REFUND SCHEME

Queenslanders use close to 3 billion beverage containers every year.

These containers are the second most littered item in the state, despite the fact they can be easily recycled. Beverage container litter is largely associated with drink consumption in open air settings such as parks, beaches, shopping centres and car parks.

The introduction of a state-wide container refund scheme will give people an incentive to collect and return containers for recycling, in exchange for a 10 cent refund payment. This will help to:

- reduce the amount of drink containers that are littered and
- increase Queensland's recycling rate.

The scheme will also provide benefits to social enterprises, communities, and regional and remote areas by creating new job, recycling and fundraising opportunities.

Queensland's container refund scheme, known as Containers for Change, will commence on 1st November 2018, with more than 230 container refund points in operation across the state. The number of these sites will continue to grow as the scheme rolls out.

The Scheme is a product stewardship arrangement with the costs of operating the scheme and recovering the containers for recycling, paid for by drink manufacturers. This means that drink manufacturers will take responsibility for ensuring that the environmental impacts from the empty drink containers are reduced.

HOW WILL THE CONTAINER REFUND SCHEME WORK?

Queenslanders will be able to return eligible containers via a container refund point. Container refund points will be established across Queensland to collect eligible empty containers in exchange for the payment of a refund.

For Queenslanders who prefer to donate their drink container to a community group, sports club or another organisation, container return points can direct the 10c refund payment to a registered group. In addition, some groups will run their own container donation points at which the refund payment will be retained by them.

To learn more about Queensland's Container Refund Scheme, please visit the Containers for Change website at containersforchange.com.au.

HOW WILL THIS WORK LOCALLY?

All refund points will be subject to changes in format and timing, depending on the number of containers brought in and when they are delivered.

In the Kuranda area, after a couple of months of monitoring usage of the Arara Street recycling bins it has been decided there will be one depot style refund point operating initially at the bins on Saturday and Sunday each week.

The refund amount may be paid as cash or cash-equivalent (e.g. voucher or electronic payment). We will publish the manner of payment when it becomes available, prior to the scheme starting.

The container refund scheme aims to reduce the amount of beverage container litter in the environment.

The containers that are eligible for a refund are those that are most commonly consumed away from home and make up the majority of container litter in the environment.

For example, beers stubbies are often drunk outside the home and become litter so are eligible, whereas containers that have held plain milk or wine are commonly consumed in the home, and can still be recycled either through existing kerbside collection or drop-off services, so are excluded.

If you are in doubt over what is or is not acceptable bring it along to the drop off point where the operator can advise and it can be recycled in the existing bins if necessary.

Metal containers may be crushed: they just need to be recognisable, but bottles need to be whole. No metal or plastic screwcaps please.

Most beverage containers between 150ml and 3litres in volume are eligible, with the exception of the following:

Any size or material type of containers for:

- Undiluted cordial
- Fruit or vegetable juice concentrate
- Registered health tonics • Plain milk

Glass bottles of any size for:

- Wine • Pure spirits

