## Don't Sell Out

A PUBLIC MEETING was held on Wednesday 20th October last, called by the TRC and supposedly a consultation about the disposition of the old Primary School site. It seemed from the outset that the Mayor and Council staff felt they were in a hostile environment and needed to reassure the meeting of their good faith and intentions. If that is how they felt they weren't wrong. If not hostile then at least the audience was sceptical. But the Council largely had themselves to blame for this. Everything said on that evening by members of the TRC appeared to come from a paternalistic conviction of their own good judgement. The Mayor said on several occasions that it would be obvious to everyone that a particular course of action was appropriate and while this might be so it has certainly never been put to the test.

What appears to us as impartial observers is that two characteristic traits of this Council are its haste to get things done and its distaste for any real consultation. We can understand the drivers of the first condition. Much of what this Council inherited from its predecessors can be characterised as a poisoned chalice. It has done an impressive job of melding together disparate organisations and community sectors. It no doubt wishes to complete its first term with the job essentially done and dusted. It hasn't completed what it's done so far by standing back and waiting for the grass to grow. It has been, shall we say, a proactive Council, almost an impatient Council. Unfortunately this is no time for impatience; the times call for considered judgement and measured actions. We have been entrusted with a precious asset: the land on which the Old Primary School Everything we sell is gone forever.

We can understand and to an extent sympathise with the second condition also. Real consultation is messy and time consuming and very often needs someone to bang people's heads together. It requires engagement. When commencing consultation it seems to be the antithesis of certainty, but it is the only way, we repeat, the only way to gain community ownership of an idea. We don't think putting a hand-picked group of citizens on an advisory committee and making sure they are outvoted by staff really cuts it as a consultative method. We the community need to help the Council. We need to tell it what we want. We need to get our act together and get together to come up with a true consensus: something we can all live with.

In the short term we have a problem. The Council has passed a resolution, which authorises it to sell off part of the land and put other parts in a position to be sold if the Council wishes to do so. The Council has decided in its wisdom that the best use of the land is for the school block C to be used by the community. It has embarked upon an expensive upgrading of what can only be characterised as an eyesore and it needs to pay for this somehow. We think they have put the cart before the horse. We ask them to delay selling anything until they know what we truly want.

The correct order for this all to happen is: Find out what we want. Find out how much it will cost. Find out how to pay for it. In the meantime we respectfully request the Mayor and Councillors not to sell any of the land.

The Editorial Team

asset: the land on which the Old Primary School sits. They aren't making any more of this stuff.

ARE COMING
See Pages 6 & 27

#### **COMMUNITY LETTERS**

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#### Dear Kuranda Paper,

A couple weeks ago one of the iconic trees on Coondoo Street was removed, shocking many locals including myself. I was walking with another local (Lizzie Douglas) to Ngoombi Aboriginal Cooperative Centre when we noticed a small group of people looking distressed and concerned on the opposite footpath to where the tree was cut down.

When we asked the locals why the tree was being removed, none of them knew. A few people asked the tree cutter why he was taking our tree and he said it was because the white ants had made the tree unsafe. I saw at least two parts of the tree cut off at the trunk, and yet I did not see any sign of white ant activity in the main trunk of the tree. In the unlikely situation of the white ants eating the branches of the tree before the trunk, then why could not the branches have been trimmed, if it was a safety issue?

What is disturbing is that many of the people there that day (locals), and many of them since then, had no idea the tree was to be removed or why. Further, many of our indigenous people have strong cultural connections to that tree, tracing back to their childhood and beyond. On a few occasions, different people expressed their anger and sadness at losing the tree, especially the way it was done.

Why weren't we told, and given some notice, so there could be some discussion on both sides. Whoever is responsible for the tree being removed, I for one, and I'm sure many others would like a reply in the next Kuranda Paper explaining why it occurred and in this manner. Moreover, if there are any more trees planned for removal then I would suggest strongly that we are informed and allowed to conduct an independent assessment ourselves. It is important that all members of the community are given the respect of at least some consultation before such decisions are made.

#### D. Russo, Kuranda

\* A copy of this letter has been sent to the Tablelands Regional Council



#### Dear Kuranda Paper,

The article "Beware the Stinging Tree" (October 2010) needs updating. Although it seems to draw on my 2006 description in 'Plants of Tropical North Queensland' in numerous details, I would not be so pessimistic about a potential treatment now.

Hugh Spencer from the Cape Trib Research Station recently contacted me with a proposed new and effective remedy for the sting of the Stinging Tree. His article can be found as a blog at:

http://capetribresearchstation.blogspot. com/2020/03/stinging-tree-and-a-newtreatment-for.htm

Briefly, Hugh has revised a treatment used by troops in WW2, who apparently would pour battery acid onto the sting, then hose it off shortly afterwards. A doctor friend of mine used this method recently with mixed results – he doesn't intend to repeat it.

Hugh says that a dilute solution of hydrochloric acid will neutralise the protein coating of the hairs, which

he suggests is responsible for the stung area becoming very sensitive, explaining the painful reaction to temperature changes even many months after the sting occurs. A 10-15% solution of hydrochloric acid in water will effectively neutralise the protein on the hairs, without damaging the skin.



(This is about the concentration of the hydrochloric acid that occurs naturally in our own stomachs.) Hugh suggests that tissue or toilet paper (or a handkerchief) is laid on the stung area, and the acid poured onto this, leaving it in place for about half an hour, and refreshing the acid after about 10 minutes. It will hurt a lot for the first ten minutes, as the acid attacks the protein coating of the hairs into the skin. If you have any cuts or scratches it will also hurt like crazy there. Don't make things worse by scratching the stung area. However the short sharp shock of the treatment will eliminate the long term misery and pain of the sting. For a bad sting Hugh suggests a follow up with Waxeze to remove the stinging hairs. For details see the site listed above.

A note of caution. I have not used this treatment, so present it without any personal recommendation. Secondly, if you are diluting more concentrated acid, such as the 30% hydrochloric acid provided for pool use, be sure to add acid to water, and not the other way around, which can be dangerous. I would appreciate hearing from anyone who tests this new treatment, with comments either negative or positive. If you plan to carry the acid with you when you go walking, keep it in a well sealed plastic container (not metal) preferably enclosed in a second container such as a sealed plastic lunch bag.

John Beasley

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#### Dear Kuranda Paper,

A word of warning to those people who "think they have something interesting to say to John McKenzie"(4CA). Make sure that it is something that he agrees with otherwise he might hang up on you as he did with me. Some months ago I heard him and some listeners sneering at anyone who "liked the sacred mangroves" and wanted to protect them. I rang to give another view. Mangroves at the moment are worth between\$150,000 and \$200,000/hectare/ year as "seafood" nurseries. 70/80% of commercial species rely on the mangroves as part of their lifecycle. It is also a very good furniture timber. I suggested although I had not done the maths, that areas cleared for the airport and other infrastructure around Cairns were worth more than all the tourists that they service and more reliable. I also pointed out that over 66% of small businesses in Queensland fail in the first five years (probably higher in Cairns). At this point John said we are not going to agree on anything and

I thought his show was a forum for different ideas like the Kuranda Paper? He also continues his almost fanatical diatribe against saltwater crocodiles which kill about one person every two years with very few injuries compared to mosquitoes – two a year, bees and wasps – five and of course cars – hundreds with thousands of injuries. Crocs need an ad agency fast. Mr McKenzie did show interest in two of my ideas. 1/ To excavate Lake Tinaroo when it is dry (as about seven years ago) giving a lot more water for no more evaporation or infrastructure and at half the cost of a new dam. 2/ The use of capture nets for police work in some circumstances. The Commissioner said that they were not suitable but I'm sure the Queensland police have not trialled them. I have used mortar nets successfully for a variety of birds and mammals and there are very good human capture nets available. A last word to a fellow Kurandarite – I helped CSIRO for 10 years on a Dingo Survey in the NT and had personal contact with the animals at Uluru and Kata Juta. In the whole sorry saga sad to say "Dingo Guilty".

Dave Howe, Speewah



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#### **Marc's Tourism Tweets**

#### TOURISM QUEENSLAND LAUNCHES NEW BRAND

After 12 months of extensive research and industry consultation, Tourism Queensland has launched Queensland's first truly global tourism brand. *Queensland, Where Australia Shines* which introduces a new vision for Queensland as a tourism destination. Queensland certainly is where Australia shines in so many ways; so TQ has decided to tell the world through a clear and consistent tourism message for the state. The brand is about why we love living in Queensland. It's about adding value to people's experiences and about discovering and sharing the magic of Queensland that only the locals can know and understand – quite simply, Queensland *is* Where Australia Shines. TQ's 60 second audio visual promoting the new brand had a great response on YouTube with with over 20,000 views and on launch day www.queenslandholidays.com.au had more than 23,000 visits.

#### KURANDA RESTAURANT/CAFÉ FLYER

A new "23 Reasons to Visit Kuranda" restaurant & café flyer hit the local market this month and was distributed through our online facebook site and via an aggressive targeted email marketing campaign. The new flyer lists all the amazingly diverse dining options on offer in the village. The new flyer is targeting Cairns, Port Douglas and Tablelands residents encouraging them to visit the village. From German sausages, to French crepes and Vietnamese beef poh noodle soup, Kuranda has a dining experience to tantalize anyone's taste buds!

#### ADVANCE KURANDA AGM

Advance Kuranda held their annual general meeting on 6th October and Con Bambacas was re-elected as President, Jax Bergensen was also re-elected as secretary and Kylie Moore was elected as the new Treasurer. Con spoke highly of the work Tourism Kuranda is doing to promote the village and intends to continue supporting our marketing efforts.

#### TRIVIA NIGHT ATHERTON TABLELANDS

With the overwhelming success of our recent "Kuranda Trivia Night" in Cairns, we have decided to hold a similar event on the Atherton Tablelands for all of the Visitor Information Centres and the Tablelands Tourism Industry! This is another exciting initiative of Tourism Kuranda and will be an excellent opportunity to further showcase Kuranda Village and will be a great way of thanking all of the wonderful volunteers and individuals on the Tablelands who help promote our region to visiting tourists.

#### **CHALLENGE CAIRNS**

Congratulations to Queensland Events, Cairns Regional Council, Tourism Queensland and USM Events on securing the Challenge Cairns triathlon, the lead event for the Cairns Adventure Festival for June 2011. The Cairns Adventure Festival will be organised through Queensland Events and will provide a real boost to the Cairns and local economy. This event will attract athletes from all over Australia and across the world and will be another great attraction for our region. The headline event of the Cairns Adventure Festival will be Challenge Cairns Great Barrier Reef – an Iron Distance Triathlon. This is a full iron distance event consisting of a 3.8km swim, 180 km bike ride, and 42 km run. Challenge Cairns will have the highest prize money of any 'Challenge' branded triathlon in the world \$142,000, making it the second-richest triathlon in the world.

#### 20 GOOD REASONS WHY YOU LOVE KURANDA

Tourism Kuranda conducted an online competition on facebook last month to find the "TOP 20" reason why people love Kuranda and they are as follows:

- 1. Relaxed atmosphere
- 3. Buskers
- 5. The village markets
- 7. Barron Gorge National Park & Falls
- 9. Street art around every corner
- 11. Kuranda Amphitheatre
- 13. The train & skyrail
- 15. Lovely fig trees in Coondoo Street
- 17. Home made ice cream
- 19. Outdoor cafes

- 2. Fantastic people & lifestyle
- 4. Art galleries
- 6. Barron River Esplanade
- 8. Amazing walking tracks
- 10. Natural beauty12. Stunning rainforest
- 14. The climate
- 16. Great coffee18. German sausages
- 20. Quirky personalities

#### KURANDA CELEBRATES 122 YEARS WITH VISITING AGENTS - On

23rd October Tourism Kuranda celebrated Kuranda's official beginning with our very first cake cutting ceremony in Centenary Park. For towns of Crown origin such as Kuranda, the date of the first survey is taken as the town's official birthday. Thomas Behan lodged his plans of Kuranda with the survey office on 23rd October 1888. That date therefore marks the town's official beginning. The ceremony was also attended by a group of visiting domestic travel agents who were in the regional as part of the TTNQ Passport to Paradise campaign. The group spent the day in the village and visited many of our amazing attractions and retail outlets. The agents participated in the Happy Birthday rendition and helped cut the cake which was enjoyed by everyone including a few very happy tourists! The amazing cake was supplied by Luc at the Kuranda Coffee Kitchen.

**Photo at right:** Birthday Celebrations: Marc Sleeman – Tourism Kuranda, Cr Jenny Jensen, Marni Barnett – Skyrail, Peita Harrison – Koala Gardens accompanied by some of the visiting domestic travel agents.



## Allan Charles Birchall 05/10/1939 - 12/10/2010

5/10/1939 – 12/10/2010 Aged 71 years



Allan was a quiet but active member of our Kuranda community for the last 14 years of his life. His whole life was devoted to construction eingeering. Whilst working at Ubulu Nickel Plant in Townsville, Allan met and married Valarie Jean in 1974. Thereafter they travelled widely to pursue Allan's engineering career. Postings included New Guinea, Saudi Arabia, Dubai, Nigeria, India, Singspore, Indonesia, Azerbiajan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. Allan's projects before retiring in 2008 included construction engineer at Bluewater, Trinity Beach and offshore at Kuala Lumpur and Kerala in India.

Allan was most happy enjoying the company of his fellow workers, having a good intelligent conversation, a beer and the occasional cigarette.

He made many friends around the world who will remember him as a best mate from down under.



nda Danay Chart

## The Kuranda Paper Short Story Competition

The competition ran for six issues, and has been highly popular. We were pleased and delighted with the quality and quantity of entrants.

We are considering continuing the competition next year, so all you budding authors out there, keep those pens to paper.







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#### Neighbourhood Centre News November 2010

#### Family Fun Day:

There was a Family Day held in Centennial Park on the 29th September with agencies from Kuranda, Cairns and the Tablelands setting up and running fantastic activities for children, young people and families. The Kuranda Interagency Network wishes to thank everyone who participated, contributed and supported the event, in particular Centacare (\$500 towards costs); Youth Substance Misuse Service and Ngoonbi Sport and Rec program who both provided transport for families from Mona Mona, Kowrowa and Mantaka. These events will continue through 2011 with Family Days being scheduled in the second Wed of each school holiday period.

#### **Kuranda Interagency Network:**

The Kuranda Interagency Network has historically been hosted by KNC with meeting venue, minutes, reminders and a general email out of information and resources. The last meeting held on Wed 13th September was at Kuranda Justice Group office at Ngoonbi Farm with Rosa Quartermaine in chair. These meetings will rotate across services/agencies/organisations in Kuranda into the future with the next meeting scheduled at the 'culture room' at Kuranda District State College at 2pm. KNC will continue to assist with review of minutes, email out reminders and general info, however, the host of each meeting will also check minutes before they are sent out. If you wish to be added to the email grouping please contact me at knc@qld.chariot.net.au.

#### Women's Health Clinic:

Sandra Soki and Dee Wallis from QLD Health are fully trained women's health care workers who provide an outreach clinic to women in FNQ. They have arranged several clinic dates with not much attendance resulting. We are trying to organise some information sessions for women to come along and find out more about what the clinic does. The session times so far are 10am Wed 3rd November at the CWA Hall and 2.30pm Wed 3rd at the Kowrowa Hall. Another session is being planned at the Kuranda District State College, however, will be aimed more specifically at the year 11 and 12 female students. If you want to know more about this clinic or the info sessions please call KNC.

#### Young Women's Group:

A pilot young women's group (age 15-24 — with some flexibility) will be starting on Tuesday afternoons from 3.30 on 5th October 2010. This has been at the direct request of young women who participated in the Safe Freedom group earlier in the year. Attendance is open, however, will follow firm group rules around confidentiality, respect and collaboration. If you want to be involved in the group please come along, or for more information contact me at the Centre. The goal is for the group to be run by young women for young women with a view for sustainability, positive social opportunities and support (as requested by the group) from KNC.

#### **Family Support Items Needed:**

Thank you to those who have generously donated items recently. We have an informal way of linking up families and individuals with different items of furniture and household goods etc that they need. Right now we know families who need: all sizes of beds/mattresses, bed bases/frames, a washing machine, a fridge, a dining table and chairs. If you have any of those items that you no longer need, please give us a call.

#### **Lifeline Financial Counselling:**

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

Marg Yandell, Coordinator



After much consideration from the committee the Carols will be held at the Kuranda Community Centre/Bartley Park. This in turn will help with the lighting and undercover if it happens to rain. There will be food and drinks on sale by local organisations.

We have had quite a bit of interest, but we are still looking for more. If you have an interest in any of the below events, please contact me on

**4093 9617** (after 3pm) or **0409 758 122** 

- Singers/ Choirs Nativity Play
- Demonstrations of your Groups (dancing, karate, etc)
- Stall Holders Floats for our parade

Next meeting will be 4th November at the Queen Bee cafe. It would be great to see you there.





## The Kuranda Paper Short Story Competition

Winner of The Kuranda Paper Short Story Competition for October 2010 is **Annabel Muis** whose entry is printed below. Congratulations Annabel. A cheque for \$200 is on its way to you. The six-month competition has now expired, but may be rejuvenated next year. We thank all contributors for their efforts over the last six months. The quality and quantity of the entries was a delight to the editorial team

#### **Life Sentence**

I aimed for Norm's jugular vein and then dragged the knife across his windpipe. He'd fallen asleep in front of the TV as he did most evenings, head back, mouth hanging open, so it wasn't difficult. Though the knife was a big one and honed razor sharp, his flesh was tough; it felt a lot like the chicken I'd been cutting up for a casserole. His eyes flew open as the knife went in and widened when he saw me. He tried to speak but all that came out was a wheezing gasp.

Blood flowed from his severed throat over his immaculate cream shirt – that's one shirt I'll never have to iron again, I thought. I watched the lifeblood ebb out of his veins and the light fade from his eyes. When I was quite sure he was dead I went to the phone and dialed the emergency number. "Police," I requested in a tremulous voice. "Please help me. I think I've killed my husband."



From reading crime novels I knew quite a bit about the justice system. For example I knew no court would accept fifty years of marital boredom as sufficient justification for killing a husband. So I'd gone to considerable lengths over the years, talking to carefully chosen female friends and to my doctor, to create a history of emotional abuse. My doctor strongly advised me to leave Norm, but in the face of my obvious panic, he prescribed medication for depression and stress.

I had planned my story carefully and if I do say so myself, believe I played the role of distraught little old lady very credibly. Two detectives, one male, one female, questioned me at length, but overall the police were kind, in fact quite sympathetic to my tearful descriptions of extreme emotional abuse over many years. The partly dismembered chicken in the kitchen supported my reason for having the knife in my hand when I went into the living room. "Something came over me when he started to swear about dinner being late," I sobbed. "I just seemed to black out and I didn't realise what I was doing."

I called the young solicitor we'd met at the Walker's dinner party some months earlier and even in the unfamiliar circumstances of being in police custody I was struck again by his rugged handsomeness. I was charged with manslaughter and bailed quickly. At age 70 and clearly in a distressed state I was considered a minimal risk to society.

I never loved Norm, but I had married him when I was only nineteen, after handsome, charismatic Randall – to whom I had given my love, my trust and my virginity – broke my heart. Randall disappeared from my life without any warning or explanation and I decided that I would never love again, so I agreed to marry Norm, a pleasant enough bachelor in his late twenties and a workmate of my father. He had good prospects and I believed he would be kind to me. True, he wasn't exciting, but Randall had cured me of wanting an exciting man in my life.

Norm turned out to have exceptionally narrow views about women, marriage and life in general; our whole life revolved around his finicky requirements. Fussy and fastidious, he wanted everything done his way: house always spotless; washing done on Mondays and ironing on Wednesdays just as his mother had done; shirts (always cream button-down) pressed in a certain way; dinner on the table strictly at 7.00.

Perhaps if he had let me go to work thing would have been different, but he would never hear of it; he insisted I be at home to ensure everything accorded with his wishes. Even after we knew that I could never have children he wouldn't consider me working even part-time. No amount of crying and pleading could move Norm; he would just shut himself off when I wass upset. In the face of any expression of emotion he would turn away, picking up a book or switching on the TV to let me know that the conversation was finished.

I sat in the courtroom and listened to my solicitor's impassioned closing address. We had discussed the possible outcome of the trial: although I hoped for a "not guilty" verdict I knew that I might face a jail sentence if convicted of manslaughter. But taking account of my age, precarious emotional health and the mitigating circumstances, he was confident I would get an early release: serving no more than twelve months, if that, in a minimum-security facility. I knew I could handle a short-term internment, especially for the sake of really enjoying the final years of my life. With Norm gone I might be quite well off. My parents had left me a little money and if luck was with me I would inherit Norm's savings as well. Already I could picture myself traveling to exotic locations and enjoying a lifestyle that I had only read about.

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"Iris, Iris, wake up!"

Startled, I open my eyes to see Norm standing above me.

"Isn't it time you started getting dinner?" he demands.

Relaxing in the sun in the garden, I've been deeply entrenched in my fantasy and forgotten the time. I sigh, struggle to my feet and reluctantly drag my mind back to reality – there will be no early release for me after all.

Staring dully at the back of Norm's well pressed cream shirt, I follow him inside to the prison of our immaculate home. He walks into the living room and turns on the TV. I go into the kitchen, pick up a knife to cut up the chicken for a casserole and contemplate again my never-changing life...

November 2010



THE KURANDA PAPER

#### Dorothy 'Anne' Edwards

25/03/1931 - 01/10/2010



Ron and Anne Edwards moved to Kuranda in 1980 and lived at the end of Fairyland Road, where they built a mud brick house, a workshop to house the 'Rams Skull Press' and a studio where Ron painted.

Anne was broken hearted when Ron died two years ago but carried on doing what she had always done and was driving to work in her shop in Cairns until a month before her death; still painting lovely watercolours and sitting quietly in her shop watching life go past in the arcade.

Anne had a good life and, I think, very few regrets; I know that she remembered her life well and talked about her parents and the wonderful times they'd had when she was young. She went to art school and became a teacher, often talking about her life as a young woman in the exciting arts community of post-war Melbourne. She and Ron dropped out and drove an old Combi to Cairns in 1959; it was all full of promise and I think she felt it was pretty much fulfilled.

Anne and Ron lived through interesting times and as the town developed, my father painted and documented the changes - from a small timber town to a busy tourist destination – in several books.

They worked and travelled, they created and observed, they had a family and made friends to share it all with. They had a public life and a private one and always supported each other's endeavours; and although it is possible that Anne was more supportive of Ron's work than of her own creativity, he always looked after her, cooking and making sure that the fire was lit under the bath when she got home from the shop.

Anne was always a quiet sort of person, but loved to be surrounded by debate and creative activity and would revel in the discussion provided by a good dinner party and a few bottles of home brew.

Anne was very much her own person and although they were a married couple with kids, she always worked. She would not have called herself a feminist but for many years she put the bread on the table, she got us kids to school and out of the house and kept her shop going.

She was an individual who stayed true to her personality, determinedly (and sometimes stubbornly) pursuing whatever course of action seemed appropriate.

After Anne's 75th birthday I occasionally suggested that perhaps she should retire, to which she answered "What, and take up painting?"

Vale Anne.

Lee Edwards



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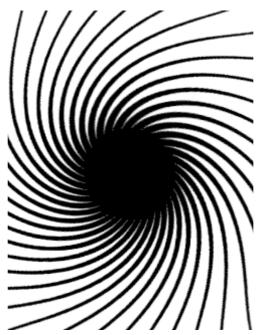
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#### **Kuranda Chamber of Commerce and Tourism**

Due to unforeseen circumstances our October meeting has been cancelled. There will be a formal general meeting at **Malcolm's Original Market Place** with the long table at 4.30pm on the 2nd November 2010.

All Welcome.

Robyn Vogler Secretary





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#### President's Report

As always we've been very busy Loony Poets in the Understage for over at the Amphitheatre and anoth- 18s. er month of activity ahead.

racial overtones within the Society, down and boogie. or suggested as a result of an event.

member-driven meetings to assist in re- the 19th and 20th November. solving some issues within the Society, high of 437 members!

of our community, and has helped KAS in moving any divisional issues toward that we are.

Members are reminded of a General Meeting on Saturday 30th Leaders or email kuranda\_amp@big-October at 4pm. Light nibbles and re-pond.com. freshments will be provided, or if you want to bake a cake...feel free!

We have quite a few members to ergy a gig consumes, large or small!

re-vamping the Loony Poets! This is email: kuranda\_amp@bigpond.com to be held every second month ON THE FULL MOON, in the Top Pavilion with THANK YOU. dinner available. These are family occasions and it is intended to hold each 3rd

Saturday 13th November is set The Amphitheatre is a volunteer to be a great day and night in Kuranmanaged, and staffed, Incorporated As- da! Kuranda Original Markets are having sociation. The place belongs to the entire a Madhatter's Tea Party during the day Kuranda community and membership of and a Grand Finale in the Understage at the Society is vital for cohesive decision night. A fantastic band, The Lonesome making and the positive future direction Trio, will be entertaining us with their of the Amphitheatre. We live in a cultur- own brand of blues/roots/swamp music ally diverse community and EVERYONE with a new take on some old favourites. is welcome. The management committee Ask anyone who was at Jan Carroll's 50th asserts that KAS will not condone any and you'll want to come along and get

Kurandacoots are getting ready We have recently had a couple of to do the Red Ball performance on

A big thanks to Zac, Berendt and and on a more positive note KAS can now Daniel for building more stage modules boast that membership is at an all time for the Understage. This enables KAS to hold more varied events and performanc-This is quite a substantial percentage es in the Understage, eg. fashion parades, larger bands etc.

Xavier Rudd, 19th December, is the shining, galvanised community group rapidly approaching so keep your eye out for Working Bees, volunteering requests etc around town. Please contact Team

As mentioned in the October issue, we have two Volunteers of the Month for November. BIG drumroll.... William thank this month. Firstly Carl Neal and Saunders and Gawain Barker. Will the Bike Expo team for the huge effort and Gawain are continually volunteering for this event. We all know how much en- at the Amphitheatre, for any gig large or small. We can always rely on you to be Next is *Luna and his team for* around ready to lend a helping hand.



Cheers,

Mandy

I attended the meeting at the CWA to see what exciting plans the Council had for our old school building, the one that the previous Council purchased to be used as a community facility. Boy, was I in for a shock. This is what the Council decided was best for "us", without any consultation. Sub-divide the lot, sell the pre-school and a similarly small sized block. Use some of this money to upgrade block C (down the far end), the tuck shop, the demountable, and the shade structure (us). The bulk of the money

going towards the demolition (removal?) of the other two main buildings, and further subdivision and subsequent sale of the bulk of the land including the treed area (above left). Worse still, the proceeds from this to be used "at the discretion of the Council" (them)! I can't help getting the feeling that not only are we getting the miserable remains of a small part of the school, but we're getting ripped off as well. Although Council didn't consult us, they certainly consulted with Kuranda's real-estate agents. They even want us to use this "community" facility

to run a business? Council know how you feel. Last month I mentioned fear and anger, and what to do with them. Well, be afraid for the loss of your heritage, and let the perpetrators know how angry this makes you. Otherwise, have a great November. Don't stress too much. Take a walk down to our old school house

Peace. seren

(while you still can).







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## MUSIC PAGE



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tough mob us NQ'ers. The Amphi was

the weather and were rewarded with a sensational day and the "secret chord" and caught up the audience and the band night of music. All the bands turned up and gave it their best. in a web of ethereal magic. 12 tracks including of course, Hel-

covers driving harder than the rain.

mix of punk/blues, rock and some great originals.

Supercharger kept the charge going - stinging lead guitar com and hard driving rhythm section.

Chronic Haze - tight, professional prog rock Local boys who just get better every time.

dangerous twin guitar attack with Blackie's menacing vocals. Patrol, also does a very Michael Stipe line of angst and sensitive Even the rain stopped for them.

for the hard core.

from Sydney, and good they were! Sweet soaring vocals, flair from a delicate, almost fragile, place that we all find ourselves and great moves. Think Deep purple on speed and you'll get in at times. the idea.

Then Baton Rue Morgue, the hard-rocking hell raisers us into "The Good Book" where it all from Helsinki! Wow! Rocking as hard as any band on the planet comes apart and in the last track we we reckon. Vikings all fierce and wild, but with a warmth and pick up the "Pieces". friendliness that captured the 100 or so hardy music lovers that braved the weather and stayed to appreciate the show. Bring fect for the quiet moments of intro-'em back again Carl, you rock!

Leonard Cohen: Songs from the Road. CD and DVD set. At 74 years of age, Leonard Cohen embarked on a world

1st Motorcycle Expo + 2: What a tour and played 195 shows through 2008 and 2009. With a group day! Pouring rain, driving wind and of impeccable musicians and back-up singers, he played three mud. But it still went off. We're a hour sets to entranced audiences around the world.

Here is a distillation of his very best performances, selectfull of beautiful bikes and a few hundred hardy souls braved ed by Leonard Cojen and his team; the nights when he found Local band Engine Room kicked off with some great Aus- lelujah, Bird on a Wire, Famous Blue Raincoat, Avalanche, and sie pub rock with Brett superb on guitar - Angels - AC/DC, Oils so on... Watching the DVD you can see Leonard inhabiting the sacred spaces that his songs create and inviting you into these Munition came down from the mountains with their classic spaces. Mesmerising uplifting and a beautiful an experience as the world of music can offer. Hallelujah! www.leonardcohen.

#### Tired Pony: The Place We Ran From.

There's a very R>E>M> feel about this album. Not surprising as Peter Buck, REM guitarist plays electric and acoustic gui-Nitrine 66 - undisputed goth/rock. Metyal Gods. Dark and tars, mandolin, banjo etc. Vocalist, Gary Lightbody, of Snow interpretation of the lyrics. There's a moody undercurrent that Enemies Closer - a roaring death metal assault - definitely flows deep below the cold landscape that the Pony glides over. The Aussie is both rich and sparse and some wonderful lyrics: Then the Headliners: First, Lord - Speed Metal shredders "Held in the Arms of Your Words" sums it up nicely. Rock music

"I am a Landscape", "The Deepest Ocean There Is", lead

A beautiful, reflective album, perspection.

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The Boogie Brothers

#### KURANDA GIG GUIDE NOVEMBER 2010

SATURDAY 30TH OCTOBER Speewah Country Tavern Halloween Party With DJ Nathan Bailey Prizes for Best Dressed!! Entry: \$5 Adults; U/16's Free Full Dinner Menu 7pm - midnight

SUNDAY 31ST OCTOBER Nevermind Cafe & Jungle Bar Live Music with Funky Love Tank 3.30-6.30pm

> FRIDAY 12TH NOVEMBER Kuranda Resort & Spa Davy Simony 7.00-9.00pm

SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER The Understage, Kuranda Amphitheatre Madhatter's Finale Band - Lonesome Trio Entry: Members \$10, Visitors \$15

> SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER Kuranda Resort & Spa Mick & Gabrielle 5.30-8.30pm

FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER The Understage, Kuranda Amphitheatre Kurandacoots present The Red Ball showcasing a variety of local talent including acrobatics, clowning, juggling, silks, pole dancing, original live music, drama and dance Poors Open 7.00pm Pre-sale tickets available from Kuranda Health & Healing #15 Adults At the Poor: \$18 Adults

SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER Speewah Country Tavern Pool Opening Party
Music: 'Blast from the Past' 60's-80's 7pm - midnight

The Understage, Kuranda Amphitheatre Kurandacoots present The Red Ball Poors Open 7.00pm Pre-sale tickets available from Kuranda Health & Healing: \$15 Adults At the Poor: \$18 Adults

> SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER Nevermind Café & Jungle Bar Far Northern Soul Collective Licensed & Meals available 3.30-6.30pm

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## TRC NEWS from your COUNCIL

#### get ready for CYCLONE / STORM season

#### **EMERGENCY** KIT

Your disaster preparedness kit should contain:

- Battery operated torch and radio, with spare batteries
- Can opener and spare cooking and eating utensils
- Water containers
- Tinned food for the family and pets
- Candles and waterproof matches
- First Aid supplies

#### PREPARE, PACK, LISTEN

It's that time of the year again when all residents should prepare themselves and their properties for cyclone / storm season. With the Bureau of Meteorology predicting an early and active season, residents should take action now to be ready for a cyclone or severe storm. For more information on preparing for cyclones, floods and storms, go to www.trc.qld.gov.au and click on Disaster Management. The message is PREPARE, PACK AND LISTEN.

#### PREPARE for the season

- Trim vegetation. Ensure trees and branches are clear from your home and overhead powerlines. Do not attempt to clear following items ready: trees from powerlines - call Ergon Energy on 131 046.
- Remove any loose debris or rubbish from your property so they don't become flying missiles in a storm or cyclone.
- Ensure your first aid kit is properly
- Check your home and contents insurance is up to date.
- Have alternative cooking equipment, for example a gas BBQ.
- Consider having a generator connected to your home.

#### PACK and be ready to evacuate

In the event that you need to evacuate your home due to damage or flooding, ensure you have the

- A change of clothes and sturdy shoes
- Toiletry and santiary supplies
- Emergency phone numbers
- Important personal documents in a waterproof
- Pet food, leash &/or pet carrier

#### LISTEN to the radio for information

If a cyclone or severe storm strikes, listen to your radio for the latest information. Keep spare batteries on hand for your radio.

#### **WORKS** in progress

- The Malanda Sewerage Scheme is continuing. Enquiries: Errol Taske on 0438 344 992.
- Short Street, Dimbulah laying new kerb and channel and underground stormwater drainage infrastructure
- Works are still underway to replace the Maroobi Creek Bridge at Yungaburra. The project is expected to be completed by December 2010.
- Danbulla Forest Drive, Tinaroo involves widening and sealing 1.4km of unsealed road.
- Petersen Road, Tarzali involves reforming the existing gravel road and a bitumen seal of 1.2km.
- Other works underway include: The car park at the new Mt Garnet Visitor Information Centre; works at Kjellberg Road, Malanda; the Walsh/Eccles Street, Mareeba drainage project; Ellie Street, Ravenshoe, and the program of bitumen re-seals which involve a number of streets and roads across the region.

#### COMMUNITY PLAN meetings – Come along and get involved!

Council is currently developing the Tablelands Community Plan which will set out the priorities for the long-term progress of the region in the areas of social, economic, environment, and governance.

There will be opportunities for all residents and stakeholders across the region to have their say. Council will hold community engagement events at the following venues soon:

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTOR FORUM

Monday 1 Nov - 9.30am-3pm - Community Services Sector Planning Workshop, Atherton International Club.

YUNGABURRA

Tuesday 9 Nov - 6.30pm-9.30pm, Community Planning Workshop, Yungaburra Hotel.

#### **ENVIRONMENT SECTOR FORUM**

Thursday 11 Nov – 9.30am-3pm, Environment Sector Planning Workshop Tinaroo Sport and Recreation Centre, Tinaroo Dam.

#### DISABILITY SECTOR INFO STALL

Friday 12 Nov - 12 noon to 8pm, Disability Sector Parent/ Carer Expo Info Stall, Atherton High School Community Hall.

Tuesday, 16 Nov - 5.30pm-8pm, Community Planning Workshop, Memorial Hall, Mt Molloy.

#### JULATTEN

Thursday, 18 Nov - 5.30pm-8.30pm, Community Planning Workshop Geraghty Park.

DISABILITY SECTOR FORUM

Wednesday 24 Nov - 9.30am-3pm, Disability Sector Planning Workshop, TRC Atherton boardroom, Mabel

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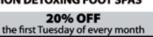


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Melbourne Cup time again, so let's do our once-a-year analysis of a horse race – astrology style. At this point I have no idea of the horses, the form etc, so when the runners are announced we can apply the astro-clues provided by an astrology chart for the time and place of the race and see what they suggest.

First there is an abundance of water. Five planets in water signs and a Pisces ascendant. That's a lot of water. Then we have Sun, Mercury and Venus in Scorpio with Mercury on the Venus-Mars midpoint. Thoughts of love and sex, passion and intensity.

Mars is sitting in Sagittarius (ruler of horses) right on the mid heaven – strong male energy there; speed and long-limbed ranginess. Jupiter and Uranus are together in Pisces in the first house with Jupiter in trine to Mercury and Mars: size; speed; and a spectacular finish – picking up speed all the way.

With the Moon in Aries right opposite the ascendant, this is a horse that lots of people will want, and expect, to win. So probably a popular result with the punters. A fitting result for the work and dedication put in by the team.

There's a heavily weighted 9th house which can suggest a foreign horse, or owner, and a strong sense of "This is it – we're ready". Most of the planets are above the horizon so it's not a "Dark Horse", it was always clear and visible.

And speaking of "Dark Horses" — the Dark Lord, Pluto, sits in Capricorn in the 10th house — the work has been done and the win is expected. The Moon's node conjunct Pluto confirms that this is a very intense, dedicated team effort. Maybe the name reflects that too.

Neptune and Chiron rising in the 12th house show that the winner will have been healed of some injury or illness leading up to the race. Maybe, as Aquarius is involved, to the shin or fetlock.

So there we have it. Some nuts and bolts astrology, and somewhere in there are the clues. Good luck.

Think big, fast and intense ... Invictus.

Rob Hart





Annette Cooper and Mike Mabbutt were married on the 11th September. The event was a fantastic success despite the couple finding out that they could not use their chosen venue and that the caterers had to cancel only weeks before the Big Day. You need patience, love, help from the universe but most of all good friends when these things occur. The Day was indeed saved by a lifetime friend of Annette's who was coming up to celebrate the occasion. Not only did she happen to be a top Melbourne chef but she had also hired a beautiful beach house. The setting at Machans Beach was perfect for Mike and Annette's wedding; right on the beach with an exotic Bali atmosphere. Mike's two sons acted as the Best Man and Groomsman. Annette wore a stunning red dress and I so wished I looked that drop dead gorgeous in red...

We all wish Mike and Annette every happiness throughout their dazzling marriage.





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#### **Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother**



My parents were in the Iron and Steel Industry. Mother ironed and father stole!

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Friday: Free for bookings

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Saturday: Free for Bookings.

Sunday: FILM CLUB, first Sunday every month, 4.00pm to 8.00pm. Contact Margaret or Hans 4093

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The Club Development Plan: Has been completed and we are looking for interested people to help us develop the plan.

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#### "See the Lights" Kuranda Recreation Centre **SPORTS REPORT**

Recently we held a meeting with Council and discussed the directions of the Centre over the next 12 months. The main theme is re-developing from a mono sport facility to a multi sport Centre aimed at adults and families with children between 5 and 12 years age group. The use of the Hunter Park oval is complementary to Bartly Park used for senior sports. This is in line with general direction of objectives in the Centre Development

Lawn Bowls: social lawn bowls is played weekly at 7.00 pm Friday night by about 15 players – all welcome to grow this number - recent Commonwealth Games action highlight that this is an all ages sport with champions getting younger at international levels...do we have a potential Kuranda Champion?!

**Soccer:** The Centre has provided all the basic equipment to get the soccer club started. Although it was very wet on our first Soccer "come and try" day there were 75 participants and \$500 was raised for the soccer club. WATCH THIS SPACE!!

Swim Club: Parents are starting to talk about forming a swim club. The swim club will use Centre for presentations and fundraising when it cannot operate at the pool. Summer is just around the corner...so is the Kuranda Pool, great way to exercise and get some sun while socializing with other aquaholics.

Volley ball: Has been dormant over winter but is expected to fire up again this month so get your shorts and tees on for the warm nights ahead.

**Netball:** We have quite a strong interest base registered so all those awaiting to bounce into some social games and hone their goal shooting skills, please contact our coordinator for information.

**Tennis:** Tennis starts immediately with social games on Sunday and Wednesday from 6pm to 8pm and tuition for beginners at 6pm every Monday. Come and raise a racquet...oops

Basketball and tennis: will be the theme for our next "come and try days" on Sunday 28 November - mark this date on your calendars.

#### **COME** and TRY

**Clubs Development and Structured Recreational Activity** 

- Aim: to reinvigorate the tennis interests of old and new players for recreation, fitness and fun
- Purpose: to survey the activities response and thereafter determine the potential community needs
- On offer: two hardcourts for enthusiasts and seasoned social players to make more use of as needed
- Includes: some equipment and questions answered by experienced players to get you familiar with this activity and gives young and old a chance to experience sports and games that are organised with rules, referees, skills and strategy at a non-competitive low key level to see if you like them. We encourage everyone to Come and Try tennis so they can come together regularly and have some healthy

The Recreation Centre: a base for lots of activity. The next Come and Try day to be announced in the December edition of the Kuranda Paper.

> **SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2010** First Serve 10.00am • Last Serve 4.00pm **Lunch on the Run Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road**

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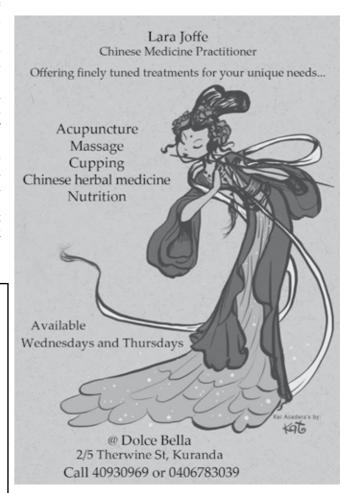
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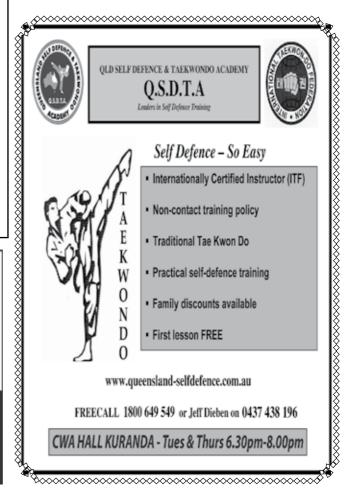
**Sports Coordinator application for funding:** We have agreement from 5 organizations and will submit in November, 'from little things big things grow'.

Friday Social Night: The bar is open from 5pm and Sandra serves her mystery \$8.00 meal with a nice salad followed by options of social bowls. Volley ball, netball and twilight soccer are also options for Friday night in the future. Please make bookings with Sandra to avoid disappointment telephone 4093 7393.

**Hire**: The Centre is open to hire for approved clients for meetings, seminars and private functions. We also have chairs and tables for hire for your functions at home, at reasonable rates.

Thanks to the volunteer committee for their input, you have done a sterling job this year and we could not have achieved it all without you. We have come a long way from the public meeting in 2008, when it looked like the Centre would close If you want to give us a helping hand please give Arch McArthur a call telephone 4093 7511. We are always looking for players and coaches, committee, finance and legal advisors and ideas how to improve the Centre for your use.







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I've travelled the world twice over, Met the famous; saints and sinners, Poets and artists, kings and queens, Old stars and hopeful beginners. I've been where no-one's been before, Learned secrets from writers and cooks All with one library ticket, To the wonderful world of books

~ Unknown ~

The rains are here. It's the perfect time to come in and load up on books. Did you know members can take up to 35 at a time? Gardening in the rain, slow-cooking up a storm, getting back to art or music or ticking of a few more classics from the 'to-read' list. They are all easy to find at your library. If you can't find what your after then please ask us to reserve them or have a look yourself on the library catalogue; in the library on one of our computers or your own PC at home – http://www.library.trc.qld.gov.au/

If you have the time, then why not stay a while in your library? It's dry here. There are computers, newspapers and current magazines. Local history if you're keen. Holiday programs are over and the school-aged are back to their classrooms after cooking up a storm. It's peaceful.

I say this because I have become jealous of some of our borrowers recently. How I would love to sprawl on the carpet, surrounded by art, health, politics, gardening and travel books. Grab a novel from the New Book Trolley and lounge on the sofa for a couple of hours. It is such good weather for exploring something new in our minds, or via a couple of pages, someone else's.

Alas, I work full-time in a library, so there is not as much time as I would like to enjoy the books I see passing each day. But you can, and indeed, despite my occasional longings to swap places, I hope you do.

#### **Kuranda Library News**

- Easy-Readers (teach-the-kids-to-read books) will soon be divided into levels, which will make it much easier to find the books suitable for where your child is reading. There are also a bunch of new titles on their way to get the kids interested.
- The exchange is complete and shelved new Large Print, Audiobooks, CDs, DVDS, Children's books, Non-Fiction and Novels come check them out!
- The Holiday Activities went 'cooking-ly', with the MasterChef, and Movie Night being enjoyed by all.
- · Lots of new books that you should come and see.
- Storytime continue to grow. It is on Fridays @ 10.00am and we read stories, play games and do a craft each week.
- Homework Help, FREE internet, Laptop, Printing, Online Tutoring, Jobsearch and Resume help for Youth – Tuesdays @ 4.00pm or other times by appointment.

## Residents urged to apply for a multicultural grant

Member for Barron River Steve Wettenhall has urged community groups to apply for a share of \$800,000 of State Government grants to help them celebrate their cultural diversity in the coming year. Mr Wettenhall said the funding for the Multicultural Assistance Program, which provides grants to community groups to run festivals, events and community development projects, was an increase of \$100,000 on last year.

"Competition for funding grants for festivals, events and development projects to celebrate and promote our diversity and our community harmony is growing stronger every year. Since 2004 this government has provided over \$3.6 million in MAP funding to 165 organisations for events and projects. This money gives the cultural communities of Queensland the means to educate others about their way of life, their values and their history."

"The reality is these festivals and events bring people across Queensland together. With almost 18 per cent of Queenslanders born outside of Australia, we have a great opportunity to host events and activities that capture and celebrate the rich cultural diversity that exists in our state. The grants program also supports community relations projects that encourage social harmony like interfaith training programs."

The Multicultural Assistance Program (MAP) is a key component to the Queensland Government's Multicultural Policy, *Multicultural Queensland – making a world of difference*. Mr Wettenhall said the 2010-11 MAP grants reinforced the Government's ongoing commitment to multiculturalism in Queensland.

"I encourage all organisations and community groups to think about how they could make a difference in their community through a Multicultural Assistance Program grant. Community groups can apply for funds starting from \$1000. For example: the Filipino-Australian Community Association could apply for \$1000 for an anniversary celebration."

Applications for the latest round of Multicultural Assistance Program are open now until 15th November. For further details on the Multicultural Assistance Program visit **www.multicultural.qld.gov.au** 

## KURANDA COMMUNITY CENTRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### <u>Expressions Of Interest – Extended</u> <u>for Advisory Committee Member</u>

The Tablelands Regional Council is calling for nominations from people to join the Kuranda Community Centre Advisory Committee (KCCAC).

The role of the committee member is to provide community input in regards to the continued planning and development of the Community Centre in Kuranda.

Meetings are held once a month in Kuranda and will commence at 8.30am.

To nominate please download the nomination form and skills matrix from the Council website, www.trc.qld.gov.au or contact your preferred Customer Service Centre for a copy.

Nominations must be received by Council on or before 4.30pm on 5 November 2010. Previous applicants are not required to re-apply.

Should you have any questions please contact Dean Davidson, Manager Plant & Facilities, on 07 4043 4145.



#### Kuranda-Mareeba School Age Care

...is now taking enrolments for the 2011 school year in After and Before School Care. PCYC has a history of providing excellent School Age Care Programs for School children throughout Queensland. The Program that will be run at the Kuranda District College will offer children a variety of activities from homework, sports, arts, crafts, and much more. The fully catered program will meet the needs of your child's growing body and dietary requirements.

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## Inside My Studio

#### Interview by Toni Rogers



It was great. **Henri Hunsinger** and I sat and talked about the many aspects of an artistic life. Henri's English is much better than my French, particularly my schoolbook French, and I am so envious of the 'colour' Henri injects into his descriptions. We both share a love of books: in fact, we swap books from time to time. Henri's reading list is as colourful as his paintings and his life.

#### Where is your current studio?

I built my studio above my house in Kuranda over 15 years ago.

#### Do you work alone or with others?

Mainly alone, except for specific projects when more hands and brains are needed. I enjoy the synergy created when working and sharing with others and the ability to generate fresh ideas.

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

BIG. A big surface as I am messy. (Henri is referring here to mess as magazines, paint pots and brushes - in fact, anything that generates creativity.) I need lots of light, artificial or natural, water, electricity, and a Makes Sense the cappuccino machine.

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

Completely irregular and fragmented. I need pressure and a deadline to finish something.

#### Describe the works you do in your studio.

From personal expression to 'bread and butter' pieces (the ones that pay the bills) I paint, I draw and I print.

#### Why are painting and printmaking your chosen mediums?

I am a two-dimensional visual artist. These are fields where you can enjoy the use of colour, forms and shape to try to express something interesting and beautiful.

#### List three things you listen to while working.

Classical music, the news, and any necessary interruptions from my wife.

#### Your favourite tool?

I have a few. My pencils, my paint brushes and my computer.

#### How do you identify your work? (signature/stamp/chop)

I sign my paintings with different names – according to the output of the day.

#### How do you sell your work?

Poorly, through galleries and exhibitions.

#### Do you teach or sell from your studio?

I sell sometimes from the studio. I have too many things to learn to be able to teach. However, I am in favour of exchanging techniques, ideas and tools with other artists, or just a glass of wine. Sometime a critical mass of involved people can help an idea flourishing...

#### What do you do with your seconds?

I put them in the garbage bin. This is the most useful tool an artist should use.

Sometimes I think all my works are "seconds"...

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

None, but I am open to offers. I would welcome the paid position of Director of the Royal Ballet Company of Kuranda or the Ancient Mariner of the Kuranda Yacht Club.

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

Make it bigger to enable me to spread more of my artistic mess.

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

Perspiring with French existential anguish, waiting for the wet, then the dry, then the wet, then the dry, then...

Some of Henri Hunsinger's colourful paintings and prints can be seen in the Kuranda Arts Co-operative Gallery in Coondoo Street.







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cappuccino machine. I am still hanging in for A Tennessee couple, Dave and Rebecca Kosmitis, both bona fide rednecks, had 9 children.

They went to the doctor to see about getting Dave

The doctor gladly started the required procedure and asked them what finally made them make the decision. Why after 9 children, would they choose to do this?

Dave replied that they had read in a recent newspaper article that one out of every ten children born in the United States was Mexican, and they didn't want to take a chance on having a Mexican baby because neither of them could speak Spanish.

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#### "The Eurasian Miracle"

(Polity Press, Cambridge, 2010) Emeritus Professor Jack Goody ISBN 9780 7456 4794 4 - \$29.95

We in the West have inherited a Eurocentric view of the world. It is a natural outcome of two main processes. One is the emergence of Europe in the last few centuries as the dominant culture, technology and the economic capitalist powerhouse of the world. The other is the export of that culture and economic dominance through the process of colonisation and colonialism with superior force. This book is timely, in that it analyses some of the developments in Asia, both in the more distant past and the more recent rise the prominence of a number of emerging countries of that region. It is written from the perspective of a social anthropologist. The book seeks to dismantle this Eurocentric view of the world in response to these developments, replacing it with what the author describes as the "Eurasian miracle".

But it does not see this purely as a recent development. Rather the author sees the links between Europe and Asia as extending way back, even to the Bronze Age. He sees links between great eastern civilizations of antiquity, for example in India and China, extending through the Near East into Europe. This was much advanced by the adoption of writing, leading to a long term exchange of information between East and West. The rise of the West after the Renaissance and Reformation was not an isolated phenomenon. This is a theme that has been advanced in several recent publications. For example, Hobson's "The Eastern Origins of Western Civilisation" (Cambridge UP, 2004). Perhaps better documented has been the influence of the early Islamic civilisation and knowledge on the West, including by way of transmitting the ancient Greek writings to the resurgent West.

This is a most important subject, not the least because it helps dispose of the often assumed superiority of the West over the rest of the world, and its associated prejudices or patronising attitudes. It is true that the West has enjoyed a period of several centuries in the unprecedented expansion of secular knowledge, science and technology. But it has to be remembered that prior to that, the West had existed in a Dark Age, following the collapse of the Greek and Roman Empires, that Dark Age coinciding with the rise of magnificent civilizations flourishing elsewhere. This is how Goody arrives at his concept of "alternation" rather than dominance. As circumstances change in different parts of the planet, so there is an oscillation between one society and another. It is not a phenomenon that places the West in a permanent superior position. However the present age seems different from any that went before. Goody sees this in terms of an Eurasian context, one in which the West and the East have together contributed to contemporary civilisation. He says: "ever since the Italian Renaissance, with its role in modernization, in globalization, we are not alone, but part of a Eurasian network."

Thus he sees the domination of the West alone as coming to an end, it was only temporary. In purely materialistic terms there seems much to commend this view. The recent economic rise of China and to a lesser extent India, as well as that of other eastern countries, at a time of significant economic problems in Europe and the USA, do suggest a major global shift is underway.

But one has to be careful at looking at this in purely materialistic terms. And even in these terms, the author gives only passing attention to what is arguably a far more important contemporary development – that is, the rise of globalisation and the emergence of the global society. In so many areas of human activity, economic and otherwise, it is now necessary to take a global perspective, because increasingly the great issues of the day reach out to affect the planet as a whole, and the solutions, must be planetary if they are to succeed. Knowledge and the exchange of information, the basis of any civilisation, are increasingly global. If humanity is to have a long-term, peaceful future, it must be a global future.

But I still highly commend this book, if for no other reason that it puts to bed certain assumptions in the West that are increasingly out of touch with contemporary reality. While some of us in Australia and elsewhere may be content to sit by, relaxed and reassured with our Western inheritance, seemingly insulated to a large extent from the great forces that are now sweeping this planet, and comforted by these outdated assumptions of the continuance of Western superiority, there is a real risk that some day not too far off we may well be in for a nasty shock. On the other hand, if we allow ourselves to come to terms with the sweep of planetary history, and adjust out thinking and actions accordingly, we will be much better placed to weather the changes to come.

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Graham Nicholson, Hidden Words Bookshop, Kuranda, Tel 4093 7120

## KURANDA 4RIS CO-OP

Writers, designers, actors, artists...they are all deemed 'creative'. But creativity isn't the preserve of talented individuals. For artists working on their own, it's a way of life. At some point, a majority of us decided to turn our backs on working for an employer. Now, you work your own hours. Set your own budgets. Plough your own paddock. If that's not a definition of

a creative lifestyle, I don't know what is.

But it's hard being Chief Motivator when you're also Chief Filer. It is hard to ensure the pilot light doesn't go out. We all battle with our work commitments. Tasks without deadlines invite procrastination, the arch enemy of creativity, to take a hold. Whether you like it or not, every interaction you engage in is like a chemical experiment: energy is constantly being exchanged for good or bad, better or worse.

Creativity is very much alive and well in Kuranda, and many of our Co-op artists are producing



Recently exhibited Kuranda artwork in Townsville fibre exhibition

and even mass producing. Recent exhibition work is now coming into the Gallery, including jewellery, paintings, ceramics and fibre work. A lot is also being sold quickly and we seem to be keeping freight companies and Aust Post in business. No-one is complaining.

RADF funding has been granted to two arts projects in the last round of applications. These were approved by the RADF Committee and passed by Council on 20 October, 2010.

- 1. Toni Rogers, Kuranda attending 2011 Biennial International Basketry Gathering at Camp Banksia, Port Sorrell, Tasmania in March 2011
- **2. Kuranda Arts Co-op Ltd** Kuranda Arts Trail Promoting and showcasing public art works, cultural history and heritage buildings in the Kuranda village, by using an interpretive information brochure

#### RADF—Free Cultural Morning Tea @ Tableland Regional Gallery, Atherton Sunday 14 November from 11am

Would you like to know how to access funds for your arts project? Here is a great opportunity to learn about what the Regional Arts Development Fund can help you with, to see some results of recently completed projects, to meet some of the region's creative people, and network with the current RADF Committee Members. Find out about professional development, community development, collections and stories, and cultural tourism projects that have recently been successful in gaining funds.

RADF assists all types of art forms to develop strong skills and foster many types of projects across the region. Stop wondering "where can I get the money" and find out how RADF may be able to help you! Enquiries to **ArtsOfficer@trc.qld.gov.au**.



## Kuranda Film Society Sunday 6 November at 4.00 pm at the Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road

Bring a plate to share.

Subscriptions for 2010: \$20 per year or \$5 for a one-day membership. For more information ring Hans at 4093 8393

#### The Sentimental Bloke

#### **The Restored Version**

Classic adaptation of C.J. Dennis's verse narrative of life in inner Sydney in the 1910s, rich in incident but centring on the romance and marriage of the Bloke and Doreen. Filmed on location in Sydney's Woolloomooloo and the Hornsby Valley (the orchard scene), it was ahead of its time in the naturalness of the performances from a carefully chosen cast. 'The Sentimental Bloke' is an icon of Australian silent film. This version incorporates new footage found in the vaults of the George Eastman House (Rochester, New York), restored with the vibrant colours of the original tinting and toning production company Southern Cross Film Productions. DVD released by the National Film and Sound Archive. Credits Producer, director, scriptwriter, Raymond Longford; photographer, Arthur Higgins.

#### Caddie

Based on the autobiography of a Sydney barmaid published pseudonymously in 1953. The filmmakers' close familiarity with Australian cinema of the 1920s enriched the period feeling of the film which was shot on forty locations in the older parts of inner Sydney. Caddie (Helen Morse) is a young woman who leaves her adulterous husband, and takes on a job as a barmaid in Sydney during the depression to support herself and her small children. Cast Helen Morse, Takis Emmanuel, Jack Thompson, Jackie Weaver, June Salter, Lynette Curran, Melissa Jaffer, Ron Blanchard, Drew Forsythe, John Ewart, John Gaden, Kirili Nolan, Lynette Curran.





#### **Kuranda Horse and Pony Club**

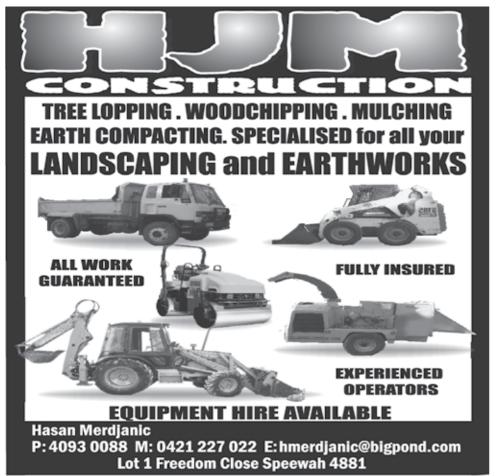
Well we are all getting used to riding in the rain! But that hasn't stopped a dedicated team of riders from Kuranda Horse and Pony Club from competing. Here's a couple of photos from Tully and Mossman Gymkhanas and yes they were both very wet!! But several riders still came home with Trophies, ribbons

On home grounds a group of adult riders have been very busy training on Friday nights doing Pattern Riding, which has been lots of fun. We will be performing this to music at the clubs Break up on the 4th December along with the launch of the book 40 YEARS HISTORY OF KURANDA HORSE AND **PONY CLUB.** This publication has been made possible with funding assistance from TRC RADF. Then next weekend 30th & 31st October, is the Zone 18 Gymkhana and sporting competition, on the Saturday night is the Dinner Dance where the announcement of who will be the Junior and Senior Miss Personality and Fundraising Winner for 2010. So our two entrants Sophie Curtis and Stevie Richardson are getting quite nervous and excited about it. So GOOD LUCK GIRLS. This event is held at the Mareeba pony club and Mareeba Turf club. So it

should be a great weekend.

Our Social nights are still happening every fortnight. So the next one is on the 5th November. There are only a few left for the year, so come along and enjoy a good meal at good prices.





#### **GP Registrar of the Year**

We would like to announce that Dr Aileen Traves, our wonderful and dedicated Doctor here at Kuranda Medical Centre was awarded:

#### **GP Registrar of the Year**

on Friday 8th October at the **RACGP 2010 Conference** held in Cairns.

Aileen is a very hard working and dedicated Doctor to all the patients she sees here at the Medical Centre and at Kowrowa.

She always has a smile on her face and is a great team member of the Medical Centre.

Please congratulate Aileen on her award when you see her next.

Congratulations again Aileen from all the Doctors and Staff at Kuranda Medical Centre.



#### Dear Kuranda Paper,

After 14 years of straining my back, legs arms and other parts of my body I have sold Kuranda Carriers to a younger man who I am sure will carry on the good service I have provided over the years.

I would like to personally thank all my business and residential clients of Kuranda who have supported me over the years – there are too many to name but it has been appreciated.

Kuranda over the years has gone through good and lean years but everybody sticks to it and we all seem to battle on and keep strong through adversity. That's where it is important that locals support locals and keep the dollars in our local economy. I am sure that the new owner Jake Simpson will give his best to support Kuranda and look after your needs. I will not be retiring as such because Jake has asked me to work for him in a part time capacity so I will be around for a while to come, just not working as hard. GREAT!

I would also like to thank my wife Sally for her invaluable support and hard work she has put in over the years with me and I look forward to spending more relaxing times with her and not forgetting my son Carl (Carlos Computers) who helped me out many times over the years driving the truck and fixing my computer

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Our winged beans from last year are up again and producing pods. Winged beans are great for growing over the wet season because all parts of this attractive climbing perennial are edible — the pods, the beans inside, the shoots, the flowers and even the tuber. Also known as asparagus peas, the pods taste better when small, from 5-12cm long. The tender shoots and flowers can be eaten raw, and add colour to salads. They are prolific growers so only a few plants are needed and their nitrogen-fixing ability is a bonus.

Snake beans are another legume that can be planted now. Dwarf and climbing varieties are available but make sure you pick them when they're really young for the best flavour. The climbing varieties take longer to bear fruit but produce for longer, although I prefer the dwarf.

Water spinach (Ipomoea aquatic) or kangkong is another good Asian green to plant now. It has narrow, spear-shaped leaves, spreading out along the ground. It will grow easily from cuttings and likes a wet area, even growing in fish ponds. Space plants about 15cm apart in sun or shade. The young shoots and leaves of this creeper can be used as a vegetable in stirfry and it is high in protein, fibre and iron

More of an acquired taste, cuttings of aibika (tree spinach) and Ceylon spinach can be planted this month for more wet season greens. Chokos can go in too if you have somewhere that won't leave it waterlogged. They do best growing on a trellis or climbing a tree, and don't overfertilise. If planting from fruit, put them in so the narrow end is just above the soil, otherwise start from stem cuttings.

Herbs can be cut and dried now, especially sage, rosemary and thyme, which can die off quickly as the heat and rain intensify. If you find these are getting too much water and suffering in the afternoon sun, if you can, move the herbs under cover and into an area of morning sun.

Happy gardening,

#### Sheree Scott,

www.moongardeningcalendar.com

[The Kuranda Media Association Inc would like to express its sincere appreciation to Sheree Scott for sharing with our readers her invaluable experience and tips for successfully planting and maintaining the home vegetable garden. Unfortunately Sheree's increasingly busy schedule means we are no longer going to get down and dirty with this expert. The Kuranda Paper would be most interested in hearing from anyone prepared to write a one-off on their favourite plant and tips to grow successfully or, if keen, write a regular gardening column.]



#### Do you enjoy gardening and plants?

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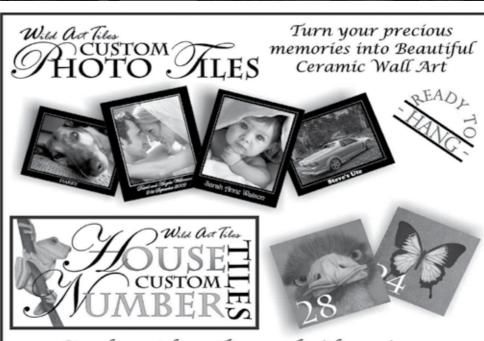
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## A Scottish Anatolian: Arch McArthur

rch McArthur will not need any introduction to many Kuranda-ites. He has been around this Village since 1985, when he and his wife Sue acquired their first home in Barron Falls Road, the old chemist shop, from Mick Bianchi. They turned it into a home, and later on into a carpet gallery, selling Anatolian and

other carpets. But that is jumping the gun a bit in this month's Profile. Let's go back to a beginning.

Arch was born a true blue Scot, in Dundee. With his family he emigrated to Australia in 1954 as a "ten pound Pom Scot". He started work as a carpentry apprentice but did not finish his apprenticeship, then worked in a bank and for a short while was in the Australian merchant navy. He married Sue in Sydney in 1959. They were both keen surfers. They adopted a child in Malaysia and later had another daughter. Arch joined the RAAF just before the marriage and spent 12 years in the Service. They spent two years in Malaysia living in Penang during Konfrontasi with Indonesia. After that they were based in Sydney and Perth.

In 1971 Arch wanted a change. He joined the Department of External Territories as a Patrol Officer and was posted to Wabag in the Western Highlands of Papua New Guinea and then to Milne Bay (great scuba diving). These were interesting years leading up to PNG independence in 1975. Following independence, Arch signed up with the new national Government, moving to Port Moresby where he worked as a project manager, helping to coordinate external aid to PNG (he also started sailing Hobie cats and bought an island with a guest house on it).

Moving back to Australia in 1985, he and Sue acquired and renovated the house in Barron Falls Road. From 1987 Arch worked for Placer Pacific in PNG and from 1989 with the Queensland State Government, based in Cairns, which involved delivering government services in the Cape, Gulf and the Tablelands. In 2005, they bought land in Fallon Road, and as designers and owner-builders they built their new home, full of beautiful carpets.

Since coming to Kuranda, Arch has been somewhat of a community stalwart. His experience in project development and management has been of considerable assistance in this respect. He was involved in the reconstruction of the Amphitheatre for some years, and both he and Sue served on the Committee. He served on the

Ratepayers Association for a few years when he became involved in the Kuranda Management Plan. He helped build the Sports and Rec Club in 1992 and after the Club declined in 2006, he has been a major player in reviving it as a multi-sports venue, now renamed the Kuranda Recreation Centre. He was involved in the design and work of establishing the walking tracks around Kuranda (the project had Aboriginal help). He also helped the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre for a few years during its construction period. He held various committee positions.

Commercially, he and Sue started the Anatolian carpet gallery in 1995. They set up the shop in Coondoo Street and later at their home. They went overseas to Turkey on buying trips and this allowed them to travel extensively through Europe and the UK and US looking for carpets. They closed this chapter of their life in 2005. I also understand that they ran canoe trips on the Barron River for a while.

Arch likes Kuranda and the community spirit he has found in the village. He likes to live life to the full and to be active in putting something back into the community where he lives. He considers himself fortunate to be able to assist in this way. He also enjoys his family, including his two grandchildren.

Kuranda has suited him, and Kuranda is fortunate to have him.

Graham Nicholson, Hidden Words Bookshop, tel 4093 7120 nicholsonmandalay@msn.com





#### **NEWSLETTER**

A BIG THANK YOU to our members who prepared home baked items available to the public during their visit to the Open Garden on Saddle Mountain Road, Kuranda. A lot of planning and effort goes into these events but this year it was a pleasure to be in such a stunning property amongst rare palms, unusual cycads and colourful tropical plants

and climbers. We appreciate the opportunity to fund-raise so that our hall can be maintained for use by our local community.

Some of our members are also linked to FNQ Floral Art Designers Inc. and during a mini-show held recently in Cairns, one of our members won 1st for her arrangement 'Our Region, Our Paradise' (this arrangement also won the award for 'Best in Show') and she also won 1st for her horizontal design 'Keeping Cool'.

We would like to thank KMA for their nice comment about our catering efforts in the October newspaper. Our branch also catered for the KNC annual meeting. Judging by the empty food containers, it apparently met with the committee's approval.

The "crafty" ladies have now completed a lovely collection of small rugs – combining patchwork tops and polar fleece backing – plus a box of toilet bags filled with washers, soap, toothbrush/paste etc., just in time to present all to

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Despina Parakas (co-ordinator) and her Backpacks4Kids project. Everyone enjoyed this project, learning the joys (?) of patchwork and providing something nice for kids in need. October craft lesson morning was busy with the making of pretty Christmas cards.

Kuranda CWA Branch will be holding a Garage Sale on Saturday 20th November, 11am – 3pm. Tables will be provided (\$10 per table). Our CWA table will be loaded with home baked cakes, biscuits and jams and cookbooks. Refreshments will be available. Bookings can be made by contacting Yvonne Dighton - Phone: 4093 7016.

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### A Thought for November

**HIS** month we open our Bible to St Luke's Gospel Chapter 16 and read verses 19-31. In the passage we read about the rich man and the poor man Lazarus. In the passage Jesus asks us some questions: How do we deal with our physical and tangible possessions? How do we deal with our spiritual gifts? And guess what, Jesus requires an answer.

All through this chapter of Luke's Gospel Jesus is talking about us and our possessions. He says again and again that this is one of the most important relationships in our lives, and that we will be judged largely on the way we have dealt with it. He has also been saying that possessions can be both outer and inner. Our relationship to our outer possessions, from which we take so much pleasure, is only an outward sign of our relationship with our inner possessions, our spiritual riches. We can be very rich outwardly and very poor inwardly. We can be poor outwardly and rich inwardly. We can sometimes be rich both outwardly and inwardly, but only if we are prepared to be good stewards of our riches before God. The chapter ends with Jesus telling the story of the rich man and Lazarus. On the surface it is a simple and straightforward story, and we can take a moral lesson from it about the uses of riches. But it has other levels of meaning, most certainly to the men and women of Jesus' time and nation.

To them he was presenting the rich man as an image of themselves, rich and comfortable, but irresponsible and without compassion for others. On another level Jesus was questioning his countrymen's use of their spiritual riches. They claimed a special relationship with God, but how was this spirituality seen in their actions? "Between you and us there is a great chasm." It is not that Lazarus would not go to help, he cannot go. The division is too great, and it is too late. Again Jesus is emphasizing the way judgment takes place in human life.

We judge ourselves by making our own choices and living the consequences. When, in the story, the rich man beseeches Lazarus at least to go to his still-living brothers, the answer he gets is a terrible one. They have placed themselves beyond reach, and cannot be made to hear. The terrible truth is that we can by our own patterns and choices place ourselves out of the reach of God. That will certainly not be God's wish for us, but it will nevertheless take place. We are free beings, free to make moral decisions. There is of course always a way back, but only we can choose to take it. Throughout our lives Jesus continually offers us grace to help us to choose his kingship rather than that of the tyrant in each one of us, which we know as the Self.

So when Jesus asks us.

- · How do we deal with our physical and tangible possessions?
- How do we deal with our spiritual gifts?

**SUNDAY** 

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Sung Eucharist

9.30am Sunday school

5.00pm Afternoon Worship

(Oct 7th Holy Communion)

• How do we answer?

#### NEWS FROM ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH

URING October we celebrated two very special occasions. On 3rd of 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; a bird that had been rescued 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 enthusiastic gathering.

Our second celebration was the Harvest Festival held on the 17th October. On Saturday afternoon the church was decorated with all sorts of fruit and vegetables in preparation for the three services next day. On Sunday afternoon we had great afternoon tea followed by a worship service. After the service the produce was sold and the proceeds donated to various missions.



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

"In the Word of God there is still another unity, the oneness of the Manifestations of God, His Holiness Abraham, Moses, Jesus Christ, Muhammad, the Báb and Bahá'u'lláh. This is a unity divine, heavenly, radiant, merciful; the one reality appearing in its successive manifestations. For instance, the sun is one and the same but its points of dawning are various. During the summer season it rises from the northern point of the ecliptic; in winter it appears from the southern point of rising. Each month between it appears from a certain zodiacal position. Although these dawning-points are different, the sun is the same sun which has appeared from them all. The significance is the reality of prophethood which is symbolized by the sun, and the holy Manifestations are the dawning-places."



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Holy Day, Birth of Baha'u'llah (Founder/Prophet), Friday 12 November 7.00pm in Kuranda

50th Anniversary, passing of Mother Dunn (1869-1960), first Baha'i Pioneer with her husband to Australia in 1920, Sunday 21 November 2.15 pm at Atherton Rainforest Motor Inn.

Other events in Cairns, Atherton, Tolga, Malanda etc. All welcome

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## **Kuranda Aquatic Centre** News

It is such a pleasure to see so many local community members finding their swimming and recreation routines so effectively this season. As we enter our third Summer Season it is now accepted as a fuctional and efficient way to boost fitness and well being. The water's therapeutic qualities allow for wonderful repatriation, rehabilitation or wellness experiences. What is particularly pleasing is the number of visitors and relatives of locals who come back time and again when they are here and discover "the water". Word gets out from these people and our reputation is growing nationally with many from Sydney, Melbourne, the west; "what a gem" they say and leave feeling refreshed. The water is a lovely 29 degrees C and the balmy days are getting longer.

What a fun afternoon last Friday when the "Barefoot Footy Show" came to town. The Robbie O'Davis led Fitness and Conditioning Camp included water workouts and the evening Water based session with some of our regular Aquafitness ladies and gents was a sight to behold. Individual, partner and group exercises were demonstrated for training and recovery sessions. Thanks to all the participants and audience and a huge thanks to Zennith for providing a live musical accompaniment. The night was a sizzler as the water and the bodies shone and shimmered in the moonlight to the classy beats. Thanks to Paul Lawson (fitness trainer) and Robbie O and all the crew for letting us show off the world class facilities. Impressive stuff guys and gals.

Welcome back to our young swimmers in the Heartbeat Swimming School. Many of them are transitioning to next level so we will see some changes in the dynamics of the classes as they settle down. Last week saw the start of the Kuranda District State College's 5 week swimming program. It's great to see kids making the most of this opportunity to improve on their water skills as we head into Summer and so much better than the old days when it was a half day trip to get to a pool in Mareeba, now just a stroll across for an hour in the pool.

Yours in Swimming,

Gary and Linda Davis **Pool Managers** 



The AGM was well attended with Con Bambacus, Kylie Moore and Jax Bergersen accepting management roles

Offering you information: The development of the community centre arose with concern expressed by some about the lack of consultation with others feeling well informed. It raises the issue of how Advance Kuranda might keep the community informed and involved in the various issues it deals with. Basically, all we can do is offer information and invite involvement., Whether it's taken up or not is out of our hands. The monthly Kuranda Paper is probably the best means of communicating what's going on locally. Advance Kuranda appreciates the opportunity this newspaper gives us to offer you information on the issues we are tackling. Hopefully, you will take advantage of this and keep yourselves informed and become involved in matters that interest you.

An RV friendly town?: Recreational Vehicles (caravans, motor homes) need space to pull up if their occupants are going to benefit this town by eating out, spending up and enjoying the unique environment on offer. We are looking at spots that might be suitable and will discuss the possibilities with Council. What do you think?

Congratulations to the Garden Club for succeeding in having irrigation installed in Coondoo Street's planter boxes. Thanks to TRC for responding. The thirsty fig trees are looking better already.

A walking, horse and bike (not motorised) trail between Boyles Road and Koah is a project being pursued by Advance Kuranda. Our fiscal noses are to the ground sniffing out funding opportunities.

#### NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2010 at 4pm at Nevermind Café, Heritage Markets You are welcome to come along.

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#### **Kuranda Auxiliary Brigade Needs**

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The Kuranda Auxiliary Fire Brigade is calling on residents to step up and join the team of firefighters dedicated to keeping our town safe.

Auxiliary members are paid firefighters who can continue to work full time in other areas of the community and are called upon during emergencies.

"Auxiliary brigades are vital for a community like Kuranda which is not big enough to house a permanent fire crew, but needs a highly trained team able to respond quickly during an emergency," Queensland Fire and Rescue Service Area Commander Darren Welsh said.

"Kuranda Auxiliary Brigade has lost numbers in recent years for a variety of reasons including people leaving town.

"When a crisis occurs you can never have too many people prepared to help out especially in rural communities. The more people we have able to cope with threatening situations, the more capable we are of dealing with them efficiently."

Duties of auxiliary firefighters include fighting structural and environmental fires, attending motor vehicle entrapment, chemical spills, technical rescue, building compliance inspections and community education.

Auxiliary firefighters live and work within communities they serve and at the time of an incident work along side full-time and volunteer firefighters in the provision of fire and rescue services to the communities of Queensland.

Members are trained by QFRS and are then paid for time they spend at incidents as well as for other activities undertaken on behalf of the organisation.

Mr Welsh said they were looking for locals who lived and worked close to town and planned on staying in the Kuranda area in the foreseeable future.

"We need people who can respond quickly when they're needed, would like to learn new skills and also are committed to helping their community."

If you would like more information on becoming an auxiliary firefighter, contact your local fire station or visit **www.fire.qld.gov.au**.

#### Strong NQ Women, Strong NQ Communities

The Queensland Rural Women's Network (QRWN) and Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA) are working together with the Queensland Government's Office for Women to deliver a workshop that will ensure women in north Queensland are more effective both personally and in their leadership roles. A result of the Office of Rural Community's Rural Women's Symposiums held in 2008 and 2009, the Cairns workshop on **Friday 26th November**, will give women from all regional communities in the north a chance to hear from other women in leadership roles and gain new skills.

QRWN president Georgie Somerset explained that the workshop was designed to provide examples of strong women who are making a difference for others, as well as passing on tools and tips.

The program, registration forms and further details are on the QRWN and QCWA websites – www.qrwn.org.au and www.qcwa.org.au or contact Roxy Borchardt on 0427 653366, or email roxy@qrwn.org.au



## Kuranda SES News



Hello to all. Well, while I had time off on holidays, the SES volunteers were kept busy helping out local organisations. The unit supported Candlenut Steiner School with the lending out of sandbags and lighting and for the campers at the event, and then we helped out the bike festival with road closures in the morning of the expo. So please remember if your organisation is looking for assistance, don't be afraid of calling to see if we can help out. Our training nights have been concentrated on storm damage.

As you are all aware, the weather people forecast several cyclones this year; we need to be, as a town, ready for the unexpected.

On Saturday 13th November we will be having an information and demonstration day in the park, please come along and check it out, there will be information on cyclone awareness, discussions on what to do and where to go in the event of a major disaster, plus some freebies. You will also see demonstrations of our team's tarping a roof, and a few other things, which we do at our training. Please look out for the advertising, which will be out around town very soon. For any information please don't hesitate to call me on 0409 758 122.

Our next training night will be 26th October, Love to see you there. Thanks for your support Kuranda and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Carolyn Day ALC

Ken and his wife Edna went to the state fair every year, and every year Ken would say, 'Edna, I'd like to ride in that helicopter'. Edna always replied, 'I know Ken, but that helicopter ride is fifty bucks, and fifty bucks is fifty bucks'.

One year Ken and Edna went to the fair, and Ken said, 'Edna, I'm 75 years old. If I don't ride that helicopter, I might never get another chance'. To this, Edna replied, "Ken that helicopter ride is fifty bucks, and fifty bucks is fifty bucks'.

The pilot overheard the couple and said, 'Folks I'll make you a deal. I'll take the both of you for a ride. If you can stay quiet for the entire ride and don't say a word I won't charge you a penny! But if you say one word it's fifty dollars.'

Ken and Edna agreed and up they went. The pilot did all kinds of fancy maneuvers, but not a word was heard. He did his daredevil tricks over and over again, But still not a word. When they landed, the pilot turned to Ken and said, 'By golly, I did everything I could to get you to yell out, but you didn't. I'm impressed!'

Ken replied, 'Well, to tell you the truth, I almost said something when Edna fell out, but you know, "Fifty bucks is fifty bucks!"

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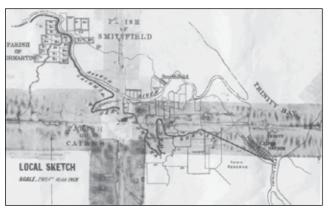


TN JUNE 1890 The Cairns Post commenced an Larticle by one of its own correspondents about a trip around the settlements in the Kuranda area. The article was so large it was printed in serial form in eleven instalments over almost three months. It is a first-hand report on some of the first European settlers in this area. This is such an important report that it should be reproduced in The Kuranda Paper as it appeared in 1890.

Until 1889 the area that is now Kuranda was generally referred to by the local European inhabitants as "Middle Crossing". This name referred to the place where MacMillan's track crossed the Barron River. The earliest reference to a business in the area was the Jumrun Hotel at Middle Crossing. The first selections in the area were in the Parishes of Formantine and Cairns. The Parish division was the Cairns-Thornborough road, which roughly followed MacMillan's Track. This "road" appears to have been roughly where the "old" road was from the low-level bridge towards Mareeba, before the new high level bridge was built and the road realigned. The land was released for settlement by the Department of Public Lands in December 1885.

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Notice of Government land sale in area of present Kuranda.



Sketch showing the new lots for sale in the parishes of Formartine, Smithfield and Cairns on the Barron River

The land was quickly taken up and some of the new selectors began clearing the lots and planting crops. When the railway line from Cairns to Herberton was under construction the terminus of the second section was to be Myola. There was no mention of a possible "township" where Kuranda is now, so it is probable

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that any township would be at Myola. Obviously the potential of the area close to the top of the Barron Falls as a residential and health retreat was not lost on the decision makers, and with the completion of the railway to the top of the range imminent, the decision was made to subdivide some of the larger blocks in the Parish of Cairns for sale as town allotments. In 1889 these blocks were resurveyed and sold. It is interesting to note that the name of the town was given in one early advertisement as "KARANDA".

#### The Way it Was Peter **Rvle**



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Results of the first suburban land sale at Kuranda.

#### The District of Cairns

By our own Reporter (The Cairns Post, 11 June 1890)

As space is not available in this issue for a full account of my visit to the selections of Messrs. Davidson, Meyers and others at Formartime, I will give a short account of the improvements made or being effected, and of improvements wanted on the road from Cairns to the Middle Crossing.

The work undertaken by the Railway Department on the Smithfield Road this side of Stratford is now completed, and the contractors Messrs. Patterson and Byrnes have made an excellent job of it as far as their contract went. The improvements might, however, have been of a fuller character and some provision made for drainage.

Considering that the Council in consenting to take this part of the road and not insisting upon having it on the other side of the line, thereby saved the Department the expense of a crossing and cattle pits, it is only fair that the very narrow road that remains should be properly completed and made as trafficable as the rest. It would also perhaps be only a fair thing if the barbed wire on the railway fence was removed from the narrow part of the road, scraping one's leg against it at night when riding is not pleasant, yet this has been a by no means uncommon experience.

Before approaching Freshwater Creek it may be mentioned that a little formation to the roads would be entirely appreciated by the selectors round about. A few days will see the completion of the footbridge over Freshwater Creek, but what earthly advantage it will be except to accommodate Chinamen and a few school children I fail to see. There is a large traffic on the road and with the exception of the above everyone has a horse and possibly a buggy with him. Even if a bridge had been erected over which a man could have taken his horse in flood time it would not have been so bad, but the present structure is certainly ridiculously inadequate to the just requirements of the district. With regard to the contractor, he is doing his work faithfully and well, and I only wish he had a larger job to tackle.

Coming to Kamerunga I will say nothing about the necessity of bridging the crossing at the Barron River at present, although if Mr. Fallon of the Divisional Board would strike out for borrowing Government money to do this needful work he would be warmly supported in the

The site picked out on the Barron River at the Middle Crossing as a suitable one for a bridge is admirably adapted for the purpose, a large massive rock conveniently narrowing the river at this point, the span being only 57 ft, and the nature of the approaches not difficult. If the Divisional Board could import three iron girders, as proposed by the overseer, Mr. O'Leary, a cheap and strong bridge might be made. It is proposed to have a low level bridge, say about 2 ft above the ordinary level of the water. In flood time the bridge would be considerably over the bridge, and debris and logs coming down would not effect the structure. Anyone who has experienced a trip over the Middle Crossing when the water is up to his horse's ribs and consequently feels the full force of the current, and while he is struggling with the roaring, seething waters, stumbles and staggers, and slips and slides on the rough uneven stones below, fully recognizes that his safety depends on his horse. Should a horse stumble and fall while crossing, there is but very little chance of escape as the rocks and strong current render powerless the strongest swimmer. At present the only way of crossing the river when at all high is by swimming the deep part below the crossing, which practice is generally followed, the crossing itself being looked upon as extremely dangerous even after such slight rains as at the present time obtaining, and totally uncrossable when the river is deep. The Divisional Board should be satisfied with the two lives already sacrificed at this crossing, and not wait until a repetition of such occurrences before anything practical is done. The question of No. 1 subdivision going in for separation is one that takes time, and it may be a twelvemonth before the division is running on its own hook. In justice to the selectors, and for the safety of human life, the Middle Crossing of the Barron should be bridged without any unnecessary delay. (The Middle Crossing is the site of the original bridge, just upstream of the present high-level bridge).

The difficult task of getting a loaded bullock wagon over the Smithfield Range to the Middle Crossing has been successfully accomplished by Messrs. Pryor and Purcell. The second day out saw their two wagons, loaded with household furniture, more than half-way over the range and on the third night, Sunday last, they were camped not far from the crossing. They expect to make their destination, Herberton, on Saturday next.

To be continued.





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\$	685,000	Bangalow Place	1 ac	4 Bed		\$	650,000	Masons Road	5.2 ac	5 Bed	
\$	1,250,000	Butler Drive	2 ac	3 Bed		\$	192,000	Meeroo Street	1/4 ac	land	
\$	652,000	Butler Drive	1 ac	4 Bed		\$	150,000	Morton Street	0.5 ac	land	
\$	498,000	Cadagi Drive	1 ac	4 Bed		\$	150,000	Morton Street	0.6 ac	land	
\$	630,000	Fallon Close	1.7 ac	3 Bed		\$	259,500	Oak Forest Road	8.3 ac	land	
\$	580,000	Forest Close	5 ac	4 Bad		\$	249,000	Pandanus Place	4.7 ac	land	
\$	498,000	Gregory Terrace	1.0 ac	4 Bed		\$	518,000	Platypus Close	1.1 ac	3 Bed	
\$	785,000	Hilltop Close	1.5 ac	4 Bed		\$	585,000	Veivers Drive	5.8 ac	4 Bed	
\$	468,000	Koah Road	6.0 ac	4 Bed		\$	465,000	Weir Road	1.5 ac	4 Bed	
\$	349,000	Kullaroo Close	1/4 ac	2 Bed		\$	544,000	William Smith Drive	3.9 ac	4 Bed	
\$	578,000	Kuranda Crsecent	0.5 ac	4 Bed		\$	196,000	Williamson Drive	1.7 ac	land	
\$	595,000	Kuranda Heights Road	4.9 ac	4 Bed							

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\$ 320,000	Barron Falls Road	0.5 ac	2 Bed		\$	830,000	Stoney Creek Road	5.0 ac	4 Bed
\$ 621,500	Black MountainRoad	11 ac	4 Bed		\$	465,000	Warril Drive	2.0 ac	4 Bed
\$ 581,000	Fallon Road	1.1 ac	4 Bed		\$	315,000	Oak Forest Road	5.0 ac	2 Bed
\$ 542,500	Forest Close	1.1 ac	5 Bed		\$	340,000	Forest Close	3.7 ac	3 Bed
\$ 505,000	Ganyan Drive	5 ac	3 Bed		\$	530,000	JaraweeRoad	5.0 ac	4 Bed
\$ 565,000	Kelly Road	5 ac	5 Bed		\$	670,000	Jeffrey Road	80 ac	4 Bed
\$ 525,000	Warril Drive	1ac	3 Bed		\$	197,000	Oak Forest Road	7.5 ac	land
\$ 540,000	William Smith Drive	5 ac	4 Bed						

Since January this year the property market in the Kuranda area has won back some of the territory that was lost at the turbulent peak of the global financial crisis. Although the market has slowed down a little since June, buyers are around and they are buying again. With the Far North's unemployment rate down to 7.9% the seed is planted for more confidence although those in the market to purchase a property will have a watchful eye on the Federal Reserve Bank's moves. As tradition dictated, I expect a rise in property sales numbers for the 4th. Quarter 2010 & the 1st. Quarter 2011.

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## **KURANDA VILLAGE TAX TIP**

By Fay Allen BCom CPA

#### Tax offset on medical expenses

I am hoping that you are all remembering to keep your receipts to claim the tax offset on medical expenses. The offset is claimed in your annual tax return. The starting point is to work out your net medical expenses. Net medical expenses are the medical expenses you have paid less any refunds you got, or could get, from Medicare or a private health fund.

You can claim a tax offset of 20% of your net medical expenses over \$1,500 for the 2010 financial year. Unfortunately, this is increasing to \$2,000 for the 2011 financial year. The medical expenses can be for you, your spouse (married or de facto) and dependants. You can claim expenses relating to an illness or operation paid to legally qualified doctors, nurses or chemists and public or private hospitals. Medical expenses which also qualify for the tax offset, amongst others, include payments to dentists, opticians (including prescription glasses) and therapeutic treatment (e.g. naturopathy and acupuncture) if directed by a doctor. However, expenses for some cosmetic operations are excluded. If you are unsure if an expense qualifies seek the advice of your accountant.

#### Example

- Timothy and Madeline have two dependent children. They add up the medical expenses of the family and this comes to \$3,850.
- They have received \$650 of refunds from Medicare. The net medical expenses are therefore \$3,200 (3850 less 650).
- The claimable amount is \$1,700 (3,200 less the threshold of 1,500 for the 2010 financial year).
- The tax offset is \$340 (20% of 1700). Madeline claims this on her tax return and receives an extra \$340 refund.

If you have any questions about this Tax Offset please feel free to call me on 4093 8222 at Kuranda Village Accountancy or visit the ATO website: www.ato.gov.au.







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He asked the waiter, 'What is that you just served?' The waiter replied, 'Ah senor, you have excellent taste! Those are called Cojones de Toro, bull's testicles from the bull fight this morning. A delicacy!'

The cowboy said, 'What the heck, bring me an order.' The waiter replied, 'I am so sorry senor. There is only one serving per day because there is only one bull fight each morning. If you come early and place your order, we will be sure to save you this delicacy.'

The next morning, the cowboy returned, placed his order, and that evening was served the one and only special delicacy of the day. After a few bites, inspecting his platter, he called to the waiter and said, 'These are delicious, but they are much, much smaller than the ones you served yesterday.'

The waiter shrugged his shoulders and replied, 'Si, Senor. Sometimes the bull wins'.



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However, the battle is not completely won as the calls are still coming in. With help from TRC we have materials for the traps. Call us on 4093 8834 if you still have a pig problem.

#### **CASSOWARIES** A chicken and

egg story (adults only) You're on your veranda watching a Cassowary pair going for it. What's embarrassing is that you have visitors and you're all glued to the spot. Some weeks later Dad arrives back with three chicks in tow. With great excitement, you collect samples of poo there's plenty of it - and head off to KCons for DNA testing.

You'll have to wait for the next instalment when we can reveal who's who. This happened in Butler Drive.

#### **Trailer Tips – by Tolga Traders**

Buying a trailer for the first time can be a little daunting if you're not quite sure what to look for. The following tips could make this exercise a whole lot easier.

- Define the main purpose or function of your trailer. For example, it may be purchased primarily for camping in which case an off road high-side trailer would give the robustness and storage capacity needed. For use on building sites a heavy duty trade-top trailer would be the most suitable.
- Determine the size of your trailer. Your loading requirements will help define the optimal size and design capacity of your trailer and whether brakes are necessary.
- Consider the quality of the product. A low maintenance trailer is preferable, so rust free materials such as zinc steel or hot dipped galvanising are worth the extra

expense.

- Check the warranty of the product. There should be a 12 month warranty on any manufacturing faults.
- Check the welds and design for durability and strength. Tail-lights and harness wiring should be protected and strategically placed for ease of maintenance. Check that the trailer has a jockey wheel clamp and provision for carrying a spare

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#### Review by **Gayle Hannah**, Kuranda

#### "Turning Points: Regaining Joy After Loss"

There is an old Chinese saying "if you wish to know the road ahead, ask the person with the most mud on their boots". The authors of "TURNING POINTS: REGAIN-ING JOY AFTER LOSS", Annabel Muis and Lesley Moseley have both individually walked through the mud of loss yet both have also managed to clean it off and move on to rediscover joy and now come together in this book to share what they have learnt. Their hard won insights are available to us all in this concise and easy to read book. It invites the reader to empathise with the authors and consider past or present losses and sorrow. Thinking back to my own darkest moments I remember feeling a dreadful panic that there may not be a way out of the darkness. Through my own experiences I now know that not to be true. However, in times of stress and loss we can fall prey to our own recurring fears, doubts and inability to see clearly.

TURNING POINTS describes the journey through loss into regained joy – joy which is our natural state. The "turning points" referred to are points in our lives when, using a range of positive practices, we can find our way back to a safe and hopeful place. This is not outside us - not a physical place, person or possession - but rather an inner peace and an understanding of who we are, how and why we experience life's lessons as we do and how we can gain better control over negative and self defeating thoughts and habits.

I found TURNING POINTS a compassionate and convincing guide to regaining and keeping joy in your life. I found especially valuable the sections on understanding and strengthening intuition and the "toolbox" of techniques for coping with change. There are several exercises in there I haven't come across before and look forward

This book is a most worthwhile read whether you are in the midst of grief or ready to re-examine past losses.

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#### THE RED BALL COMES TO TOWN

There's a show coming. It's new circus in an old setting.
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The Kurandacoots *Red Ball* is almost here. It's musical, lyrical, physical theatre and will take you on a rambunctious tour of the artistic soul. Original live music will accompany this daring presentation, allowing the viewer a chance to be absorbed whole-heartedly into the world of the Kurandacoots; a world of opposite dimensions where reality can be flipped upside-down, somersaulted high into the air and tumbled into a collision course with unreality. It's a wanton display of strength and flexibility wrapped up like a lollypop and good enough to eat.

The performance will showcase a variety of local talent, including acrobatics, clowning, acro-yoga, stilt walking, juggling, silks, uni-cycling, pole dancing, hoola

hoop, clowning, spoken word, original live music, drama and dance.

"The Kurandacoots are a newly formed circus theatre troupe, which consists of nine home grown acrobats, clowns, musicians and poets who have come together to bring a new style of live performance to Far North Queensland" says Kurandacoots spokesperson Piers Freeman. "We have been training together for the past 18 months, and are now honing our skills for a theatre production. Each brings a well-established artistic legacy and creative skills to the troupe. The *Red Ball* is our premiere performance, launched in Yungaburra and Atherton and then in our home turf at the Kuranda Amphitheatre Under stage".

This contemporary circus theatre production challenges and defies convention. The *Red Ball* will combine the incredible physical prowess of our performers with music, dance, spoken word, comedy and outlandish costumes with the traditional circus cabaret form. With a show designed to instil a macabre but saucy, morbid yet silly ambience, the Kurandacoots will create an experience which will titillate, seduce and devour audiences.

The show's primary function will be to engender laughter and improve the humours, whilst concealing a sinister plot to spread contagion as the basis of a zombie nation. Come squirm in your seats; sing along, laugh and chair-dance at the *Red Ball*.

The Kurandacoots would like to thank its supporters, particularly the Tablelands Regional Council for a grant, which got the show happening, and the Kuranda Amphitheatre Society for their ongoing support and accommodation.

The Kurandacoots *Red Ball* will appear in November at Yungaburra Village Church on Friday 12th, Atherton Performing Arts Theatre on Saturday 13th, and Kuranda Amphitheatre on the 19th & 20th, all at 7pm.

Tickets available at Nick's Restaurant Yungaburra, Tablelands Books Atherton, and Kuranda Health and Healing (Shop 3 - 19 Coondoo St, next to the post office) for \$15 each, or at the door for \$18.

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#### NURSERY OPEN DAY SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

9.00am - 4.00pm

For the many people who have been watching (and wondering?) about the construction – now is your opportunity to come and inspect our operation. The germination house (that big white igloo), the potting shed, the plant shade area and sun hardening racks and the equipment shed. Browse through our plant stock and take home a rainforest tree for a gold coin donation. Our enthusiastic volunteers will be available to assist you.

#### DATE CLAIMERS CHRISTMAS PARTY BBQ

Following our Official Opening, members to gather at the nursery Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 5.00pm

#### NOVEMBER SPEAKER MEETING SARAH HOYLE CAFNEC COORDINATOR

The State Government is making significant changes to legislation about our State Forests. Sarah has been researching what these changes are and their impact on our community. A very important address with emphasis on our Kuranda State Forest.

#### **BILL SOKOLICH**

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Bill will give a report on research into water availability in Northern Australia.

> Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 7.00pm Sports & Recreation Centre Fallon Road Kuranda Followed By Supper

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

#### **Kuranda Community Centre:**

Thanks to all who have provided comment and feedback and to those who attended the Public Meeting. I am aware of residents' concerns and have asked Council to review the current plan, particularly in regards the sale of the old Pre-School site and the removal of Blocks A and B. I have also asked Council to consider funding the safety requirements for Block C so that we can progress to using that building as soon as possible. In addition, I am seeking Council funding to undertake an independent report to try to determine what this community wants and needs for community facilities. This will cost money, but it is important that it is undertaken by an independent person/group. I am not supportive of any additional costs to Kuranda residents in order to fund this. However, I must emphasise that all such decisions are subject to the decision of a majority vote of Council. It is important that Council and the Committee hear from this community and I encourage residents to be a part of the Consultation Day planned for Tuesday November 9th (all day outside the Kuranda Post Office). In the interim, please contact me if you have questions or require information.

#### Works update:

Work has progressed further at the site. It is expected that disabled access from Arara St, new carpets, refurbishment of the tuckshop area and kitchenette facilities will be completed by January. The undercover shelter areas are now completed and will be used for the Carols in the Park event at the end of this month.

#### **Advisory Committee Vacancy:**

Applications for the Advisory Committee close on November 5th. Current members are Eve Stafford, Gerald Hobbler, Tim Hoogwerf, Jax Bergersen,

Joshua Warrington. Contact details are available for for Local Government). each member.

#### **Parking Reserves Fund:**

Currently Council is considering the possibility of providing additional parking in the Kuranda Village and will consider how the current parking reserve funds could be expended. An initial report will go to Council in December. Please contact me if you have particular ideas, comments or suggestions.

#### **Aged Housing Update:**

Tenders for the building of the first two aged housing units have now been called. The units are to be constructed in Barang St adjacent to the CWA Hall. A further 4 units for aged pensioners will be constructed in 2011.

#### **Congratulations:**

To Toni Rogers, Ruth Beasley, Ashley Coleman and Cathy Harvey. All four were successful in their applications for funding of Arts projects through Council's Regional Arts Development Fund. In addition, Council has approved FIKS Grants to both the Kuranda Festivals Committee (to assist in running the Kuranda Carols in the Park event on Nov 27th) and the Kuranda District College P&C (to assist in running the Community Bush Festival).

#### **River Walk**:

The designs are almost complete for the Kuranda River Precinct Walking Track. This project is proposed to be funded through the Kuranda Infrastructure Fund, which provides upgrades to tourism related infrastructure in Kuranda through contributions from Skyrail and Kuranda Scenic Rail. The Kuranda Infrastructure Committee is currently finalising their Strategic Plan which will outline further projects over the next 10 years (subject to approval by the Minister

#### **Community Planning 2011 Dates:**

The TRC Community Plan is due to be finalised in approximately 18 months. Public Consultations around the region have commenced. Separate meetings will be held in the Kuranda, Koah and Speewah communities in early 2011. The 10 year Community Plan is a legislative requirement and will provide the major themes for Council Planning over the next 10 years. I encourage residents to be involved and have your say about any issues.

#### **Speewah Residents:**

At the recent Speewah Residents Association meeting, updates on Digital television upgrades and the progress of works at Ros Common were provided. Other matters discussed included proposed works to Speewah Rd and the bus turn-around area.

#### **Mayor's Christmas Appeal:**

The Mayors Christmas Appeal has now been launched. The appeal seeks donations to assist needy families in Kuranda by providing Christmas hampers. Details are available from Council Offices, the Kuranda Library, the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre or from Fr Chris Wright. Cash Donations are welcome.

#### **Councillor Contact Details:**

Ph: **0417 002 046 or 4093 8601** or **40938466** (all numbers have voicemail; please wait for the message) Email: jennyj@trc.qld.gov.au.

#### **Council Meetings:**

Council Meetings in November will be held on Wednesday November 3rd in Atherton and Wednesday November 17th in Malanda. Anyone can attend. Requests to address Council can be made by contacting the Mayor's Office.



Steve Wettenhall MP Member for Barron River and Parliamentary Secretary to Minister

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#### **Kuranda Old School Site:**

In last month's column, I advised residents that Tablelands Regional Council had decided to subdivide and sell off part of the old Kuranda school site without community consultation.

Even though the Mayor attacked me in the Mareeba based press for daring to raise criticism of this decision, many people contacted me and thanked me for publicly raising what are legitimate concerns of Kuranda residents and raising questions about Council's lack of process and poor decision making.

As a result of the community outcry, a public meeting was called and many residents attended to voice their concerns. No one supported Council's premature decision to carve up the site before it has gained a clear idea what the community needs were and

could be met. As well, many shared my great concern about Council's resolution that specifically authorises the proceeds of the subdivision to be spent outside of Kuranda at council's discretion.

The clear message from this community to Council is go back to the drawing board and get a proper consultation and planning process in place that will allow the old school site to be a place that reflects community aspirations and meets community need.

The Mayor appears to have accepted the shortcomings of Council's approach so far and has agreed to take into account the major issues raised

Let's hope we can move forward and realise the true potential of this unique community asset.

#### **Crime Prevention:**

October has been Crime Prevention Month. The theme

"be a part of it", had the Queensland Police Service urging everyone to take part. Crime prevention works best when we all work together - businesses, community organisations and police officers to develop and implement crime prevention initiatives. The new Policelink number for non urgent police matters is 131 444. For emergencies still call 000.

#### **Grandparents Day:**

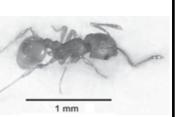
A reminder that Queensland's Inaugural "Grandparents Day" is being held on November 7 this year. Some ideas for celebrating Grandparents Day include: making a thank you card or gift; writing a letter to tell them how much they mean to you; have a special lunch or morning tea; spend time together chatting, a trip to the park or gardening. Grandparents Day will be an annual event celebrated on the first Sunday of November each year.

#### Suss Looking Ants? Bring 'em to Envirofiesta

Live electric ants, tropical weed displays and pest workshops for kids and adults will feature at Biosecurity Queensland's stand at EnviroFiesta at Edge Hill on

MP for Barron River Steve Wettenhall encouraged the public to view live electric ants at Biosecurity Queensland's stand to make sure they could identify them in their backyards or parks.

"I'm also asking Cairns locals to help rid Queensland of electric ants by bringing along any suspect ant samples to EnviroFiesta for identification," Mr Wettenhall said. "Officers at the Biosecurity Queensland stand will be able to identify electric ants and yellow crazy ants."









#### Tablelands Community Plan – Sector Forums to feed into plan

Interested groups and individuals in the environment, community services and disability sectors are being encouraged to attend Sector Forums being held over the next few weeks as part of the development of the Tablelands 10-Year Community

Every Council in Queensland is now required to develop a 10-year community plan which will set out the aspirations, ideas and concerns of the Tablelands community and will set the priorities for how we want to live and prosper in the future.

Tablelands Regional Council is holding a series of public and sector workshops across the region over a period of 12 months and wants to hear from as many people as possible to ensure the plan represents the desires of the whole community.

The forums are aimed at developing a vision for the future, identifying and prioritising issues and assets, and planning strategies to address those issues and

- The Community Services Sector Forum, to be held from 9.30am to 3pm on Monday 1 November at Atherton International Club, will be suitable for community services organisations, volunteers, church groups, Emergency Services organisations, Lions, Lionesses, Rotary, Police and schools.
- The Environmental Sector Forum, to be held from 9.30am to 3pm on Tuesday 11 November at the Tinaroo Sport and Recreation Centre at Tinaroo Dam, will identify issues that are important for the environmental sector. The forum will be of interest to anyone with an involvement in the environment, land care groups, farmers, eco tourism operators, and any other organisations with a focus on the
- Council is also hosting a Disability Sector Parents /Carers Expo Day from 12.00 noon to 8pm at the Atherton State High School Community Hall on Friday 12 November which will collect information to be presented to the Disability Sector Forum to be held on Wednesday 24 November from 9.30am to 3pm in the Council's Atherton boardroom.

Anyone wishing to attend the forums is asked to RSVP to Joy Wii by phoning 4043 4115 or emailing to joyw@trc.qld.gov.au.

The information gathered through the long program of community engagement will culminate in a Regional Summit planned for August 2011.

#### **Arts the focus of Cultural Morning Tea**

Would you like to know how to access funds for your arts project? And meet some of the region's creative people? Tablelands Regional Council is inviting interested people to attend a free Cultural Morning Tea at Tableland Regional Gallery on Sunday 14 November.

The event will provide a great opportunity to learn about what the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) can assist with, plus offer the chance to see some results from recently completed projects, and to meet some of the region's creative people.

Funds provided by Tablelands Regional Council, in partnership with Arts Queensland, are available to individuals or groups to develop stronger skills and foster many types of arts, culture or heritage projects through the RADF.

The morning tea will feature presentations on some recent results of RADFfunded projects. Successful applications have included support for professional development in arts and craft skills; a series of circus arts theatre shows; an artists market; staging skills training workshops; several oral history projects; two cultural tourism projects; an Italian choir and historic silent film project; training a community choir; two disability arts projects; and the development of street theatre aimed at Tablelands challenges.

Mayor Tom Gilmore will be presenting certificates of appreciation to outstanding

community projects, and presenting funds to new projects for 2010-11.

Current RADF Committee Members will also be present from 11am to provide advice to members of the public on how RADF may be able to assist them in funding for their own project ideas.

Enquiries to 4043 4112, or email ArtsOfficer@trc.qld.gov.au

#### New bridge opened

A new concrete bridge across Owen Creek at Myola has been officially opened by Mayor Tom Gilmore and Member for Barron River Steve Wettenhall.

The \$450,000 project was funded by Tablelands Regional Council (\$225,000) and \$225,000 from Regional Road Group funding through the State Government's Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS).

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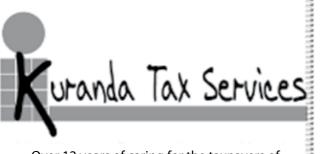
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The new two-lane bridge will provide a greater level of safety for motorists and other users such as horse riders, and replaces the old single lane timber bridge which had come to the end of its useful life.

The approaches to the old bridge were a safety concern due to limited visibility, the steepness of the approach grades and the reduction from two to one lane at the bridge.

Vehicles on the Give Way side of the old bridge often could not see vehicles approaching on the other side until only a few seconds before they reached the bridge, often resulting in vehicles having to come to a sudden stop on the steep approach.

The new bridge will improve flood immunity for users, with the new structure 1.8m above the old timber bridge.

The new bridge is an 18m long x 9m wide concrete bridge, incorporating a 1m wide pedestrian walkway. The new structure and the approaches have been realigned downstream to improve visibility and safety.

The new bridge, with its pedestrian walkway, will also offer a safer alternative for horse riders who use Oak Forest Road as the primary access to the Pony Club grounds at Mantaka.

#### **Mayor launches 2010 Christmas Appeal**

Local schools are getting behind the 2010 Mayor's Christmas Appeal, organising fundraising activities to help boost the annual appeal which assists those less fortunate in the community.

"For most people, Christmas is a joyous occasion as they spend quality time with their families and loved ones. However, it can also be a very stressful time for those less fortunate in the community who are unable to afford to celebrate," Tablelands Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

"In the true spirit of Christmas, Tablelands Regional Council would like to help make the festive season easier for those in need through the Mayor's Christmas Appeal.

"This appeal represents what Christmas is all about and I urge everyone to support the appeal by sending in a donation."

Local schools have already pledged their support, planning fundraising activities such as "dress down days".

year, approximately 300 hampers were Last



distributed by a number of agencies involved in the appeal.

Cr Gilmore said the appeal had the support of various charity groups and welfare agencies on the Tablelands including the Anglican Church in Kuranda, Salvation Army, St Vincent De Paul, Community Services Tablelands (formerly Atherton Neighbourhood Centre), Eacham Community Help Organisation, Ravenshoe Community Care, Red Cross Atherton, Blue Care, Tablelands Women's Centre, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, and Mareeba Information and Support Centre.

"This support is indicative of the type of community that we live in where we band together to help those less fortunate than ourselves," Cr Gilmore said. "I applaud these groups not only for supporting our appeal but also for the valuable work they carry out every day in the community.'

#### **Appeal Facts**

**Donations:** Monetary donations to the appeal will be accepted at the Council's service centres in Atherton, Mareeba, Herberton and Malanda and at the Kuranda

People can also send their donation by cheque to Mayor's Christmas Appeal, PO Box 154, Mareeba 4880. Make the cheque payable to Mayor's Christmas Appeal.

Fundraisers for the appeal include Carols in the Park at Mareeba in December.

No food items can be accepted for the

**Applying for assistance:** To be eligible to receive assistance, residents need to be receiving a government welfare benefit or have children up to the age of 15 years. Those residents that are outside the welfare system should see their local agency for

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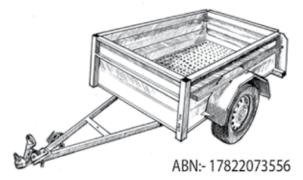
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Tai Chi Chuan 9.30am CWA Hall. Contact Sifu Julie 042 705 4132

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Aquafitness 8:30 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

Kuranda Camera Club - Photo Shoot 2.30pm, (see Art Pages for this month's location) 1st Sat

Garden Group 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

A.A. CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599 **Every Sun** 

Speewah Country Market 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361

1st Sun R.S.L. 5.00pm, Lower Market Mall, Thoree Street. Kuranda Film Society 4.00pm to 8.00pm Kuranda Recreation

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**Kuranda Horse and Pony Club** 7.30pm Mantaka

Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026 3rd Mon **KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00pm Rob Veivers Dr.

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Tae kwon do & Self Defence 6.30 pm CWA Hall **Every Tue** 

Ph 0437 438 196

8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda RSL, Top pub, Recreation Centre, Speewah

Tavern, Kuranda Resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537 Tai Chi 6.30-7.30pm, Recreation Centre, contact Les Anwyl,

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The KCCT meets at the Kuranda Hotel/Motel.

1st and 4th Tue Mareeba Toastmasters. Contact Fran 4093 7288 or Joe

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Tourism Kuranda meets behind St. Saviour's Church. 2nd Tue

Kuranda SES Training, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road.

Contact James Partridge 0402 119 642

Mareeba Toastmasters meets 7.30–9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone 2nd & 4th Tue

Fran 4093 7288. Guests welcome.

Volleyball under lights at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. **Every Wed** 

contact Lisa 4093 9659 or Leo 0405 116 066 Craft and Social Morning at QCWA hall 9.00am

**Kuranda Playgroup** – 9.30am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. New families please RSVP Michelle Ph 4093 9851

Weekly Meditations/Reflections 7.00pm at The Hidden Words

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**Karate** at Koah Hall 6.15pm – 7.15pm for more info call Geoff

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1st Wed Kuranda Interagency Network Mtng 2.00pm at KNC 2nd Wed

QCWA meeting 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016 Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group - 10.00am

Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Rotary 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206 **Every Thur** 

Tae kwon do & Self Defence 6.30 pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196

Lifeline Counselling at KNC (appointment necessary)

Women's Acapella Choir Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre, Cumberland Ave, Smithfield 7.00-9.00pm Thursdays

BioDanza Dance of Life at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. Contact

Catherine 4057 8549 or visit site biodanza.com.au Aquafitness 6:15 pm Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

2nd Thur Ambulance 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

Sandra's Kitchen at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. Contact Sandra 4093 7393 Thursday. Bookings essential

Barefoot Bowls 6:00pm at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road Aquatonics 11:00 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

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**Every Fri** 

#### **Kuranda Amphitheatre November Events**

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#### **RURAL FIRE BRIGADE CONTACTS**

**Davies Creek** 4093 3181 Lloyd Koah 4093 7006 **Peter** Kuranda 0408 077 746 Nick Myola 4093 7190 / 0408 151 199 **Duncan** Speewah 4093 0211 John

#### **Kuranda Transfer Station Opening Times**

Monday & Friday 7am-10am • Wednesday 3pm-6pm • Saturday 8am-12pm • Sunday 1pm-5pm

#### **JOHN'S KURANDA BUS**

Tile Local Dus									
		Mon & Tues	Wed & Fri	Sat, Sun & Pub Hol					
To:	Speewah	0900	0900	1000					
	Koah		1300						
		*1530	*1530						
		1750	1750	1645					
Ex:	Koah	#0705	#0705	#0815					
		#1315	#1315						
		*1550	*1550						
Ex:	Speewah	#0710	#0710	#0820					
	•	#1320	#1320						
		*1540	*1540						
	*SCHOOL	DAYS ONLY	# BOOKING REQUI	RED					
	NO SER	VICE EASTER FRI	DAY & CHRISTMAS D	AY					

	Mon & Tues	Wed & Fri	Sat, Sun & Pub Hol
<b>Departs Kuranda</b>	#0720	#0720	0830
-	1330	0900	1530
	1530	1130	
		1330	
		1530	

\*1510 from Smithfield to Koah Mon to Fri SCHOOL DAYS ONLY Departs Bus Stop "D" Lake Street Transit Mall, City Place, Cairns

**Departs Cairns** \*\*0825 0825 0930 \*\*1615 1715 1000 1230

All services except 1000 go to Speewah & Koah if required \*\*Atherton & Mareeba

# Via Caravonica, Redlynch, Raintrees, Westcourt, TAFE, Cairns City **NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY & CHRISTMAS DAY** 

#### Tel John 0418 772 953

## **Bus & Coach**

#### Daily (Except Christmas Day) Departures CAIRNS (Spence St) 6.45am 8.30am 11.30am 1.30pm CAIRNS (Mall Zone D) 6.47<sub>am</sub> 8.32<sub>am</sub> 11.32<sub>am</sub> 1.32<sub>pm</sub> 1.35<sub>pm</sub> CAIRNS (Central) 6.50am 8.35<sub>am</sub> 11.35<sub>am</sub> 3.10pm 7.30<sub>am</sub> KURANDA 9.15<sub>am</sub> 12.15<sub>pm</sub> 2.15<sub>pm</sub> **KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE** Daily (Except Christmas Day)

Departures	Dany (Except Christinas Day)						
KURANDA	7.30am	9.15 <sub>am</sub>	12.30 <sub>pm</sub>	2.15 <sub>pm</sub>	4.10 <sub>pm</sub>		
CAIRNS (Central)	8.20am	9.55am	1.10 <sub>pm</sub>	2.55pm	4.50 <sub>pm</sub>		
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.25am	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	1.15 <sub>pm</sub>	3.00 <sub>pm</sub>	4.55pm		
CAIRNS (Mall Zone D)	8.32am	10.02 <sub>am</sub>	1.17 <sub>pm</sub>	3.02 <sub>pm</sub>	4.55pm		
7.30am Shuttle via			NICA, TA				

3.00pm Shuttle via CAIRNS HIGH, TAFE, CARAVONICA

Departures	Mor	Monday to Friday			Saturday		
ATHERTON	6.15am	9.00am	3.30pm	6.15am	9.00am	9.00am	
MAREEBA	6.45am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.45am	9.30am	9.30am	
KURANDA	7.30am	10.05am	4.30pm	7.30am	10.05am	10.05am	
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.15am	11.20am	5.20pm	8.15am	11.20am	11.20am	
CAIRNS (Central)	8.35am	11.25am	5.35pm	8.35am	11.25am	11.25am	

CAIRNS	TO AT	HERT	ON TA	BLELA	NDS	
Departures	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.30am	3.15pm	5.30pm	8.30am	3.15pm	3.15pm
CAIRNS (Central)	8.35am	3.20pm	5.35pm	8.35am	3.20pm	3.20pm
KURANDA	9.10am	4.05pm	6.10 <sub>pm</sub>	9.10am	4.05pm	4.05pm
MAREEBA	9.45am	4.40pm	6.40pm	9.45am	4.40pm	4.40pm
ATHERTON	10.20am	5.10pm	7.15pm	10.20am	5.10pm	5.10pm

**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS OPERATE ON SUNDAY TIMES** NO SERVICE ON CHRISTMAS DAY OR GOOD FRIDAY

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