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Time to Care

We who live in Far North Queensland, most especially at a blessed altitude such as Kuranda's, often reflect upon family and friends in other places in the country who struggle through extremes of weather throughout the year, which we mostly do not experience. Often we are the most calm, and temperate, place to be. Yes, we do have cyclones and yes torrential rain. But they largely come when we expect them and for the rest of the time we have the climate that people pay good money to come and escape into. But, as in many other places, we too are experiencing the "unprecedented" in terms of weather (at least as far back as our written records go.) In Kuranda, that is 1896 when the Kuranda Railway Station was established as an official weather station.

This time last year we had not escaped the unprecedented...we endured the hottest November on record. And nothing prepared us for the wettest December ever recorded in Kuranda (1,124.5 mm) and that on top of flooding in March and a Wet Season which just kept giving right into winter, leaving us at the end of December 2018 with the third highest annual rainfall ever recorded in Kuranda (3,558.6 mm).

No one who lives here, in our little green sanctuary, could have evaded the sense of feeling fortunate as we have watched footage and heard stories of drought devastated communities and towns without water. But then came the absolute disaster of recent bush fires which have ravaged southern and central Queensland, New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australian, over a million hectares burnt in New South Wales alone. Yet again the word unprecedented arises...rainforest, old rainforest, has burnt for the first time in living memory.

We must not be complacent though. As this Paper goes to print, probably as you read this, our local rural fire brigades, incredibly brave volunteers, are out fighting fires all around us, saving lives, property, wildlife and wildlife habitat.

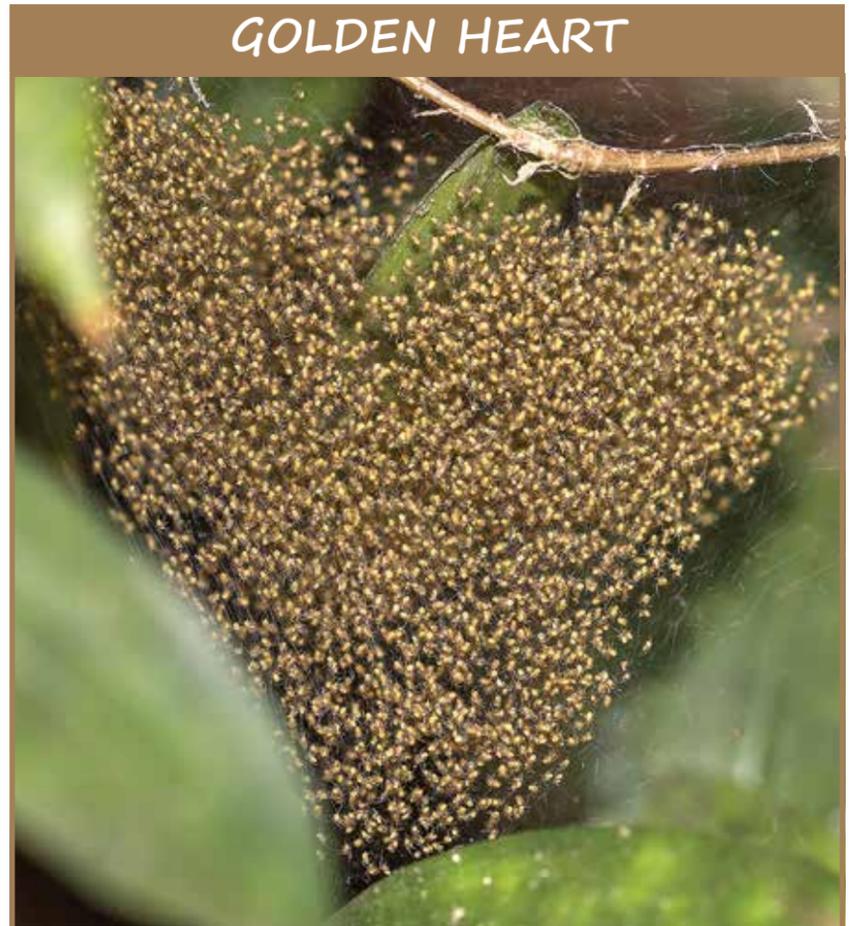
They, like all the incredible firies and other emergency personnel, go where they are needed, so some have also been helping out elsewhere in Australia, leaving family, home, work and businesses behind as they answer that urgent call...to care.

Recently a local community group, through the process of making a grant application, found that the accepted in-kind value for a volunteer starts at \$30 per hour, which makes you realise just how much that which enriches our lives comes from volunteers, surely many thousands of dollars a year just in this community. And while every community group could use your help, there are none such in need as our emergency service volunteers: If you can help please contact them through your local Fire Wardens (see contacts Page 31) or SES (call John on 0427 037 054). If you can't join at this moment, then please just reduce the risk we, and they, face by caring for yourself, each other, your property, your community and the country by being fire aware ... no fires until the rains come. But that is another story.

The Kuranda Paper wishes to thank all our volunteers, our contributors, our advertisers and our readers for your support and fellowship through 2019 – our 28th year of publication. Please take care over the "break"...we will be back with issue #317 at the end of January 2020.



Fire at Dimbulah Monday 18th November, Kuranda crews in action.
Photo by Senior Firefighter Savannah Chibnall.



GOLDEN HEART

Golden Orb Spiderlings – Photograph by Helen Douglas
For more information on the Golden Orb Spider see Minibeast Wildlife article on centre pages.

Our masthead this month is Wompoo Fruit-Dove feeding on Johnson's Quandong (*Elaeocarpus johnsoni*) fruit, Kuranda, November 2019.
Kindly shared by photographer Gerhard Hillman
(Naturesface Art: www.naturesface.com.au)

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Kuranda Cemetery Update

In three months' time, it will be a year since Mareeba Shire Council Mayor Tom Gilmore announced in *The Cairns Post* that council intended to close the existing Kuranda Cemetery for future burials and that the only site being investigated as a replacement was at Koah.

Twenty years ago, the MSC in an earlier incarnation announced the same thing only then it was Lamb Range. The Kuranda Cemetery Committee which formed at that time was able to find ways to keep the existing cemetery open, then extended. Further options to extend the life of the current cemetery still exist. Therefore, the reformed Kuranda Cemetery Committee wrote to the MSC CEO in July with some background, a list of questions and a request for results of Council's investigations and community consultation. Three and a half months passed with absolutely no reply or response from Council.

In October, the Committee wrote again expressing our disappointment that Council appeared to be keeping the community in the dark in regards to the future of our cemetery.

On 1st November, we finally received a response from MSC CEO Mr Peter Franks who told us that as a result of an error our email from July had remained in the council record system without being allocated for response. While we understand mistakes do happen, technical hitch or not, council has been lacking in consideration for the community on this issue. Our community deserves to be kept better informed, preferably consulted, on an issue as sensitive and important as this is to many.

Mr Franks in his email advises that the Koah site remains the only alternate site being investigated. Of the current cemetery site, he says "We are also undertaking an assessment of the feasibility of expanding the cemetery on the existing site to the west of the current "new" portion. As you would be aware there is a considerable gully to be crossed and the land is heavily vegetated and the contour data we have shows it as fairly steep. However, that said, until we have undertaken a detailed assessment of the site and what steps and costs that will be required to be taken to utilise this site, no decision can or will be made."

While we are heartened to hear that both sites are to be evaluated we are concerned that financial "costs" might be the only measure Council is using. The Council's proposal to move the cemetery to Koah has caused considerable upset in the community and would totally change the way that we bury our dead in our town. Our elderly are also upset to realise that they may not be interred close to partners and family who have already been buried in Kuranda. Our existing cemetery has history, heritage, emotional weight and is a place of solace. These factors also need to be considered.

On the subject of costs, this Committee wonders about the costs involved in maintaining not one but two cemetery sites. And who will pay for the establishment of a new cemetery? If it is ratepayers shouldn't we be informed and consulted?

Most disappointing of all is the CEO's closing statement: "Once all this information has been prepared, a detailed report will be prepared for Council, who will then decide on what should occur, including community engagement." Surely, community engagement should not be an afterthought, and a decision on this issue is not just the Council's to have.

Mark Freeman, Convener

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of The Kuranda Media Association Inc.
(publishers of *The Kuranda Paper*)

will be held on

Monday 2nd December

at 10.00am in

The Kuranda Paper Office

Red House Arcade

Shop 2, 24 Coondoo Street, Kuranda 4881

Call for Articles

Cemeteries have been described as Repositories of Cultural and Social History! How would we in Kuranda like to remember our cemetery in years to come?

This is an open letter encouraging any who would like to, to send in to *The Kuranda Paper* an article about a family member or friend who has been buried, or whose ashes are contained at the Kuranda Cemetery. We would especially encourage school children – an ideal opportunity to look into family history. Include a photo (best quality) if you can. Ask for signed permission and confirm content and dates with family. If possible, provide any documents of proof (ie newspaper or funeral death notices).

This request comes at a time when the Mareeba Shire Council is again contemplating closing the Kuranda Cemetery, yet at the same time the newly formed Kuranda Historical Society is becoming more aware of the value of the local cemetery as a 'Repository of Cultural and Social History!'

Send to mail@kurandapaper.com subject Kuranda Cemetery Article.

K. Buhler

Secretary, Kuranda Historical Society

We Deserve More, and Better

I was surprised to read (or was I surprised?) to read in Murray Watts', Shadow Minister for Northern Australia, and Natural Disaster and Emergency Management, press release on 26th November that nearly 40% of Senator Matt Canavan's Northern Australia Infrastructure Fund has been spent on administration costs.

That equates to more than \$26.6 million on executive and staff salaries, office space, travel for board directors, advertising and more. I agree with the Shadow Minister that it is an indictment on the NAIF that four years after it was created NAIF has only released a little over \$44million to fund projects in Northern Australia, and not one cent, so far, going to Queensland.

We deserve more, and better. A new dam would be good.

Toni Rogers
Kuranda

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Short Story Competition 2020

Readers will be used to seeing our annual Short Story competition announced in this the final edition of the year. Originally, our thinking was that with holidays would come both opportunity and inspiration for writers, especially young writers, to spin their stories. However, though we have had a good response and wonderful stories each year, we are very much wanting to encourage more young writers to try their hands, and so we have decided that in 2020 we will reach out to them through the schools as well as through the Paper. Therefore, we will be announcing our annual Short Story Competition early next year, after everything settles down.



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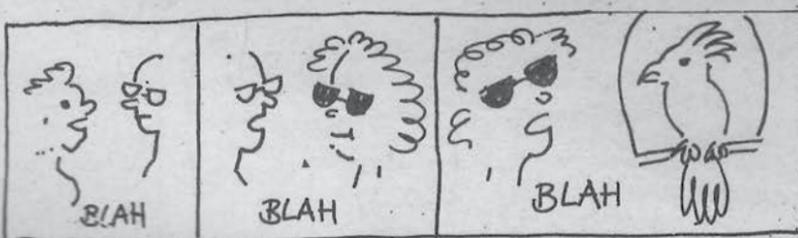
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BLAST FROM THE PAST

The Kuranda Village News, Kuranda's first independent paper, owned and edited by Peter Hohermuth (deceased), Page 2, November 1979

TOWN TALK



OPPORTUNITY
There is some talk of an imminent oversupply of medical practitioners in the near future. There should be some opportunities for dermatologists in the Mareeba area... Thin skin seems to be a common complaint up there.

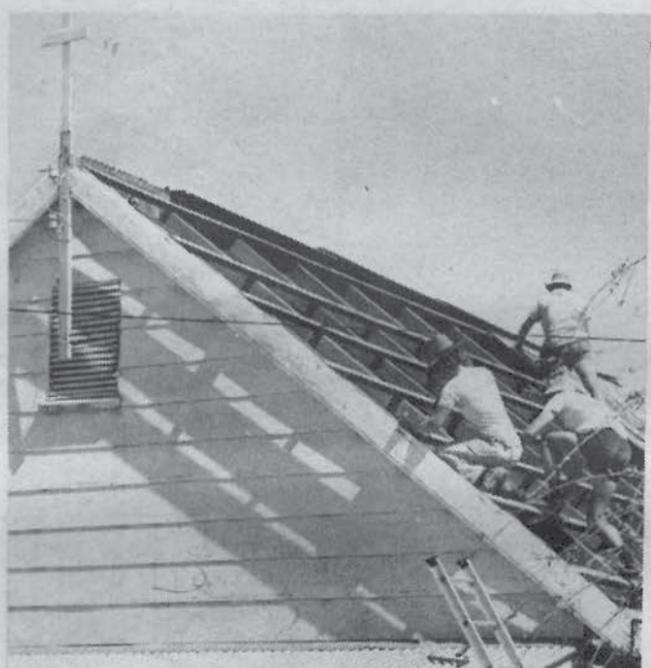
GOING PLACES
Congratulations to Irwin Riley for winning in the bass player section at the Sounds in the Sun competition and to Mantaka for placing second in their section.

GOLD
a local storekeeper has recently been paid in gold found in the area. Don't know where.



Harold Austin, right, recently retired after 35 years of looking after the gardens at the Kuranda Railway Station, is a store house of information about the care and handling of the many plants at the station. Bill Anderson has taken over Harold Austin's job. We are not going to say anything about Bill's hat? (cap?) though most people do. Harold Austin remembers well the early days, when in his spare time he used to ride on horseback into the rainforest to collect specimens for the unique gardens started in 1915. He personally knew all the station masters except the first one who initiated the collection.

Funds raised through the stall at the Kuranda Market have been used to gradually repair the little church along Kuranda's main street. A new roof was the latest improvement added. The church of England was built in 1914 by A. Newman and W. Moule with help from local residents. Because of the source of the funds it has been nicknamed "St. Markets" although it was dedicated as St. Saviours in 1915.



<p>CONTEST The Kuranda Village News Design a house for less than \$ 5000. contest is still on. It is aimed more at the community - than competition minded. We don't expect a full set of plans, a sketch plus outline and a reasonable estimate of costs is all that's needed. The</p>	<p>CAMPING There have been reports of visitors camping in the National Park in Kuranda. Most are not aware that this is not permitted, and not just in the Park. The Kuranda Caravan Park does however provide facilities for campers in a great set-</p>	<p>ON TV TODAY-TONIGHT took a sympathetic look at some of Kuranda's more imaginative buildings recently. Roger Quinn made an eloquent spokesman and the rest of the country might know by now that we are not a bunch of weirdo's.</p>
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Electric Ant Blitz In Kuranda!

The National Electric Ant Eradication Program is calling on all Kuranda residents to join in its upcoming surveillance blitz for this highly invasive pest.

This survey activity is planned to take place on 18th and 19th January 2020.

Electric ants are a significant environmental, health and agricultural pest that are currently only found in Far North Queensland.

One in five of all our electric ant infestations has been found in the Kuranda, Myola, Speewah and Koah areas.

We need to find every single electric ant for the program to be successful. If you buy or swap pot plants or cuttings you are at risk of bringing electric ants onto your property.

The program has approached a number of local community groups for support including the Kuranda YCA Taskforce, SES and Kuranda Envirocare.

We encourage people in the area to join us by either:

- Registering for a free yard check to be carried out by our field officers
- Registering for a free self-survey kit to check your own yard (a free training day and kit collection points will be announced



closer to the date)

- Registering as a surveillance volunteer on one or both of the survey days.

To register for a free yard check call 13 25 23 or visit www.daf.qld.gov.au/anthunt.

To register for a free kit, contact the program on 13 25 23 or send an email to electricantinfo@daf.qld.gov.au.

You don't have to wait!

If you are being stung in your garden or pool, have bought, sold or swapped pot plants, or if you see any suspect ants contact us on the above now.

JOIN THE ANT HUNT!

Kuranda Historical Society Update

The Kuranda Historical Society inaugural Annual General Meeting was held on 17th November and the new Executive Committee consists of:

- PRESIDENT: Dugg Stratford
 VICE PRESIDENT: Anne Clarke
 SECRETARY: Krishna Buhler
 TREASURER: Gayle Hannah

Garth Owen, who has been vital to the establishment of the KHS, will continue to assist the executive and most importantly head fundraising...sausage sizzles ahead! Wendy Tann, another member who is always ready to help, and bakes a mean cake, will remain as Venue Manager. We are well served.

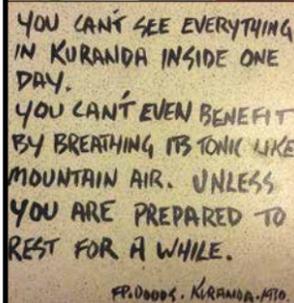
This first AGM marks the start of our second year as an historical society/community group. The first year was challenging but we did manage to get our foundations down. 2020 will be a next step up, as we undertake a Strategic Planning exercise with the professional guidance of Dr Joanna Wills (Museum Development Officer FNQ – Queensland Museum). Dr Jo's territory covers Townsville to the Torres Strait and west to the Gulf, so we feel very fortunate that she has made herself available to help us. She is also very excited about all the stories Kuranda has to tell and the many ways that might be done.

Following the completion of the Kuranda Historical Society Strategic Plan next year, we will have a collections policy and other protocols which will allow us to be of greater service in regards to items of historical interest related to the Kuranda district. However, if you have a query about anything please don't hesitate to contact us, we are only just established but we do have support from other regional groups and an awesome local community brains trust.

The Kuranda Historical Society would like thank to the Mareeba Shire Council for allowing us the use of their facility: special thanks go to Jane Hollins (Senior Community Wellbeing Officer Mareeba Shire Council) and Sonia Van Dorssen (Senior Administration Officer Mareeba Shire Council) for their support and advice as we established ourselves and found our feet.

Thank you to the Kuranda Media Association (KMA) for continuing to provide a place through *The Kuranda Paper* for Kuranda stories (that which history is made of) to be told and shared. We hope to be able to contribute more items of local historical

interest into the future. Thanks also to the KMA for assistance to help us to meet that community group nemesis...compulsory insurance...for this year. Extra special thanks to our foundation members, your faith and investment is invaluable. Anyone wishing to join please email kurandahistory@gmail.com.



The Kuranda Historical Society currently has use of the "old" visitor centre in Centenary Park. The above picture from the day of the AGM captures some 1990s history. The donated chairs were recovered in pieced together fabric made from curtain sample books collected by the late Merrill Edwards, they are from Harris Bros Haberdashery, Cairns. They go well with Peter "Potter" Thompson's tile inlay from the same period. It is the last remaining tile inlay work from the original development of Centenary Park. The colours were inspired by those of the male and female King Parrot and the inscribed tile is a quote from Frederick Parkhurst Dodd (The Butterfly Man of Kuranda, 1861-1937) "You can't see everything in Kuranda inside one day. You can't even benefit by breathing its tonic like mountain air, unless you are prepared to rest for a while." Words from 1930, when Kuranda was the "Niagara Falls" (and honeymoon capital) of Australia. But the call to slow down and enjoy all that this place has to give remain as relevant as ever.



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May ALL your New Year dreams come true!

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“The view from here” by Michelle Murray-Beckman

I am sitting on my verandah looking out to the rainforest. It is early and the birds are all competing to be heard—the sounds build as more and more birds awake and share their thoughts on this particular morning. I have tried to count how many different calls and songs I can hear, but each time I try I give up as the sounds bend and blend, rise and fall. It is more pleasurable to simply immerse myself in the overall sound. I will leave cataloguing and descriptions to the scientists among us.

My house is like many in Kuranda, the trees lean in closely and we don't have a lot of sun. The rainforest comforts us with an abundance of shade and provides home for the butterflies, insects and the frogs. The different leaf patterns and unfolding spirals of the darling tree ferns remind me of Fibonacci and the golden ratio.

This leads me to reflect on the interconnectedness of the rainforest and how fortunate we are to live here amongst the rich biodiversity that I can observe from my own verandah. I do have my favourites. The pair of Musky Rat Kangaroos that shyly forage just outside my kitchen window early in the morning and again at dusk may be my favourites. I must confess to sharing my fruit with them and the Bandicoots that come out after dinner.

I am mindful in the morning to make sure I tiptoe quietly so that I don't disturb the Pademelon mama and her baby as they eat the tips off my Gardenia. They seem undisturbed as the bossy pair of Orange Footed Scrub Fowl make their way up from the creek bed, chasing the Brush Turkeys out of their way.

I haven't seen our resident Water Dragon lately. We christened him Lorenzo. He loves to bathe in the shallows of the pool, occasionally taking himself for a swim to the deep end and then out and off into the lower reaches of the garden. There have been many afternoons when I have chosen to have a shower rather than disturb him.

I was in the shower when we had our one encounter with a Cassowary. Our shower at



the time was very indoor/outdoor and so the Cassowary was also very indoor/outdoor. I froze and we made eye contact and then he or she simply continued eating the fallen Quandongs and slowly made his or her way up the hill to the next load of fallen fruit.

For all of these experiences I am deeply grateful. I am also acutely aware that this can only exist because of the trees. If it were not for the trees, there would be no birds, no butterflies, insects and frogs, no Lorenzo, no Macropods, no Cassowary in the shower and no me.

As a species, humans are only just beginning to understand nonhuman consciousness. Scientists have found that in a forest, neighbouring trees help each other through their root systems – either directly, by intertwining their roots, or indirectly, by developing a network created by mycorrhizal fungi growing around the roots. This network serves to connect individual trees together and transfer water, carbon, nitrogen and other nutrients and minerals.

These arboreal mutualities go further to enable “hub” trees or “Mother” trees to distinguish not only their own roots from those of other species, but also to recognise their own “offspring” – younger trees grown from their own seed. The Mother trees can divert additional nutrients to these trees, thereby showing a preference for their relatives.

So together, many trees create an ecosystem that moderate extremes of heat and cold, store a great deal of water, and generate a great deal of humidity. And in this protected environment, I and all of my insect and animal friends are nurtured and sustained.

As this is the last edition of the View from Here column for 2019 I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge not only the rainforest that is my garden, but also each and every person who has taken the time to speak with me and allow me to share a little of their story with our readers of *The Kuranda Paper*.

Thank you, **Michelle**

Photo: *View Into The Garden* by Michelle Murray-Beckman

The Year That Was in The Kuranda Paper

December 2018 – January 2019

With November 2018 being hot and stormy our front page celebrated the beauty of Flaggy Creek and the Barron River, we farewelled tireless wildlife carer Betty Timmins, the KUR-World EIS response deadline loomed, KDSC saluted the Class of 2018, Kitty's music page featured the legendary Mantaka Band. *Masthead Flaggy Creek Triptych painting by David Stacey.*

February

More stunning local art: *our masthead featured scenes from Imogen O'Neill's monumental Kuranda Story mural* at the Heritage Markets, petition launched for direct representation on Council for Kuranda, Kuranda Bendigo Bank closure announced, Barry Hunter joined Terrain Board of Directors, KDSC Mia Shepherd achieved outstanding academic success, Record rainfall for Kuranda with 3558.6mm for 2018 and December 2018 the wettest on record at 1124.5mm, Envirocare celebrated 20 years of incorporation, 30 years of World Heritage listing for Wet Tropics. A total of 18.495 KUR-World EIS responses lodged identified top five priority issues, in order, as Range Road/Kennedy Hwy/Local roads, Water Resources/Quality, Planning/Land Use/Approvals Process, Lifestyle/ Jobs/Amenity/Cultural Heritage/Population, Environment/MNES Envirolink Corridor.

March

Proposed Kuranda Cemetery closure announcement, Therwine Street tree plantings a relief after months of construction, farewell to Ruth Smith, Fantastic Fungi feature by Fran Guard, Ngirra Wordsearch puzzle was Garrang Galing, Djunggang, Yungang – Coming, Going, Running, Swimming. *Masthead Blue Triangle Butterfly on Clerodendron flower, photo by Buck Richardson.*

April

ABC Heywire winner Max Alpin, Kuranda Greatest Shave, View from Here, Eve Stafford OAM, Djabugay Bulmba Bama Plan launch, School Strike 4-climate, Kuranda Media 2018 Short Story Competition winners, Scorpions by Mini-Beasts Wildlife. *Masthead Wait-a-while cane reflections in the Barron, photo by Damian Banson.*

May

Anzac Day and Easter celebrations, Kowrowa Hoe-down, Seren's Arts Page featured the Colours of Columbia art and cuisine at Original Rainforest Markets, 40th anniversary for Kuranda Amphitheatre, opening crates at Men's Shed signaled start of main shed construction, launch of National Electric Ant Eradication Program, Myola officially a town again, with new sign to prove it. *Masthead Amphitheatre Concert at Night by Anika Betts.*

June

Another Kuranda Range Study announced, grand opening Koah's Ark Nature Playground, flashback photo essay from Kuranda Village News 1979 on the late Stan Stirling of Black Mt Road wildlife park fame, View from Here Zane Saunders, Honey House celebrating 60 years. Suzy Grinter pondered re-incarnation. *Masthead Umbrella Tree watercolour by Gayle Hannah.*

July

Indigenous Art Fair and NAIDOC Day in Kuranda front cover, Djabugay Master Weaver Rhonda Brim profiled in View from Here, Batreach's adorable feathertail gliders. *Masthead featuring woven basket made by Linda Leftwich, photo by Greg Hillman Kuranda Photography.*

August

Time to prepare for fire/dry season and a call for more volunteers to join our Rural Fire Brigades, introduction to the huge amount of work that Ngoonbi does, sad farewells to Michael Arrowsmith and Dwayne 'Ridgy' Bowen. *Masthead*

Leaf Notes digital photo by Gerhard Hillmann Naturespace Art.

September

A frosty farewell to winter with minus degrees at Koah, Kuranda Tourism Strategic Plan launched, Friends of The Earth paid tribute in farewell to John Glue, Youthlink murals completed for National Child Protection Week. *Masthead Davies Creek Falls 3-shot exposure, blended HDR photo by Sherrie-Ann Cockell Photography.*

October

Front page Speewah to “The Hat” (Red Beret Hotel, Redlynch) annual charity walk, Smoke Signals covered a busy month for Kuranda Rural Fire brigades, Fighting Fund established for Myola Valley, Bravery Award to Wayne Harris, going Japanese at Original markets, Tim Trim was winner of photo of the month Focus On Kuranda FB group, in month of many amazing sunsets, Music Page Zennith ‘Ancient Warrior’ album launch, Amphitheatre look back to first ever Spring Festival 1981, Men's Shed main shed up and almost completed, KDSC milestone as first two students complete entire studies prep to graduation at KDSC. *Masthead “The Barron Gorge and Sugar Plains” detail from 1924 painting by Sir Arthur Streeton (original in Art Gallery of Western Australia).*

November

Front page showcased local sustainable designer and seamstress (and songstress) Leah Kelly's dream to take her fashion “Rainforest to Runway” to Paris and Koah's Ark State Award, Kuranda Conservation featured in ABC TV's Gardening Australia, Barron Falls Walking Track project, Marcia Bird from Kuranda Arts Co-op showing her natural and recycled material sculptures (including use of all our Kuranda Paper bundle strapping we are proud to say), Cyclone Season starts, Farewell Leo Vandersar, Mayor Tom Gilmore retiring before next March elections. *Masthead “Hand-Sewn Garden” mixed media (watercolour and thread on paper) by Gayle Hannah.*

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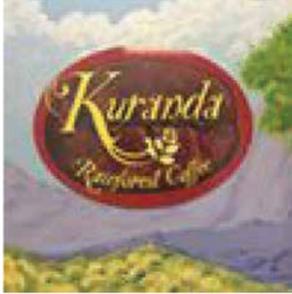


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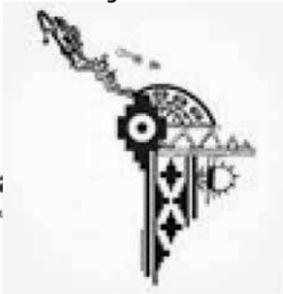
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The Magical Lane



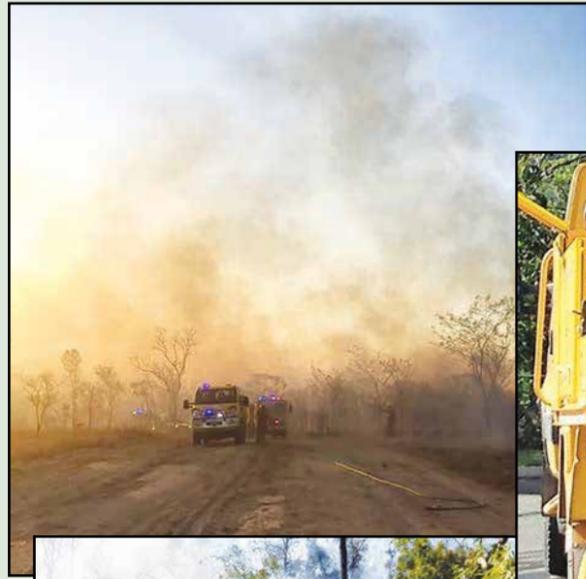
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Local Brigades Kept Busy

During the past few months local rural fire brigades have been kept busy with fires around the Tablelands, and as close as Koah and Biboora. Some members have also been deployed to help in areas of NSW hit by catastrophic fires.

Senior Fire Fighter Persia Westropp-Hill is leaving Kuranda, after years of great service and will be much missed. She is moving to the Blue Mountains which was cheekily described by one colleague as going from 'frypan to fire'. Thank you Persia and best wishes. *Photo of Persia: Baz Child; other photos courtesy of Kuranda/Myola Rural Fire Brigade.*



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“School’s out Forever” for the Kuranda District State College Graduating Class of 2019

Friday 15th November was a day of celebration for the Year 12 students of Kuranda District State College. Their day commenced with a festive morning tea in the College dining room in the company of their friends, family, and teachers.

This was followed by a ceremony where College staff and teachers farewelled the students with reminiscences of their shared school days, and a moving valedictory speech by College co-captain Angelina Brim.

The morning events culminated with a traditional guard of honour: during this rite of passage the graduating Year 12 students were escorted by their friends and family to the main entrance of the College, via a covered walkway, lined with the cheering and excited Primary and Secondary College students. It was time for the Year 12s to leave!

This day was of special significance for two graduating students, Rachel Klein and Minkie Sheriff, as they became the first students to complete all 13 years of their schooling at Kuranda District State College. It also had additional meaning for Steven Phineasa: on Friday 15th November, he became the first ever member of his family to graduate Year 12.

A special mention should go to 2020 College Captains and Indigenous Leaders as they hosted the day’s events in a magnificent and professional manner, they also acknowledged the outstanding example set by departing College Captains Sam Currie and Angelina Brim and



promised to uphold their legacy.

Upon leaving the College, the graduating students spent the remainder of the day preparing for their “big night” convened in the elegant Lockhart Ballroom of the Cairns Colonial Club & Resort. At 5.00pm the first Limousines and sports cars began to rock-up, including one very good-looking but muddy off-road vehicle. Gone were the College uniforms as the Year 12s stepped out in their elegant gowns and suits of satin and lace, and the not so traditional and unexpected Akubra and braces of Steve, and top hat and striped trousers worn, in true artistic style, by Minkie.

The formal segment of the evening included a congratulatory address by the College Principal, Steven Moore, and he was joined on the stage by the Deputy Principal, Adrian Hooper, to present the Class of 2019 with their Graduating Certificates.

Next, Sam Currie’s valedictory speech applauded his three years at Kuranda District State College and reflected on his change in direction from the suburbs of Adelaide and to his chosen career in the Armed forces, where he has already been accepted as an Aeronautical Engineering Officer and Marine Engineer Submariner.

Good times, good food, music and dancing and laughter marked the event, but all was not done.

There was cutting of the spectacular Graduation Cake, and movies both poignant and funny that captured the first 16 or 17 years of the graduating Year 12s.

And the final valedictory speech by Rachel Klein who stated: “...and in the words of Winnie the Pooh: ‘How lucky am I to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.’”



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A Cup of Coffee for Cancer by Jennifer Rooks

Over the last four years I have completed a yearly long distance walk for Cancer Queensland and this year was no different. I have just walked over 400 kms from Besancon in France and across Switzerland to the Italian border as part of the Via Francigena Pilgrimage to Rome. This walk meant a variety of terrains and some extremely steep mountains and very exhausting days. This yearly walk had become very personal for me. Everyone has been touched by Cancer.

I promised Cancer Queensland that I would raise some much needed funds for them and now hope the people of Kuranda will support me in buying a cup of coffee or a donation to cancer.

A percentage of each coffee sold on Saturday 14th December will be returned to Cancer Queensland.

The shops that have promised to participate in the coffee day through a cup of coffee/donation/donation tin in their business:

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If any other Kuranda Business wishes to also be part of this Cup of Coffee for Cancer Day please contact me at the Kuranda Visitor Information Centre and I will personally visit your café or business. Please support these businesses and buy a cup of coffee or donate some small change for a very important cause.

My Cancer donation page can be reached at: <https://give.everydayhero.com/au/walking-the-via-francigena-to-italy>.

Photo right: Jennifer Rooks & Sue McGann – September 2019 on St Bernard Pass, Switzerland



The BreastScreen Queensland Mobile Service is coming to Kuranda
27 November - 5 December



BreastScreen Queensland Is Coming To Kuranda!

The BreastScreen Mobile Service will be on the St Christopher's Church grounds on Barang Street from 27th November to 5th December 2019.

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Gifts With Love

By Sarah Dobbs

There are so many ways to approach gifting at Christmas. Individual gifts, family gifts, experience gifts, bells and whistle gifts, even goats to struggling communities abroad – thank you Oxfam! But do we need to spend lots of money, sometimes on things that add clutter or are discarded soon after Christmas? Do we need to add to the environmental load of rubbish, or could we be giving more personal gifts that we've made with love? I don't want to stop you buying that goat though!

And yes, we are time poor (as a rule sadly) but making gifts does not have to cost you in time or money. Food is the obvious one and yum yum – always well received! But what about gifting hand made beauty products? Something that combines a physical gift with an experience.

These recipes are easy peasy to make and the ingredients surprisingly easy to source. There are some local resources listed below along with tips on how to find others.

These are my very own tried and true, personal recipes that I am very pleased to share! They are really forgiving, and you can play with ingredients if you like. I hope you enjoy them too!

Body Scrub

- ½ cup rapadura sugar
- ½ cup coconut sugar
- ⅓ cup extra virgin olive oil/coconut oil
- 1tbls raw honey
- ¼ tsp vanilla essence
- 2 vitamin E capsules (optional)

Mix it all together in a bowl and spoon into a jar. Use on just moist skin to get the best exfoliant effect.

I always wanted to add coffee grounds to this so if you do please let me know how it goes!

Don't stress about which sugar to use. Plain old brown will do but the rapadura and coconut are less refined and also a bit more exfoliating than ordinary sugars.

While sugar isn't great for our internal bodies it's actually great for our skin. The raw honey has antibacterial properties which is awesome for skin in the tropics.

Calendula Oil

Or even St John's Wort oil (Hypericum).

- 20g of dried herb of choice
 - 200ml of a good quality, cold pressed oil like sweet almond or extra virgin olive oil.
- Chop the herb up nice and small.

Place it all in a jar and let it sit in a cool, dark cupboard for two weeks. Just remember to shake the jar 2-3 times a day.

Calendula has antibacterial, antifungal and soothing actions as well as promotes healing. Hypericum also has soothing and healing properties too! Just watch sun exposure with the hypericum as it can make skin sun sensitive.

Soothing Calendula and Hypericum Ointment

Love this stuff!

- 30g Beeswax
- 30g Shea butter
- 80g calendula infused oil
- 80g hypericum infused oil
- 10 drops of lavender oil

Gently heat the beeswax and the shea butter over a low heat using a bowl over a saucepan of boiling water.

Once melted add the infused oils and mix till well combined.

Remove from the heat and add the lavender oil.



Pour into jars quickly and allow to cool before putting the lid on.

So good for all the minor grazes, cuts, little rashes, itchy bites and so on. If you're greedy like me use it as a moisturiser! Luxury.

Check out the local shops for some of these products.

The Honey House have the most amazing raw honey and beeswax.

Rare Earth have beautiful essential oils.

Foodworks have a great range of organic cold pressed oils in the health section.

Shea butter you can easily get online but there's a couple of Cairns health food places you can source fair trade stuff from too.

For the dried herbs check out online or Simply Healing have limited quantities of both hypericum and calendula.

Enjoy the giving! And have an awesome festive season and New Year!



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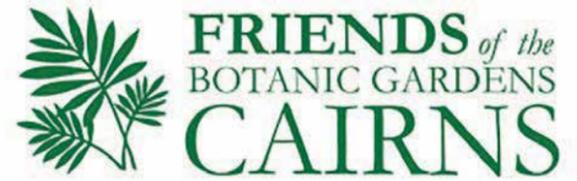
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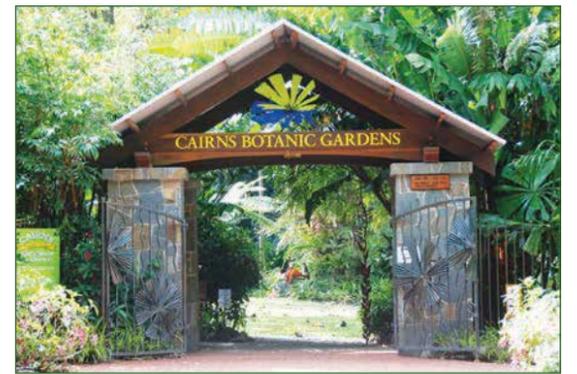
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Get in early with Christmas presents for green-fingered friends at the pre-Christmas plant sale organised by the Friends of the Botanic Gardens. The sale is on Sunday 1st December, starting at 8.00am and finishing at midday. Along with plants propagated by the FOBG Gardineers from those in the Gardens there will be a wide variety on offer from local nurseries. The rarest plants always sell quickly, so don't be late.



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The Bushfire Crisis

The topic dominating the media and people's consciousness this month has been the unfolding bushfire crisis in Queensland and the southern states. Our local area has also been affected with a house burnt down in Bibiohra.

In the short-term, the most important thing is for us all to support those suffering and those fighting the fires in appalling conditions.

In one of the worst hit areas, Carol Sparks, mayor of Glen Innes Severn council was reported in the Guardian saying she had members of her family in hospital with two neighbours' lives lost. She explained that her community in Wyaliba, NSW had been devastated with dozens of homes lost and the Wyaliba public school burnt to the ground. Carol Sparks also made the following impassioned plea: "For the sake of the future, for the sake of our community and the rising generation who will inherit this scorched Earth, one can only hope there will be enough people who retain the common decency to listen, to heed the cries of those in harm's way, who will now together take decisive and collective action to save our ecosystem and our civilisation from collapse".

Action: To help, if you can, please

- donate to the Red cross to help those in need: <https://www.redcross.org.au/campaigns/disaster-relief-and-recovery-bushfires>
- donate to Wildlife Rescue <https://www.wildliferescue.net.au/>
- prepare your property for bush fires and keep informed – see <https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au>
- join the FoE Australia Tipping Point project to work for long-term change to renewable energy – see <https://www.tippingpoint.org.au/>

Update on Barnwell Road & all things KUR

A new development application has been put in for the Reeve & Ocean property along Barnwell Road, proposed site of KUR-World (not yet approved – and may never be) and also of a recently approved subdivision for 49 lots – and current site of KUR-Cow. This is an impact assessable development application for cabins/tents around the dam. There will be chance to put in a submission with your concerns about any issues. The development application is MCU/19/0018. Please contact Sarah on 4085 0054 if you would like to be kept informed.

FoE FNQ AGM & End of Year Party

The Friends of the Earth Annual General Meeting and End of Year Party will be held on Sunday 8th December at 2pm at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre followed by a picnic by the Barron River (around 3.30pm) below the railway station steps. New members or anyone interested in learning more about our group are very welcome.

We are delighted to have Cathy Retter as the guest speaker telling us about Kuranda EnviroCare's frog monitoring project, possibly the first long-term community frog-monitoring project in Australia. These special critters are the iconic species that indicate unseen environmental decline that can eventually lead to decline in other species, including human health. So it serves us to look after their habitat and work for their preservation. Anyone unable to come in person is welcome to join by Zoom. Please ring Sarah in 4085 0054 for further details.

Proposed Development

Make a submission from 25 November 2019 to 13 December 2019

Nature-based Tourism (Stage 1: 14 one-bedroom tents/cabins. Stage 2: 5 two-bedroom and 3 one-bedroom tents/cabins)





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Approval sought
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1 ha

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For further information & submissions to

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Written submissions may be made electronically, and Electronic submissions are to be sent to info@msc.qld.gov.au

View the Application

- Application reference: MCU19/0018
- A copy of the application can be obtained from Mackie Shire Council
- <https://msc.qld.gov.au/building-approval/development-applications>

All submissions, including individual submitter's particulars, will be published on Council's website (PDF Online) and therefore will be accessible to internet search engines.



Australia Post assist Australian Red Cross to help bushfire affected communities

From 12 November 2019 Australia Post outlets across Australia will be accepting donations for the Red Cross Disaster Relief and Recovery Fund to support bushfire affected communities.

All donations made will help Red Cross provide assistance to affected communities through their emergency volunteers, providing psychological first aid, working at evacuation centres and helping people to get in touch with their loved ones.

"It's an extremely emotional time and our thoughts are with the many people impacted by the devastation of these bushfires," said Nicole Sheffield, Executive General Manager of Community and Consumer. "Australia Post has a large presence in rural and remote Australia and I want to recognise and give my heartfelt thanks to our people on the ground who are playing a critical part in supporting their communities."

Australian Red Cross National Emergency Services Manager Andrew Coghlan says more than 80 Red Cross volunteers have been on the ground in more than 21 evacuation centres in the worst-affected fire zones in the two states. "We have seen and heard amazing stories of community spirit and people continuing to take good care of their loved ones. The worst could be yet to come in many areas, so we urge people to share their support via donations." Anyone wishing to donate to Red Cross emergency service teams can do so by visiting an Australia Post outlet, online at www.redcross.org.au or by calling 1800-RED-CROSS (733 276) (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm).



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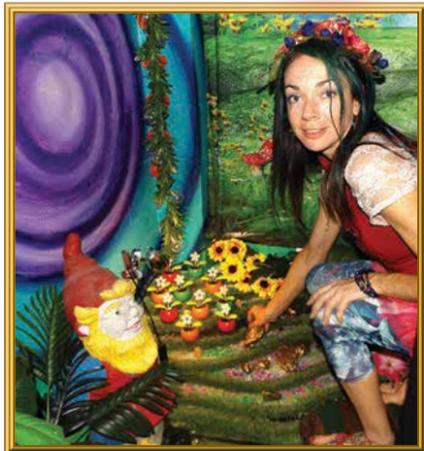
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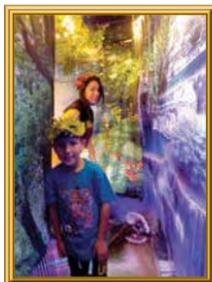
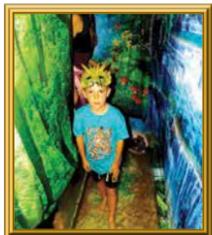
...one year on



The Magical Lane celebrates its first anniversary on the 1st of December. To mark the occasion I am presenting a brand new quest room. Here is a place to feel the magic of the fairys and elementals and learn the steps to be taken to communicate with them for real.

Learn how to connect with nature, help plants to grow, recycle, and the importance of kindness to all creatures, while searching for hidden items, clues and codes in magical lands. The quest takes you beyond the tea party room and through the enchanted forest where the gnomes live. Past the waterfall, through the stream, up the rocky mountain and down the snowy slopes. Cross the sandy pirates' beach to reach the secret fairy garden. If you complete your tasks you'll have an elemental to take home.

Like an escape room, this is a quest room with a special message – FAIRYS ARE REAL and will GRANT YOU WISHES if you help them SAVE THE WORLD! If you don't yet believe, you will after a visit to The Magical Lane at the Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets, Jenny the fairy.



ALL IS ART

The fairies are out in force in Kuranda this festive season, bringing delight to young and old alike. A wave of the magic wand, some fairy dust, and our world is transformed. Most of us adults have forgotten what it's like to explore these wonderous worlds of our imaginations, but our children live there all the time. Rather than clip their wings because we cannot see what they see, surely we must provide them with the opportunities to explore the realms of their unadulterated imaginations. Have a delightful festive season Art Lovers, seren.

ART DECLAN



Aspiring young Artist Declan exhibiting his artwork for sale at the Kuranda Markets. Declan has been painting for just two months, and is being tutored by Auntie Alyce (right)



of "Luna&Co" (see Nov. issue). Under Alyce's guidance Declan has quickly picked up the art of watercolour. Who knows where it may go from here. Declan hopes to inspire other young artists to follow their passions too. We at Kuranda Paper wish Declan much success in his creative endeavours. Go Declan!



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Our Exhibition Gallery??

The Tableland Regional Gallery in Atherton is still closed for repairs. The reopening date is still unknown. In the meantime TRG's exhibitions are showing at the pop-up gallery in the Main Street, Atherton.

Gayle Hannah and Arts Co-op member Toni Rogers took time out to view "Floating - From Rainforest to Reef" featuring artworks by Tablelands artists Graham Draper, Marion Clarkson, Kate Eden and Olga Kaptein.



A vibrant, mixed media exhibition inspired by the natural beauty of our region and with emphasis on iconic symbols, plants, animals and colours.

The Tableland Regional Gallery was built and available during the amalgamation of the two Shires. However, since de-amalgamation, Kuranda seems to have lost a stake in this exhibition space. It certainly amplifies the need for a local permanent space for all exhibiting artists in Kuranda.

Co-op Welcomes New Member

The Co-op welcomes new local watercolourist Ron Clark to our exhibiting membership. Ron has a fascination for watercolour and says "the transparency, the vividness of colour, the effects of water and pigments on paper, the textures that can be created, make watercolour a very powerful medium for artistic expression, with very suggestive results, sometimes even accidental, unexpected, surprising!"

Ron's artworks can be seen at the Arts Co-op gallery.

Fibre Art Wins Out Again

Arts Co-op fibre artist Marcia Bird, together with Pam Kusab from Cairns, have been back at the Crystalbrook Collection's Bailey Resort showcasing their natural fibre artworks in the foyer of this exciting new space in Cairns.

Launch of Video Production

Over 40 people attended the launch of the Co-op's new video "Artists in the Rainforest". This video was made possible by a funding grant from Mareeba Shire Council and Arts Queensland.

The video, featuring 14 Co-op artists, was filmed at the studio locations of each artist by local photographer, Peter McCabe. The video is showing daily in the Co-op gallery and has already proved successful with the interest of visitors who are able to see a short edition film of each artist at their arts practice. We thank those who attended the launch and made it such a pleasurable event.



Christmas Sidewalk Sale

The ever popular Christmas Sale held by the Arts Co-op each year, will be held outside the gallery in Coondoo Street on Saturday, 14th December. Make a choice this year, buy local and spectacular handmade items. This is the best opportunity to do this (see advertisement on Page 12).

Christmas and New Year Greetings

The Management committee and members of the Kuranda Arts Co-op extend best greetings for the festive season. We thank you for shopping at the Co-op during the year and look forward to seeing you again in 2020. We wish you safe travel to be with family and friends.

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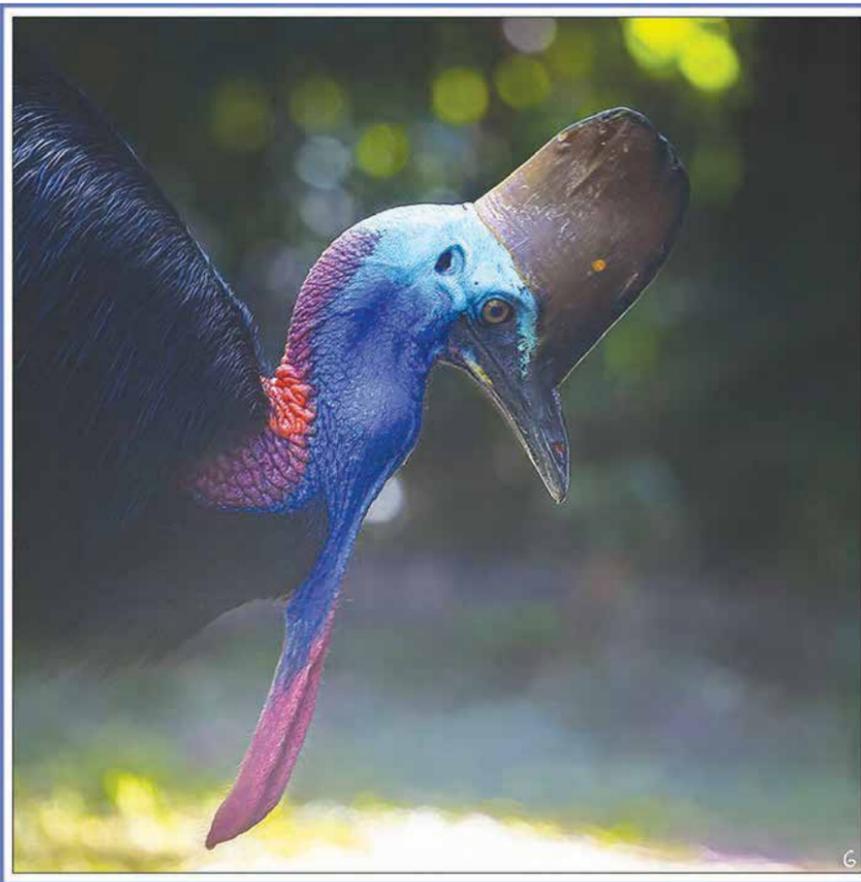
Focus on Kuranda

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

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

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

The Moderator of the page has advised *The Kuranda Paper* that the photograph receiving the most 'likes' for 29th October to 26th November 2019 (the day *Kuranda Paper* is sent off to printer) was Cassowary on Black Mountain Road, Kuranda. Not sure which one, names keep changing but the birds are the same", submitted to group on 7th November 2019 by Gerhard Hillmann.



The creator/moderator of the group **Focus on Kuranda** would like to remind everyone of the purpose of the group:

"This group is for anyone that would like to share their photos of Kuranda and the immediate surrounding areas.

"It can include personal photos at your house or in some way related to Kuranda. The page is open to people from all over; be it local or those from the other side of the world who would like see Kuranda at its very best! We are open to all abilities and styles; be it a photo captured with your phone or a top-of-the-line DSLR; be your skill level amateur or professional."

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SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER
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Jeanette Wormald Trio

Barron Falls Hotel (3.00-6.00pm)
++ SUNDAY OPEN MIC ++

WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER
Koah Hall
FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS
Stalls from 4.00pm
Doors Open from 6.30pm

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER
Barron Falls Hotel (5.30-8.30pm)
++ HARMONIQUE ++

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER
Koah Markets (9am - Noon)
++ TOSHI SAKAMOTO ++

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER
Cafe Mandala (11am-2pm)
++ BLUE REED GYPSY SWING ++

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER
Barron Falls Hotel (5.30-8.30pm)
++ WALKER BROTHERS ++

SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER
Cafe Mandala (11am-2pm)
++ THE BLUESMAN ++

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER
Barron Falls Hotel (5.30-8.30pm)
++ TROPIC THUNDER ++

SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER
Cafe Mandala (11am-2pm)
++ FRANKO BRASILEIRO ++

FRIDAY 27TH DECEMBER
Barron Falls Hotel (5.30-8.30pm)
++ MANTAKA BAND ++

NEW YEAR'S EVE
Barron Falls Hotel (5pm-2.00am)
++ MANTAKA BAND ++

Blessings for Peace and Harmony for 2020

Festival of Small Halls Summer Tour

Koah Hall, Wednesday 4th December 2019

For the third year running Koah Hall will be delivering a slice of the magic of the world renowned Woodford Folk Festival to Far North Queensland as part of **The Festival of Small Halls Summer Tour**.

Headlining this year's tour are award-winning British singer, songwriter and guitarist, **BLAIR DUNLOP** (ENG) and the well renowned and ever popular **HAT FITZ AND CARA** (AUS).

Blair Dunlop has now released three albums, two EPs and toured widely around the globe. All of this in a short four-year career is astounding alone, but what sets **Blair** apart from his peers is the lyrical and musical maturity with which he writes. Blair has now cemented his place as one of Britain's most exciting talents to come from the folk scene.

Hat Fitz & Cara's musical style is a unique combination of folk, roots and gospel blues with old time flavourings reminiscent of a time once forgotten. Together this pair will take you on a musical journey with ample, boisterous highs, and longing, bluesy lows. From the Australian outback to the Canadian shield, **Hat Fitz & Cara** put on a show that is guaranteed to energise and invigorate.

A 2018 interview found on **Hat Fitz and**



Hat Fitz & Cara

Cara describes them as: "Festival favourites throughout Canada, America, Australia, Europe, and the UK and it has been said they pack more energy into one song than most have in an entire career". At the Wallaby Creek Festival last month, **Darren Fitzpatrick (Hat Fitz)** was proudly claimed as a Cooktownner.

The Koah Hall is thrilled to announce that **BLUE REED** will be bringing that local flavour to the **Festival of Small Halls on Wednesday 4th December**.

Blue Reed play gypsy swing in the style of Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli. Sometimes fast and furious like the Captain Cook Highway on a busy Friday, or slow and seductive like the lazy Barron River on a Sunday afternoon. In the repertoire you will also find some classics as and well known tunes given the gypsy swing touch.

Holding down the low end on double bass is **Dave Hart**, a seasoned performer in the Cairns region for so many years we forgot to count them. **Steve Baker** on 1st guitar, is an all-round good guy and champion for the arts in all their forms, and from Kuranda, **David Breeze** on 2nd guitar, a guitarist for all seasons.

Tickets for this event are available for cash purchase at the Kuranda Information Centre and also online at: iwannaticket.com.au/event/festival-of-small-halls-summer-tour

See Gig Guide for more details.

For a small village in the rainforest, Kuranda is blessed with a wealth of local musical talent. We have some mighty fine musicians and artists booked in for gigs in K-Town during December, so please be sure to check the **Gig Guide** to see when and where your favourites are playing...

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Toshi Sakamoto

The Top Pub (a.k.a. The Barron Falls Hotel) are super pumped to be opening the Deck for regular **Open Mic Session** on the **first Sunday of the month from 3.00-6.00pm, hosted by Cliff De Silva**, with guest appearances by the **Muddy Barron Shakers**.

Koah Markets welcomes soulful **Toshi Sakamoto** as this month's visiting market musician. **Toshi** will be busking at the **Koah December Markets** on **Saturday 7th December**. With regular

Music in December

performances at The Orb in Atherton, and recently at the Speewah Country Tavern, **Toshi** would love to meet you and sing his original folk songs to you.

After a resoundingly popular night with the locals, **The Walker Brothers** will have you dancing again at the **Barron Falls Hotel** on **Friday 13th December** and Cairns based **Harmonique** on the 6th December..

And to bring 2019 to a close, Kuranda legends, **Mantaka** are playing at the **Top Pub** on **Friday 27th December** as well as on **New Year's Eve**.



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Well the festive season is upon us and as we prepare for the end of year and hopefully a wet season, it's a busy time for the Amphitheatre. A very busy year in fact with many hires, NAIDOC Celebrations, Xavier Rudd, Katchafire & Bobby Alu, Members Night, Working Bees, grant applications and, of course, the administration.

Our community venue sits on quite a big patch of land and takes a lot of maintenance. So, a BIG THANK YOU to **Tim Gronwold** and **Mandy Dewey** who oversee the site and do so much work voluntarily. You are both amazing!!! Also a big thank you to **Scotty Sam** who does such beautiful garden work, whipper-snipping and mowing all those areas that we as volunteers couldn't possibly keep up with. Love your work.

In November we had quite a few community hires and our **Dinner on the Terraces**. Our **Membership Drive 'Curry Night'** was a great success with many attending. The venue looked particularly beautiful, lit up for the event. It was great to see a lot of the old Amphitheatre crowd there, with past Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Committee members, Thespians, active volunteers and some new faces as well. The entertainment by **Luna and friends**, and even a poem from **David Jones**, topped off the night and was perfect for the event. Thank you! Thank you to the people who took some great photos on the night as well! We are looking at doing another Membership Drive Curry Night early in 2020 after our AGM in February.

On Saturday 14th December we have a night with **Pete McCabe** to celebrate **20 years of broadcasting Gecko FM**. "**Dr Gecko's Christmas Radio Cabaret**" Food and Bar available, starting at 7.00pm. There will be more info from Pete in *The Kuranda Paper* and on Facebook. That will be a funny, entertaining night! This will be our last event for 2019 so our Management Committee and active volunteers have a well-earned break before getting organised for 2020 and our AGM.

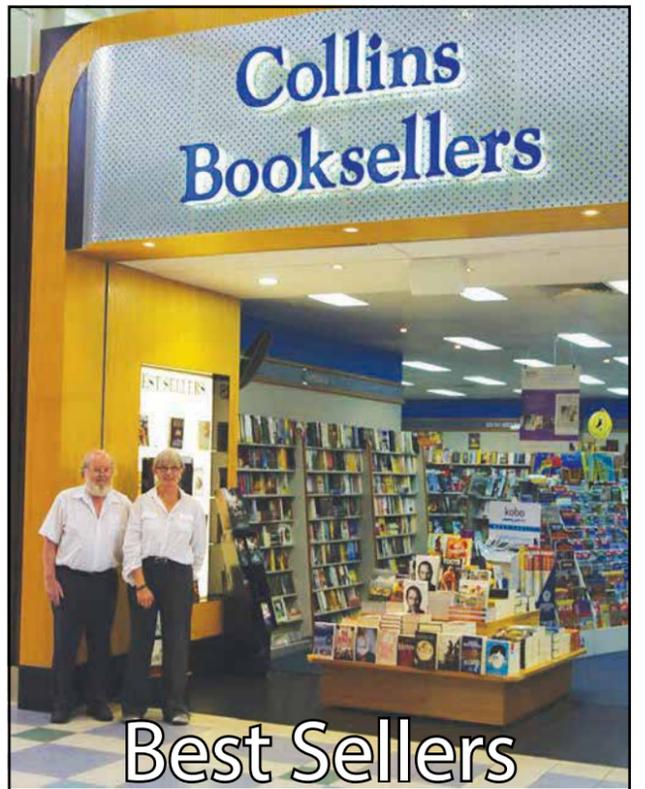
A big shout out to all the Amphitheatre Volunteers who worked through 2019 and patrons who attended events. The venue is here because of you. We have had a great, forward thinking Committee this year, a very hands-on team who have worked together to produce some wonderful events and to maintain, upgrade and administrate this very special Community venue.

Thank you to those who keep the Amphitheatre alive and well! Congratulations to all.

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year Kuranda. See you in 2020.



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The underside of a typical female with yellow joints.



A massive female Golden Orb-weaver with a tiny male on her back.

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Golden Giants of the Rainforest

know the feeling of walking face-first into the enormous sticky web of the Golden Orb-weaver (*Nephila pilipes*). It's nice you don't forget, and despite your reaction, you can bet the spider is having an even bigger panic as its entire home is on your head. Despite the angst that such an experience may cause, these massive spiders pose little threat to us and are

species of Golden orb-weavers in Australia, our local rainforest species being by far the largest. *Nephila pilipes* are found in the Top End and are an iconic arachnid of the wet-tropics. One of the smaller species (*Trichonephila edulis*) is found just south, in the open forest and savannah scrub. It is occasionally found as close to Kuranda as Speewah, but prefers dryer larger rainforest cousin.

Construct massive webs; the actual web (orb-section) can span a metre and the guide-lines can span six metres. These spiders spin webs day and night and catch a wide array of flying insects. By the time they are mature, the webs of large females can consist of flying insects, but can entangle microbats and small birds. There are two female colour forms of this web-building common colour form have black legs with bright yellow joints, less common are those with red legs and black joints.

In comparison to the immense females. They grow only a little over 1cm in leg span and are red in colour. Once mature, they spin webs and spend their relatively short lives looking for females. They can often be seen in the webs of the females, and, actually sitting upon the females themselves.

They also attract other visitors to their webs; most commonly Thief Spiders (*Argyrodes spp.*). Thief Spiders are small and so can easily be confused with male Golden Orb-weavers, but have a more bulbous body shape. They hang around for a while; to steal food from the web of the Golden Orb-weaver. Their small size allows them to sneak around on the web and they have been become trapped. At times, they also sneak up and snack on larger food items – while the giant Golden Orb-weaver!

When fed, female *Nephila pilipes* go to the ground to lay their precious eggs in layers of fluffy creamy-yellow on the soil or beneath leaf litter. They have nothing more to do, and in some cases, it is one of the last acts of their lives usually produce two egg sacs in their lives, but it depends on the availability of food.

Young spiderlings will emerge from the egg sac around a month after hatching being one of the largest spiders in our region, they are as one of the smallest, but there are masses of them. Many golden-yellow spiderlings usually appear in a cluster close to where the egg sac was buried. They often remain in that period of time, before letting out silk and allowing themselves to be carried off to new homes – a process called ballooning and they will construct tiny individual orb-webs and over time, only a select few will survive to make it to maturity.

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A Thief Spider (*Argyrodes species*).



A mass of newly emerged Golden Orb-weaver spiderlings.

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Working as a registered nurse for the last 13 years, I have had the privilege of being there for patients and families at the end of life. I found that not being prepared and informed can be most distressing at this very important transitional time for all involved. There can be many aspects to the journey from legal, medical, logistical, emotional, spiritual and possibly religious that require your input and values.

I have found it very rewarding and a privilege to be able to offer information and support to those people. Training with Helen Callanan — Preparing the Way Courses has given me ongoing connection for personal development and professional education. This is how I wish to work in my community, and I can assist you with planning and preparing your wishes to facilitate a supported journey for you by looking at options and accessing resources to enable the journey to be how you would like it to be.

Through consultation with you and your loved ones, we can look at what to expect, how to prepare and make informed choices.

All enquiries are welcome whether they be personal or professional.

Bec Nind

What is an End-of-Life-Doula?

Doula: this word originated from Greece and translated means “woman of service”. A Doula is not a new concept, historically they have been active in many cultures and communities for thousands of years. As Birth Doulas provide support to women during pregnancy, birth and into parenthood an End-of-Life-Doula provides support with the end of life journey.

How can a Doula assist me?

A Doula is a non-medical role, the Doula is there to accompany and support you. The Doula will not lead, or direct you but will provide resources and information to enable your choices and wishes to be carried out. This may involve legal, logistical, emotional, physical and spiritual aspects of planning.

When should I engage an end of life Doula?

Planning for the end of our life is as important as planning for other significant events in our lives. So this involves thinking about how this may look, how you wish to be cared for, by whom and where.

It involves having conversations with significant others, friends and family. It involves exploring options, being informed and not leaving it up to others in a time of emotional distress.

Where can I find a Doula?

You can currently find a Doula through: **The Australian Doula College** at: <http://www.endoflifedouladirectory.com.au>

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Beccy Cole, with eleven Golden Guitars to her name, as well as multiple ARIA Top 10 Country and Top 40 Mainstream albums, three gold-certified releases, and more than a dozen No.1 Australian country singles, Beccy is one of Australia's most successful singer-songwriters. She is also a most sought after live performer, having a reputation for bringing an audience to fever pitch and quite often, stomach clutching laughter!

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A Grinter's Tale

I suppose it's apt to say that 2019 has been shot down in flames. What a tragic ending to a tumultuous year, in which climate change has featured strongly and Prince Andrew capped the year by proving beyond doubt that the Windsors are capable of creating more drama than Home and Away.

As I write this, Biboohra is burning. I have a friend there who owns two of my previous knackery bound rescue horses, and I couldn't reach her on her landline (which never worked properly); she doesn't use social media, and they have no mobile reception. In desperation, I sent an email. I've just had a reply. She tells me their phone line is intermittent, that the technician who visited them when they moved there from Julatten said Telstra wasn't going to maintain their landline anyway, because the line is old and not worth repairing because there aren't too many residents in the area. It seems that technical progress only benefits the big corporations, whilst for most of us it just means losing our jobs and businesses to the internet, computerisation and soon, robots.

Fortunately her husband has taken all steps to mitigate risk to themselves, their wooden home, stables and sheds, with significant fire breaks in place. Ask any of your local fire brigade members about just how many people fail to clean up around their properties, make firebreaks or remove flammable materials from around the home. You would be amazed how many people put others' lives at risk by neglecting responsibility.

I spent a short time as a fire in the local brigade and remain very glad of the learning opportunity it provided. I have a far greater understanding of the mechanics of bushfire now and a huge appreciation for the amazing efforts of our Rural Fire Service. Unfortunately, not fear of fire, but the claustrophobia of wearing an all encompassing helmet got the better of me, a bit like my scuba diving experiences. In addition, I kept falling over my own big feet in my even bigger fire resistant boots, so I was probably a liability on the fireground. It reminded me of trying to get my huge parachuting boots out from underneath my folded frame on jump run. Once unfolded, we'd step out alone onto a tiny steel protuberance and balance for a moment before launching oneself into the unknown. That was actually the worst part of every jump. Anyway, after the recent conflagrations, I am considering returning to the Fire Service, if only to work on the outer rims of the fire in mitigating flare ups.

Since my training and experience on the fireground, I find myself looking at many local properties in horror at their ill preparedness for a bush fire event. Visiting a friend in Koah the other day, I drove past six or seven houses in her road that are nothing short of a disaster waiting to happen. It's a bit like cyclones...

I lived in Clifton Beach in 1979, when cyclones would see us excused from work because Thomatis Creek and the Barron River would inundate the highway, which in those days comprised only one lane in either direction. Occasionally an idiot would attempt a crossing at high tide,

with disastrous results, although amazingly I don't recall any deaths. A helicopter would land at the then caravan park/local shop on the corner of Clifton Road to deliver essentials, and sometimes we were marooned for the better part of a week.



The wet season came in November in those days, the build up of storms in the late afternoon was followed by cooling rain at night, followed by pleasant mornings gradually building up to a steamy noon, then the whole process would repeat itself. Generally, in preparation for the cyclone season, people started clearing their properties of loose materials around that time. Over later years, new residential developments started springing up in earnest, and a long period without cyclones lulled everyone into a false sense of security that appears to have persisted in the lack of a direct hit over recent years.

Hours before Cyclone Yasi, scared for my horses' safety in the adjacent paddock, I was dispersing a huge rubbish

heap left on the building site next door by a prominent Cairns building company. I phoned the company two days before to ask them to come and remove sheets of iron and masses of wood and construction rubbish and they promised to attend to it promptly. When I phoned after Yasi to complain that I had to abandon clear up initiatives in my own home to remove their more dangerous detritus in their absence, the business owner thanked me for allowing him to have time to keep his family safe. I was speechless.

The moral of my story is, clean up your own backyard. Although perhaps technically it wasn't his backyard, but as builder, he was responsible.

Cyclone or fire, your apathy could kill someone else if it doesn't kill you. I don't know about anyone else, but I don't ever want to find myself responsible for a neighbour's house going up in flames because I failed to remove vegetation or rubbish providing fuel for a fire that could send an ember into my neighbour's gutter and destroy their home and their life. I don't want to be responsible for the removal of a horse's head five doors away because I left a sheet of iron on the ground for a cyclone to throw down the road like a paper plate.

'Prevention is better than cure' has taken on a whole new meaning in the last month as we watch the result of apathy and irresponsible legislation that helped to create a fuel load that fried Australia's outer skin to a crisp, roasted turkeys before their time, left innumerable people and native animals homeless and decimated our wildlife and the already flagging spirit of a nation.

Unfortunately the clean slate with which we will start 2020 is in fact bare, scorched earth, but let's pray for rain to wash the negatives of 2019 away, fill our dams and restore the earth and our faith.

I'm putting bets on rain materialising after the Speewah Car Boot Sale on 1 December. We seem to be very good at bringing it on, but I have to admit I have asked for special dispensation from above for the day itself.

I like the sound of 2020, it has a better ring to it and it's going to be a much better year, so we'll celebrate that and the lessons learned from 2019.

Maybe Christmas is a good time to start – invite someone to join your Christmas, someone who doesn't have family. Put a wrapped present under the charity Christmas tree in the shopping centres; send a donation to Drought Angels; buy your Christmas presents at shops owned by locals.

Smile at everyone, especially those who barge through the door you've held open for them without a "thank you", or walk into you while texting.

Be the change you want to see in the world. My favourite quote.

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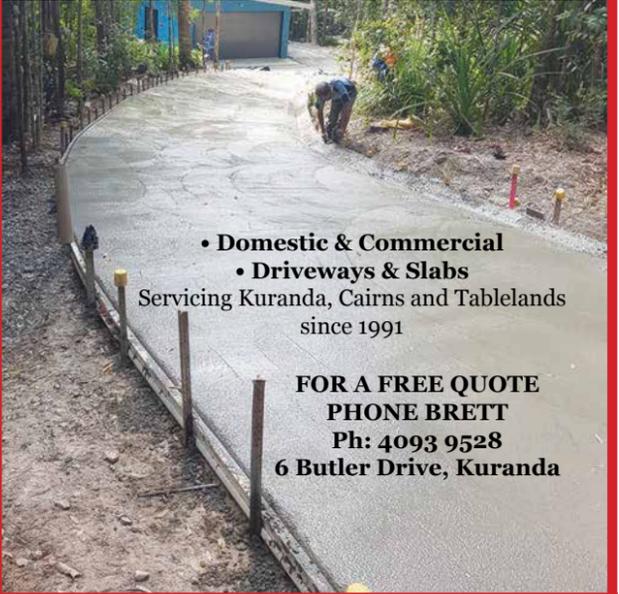
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The Mareeba Shire Council holds annual Australia Day Awards to celebrate the outstanding achievements of individuals and groups in the region. Nominations must be received by 3.00pm Monday 16 December 2019 or postmarked 16 December 2019.

The judging panel will determine awards based upon application, in order of merit. The panel will award a group, event or citizen of its choice with an Australia Day Award. Awards will be given for outstanding contribution in the sporting, community and cultural fields.

Nominate online or access the nomination form via Mareeba Shire Council website.



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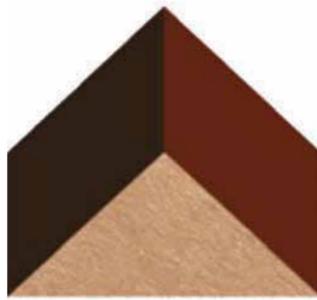
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Kuranda Men's Shed

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A portable cutting tool used to make boards too short.

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An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

WIRE WHEEL:

Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh oh'.

DRILL PRESS:

A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

CHANNEL LOCKS:

Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

HACKSAW:

One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle...

It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

VICE-GRIPS:

Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads.

If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH:

Used almost entirely for igniting various flammable objects in your shop and creating a fire.

Also handy for igniting the grease

Tales From The Crypt Shed

Handy Description Of Tools From The Kuranda Men's Shed...

inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race.

TABLE SAW:

A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

Very effective for digit removal !!

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK:

Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

BAND SAW:

A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut large pieces into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST:

A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of all the stuff you forgot to disconnect.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER:

Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER:

A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

PRY BAR:

A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

PVC PIPE CUTTER:

A tool used to make plastic pipe too short.

HAMMER:

Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent to the object we are trying to hit.

UTILITY KNIFE:

Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door. Works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

For those readers who have been wondering what Eddy's tomatoes look like (see November edition of *The Kuranda Paper*) here they are with the proud owner.

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KNC AGM: The KNC AGM was held on 18th November. The Management Committee (Board) now consists of Jennifer McHugh (President/Chairperson), Cate Lamont (Vice-President), Robyn King (Treasurer), Peter North (Secretary), JoAnne Pine (General Member and minute taker), Roger Harvey (General Member), Sarah-Jane Hart (General Member) and Fran Hynes (General Member). Fran Hynes was thanked for her service as President for the past five years. If you wish to become a financial member of the KNC, please contact Marg on 4093 8933 or coordinator@kurandanc.org.au. The membership fee is \$4.40 per year.

Family Support Worker Position:

KNC has finalised recruitment of the Family Support Worker position with Ceri Hughes being the successful candidate. Ceri will finish the temporary contract and start permanently in the position in January.

The Neighbourhood Nest:

The last few months have seen increasing activities in the 'Nest' which is the converted garage space at the Centre.

Time for Grandparents Program:

This program supports grandparents who have children in their care. Drop in and see Ceri to discuss what this service could do for you and pick up a brochure.

EPIC (Empowering Parents In Community):

This group meets on Wednesdays from 10am in the Nest to provide information, support and connection among parents with before school aged children. Drop in, have a cuppa and chat.

The Commissioner's Christmas Food Drive:

The Mareeba Shire Council Mayor's Christmas Appeal and Salvation Army Toys donation: The Kuranda Police Station is a drop off point for the food drive seeking donations of non-perishable food items for the Queensland Police Commissioner's Christmas Food Drive. Donated items will be distributed via the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre in conjunction with the crisis food pantry, the Mareeba Shire Mayor's Christmas Appeal vouchers for Christmas and toys from the Salvation Army Tablelands. Please donate to any of these causes to help vulnerable and disadvantaged people in the Kuranda District have a better Christmas. To find out more, please contact Ceri or Marg at the Centre.

NILS: The No Interest Loan Scheme is back in operation. There have been some changes to the processes and requirements for documentation. It is now an online application that one of our workers will go through with you and a number of documents need to

up-loaded. This may create some delays, however, we will be trying to make this as smooth as possible. Thank you for your patience. The amount that can be borrowed has increased from \$1000 to \$1200 and loans are assessed based on willingness and ability to repay (through a budget assessment) and being a resident of at least three months locally.

KNC Street Pantry:

The street pantry is currently in construction by the Kuranda Men's Shed and will be located at the front of the Neighbourhood Centre. The model is based on people in communities donating to the pantry so that others who need basic food or emergency items can access them 24 hours per day. Donations of personal items (toothbrushes, deodorant etc) and non-perishable foods (tinned or packaged) will be sought to get this great new program started. Please contact the Centre if you want to know more.



Best wishes to all over the
Christmas break

New Year's resolution? Catch up with us at the free Craft gathering third Wednesday each month 9.30am starting 19th February. Our low numbers need boosting! Anyone keen to share craft skills?

Learn new skills? Just come in for a social get together with a friend. An opportunity too, for fundraising brainstorming.

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I would be strong, for there is much to suffer;
I would be brave, for there is much to dare;
I would be friend to all – the foe – the friendless;
I would be giving and forget the gift;
I would be humble for I know my weakness;
I would look up – and laugh – and love – and lift.

Rent of the Hall and regular events help our objective to raise funds - including at present the drought and fire afflicted areas – check out the QCWA web site.

So many thanks for the raffle prizes donated at the recent Melbourne Cup fun day by John Sinclair of Innovations D.I.Y Pty. Ltd. Kuranda for his Whirligig solar powered clothesline, Foodworks Kuranda for their thoughtfully presented basket of tantalising nibbles and spreads and Colleen Blunt for her Mosaic pot.

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SUMMER DIPS



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Best Vegan Queso (Ever)

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Cuisine: Mexican, Servings: 12

Ingredients: 1 cup boiled potato, 4 garlic cloves peeled, 1 teaspoon garlic powder, 3/4 cup raw cashews soaked overnight, 1 cup vegetable broth, 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice, 1 cup coconut milk unsweetened (full fat), 150gm can chopped mild chiles, 150gm can chopped pickled jalapeños divided and drained (reserve juice), 1 tablespoon pickled jalapeno juice, 1 teaspoon cumin, 1 teaspoon tapioca starch (optional, for thicker texture), dash turmeric (optional, for colour), 1-2 teaspoons salt, 1/4

cup each of chopped tomatoes and jalapenos, fresh coriander chopped, if desired for garnish or fresh mint if preferred.

Instructions: Combine everything except for 1/4 cup chopped pickled jalapeños and tomatoes in a high-speed blender. Start with 1 teaspoon salt. Blend until very smooth. Transfer mix to a saucepan and heat over medium-low heat until desired consistency, stirring constantly so as not to burn the bottom. Taste and add extra salt if desired. Pour into a serving bowl and stir in the 1/4 cup chopped pickled jalapeños and tomatoes. Garnish and serve, either hot or cold. NOTE: Keep any leftover in an airtight container in fridge up to 5 days. When reheating, add unsweetened almond milk, if desired, to thin to desired consistency.

Muhammara (Roasted Red Pepper & Walnut Dip)

via connoisseursveg.com

Cuisine: Middle Eastern, Servings: 6

Ingredients: 3 to 4 fresh red peppers, 1/4 cup olive oil, 1 cup shelled walnuts, 1/2 cup chopped scallions, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1 tablespoon pomegranate molasses, 1 garlic clove (peeled), 1 teaspoon ground cumin, 1 teaspoon paprika, 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper, or to taste, salt to taste, 1/2 cup panko

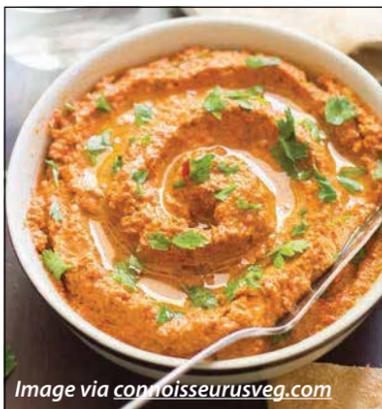


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breadcrumbs. For Serving: extra 2 teaspoons olive oil, chopped parsley. NOTE: if you want to try using jarred roasted red peppers, you'll need about 1 1/2 cups. Press out as much moisture as you can before blending.

Panko Breadcrumbs Note: Panko is a type of breadcrumb (the word panko is Japanese – “pan” meaning bread and “ko” meaning flour), also referred to as Japanese breadcrumbs. A typical panko ingredient list reads wheat flour, yeast, oil, and salt. Panko is not gluten free, but it is nearly always vegan. Homemade panko can be with simple white bread. Approximately half of a loaf will make a baking pan of panko. Cut off the crusts. Cut those squares in half and use the grater disc on your food processor to grate the bread. Spread the crumbs on a rimmed baking sheet and bake at 140°C for 10 minutes, stirring every 2 minutes. The goal is for every crumb to be dry and crispy, but not browned. Let the crumbs cool completely. Once cooled, they're ready to use or for storage. Place in a large resealable bag in the pantry for several weeks, or freeze for longer storage.

Ingredients: Preheat the oven to 400°. Cut the peppers in half and remove the stems and seeds. Lightly rub the peppers with about 2 teaspoons of oil and arrange them on a baking sheet or in a roasting pan. Bake until the skins begin to blister and brown, about 45 minutes. Remove the peppers from the oven and allow them to sit until they're cool enough to handle. When the peppers are cool, gently peel off the skins. Place the peppers into the bowl of a food processor, along with 1/4 cup of olive oil, the walnuts, scallions, lemon juice, pomegranate molasses, garlic, cumin, paprika, and cayenne pepper. Blend until smooth, then taste test, season with salt, and adjust any other seasonings to your liking. Add in the panko breadcrumbs and pulse just until incorporated. The mixture should be nice and thick. Scoop the mixture into a bowl and drizzle with olive oil. Sprinkle with parsley.

WHAT TO SLIP IN YOUR DIP...

In addition to the usual chips, crackers, breads etc consider giving your dips the French treatment with a variety of crudités (meaning raw things) which are both healthy and kinder to waistlines. In addition, the vibrant colours of vegetables, fruit and herbs give a visual invitation to jump in.

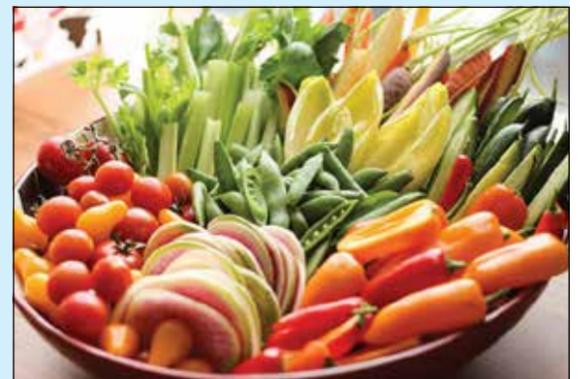


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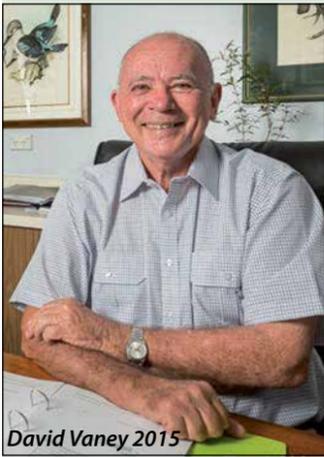
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Christmas Greetings from the Mayor

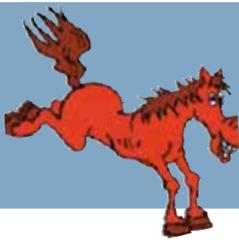
As we prepare to celebrate Christmas with our families and friends, it is important to take the time to reflect on the past year – our achievements, and of course the challenges we have overcome, and also think about the hopes and goals we hold for the New Year ahead.

The essence of Christmas is, of course, a time of charity and goodwill to the whole of mankind, irrespective of race, colour or creed. It is a time to remember those within our community who are less fortunate than ourselves and to assist in making Christmas celebrations memorable and a time of joy, especially for the children, as Christmas is traditionally a magical time for them.

I sincerely thank all those who have given so generously of what they can to support the Mayor's Christmas Appeal to assist our local families in need.

On behalf of Councillors and staff of the Mareeba Shire Council, I wish everyone a very wonderful Christmas and a rewarding New Year.

Tom Gilmore
Mayor

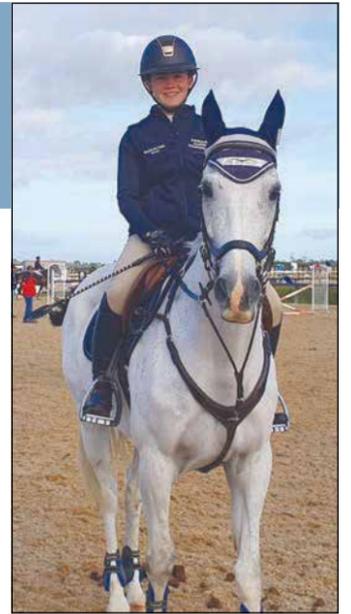


Kuranda Horse and Pony Club

What a wonderful last rally and break up day all riders had on Sunday 24th November. The riders and horses were treated to a swim in the river followed by a great lunch and end of year presentation. Thank you to Suzanne and Di for another great year of instructing and supporting the riders and the fellow committee members Lara, Dan and Christine and to our wonderful members and families. Also, a big thank you to Cosi and Jimi our caretakers – you do an amazing job keeping the grounds looking so good.

A huge congratulations for the achievements of the Hewitt-Toms sisters who competed at the Australian Showjumping Championships at Boneo. Olivia (*below left*) came 4th overall in the Children's Championship and Jamie (*above right*) and Salty made it into the final of The Juniors, with Jamie part of the Queensland Junior Team placing second. This is such a credit to the small town of Kuranda to have these sisters representing at such a high level. We all look forward to following their achievements in 2020.

On behalf of the Kuranda Horse and Pony Club we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful new year. Our first rally for the year will be held in March, if you are interested in joining please call Di on 0400 930 379.



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Upcoming Elections in the Mareeba Shire

Next year there will be two elections of consequence for Kuranda residents:

- **28th March** will see Local Body elections throughout Queensland and a new Mareeba Shire Council voted in.
- There will also be a State election on **Saturday, 31st October**.

Queensland is transitioning to four-year parliamentary terms following a referendum in 2016. Local body elections are held on the last Saturday in March and State elections on the last Saturday in October.

Mareeba Shire is one of 77 local body areas in Queensland. The Mareeba Shire Council area is undivided and voters will elect all the councillors for our area. (In a divided council, such as Cairns, the shire is separated into divisions and voters elect a councillor to represent their division.)

There are 93 State electorates in Queensland. At the October election Kuranda voters will be selecting a Member of Parliament for the Barron River electorate and Mareeba residents will be voting in Cook.

Many of our readers may have turned 18 recently or be newcomers to the Australian Electoral system and be unaware of their obligations. Voting is compulsory for all Queenslanders. If you don't vote, you may receive a fine.

It's compulsory to enrol and vote in council, state and federal government elections if you:

- are an Australian citizen or eligible British subject (were enrolled to vote in 1984 and were a permanent resident);
- are aged 18 years or over; and
- have lived at your address for at least one month.

Additionally, 16 and 17 year olds may enrol provisionally. Once provisionally enrolled, they'll receive a full voting entitlement on their 18th birthday.

Those wishing to enrol may do so by going to the Australian Electoral Commission website: www.aec.gov.au. If you have recently moved to the area and want to check if you are enrolled or not you may also go to the same site.

Forms are available from Australia Post or the AEC itself: Special enrolment categories and enrolment forms are available for people with specific needs. For instance:

- no fixed address
- overseas electors
- special postal voters
- people with privacy concerns.

Once you've enrolled, your name and address will be added to the electoral roll.

Mareeba Shire Council Holiday Closures

NOTE: the after-hours team will be on call to assist with any critical issues

- Rubbish collection services will operate as normal! If your collection day is on Christmas Day or New Year's Day, your bin will still be collected.
- Transfer stations will also operate as normal, only closing on Christmas Day.
- If your dog escapes over the Christmas period, contact the Mareeba Animal Refuge directly to be reunited. Phone 4092 3060.
- Visit Council's website for swimming pool opening times over the Christmas period.



Mareeba Shire Council offices and libraries will close at 1.00pm on Friday 20 December 2019 and will re-open on Monday 6 January 2020.

Council's after hours service will operate during these periods, and staff will be available to deal with critical and emergency issues.

Season's Greetings

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Early nominees for Mareeba Shire Council Election March 2020

MSC Cr Mary Graham



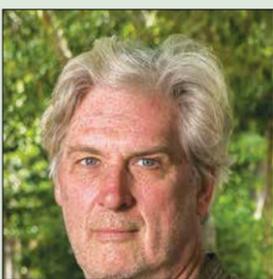
I have had the privilege of being a councillor since de-amalgamation, and along with my fellow councillors have kept the focus on financial stability while still managing to complete major infrastructure like the Barang Street pump station, Centenary Park refurbishment and the

major upgrade of Therwine Street.

During my time as councillor I have been involved with various committees throughout the shire such as Relay for Life, The Multicultural Festival, Mareeba Heritage Committee and Flexichoice.

If given the privilege once again to serve this wonderful shire I will continue to keep the focus on financial stability as well as maintaining the infrastructure and services that are required to service our community, but also continue to look for opportunities to further grow the shire so that the job opportunities are there for the next generation.

John Brisbin



When John Brisbin arrived in Australia in 1995 it felt like coming home. "It's a bit like falling in love, really...I'm so fortunate to have been welcomed to this country."

A native of the USA, John and his young family settled in Mount Molloy seven years ago

where he has been an active contributor to local groups. He recently completed four years as the elected Chair of Northern Gulf NRM, he's been elected to Queensland's peak Landcare organisation, and he's a founding Director of the Far North Queensland Gingers and Turmeric Coop. John's vision for Council includes a focus on community resilience, sustainable agriculture, and a healthy, inclusive future. "Mareeba Shire has a fascinating history. It's a powerful story of persistence and adaptation to change. We are poised to grow into a beautiful future. I'm ready to serve the community and be a strong voice on Council."

A Statement from MSC Cr Nipper Brown



I would like to announce that I will be nominating for the position of Mayor of the Mareeba Shire Council in the upcoming Local Government elections. It has been a huge honour to serve the people of Mareeba Shire, including Kuranda, as councillor for the past six years, to be part of a unified team rebuilding our shire, laying the foundations for a sound financial long term future, encouraging industry and growth and completing important infrastructure projects across the whole shire. This Council and the previous one have set the framework for us to prosper, while maintaining service levels in our core business of Roads Rates and Rubbish. I will continue to follow this financial roadmap, always looking for opportunities to lighten the financial demand on our ratepayers, continuing to lobby appropriate bodies for positive outcomes of items of interest for the shire, such as lobbying Main Roads for much needed upgrades to Oontann and Chillagoe, also Queensland Health and Water security. These items are not our core business but of crucial interest to the betterment of our shire.

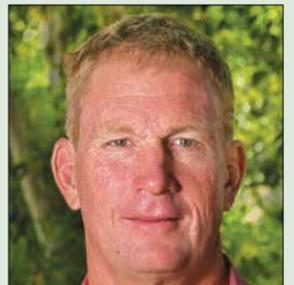
I have always taken pride in providing access to myself right across all corners of our shire. I have been, even before becoming a councillor, heavily involved with community and sporting groups, having a hands on approach. If that means serving behind the bar, cooking a BBQ or being an act at a variety night, I am there on the front line with any group. As Mayor, this work ethic and involvement will continue. I want all sporting and community clubs to be strong, because this will present opportunities and programs for our youth. This could be the deciding factor for a family to relocate to our shire.

I am and always will be approachable, unbiased, open and honest. I believe as Mayor and councillors we should be so. I shall continue to seek better local participation, encouraging local jobs across Council. I do, and will always, advocate for local jobs; the more jobs with local people, the stronger the economy.

I have been on the board of the local tourism body for the past 4 years and believe we need to explore and develop event tourism further. If we can have a major event happening monthly, attracting 5,000 followers, 60,000 people spend money in our shire. I would like to see the Kuranda Spring Festival returned.

Thanks for taking the time to read this and I wish you all a very merry Xmas and a safe and joyous new year. If you see me, say hello and have a chat.

MSC Cr Kevin Davies

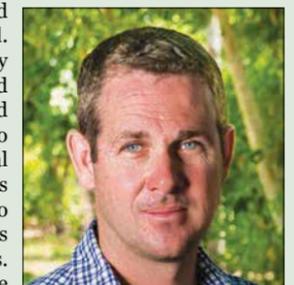


I have lived, worked and called Mareeba Shire home for over 45 years, working in local government for 26 of them. When I was elected onto Council in 2016 it was indeed an honour and a privilege and one that I have taken very seriously.

I have enjoyed the challenges that the position brings with it, and it has been rewarding knowing that the Shire is financially sustainable and continuing to improve and maintain infrastructure such as roads, sewerage and water.

I would like to continue to serve the communities of Mareeba Shire and build on the foundations that have been achieved over the last four years. That is why I have decided to stand for re-election as Councillor in the next local government elections in March 2020.

Locky Bensted



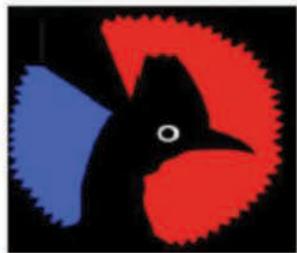
Locky Bensted, 34, attended Mareeba State High School. He is an engaged community member who has connected with others in town and rurally, working as a Rodeo announcer at most local rodeo and campdraft events around FNQ. Locky also helps local charity events with his auctioneering skills. "The Mareeba Shire Council is in a sound

position following de-amalgamation, thanks to the current leadership team. As a long-term resident and small business owner, I thank the Mareeba Shire Council councillors and staff for their efforts and wish those who are not seeking re-election a happy retirement".

I want to become part of a productive Council not a reactive one and believe that a simple but fresh, enthusiastic and innovative approach to this next council would allow this Shire to continue to prosper".

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After weeks or months out of sight, cassowaries are returning to the places we are used to seeing them, bringing their new offspring with them. This means they are crossing roads and coming into backyards. Please let us know if you see such a cassowary.

Kuranda Conservation is your official community group regarding cassowaries. We sit on the federally appointed Cassowary Recovery Team, meaning our local issues are shared nationally. We hear about new laws protecting these birds and influence the decisions made about them. We also hear about innovative road design and tracking technology.

Your reporting goes onto the national database and helps us keep track of cassowaries.

Thanks to Warren and Melissa Clinton of the Kuranda Riverboat for their time in showing us through Elvis's habitat. We're investigating how we might keep him and his chicks from crossing the Kennedy Hwy.

Our HOLIDAY MESSAGE to you:

- ⊗ Keep safe
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- ⊗ Have a great holiday break. Keep cool.

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Kuranda Tree Frog Logo and T-shirt designs

A huge thank you to the 55 entrants to our logo and T-shirt competition, from Kuranda, Cairns and Townsville! The Judges' task was very difficult and over 120 People's Choice category voters were decisive. See our website for all category winners. Here are some of the Adult category entry winners:



And some of the Junior category winners



And an especially big thank you to our prize sponsors for their generous support – Wildlife TNQ Mega and Family Passes, QRail Kuranda Scenic Railway Family pass, David Stacey prints, Frogs Restaurant vouchers, Wet Tropics Management Authority Books and posters, Kuranda Envirocare book sets and bookmarks and Dr Conrad Hoskins for the Rainforest Frogs of the Wet Tropics books.



Tropical Tree Planting day & Year end BBQ
Saturday 7th December 3.00pm

A final community planting and BBQ for the year to celebrate Tropical Tree planting day. Bring the kids, they'll have fun, holes will be dug, just need to plant each tree and when we're done, enjoy a quality burger with the neighbourhood. Call Cathy 0419 624 940 to register (veggie, vegan, gluten free catered).
Photo: Leah and kids holding their "pot-a-pythons".



Cain Creek Restoration Project Planning

Any landholders adjoining Cain Creek or Owen Creek, who are interested in discussing what is being planned and how they could benefit from being involved, please contact Cathy on 0419 624 940. *Photo: Birds eye view of Cain Creek rail and road crossings*



Protecting Our Forests

10 locals have put their land forward for covenants

Our local NRM organisation has some funding available for protection of cassowary habitat and 10 of our local landholders have put their land forward for covenanting. Fingers crossed for an early Xmas present and "good on" those forward thinkers. If you'd like to find out more about covenants, contact Cathy 0419 624 940 or Jax 07 4093 8834

Date Claimers

- Saturday 7th December 3.00pm Community Planting at Russet Park riverside followed by a free BBQ at 5.00pm for Russet Park residents. Call Cathy on 0419 624 940 to register
- Saturday Conservation activities – Watering and Maintenance for this month. Meet at nursery 284 Myola Road at 7.30am. Call Margaret on 0478 676 122. Email info@envirocare.org.au to be placed on the regular email list.
- Nursery closure 23rd December to 5th January. By appointment ring Margaret 0478 676 122 *Wednesday 25th December. Reserve this day for you and yours, for peace, goodwill and good cheer.*

Merry Xmas and see you all in the New Year

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T-shirt Fundraiser
RAFFLE

The Yellow Crazy Ant Community Taskforce is holding a raffle to raise funds for t-shirts to recognise our dedicated community taskforce volunteers. The raffle features seven prize draws with the lucky winners heading out to the Great Barrier Reef. These great prizes have been generously donated by SNUBA® Down Under, Reef Magic Cruises and Compass Cruises.

Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5 for your chance to win a great day out on the reef—an opportunity you don't want to miss!

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RAFFLE TICKETS

Available through the YCA Community Taskforce coordinator Ciara Bridgland
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Tim Brown and Bernd Seidl assisted with the delivery of the information session. If you know of a community group that would be interested in learning about yellow crazy ants, please contact the coordinator below.

Goodbye 2019 and Hello 2020

Lastly, I'd like to thank all the taskforce members who attended our taskforce events this year. We had a great year completing many yellow crazy ant activities and we had fun doing it. Together, we achieved so much. I look forward to seeing you all for a celebration in the new year where we will draw the raffle and hand out the new t-shirts to our long standing taskforce members. More details of this event will come soon. Until then have a Merry Christmas, have a wonderful holiday and see you in the new year!

Ciara

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WARRAN DJARRA! SHAKE-A-LEG

BADJIL: to beat a rhythm. **Bibara badji!** Hit the clapsticks! **Ngirrma badji!** Sing! Buy! **Ngawu ngirrma badji!** All right! I'm singing.

BANYDJARRIL: to follow. **Nganya banydjarril!** Follow me! Buy! **Ngawu nyurrany banydjarril.** All right! I'm following you.

BIBARA: clapsticks. **Djaa ngayang bibara?** Where are my clapsticks?

BIBARABARRA: singer. **Bibara-barra warray-warray badji!** Singer sing anything!

BUGAN: charcoal. **Gidjarr guni bugan-da!** Make marks with charcoal! Draw!

BULBURR: dust. **Bulburr magaying djinaam.** Dust rising from feet!

BUNGGU: knee. **Bama nyinang bunggu dumbarringaying.** The people are sitting cross-legged.

BUNDARRIL: to lead. **Nyurra nganydjiny bundarri!** You lead us!

BURAYING: to be standing over the fire in repentance ritual/singe-ing.

BURRI-BURRI: older initiated men

DABUL: a nose-peg of wood or bone through the nasal septum, worn by men and women.

DJULNGAN: drumming noise as women clap on their thigh.

DJUNDANG: dancing. **Bama waruwarru warrma djundang djumburru-la.** Young males dancing corroboree in the road.

DJURRBU: women's funeral dance as men sing gugulu (mourning-style).

GABA: white clay. **Nyurra galin gaba djula-lum.** You go to dig white clay!

GALGA: spear. **Galga daban!** Throw the spear!

GIDJARR: a mark, a design. **Bama gidjarr-i.** Bama all painted up.

GUGULU: funeral clapsticks, pointed at each end, funeral mourning-style of song for men.

GUNAMBALA: hair-belt made from human hair and possum fur.

GUNGGAGA: woman's dance style, singing out 'wo' 'wo'.

GURRABAY: to sing at a burial. **Bama gurrabay.** The people are singing at a funeral.

GURRNGA: a drum, made from the flame tree - gurrngam.

MADJAY: a shield made from the buttress root of a fig tree.

MARRGA: yellow ochre. **Ngawu gidjarr gundal marrga.** I'm painting with yellow ochre.

MILAY: spear-thrower. **Gudji Bama**

wanirril galga milay-djada. That Bama is bringing a spear and spear-thrower.

MIRRIMBAL: cockatoo-feather headdress.

MIRUU: a club. **Gulu Bama miruu nambil.** This Bama is holding a club.

NGABAL: to rub with clay. **Nyurra nganya gabaa ngaba!** Rub clay over me!

NGABAYING: to put clay or ochre on oneself. **Ngawu gabaa ngabaying.** I'm putting on clay.

NGALBA: a woman's dance style. **Banydjil ngalba djundang.** Women dancing the ngalba way.

NGIRRMA: language, song. **Ngirrma badji!** Sing!

WAGAY: a rainforest sword. **Gudji Bama wagay nambil.** That Bama is holding a sword.

WARRMA: corroboree. **Nganydjiny warrma djarral yaluguli.** We are putting on a warrma today.

WUBA: red ochre. **Nyurra nganya wubaa ngaba!** Rub me with red ochre!

WULMBURR: a branch and leaves for chasing away insects like **ngugun** – mosquito.

WULNGGU: a song. **Nyurra wulnggu djanang yaluguli.** You are singing today.

WURAYING: to hit yourself with leaves to drive away insects.

WURRU: drumsticks.

YIBU: actions performed in a dance.

NGIRRMA EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND

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

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

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

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

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

— Michael Quinn

DJABUGAY

A guide to the pronunciation of Djabugay words

Vowel Sounds

/a/ is pronounced as the vowel in the (English) words "some, "come". eg **bama** (person)
/a:/ is pronounced like the /a/ sound in "father" but longer. eg **buda:dji** (carpet snake)
/i/ is pronounced like the /i/ in the word "bin". eg **bina** (ear)
/i:/ the vowel sound is lengthened and pronounced like the vowel sound in "heat", "beat", "feet". eg **biri:** (again)
/u/ is pronounced as the vowel sound in the English word "book". eg **mu**du (back)
/u:/ the vowel is lengthened and pronounced as the vowel sound in the words "good", "tool", "rule". eg **djungguu:** (behind)

Consonants

/dj/ The sound is like a /d/ and a /j/ pronounced simultaneously, eg **djulbin** (tree)
/g/ is pronounced as in the word "gun". eg **gindan** (moon)
/r/ a trilled, or rolled /r/ as in Scottish pronunciation of the word "sporrán". eg **burra-y** (to fly)
/r/ as in the American pronunciation of /r/ in car. eg **biri** (fire)

/ny/ is like the initial /n/ in onion, like an /n/ and a /y/ pronounced simultaneously eg **nyurra** (you)
/ng/ as in the word "singer" eg **hungan** (sun)
/n.g/ when you see the n.g broken by a stop do not run the two sounds together. eg **djin.gal** (sky)
/ngg/ is pronounced as the ng sound in the word "finger". eg **nyinggarra** (eel)
/ay/ is generally pronounced as in the English word "eye". eg **Djabugay**

Stress

When saying Djabugay words which syllables should we stress?
In words of two syllables the first syllable is stressed. eg **bina** (ear)
In words of three syllables the first syllable is stressed. eg **gan**yurra (crocodile)
However, if a long vowel occurs in the second syllable of a word of three syllables, it is stressed. eg **buda:dji** (carpet snake)
In words with more than 3 syllables stress falls on the first syllable and on the syllable before the last one. eg **gan**yurra – **nggu** (crocodile).

Word Search

(Please note: some words may share letters)

BADJIL
BANYDJARRIL
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BUGAN
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A Thought for December

WE are living in a time when we seem to often feel that we are surrounded by enemies and beset by fears. This is in stark contrast to the situation a few decades ago after the fall of the Berlin Wall when the end of the Cold War was being hailed as a new start and everyone looked forward to a safer and more stable world. However, now we are now surrounded by new fears - by the fear of terrorism and of different kinds of global conflict which have often been brought home in major cities in Australia.

At Christmas we think of the message of the Angels to the Shepherds in the fields; the Angel's message is as pertinent to us today as it was to the shepherds on the hills of Judea two thousand years ago. We need to remind ourselves of this message - do not be afraid — as we approach Christmas 2019. Christmas is a celebration of Christ's coming to us where we are — God incarnate as a human in Jesus Christ baby born in time of occupation, uncertainty and a baby who was to become a refugee.

One of the old Christmas carols O little town of Bethlehem has these words, "the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight. May you have a Holy, Safe and Blessed Christmas.

NEWS FROM ST SAVIOURS

Christmas is coming and there are lots of preparations coming on at St Saviour's for the Christmas Services.

On **Sunday 15th December** we are holding our Carols Service with the Ukulele Group at 6.00 pm.

On **Christmas Eve, Tuesday 24th**, there will be Carols by Candlelight with Holy Communion at 7.30pm.

On **Christmas Day, Wednesday 25th**, there will be the Christmas Day family service at 8.30am.

Once again, this year St Saviour's participated in Operation Christmas Child providing Christmas gifts to disadvantaged children overseas. This year's appeal was a fantastic result and over 30 boxes donated.

Many thanks to Lee for coordinating the Samaritans Purse appeal again this year.



Baha'i Thought for the Month

"Thy Lord hath never raised up a prophet in the past who failed to summon the people to His Lord, and today is truly similar to the times of old, were ye to ponder over the verses revealed by God.

"These are the appointed days which ye have been yearningly awaiting in the past — the days of the advent of divine justice. Render ye thanks unto God, O ye concourse of believers.

"Let not the deeds of those who reject the Truth shut you out as by a veil. Such people have warrant over your bodies only, and God hath not reposed in them power over your spirits, your souls and your hearts. Fear ye God that haply it may be well with you. All things have been created for your sakes, and for the sake of naught else hath your creation been ordained. Fear ye God and take heed lest forms and apparels debar you from recognizing Him. Render ye thanksgiving unto God that perchance He may deal mercifully with you.

"This mortal life is sure to perish; its pleasures are bound to fade away and ere long ye shall return unto God, distressed with pangs of remorse, for presently ye shall be roused from your slumber, and ye shall soon find yourselves in the presence of God and will be asked of your doings."

(The Bab)

This year 2019 is the 200th anniversary of the birth of the Bab

Meditations/Reflections: all welcome to meditations on the sacred writings of the great religions, also discussion evenings, in Mareeba and Kuranda

Morning prayers, each Thursday at 8.00am, near Therwine Street Kuranda followed by coffee, come join us

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Delicious Breakfasts, Curries & Sweets at Tropical Zen Village Kitchen: Re-opening in December at Shop 9, Kuranda Market Arcade, Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets.

Diamond Ring with lifetime cleaning and repair by Michael Hill nationwide. Paid \$2,999, sell \$800 ONO. Ph 0421 881 731.

Domestic cleaning, vacate and bond. I have over 12 years experience in the industry so for all detailed quality services please contact Doreen on 0414 612 055.

Festival of Small Halls Coming again to Koah Hall Wed 4th December! Get your tix @ Kuranda Information Centre or online at iwannaticket.com.au !!

Fresh Reef Fish delivered to your door, Kuranda-Cairns-Mareeba. Whole or fresh filleted. Kuranda-based Pristine Reef Fish. Like us on Facebook to keep updated. Commercial fishing licence 4546. Call Richard 0407 908 375.

Kuranda Arts Cooperative has a range of unique eclectic and functional artwork that won't break the bank – buy local! 20 Coondoo Street, 4093 9026.

Kuranda Community Kindergarten has limited vacancies for 2020 with free kindy available for eligible children. Please contact us on 4093 8087 or kcka@westnet.com.au or visit us at 3 Barron Falls Road to secure your place.

Leather hand made Moroccan ottomans on sale. Can be flattened to post and ideal for storing with winter clothes or doonas. Christmas special we're \$189 now \$139. Just Gorgeous 16 Coondoo St. Open everyday!

Local Art: Save time travelling down the range and buy your art locally at the Kuranda Arts Cooperative, 20 Coondoo Street, 4093 9026.

Lots of purses and bags starting from \$5 at Just Gorgeous open 10:15 until at least 3.45.

Markets@Koah Hall: First Saturday of each month, March~Dec. Delish BBQ Breakkie & Awesome Stalls! *new stallholders welcomed* Sat 7th December from 8am! LIVE music Toshi Sakamoto.

Massage with Sheree Scott: relaxation & remedial, 22 Williamson Drive, Ph 4093 9490; 0421 102 722.

Massage Half Price in the deeply relaxing Rainforest Kuranda Market. Ring to book, locals only.

Grace 0468 566 006, available after 3pm too.

Painting Services: Over 20 years experience, clean reliable and affordable. Kuranda local call Alan 0452 669 447.

Position Vacant: Teacher/Director at Kuranda Community Kindergarten. Part-Time contract position available for Semester 1, 2020. Please contact us on 4093 8087 or kcka@westnet.com.au for further details.

Professional knife sharpening. Heritage markets every Saturday. Ph 4093 8382 or 0409 558 027

Reflexology Half Price Xmas Kuranda Rainforest Market just \$50, locals only. 0491 150 592, available after 3pm too as workshops, learn reflexology.

Reliable cleaner available. Floors only. Reasonable rates. Ph 0429 090 476

Resume: In Speewah, Cairns longest-running resume writing business – over thirty years' experience. Resumes, Employment Applications, web text, all forms of copy writing, editing and proofreading.

Word Factory (Suzy Grinter) Phone: 4093 0449.

Shop locally in air conditioned comfort at Just Gorgeous. Free gift wrapping and hugs! Open 7 days for your convenience.

Small Land Holding Slashing and Mowing. Reasonable rates. Obligation free quotes. Call David on 0402 141 688.

Social Sesh at Koah Hall! Ring a friend–bring a friend, take a friend–make a friend! Fun night for all, free to attend. Bar & meals available. To be advised.. Check out our fb page!

Tropical Zen Village Kitchen for Sri Lankan Curries & Delicious Treats & Sweets. Re-Opening in December at Shop 9 Kuranda Market Arcade, Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets. **#wastenotwantnotstall** Got more garden goodies than you can eat? Bring them along to our stall – we sell them for you!

Koah Markets, Sat 7 Dec from 8am, Rozana: 0428 741 350 Nicky: 0488 961 660.

Wanted to rent. Nice affordable cottage or granny-flat, by quiet, mature, non-smoking female. I am a long term Kuranda resident and enjoy gardening and wild life. Please call 0414 491 505.

Woodworking sash & pipe clamps \$15 each. Phone 0407 677 547.

JOIN YOUR LOCAL SES

Training held fortnightly
Tuesday nights 7.30pm

Call John
for details on
0427 037 054

Justice of the Peace (QUALIFIED)

Attend the
Ngonbi Housing Office,
40 Coondoo Street, Kuranda.
Hours 8.30am to 3.30pm
Monday to Thursday
Wendy Pritchard

Justice of the Peace (QUALIFIED)

Please phone for appointment
or leave a message, and I will
get back to you.

Phone 4093 8780
Karen McLaren

Justice of the Peace (QUALIFIED)

Robin Anscorb
Phone
0409 046 932



The Stars in December

The first three days of December carry the promise of extreme good fortune; lucky chances and messages coming in which can lay the foundations for truly ground breaking opportunities. Can this happen for everybody? Looking at the full spectrum of planetary alignments the answer is, well mostly. There are always the pessimists who can see the negative side of anything; suspicious, envious, judgemental and so on. Sorry guys, can't help against that kind of negativity and neither can astrology.

But for the optimistic, the trusting, and the, as Bob Dylan call us, the "Forever Young" this is a wonderful time where gambles pay off, chances come home and our passions are fed a rich diet of possibilities. Astrologically it's a Sagittarian, Jupiter, Mercury, Sun, Moon and Mars thing. Too much going on here to bore you with the astro-technical but it's all there. If you only know your Sun Sign well it's looking good for Sagittarians, Capricorns, Scorpions, and Aquarians especially. If you know your whole birth chart, which I'd always recommend, then you can also look at your Moon, ascendant, midheaven etc., and the houses where they sit to get a much more informative picture of what this time holds for you.

Then as the month goes on the Capricorn influence becomes quite incredible. During the month we have 8 out of the 10 planets and lights moving in, settled in, or moving out of Capricorn. And the Dragon's tail and all in southern declination and a Solar Eclipse on 26th December at 4 degrees Capricorn at 1518 hours. That's 3.18pm for us non-military types.

So there's a lot of movement in the "halls of power", governments, our "chosen" leaders, corporate and financial power-blocs. All this is shifting and changing. And the Earth below us is a'movin too, which, of course, can exaggerate climate and environmental upheavals. Structural changes in land-masses are quite likely over the next 6 months, the time period "governed" by solstice and eclipse events, both occurring in December in Capricorn. Looks like a really big party to celebrate the birth of baby Jesus this year, or, in the earlier Pagan calendar "the Coming of the Light".

Saturn is closing in on an exact conjunction with Pluto in, yes of course, Capricorn. December and January lock it in. No-one who knows astrology would take this lightly. Heavy, dark, destructive, down to bedrock and below. This conjunction occurs at 22 degrees Capricorn. People born on 12-13th January have their Sun on this degree (good luck guys) and everyone will have this degree somewhere in their birthchart where the Saturn-Pluto effect will be most powerful.

Saturn and Pluto conjoin every 33-38 years, 1982, 1947 & 1914 were the 20th Century alignments; 1st World War, cold war/nuclear threat, and internet-based globalisation and exploitation as the main events. Going back to past Saturn-Pluto conjunctions in Capricorn we find that the last one was 500 years ago, 1518. Henry VIII, King of England playing musical wives, the slave trade begins, the poor get poorer, and, "colonisation" begins.

What will happen this time? Look around we are already there; energy, environment, societal, political, economic, and military crises all around us. But Pluto destroys and Saturn preserves, so what we eliminate leaves us with what is solid and enduring. It's a process, and to be living a once-in-500 years set of possibilities is quite exciting. Don't you think?

See how this resonates with your own birthchart and indeed, your life, as the dark lords arise for a 500th year celebration of raw power: a quincennial feast as it were and we are the invited... Now the surreal is for real!

Blessings



Rob Hart

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



THE KURANDA PAPER

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SPEEWAH: Speewah Servo/Shop

KOAH: Koah Servo

MAREEBA: Mareeba Leagues Club, Piagno's News (Byrnes Street), Shell Service Station, Brumby's Bakery, Mareeba Heritage & Info Centre, Discount Drugstore Newsagent & Pharmacy (opposite Coles in Mareeba Shopping Plaza), BP Service Station, Mareeba News newsagency (Byrnes Street)

ATHERTON: Atherton IGA (Silo Shopping Centre)

SMITHFIELD SHOPPING CENTRE: Collins Booksellers

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mareeba
Shire

**Kuranda Transfer Station
Opening Times**

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS
8.00am to 5.00pm

Kuranda Branch Library and Council Office

Arara Street • Phone 4093 9185

<https://msc.qld.gov.au/libraries/>

LIBRARY

Monday to Friday

10.00am-5.00

Saturday 9.00-12.00

COUNCIL SERVICES

Monday to Friday

10.00am- 4.30

Saturday closed

Rainfall Last Month

Total month to 25th November: 5.0mm

October Rainfall: 82.5mm

Year to Date: 2502.5mm

Courtesy of Kuranda Railway Station

Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother



The fact that there is a Highway to Hell and only a Stairway to Heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

FIRE or other emergencies – please phone 000
SES Flood or Storm emergencies – please phone 132 500

RURAL FIRE BRIGADE WARDENS

First Officer Kuranda: Baz Child 0437 746 601
First Officer Speewah: Mick Dub 0428 820 631
Warden Kuranda: Duncan Blakey 0408 151 199
Warden Speewah: John Thompson 0488 988 481
Davies Creek: 4093 3181
Koah: 4232 5468
Myola: 4093 7190
Speewah: 4093 0211

Permits required for ALL fires

JOHN'S KURANDA BUS "The Local Bus"

To:	Monday To Friday	Sat	Sun	P/Hol
Speewah				
Koah	*1530	*1530	1300	
	1750	1750	1750	1645
Ex: Koah	#0705	#0705	#0705	#0705
	#1315	#1315	#1315	
	*1550	*1550	*1550	
Ex: Speewah	#0710	#0710	#0710	#0710
	#1320	#1320	#1320	
	*1540	*1540	*1540	

*SCHOOL DAYS ONLY # BOOKING REQUIRED
NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY & LABOUR DAY

Departs Bus Stop: Orchid Plaza, Abbott Street, Cairns

Monday To Friday	Sat	Sun	P/Hol
#0720	#0720	#0720	0720
1330	1330	1530	1530
1530	1530		

*1510 from Smithfield to Koah Mon to Fri SCHOOL DAYS ONLY

Monday To Friday	Sat	Sun	P/Hol
**0825	0825	0825	0825
1645	1645	**1615	1615

All services except 1000 go to Speewah & Koah if required

**Mareeba

Via Caravonica, Redlynch, Raintrees, Westcourt, TAFE, Cairns City

NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY & LABOUR DAY

Ph. John 0418 772 953

Trans North Bus & Coach

CAIRNS TO KURANDA SHUTTLE

Departs From	Shuttle Runs Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
CAIRNS Central Rail Station	6.45am	8.45am	11.30am	1.30pm	*3.00pm
CAIRNS 79 Abbott Street	6.50am	8.50am	11.35am	1.35pm	3.05pm
SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	7.05am	9.05am	11.50am	1.50pm	3.30pm
KURANDA	7.25am	9.25am	12.10pm	2.10pm	3.55pm

KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE

Departs From	Shuttle Runs Daily (Except Christmas Day)			
KURANDA	*7.30am	9.30am	12.30pm	2.15pm
RAINFORESTATION	7.35am	9.35am	12.35pm	2.20pm
CAIRNS Central Rail Station	8.30am	10.15am	1.15pm	3.00pm

*7.30am Shuttle via TAFE, Trinity Bay High, Cairns High - Excluding Sundays & Public Holidays

*3.00pm Shuttle via Cairns High, TAFE, Trinity Bay High - Excluding Sundays & Public Holidays

ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS

Departs From	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday	
	1	2	3	1	2	*1*	**2**
ATHERTON	6.00am	9.00am	3.30pm	6.00am	9.00am	9.00am	3.30pm
MAREEBA	6.30am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.30am	9.30am	9.30am	4.00pm
SPEEWAH	6.55am	9.55am	4.25pm	6.55am	9.55am	9.55am	4.25pm
KURANDA	7.15am	10.05am	4.35pm	7.15am	10.05am	10.05am	4.35pm
CAIRNS Service Terminates	8.30am	11.15am	5.35pm	8.30am	11.15am	11.15am	5.35pm

CAIRNS TO ATHERTON TABLELANDS

Departs From	Monday to Friday			Saturday		Sunday	
	1	2	3	1	2	*1*	**2**
CAIRNS Central Rail Station	8.45am	3.30pm	5.45pm	8.45am	3.30pm	3.30pm	5.45pm
SMITHFIELD Bus Shelter	9.00am	3.45pm	6.00pm	9.00am	3.45pm	3.45pm	6.00pm
KURANDA	9.20am	4.15pm	6.25pm	9.20am	4.15pm	4.15pm	6.25pm
SPEEWAH	9.25am	4.20pm	6.30pm	9.25am	4.20pm	4.20pm	6.30pm
MAREEBA	9.55am	4.50pm	6.55pm	9.55am	4.50pm	4.50pm	6.55pm
ATHERTON Service Terminates	10.30am	5.25pm	7.30pm	10.30am	5.25pm	5.25pm	7.30pm

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS operate on Sunday Service *1* Timetable
No Sunday 4.35pm or 6.25pm Services departing KURANDA on LONG WEEKENDS
No Services operating on CHRISTMAS DAY or GOOD FRIDAY

Information on all Trans North Services including fares, timetables & service updates are available on our website.
www.transnorthbus.com.au
or by phoning 07) 4095 8644 during business hours.



Timetable effective as of 01.01.2016





Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year to our members, supporters and the Kuranda Community from the Kuranda Recreation Centre Committee



They're back at the KRC



Enjoy a tasty Central and South American 3 course meal while listening to ambient Latin American tunes, followed by live music and dancing

The Jumor bar will be open from 5pm downstairs on the night

The following menu will be served on the night brought to you by our chefs at La Fonda Latina.

MENU
Entrée: Tamale: Cornflour, chilli sin carne, olives, sultanas and capers, Guiso (tomatoes, onion, garlic, achiote, salt and pepper)
Main: Coconut rice, beans, taro chips, corn fritter, ripe sliced plantain, Salad (cucumber, carrot, tomatoes, mescalin mix, avocado) Tofu fish (phish) Nori sheets, marinated tofu
Dessert: Mango flan (Panamanian traditional).
Drink: Pineapple and orange juice.

Bookings are Essential:

Two booking times 5:30-7:30 & 7:40-9:30pm

Please message through Facebook/call/ text your details to 0402 286 834 or 0432 541 338

\$28 Adults

\$15 Children (4-18)

Children 3 and under free

Our aim is to bring the community together for a night of delicious food, music and sharing our culture. We hope you will come join us!

CONTACT US



Kuranda Recreation Centre



krc4881@gmail.com

JOIN US

Contact us for a Membership Form. Complete form, make payment online and return it in person or by email.

WHAT'S ON

EIGHT BALL – Tuesday Team Comp
kuranda8ball@gmail.com

KURANDA RANGERS – Training
Thursday 4.30-5.30pm (Mar–Sept only)

PILATES – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday
Jaide 0488 229 700 and Davini 0414 994 123

TAI CHI – Monday 6pm
Les 4093 8276

WING CHUN KUNG FU –
Wednesday 7.30pm
Grant 0414 966 823

YOGA FOR ALL – Wednesday & Sunday
Aileen 0419 726 955

Check Facebook for more details.

**JUMRUM BAR OPEN
TUESDAY 6.30 PM**

Venue for Hire

Licensed venue and commercial kitchen available for functions, seminars and activities. Janet 0405 092 957

Proud to be the home of:



What's On At Koah Hall

Koah Hall would like to wish our community Peace, Joy, and Love for this holiday season.

EVERY MONDAY PILATES with Jade 6-7pm
DREAM BIG! CIRCUS and CIRCUS LOVE
Would like to thank everyone for their support in 2019 and look forward to recommencing their programs in Term 2 2020.
Enrolment forms on website www.dreamstatecircus.com will be available from Term 1 in preparation for Term 2 classes. Contact Sophie on mobile 0409 333 404 or info@dreamstateentertainment.com.au

EVERY THURSDAY
YOGA evening classes with Tanya 5:30-7:00pm
EVERY 4 Weeks on a TUESDAY
Mankind Project MEN'S GROUP – Open to All Men 7.00pm. Contact Simon 0459 755 553 for info of when next session is.

KOAH MARKETS 7 December
Koah Markets run first Saturday of each month from March-December.
Next Market is **Saturday 7th December** from 8am to Midday, live music by TOSHI SAKAMOTO!
Delish BBQ Breakkie & Awesome Stalls! *Stall spaces available* New stalls always welcomed!
Contact Nicky 0488 961 660 (leave sms or voicemail) or via Koah Monthly Markets facebook page

FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS – WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER
Koah Hall is hosting our 3rd annual Festival of Small Halls in conjunction with Woodfordia. Great line up of national and international music! Limited Tickets are on sale now! Get yours at the Visitor Info Centre in Kuranda or online at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Gypsy swing trio, "BLUE REED" bringing that local flavour in support of "Hat Fitz & Cara" & "Blair Dunlop". Check out our Koah Hall fundraiser for up to date info on artists & ticket links.
Bar & meals available! Seeking interesting handmade stalls for a market vibe to add the event.
Contact koah.hall@gmail.com and for volunteers to help make this event great

Email koah.hall@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/koah.hall

Hire fees: 1-2 hrs: \$10; Half day: \$30;
Full day: \$60; Full day & Evening (24 hour block) \$110
\$200 refundable bond for one-off events (if space is left as you found it)

Community Calendar

Every Month

PLEASE NOTE: For events at the Recreation Centre and the Koah Hall please see details in their columns above.

Every Monday:

Kids Muay Thai: 4.15–5.15pm All Ages: 5.30–7.00 Kuranda Community Precinct.

Yoga in the Rainforest with Aileen 8.15am for 8.30 start at QCWA Hall, cnr Barang & Thongon Streets, Kuranda Village. Telephone Aileen 4093 7401

Every First Monday:

Adult Board Games 11.00am at Kuranda Library

Every Second Monday:

Financial Counselling (from UCC) Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, by appointment 4093 8933

Every Tuesday:

Group Fitness Class: 5.30–6.30pm Kuranda Community Precinct.

Texas Hold'em Poker Cairns RSL, sign on from 11.00am, game starts 12.00 noon. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Call Terry (NPL) 0459 909 900

Al-Anon Family Groups 6pm Phone Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON

Tae Kwon Do & Self Defence 6.30pm–8.00pm CWA Hall Phone Jeff 0437 438 196

Second Tuesday:

Kuranda SES Training 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road. Phone John Baskerville 4093 7246/0427 037 054

Emergency Relief Help from Mareeba Community Support Centre, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, by appointment 4093 8933

Every Wednesday:

Kids Muay Thai: 4.15–5.15pm All Ages: 5.30–7.00 Kuranda Community Precinct.

Social Tennis. Join us on Wednesdays and Sundays at 5 pm at the KRC. Friendly group – just come and play, or call Gidi 0448 480 200 for details.

Rotary Club of Cairns Trinity 5.45pm for 6.15pm. Cairns Sheridan Hotel 295 Sheridan Street Cairns 0448 843 589

Mah Jong Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre 12:30- 4pm. All welcome. Ph 4093 8933

Men's Shed Kuranda 8.30am–11.30am Call Daryl 4093 9421 or Richard 4093 0457



Third Wednesday:

Craft and Social Morning (QCWA) CWA Hall 9.00am Phone Carol 4093 7187 or Sandra 0447 737 415

Every Thursday:

Tae Kwon Do & Self Defence 6.30pm–8.00pm CWA Hall Phone Jeff 0437 438 196

Group Fitness Class: 5.30–6.30pm Kuranda Community Precinct.

Kuranda Rangers Soccer training 4.30pm–5.30pm Phone Brenda 0409 639 525

Domestic Violence Help Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, by appointment 4093 8933

Baby Rhyme Time 10.30–11.00 at Kuranda Library (during school term)

Every Friday:

Kids Muay Thai: 4.15–5.15pm All Ages: 5.30–7.00 Kuranda Community Precinct.

Story Time and Craft 10.30–11.30 at Kuranda Library (during school term).

Fourth Friday:

Rotary Club of Cairns Trinity 11.45am for 12 noon Cairns Sheridan Hotel

295 Sheridan St Cairns 0448 843 589

Every Saturday:

Tree Planting Kuranda Envirocare Ph 0419 624 940 for details or check website www.envirocare.org.au

Men's Shed Kuranda 2.00pm–5.00pm. Call Daryl 4093 9421 or Richard 4093 0457

Third Saturday:

Barrier Reef Sun Club Cairns (Nudist Club) function. Phone 0473 4491 09 or check website www.barrierreefsunclub.com for details.

Meditation with Horses 10.00am Koah Phone Kaya 0429 756 701

Every Sunday:

Social Tennis. Join us on Wednesdays and Sundays at 5 pm at the KRC. Friendly group – just come and play, or call Gidi 0448 480 200 for details.

AA Group Kuranda CWA Hall 9.30am- 11.00am

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