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Easter in Kuranda



John Butler Trio at the Amphitheatre
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Koahlition performed in Centenary Park
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Kuranda Tribal Belly Dancers
PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY LISA NEWTON



Left to Right: Belinda Cartledge, Charlotte Cartledge, Gabrielle Mundana, Catherine Johnson at The Village Vibe

COMMUNITY LETTERS

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Dear Kuranda Paper ...

Candidates' Environmental Policies

People who have not yet posted in their vote and who are undecided about who will best represent Division 8 are encouraged to see Friends of the Earth Kuranda's website.

FoE Kuranda have asked candidates and also Tom Gilmore and Rosa Lee Long, who are competing for the job of Mayor, about their environmental policies for Kuranda.

The replies, together with a copy of their responses to the Cairns and Far North Environment Centre questionnaire, which addresses more wide ranging issues, can be read and commented on at www.foekuranda.org.

Sarah Isaacs, FoE Kuranda

[Also, for a self-profile of local candidates, see page 29 of this edition of *The Kuranda Paper* - Ed.]



Kudos To Kuranda

While on holiday from New Zealand, I travelled to Kuranda. What a wonderful location to explore!

The walkways were fantastic and the village was a treat. I particularly enjoyed the wonderful original artworks at the Arts Co-Op. The quality of work was astonishing and the ability to meet the artists themselves was a highlight.

However, my time in Kuranda was too short. To properly experience and appreciate the unique Kuranda environment and community I wish I had known to stay longer.

I believe Kuranda and visitors alike would benefit greatly if the promotional materials regarding Kuranda included suggested one, three and five day itineraries - outlining activities, start/end times, accommodation, eateries, exhibitions and festivals. At the moment they all seem to focus simply on promoting a day trip to Kuranda via the train.

Congratulations to the Kuranda community for their sensitivity towards the environment and their generous hospitality.

Karen Nelson, NZ

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Alternative To Postal Voting

It has just been brought to my attention a fact that has received no "light of day" notification to the electors that have been angered and possibly disenfranchised with the debacle of an election process we are currently being put through by the unanimous vote of the present Council.

Electors who have to date refused to vote due to the existing circumstances CAN in fact vote in person at the ECQ's office in Mareeba at the Post Office Centre.

I have dealt with many people who have refused to vote on principle to the current arrangements but who are now prepared to drive many kilometres in order to now lodge their vote.

Cheryl Tonkin

Can You Help?

We are seeking photos of Big Sands taken more than two years ago. Any pics, particularly showing upstream of where you can access the sand from the little carpark, will be very helpful. There is now a road ramp that leads from the carpark to the sand mining area. We are after any photos that show what the sand bar looked like before the extensive mining that has occurred in the last few years. In the last flood in March, the sand bar collapsed and there is now a permanent channel through the mining site.

Please call me on 4093 8834 so I can arrange to borrow and scan your photos. Many thanks.

Jax Bergersen
1 Pademelon Lane

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organising the phone book,
we'd love to hear from you.

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Shortage of Camping Areas for 'Grey Nomads'

In the last edition of *The Kuranda Paper* Wolfgang Rusch, from Trinity Beach, suggested that the old Primary School could be used for what he believes is a shortage of camping facilities for Grey Nomads in Kuranda, which could not be further from the truth.

I was a Grey Nomad until the end of November 2011 and am no longer after discovering the Kuranda Rainforest Camping Park on Kuranda Heights Road.

The ambience of the place blew me away: it has a more comprehensive range of facilities, well appointed, than most of the dozens of caravan parks I have stayed in and at a price even a retiree on a government pension can easily afford. The management and staff are always helpful and go to great lengths to keep the park's facilities spick and span. Personally I can't see myself ever shifting and maybe in time would like to utilise this park for workshops and conferences covering the various fields of endeavour the writer lectured on around the world for eight years.

For whatever reason the number of Grey Nomads visiting Kuranda are few and far between. Over the four months I have lived in the park I doubt there has been even ten Grey Nomads who have visited, and only three, to my knowledge, stayed more than one day. When one adds up the days, the sites they occupied would have, at the outside, amounted to less than 30 days. The Park would have had sufficient vacant sites over the four months I have been here, to have been able to accommodate at least a thousand Grey Nomads.

The 120 plus days from 1st December to the 31st March times the average 30 vacant sites over that period meant the park could have accommodated 1800 Grey Nomads staying an average of two days, which will never happen because Kuranda does not cater for Grey Nomads.

If it wasn't for the likes of me and the others who have discovered this park and settled here plus all the young overseas tourists and the commercial travellers who enjoy coming here it would have had to shut up shop.

There definitely is no shortage of camp sites in Kuranda for Grey Nomads or anybody else who chooses to visit.

Barry Slogrove

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Village in the Rainforest

Marc's Tourism Tweets

Kuranda Trivia Night A Success

The Kuranda Trivia Night in Port Douglas on April 19 was another huge success for Kuranda Village with more than 85 agents attending. The event ran very smoothly and everyone went away with a much better understanding about Kuranda and our amazing attractions, activities and retail options. Port Douglas is a very important market for Kuranda and the Kuranda Trivia Night is an excellent platform to promote our Village in a fun and informative way and to engage with our local booking agents. The event would not have been possible without the wonderful support of Kuranda Scenic Railway, Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, Reef & Rainforest Connections, Kuranda Koala Gardens, Birdworld Kuranda and all of the wonderful local businesses who provide prizes for the event. The trivia night is our main event held in Port Douglas to promote Kuranda for the year and it certainly stamped Kuranda all over Port Douglas.



Top Row from left – Drew Hamilton & John Tolentini – RnR Connections, Kahlia Pepper – Skyrail, Ivana Andacic KSR.
Bottom Row from left – Mandy Hambleton – Kuranda Koala Gardens, Marc Sleeman – Tourism Kuranda, Kimberly Schebella – Skyrail & Jaelee Denman – KSR

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Easter Event

The 2012 Easter in the Park Celebration was another successful day for Kuranda with the village jam-packed with egg-cited families. The children enjoyed traditional games like a horseshoe throwing competition, raw egg catching competition and the ever popular egg and spoon race. The Danny Simony magic show and street performers were a big hit again and the Tim Riley whip cracking show drew a big crowd. This year there was a special EASTER BONNET competition which was sponsored by Just Gorgeous and there were some were some pretty amazing entries – some travelling all the way from Innisfail.

Local bands Deb & The Moonbear and Koahlition Reggae Band entertained everyone from 10.00am in Centenary Park and the Kuranda Tribal Belly Dancers added some colour to the festivities! With over 2,500 chocolate eggs hidden around the village, the Kuranda Easter Egg Hunt is a major drawcard for local families and has grown each year in popularity.

A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered on the day and a special mention to Carol and Kuranda SES Team for doing such a wonderful job!

Strategic Plan Launch

The launch of the new Tourism Kuranda 18 month Strategic Plan was held at Frogs Restaurant on the 29th March 2012. The new plan outlines the key marketing, branding and promotional strategies for Kuranda Village as well as a detailed marketing action plan for 2012/13. Approximately 50 local business owners and tourism partners attended the launch which was well received by everyone.

Welcome to Cairns, Port Douglas & Atherton Tablelands

Kuranda is well represented again in the brand new 2012 Welcome to Cairns, Port Douglas & Atherton Tablelands Magazine. There are 12 Kuranda businesses featured in this popular publication which has a combined distribution of 375,000 copies at over 1,100 outlets throughout the region. The Cairns and Port Douglas magazines will carry the TTNQ official branding and will also be taken to all domestic and international trade and consumer shows to help promote the region.

Commemorative Plaque for Milton Brim

A group of Milton Brim's close family and friends, together with some of his fellow Skyrail rangers, met at the Barron Falls midstation lookout on Thursday 19th April to mark a year since his passing and to unveil a commemorative plaque in his honour.

The lookout station has been renamed "The Milton Brim Lookout" in tribute to a much respected Senior Ranger whose two grandchildren now also work as rangers at Skyrail.





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Neighbourhood Centre News May 2012



KURANDA'S FAMILY FUN DAY

Thank you to the Kuranda Paper!

On behalf of the Kuranda Interagency Network, Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre wishes to express our appreciation to all the agencies, entertainers and families that supported the first Family Fun Day of 2012, held on Wednesday 4th April. The day was a roaring success, with more agencies attending and over 300 people participating in the activities throughout the day. Special thanks are extended to ongoing generous support of **THE KURANDA PAPER**. Well done Kuranda!

The next Family Fun Day will be held on Wednesday 4th July in the second week of the school holidays.



Increase in Advertising Rates

In view of the continuing increase in production costs, The Kuranda Paper Management Committee has decided that as from the **AUGUST EDITION** (publication date Thursday 26 July 2012) **The Kuranda Paper** advertising rates will increase by approximately 10%. For example the \$54-size ad will increase to \$60; the \$77-size ad to \$85 etc. A full price list will be published on page 2 in the next edition of the paper, and all current advertisers will receive written notification. The last increase to advertising rates was at least five (5) years ago.

The Women's Group is meeting at KNC on Monday mornings any time after 9.00am onwards. All women are welcome at this group. Beading and sewing are currently the main activities of the group that continues to provide a focus for our women to get together, have a yarn, and share a cuppa. Craft donations are also welcome, so think of the Women's Group when you are cleaning out your craft and sewing cupboards.

Mahjong: Please remember that we have a Mahjong games group on Wednesday afternoons – beginners welcome. 1.00-4.00pm please come along and have a go. There are also advanced players for those who desire a more challenging game.

Furniture Exchange: Thank you to everyone who has donated much needed items. We have a system of matching up items that are donated with people on a register who need furniture and whitegoods. Right now we know people who need fridges, freezers, beds, dining tables and chairs and lounge/sofas. Please contact Ceri or Marg on Ph 4093 8933 – Thanks!

Housing Assistance: KNC staff are happy to assist with social housing assistance enquiries, applications and referrals.

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

Uniting Care Counselling (formerly Lifeline): Counselling appointments can be made by phoning Uniting Care on 4050 4955. All appointments and referrals are strictly confidential. Financial Counselling: Monday mornings; General Counselling: Wednesday afternoons; Gambling help: By appointment.

Tablelands Counselling and Support Service (TCASS): Family Counselling Outreach services are available on Wednesday's. Enquiries and appointments can be made directly with TCASS on Phone 4092 6892.

Relationships Australia is providing services for men dealing with issues of anger management and Family Violence at KNC on alternate Fridays. These services include individual and group support. Enquiries and appointments can be made by contacting Joseph Oui, Phone 4052 7900.

Step Forward: Next group commences at KNC on Wednesday 2nd May 2012 at 10.30am.

If you are having problems with alcohol or cigarettes or other habits that are affecting your health, relationships or finances in a bad way, you might want to think about coming along to Step Forward. Please contact Ceri or Marg at KNC to find out more.

Narcotics Anonymous: Weekly meetings continuing at KNC on Thursdays at 6.30pm. For more info please contact 4054 3483.

Community Mental Health: Catherine Flanagan continues to provide an outreach/mobile service in our area. New referrals to the service can be made via the Kuranda Medical Centre and existing clients can contact the Mental Health Service reception on 4226 4871 and ask to be transferred to Catherine.

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Mark Freeman
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On a very few occasions over the past four years, I have publically stated the Council had missed the mark. It seemed to get lost in the miasma of management and the mire of amalgamation. Roads got half fixed, and many things just didn't get done right. The effort was there, and the intent; but the action missed the target. We need a lot of common sense, and a councillor who views the problems from ground level.

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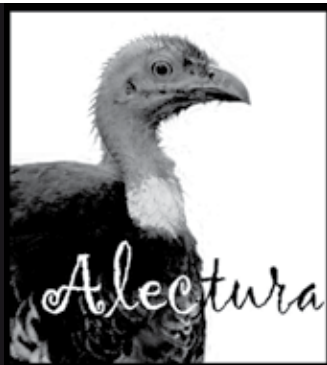
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Gardening in Kuranda



MAY and the rains have been, the soil is moist and the last month to get in those potted shrubs, trees and other “hang arounds” before the soil cools and night temperatures start to seriously fall.

In any planting out, think of eventual height and spread and consider shape and foliage texture to complement/contrast with other plantings. Some gardeners have an innate eye for this creating of visual jewel boxes that either hold the eye or lead one forward. This ability to visualize the end effect is rare.

It is usually wise to prepare the planting spot, opening out and enriching the soil and do remember to set up some protection and watering until established. Our furred and feathered friends seem especially attracted to the newly planted out which are vulnerable to set-back or total destruction until established.

Remember the **Cairns Tropical Garden Show** at Cannon Park Racecourse on Sunday 13th May – a great place for plants and gardening ideas and usually enough activities to keep the kids entertained, while dad lugs the spoils.



Plant of the Month: *Asplenium nidus* (Bird's Nest fern) Although somewhat ubiquitous, easily and cheaply obtainable, these naturally epiphytic ferns are ideal for making a statement when well placed as their large deep green well form sets of so many other plantings.

In their rainforest homes, growing high in the crooks of trees, they can reach enormous size and weight. They grow in a series of erect, elongated-shaped and apple-coloured fronds that rise from a central rosette, dying off at the base as they age. Healthy plants can have fronds up to three feet and are beautiful all season. Filtered light to light shade is best and some burning may occur in too much direct sun. High humidity and good watering is best although they prove remarkably hardy even if drying out.

While they may be used as a potted subject, their full potential is best achieved mounted or grown in situ with loose rich organic compost. During the growing season, fertiliser weekly or biweekly with weak liquid fertiliser, avoiding fertiliser pellets in the central cup.

Problems are few. Watch for scale insects, spray with soapy water followed by clean water and the occasional aphid invasion on emerging new growth can easily be sprayed off with a hose burst.

With increasing hybridisation and tissue culture, various forms are becoming available with cristate spooned, rippled and undulate forms although some of these are proving somewhat more difficult in open garden cultivation.

Q @A. Dear Sue, Thank you for finally solving the problem of several readers. These had reported the sighting of “humming birds” in their gardens – small nectar sipping species native to the Americas. Given the number of sightings and description of the hovering movements and darting flight of the unidentified visitors, the answer finally came with a request for sourcing of host plants for the “Humming Bird” Moth (Sphinx or Hawk Moth family). With a recent report of sighting several of the “humming birds” attracted to the rain induced flowering flush of *Phaleria* erodendron (Scented Daphne), the pieces fell into place. Humming Bird Moths are sometimes day-flying but more seen at dusk and early evening. Two other native plants *Psydrax odorata* (syn. *Cantium odorata* and *Pavetta australiensis*) are also highly attractive to these interesting visitors.

Dear Rudi, Thank you for the invitation to visit your garden. For someone no longer collecting the rare and bizarre, you certainly have some very interesting specimens. That peculiar and intriguing flower is *Drymonia coccinea*. *Drymonia* is a very large genus of more than 100 species, which grow throughout much of tropical Central and South America. Although generally terrestrial, the plants are usually rooted in the ground, tending to climb and vine through the forest trees with some species epiphytic. You made my day in showing me a plant I had not ever seen before and which had me totally stumped as where to even place it. Thanks again for the frisson! <http://www.gesneriads.ca/gendrymo.htm>

For plant sourcing, identification or general gardening questions, contact Alectura C/- Kuranda Paper or email wortwoad@optusnet.com.au



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Common Words – Different Usage

The *Washington Post* published the winning submissions to its yearly contest, in which readers are asked to supply alternate meanings for common words. Most popular:

- Coffee, n. The person upon whom one coughs.
- Flabbergasted, adj. Appalled by discovering how much weight one has gained.
- Abdicate, v. To give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.
- Esplanade, v. To attempt an explanation while drunk.
- Willy-nilly, adj. Impotent.
- Lymph, v. To walk with a lisp.
- Gargoyle, n. Olive-flavored mouthwash.
- Balderdash, n. A rapidly receding hairline.
- Testicle, n. A humorous question on an exam.
- Rectitude, n. The formal, dignified bearing adopted by proctologists.
- Pokemon, n. A Rastafarian proctologist.
- Frisbeetarianism, n. The belief that, after death, the soul flies up onto the roof and gets stuck there.
- Circumvent, n. An opening in the front of boxer shorts worn by Jewish men.



Kuranda
Garden
Club Inc.

Saturday May 5th

Join us in Atherton to visit
Wayne & Margarete Hubbard,
48 Evans Street, Atherton

Ph. 4091 2446

Wayne has an extensive and varied orchid collection, while Margarete is more involved in hippeastrums (including a spectacular deep red/black double).

Most of their back yard is converted to orchid propagation, and Wayne even has an air-conditioned lab where he propagates orchids.

They “do” the local markets, so have some dollars handy for purchases.

We will meet for lunch in
The Barron Valley Hotel, Atherton from 12 noon.

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Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea
Encourage your friends to join us



Under New Management – Speewah Country Markets

A brave new world has begun at the Speewah Markets. The Real Food Network (www.facebook.com/pages/Real-Food-Network) has brought new life to the Sunday markets. By adopting a “Local Produce Only” they have created a win/win situation for the local growers and the local consumers.

Real Food Network members receive a regular \$40 food box which consistently offers better value than larger supermarkets with fresher local fruit and veggies with produce from both ends of the Tablelands, as well as some pickles and jams and pure local honey and more, depending on the season.

Sjoerd Aardema invites local growers, large or small, and preferably organic or Bio-Dynamic, to trade produce by dropping off fresh greens, veg & fruit at the stall by 8.00am Sundays.

Families can enjoy the market stalls with the Speewah Country Tavern close by with an excellent beer garden with the new plunge pool and children-friendly swimming pool.

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Four years ago, the community of the Tablelands Region elected me to guide the amalgamation process.

Today, much of the heavy lifting has been done and we are on track to finish the job in 2013.

VOTE 1 Tom Gilmore for Mayor

Authorised by Tom Gilmore 27 Anzac Avenue Mareeba Q 4880 for Tom Gilmore (candidate)



The Arts Page



ALL IS ART

What is Art? It's time to move on from attempting to analyze and define the creative process, and get on with doing it. I'm pleased to report that this is the case here in Kuranda, with so many events, art shows, music, photography, etc. People doing their creative thing.

Not to mention all the dance, yoga, tai-chi (the body arts). "It's all so beautiful", so goes the old song. Beauty to find in so many ways. It's all around if we take the time to let it in. We are saturated in it, from the patterns of



mud on the ground, to the swirls of the galaxies as they whiz through cosmic time. Please enjoy the pictures I made with these trees I found midway between the mud and the stars. Remember, beauty in the eye of the beholder? Well just slow down and start beholding... Have a cool April Art Lovers, *seren.*

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 carry you when the road
 is rocky
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 guide your every step,
 Should you chance to falter
 along your way
 Along your day
 If I could give you anything
 - I would give you a
 blessed morn.
 If I could give you anything,
 I would give you a single
 raindrop

Pure and perfect
 To wash your fears away
 A single raindrop,
 To water my love for you,
 So together, we could watch
 that love grow.
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 I would give you the per-
 fection of rain.
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 I would give you my all
 My heart, my life - my
 every breath
 So on the crests of the waves
 of the ocean's soul,
 Together we would ride
 And vapourize over the
 earth's horizon into eter-
 nity
 Together, you and I
 I give you my friendship
 Forever,
 Ramona.

KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE President's Report



Dear Members and Friends,
What a month April was! The John Butler Trio concert took up most of our time in March and April and we would firstly like to thank all of the Team Leaders and volunteers who freely gave their time to make it a very successful event.

The venue looks beautiful, with some amazing new light poles in place. Many thanks to Peter Thompson for helping to brighten up the venue with his trademark art spread throughout.

The concert was at full capacity (3500), and combined with Tourism Kuranda's Easter Egg Hunt the town saw many thousands of visitors roaming the streets and most accommodation places in the area were booked out.

When there is a large concert at the Amphitheatre, there are obviously many people to thank besides the KAS volunteers, so here we go.

- Thanks and much appreciation to :
- Kuranda SES
 - St Johns Ambulance
 - Barron Falls Hotel and staff
 - Tablelands Regional Council and staff
 - Pete Dillon Photography

... and many more.

This year's newly elected KAS Management Committee jumped in head first to a major concert, and therefore have been on the hop since being elected. We look forward to more large events at the Amphitheatre this year, with a few pencilled bookings, quite a few Understage gigs planned and booked, and some community family fun events planned.

If you wish to be involved in any way, please contact us through the Contact Us section of the website. <http://www.kurandaamphitheatre.org>

Keep an eye on the website as it is updated regularly with all upcoming events listed, and some great local photography has been posted to check out too.

Several community members and groups are using the Amphitheatre regularly this year :

- Ngoonbi Co-operative Monday mornings
- Kids Aerial Circus Monday afternoons
- Kurandacoots Monday and Thursday evenings
- Wing Chun Wednesday evenings

Tablelands Regional Council have allocated \$200,000.00 for the building of two new toilet blocks this year. The initial stage of this work has begun and we look forward to seeing the final product.

The Kuranda Amphitheatre would like to thank Mayor Tom Gilmore, Councillor Jenny Jensen and all other Councillors and staff for their generous and continuous support given to the Amphitheatre in their term of office.

Cheers, **Mandy**

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In The Wild Woods,
 Zennith, and JBT
 at the Kuranda
 Amphitheatre
 April 7, 2012
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'Chillagoe Fossil' ready to break the 1000km mark in 2012 Great Wheelbarrow Race

When Jon Booth celebrates his 76th birthday a few days after the 2012 Great Wheelbarrow Race, he wants to also celebrate another milestone – breaking the 1000km mark.

Jon has competed in every Wheelbarrow Race since its inception in 2004, but ran the first two years as part of a team, and while he has competed in the past 6 races as a solo competitor, Jon has yet to reach the 1000km mark.

"I only counted the kilometres I ran with the teams for the two years and now as a solo competitor for the past six years, so I will break the 1000km mark this year," he said.

Known as the Chillagoe Fossil, Jon has become somewhat of a hero to many young competitors who marvel at his courage in taking on the gruelling 140km race by himself.

Jon says he has been training about five times a week, but will start to push even harder in the next few weeks to get ready for the three-day event which is held from 18-20 May.

Jon will be one of around 450 competitors this year who take on the race from Mareeba to Chillagoe.

The new website, www.greatwheelbarrowrace.com contains all the information on the race – from photos and videos of past events, to race results and fundraising activities since the event began.

Categories include Teams (female, male or mixed) of up to 10 people, Solo competitors, Over 40s, School Students and Services (Police, SES, Firefighters, Defence Forces).

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Tablelands Community Plan



Tablelands Regional Council wishes to advise that a hard copy of the Tablelands Community Plan is available for people to collect at all TRC Customer Service offices and Libraries. An online version is also available for downloading at www.trc.qld.gov.au/tablelands-community-plan or you can contact Joy Wii on 4043 4115 or by email joyw@trc.qld.gov.au to have a hard copy of the community plan posted to you.




IN MEMORIAM

The recent passing of an old one-eyed wallaby appropriately nicknamed 'Nic' has caused sadness among those who had enjoyed his company at the Speewah Pilates & Gym.

Nic would lie out on the lawn all day nibbling grass every now and then and disappear each evening to do whatever it is that wallabies do at night. Sadly, he was spooked by a large white mongrel dog, and probably ran until his old heart gave out.

We buried him with dignity in the bush that he loved.

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KURANDA AMPHITHEATRE What's On at the Amphi

WHAT an incredible sight to see the Amphitheatre filled to capacity for the John Butler Trio concert. And what a beautiful, peaceful evening it was.

THIS month, **The Loony Poets** are at it again, on **Sunday 6th May**, in the Understage. Proving to be very popular with both audiences and artists alike, the evenings include old favourites, and new acts are warmly appreciated, so come along for a memorable night out Kuranda style!

On Friday 8th June, we welcome Legendary Guitar Great, **Dave Steel** to Kuranda and to the Understage.

DAVE is a veteran of the Australian music scene. He spent four years as the guitarist with *Weddings, Parties, Anything*; seven years as Archie Roach's instrumentalist; has released ten solo albums, and has been nominated for several ARIA awards. Dave has spent much of his life travelling both in Australia, Europe, Asia, and North America, 'on his musical path.' Currently Dave works both solo, and with his band the *Welcome Wagon*, whose last release was a CD of blues-based material titled *'Been On This Road Too Long'*.

For an evening of blues classics we invite you to join us at the Amphitheatre on Friday 8th June.



Dave Steel appearing at the Understage on Friday 8th June

KURANDA GIG GUIDE MAY

FRIDAY 4TH MAY
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Kuranda Amphitheatre
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DAVE STEEL
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JOHN BUTLER TRIO CONCERT REVIEW

In The Wild Wood "A great opportunity, supporting for one of Oz's top acts and handled it well. Kept it nice and low-key, and were well received by John Butler's crowd".

The Zennith Boyz gave it everything and really built up the energy with some 'old-school beats'. *'Nothin' to Lose'* and *'Willie and the Poor Boys'* had the audience pumped and wanting more. **The Boyz** are paving their way to even greater acclaim and recognition.

The John Butler Trio delivered a truly remarkable performance. *'Thanks man, you are amazing'* said **John Butler** to the crowd and we can return the compliment. "By far the best of the set were the

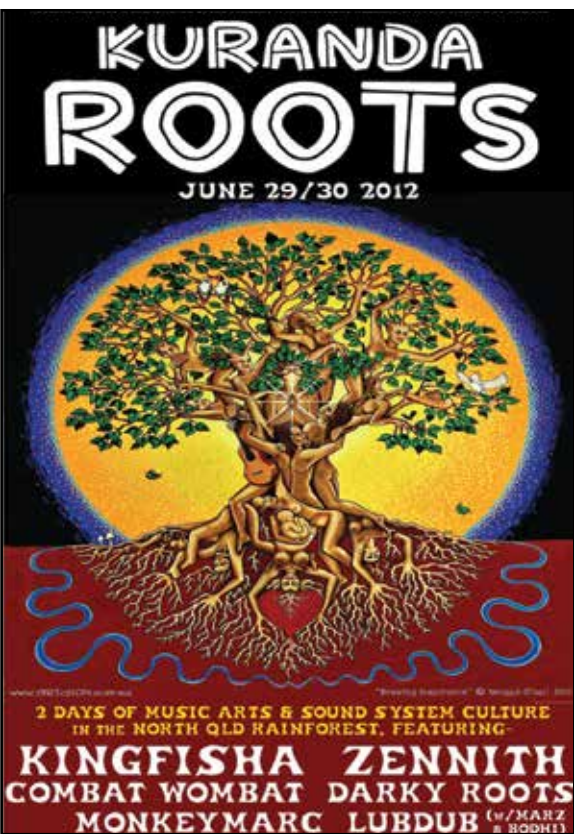
instrumentals. Guitar-picking epics, open-tuned blue grass/rock/blues journeys into J.B.'s guitar drenched world".

"Lap-slide with didge creating an ancient timeless link with our country. Unique".

His impassioned plea to save the Kimberleys from the ground-gouging cowboys was as powerful as anything he's done. Written from the perspective of the traditional land custodians protecting the song lines. *'I am what I feel, and I feel strong, 'cause I got my land and I got my song'*. Kimberley, as a woman wild and free. Check it out".

"If you really like John Butler, it was all good. But the venue, the ambience and full moon cranked it up. Thanks Amphi people. You rock".

The Boogies



KURANDA ROOTS FESTIVAL

FRIDAY 29TH & SATURDAY 30TH JUNE

CELEBRATING its 9th year, the annual **Kuranda Roots Festival** is one of Australia's finest outdoor celebrations of world, roots reggae and dub music and is re-known for its unique good vibes and atmosphere. The festival has a new home at the stunning Billabong Sanctuary (Kangaventure site) only 3k from Kuranda Village. Nestled by a zen lake in the rainforest, the new site has camping onsite and a late night sound-system program!

This year's program is the most exciting to date, with a brilliant mix of roots and reggae acts, international anarchists, deep dub and electro artists, skankers and punkers all mashing it up with the best North Qld has to offer. We are chuffed to announce a collaboration with local avant gardists **ArtHouse** and the multi talented **Kurandacoots** who will be adding a multi dimensional arts twist to our program.

Headlining this year's main stage line-up are three of

Australia's leading reggae acts; the mighty dub sound of **Kingfisha**, the South Pacific reggae juggernauts **Darky Roots** and the afro beat sensation **The Hayden Hack Infusion**. Joining them are **Combat Wombat** an outspoken troupe of hip hop punks who delve into issues of national identity, the government's treatment of refugees, indigenous sovereignty, US military force and uranium mining, alongside Australia's number one indigenous reggae and hip hop outfit **Zennith** and the cream of the down under electronic and soundsystem scene featuring – **MonkeyMarc**, **Elf Tranzporter**, **LubDub**, **Billy Dread** and **Die Rude**. Rounding out the bill is a host of local fantastic local bands such as **Koalition**, **Reggae Bliss**, **The Racoteurs**, cool ska of **Jobstopper**, **In the Wild Wood** and many more.

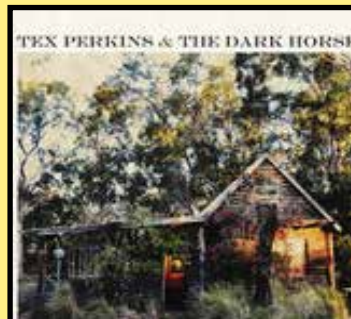
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THE BOOGIE BROTHERS AND SISTERS MUSIC NEWS & REVIEWS

Wooden Ships: "West" We'll quote from the two other reviews to give you an idea. "...marriage of garage-band R & B to acid-fried psychedelia, utterly single-minded and rather thrilling", and "laser guided grooves, each looping riff is hammered into submission until it stretches out for miles and miles". (Guardian & N.M.E.)

Yes well, wish I'd written that, but never mind. The drumming is tight; stripped down and magnificently monotone. Waiting for a beat shift and for the tantalizing "still not here yet" chord change takes you from plateau to plateau and it's orgasmic when it comes. The keyboard, guitars and vocals create landscapes; fleeting glimpses of stark deserts; mountains; canyons and dark urban ghettos. But the drums and very heavy bass drive you along relentlessly.

Reminiscent of the old *Hawkwind* space-rock epics and, more recently, the *Black Angels*. There's a genre here yet to be defined. Epic-journey Rock? Anyway, check it out. Great to dance to or to lay down and take the trip. Most tracks take 5 or 6 minutes to unfold so you



can really immerse yourself in each journey. Exciting. www.woodenships.com

Tex Perkins & the Dark Horses: The old Tex has mellowed a bit. Not much, just a bit. He's looking well-fed; not so ravaged, and probably hasn't thrown up in the men's rest room for quite a while. The dark hatred of the beasts of bourbon has evaporated and the sea is not so cruel.

The lyrics are still haunting and overlaid with a touch of sadness; less defiant and more accepting. But still some very evocative images: "Every time, I look down I see snakes around me, every time I look up I see birds of prey", lost loves; broken dreams, but the last track is "things don't seem so bad... after all", nice.

Tex's vocals have also mellowed a bit – still rich and deep, but less edge. The music is exquisite. Every guitar note delicate and precise, ringing clear as a crystal, beautiful production. A lap steel and dobro from Charlie Owen; just about perfect. Double bass, cello, piano and some full-choir back up vocals make this a very enjoyable listen and a tribute to **Tex Perkin's** durability and musical perfectionism. Great cover too. Looks like a Kuranda bush house. It's all good then. Now if Nick Cave could take a step in this direction... www.darkhorses.com.au

The Boogies



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MONDAY: Accapella Singing 7.30 to 9.00pm, contact Jane 4093 0463
Kuranda Soccer Club 4.30 to 5.30pm Training contact Gary 4093 8399
Tai Chi 6.00 to 7.00pm. Improve your energy forces. Contact Les 4093 8276
TUESDAY: Tennis Training 4.00 to 6.30 pm. Contact Corinne 4093 8369
Yoga 6.00 to 7.00pm. Contact Aileen 4093 7401.
Eight Ball 7.00pm Competition night. Members support welcome and play all other times.
WEDNESDAY: Kuranda Soccer Club 4.30 to 5.30pm Training Optional Contact Gary 4093 8399
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THURSDAY: Bushikai Karate 6.00 to 7.00pm, contact Darryl 0487 469 579
Kuranda Soccer Club. COMPULSORY 4.00pm Training. Contact Gary 4093 7109
FRIDAY: Friday Social Night NEW MENU please confirm booking with TAN and avoid disappointment. Phone 4093 9868
SATURDAY: Tennis Training 8.00 to 9.00am. Contact Mike 4093 8257
Bushikai Karate 10.00 to 11.00am. Family sessions a specialty. Contact Darryl 0487 469 579
SUNDAY: Aileen's Yoga 10.00 to 11.00am. Come along, take some time out to connect with yourself. Contact Aileen 4093 7401
Social Tennis 5.30 to 7.30pm. Contact Aileen 4093 7401
ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY INFORMATION:
Swim Club: Contact Gary 4093 7109
Tennis Membership: Contact Gary 4093 7109
Kuranda Soccer Club: If you are interested in helping the Club or want to volunteer some time and energy: Contact: Melina 4093 7287, Gary & Linda 4093 7109, Monika: 0418 902 016.
BOOKINGS: if you wish to hire the club rooms for a meeting or a private function contact Janet 4093 7104

"See the Lights"

Kuranda Recreation Centre

NEWS AND ACTIVITIES REPORT

The Kuranda Recreation Centre committee is focused on a busy agenda for the year with projects in place to get this unique VENUE firmly established for the long term benefit of the community.

Reconfiguring the bowls green to accommodate Pétanque, junior soccer, and a play area for the youngsters is progressing. It is expected that the coming cooler months will best fit for a warming meal from Tan's Kitchen followed by a night on the green, or the tennis court or in front of the footy in the club bar.

We will soon be ready for you to come and play a game of chance under lights that will make the end of week celebration even better.

The Game of Pétanque, commonly referred to as Boules, is a sport in which 3 players play against 3 players (triples); it can also be played by 2 players against 2 players (doubles); 1 player against 1 player (singles).

In triples, each player uses 2 boules. In doubles and singles, each player uses 3 boules.

The sport is enjoyed globally with competitions being played not only by adults, but players 11 years of age or less are future champions. The sport uses metal balls or boules that weigh between 650-800 grams, have a diameter of between 7.05cm - 8cm and are thrown or played towards a wooden Jack of 3cm. Closest to the Jack wins the chocolates! A simple game for everyone!

Since our Thai food has hit the tables we have experienced some welcomed patronage, however, like any new venture, it hasn't been without its teething problems. The patrons are kindly thanked for their understanding and patience. However the tasty, authentic style cooking continues to provide wholesome, affordable and FRESH food. The simple menu has expanded and will be progressed each month and include weekly specials. So for a budget meal from TAN'S KITCHEN come along and taste the flavours to savour. Bookings are essential: ring 4093 9868 by pm Wednesday or email order to: lumpinibloom@yahoo.com

New Volunteers: If you want to give us a helping hand please give Arch McArthur a call on 4093 7511 or 0409 367 967; also, Gary Davis on 4093 7388. We are looking for a marketing coordinator and always looking for players and coaches, organisers, events coordinators and committee people, finance and legal advisors and ideas on how to improve the Centre for your use.

Social Nights: The bar is open every Friday 5.00pm until late, with a meal from Tan's Kitchen. Pétanque, pool and twilight soccer are also options for Friday night games – it's up to you .

Hire: The Centre is being used by a number of tutors and groups to take advantage of the location, and we encourage anyone to make contact if there is something that you may want to get off the ground, but can't find a suitable location. There is ample parking available in this unique location. Ring Janet on 4093 7104

Recent Events: The end of the wet that had record totals of rainfall in any one period during the season, restricted outdoor events. However, as the seasons move and the weather improves, future soccer competitions are on the way. Tennis is gaining numbers with the addition of new coaches and players. The excitement grows as Petanque emerges from the old green.

Eight Ball News: The Pre Season Finals will be held at the Centre on Tuesday 24th April 7.00pm. This will be a play off between the teams coming first and second. The competition has been close all season and the Finals will be just as close.

The night is open to all Members and anyone who wishes to see some excellent quality of pool playing and maybe have some games themselves, or even put their names down for the next season. Female players are always needed and encouraged. NOTE: The Trials for the Masters will be held at the Centre on Saturday 28th April.

Soccer News: Players can still register by calling 4093 7287 or 4093 7109 or dropping into the Kuranda Swimming Pool for forms. Completed forms go to the Bendigo Bank in Kuranda's main street.

Training for all weekend travellers will be Thursday from 4.00pm at the Rec Centre. Resources for training will also be provided on Mondays and Wednesdays also from 4.00pm. See you there.

Tennis News: The addition of structured coaching for juniors has again been boosted! Welcome to Michael Jensen who will be available for junior coaching on Saturday mornings from 8.00am-10.00am; Corinne Smith coaching for juniors 4.00pm-6.30pm on Tuesday afternoons; Aileen Downs for social tennis for all regardless of age and skill, 5.30-7.30pm Sundays.


Future Events: Soccer Tournaments are to be hosted during the season which kicks off from end of April. Interclub competitions will also see the use of the facilities during the season.

For more information see the activities and contacts in the "What's on and When" Directory. Remember – If it's worth doing – it's worth doing well.

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Cairns Regional Gallery (Loft Gallery) Exhibition Program

2012 applications for exhibitions in 2013 from artists and arts collectives identified from the region, close at 5pm, 18th May 2012. There are two categories:

Loft Emerging Artists Program (LEAP); applicants may be of any age with a proven professional arts practice of five years or less, seeking a first solo/group exhibition, and

Community Exhibition Program (CEP); applicants may be of any age with a proven arts practice of five years or more, seeking to further develop their professional practice.

There is a sample application form for this exhibition program available to all local artists at Kuranda Arts Co-op Gallery, however, all enquiries should be directed to Cairns Regional Gallery.

Pre-Mothers' Day Sidewalk Sale

Local artworks will be available for sale on the sidewalk at the Arts Co-op Gallery in Coondoo Street on Saturday, 12th May, prior to Mothers' Day - 10am-4pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to buy your Mothers' Day gifts at discounted prices.

"A Bird in the Hand" Exhibition Opens 4th May 5.30pm

This contemporary exhibition by 'Three Wild Birds': Toni Rogers, Helen Douglas and Marcia Bird, will be showing in KAC's Gallery 2 from 4th-16th May.

Toni Rogers: Toni commenced basketry at a time when the field was experiencing enormous growth and experimenting with alternative materials and approaches. Toni began creating work that was personal rather than traditional. She works with extremely broad definitions of fibre. Just about anything flexible becomes fair game.

Helen Douglas: Wildlife of Australia is Helen's passion and life-long subject matter - from the tiniest bug to brilliant dragonflies, moths, reptiles, birds and mammals, and in particular, the often maligned flying-foxes. Through her photography Helen will focus in this exhibition on the unique character of birds of the Tropical North.

Marcia Bird: As the daughter of a nurseryman and a florist, Marcia is genetically programmed to become a fibre artist. Growing up without television or computers, her early years were spent digging through the scrap material pile and sorting out the button box. Today, incorporating traditional basket-making techniques with natural and recycled materials, Marcia is using recycled wire and computer components, creating wearable art, baskets and sculptural forms.

The exhibition will be opened by Garth Owen, President, Kuranda Media Association.

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT Douglas Track Action Group

On the 26th of March a committee was formed to facilitate opening access to the Douglas Track at Speewah as an off-road leisure trail. The purpose of the trail is to provide a pathway between the western and eastern ends of Speewah for bush walkers, horse riders and mountain bike riders.

While much of the trail is currently open for such activities, a section of about 360 metres is blocked by dense wait-a-while where the pathway is overgrown. It is the purpose of the committee to facilitate the clearing of this section while mitigating any environmental, social or cultural impacts.

This project is aligned with the Tablelands Community Plan which identified the importance of the development of the Douglas Track at Speewah as an off-road trail to the community there.

The committee recognises that the Buluwai people are the traditional owners of the trail (named Yalbogie) and respects their strong cultural, spiritual and historic connections with it.

In consultation with the Buluwai people, the committee plans to interpret the heritage significance of the trail. The Douglas Track was also used as a packhorse route linking the seaport of Cairns in 1876 with the goldfields at Thornborough.

The committee is using historic survey maps with current DERM maps and a GPS to best determine the most appropriate route for the trail at the overgrown section.

Suzie Grinter has been elected as Chairperson for the committee and Annie Austin as Secretary and Treasurer. It was determined at the meeting that an administration fee of \$5.00 is charged to committee members. The next meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday the 7th of May at the Speewah Rural Fire Brigade shed. The agenda is to identify the funding requirements and organise a group walk for the trail. Please contact Annie Austin on 4093 0083 or at anne.austin@my.jcu.edu.au for further information about the meeting or to discuss the project.

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The expression was said to me recently: 'smooth seas do not make skilful sailors'. This has turned into my mantra of late as issues arise and I'm constantly faced with new lessons.

I've been hearing similar stories from others going through challenging situations. With this in mind I've decided to share my hurdles and the Bush Flower remedies that have been like my life jacket as I feel like I've been treading water against 6ft waves:

Mix 1: I've recently experienced issues with someone whereby I felt I was being bullied. When we feel as though we are constantly battling against the actions of others, it takes its toll creating negative beliefs that affects our health and well-being. I found this mix protective, stopping me from absorbing their emotional imbalances whilst providing strength.

Mix 2: My situation escalated with court dates pending and claims of debt overhead and so my mix needed to change! The stress and anxiety this new situation caused became overwhelming. Lying in bed I was unable to sleep. This mix is great for when you're caught on that 'thinking wheel' going over what to do, providing clarity and helping to release the trauma from the abuse I experienced.

I have since had a break-in at the shop whilst I was out the back and so... out comes **Mix 3** to release fear and a victim mentality, promoting independence and courage.

Bush Flower essences can be personally made to suit the individual. As your feelings, needs and situations change, so should your blend evolve with you. As the layers unravel it becomes clearer to see through underlying emotions and patterns of behaviour that may not be serving you well. After all, we can't change other people's actions but we can change our reactions, response and view point.

Testimonial:

"Life was wearing me down. I had been through a break-up 2 years ago, had a parent

pass on that I held on to for years and childhood issues that all of us experience in one way or another and tend to bury within our psyches. My friendships at the time were based on more of a one way street and I felt I had no choice but to let them go. I decided to isolate myself as I couldn't trust my judgement in forming healthier friendships. In a nutshell I had lost my "mojo". One day I approached Kim, feeling it was the right time to open up and trust in her instinctive guidance. I thought what have I got to lose; it's an investment in myself. So after Kim and I discussed my concerns, together we concocted my 'magic potion' which I was very excited about using. I saw a wonderful change and I'm now much more comfortable being in unfamiliar settings with different people. I'm happy to chat, making better choices and life feels easy."

I've had great success with many blends from behaviour issues in kids, relationship problems, anxiety, panic attacks and other emotional responses we have to the life's lessons that challenge us. They're the Australian version of 'rescue remedy' and safe for children, elderly, animals and with medications. Let a blend aid your life journey and have a mix personally designed for you.

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QCWA Kuranda Branch

Kuranda Branch has been back in the swing of things since February. Our handcraft and social mornings are well attended. Although there was little notice of the event, we managed to have a CWA table at the recent Fun in the Park day and were happy to give away 150 cupcakes (or patty cakes if you are old enough to remember what we called them).

In April we assisted SES by providing cakes and biscuits after the Anzac morning ceremony.

One of our members travelled over to Mt Molloy for their Easter Markets – and actually won 3rd place for entering a decorated bonnet on the day (prize: a chocolate rabbit).

Division International Luncheon at Earlville branch was a lot of fun – with Chile as the country of study, the Earlville ladies cooked up a Chilean feast and visitors enjoyed making a bead bracelet with blue beads (lucky colour) – helped along with a sample of red and white wines.

A fundraiser on Sunday April 29th for Women Walk the World will have CWA ladies throughout Queensland QCWA Branches organising walks to raise awareness of ACWW (Associated Country Women of the World) and the international projects that QCWA supports.

Our craft and social mornings are held every Wednesday 9.00am–12.00 noon.

Wednesday 2nd May will be a lesson day – Shadow Appliqué (kits available) with lunch provided at a nominal cost.

Come along and join in, learn a craft – show/teach a craft or just have a cuppa and a homemade biscuit with us. For Hall bookings, please contact the Hall Convenor on 4093 7599 or Branch Secretary on 4093 7016.

Tourism marketing group joins forces with local artists

Sponsorship funds in addition to marketing expertise from Daintree Marketing Co-operative (DMC) have enabled community art group, Douglas Arts Base (DAB), to create an art prize specifically designed to promote the Daintree.

DAB President Alison Gotts said she was delighted to be working with DMC and believes the skills of the two organisations were complementary.

“By collaborating, we’ve been able to create this wonderful initiative that brings together marketing, art, and the Daintree – it’s a winning formula,” she said.

Alison is confident they’ll attract up to 200 entries saying that “the \$2,000 main prize is a fantastic incentive to motivate people to express on canvas what the Daintree means to them.”

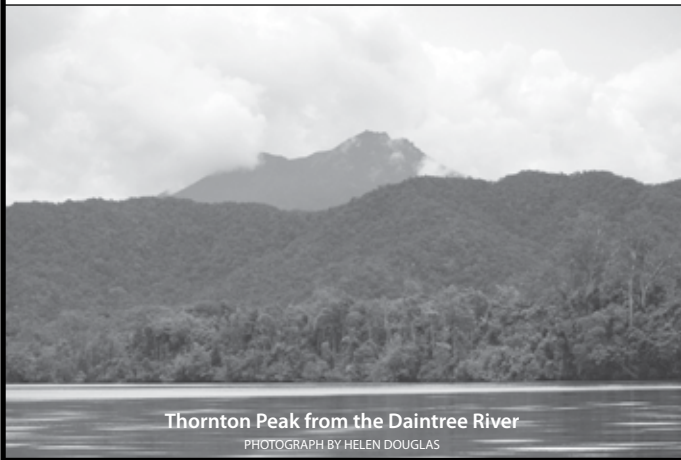
Whilst most entries will come from people based in this region, Alison said there were plans to promote the competition throughout Australia.

DAB has sent competition details to art groups around the country. Individual tour operators will have entry forms on display, to encourage visiting artists and photographers to enter.

Alison said many visitors take wonderful photos which capture the essence of the Daintree. “Here is a chance for them to be selected for an exhibition, and to be in the running for one of six prizes.”

There are five different categories, as well as the overall Destination Daintree Art Prize of \$2,000 provided by the Daintree Marketing Cooperative (DMC).

Entries in the Destination Daintree Art Prize 2012 are now open and will close 5th October 2012. The winners will be announced at the Destination Daintree Art Exhibition being held at the Sugar Wharf 23rd November 2012.



Thornton Peak from the Daintree River
PHOTOGRAPH BY HELEN DOUGLAS

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Kuranda Aquatic Centre News

On Friday 23rd March Kuranda District State College held their annual Swimming Carnival. Years 4 to 12 competed in races throughout the day. Earlier in the week there was doubt that the event would go ahead with heavy falls of rain across the region. However, the sun shone through, the marquees went up, the P&C fired up the barby and a good, colourful, loud, wet time was had by students and teachers as parents cheered on.

The standard of swimming in this town is slowly improving with many parents noting the swimming abilities of the younger students.

Years P-7 completed another 5-week swimming program during Term 1 and the consistency of regular lessons with the efficiency of classes coming and going over the last few years is really beginning to show. Well done everyone and congratulations to all age champions.



Term 2 is in full swing. Learn to Swim Lessons have started again for another 10 week block or casual lessons through May/June. We condense our morning sessions down to perhaps two days and continue with many young, fit swimmers in the weekday afternoons.

It's great to see so many young squad members keeping up 2 or 3 sessions a week. It is certainly a fit and strong crew around Kuranda at the ages of 9 to 13 at the moment who are the future athletes and great community citizens.

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Registration forms are available at the Pool or at the Training. From the start of the season less formal training days will also happen on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 4.00pm to 5.30pm. All teams require coaches and managers to get them to the field on Saturdays and we always need extra volunteers. The training requires Soccer boots and shin guards. The Clubhouse is open for the purpose of training and toilets, and is not administered by anyone, but open through completely voluntary effort. The benefits are astounding in terms of health and fitness for our kids and greater levels of social cohesion for the community. So let's get behind it and the kids for the better future.



Inside My Studio

Interview and Photograph by Toni Rogers

To listen to **Trish Molloy** playing her piano is a rich, emotional and most of all, colourful experience. The sound is elegant, silky smooth and a creamy blend of notes. The wall behind her piano is draped with framed posters, instruments and a personal art collection. Trish's home studio is completely nestled deep in the rainforest of Kuranda, surrounded by perfumed gingers, dark foliage, and today, a patch of blue sky.

Where is your current studio?

Mainly in our lounge room. In one corner is an electric piano and guitars. On the facing side of the room is a drum kit. For a more sound-proof space for making a lot of noise or recording I can use our Coaster bus parked in the garden.

Do you work alone or with others?

I do both. I often write alone, although I sometimes write with other people. But I get a lot more out of playing with others – music is far more satisfying as a collaboration. My partner Zach and I jam together, he is great drummer and poet, and the kids often join in too. Holden is a fantastic drummer and Bila knows all the songs.

I perform with *In the Wild Wood* – with Nick Emtage on trumpet and Alan McLean playing drums. We are the resident band for the Kurandacoots circus theatre troupe – writing all the music for the shows. It's like being in a giant band where some of the instruments are aerials, juggling, poetry and hoops. The Kurandacoots are a big inspiration for my writing. *In the Wild Wood* also play local gigs and festivals, and we just played as support for John Butler Trio and Zennith a couple of weeks ago. I recorded my first CD in 2011 and it was released this year.

I also play with the group "Secret Tuesdays" with Leah Kelly (piano and guitar) and Odi Gorman on banjo. We play once a week at Leah's which is always great fun. We perform at local festivals, and have played gigs in Kuranda and Townsville.

What are the essential features your studio has to have?

Instruments – piano, guitar, ukelele. Good acoustics helps too. I also need personal time and space so that I don't drive my family batty with the repetitive practice of the passage of a new piece. Music, especially in a shared space, can be intrusive and I have to keep the noise down late at night. It's a fantastic and great fun art form, but I think its challenging to live with a musician!

Describe your work pattern – hours/days/weeks.

I am nocturnal. I can easily work until 1–2am. I try to cut off at midnight as I am conscious of my responsibilities the next day. However, I do most of my playing and writing at night time.

Describe the work you do in your studio.

Creating, writing, playing, dreaming, recording and rehearsing.



Why is music your chosen medium?

I grew up with music and attended music camps while at school. I always wanted to be an artist and studied visual arts when I left school. I did a lot of writing and after Uni I worked in theatre as part of the crew, not as a performer. I picked up on music again when the children were little to introduce music into their lives. Now I've lived a little I feel like I have something to say about the places I've been and the things I've seen. I love collecting stories and retelling or re-imagining them.

List three things you listen to while working.

Myself and the other musicians I am playing with. I also have to listen to the music in my head, the other arrangements that come to me when I'm figuring out a piece.

Your favourite tool?

My piano. Any piano. Mine is a full-sized electric piano with weighted keys. It is portable and fits in the back of the car, and can handle the damp rainforest climate better than an upright.

How do you identify your work?

Mainly by playing it. I am a member of APRA and my original music is under Copyright.

How do you sell your work?

Through performing, selling CDs at performances, and royalties from live performances. The CD *In the Wild Wood* is now also available online through CDbaby, itunes etc.

Do you teach or sell from your studio?

No, I don't teach or sell from home. I am starting to develop song writing workshops for festivals.

Do you have any other paid or unpaid jobs?


I undertake part-time tutoring with indigenous students at James Cook University in Cairns under the ITAS scheme. I also do a lot of grant writing, and I am a volunteer at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre, and now at the Kuranda Amphitheatre.

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

I would soundproof an area for when I am working at night or the band is here. I would love to upgrade the speakers and get some more equipment.

If you were not working with music what would you be doing?

Writing – short stories. I really enjoy my writing where I can make up a world. I have also spent a fair bit of time in academic work, in community development and social justice.



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Scorpions are living relics; they have been around for over 400 million years hunting the primitive forests of this planet before the dinosaurs even appeared! They evolved long ago to be perfect hunters and haven't changed much in all that time. The prehistoric scorpions however were much larger than they are today, some growing up to a metre long!

Australia has some highly specialised scorpions. Some are well adapted for desert life, have big powerful bodies and dig deep winding burrows to escape the heat of the day. Others have become suited for life amongst rocks, and have flat bodies to allow them to squeeze into tight spaces.

All scorpions have two well known features which most people are familiar with; their claws (pedipalps), and their long tail with the sting on the tip. These two things make them very recognisable, but they do have some other unique features which aren't as obvious. One of these is a pair of 'pectines'; small comb-like structures on the underside of the scorpions body. Scorpions use their pectines to sense chemicals (the scorpions' way of smelling). Pectines are also used for detecting tiny vibrations through the ground, and for sensing temperature.

Scorpions have eyes but they are quite small, so they don't see very well. Australian scorpions have two eyes in the middle of their heads and two or three pairs on the outer edge near where the claws join their body. To capture their prey, scorpions make up for their relatively poor vision with an excellent sense of vibration. They use their pectines and many fine sensory hairs which cover their claws and body for this purpose. They are so sensitive to vibrations that they can detect the footsteps of an ant, or the wing beats of a moth as they approach. This incredible sensitivity allows scorpions to hunt in complete darkness and still capture their food.

Another remarkable fact about scorpions is that they give birth to live young. The tiny babies are born one at a time, and cradled in the mother's legs before being helped up onto her back. Baby scorpions will ride on their mother's back for many weeks before leaving her to face life on their own as miniature predators.



A local scorpion (*Lychas sp.*) feeding on a huntsman spider (*Neosparassus sp.*). Scorpions can capture spiders and hold them safely at 'arms length' while their sting does the work.

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Bob Madden - New Beginnings

We profile this month a well known resident of Kuranda/Speewah, Bob Madden, and we talk about his new lease of life following recent trials.

Bob was born in Bega NSW to farming parents of Irish Catholic and German Aussie backgrounds during World War II. He was raised with two brothers in that state. At a young age he began working in a bank before moving to the Patent Office in Canberra. He developed an interest in alternate lifestyles, causing him to visit Cairns in 1962. A year later he returned to work on the Tablelands in a dairy farm for a while. Back to Sydney, he joined the Post Office sorting mail, later moving to clerical work. He met Marie, his present partner. She was working with Telstra and on weekends assisting an osteopath. They became friendly and have stayed together ever since. They have no children.

Bob decided to study accounting at TAFE, passing in 1979. He also stood unsuccessfully for a council election. He rose to the position of Employment Manager for the Post Office in NSW. In 1988 he took early retirement so that he and Marie could move north. They came to Cairns in 1989 and then moved to their Speewah house where they still live.

Bob became very active in the community. He joined the Tablelands Organic Growers, becoming President and Marie Secretary. He joined ARK with Arch McArthur and others. He was active in the Kuranda Media Association and was president for several years. He joined with the late John Beasley to form the Speewah District Residents Association. In 1991 he was a candidate for election to the Mareeba Shire Council, but was not elected as the wards were abolished, leaving Kuranda without representation. He was also on various other community groups such as WAMP, Chamber of Commerce and the Development Control Plan Group for the area. At the same time he ran his own TV and antennae business.

In 2011 Bob became quite ill. Originally it was a muscular problem, probably from working on roofs in the heat. Then this developed into an infection of the sinus which must have moved into his brain causing a clot. He was by then seriously ill although the doctors were not sure of the cause. In hospital he spent two weeks



in intensive care and four days in an induced coma. He was not taking food or drink normally and was seriously dehydrated. He had hallucinations and was near death. As he came out of the induced coma, he remembers having what can only be called a near death experience, a feeling of the end of bodily life but with an appreciation of a new life after physical death. In his words it was more of a vague feeling rather than a rational thought, and quite bizarre.

Bob spent a long time in hospital, and finally the doctors found something that worked in a form of hormone therapy. He began to recover. He had lost 25 kilos and most of his muscle tone, but began to improve as his appetite returned. Soon he was mobile again, even if thin. He was eventually able to return home.

He now feels much happier and is very grateful for his recovery. He now views the world in a much more positive light and is loving the experience of still being alive. It is like a rebirth to him. His appreciation of the

good things of life has greatly improved, such as relationships, nature, good music and good food. He was recently seen at a local function relishing the food on offer and enjoying the company. Marie too is feeling better after a lot of stress as she has kept friends informed of his progress.

They say that you have to experience the depths of the negative before you can really begin to appreciate the positive, that which is of greatest value. This is one of the justifications for the existence of what can be described as "evil" or "destructive" in life. One commentator wrote "Tests and trials only cause agitation to weak hearts". But it requires the exercise of a strong will and personal effort to make the most of the negative experience as you come out the other side. Bob seems to have this. It is good to see you up and about Bob.

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Kuranda Horse and Pony Club



ON BEHALF OF THE KURANDA HORSE AND PONY CLUB I WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE THIS ARTICLE TO MAL BAUMGARTEN WHO SADLY PASSED AWAY ON GOOD FRIDAY 6TH APRIL 2012 AGED 76.

Mal was a life member of the pony club. He had held different positions with the Club over the years and it was only about four years ago he was the President. He had given many years of hard work and support to the club along with his lovely wife Pat.

Mal would love nothing more than to be able to sit and watch the kids ride, learning and gaining experience on their horses and had seen many go from beginners to great horsemen and women.

"That's what Pony Club is all about" he'd say, "it's for the KIDS", and all us adults would always say back to him "IT'S FOR US BIG KIDS TOO", with a laugh.

So it's with mixed feelings of sadness and fondest memories that we say GOODBYE TO MAL. May you Rest In Peace, and meet up with your beloved horses, and keep a watch over us to make sure the Club keeps on going strongly!

What's been happening at the Pony Club

The rally days have been a bit slow due to the wet weather.

But on the 1st weekend of the school holidays the Annual Zone 18 3 Day Camp was held at Tepon Park at Wondecla.

This was a great success with fantastic weather, and 87 kids came from different pony clubs in North Queensland and everyone had a fabulous time, learning new things and meeting new friends.

Then the Welsh Pony and Cob Society held an Information Funday at Tepon Park on the 24th March.

At this event two of Kuranda's riders, Jamie Hewitt-Toms pictured on Dodge, and her little sister Olivia Hewitt-Toms on Lyndsay were awarded a winning horse rug and Olivia received the 2nd place prize of a saddle blanket. They received these prizes by entering a competition that the Welsh Pony and Cob Society and PCAQ introduced in 2011 for attending Gymkhanas. This competition was open to all of Queensland, so Jamie won the Pure Breed section, winning the Rug, and Olivia came 2nd in Part Breed section.

So what a fantastic effort! "WELL DONE GIRLS".

The next Major event coming up for Kuranda Horse & Pony Club will be our Annual Gymkhana & Jumping Equitation weekend.

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Jamie and Olivia at Welsh Pony Show 2012





Book Review

“A Search for Sovereignty”

by Lauren Benton

(2010, Cambridge UP)

ISBN 9780 521 707435, RRP \$40.95

In this book, Professor Benton examines the classic notion of national “sovereignty” as adopted in Europe in recent centuries to define the nature of the contemporary national state or country.

That is, in one view, that each state has, by international agreement and recognition, absolute “sovereign” legal power and authority over the whole of its territory within the agreed boundaries and over all the people within those boundaries, to the exclusion of all other states and people.

The author’s central thesis is that the growth of European Empires overseas under the process of colonialism did not exhibit this simple, classic notion of a single, exclusive “sovereignty”. Rather, the colonial claims to sovereignty of the various European states, such as in the Americas, Africa, Asia and the Pacific, really comprehended a great diversity of notions and concepts, with no single model.

This, he says, impacted in many different ways on those colonies and their peoples, as well as on the colonial masters, such as in matters of the law, politics, economics, etc., etc., with repercussions right up to the present day. He concludes that this must change our very notion of history.

He gives as an example the well-known early 20th century maps of the British Empire, showing a uniform red colour over much of the globe. This, he says, was really inaccurate.

It was more of a patchwork of colours, different shades of red and pink, with gaping holes and alarming variations, a viscous and uneven medium. Territorial control was, in many places, an incidental aim of Imperial expansion

A claimed territory might be politically fragmented and legally differentiated, and encased in irregular, porous and sometimes undefined borders. The Imperial control that was exercised was mainly over narrow bands, or corridors, or over enclaves and irregular zones around them. Claims to sovereignty were often mixed with the entanglements of local legal politics and inter-Imperial contests.

Benton illustrates this view by impressive documentation of the various claims by European powers to overseas territories and how they arose.

Interestingly, one of these illustrations is by reference to a particular case in South America that was the subject of a recent movie viewing by the Kuranda Film Society, the title being “The Wrath of God”. Quite a gory movie from the 1970s (no doubt

much of the early colonial conquests in the Americas were quite gory), it depicts (I am not sure how accurately) a Spanish-Peruvian mid-16th century expedition over the Andes into the Amazonian jungle.

The quest was said to be for a new Eldorado or gold find for the Spanish King. It is documented that one Lope de Aguirre rebelled against the expedition leader Pedro de Ursua and induced others to follow. They installed their own puppet leader, or “King”, and carried on with the expedition through the jungle down river, meeting many challenges both within their group and external to it and eventual failure.

Benton says that this case was exceptional, not because it was the subject of a revolt leading to Ursua’s death, but because Aguirre refused to draw up documentation to declare that the action was caused by Ursua’s tyrannical rule and so to seek a pardon from the Spanish King.

Rather, Aguirre was not afraid to declare his treasonable action in defiance of the Spanish King in his personal quest for the fabled Eldorado. News of the fate of this expedition, it was reported at the time, contributed to the quieting of rebellions in the Indies.

Benton contrasts this case with that of Raleigh, who sought riches in Central America in order to seek a pardon from the English King. Many other interesting examples are mentioned. But typically these adventures lead to a European jurisdictional net that was long and thin and strung along waterways. The up-river country was often seen as treacherous and conducive to treason.

Benton concludes that the classic notion of sovereignty is often more of a myth than a reality, more a story that politicians tell about their own power rather than a definite quality.

While Benton is only addressing the nature of Imperial colonial claims, there are parallel lessons to be learned in the modern contemporary context. In this present age, claims to traditional state sovereignty are under ever-increasing pressure from supra-national forces, as the world becomes ever more interdependent and boundaries are becoming more porous.

This is caused by many factors such as well publicised global discrepancies of wealth and opportunity, the global nature of trade, human movement and communications, the global impact of conflicts and gross human rights abuses, and the inevitable growth of regional and international regulation and agreements.

No country is fully “sovereign” in the sense previously mentioned any more. It was Donne that wrote quite a few centuries ago “No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main”. This is even more true today.

A book for thoughtful readers of history.

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Well, what a fantastic Easter we had, big day on Saturday for us with the Easter Egg hunt where some of our members were out and about helping Mark, it was a great day. Well done to Mark and his helpers. Then we went over to the Amphitheatre for car parking, all went very well there, a big thanks to those of you who gave us donations, we made a whopping \$1750.00. This is a great start for our “save the Troopyfund”.

We have had a few trees down this last month to keep us all busy as well – thanks guys for going out and doing these jobs promptly. Thanks also to the person/s who returned our witch’s hat and sign, greatly appreciated. We have still been busy with our training. Thanks to all members for their dedication to quick response times.

SES training is every Tuesday night at 7:30pm, Fallon Rd (next to the ambulance). We would love to see new members. So if you are up to a LOT of fun and great experiences come along; I can assure you you won’t regret it. Till next month.

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A Thought for May

THIS month we open our bibles and read from St John's Gospel Chapter 10 verses 11-18

Of all the images which Jesus used for his person and his work, the image of the good shepherd has shone most over the centuries of the Christian tradition. The role of the shepherd became very much linked with such values as trust, faithfulness, dependability, gentleness. However, the role of the shepherd also requires tenacity, strength, courage, leadership. If these values are placed beside the others, we avoid childish images of a Jesus who is merely meek and mild.

We have only to read the first sentence of this passage to hear Jesus define the reality of the shepherd's role with chilling foresight. "The good shepherd," says Jesus "lays down his life for the sheep." To do anything less is to betray the flock, it is to "care nothing for the sheep." "I am the good shepherd." What might that be asking of my life?

If a shepherd cares, then the question is whether I am becoming an essentially caring or a self-centred human being. That may seem obvious. Yet patterns of behaviour change in our lives, and we need to examine them from time to time. Again, if a shepherd leads, then in what sense am I leading other lives, perhaps those younger than myself. Leading can be an exercise in ego and power. It can be domineering.

Obviously, Our Lord's pattern of shepherding does not call for that. Rather, are there vocations in our lives that we could give some time to? Is there some aspect of Counselling, Hospital visitation, Pastoral Care, children of alcoholic parents - anything like this that we could be involved in to guide others? In terms of adults, could we give time to Bible study?

Is there a self-help group that we can give something to? All of these things are shepherding. Such vocations may seem very tame and pedestrian compared with Jesus laying down his life as the good shepherd. But we are not all asked to do what Jesus did. To lay down one's life can mean many things at many different levels.

One thing is certain. You and I are never going to lay down our lives for anything until we give even a small part of ourselves for something! Surely there is not one of us who cannot respond in some way to Our Lord's call to be a shepherd.



Thought of the Month from the Baha'i Faith

"Christ was not in need of baptism; but as at that time it was an acceptable and praiseworthy action, and a sign of the glad tidings of the Kingdom, therefore, He confirmed it. However, afterward He said the true baptism is not with material water, but it must be with spirit and with water. In this case water does not signify material water, for elsewhere it is explicitly said baptism is with spirit and with fire, from which it is clear that the reference is not to material fire and material water, for baptism with fire is impossible."

(Abdu'l-Baha)

Meditations/Reflections: all welcome to meditations on the sacred writings of the great religions etc, every Wednesday, 7.00pm, Hidden Words Bookshop, bottom of Therwine St. Kuranda.

Morning prayers: each Tuesday at 8.00am, in the park in central Kuranda.

Study Circles by arrangement, please feel free to enquire.

Declaration of the Bab, Holy Day, 22 May, commemorating events on this day in 1844 in Shiraz, old Persia, the birth of a new Revelation.

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From the Baha'i Community of the Tablelands

Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother

*I told my daughter I'm thinking of buying a Labrador.
 "Really", she said, "have you noticed how many of their owners go blind?"*



Living in Kuranda

Leave the trees standing Cut down only paper products

OUR VILLAGE IN THE RAINFOREST quickly resumed its daily life after the flourish of activity recently: Kuranda's Fun Family Day activities, the record crowd at Kuranda Amphitheatre, school holidays and visiting tourists.

Afterwards the inevitable 'big cleanup' began. How much of that rubbish ended up in landfill I don't know, but in the future, rubbish from public events like these will be more responsibly handled as the Tablelands Regional Council Waste and Recycling department reviews the regions waste management systems.

Recently the TRC has, throughout regional high schools, promoted the Student Poster Recycling Competition to highlight household responsibility. The themes: Recycling and the future of the Tablelands and TRC – Working Towards a Cleaner Community. The winning poster (soon to be announced) will be displayed in all Tableland Libraries and on Waste Management trucks.

Take a look at TRC's website which offers four areas for householders to consider:

- Reducing the amount of waste you create (eg. take reusable bags shopping, buy in bulk to reduce packaging)
- Purchasing products that can be used over again rather than disposable products
- Creating a compost bin to put all food scraps, shredded paper, lawn and garden clippings
- Recycling as much as possible.

As this is the Year of Reading and many books etc, are made of paper, here are a few ways we can cut down paper products and leave the trees standing.

In this issue are ways to refuse, reduce, recycle, reuse or revamp books of any kind including school textbooks, encyclopaedias, and atlases.

Ideas for other paper products such as magazines, newspapers, catalogues, comics, phone books and yellow pages, office stationery, copier/printer paper, old calendars, junk mail, office mail etc, will follow in a later edition.

Books: Refuse to buy new books. Join your local library and read theirs. Reduce your spending on books, magazines, catalogues etc, read them online, or via ipad or kindle.

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Date Claimers

- ◆ 27 April College Cross Country
- ◆ 1 May Parent Teacher Evening Year 7-12
- ◆ 1 May-3 May Parent Teacher Interviews P-6
- ◆ 15 May-17th May Naplan Testing
- ◆ 18th May Naplan Catch-up Day

At the Swimming Carnival



From the College Principal

Our school term has started with a flurry of activity. The children were straight into the new units of work and are keenly following the new national curriculum. We are assessing the progress made and seeing some real benefits but other areas where modifications can be made. Our school priorities and focus areas have not altered and we continue to work on student reading and numeracy.

All schools are in the final phases of preparation for the Naplan testing for 2012. Our students are prepared and will do really well. It is critical however that the community offer support to students and reinforce the message that these tests are only a snapshot of progress only designed to assist each school with strategic planning and meeting the needs of each student. Students and parents are encouraged not to make any more judgments from the testing than feedback.

I would like to take this opportunity to again thank the many volunteers that assist our school in so many ways. We have parents, carers and community people in our school each day helping with all sorts of activity from reading programs to coaching football teams. This community support is encouraging and thankfully growing. The education of each child is the shared responsibility of the entire community.

Parents and Citizens association is very strong again this year with the new committee elected. We are still looking for a new secretary for the committee and we thank Cathy Retter who has stood down this year after serving in the position wonderfully over the past couple of years. Please contact the school if you have time and are will to be the secretary with the support of the school and the committee.

Gary Toshach

Swimming Carnival

On the 23rd March Years 4-12 participated in the School Swimming Carnival. Ganyal house for the second year running were the overall winners. The students spent the day cheering on their house team members.

Age Champions:

9 Years: Conor Stevenson, Abby Lewis and Michaelyn Parkes

10 Years: Samara Sporre & Lachlan Headley

11 Years: Melodie Mounier & Thomas Bailey

12 Years: Mary Scotford & Juy Coss

13 Years: Charlie Kurth & Lila Ford

14 Years: Faye Brim & Douglas Parkes

15 Years: Rachael Price & Mitchell Brim

16 Years: Hannah La Baysse & Elinoe Beauvieux

Open Years: Jordan Kapteyn

EASTER BONNET PARADE

On the last day of term we held an Easter Bonnet Parade. We had many 'wonderful' creations with feathers, cotton balls, coloured paper and fabric and eggs. In their class groups children from all year levels hopped and bopped and danced and sang to show their hats to the parents who were able to join us for the Parade and class picnics. This event is already on the calendar for next year, bigger and better year.



Preps Excursion to The Cairns Wildlife Zoo

In term one preps were learning about different animals and the environments they live in. To end a great term of learning, the preps visited the Cairns Wildlife Safari. There we saw lions, monkeys, bears and the South East Asian Otters which are endangered, but thriving in captivity.

"I saw three lions and they roared loudly," said Jacob.

I really like the otters because they were spinning around in the water and it made me laugh," said Yarron.

I thought the otters were very clever because they had to get their food from a bottle which looked hard," said Annaelle



Polish Lunch



The students on 29th March took part in a Beacon Foundation Leadership program where presenting a positive image in the workplace was the focus of the day. Interviews, body language, etiquette and general manners were workshopped with visiting guest presenters.



Rugby League

This year we have a school team in the U12 ARL Development Cup. Students will play games on Wednesdays in Cairns. This is a great opportunity for students to engage in a sport to represent the school. Good Luck to all who play. We have also entered an U15 team into Secondary Schools Competition. A Big Thank you to Cindy Quarry for assisting the College with coaching.

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P & C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be on 14th May at 6pm at the Secondary Administration Common Room.



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Squirrel Gliders will usually give birth to two young, who will spend 70 days in the pouch and then a further month following their mother before becoming independent.

With her successful surgery, Shelby will be able to return to the wild. Released without the surgery, she would be unable to breed and would be ostracised by others of her kind.

Squirrel Gliders are a threatened species due mainly to habitat loss, ensuring Shelby's release adds to the survival of the species. This species have a diet of nectar, foliage, bark, fruit and insects. They will also feed on tree sap from eucalypt trees.

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**Your Month by the Stars
The Stars in May**

The first solar eclipse for 2012 is on the 21st May at zero degrees Gemini. That's exciting and we'll get back to it. First, let's look at the Full Moon on the 6th May – right in the middle of Scorpio. Intense? Certainly. Spiders, snakes and things that sting everywhere you look. An impassioned burst of desires reflected off the Full Moon back to the Earth emanating from the Taurus Sun. Deep, fertile and full of creative potential. The sting of the Scorpion going right to the centre of the Earth. Just follow your passion I guess, and take the stings.

Venus goes retrograde in Gemini at midnight on the 15th/16th. Sorry Cinderella you didn't make it back in time. Watch the gloss and glitter fall away and the actors are revealed as just people after all. You can now see the real underlying truth in all its beauty and vulnerability. What do you make of it? This is where the real potential to love and create is revealed.

Venus is also hovering around a trine aspect with Saturn, exact on 17th May. Both planets are retro which accentuates the real value in stripping it all back to its bare essentials. Slowing the dance down a bit and refocussing on the balance point. Centre balance, and...hold! Decisions should now become clear. Not necessarily comfortable, but clear. Hold to them and the dance can begin again with a very solid bottom line. Turn up the bass.

Mars is still in trine to Pluto in the Earth signs, coming out of a long retrograde cycle and making its last (of three) exact trines to Pluto, also on the 17th May. This is a controlled detonation. Anything that explodes now will clear the path for some really productive growth. Don't hold back, this one's been coming for a while.

Now, the solar eclipse! Zero degrees Gemini, 21st May. This sets the basic energy field for the next six months and opens up the pure essence of Gemini – versatility; multi-faceted expressions of self; lightness and dance. Mind as a dance and self as the director. Lots of quick changes and different roles. And information flowing continuously. The challenges of decision making and the joys of orchestrating the performance.

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New Magazines: Kuranda Library now has two new magazines available for loan:

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My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece / Annabel Pitcher

Things That Keep Us Here / Carla Buckley

Hunger Games Trilogy (*Hunger Games, Catching Fire and Mockingjay*) / Suzanne Collins



A great start to Term Two following a long fun-filled and well deserved break for our children and their families. The focus in Term One has been laying a foundation from which we will continue to build on in Term Two and throughout the year.

Aspects of the program includes activities with a purpose, mindfulness, learning through play, projects with quality interaction of parents, children and colleagues and co-construction where the children can create, drawing from their own experiences.

This was put into practice by family holiday camping trips resulting in setting up the tee-pee and making damper for morning tea.

As a community kindergarten we are mindful of our environmental responsibilities.

Solar panels were installed in Term One with the aid of a State Government grant. This has prompted an awareness in the children to save power. So, off at the switch if it's not being used.

The children also participate in recycling, maintaining a worm farm and a vegetable garden. Other environmentally friendly items on the agenda for the Term include rain water tanks and establishing fruit trees.

We are all very excited about our kindy disco to be held on Friday 4th of May, 5.00-7.00pm. Theme for the night is *Be what you want to be*.

A sausage sizzle is provided and parents – can you please bring a plate to share, and toy donations for prizes.

Other attractions on the night include lucky door prize, spinning wheel and raffle.

Invites are open to all current and last year kindy families so come along and join the fun. The Bunnings sausage sizzle (the first of three) is on the 12th of May so if you're in that part of the world come along and support our kindergarten and feast on our Kuranda Butcher sausages.

Don't forget our spectacular lantern parade coinciding with the winter solstice on the 21st of June. But more about that in the next issue.

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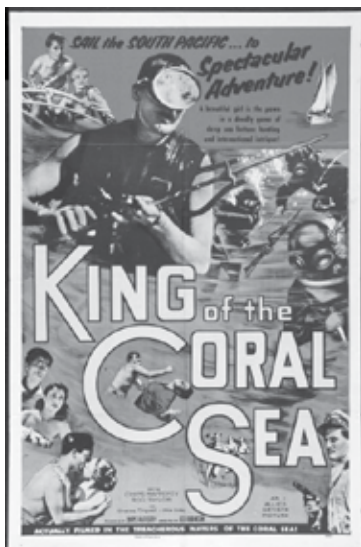
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Cosi

Lewis is a uni drop-out who takes a last ditch job in an asylum working with patients who are interested in the dramatic arts. He thinks his work will involve staging a small variety show with

the group until long term patient Roy insists that the production be nothing less than a grand staging of Mozart's opera 'Cosi Fan Tutte'. An ambitious thought to say the least. After all, none of the patients can speak Italian nor sing and the cast is made up of aging nymphomaniacs, obsessives and pyromaniacs who really have other things on their minds. Cast Ben Mendelsohn, Toni Collette, Rachel Griffiths, Barry Otto, Aden Young, Jacki Weaver, Pamela Rabe, Kerry Walker, David Wenham, Colin Friels, Paul Chubb, Colin Hay.



Exhibition explores weather disasters

An exhibition exploring the dynamic and sometimes catastrophic effects of seasonal weather events across Australia, and particularly here in North Queensland, will be on display at Tableland Regional Gallery, 16 Robert St Atherton, until 5 May, 2012.

The *Passing through, lasting impressions* exhibition by the artist and sculptor, Ben Trupperbäumer, presents a series of new works which focuses on the transformation of the Australian landscape that inevitably occurs across time and location.

In the first series of works, the exhibition uses these normal and exceptional events to explore the notion of "passing through, lasting impressions".

Each work endeavours to present the essence of the 'impression' through the transformation of the landscape that takes place – abundance, beauty, devastation, and the emotions evoked - which can be fleeting or everlasting.

In the second series of works, which have been produced in association with Euan Macleod, people are brought into the frame.

People in landscape are captured as they pass through some unusual places under varied circumstances. They are all in motion either purposely navigating or accidentally finding a way.

Ben Trupperbäumer is a member of the Tableland Regional Gallery Committee and a highly regarded artist who has exhibited in Australia and overseas.

For more inquiries, call Deborah Godfrey on 4091 5261.

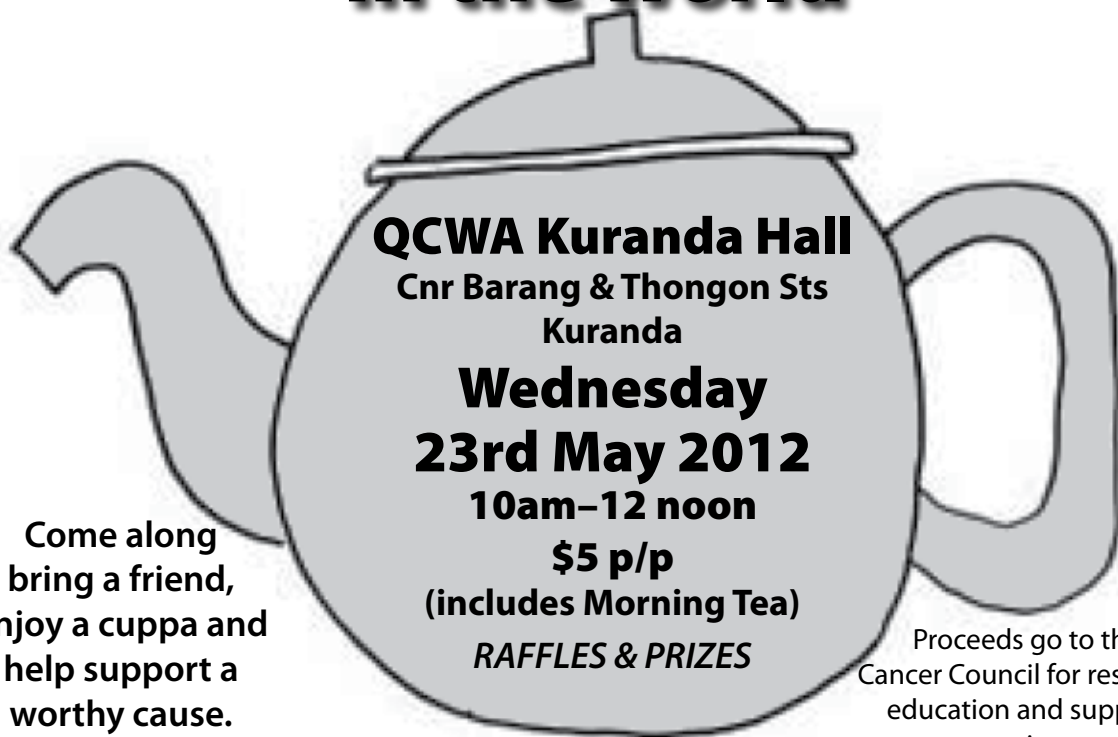
UNANSWERED PRAYER

The preacher's 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why. "Well, Honey," he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. "I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon." "How come He doesn't answer it?" she asked.

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We're keen to send off our next batch of cassowary poo for DNA testing, so please let's know if you spy a poo - or you can collect it yourself. Use a clean plastic bag; don't let your own DNA get on the sample; pop it in another bag and drop it off at 1 Pademelon Lane (or we'll pick it up from you).

NAVUA SEDGE

It's that stalky green grassy plant with a pompom of seeds on top which lines all the roads that are regularly mowed. If you have but one plant in your lawn and you mow over it, you're guaranteed to have a lawn full of it in no time. Dig it out.

PIGS

All our traps are out there, but the last few are the hardest to catch. Please report sightings to us so we can see if numbers are increasing.

SNAKES

They should be slowing down now but give us a call if you don't want to share your space with one.



HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING SO BEAUTIFUL?

This male Cairns Birdwing butterfly emerged from its chrysalis at our nursery after 35 days and took several hours to fully expand its wings and fly off. It is brilliant green on its upper side and vibrant yellow with a dash of red on the underside. What a treat!



The Cairns Birdwing butterfly is said to be the largest in Australia. Its eggs are laid on both the *Aristolochia acuminata* and *tagala* vines. The tiny caterpillar moults several times and munches its way (you can actually hear it) to the size of a large man's finger. When it's too big to eat another thing, it morphs into a chrysalis and just hangs about for a month or more before emerging as this splendid thing. The males and females can be seen flying one above the other, about 300mm apart, in a courtship "dance" before getting serious (out of sight). They live for some weeks.



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Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

Recently, I was diagnosed with A.A.A.D.D. This is how it manifests itself:

I decide to water my garden. As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing. As I head towards the garage, I notice post on the porch table that I picked up from the postman earlier. I decide to go through it before I wash the car.

I put my car keys on the table, put the junk mail in the recycling box under the table, and notice that the recycling box is full. So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the recycling first.

But then I think, since I'm going to be near the postbox when I take out the recycling paper anyway, I may as well pay the bills first. I take my cheque book off the table and notice that there is only one cheque left. My extra cheques are in the desk in my study, so I go into the house to my desk where I find the cup of coffee I'd been drinking.

I'm going to look for my cheques but first I need to push the coffee aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over. The coffee is getting cold, and I decide to make another cup. As I head toward the kitchen with the cold coffee, a vase of flowers on the worktop catches my eye – the flowers need water.

I put the coffee on the worktop and discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers. I put the glasses back down on the worktop, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote control. Someone left it on the kitchen table.

I realise that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers. I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor.

So, I put the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill. Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do.

At the end of the day:

- The car isn't washed
- The bills aren't paid
- There is a cold cup of coffee sitting on the kitchen work-surface
- The flowers don't have enough water
- There is still only one cheque in my cheque book
- I can't find the remote
- I can't find my glasses
- I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all bloody day and I'm really tired. I realise this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it tomorrow, if I remember.



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Males and females are generally a mottled pattern of tan and brown on the upper surface and pale underneath. A green crescent is present in the upper iris and the back edge of the forearms and legs are fringed with small skin extensions.



photo by Dr Conrad Hoskins

And what's good about frogs ?

Well, if you're not keen on chancing your lips, kissing every frog you meet in order to maybe get an enchanted handsome prince, or getting the Aboriginal dreamtime frog, Tiddalick, to laugh in order to break a drought, maybe the following will do:

- food source for other animals, including humans (diners are adding to frog numbers' decline)
- some are a good source of poison (if you need that sort of thing)
- all are susceptible to pollution so are good indicators of water quality and habitat health (think about use of canaries in early underground mining)



a male *Oreophryne* frog in Papua, New Guinea, guards his clutch and two newly hatched froglets that rest atop the egg mass

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

Maybe you are reading this before April 28th; maybe you are reading this after April 28th; Regardless of the outcome of the Council elections, I would like to say "Thank You" to all Kuranda district residents for your support over the past four years and "Best Wishes" to the new Council which will be in place by late May.

Council Budget 2012-13: One of the first tasks of the new Council will be to finalise the 2012-13 Budget. The current Council has been working on the development of the Budget for some months.

"Business as Usual": You can be confident that Council services will continue as normal, despite the election and transition period. If you have a complaint or request for Council action, you can easily and quickly log this, either via email to info@trc.qld.gov.au, or by using the link "Report a Problem" on the Council website, or phone 1 300 362 242.

Road Projects: Good news received last week that Federal funding (NDRRA program) has been approved for major road projects in this area. The Mona Mona Road has been allocated \$2.1 million for reconstruction; Black Mountain Road \$1.8 million, Ganyan Drive/Speewah Road \$660,000; Still awaiting approval for the submission for funds for work on Koah Road and Windy Hollow Road. In addition, the Fallon Road Bridge is planned for construction in the coming year and the Morton Street/Rob Veivers Drive intersection is planned for July-October this year.

Increased hours for Kuranda Transfer Station: Council has approved an increase in opening hours for the Transfer Station. The contracts are due for renewal and new hours of operation will start from July 1st. The Transfer Station will open for four full days each week from 8am to 5pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays. These new times will be advertised beforehand.

Kuranda Pedestrian, Traffic and Parking Study: The Final Report with over 60 recommendations was presented to Council last week by Bitzios Consultants. The full Report is available on the Council website. The recommendations range from immediate minor

signage improvements to more long-term traffic improvements. The project has been fully costed and will be included in budget considerations for 12/13 and future years. The new Council will make the decision on funding and budget.

Kuranda Infrastructure Committee: The Committee has a vacancy for a Community Rep which will be advertised soon. All loans have now been paid off and the fund is in a healthy position. The delivery and construction of a number of projects is now commencing. Design work for the Riverwalk project has been completed and is awaiting construction. Council is still negotiating with Queensland Rail regarding the possibility of a rail crossing at the end of the walking track. The new Visitors Centre is in design phase and Charles Wright Architects have been appointed. (Construction to be completed within 12 months.) Design for the improvements at the traffic area at the front of Skyrail/Scenic Rail are almost complete, as is the Covered Walkway from the station to the village.

Fluoride: Council has written officially to the State Minister requesting review of the requirement for all Councils to add fluoride to town water supplies. The completion of the Kuranda Fluoride Plant is currently delayed til approx late July/early August. Before the fluoride is added to the water supply, by law, residents must receive at least one month's notice beforehand.

Recycling Strategy Plan for TRC: A strategy Plan for managing Recycling across the region is currently being developed for consideration by Council in June/July 2012. If you have particular comments regards this, please contact TRC Environmental Planning Officer, Kirsty Lamperd at kirstyl@trc.qld.gov.au or by phoning Kirsty at 4043 4390. In the interim, recyclables can be left at the special bin at the Kuranda Transfer Station.

Tourism Kuranda: The tourism promotion group continues to do a wonderful job of promoting the Kuranda Village, with Marc Sleeman providing the hard work. Members of the TK Committee are all volunteers who devote hours to promote Kuranda. The current Committee is due to retire in August and nominations for positions on the Committee will be advertised mid-year.

Library Hours of Operation: The new Financial Year will also hopefully see an increase in Library opening hours. As the Kuranda Library also provides basic Council office services, it is proposed that the Library also be open on Mondays. This decision is not yet finalised.

RosCommon Speewah: The small unisex toilet block will be constructed at RosCommon near the Children's playground. The project is still funded but will be delayed by a few months and will be constructed later this year.

Kuranda Community Precinct: Applications for use of the community spaces in Building C (the newest building) have now been approved. Groups such as the Junior Rugby League and Yoga and Dance classes will soon be using the facilities. Council has ensured that the current facilities available at the CWA Hall and the Kuranda Recreation Centre are not disadvantaged. Tenders for the removal of the older buildings (buildings A and B) are now open. Council is working towards the future construction of a purpose built facility at the Community Precinct. Planning work has already commenced for the establishment of the Library at the Community Precinct. The entire lower floor of the Block C building will be used to create a spacious community Library and resources hub, with space for small meeting rooms and additional library services for our community.


Thank you to the Kuranda Community for engaging in the extensive public consultation last year. The Advisory Committee will soon be reformed and will work towards a long-term plan for the facilities. It will take some time until the site is able to be used to the full potential.

Off-Leash Area for Dogs: Many pet owners have asked about "off-leash" areas for their dogs. I have made a submission for funding of such an area in Kuranda through the 2012-13 Budget. The area would be fenced appropriately. The exact location has not been decided.

Council Meetings: The newly elected Council is expected to be in place by late May. Meeting dates and locations will be advised.

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Mark Freeman

I'm standing for election this year to represent you, the residents of Kuranda, Mareeba, Speewah, Koah, Myola, Oak Forest and Bilwon.

Most people in the Kuranda region know me through my previous role as Post Master and, over the past decade, as the mail delivery contractor. Many also know me through my involvement in executive positions with over 30 regional organisations over the past three decades. They include the Queensland Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the RSL,

Junior Rugby League, Eight Ball North Queensland, several school committees and many diverse others.

I was initially reluctant to stand, even though I missed out last election by a whisker. Over the past couple of years I have, on a very few occasions, suggested that the Council was missing the best course. If you tell someone how to do it, you should be prepared to put your shoulder to the wheel and do it yourself. So I am.

Too many things have been half fixed, or half done. Speewah Road, Ganyan Drive, Koah Road and many others are glaring examples. Windy Hollow Road or Shanty Creek Road are bizarre responses to normal road maintenance. A playground built without shade, or contracting road machinery that cannot get over a bridge are sad indicators no basic common sense. Reducing the old primary school development from 5 buildings and 26 rooms to one building with two community rooms at a cost of over \$250,000 is difficult to believe, let alone to boast as good achievement. It is not – it is a tragic failure! Council refused the offers of assistance and never considered facilitation – as opposed to top down direction.

Those residents who don't know me, I urge you to ask the many locals who do know me well. Many don't like me, but more do. They will tell you that I can be hard and will drive for what I see is right – against any odds. Sometimes my comments are harsh, but rarely wrong. That is what our community needs in Council. We need someone who understands board management procedure and the bureaucratic processes; but who also recognises that you must have vision from ground up. Otherwise the wheels fall off.

We need someone who will fight for our fair share, and for what is needed. We need someone who finds solutions rather than quoting obstacles. I will be the councillor from division 8 rather than the councillor for division 8. If a Dimbulah need is critically desperate – they get first go. But we will get our fair and our full share; and our own desperate needs will be fixed – first time, every time. That is the best and cheapest way to fix problems.

This is not an easy job I am placing myself forward for. It is a hard 80 hour a week task that must be done efficiently, economically, responsibly.



Jenny Jensen

Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me as your Councillor since 2008. I am committed to Kuranda and I will continue to work for the Kuranda community over the next four years.

Four years ago I did not promise the world, but I did promise four key things:

- To ensure a strong voice for the Kuranda district
- To provide balance in making decisions for this community
- To work for you and this community
- To listen and follow up on your needs and concerns.

Kuranda's needs are very different to other parts of the Council area; however Council now understands this community a whole lot better. I have (and will continue) to stand up for what Kuranda needs and my voice will continue to "nag" and "fight for" Kuranda at the Council table. In a Council region that is very large, Kuranda is definitely not forgotten and as the third largest district in the TRC and with a significant rates base, Kuranda deserves to be heard and is being heard. The consultation with Kuranda over the past 4 years has been extensive (10 Year Community Plan, New Planning Scheme, Kuranda Tourism Infrastructure, Sport and Rec Plan, Strategy Plan for the Community Precinct plus many more informal consultations) and this will not stop.

Kuranda is incredibly diverse and eclectic in nature, but that is our strength. It does mean that the opinions are varied and vastly different on a broad range of things. However, I have always listened and heard the different views and needs and taken a balanced approach to these. I am not aligned to any particular group and always take a consensus view to Council. At times this is very difficult because there are so many different views, but I believe that we must work in a united way to achieve things for this community.

Your Councillor does work for you. I take onboard your needs to deliver the Council services and facilities that you want and need. Roads (never a good as everyone wants, but better funding for projects such as Owen Ck Bridge, Koah Rd, Ganyan Dr, Speewah Rd, Fallon Rd, Mona Mona Rd, Black Mt Rd, maintenance of local roads), new facilities and support to community groups (grants, Rec Centre, RosCommon, Kowrowa playground, Koah hall, a way forward/plan for the Community Precinct), better services (Transfer Station, Library, tourism) and better access to Council. As your local Councillor, I work for you and I work for you.

I will continue to follow up on any issues/ questions/ concerns that you have with Council services or actions. No matter what your enquiry, if you ask me I do get an answer for you; sometimes I can get you what you want, but even if I cannot get you the outcome you need, I get back to you. My phone is always on and my ears and eyes are always open to what is happening and needed.

Most importantly, I will continue to work hard with Councillors and Council staff to keep improving the future community, environmental and economic directions of this community. I will continue to give you sensible, balanced, honest representation on Council. I ask for your support in re-election.



Cheryl Tonkin

We all acknowledge that our local communities and our Tablelands shire, in which we live and work, are extremely important to us.

We all recognise that the values, expectations, wishes and environmental aspects of our very beautiful and special region are paramount for our communities, our local businesses and farmers, and especially our unique environment.

Many an issue and much community anger has arisen in the past from inappropriate decisions made by Regional Councils over the years that have not been reflective of this Division's expectations, nor necessarily in the best interests of local residents/landholders.

My goals for you, once elected, is to represent YOU on Tablelands Regional Council:

- I will undertake consultation and consensus with YOU, the residents and landholders. I will not uphold the "we know best" overall operating agenda that currently appears to be systematic.
- I will have respect for residents and landholders regarding the impacts of Tablelands Regional Council's decisions upon you, your property and your lifestyle. You can be assured of my voice in preferential decision making to uphold YOUR community expectations.
- I will take a stand against our Council's complicity/subjugation to State Government legislation that is inappropriate for our community, after consultation with you the community. ie The introduction of Fluoridation of our water supply.
- I will push for looking at the feasibility of introducing recycling options where appropriate and financially practical.
- I will highlight and try to ensure that Tablelands Regional Council priority purchasing and supply contracts be awarded to our locally owned and operated businesses thus enhancing their viability.
- I will ensure that business policies introduced for our locally owned business and farming enterprises are strong and well founded.
- I will ensure that Kuranda residents/ratepayers be given annually six (6) free entrance tickets per Rate Notice to use the Kuranda Aquatic Centre. I believe the same should also apply to other Divisions being forced to pay off these developments.



Nicko Djeric

The region changed quite dramatically over the last two decades; several factors contributing to the state we find our town and community in today. It is important to perform critical analysis on these concerns.

1. 7 day trading. Dwindling tourism numbers, has had a detrimental impact on business and the community.
2. No sense of urgency to visit Kuranda, making it a low priority for tourists.
3. Over a million tourists a year when we traded 4 days a week—over 1000 tourists a day, town was busy and dynamic.

Now lucky to see that many over a 7 day trading week. 4. Operating costs and rents are too high and comparable to Cairns Esplanade. Hard to keep smiling when you have not made a sale all day. 5. Are we still unique or just becoming an extension of another shopping complex? 6. 1994- Skyrail said it will carry 600 people an hour and estimated that it will double the current tourist visitor numbers to Kuranda from 2000 to 4000 a day. What happened? 7. The GFC and 9/11 decimated tourism, what geopolitical engineering stunts may follow?

Here's some fresh ideas I have collected recently that may propel our business and community and reinvigorate our region's future.

1. Definition of insanity: keep doing what you have always done expecting a different result. We need to collectively brainstorm. This is a major strength to play on, after all we are a resourceful, creative and massively talented bunch.
2. State of the art 'pass the buck' lavatory block in town would actually make money.
3. Waterslide on the Barron River.
4. Temporary return to 4 day trading for a trial period, or at least, until we see tourist numbers dictate the need to increase trading hours.
5. Backpacker accommodation. 6. Various music, theatre and movie festivals fostering local talent. I know 'Roots' is successful, and as the recent John Butler show proved we can host a sell out event, so let's replicate it. Think Woodforde. Something for the town's youth to aspire to, a stepping stone to the world stage!
7. Alternative health/ healing centre, people can experience a living community natural health retreat. Free from toxins eg. Fluoride!
8. Hemp. This industry alone could fire up the whole nation's economy! Don't get too excited, I mean 'industrial' hemp.
9. Waste management plan- recycling, producing electricity from waste. Becoming environmental vanguards.
10. Affordable community housing.
11. Community WiFi hub servicing everyone who currently don't even get mobile phone coverage!
12. Tourism and hospitality training enabling service of world standard.
13. Artisans' precinct accommodating visiting artists from all over the world to run workshops for the community.

Think about it, and try to remember why you chose to make Kuranda your home, and how we can attract more like-minded souls to join in our wonderful lives, even for just one day.



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Trailer Hire: 6 x 4 box trailers for hire \$10 half day. \$20 full day. Kuranda Envirocare 4093 8393.
Local Rainforest Trees: available at Nursery in Myola Road near Warril Creek bridge. Donations to support land care work. Kuranda Envirocare 4093 8989.

Just arrived **Just Gorgeous** retro teapots just in time for Mothers Day. Come and check them out. Open every day until 4.30pm.

Speewah Country Market: every Sunday 8.00am-2.00pm. Local produce, country prices. Have a stall \$5. Enquiries 4093 0361.

So many **Just Gorgeous** shoes are just waiting for the right feet. Visit www.justgorgeous.net.au or better still, come into the village and try them on for size.

Tribal Bellydance in Kuranda: Upcoming events: 17 April Term 2 classes commence 6-7.00pm at Kuranda Community Precinct, Arara Street; Check out our new website launched in April; May: Mareeba dance classes resume at Centenary Park; May: Meeting of the tribes at the Temple; 21 Oct: KurandaDance to perform at Kuranda Day. Check out www.kuranda.org for details; late Feb 2013: Paulette Rees Denis coming to Kuranda for workshops and intensives. 'Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you've imagined.' *Henry David Thoreau.*

A friend in need is a friend indeed!
 Is there a 60-70 year old lady who would like to meet a 76 year old man? I'm a Caucasian, non-smoker, clean living.
Please phone 4093 8164 after 6.00pm and ask for "Young at Heart".



Kuranda Fire and Rescue Service
 is looking for new **Auxiliary Firefighters** (part time, paid work)
 Do you live or work within 5 minutes of Kuranda Fire Station and have what it takes to help keep your **community safe??**
 For more information phone
(07) 40425450 today

www.fire.qld.gov.au Queensland Government

Airline Jokes

Oldies and goodies from the Control Towers around the world

- Tower: "Delta 351, you have traffic at 10 o'clock, 6 miles!" Delta 351: "Give us another hint! We have digital watches!"
- Tower: "TWA 2341, for noise abatement turn right 45 degrees." TWA 2341: "Center, we are at 35,000 feet - how much noise can we make up here?" Tower: "Sir, have you ever heard the noise a 747 makes when it hits a 727?"
- O'Hare Approach Control to a 747: "United 329 heavy, your traffic is a Fokker, one o'clock, three miles, Eastbound." United 329: "Approach, I've always wanted to say this - I've got the little Fokker in sight."
- A student became lost during a solo cross-country flight. While attempting to locate the aircraft on radar, Air Traffic Control asked, "What was your last known position?" Student: "When I was number one for takeoff."
- A Pan Am 727 flight, waiting for start clearance in Munich, overheard the following: Lufthansa (in German): "Ground, what is our start clearance time?" Ground (in English): "If you want an answer you must speak in English." Lufthansa (in English): "I am a German, flying a German airplane, in Germany. Why must I speak English?" Unknown voice from another plane (in a beautiful British accent): "Because you lost the bloody war!"
- Tower: "Eastern 702, cleared for takeoff, contact Departure on frequency 124.7" Eastern 702: "Tower, Eastern 702 switching to Departure. By the way, after we lifted off we saw some kind of dead animal on the far end of the runway." Tower: "Continental 635, cleared for takeoff behind Eastern 702, contact Departure on frequency 124.7. Did you copy that report from Eastern 702?" Continental 635: "Continental 635, cleared for takeoff, roger; and yes, we copied Eastern. We've already notified our caterers."
- While taxiing at London's Gatwick Airport, the crew of a US Air flight departing for Ft. Lauderdale made a wrong turn and came nose to nose with a United 727. An irate female ground controller lashed out at the US Air crew, screaming: "US Air 2771, where the hell are you going? I told you to turn right onto Charlie taxiway! You turned right on Delta! Stop right there. I know it's difficult for you to tell the difference between C and D, but get it right!" Continuing her rage to the embarrassed crew, she was now shouting hysterically: "God! Now you've screwed everything up! It'll take forever to sort this out! You stay right there and don't move till I tell you to! You can expect progressive taxi instructions in about half an hour, and I want you to go exactly where I tell you, when I tell you, and how I tell you! You got that, US Air 2771?" "Yes, ma'am," the humbled crew responded. Naturally, the ground control communications frequency fell terribly silent after the verbal bashing of US Air 2771. Nobody wanted to chance engaging the irate ground controller in her current state of mind. Tension in every cockpit out around Gatwick was definitely running high. Just then, an unknown pilot broke the silence and keyed his microphone, asking: "Wasn't I married to you once?"

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

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Kuranda Transfer Station Opening Times
 TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS
 8.00am to 5.00pm

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Monday	Closed	Thursday 11am-5pm
Tuesday	11am-6pm	Friday 9am-12noon
Wednesday 11am-5pm	Saturday 9am-12noon	

NO COUNCIL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE ON SATURDAY

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SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 26

Looking for something new?

A great way to support your community is to join your local SES.
 Not a lot of time out of your busy schedule, but a great feeling of helping those in need.
 Training held every Tuesday night at Fallon Road.
Call Carol for details on 0427 037 054 or 0409 758 122

If someone in your family has a drinking problem, you can see what it is doing to them, but can you see what it is doing to you?

Al-Anon can help you!

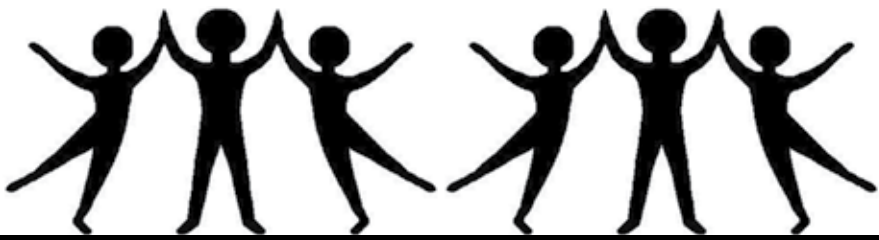
MEETINGS IN MAREEBA, SMITHFIELD, CAIRNS

Phone Kate 4093 9668
 1300 ALANON

KIDS

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1800 55 1800





Community Calendar

Every Sat Kuranda Envirocare Tree Planting, Ph 4093 9926 for details or check website www.envirocare.org.au
Tai Chi Chuan 9.30am CWA Hall. Contact Sifu Julie 042 705 4132 or Tai Chuan Academy 0409 104 753
Aquafitness at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre, Myola Road, 8.30am 4093 7109

1st Sat **Garden Group** 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492

Every Sun A.A. CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599
Speewah Country Market 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361
Yoga with Aileen 10:am Kuranda Recreation Centre : Contact Aileen 4093 7401

1st Sun **Kuranda Film Society** 4.00pm to 8.00pm, Kuranda Recreation Centre Ph Margaret or Hans 4093 8393

2nd Sun **Uniting Church** Recreation Centre 5.00 pm, Krishna 4093 8730
Every Mon. **Acappella Singing** 7.00 to 8.30pm, Recreation Centre. For more info call Jane Younghusband 4093 0463.
Gentle Yoga 8:30 am CWA Hall, Phone Aileen 4093 7401
Kids Aerial Circus with Louise Kohn. Bookings essential at the Amphitheatre 3.30 pm, 0424 928 917
Kurandacoots adult circus jam Amphitheatre at 6.30 pm. Bring any circus toys.

Every Mon & Fri **Al-Anon Family Groups** 7.00pm and 6.00pm respectively Ph Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON
Karate at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm to 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
H.A.L.S. (Health Across the Life Span) Stretch and flex class. 8.45am for 9.00am start QCWA hall. Ph 4093 7617
Soccer Training, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. 4093 7109
Koah Sports & Social Club 7.30pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026

3rd Mon **KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00pm Rob Veivers Drive Ph 4093 8933

Every Tue **Aquafitness** at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre, Myola Road, 6.15pm. 4093 7109.
Tae kwon do & Self Defence 6.30pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196
Yoga 5:30 pm Kuranda Recreation Centre : Contact Aileen 4093 7401
8 Ball 7.00pm at Kuranda RSL, Top Pub, Recreation Centre, Speewah Tavern, Kuranda Resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537

1st Tue **The KCCT** meets at Malcolm's Original Markets at 4.30pm.
2nd Tue **Tourism Kuranda** meets behind St Saviour's Church.
Kuranda SES Training, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road. Contact James Partridge 0402 119 642

2nd & 4th Tue **Mareeba Toastmasters** meets 7.30-9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Joe 4092 2089. Guests welcome.

Every Wed **Lifeline Counselling** at KNC (appointment necessary)
Craft and Social Morning at QCWA hall 9.00am
Kuranda Playgroup 9.30am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. New families please phone Lynda 4093 8361.
Weekly Meditations/Reflections 7.00pm at The Hidden Words Bookshop, bottom of Therwine Street.
Karate at Koah Hall 6.15pm-7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380
Mah Jong at KNC 1.00 to 4.00pm. All welcome
Soccer Training, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. 4093 7109

1st Wed **Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting** 2.00pm at KNC
2nd Wed **QCWA meeting** 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016
Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group – 10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Every Thur **Aquafitness** at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre, Myola Road, 6.15pm. 4093 7109.
Rotary 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206
Tae kwon do & Self Defence 6.30pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196
Women's Acapella Choir Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre, Cumberland Ave, Smithfield 7.00-9.00pm Thursdays
Narcotics Anonymous 6.30-8.00pm at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre
Kurandacoots Adult Circus Jam at the Amphitheatre 6:30pm

2nd Thur **Ambulance** 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road
Every Fri **Aqua Tonics** at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre, Myola Road, 11.00am. 4093 7109.
Zumba: CWA Hall. 5.30 to 6.30 pm. Contact Bryony 4093 7298

Contributors: CHECK THAT ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT



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Koah	4093 7006	Peter
Kuranda	0408 077 746	Nick
Myola	4093 7190 / 0408 151 199	Duncan
Speewah	4093 0211	John

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		#1315	#1315	
Ex:	Speewah	*1550	*1550	
		#0710	#0710	#0820
		#1320	#1320	
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		1530	1130	
Departs Cairns			1330	
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All services except 1000 go to Speewah & Koah if required
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Departures	Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
CAIRNS (Spence St)	6.45am	8.30am	11.30am	1.30pm	3.00pm
CAIRNS (Mall Zone D)	6.47am	8.32am	11.32am	1.32pm	3.02pm
CAIRNS (Central)	6.50am	8.35am	11.35am	1.35pm	3.10pm
KURANDA	7.30am	9.15am	12.15pm	2.15pm	4.05pm

KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE

Departures	Daily (Except Christmas Day)				
KURANDA	7.30am	9.15am	12.30pm	2.15pm	4.10pm
CAIRNS (Central)	8.20am	9.55am	1.10pm	2.55pm	4.50pm
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.25am	10.00am	1.15pm	3.00pm	4.55pm
CAIRNS (Mall Zone D)	8.32am	10.02am	1.17pm	3.02pm	4.55pm

7.30am Shuttle via SKYRAIL, CARAVONICA, TAFE, CAIRNS HIGH
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Departures	Monday to Friday			Saturday	Sunday
ATHERTON	6.15am	9.00am	3.30pm	6.15am	9.00am
MAREEBA	6.45am	9.30am	4.00pm	6.45am	9.30am
KURANDA	7.30am	10.05am	4.30pm	7.30am	10.05am
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.15am	11.20am	5.20pm	8.15am	11.20am
CAIRNS (Central)	8.35am	11.25am	5.35pm	8.35am	11.25am

CAIRNS TO ATHERTON TABLELANDS

Departures	Monday to Friday			Saturday	Sunday
CAIRNS (Spence St)	8.30am	3.15pm	5.45pm	8.30am	3.15pm
CAIRNS (Central)	8.35am	3.20pm	5.50pm	8.35am	3.20pm
KURANDA	9.10am	4.05pm	6.25pm	9.10am	4.05pm
MAREEBA	9.45am	4.40pm	6.55pm	9.45am	4.40pm
ATHERTON	10.20am	5.10pm	7.30pm	10.20am	5.10pm

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