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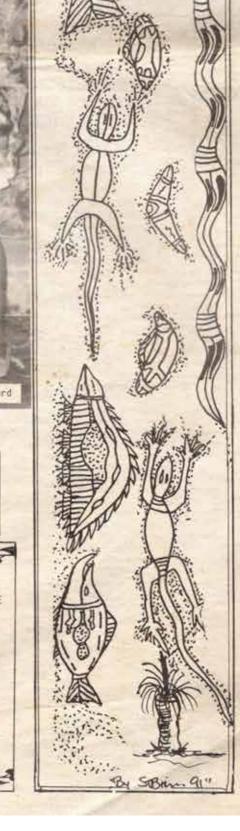
Olive Alpin, Andrew Williams, Lynette Snider and Coralie Wason working on the new diorama in the Jilli Binna Culture Centre in Coondoo Street, Kuranda.

The above diorama, on display at the Jilla Binna Culture Centre, shows a mini camp scene on one side, with a rainforest mural behind it and on the other side it shows shield-making steps. It was funded by the Queensland Arts Council through the Local Initiative Group and took a lot of volunteer help from Jeb, Barbara Scott and one of the trainees who built the platform of the diorama. The diorama is a life-like three-dimensional display.



21 Sept. ALL WELCOME!!





### MEDIA ASSN

The Kuranda Media Association is a voluntary association with a membership fee of \$2. A five member committee deals with the rurning of the Organization and a production team is in charge of the newspaper. They collect, collate and lay out the news and advertisements ready for printing. No one is paid. To remain viable the Association depends on the money collected from advertisers, donations, membership fees, and sponsors who would like to see the newspaper continue circulating. Our stated objective is to "Provide means of open communication in order to promote the spirit of community involvement and reflect the ongoing aspirations of the residents of the Kuranda area.

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#### NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN KURANDA

The response to our newspaper has been massive as we have been overwhelmed by the enthusiasm of the community, immdated by articles and the volume of advertising indicates that the paper will certainly be viable.

There are issues such as the lack of teenage facilities, which is a cry of youth in Kuranda that at least in part, this paper has tried to address. We have already responded, with the Youth Club and the Disco and we hope there will be more in the future.

Then there is much news to announce, such as the fact that the steam train passenger numbers are satisfactory enough to make all parties concerned want to bring back the steam train next year and there will be a report on this as it becomes more topical.

There is speculation about the impending news of the proposed new high school and also proposed, is a Kuranda the size of Cairns connected by cable-car and train.

State Government recognizes that this is a developing residential area or has that potential and proposals such as that on the old Kuranda dump site and perhaps even that on Saddle Mountain, could spearhead that development.

These proposals, now going through the process of application and comment, could have dramatic effects on Kuranda as we know it, simply because they double the population. This will highly urbanize the area.

In five years the map of Kuranda will have entirely changed and a welcome change too, for many who see prosperity looming and booming ahead.

The moneyed and affluent are poised to come in from the south and from the north to buy land here as the most desirable place in the world to be.

However, others see the wholesale destruction of the forests and environment as wanton, barbaric, criminal and even contradictory, to destroy the reason for being here in the first place.

It makes not a jot of difference to them that its's only secondary or even tertiary regrowth because they say, one might as well be cutting off one's own lungs.

Furthermore, it may not be for the benefit of Kuranda in the long term, but these are not the things obviously, for one person's opinion or even a few to decide.

Such decisions can only belong to the whole, fully-informed community and we assert that everybody in the Mareeba Shire ought to feel the same way and not only that but it behoves them to do so, S. Dimitriou, Editor.

#### SNIPPETS OF NEWS

LOCAL TRIATHLON

XXXX Coral Coast Triathlon celebrates 10th year, Sun, Sep 22. Prizes for winners, entries from Triathlon office, Trinity Wharf, call 070 51 0280, fax 070 51 0082, closes mid-Sep.

PRIORITY TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Every month we have a priority traffic enforcement (PTE). The priority for September is drinkdriving. RBT will be on the watchout.

#### BLACK FRIDAY 13th DISCO IN KURANDA

In response to a youth article in the Kuranda Community News, Alison Buckley, with the co-operation of the local Police has organized a disco for Friday, Sep 13th, 7-10:30pm. Catering for Kuranda teenagers from 13 to 17 years. \$2 adm, Fancy dress theme: BLACK FRIDAY, prize for best dressed. Also door prizes.

#### JAMES T'S RADIO GUEST

The Editor of the Kuranda Community News, Mr S Dimitriou was a guest of Mr James T (Graham) on Friday, Aug 16 on his radio program, "The Roadshow", on 40CR-FM, between 4 and 6pm. James T. also helps until 7pm in "The Australian Music Show". They talked about Kuranda's new newspaper, played 60s music and had a lot of fun.

#### CAMERA-ACTION! IN KURANDA

Loud noises such as automatic gunfire and a Huey helicopter, expected to be landing at the weir, will be heard at the Barron Gorge near the Falls and Kuranda for the filming of the movie, "Sniper", on Sep 5, 6 & 7.

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# MIGRO O S MOMENTS

For the record MIGLOO'S Moments is a paid AD.
MIGLOO that is me has requested a \$35 spot. MIGLOO
is a term that refers to white fellas. When speaking to a big cross section of the Murri folk across FNQ.
MIGLOO has often heard them say "He's some migloo fella from 4CCR FM Cairns".

I'm pleased to announce that this your paper is committed to the Murri community. It seems that after one good visit to Mona Mona by MIGLOO and the follow up of other committed people K.C.M. can and will be a forum for the Murri voice here in FNQ.

Next issue MIGLOO will review Barry Cedric's new album. Speaking of reviews it might be a good time to talk about "The Mills Sisters" from LI. There seems to be something about Islander music that is full on grass roots. The LP that I'm talking about is "Swing. Along with the Mills Sisters". They are 3 very warm loving ladies who can put a tune across. The Mills cover tunes, sing trad, tunes and give good value for money. When was the last time you purchased a tape with 20 tunes on it? For more info on "The Mills Sisters" please address all letters to the ED.

### AROUND THE RIDGES



JUNE REES

#### AROUND THE RUIGES

I would like to fully inform you on all the subjects following but space does not allow it. If you care about future development or other matters, I urge you to come to the peoples meeting held in the CWA Hall every first Tuesday, monthly at 7:30pm., where details can be discussed. The next one will be lively and informative in regard June Graham's efforts to bring guest speakers to relate detailed implications of further pollution to Kuranda's water supply from Tinarco Dem should Mareebs Shire Council lift their objection on Atherton Council's D.C.P.

The 1987 signage policy is now being fully implemented, any illegal signs, sandwich boards, etc. are to be removed throughout.

Many thanks to Euranda State School Principal Bob Hammond for his help and co-operation with council for arrangements to make available to weekend sporting bodies the use of two school toilets, a saving of \$12,000 for ratepayers for a transportable. Div. 4 had no funds available for this.

ty apologies for 'Loo City' in Centenary Park. I requested they all be removed to a nearby less conspicuous sita. The engineers assured me this wasn't possible because of the existing sewerage structure in place. Shrubs will be planted around the transportables. This is an unfortunate down-side to tourism.

A reminder to businesses that a requirement in development is to make svallable two loos for staff and one for the public as required,

In the near future I will be asking residents to participate with feedback on a questionnaire similar to the one I distributed in 1988. Some of the topics will be:

1. Quantity of buses in the village. 2. Puture bus parking planning - lay over area, pick-up/set-down area. 3. Public awareness to future development and zoning. 4. Fragmentation of business zones outside the village. 5. War Memorial site. 6. Siting of future sporting facilities. 7. Sky-Rail (Cableway). and more.

I would be appreciated if some kind person could offer window space in the main street for public awareness of council notices.

#### SPECIAL SPEAKS

Following serious concerns regarding two recent applications to rezone and develop some large properties, the Spessah District Residents Association was formed earlier this year.

The objectives are to protect members' environment and ensure that the character and beauty of the Spessah district is maintained and that it is properly represented.

Committee and general meetings are held bi-monthly, at lot 89, Douglas Track and hope to represent a crosssection, with the numbers to have impact when dealing with official bodies.

If YOU have a concern, whatever it may be, come along to the next meeting or ring 93 30303, or 93 0197 first and tall us about it. \$5 TO

JOIN AND TO WOTE.

John M Lockyear, Publicity Officer,
SDRA.



by S. Dimitriou & A. Buckley

About 40 Vietnam Veterams marched in the first-ever Vietnam Veterams' Parade in Kurands on Sunday, August 18, after the welcome home parade of 1988.

They were supported by nine navy personnel from HMAS Flinders, 70 from the Air Training Corps, a Catafaique (bier on which a coffin rests) Party of five from the Anny and Cpt Andrew Joiner from the Anny Reserve who is also a teacher at our local school.

Starting from Fitzpatrick's Tavern at 11:30es, the Parade was escorted by Kuranda Police as they marched up Coondoo Street turning right into Thervine Street.

Ignoring with commendable restraint a rude remark by a street juggler, they halted and stood in front of the three flags marking the site of the proposed new memorial in Centenary Park.

It was a doubly important day because it commemorated the 25th anniversary of the Battle of Long Ten, now officially designated Vietnam Day by the Australian Government,

Dr Barry Wright introduced Mr Jim Mealing, President of the Kuranda Branch of the RSL, who gave a welcome speech and led everyone in the singing of the National Anthem.

Then he introduced the Reverend Chris Wright who held a short memorial service in remembrance of the fallen and wounded on both sides of the Vietnam War. "We see this not as a celebration of military glory", said Mr Ken Shields, Secretary of the Kuranda RSL. "There are more Vets joining the RSL so we saw it as appropriate to hold the parade."

He wanted to remind people of the visit to North Queensland of the two Gong colonels last year and announced that in February next year, two Australian vietnam Veterans will reciprocate the visit by going to Vietnam as guests of the ex-ensay.

The Parade was also addressed by the Chairman of the Marcebs Shire Council, Mr Chris Lewis and after the service, Dr Barry Wright invited all attending to Monkey's Restaurant for drinks and coffee,

Mr Peter Fuschtei, 45, of Earl Street, is an ex-National Servicemen who was awarded the Military Medal, the highest honour bestowed on a soldier by the Australian Government for bravery in the field,

He said "I like the way things have been brought out into the open after all these years. A few blokes who are in hiding ought to come out and show themselves. It's not a bad world after all".

Psychologist Jill
Hiddlestone of Trinity Beach
who is moving to Kuranda at
Christmas, is the Senior
Counsellor for Vietnem
Veterans. She said,"I don't
think the general public
realizes that a lot of the

Vets are still suffering and although people these days at least are aware of the Vets problems, I don't think they understand them.

A lot of them will have problems for a long while yet because their effort was not acknowledged. They put their lives on the line but back in civilian life, it took Australia a long time to show that they and their efforts were appreciated. There was no debriefing at all and yet they were supposed to be living a normal life again. They're normal fellows that went to an abnormal situation - the Vietnam War was just so different from other wars", she added.

Sergeaut Gordon Rickaby, United States Marine Corps, was a prisoner of war in North Vietnam for 4 years, from 1969 to 1974.

He said, "No matter how much punishment they give you - you always think of home and loved ones. We gave a good accounting of ourselves. Sine they punished us but i'm not bitter against the Vietnamese or the US Government. Now we need help from everyone including reporters, doctors, politicisns and other people. Now we must come out of hiding. I'm very happy that this country gave me a second life. It's very important that we receive help.", he repeated.

# COMMUNITY ACCESS FOR THE EURANDA CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Representatives
of the Kuranda
Consultative
Counittee, Paul Fisk
and Gayle Hammah, have
selcomed Kuranda's new
local resepaper in
separate semis to the
editor.

Gayle's mean says that despite their efforts, the Committee's work, aims and hopes for future community action is little-known even though monthly notices were displayed in town.

Likewise in his mamo Paul agrees that,
"The Committee has been in operation for some months now, regularly meeting in the first week of every month on Tuesday at the CWA Hall" and "If you didn't know that, you're not the only one",

Information from these two-hour meetings is not being distributed to the widest possible audience in Kuranda. He believes that this newspaper will mostly solve that problem and he expresses the Committee's hope that it gets the necessary support to survive as a community newspaper, reporting on all aspects of living in suranda.

In future
issues we will be
bringing you more on
the Kuranda
Consultative
Committee.

#### FILMING

SNIPER PRODUCTIONS will be filming the feature film "Sniper"

over:- Wednesday 4 September (Rehearsal only)

Thursday 5 September

Friday 6 September

Saturday 7 September

at Barron Falls, Kuranda.

The filming necessitates a limited amount of:

- \* Low altitude helicopter movements
- \* Special effects gun-fire

carried out under the control of professional safety personnel.

For further information please contact - MURRAY BOYD on PH: 99-5544



# PERMACULTURE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

ROBBIE KELTON SHARES WITH US THE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING IT TOGETHER THROUGH PERMACULTURE.

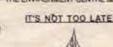
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### LETTERS

DEVELOPMENT.

Dear Sir,

As a recent visitor to Kuranda I wish to draw the attention of respective Officers to appalling risks to visitors which could lead to big insurance claims in the case of accident.

The rather "tall" steps leading to the western Market area near the Bungy Jump were covered in loose gravel and very slippery as a result.

On the wooden steps leading to the pavilion stalls, the outer step-board and most steps had come free from their risers. They appeared to have been attached with only one nail!

In the public gents toilet, there is a half step leading to the urinal, which is impossible to see and tripped almost all that entered while I was there.

I would be pleased if you would pass this information to the proper authorities for attention.

Yes, I did spend a lot of money in the market and enjoyed doing it.

Yours faithfully, Norman Brown 21 Story Crescent Renmark, S.A. NAME OKEH?

Dear Ed,

Re: The name of our paper competition.

What's in a name? I for one like K.C.N. (Kuranda Community News) for a name. Why? What a good question; can we start with our town Kuranda. What do town mean? In the old days it was all about a collection of houses. In this day and age Kuranda is about a lot of houses.

The Kuranda and area is a locality where people reside. A town where people may have a common interest, (Community). The news that K.C.N. talks about could be tidings, fresh information and recent happenings.

I like the name! Power to Kuranda and more power to K.C.N.

James T.

When

considering new development in Kuranda why not also consider the well being of the whole community.

Next to the beautiful natural assets of our town, is not the colorful vibrant life of its residents of equal attraction to our visitors.

Kuranda is a good example of a rich diversity of cultures leading a peaceful co-existence. Will proposed development nurture or stifle this existence?

By looking for balance in our development we can retain the village charm and avoid becoming merely an over serviced tourist trap.

Hopefully this newspaper will become a voice for people to express their views and reflect back to us the feel of the community.

In a few more years will the words of Mantaka's song "Living in Kuranda is Fine" still ring true? Let's hope so.

Good luck with the paper.

D. Russo

SISTER
FRANCIS
&
SISTER
McPHERSON
of the
BLUE NURSES



STEAM CAUSES FIRE by S Dimitriou & A Buckley

The fire brigade has been out twice to the area along the scenic railway line to Korowa which is all burnt out destroying the beauty.

According to Cr June Rees, "It's looking pretty ugly", and defeats the purpose of the steam train which has created a mess in "ten-foot-high" grass in a built-up area.

She couldn't see the sense in it, especially since the train is being considered next year for a longer period which extends into the much drier season and will get worse.

"It doesn't set alight just to the side of the rail, but the sparks come out of the top and go some distance. Fires have started at some distance from the rails", she explained.

She had to act quickly because, "There's too many old people, there's too many people with their bad hearts and if the place catches fire, well there' no one to save them", she said.

When the Fire Brigade comes out, someone has to be charged. The people being sent by the Queensland Rail are the cause of it. Are they paying for that ? she asked.

She is on the Queensland Rail Consultative Committee but it's too long before the next meeting, so she rang the Acting Chief of Queensland Rail Mr Beard and he's going to get in touch with Townsville and see if they can work out some way of doing something about spark arresting - some sort of compromise.

She thought it would be a simple matter which QP just couldn't be bothered about, but they certainly are not patrolling the line to prevent the fires.

MORNING TEA AND MUSIC WITH THE BLUE NURSES

A get-together for morning tea and a sing-a-long with the Blue Nurses is part of the care of their local support group.

They meet every third Tuesday morning once a month, at the CWA Hall between 10am-12pm.

Sister Cheryl Francis said that the numbers have gradually increased to 20, allowing some free time to carers, their patients and others.

(The Blue Nurses were started in Kuranda on March 15 1985, with 5 patients and they now have 40 to 45 patients).

The support group is also open to those of all ages that have a need, such as living alone and needing interaction with others needing fellowship.

Some of the musicians who have entertained have been Glen Gummow, Ruby Thorburn and Dan Coleman and last May, children from the State School performed a play for them.

Sr Francis works out of the Doctor's Surgery in Coondoo Street, from 7:30am to 4pm, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Under the umbrella of the Uniting Church, the Blue Nurses is a Home Nursing Service staffed by trained Nursing Sisters for the sick and is available to all.

It also includes care for the aged, the frail, the disabled, the Aboriginal Community, the elderly and the lonely.

They also run a Diabetic Clinic every Wednesday in the CWA Hall from 9:30 -11:30am.

The Director of the Service in Mareeba is Kuranda resident Sr Sarah McPherson, who stressed that the small Kuranda Branch is run from Mareeba.

She said that this non-profit making organization, "Is only 80% Government funded and is mainly dependent on donations".

Sr Francis added, that as they did not charge for their visits, all donations would be gratefully accepted to help pay costs such as car maintenance, medical supplies, etc.



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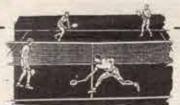
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#### THE KURANDA SPORTS & SOCIAL CILIB

A bit of a tale to inform, dispel rumours and get the gossip right.

A few years ago the Kuranda Returned Serviceman's League, never a large organization, was an endangered species. The WWI & WWZ campaigners were fading away in numbers and at one stage there was concern among the few that the Kuranda RSL would become an Historic branch.

The concern was expressed by members in three ways:-

1) That the RSL would close, 2) If the RSL Club closed, the village would lose a proven philanthropic organization which has supported many community causes financially. Over the years organizations such as the High School, Junior Football, Red Cross and the Ambulance have benefited. 3) If the RSL closed its doors, then Kuranda RSL land asset would be sold and revenue would be transferred to State RSL coffers.

The financial lose to community would be sad considering the few social amenities that we have in our village. The Kuranda RSL could not allow this to happen.

About three years ago a recruiting drive enlisted the assistance of people who had served in the Korean, Malaya and Vietnam campaigns. A dedicated committee was formed to turn the situation around. A plan was formulated to sell the RSL's main asset and build an amenity for the community.

The Kuranda Bowls Club had a piece of land for their green but no Club. The two organizations Committees negotiated and agreed to join forces to achieve a shared vision of a sporting venue for Kuranda.

Eventually land was found behind Masons Road and a conceptual plan including a club, bowling green, swimming pool, tennis courts and oval facilities was placed before council.

Council agreed in principal to the plan providing that the clubhouse and bowling green land area became part of a special lease,

In the meantime the RSL Main St. asset was sold. The RSL and Bowls Club decided to form an incorporated body which is a separate entity from the RSL and the Bowls Club.

The incorporated body to satisfy all parent body requirements was named the Kuranda RSL Memorial Bowls and Service Club. Quite a mouthful, which has now been shortened to the "Kuranda Sports and Social Club".

Our vision was that the facility would be an umbrella social amenity for the community and those sporting organizations which wished to develop the recreation reserve. e.g. swimming, tennis, cricket etc.

The vision has now progressed to a bricks and mortar stage. Currently the project, being constructed by Project Administration Services, is nearing completion. The schedule is:-1) Completion of club-house building estimated mid-september.

 Kids playground to be included in landscaping design.
 Bowling green to be at pre-final stage at the end of October.

A landscape design plan will be called in August. Community participation to assist with landscaping the reserve will be advertised later.

the next steps are:

Construction of a Council Car Park.

Oval & Tennis Courts - Community,
Club and Council to address the
planned facilities.

Swimming Pool - forming of a fund raising committee for the swimming pool fund. The goal is a full Olympic standard 6-8 lane pool.

Road - the road which gives access to the reserve is only a temporary alignment and is actually taking up a small part of the reserve.

There is sufficient land on the reserve for a cricket oval, although general filling will be required. There may have to be some repositioning of the layout to obtain maximum benefits.

The first part of the project is nearing completion and the Sports & Social Club Committee would appreciate thoughts and suggestions and commitment from the community to progress the remaining community facilities.

The Committee expresses its thanks to Cr. Wally Grey for his assistance. We look forward to Cr. Grey and Cr. June Rees' continued support to complete this project.

That's all folks....now you know as much as we do.

ADVERTISEMENT

The Sports & Social Club Committee



### New writer's group

It was after a weekend writer's workshop in Cairns in February that a few of the local scribbiers decided to get serious about writing

Since then a small group have met on an informal and irregular basis in each other's homes. Such a loose affiliation was deliberate, since everyones' lives were busy with a host of other distractions.

It was decided to dispense with the claptrap of club rules and just produce the goods. Two pieces each are read. The first round is a set topic such as Secrets', Keys' or 'Vanity', and the other is a free choice. Works can come in any form, poetry, prose, or story.

We all agree that the group is working well. Everybody is producing new work that is becoming more challenging and experimental. The group itself has developed a cohesion, and is now feeling comfortable to offer both encouragement and support, and to give and receive constructive criticism.

In between stories there's a mixture of news on competitions, book swaps, wine, vigourous debate, nibblies, group therapy, local folklore, gossip and oral history. This fills a very late but satisfying evening.

We're lucky to have John Leonard, lecturer in poetry at James Cook Uni. as a Kuranda resident. He offered expert advice at one of our meetings. Robyn Sheahan, the new Literature Officer for Queensland came once

Now there are starters to begin a second group. Maybe there is enough interest for three or four intimate writer's cells like ours. Once underway who knows what might happen. Possibilities are a joint meeting sometimes, maybe a public reading, or an application to bring some of our literary heroes to town for a workshop and literary dinner.

The first episode. A different author will write each installment.

### AS THE BARRON FALLS

Episode One.

The town of Barron was only one year from celebrating it's 100th birthday of European settlement. But If you had asked old Charlie Dancer how long his people had known the dark green forests and wide river he would have pulled his grey whiskers and said in predictable. understatement "Oh, pretty long time now"

Berbara Hill whose husband's great grandfather had been the first man to build a house with real windows leaned out of the present 'Hill House' (great grandfather's house, real windows and all, being blown into the river by the 1898 cyclone) and called to her husband Don "Phone for you." He was beetroot red from lifting and pushing sleepers into neat squares for what was to be the rose garden. His khakl shirt and long trousers were flecked with red-stringy sawdust from the chain saw. He cursed and headed up the steps onto the verandah. As he hit the top step a roar from the jet taking off from the Sugarcaine airport boomed like thunder. Bloody hell, he thought, might as well live in the city. He'd never live to be hundred like

It was that long haired Simon Gleam on the phone. Nice enough bloke but from down south and you couldn't be too careful.He wanted more sleepers and some banana suckers. Well no problem. Don could deliver both. He didn't mind. He knew there'd be a cold six pack in it as well as the money and maybe even a slice of one of those strange but nice cakes Simon's wife (?) Kara (funny name but not a bad sort) baked in their woodstove. Yeah,he'd deliver today. "It might be late but".

Just as they settled on a time an almighty explosion hit the humid afternoon. Don's expert ear knew immediately that it came from the timber mill where his two sons Walt and Johno were working. He dropped the phone and raced out the door and down the steps with Barbara just a pace or two behind him. They leapt in to the ute and barrelled away down the steep drive leaving Simon's voice squeaking on and on from the dangling receiver behind them: "Don, Don for God's sake what's going To be continued...

by this month's guestwriter Gayle Hannah.

THE FOREST GLANT

HE STOOD ALONE OLD AND GRACEFUL, GNARLED; SURROUNDED BY EMPTINESS, DESOLATION.

HE HAD WATCHED HIS FRIENDS CRUELLY DRAGGED DOWN. SCREAMING: DUST FLYING HIGH, SUFFOCATING.

HE HAD SEEN THEM BEING CARVED, THE CHAINSAW LOUD; ROARING.

THEY LAY IN DEATH; LIFELESS.

GOLDEN SAP QUIETLY SEEPING, DRAINING ON THE EARTH: STAINING.

A LONE BUTTERFLY RESTS PRECARIOUSLY ON A FORGOTTEN BRANCH.

THE AIR SETTLES AGAIN.

HE STANDS ALONE NOW: THE FOREST GIANT.

> by Megan Howe (when 15)

> > Time.

Hands of time sleep while minutes while the hours.

> Days and weeks shuffle into packs of months.

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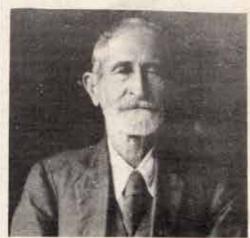
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# Butterfly Book Launch



Seventy people attended Dr Geoff Monteiths's butterfly book launch which was hosted by the Queensland Arts Council, at the CWA Hall on July 23.

Dr Monteith gave a slide show and talk to promote his book, 'The Butterfly Man of Kuranda', available for \$9.95, about the 100-year-old Frederick Parkhurst Dodd butterfly collection of which he has been in charge since 1986.

The Curator of Lower Entomology at the Queensland Museum for ten years, he has toured eastern Australia with the collection and the highlight was in coming to Kuranda.

His guest speaker, Mr Paul Wright of the Butterfly Sanctuary in Kuranda, was introduced by Arts Council representative, Ms Gayle Hannah.

Dr Monteith that he did the book launch in Kuranda because, "It intimately fitted in with the 100 year railway celebrations. I wanted to do it particularly in Kuranda", he

Also among the guests who were served butterfly cakes, tea and coffee were the granddaughters of the late FP Dodd, Mrs Allen from Ravenshoe and Mrs McIntire from Brisbane.

### THEATRE REVIEW

By Migloo

Public reviews sampled commend the last night performance of the Shed production, 'Stretch of the Imagination' and speak for themselves.

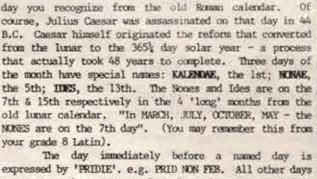
"It's tragic comedy". - Buck (The Main Man).

"...is a one man play which describes the Oz character to perfection...the humor was wonderful". - J Stevens (In Black & White).

'Was O'Neil, Buck or was Buck, O'Neil a touch question?" - James T... The winner is... Buck ten out of

Next month the Kuranda Community News will have a listen and a look at the hot bands. Re: Aboriginal music





Trivia And Other Unimportant Facts

"REMARE THE IDES OF MARCH" is perhaps the only name of a

are expressed as so many days from the next named day, counting the day and the named day and all days between. e.g. the 11th is the fifth day before the 15th. These days begin with ANIE DIEM (days before). The 11th of March is 'Ante Diem Quintum Ides Martias (a.d. V Id. Mar.) The following dates for April & May are a guide to any month.

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January (for Janus - the two-headed god

of beginnings) had been the first month of the old lunar calendar, but now March became the first month. It was the month when new Consuls took office, the month of the Vernal Equinox and, later, became associated with Christian Easter.

by SHEP

Starting in March the month had 31 days, then 30 days alternately until Feb. which had 29 except in bisextile years when it had 30. These bisextile years later became called Leap Years. So far, so good.

In 44BC the Senate

changed the name of the fifth month from QUINTILIS to JULY (In honour of Julius Caesar) and July had 31 days. In 8BC Augustus Caesar prevailed upon the senate to rename SEXTILIS for him and it became AUGUST, but August had only 30 days and Augustus wanted his month to have 31 days like July. So August got 31, Sept. 30, Oct. 31, Nov. 30, Dec. 31. Jan., named for a god, kept 31 and Feb. lost yet another day.

The calendar remained thus until 1582 when the Gregorian reform gave us our modern calendar. Centennial years are not leap years unless they are divisible by 400, since a year has only 365 days 5 hrs. 48 min. and 45.5 sec, not 365% days.

Most of the Catholic world accepted this reform in 1582 but Great Britain was protestant. Parliament finally passed laws adopting the Gregorian Calendar in 1752 just 170 years later - and by now the two calendars were 11 days out of phase. These days were dropped and at the same time New Years Day was moved back to I Jan. (If you were born prior to 1752, and lived past it, you had two birthdays, and if your birthday was between 1 Jan. and 25 Mar. you also had two different years of birth - old style (0.S.) and new style (N.S.)). Washington, like most of us, was born but Australia 1732(N.S.). once - 11 Feb. 1731(0.S.) and 22 Feb. Being practical he celebrated both dates. If you are researching family history and you run across this O.S./N.S... COPY ALL DATA to avoid problems with your research later.

As a consequence of the above, our minth month is named "Seventh Month", our tenth month is named "Eighth Month", our eleventh month is named "Ninth Month" and our twelfth month is named "Tenth Month". You see it is all very logical. And we use a short poem to remember the 30 day months:

30 days has September, April, June & November All the rest eat peanut butter Except grandmother - she rides a bicycle. ....or something like that. See you on a.d. VIII KAL.NOV., MMDCCXLIV.

(2744 years after Romulus founded Rome).



This Grafix comes your way. A top grafix designer here in Kuranda Ms J Stephens, she came up with this perfect ... one stop design for K.A.S. Quote ... "What can I say. It is simple and to the point-1 love it. James T.

This design is worth alot more that what we as the K.A.S. Committee have to offer. Thank you J.S.

This comes your way by of an REALACTION ideas person BUTIL It's a Sat. aft.noon most people are watching sport or doing something else. Not John a paid up member/volunteer of K.A.S. John is busting his butt and back bi. way of shoring up the retaining wall at the AMPs enterance. I wish I could be a volunteer like John Carrick.

comingEvenTs front promotions have been working overtime to bring you the K.A.S. Family some top stuff!!! Aug 29th, 30th, 31st - Dance North Workshop, Sept 7th - Barrier Breakers, 5 to late, Kup Maori food included, no bozz. \$15 family, \$6 per head other. Sept 21st - A Front Production, keep an ear & eye out

Oct 13th - Hunters & Collectors thank you front.

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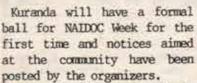


Bible verse of the month:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

St. John, Ch. 1, verse 1.

NATDOC BALL



Indeed it will be the firstever time that Kuranda will have a formal event for NAIDOC Week and a local Aboriginal band will be playing.

Cost is \$10 a family, which includes four primary school students, \$5 a single, \$2.50 high school students and aged pensioners and there will be light refreshments.

"It's one of these balls that Kuranda never had before", said Mrs Joylene Tayley of Coondoo Street, "It's something new for the kids, it's new for the adults to", she said.

Mrs Tayley explained that although the kids have had discos, they've never had the old-time dances, "So we're looking at the old-time balls".

"We've had a notice up on the boards, asking the kids if they want to be involved. We've approached kids from out of town and asked them if they'd like to be involved in the ball."

We've approached the Aboriginal and Islander Department in Cairns to see if they'll donate money toward the Ball and the school helps in that too.

She said she was just helping her aunts out, but later her Aunt Mary said it was Joylene's idea and her Aunt Irene said, "There is no boss, we just work together and help one another".

This, of course, is in keeping with the spirit of NAIDOC Week, the theme of which, this year is, "Community is Unity".

Mary Hunter from Mareeba who is an activities organizer for NAIDOC Week, has been a teachers aide for 11 years at Kuranda State School and "loving it."

Throughout the week will be the painting of Aboriginal artifacts, under the direction of Aboriginal artists and what we've got is the Aboriginal artists sort of doing the background work on it, then helping kids to paint them.

They are also doing activities varying from damper making to artifact making to visits at Jilla Binna. One class will be acting out an Aboriginal legend daily while the year 6-7 class is holding a debate on land rights.

There will also be a play by Kath Walker, "Dodgeroo Noonuccle", formerly Kath Walker.

On Tuesday will be the under 13s Barron River Cross Country run which starts at the Kuranda Bridge and ends at the school.

On Wednesday evening there's a NAIDOC dinner at the Seventh Day Adventist Hall which is for adults, by invitation only.

On Thursday afternoon, Sep5, 150 kids and some teachers are going to the Tjapukai Theatre and later, there will be a Mona Mona evening on that Thursday, Sep 5, at the Seventh Day Adventist Church Hall.

On Thursday and Friday we've got the "Sniper Production helicopters available for viewing by the school.

Friday there will be a play based on an Aboriginal legend on our Friday morning Parade. Barry Hunter will be at the launching of the Jilla Binna Oultural Centre on 6 Sep.

#### A CHURCH FIRST

Grandma Lucy celebrates 75 years. Grandma Lucy and the Seventh Day Adventist Church celebrated a double occasion and purpose at Mona Mona on July 27. The dual baptismal service for sisters Elaine Chookie and Esther Freeman was also the occasion to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the first baptismal of the first aboriginal convert into the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Australia, Grandma Lucy.

Now in her mid-eighties and revered by all in the congregation of about 80 Aborigines, she is the only surviving member of the group of five people who were immersed in the river and she remembers the day on July 21, 1916, at Mona Mona.

Elaine and Esther had studied for a few months and on the day answered a list of questions in front of the congregation.

Afterwards there was a quartet and guitars and a lot of singing at the baptismal pool behind the church..



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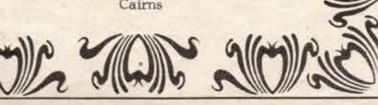


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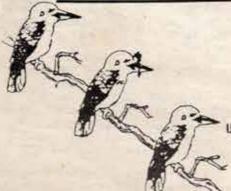
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### THE SCHOOLS



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#### EFFECTIVE PARENTING

Course Wed, night Sept. 11 at the school. Angela Heuchan and Trish Toohy from 'Behaviour Management Consultants will visit from Cairns.

SCHOOL CENTENARY Sat. 24 Oct., 1992 Contact school for details regarding organization for Centenary.

### KURANDA HIGH SCHOOL? WHEN?

by S Dimitriou & A Buckley

Details of the site of the proposed new high school will be announced on September 3 by the Minister for Education, Cr June Rees believes.

The Minister, Mr Paul Braddy, will announce the details two months from when he was last here.

"It's a goer, but the only thing I know of is the site", she said, admitting on August 9 that she was, "Under oath from the minister himself", not to disclose the area because it would lead to speculation and problems.

However on August 12, according to a member of the Steering Committee for the Kuranda High School, Mrs Jillian Sachlikidis, the Minister told them that Kuranda would not be in this budget nor in the next one.

Mrs Sachlikidis explained that Kuranda had top six priority listing in the state to get a high school, but if Kuranda wanted to be in the top one, they'd have to push the issue on the social level.

for example, "We have a high population of Aboriginal kids here, we've got kids that live half an hour from town and we've got a bad range. This, the Minister has said is a plus for us because it's so dangerous- it's to do with the inconvenience this population is suffering", she said.

The Secretary of the Committee, Mr Peter Pierce had said on July 5, that the Minister was "tight-lipped", but that the Committee believed that the proposed site was one of two being considered. One is on Myola Road.

A starting date for construction had not been set. The only assurance they were given was that the Government would be buying land, after it had done certain demographic studies, "Though none were done", he had complained.

They had pressed Mr Braddy on July 3, on a time for starting of construction, but the Minister did not commit himself. They expressed their disappointment that the relevant studies had not been done, as they'd been led to believe that they were, said Mr Pierce.

There have been suggestions that the school would be a long time coming unless the Government is convinced of the urgency of Kuranda's needs for such a facility.

The Minister made the promise to give our case priority and since then, we've had little response from him or the department.

A large percentage of the 300 children who travel up and down the range by bus from Kuranda, attend school at a number of public and private high schools in Cairns.

There are several reasons why we should have a high school, among which is the distance the kids have to travel, resulting in a very long day. Kids leave at 7am, returning at 5pm and some leave even earlier because they



Travelling is have to travel from as far as Koah. dangerous because of wet roads and other hazards. Much of the momentum for this concern came from that accident on the Gillies Highway when a bus went over the side and eight students were killed about 3 years ago.

Following from this, an important point that we'd like to make "most strongly" with the Government is that of truancy. Because of the travel involved and because the high schools attended are remote from the community, it is difficult for parents to monitor their children's attendance.

Another concern expressed by some parents is the almost cultural difference that our kids seem to get and feel, which affects their willingness to attend school and we believe that a local school would rectify that situation.

Kuranda's obvious lack of sporting facilities is also a concern and a high school would go some of the way toward filling this gap by providing sporting and recreational facilities.

"For example, cricket and rugby league are played on a shared field which is underserviced and overused", said Mr Pierce.

The possibility is there in the long term from football fields to swimming pools to rowing clubs on sites on the Barron River.

The population of Kuranda is growing and will continue to grow and we believe that money spent by the Education Department on a school in Kuranda will be money well-spent.

"It would be money that doesn't need to be spent on schools down in the Mulgrave Shire and it would not be money that goes down the drain but would save the large cost of busing to those schools", said Mr pierce.



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The Kuranda Horse and Pony Club has been in existence for some 18 years or so, in one form or another. Many of the long term residents of the area being the backbone of the club. Barnwell, Little, Veivers, Stratford, Atkinson, Salmon, Butler, Marriott, Austin and Green are just some of the names to be seen in the old records.

The club has also moved its location a few times, Bartley Park, Keith Veivers at Myola, until settling at the permanent 9 acre block at Mantaka. After much hard work was put in by the members, with help from various local residents, the grounds now consist of a club house, jumping and games area and a new 60 x 20 m dressage arena, plus horse stalls.

The grounds are in the process of being "taken over" by the Council from the Lands Department, which will mean that electricity will be connected to the grounds and a pump will be supplied to a bore - which was paid for by the club through its fund raising activities, so that an amenities block may be erected and functions can be held there.

The club is looking forward to all these improvements so that next year, with the many new members that will be attracted to the grounds, it may be a strong active club again.

The club would like to say a very special thank you to the long-suffering patrons of Fitz's Pub, who regularly put their hand into their pockets for our raffles every Friday night.

Anyone wishing information regarding the club please call either: Kathy 93 7297 or Maureen 93 8817.

#### KURANDA PULICE YOUTH CLUB

The Police Youth Club is on every Wednesday afternoon at the Kuranda Police Station, 4:30-6pm.

The Club has been going for two and one half years. They have sporting equipment, mainly balls but occasionally they have varied activities, such as excursions on the fishing competitions, visiting farms and train rides in the rainforest. At present there are about 20 kids participating.

They don't work in the school holidays or at Christmas, but the last Wednesday before the school holidays, they have something special. They do it in their spare time, out of uniform, because it makes a lot of difference seeing the kids without it and showing them that the police are not just the bogyman who's going to lock them up.

Many of the businesses have supported them, eg The Lions Club supplied them with a medicine ball (cost \$100). They got money from nearly every business in town. They managed to keep going from the very first donations and though things wear out, they've never gone back for money, but Peter Howard said that they'd love some parents to come up and assist them.

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| ENTREES                           |        |
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| SAUCE                             | \$7.50 |
| *CALAMARI PAN FRIED WITH GARLIC   |        |
| AND CHILLI                        | \$7.50 |
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| SWEET POTATO FRITTERS             | \$4.50 |
| LEEK AND BACON PIE                | \$8.00 |
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\* (Available as main course with vegies)

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| FITZGERALD WITH STRAWBERRIES           | \$5.00 |
| CREME BRULLE                           | \$5.00 |
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KURANIA YOUTH by Megan Howe, age 19

What is it like being a teenager in

question a lot over the past couple of weeks and the word "boring" features quite a bit. Most teenagers

agree that there is something

decidedly lacking in their social

I had a number of suggestions about

what Kuranda needed but all these

basically fit into the idea of a

social club. An activities hall with

video/pinball games, a pool table and

Initially expensive to set up, but

according to the local teenagers it's

use would justify the cost. Popular

also was a skateboard ramp which is

As much as we all love the Barron

River, mud and all, an all-season

swimming pool would be extremely

Most of these are available in

Cairns, a mere 30 minutes away. The

bus service however, is expensive and

does not run at night, few can afford

the fare plus an evenings

It has been suggested that this

leaves teenager little to do but

create their own 'entertainment';

breaking-and-entering, alcohol and

drug abuse; but that is another

So where do we go from here? Do the

teenagers of Kuranda continue to

provide their own entertainment or do

the citizens of Kuranda consult with

our youth to constructively work

Perhaps teenagers could air their suggestions in this newspaper.

toward alleviating the boredom?

fairly cheap and easy to set up.

maybe some gym equipment.

I've been asking this



### TROLLEYIN DOWNTOWN RANDA?

THE PROBLEMS WITH A PEOPLE MOVER by S Dimitriou & A Buckley

A miniature 4WD train with two trolleys will run in Coondoo Street and around the back streets of Kuranda in a recent proposal before Council.

However, in a telephone interview on Aug 25, Cr June Rees said that the Kuranda public ultimately had the say over the "people mover" as dubbed by its proposers, MAS Promotions. She said that the motion for the proposal had not been seconded in Council.

"A copy of any objection should be sent to both the Main Roads in the Department of

Transport and the Council", she said.

Dug Stratford said that he had applied for that years ago but was rejected by the Department of Transport because, they told him, it was illegal to have the trolley-train on roads or footpaths. A special track as for bicycles was needed for them, in between the road and the footpath but, "Would eliminate our beautiful trees in Kuranda", said Cr Rees.

Already the proposal is drawing the ire of some of the rate-payers, who believe that far from bringing any extra people to Kuranda, it would only add to the mounting traffic and other problems already created by the buses chaos.

The "natural" departure point, the Railway Station, has no room for such a vehicle and double parking for loading and unloading would cause congestion in the town where the ratepayers themselves can hardly get in.

Or Rees was worried too, that there'd be rivalry about which bus driver had priority and all on the main street would want the trolley-train to stop outside of their particular shop.

In a phone interview with a Department of Transport Officer, Mr Mick Reason, on Tuesday, Aug 27, he said that if it is actually a vehicle pulling trolleys along like a trailer, it must be registered.

If it's a train with carriages perhaps made of only piping and seating, his Department won't consider it for registration because it doesn't comply as a trailer, unless it meets certain requirements. These include lighting requirements, Traffic Act and Regulation requirements, which refers to braking, dependent on road-carrying capabilities and must then comply with safety considerations.

Before anyone considered doing something like that they'd have to put their proposal on paper and submit the paper to the Motor Vehicle Safety Section in Brisbane for consideration for registration purposes.

The train-trolley could be registered under special conditions in which case, Mr Reason summised, the decision did not lie with them.

He said that Council may have done some background work and they may have been told okay, it has been done before, in which case it could be considered.

CALENDER Sep. 1 - Uniting Church Family Service, 9am CWA Half, 2 - Chamber of Commerce Meeting, 8pm, Frogs - Kuranda School, Barron River Sports Cross

Country, 9:30am
CWA AGM. CWA Ball 1:30pm.
Consultative Committee meeting, 7:30pm, CWA Hall Grove Creek Fire Brigade, ACM, 56 Douglas Track Span

5.6.7 - 'SNIPER' film company shooting at Barron Gorge.

- Dance North "A Moon of our Own" ph 937487 6 - "It's a Doll's Life" by Carolyn Wilde AMP 8pm (\$9.00) Kuranda Friendship Club, Every Thursday 10am-12noon, AMP, BYO Coffee, Tea, Ph

Jean Anderson 937370. Mona Mona Presentation, SDA Church 5:30pm

6 & 20 - CWA Meet. 1:30pm, CWA Hall. 9 & 25 - Lions Club, Monkeys, 7:30pm. 10 - Queensland Arts Council meet, 'Frogs' 7:30pm. 11 - K. Community Kindergarten Assit meet. Top. Pub, 7:30pm.

13 - Black Friday Discor - Police & Community, 7µm.

14 - The Big idea". Kids Theatre Group Dance/ Drams, 7:30pm, AMP. 17 - Blue Nurses Community Morning Tex. (Osm.

CWA Hall 21 - Kindy Kiosk James Morrison Concert, AMP.
28 - Barbeque & Auction: Grove Creek Bush Fire Brigade, 5pm, ph 930100.

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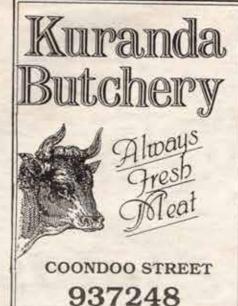
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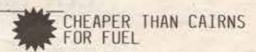


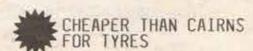


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#### INVITATIONS

Annual Sheep Shearing, Sun. 15 Sept. All welcome. Ph. 930211 for details. Billy Boiling - bring your lunch.

Chess Players wanted for social games. Ph. Larry 930257.

- WAWUN -Scrub Turkey Derwent Riley

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#### KURANDA JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

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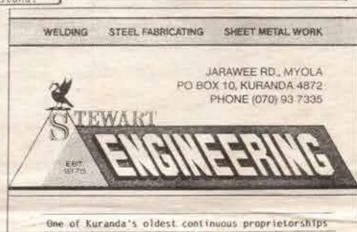
With the enthusiasm of 104 players and many supporters, Kuranda was able to field 7 teams and 6 of these teams were sponsored by local businesses.

The age of players ranges from under 8's to under 16's and in the 1990 season 3 Kuranda players were selected to play in Cairns Representative teams. These were: Vincent Wason (under 15), Sandy Morris and Floyd Riley (under 16).

We have thankfully been given the use of Bartley Park and Kuranda State School facilities, but the lack of a 'home ground' has caused a few setbacks. There is not however, a lack of interest. As in the 1991 season there are 8 teams and 140 players and another Cairns representative - Woody Wason (under 13). It takes a lot of work to supervise and organize this many children, so a 'helping hand' is always welcome.

> KJRL can be contacted at any of the following: President Greg Wallace 93 7005 Secretary Kerry Geck 93 7457 Treasurer Bruce Campbell 93 7066

KJRL would like to wish the best to the Kuranda Community News, and hope that other sporting bodies will take advantage of its facilities





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