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A GOOD SIGN

Like many local residents I am disturbed by the progress (or lack of), on the Kuranda Range repairs. Luckily I may have the solution.

Regular users of the range road will be familiar with the signs (pictures attached) at the Kuranda and Smithfield ends of the road. On a conventional map north is up and south is down. Although not marked, this is the case with the Smithfield sign. You will notice that Kuranda is on the left of the map and Smithfield on the right.

However.

On the Kuranda sign they have drawn north at the bottom and south at the top, unconventional for a map. This means when reading left to right, Smithfield is on the left, which might be conventional for an upside down map if Smithfield were the nearest town. But it's not.

SMITHFIELD SIGN



KURANDA SIGN



I believe this lack of convention has resulted in many travellers becoming lost on our daily commutes and the costly diversion of road maintenance crews doing searches. Hence the \$34M in cameras?

Conventional wisdom would suggest swapping the Kuranda sign with the current Smithfield sign. This would mean at Kuranda, north is up, south is down, and the nearest town is the first one listed when reading left to right. And Kuranda has always been a little left. Right?

Alas, by also moving the Kuranda sign to Smithfield, north would still be down and south would still be up. The upside is, Smithfield would be nearest town in a conventional read from left to right.

Perhaps, (and this may be unconventional for government

departments) they should be conventional and put the same sign at Kuranda, as at Smithfield, where north is up, south is down, west is left and east is right. Right?

And to overcome the whole reading left to right conundrum they could add a little arrow saying "You are here", however briefly.

Then just fix the road!

Chris Harth, Speewah

IMPORTANT UPDATE FROM KURANDA MEDICAL CENTRE

Unfortunately it still remains difficult to see a GP, although we were lucky to secure additional locum doctors to work in the latter part of August and early September.

Dr Daniel Sacoar has been here on several occasions and repeatedly proves a great asset to this practice. We are still waiting on the arrival of permanent doctor who is moving from Holland to work in Kuranda. Unfortunately the bureaucratic process has endlessly delayed the start date and we are hoping that he will be here early next year.

One issue that is causing further difficulties for the medical practice is the 'DNA rate' ... Did Not Attend. One day in early September, we had 12 patients who had booked and confirmed appointments and yet failed to turn up. Some had booked an appointment in the morning and failed to turn up for a consultation in the afternoon! So I would really encourage all patients to attend for booked appointments. If you are unable to attend then PLEASE give us a call—with as much notice as possible—to cancel that appointment, as we have a huge waiting list of people waiting to be seen. Please be mindful of something as simple as the 'DNA rate' can be the straw that breaks the camel's back and will lead to the closure of this practice.

Many thanks to all the patients who continue to support the Kuranda Medical Centre. We will continue working for you for as long as possible.

Dr Dave Cuming, Senior GP, Kuranda Medical Centre

DON'T MISS OUT...

Attention all music lovers. We hold music concerts regularly at St Saviour's Anglican Church in Kuranda, often with special guests. We have recently created an email list so future events can be notified to those who are interested.

If you'd like to receive an email for upcoming concerts, please send an email saying 'notify me of concerts' via toshiharu3@protonmail.com.

Toshi Sakamoto, Kuranda



Toshi and friends in concert
at St Saviour's Church.
Photo: Supplied

The Kuranda Media Association acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first inhabitants of the nation and the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. We pay our respects to ancestors and Elders, past and present. The Kuranda Media Association is committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to society.

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KURANDA DISTRICT: Speewah Service Station, Koah Service Station.

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SMITHFIELD: Totem Clothing (Smithfield Shopping Centre), Smithfield Library

CAIRNS: Cairns Library

Travellers Crossing

an exhibition at the
Tableland Regional Gallery, Atherton
5 November 2024 to 13 January 2025

Cultural immersion, foreign languages and historical landmarks are just a few experiences Toni Rogers and Helen Hume have encountered as artists during their individual travels. Travel changed the lives for Toni and Helen with a lasting impact on their worldviews and the way they now interact with others and a newfound understanding of who they are as individuals. The artists believe that travel provides experiences that define a person's place and purpose and establishes lifelong values and priorities.

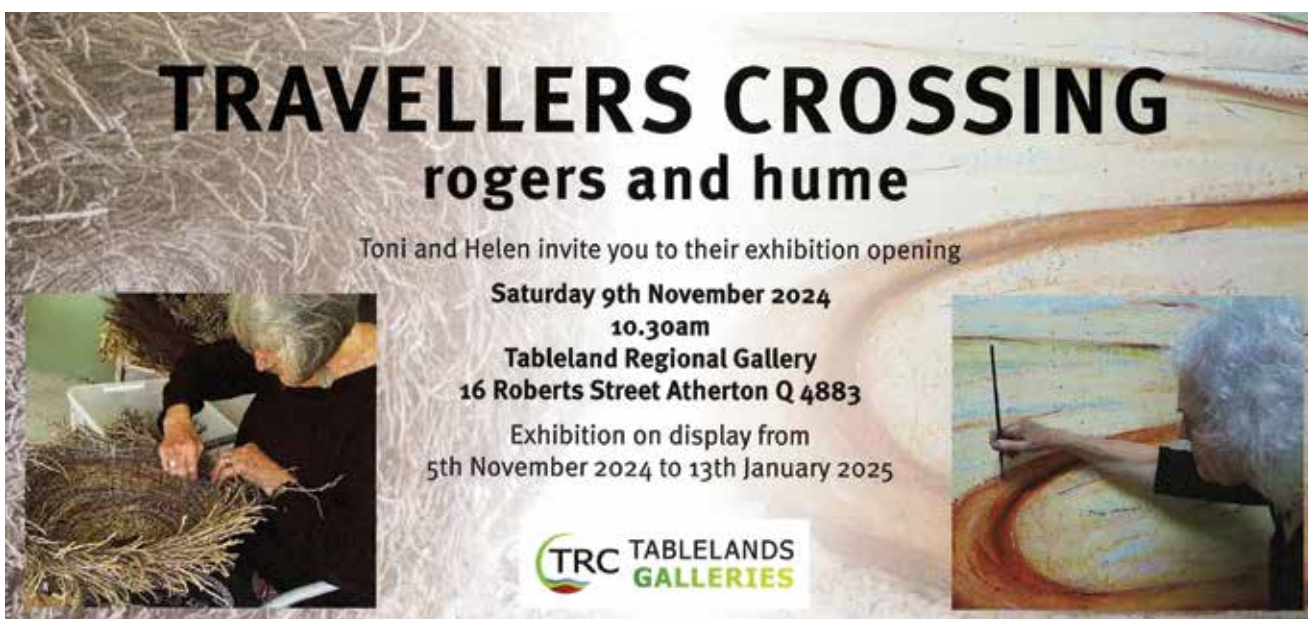
New Zealand born, now Kuranda fibre artist, Toni Rogers has travelled beyond the desert sun and sand, the iconic landscapes, the rich history and cultures of New Zealand, Australia, Pacific Islands and Japan and these influences run deeply in her fibre artworks in this exhibition.

Tablelands based artist, Helen Hume, has travelled widely in the West Indies, Asia, and Mexico in particular. Although travelling overseas Helen's works also relate to outback Australia. The ancient cultural aspects of each of these countries feature in Helen's artworks in this collaborative exhibition *Travellers Crossing*.

Toni and Helen add character to their work. They radiate a positive energy that could also be called hope. Soft yet powerful, their artworks imagine the possibility of a future where diverse cultures will be beautifully intertwined together, not fighting, not competing, just being. Creating a cross-cultural, cross-border dialogue in the fabric of their artworks.

These two artists have crossed paths over the years on both the Tableland Regional Gallery Advisory Committee during the gallery design years, the Tablelands Regional Arts Development Fund committee, and in turn, in their local Shires after de-amalgamation in 2016.

Travellers Crossing is on display at the Tableland Regional Gallery, 16 Robert Street (beside the library), Atherton, from 5 November 2024 to 13 January 2025. The exhibition opening is at the gallery on Saturday 9 November 10.30am.




Helen Hume



Toni Rogers working on 'the nest'.



Vale

GORDON ROGERS

19 DECEMBER 1935 – 11 SEPTEMBER 2024

Gordon passed away peacefully in Cairns Hospital.

He was dearly loved by Toni, his partner of 45 years, daughters Twink, Anna, Sarah and Alessandra (Sandi) and his grandchildren. His sense of humour, his caring and devotion to his family was paramount and will be very sadly missed. As so many have commented 'a true gentleman'. He taught us all so much; kindness and respect.

Thank you BUPA, Cairns, for your sympathetic caring during his illness over the past 12 months and to the attending doctors and nurses at Cairns Hospital.

Toni Rogers, Kuranda



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Cover Masthead

Our masthead this month is a detail from Kate Prynne's fused glass artwork *Renewal After the Fire*, and is our first ever glass masthead featuring glass art.

Kate is a member of the Kuranda Arts Co-op and is a silversmith and jeweller as well as a glass artist. Born in England, Kate grew up in the Middle East and Africa, returning to the UK when she was 15 and moved to Australia at age 21. Kate now works from her studio at home in the Kuranda rainforest, her art can be viewed at the Co-op, located on the corner of Coondoo and Thongon Streets, Kuranda. See page 9.

Kate also conducts personalised glass fusion workshops. You can contact her through the Kuranda Arts Co-op.




Councillor Column



MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCILLOR MARY GRAHAM

I am pleased to share with you an update on ongoing projects and initiatives around Kuranda.

Seniors Morning Tea

Our much-loved Seniors Morning Tea is just around the corner, Friday 18 October 2024 from 10am at the Mareeba International Club and I would love to see you there! This special free event is a wonderful opportunity for our seniors to enjoy a relaxing morning of entertainment, delicious food, and of course, great company from fellow residents. Plus, there will be some fantastic lucky door prizes up for grabs!

This event always books out quickly, so be sure to RSVP early. You can reserve your spot by calling 0429 873 744 or emailing communications@msc.qld.gov.au. The Councillors and I look forward to sharing a lovely morning with you all!

Councillor Visit to Kuranda: Infrastructure Projects in Focus

During the first week of September, the Councillors and I inspected several projects currently underway in Kuranda and celebrated the completion of a few others. It was a great opportunity to see first-hand the progress being made to critical projects in and around Kuranda.

We visited two sites that required landslip remediation works following Tropical Cyclone Jasper, namely the Hilltop Close Reservoir and Barron Falls Road. We also inspected the ongoing repairs at Myola Road and the site of the gully crossing replacement at Jarawee Road.

It was wonderful to see the recently completed Kuranda Heights Cemetery, located at 70 Kuranda Heights Road, the upgraded Anzac Park, and the work completed at the Kuranda River Walk after tonnes of sand was moved from the track. The River Walk and Anzac Park are both very popular attractions for locals and visitors alike.

We are committed to upgrades to current infrastructure, and we visited the Kuranda Skate Park that is currently being upgraded by TRACQS. The project should be completed soon, and the Councillors and I look forward to the re-opening of this facility for the community.

As always, your feedback is welcome and if you have any questions or concerns about the projects in Kuranda, please do not hesitate to get in touch. The Councillors and I are always available to talk.

Councillor Mary Graham

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Mareeba Shire Tourism JOB OPPORTUNITIES

• Casual Bookkeeper •

Mareeba Shire Tourism is seeking a detail-oriented casual Bookkeeper to join our team. Responsibilities include data entry, paying invoices, and managing the receipt of sponsorships and grant funding. Experience with Xero is essential, and while being a BAS agent is desirable, it's not required. If you're experienced in bookkeeping and looking for flexible, casual work (approximately 2 hours per month), we'd love to hear from you!

Apply now to be part of our vibrant team!

• Casual Social Media/Website Manager •

Mareeba Shire Tourism is looking for a creative and tech-savvy casual Social Media/Website Manager. This role involves approximately 4 hours per week and is responsible for managing social media posting and website updates for the Visit Mareeba Shire and Kuranda Village accounts. Experience with WordPress is essential, and a strong understanding of social media is a must.

Join us and help showcase the beauty of our region!

• Executive Officer •

Mareeba Shire Tourism is seeking an experienced and dynamic Executive Officer to lead and manage our operations. In this casual role (approximately 8 hours per week), you will work closely with the Mareeba Shire Tourism Board, industry members, and key tourism stakeholders to promote the premier experiences, locations and products of the Mareeba Shire. The Executive Officer will be instrumental in enhancing the organisation's reputation and driving the successful delivery of the Tourism Action Plan for the Shire.

Join us in shaping the future of tourism in Mareeba Shire!

All applications should be emailed to chair@mareebashiretourism.org and should include detail of skills, experience and hourly rate.

Applications close on 15 October 2024.

More details regarding the roles and responsibilities required for Mareeba Shire Tourism can be found online at www.visitmareebashire.org/mareebashiretourism

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MAREEBA SHIRE

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MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL - COMMUNITY UPDATE



Mareeba Shire Council invites you to join a **FREE workshop** where you will learn the basics of composting and worm farming!

Household composting made simple workshops!



Saturday 1:30pm - 3:30pm
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26 Oct 2024 Sports Hall Arnold Park Mareeba
2 Nov 2024 Mutchilba Community Centre

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The Workshop will cover:

- Benefits of composting for your garden and the environment
- Different ways of composting
- Setting up your composting system
- What materials to compost and how to balance the mix
- Troubleshooting common issues



*All workshop attendees will go into the draw to win the worm farm.

The winners will be selected by random draw on Wednesday, 8 November 2024.



Bookings Essential
Scan QR to Register
or call 1300 308 461

EMERGENT WORKS & PROJECT UPDATES

The impacts of the Cyclone Jasper flooding event are still being felt across Kuranda, and the Council is working diligently on repairs.

Work is well underway on Myola Road to reseal the surface, with line marking scheduled for October.

Remediation works for the landslip at Hilltop Close have reached practical completion, and the stabilisation of the road formation on Barron Falls Road is progressing well, with completion expected in the near term.

Construction of a single-lane bridge to replace the culverts on Jarawee Road has also commenced.

The Kuranda skatepark is nearing completion, with the final step being the creation of a beautiful mural. We thank the community for their patience during this process.

COONDOO ST UPGRADES

Work will soon begin on the Coondoo Street upgrades after the project was recently awarded the \$200,000 grant from the Queensland Government's Building Bush Tourism program.

The total project cost is \$930,000 and will enhance street lighting to a modern LED standard.

Additionally, the upper side of Coondoo Street (between Thongon Street and Therwine Street) will be further illuminated, with fig tree branches wrapped in fairy lights.

The Council will also repair the footpaths to improve accessibility and make repairs to planter boxes.



Hilltop Cl works completed



Myola Road repairs



GET READY TABLELANDS!

Join us for a **FREE** family movie night at the Mareeba Drive-In

Thursday, 10 October 2024
5pm - 9pm

Premiere night for **Stories of Jasper**
FREE MOVIE: "IF" starring Ryan Reynolds




Chat with your local emergency services for tips on staying safe this summer. Plus, there'll be kids' activities, giveaways and more!
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Barron Falls Rd repairs



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Crawford's Corner

\$2.65 Million for Kuranda District State College

Congratulations to Kuranda District State College which was successful in receiving \$2.65 million to upgrade their Multi-Purpose Sports facility. This funding will go towards expanding and weatherproofing the existing sports facility and will include a new canteen, new covered walkways, new gym, grandstand, and toilets. It will be designed so it can still be opened to allow for the beautiful views and breeze to pass through.

This funding is through our *Go For Gold* funding. The *Go for Gold Fund* prioritises locations in regional or remote Queensland, aiming to increase active pathways in communities with lower student participation rates in sports. The overarching goal is to ensure that more young Queenslanders have access to modern sporting infrastructure, which will encourage them to be more active and foster community use of school sports facilities. Thank you to Principal Desley Kirby and the team for having me to discuss the exciting new plans.

I'm working with the school and Kuranda Envirocare to create a rainforest corridor on an unused paddock on the Department of Education's landholdings which will link two habitat areas of the critically endangered Kuranda Tree frog. There are opportunities for students to become involved in data mapping which will help with the conservation of this unique species. Students and the broader community will be able to come together to assist Kuranda Envirocare with vegetation planting. Visiting school and university students from interstate and overseas can partner with the school to study and monitor the new frog habitat.



Craig Crawford with Kuranda District State College students, staff and Principal Desley Kirby following the announcement of Go For Gold funding \$2.65 million, 12 September 2024. Photo: Supplied Barron River Electorate Office.

Kuranda Village Tourism & Infrastructure Funding

The Queensland Government will allocate a \$1.7 million boost to Mareeba Shire Council to support tourism infrastructure projects in Kuranda Village. This will contribute to the liveability and vitality of the town centre, ensuring that our village in the rainforest retains its uniqueness.

This funding has been released from the Skyrail levy and is in addition to more than \$14 million that has already been allocated directly to the Mareeba Shire Council as part of *Works for Queensland* funding for their discretionary use for projects across the Shire since 2016.

Great news also for the Kuranda Amphitheatre, receiving \$73,487 to upgrade their facility and install a solar system. This funding was received from the Super Round of the *Gambling Community Benefit Fund*. These upgrades will help reduce operating costs and contribute to green energy initiatives. Vital upgrades to the venue will help to continue to attract quality events. Well done to the team of volunteers who dedicate their time to this great community asset.

Range and Bridge Updates

Residents will be pleased to see Barron River Bridge traffic open to two lanes again. I'm continuing to push for works on the Bridge and Kuranda Range Roads fast tracked as quickly as possible. For up to date information and announcements, please follow me on Facebook at www.facebook.com/craigcrawfordMP



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A wonderful, but underutilised, resource

The Australian Tropical Herbarium (ATH), at James Cook University in Cairns, is a joint venture of the CSIRO, Parks Australia, Queensland Department of Science and Environment, and James Cook University.

The herbarium is a research institution that houses over 180,000 dried collections of plants as well as 'wet' collections (14,000 jars) and a DNA/tissue bank. The entire collection is databased and details of its collection may be found online at Atlas of Living Australia.

Significant amongst its collections are those of:

- Bernie Hyland, Bruce Gray and Andrew Ford which are important voucher material for the online Key to Australian Tropical Rainforest Plants (>45,000 specimens), and
- Hugo Flecker (1884–1957) an early collector in North Queensland who was a part of the North Queensland Naturalists' club (>3,500 specimens).

The herbarium employs over 20 staff and attracts a large number of research students. There is also a large number of adjunct researchers and volunteers who assist with curation of the collection or undertake taxonomic research. Some of the projects include research related to: ethnobotany, biodiscovery, vegetation mapping, biosecurity, conservation, and the development of tools to assist plant identification.

The herbarium maintains a small Public Reference Collection that is available, 9.30am to 4pm Monday to Friday, for the public to identify plants. No appointment is necessary, but please ensure you register with the receptionist upon arrival.

Wet Tropics Management Authority Cassowary Award



Cathy Retter winner of the 'Thorsborne Award for Community Conservation and Rehabilitation' 2024.

Photo: Garth Owen

Congratulations to Cathy Retter, winner of the *Thorsborne Award for Community Conservation and Rehabilitation*.

"Sponsored by Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service Recognising contributions to the improvement of the natural values of the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area. This category acknowledges those who rehabilitate and protect the natural features of the Wet Tropics, including its flora and fauna. Margaret Thorsborne was a previous recipient of the Cassowary Award for Community Conservation, which was renamed the Thorsborne Award in 2016 to acknowledge Margaret and her late husband Arthur's contributions to the Wet Tropics. Arthur and Margaret shared a lifelong passion and commitment to nature conservation and environmental activism."

Congratulations to all those nominated for a Cassowary Award across all categories. All are deserving of recognition for their commitment and efforts.

Plant of the Month Flame tree – *Brachychiton acerifolius*

Spectacular when in full flower, the Flame tree is completely deciduous during its summer flowering. A well-shaped medium tree, the compact dark green crown provides a neat circle of dense shade when planted as a specimen tree in a lawn area. When planted at the forest edge, the flowers are highlighted against a green background. Excess stock at the nursery is now available at sale price. Also available at sale price, advanced Myola palms (*Archontophoenix myolensis*).



Photo: Vern Hansen

• Date Claimers •

Monthly Frog monitoring – is scheduled for the third week each month. Check Facebook or text Sylvia on 0409 647 714 to join the group texts and emails.



Toolbox Talk with Rainforestation

We offer free 'toolbox talks' for local businesses and community groups whose activities involve moving or storing materials that may carry invasive ants such as garden plants, mulch, soil or hay. We recently met with Rainforestation's groundskeepers and wildlife keepers. They saw live electric ants and yellow crazy ants up-close, learnt about their legal obligations and discussed ways they could reduce risks at their business. Give us a call or email if you're interested in a 'toolbox talk' or other presentation for your group!



Rainforestation staff learned about invasive ants and how to prevent their spread. Photo: R. Reese.

Kuranda Village surveys

Our Saturday Sidewalk Surveys in Kuranda Village in August and September have covered the verges of Barron Falls Road, Kullaroo Close, Kuranda Crescent, Ardmore Park, Morton Street, Harriman Close and Rob Veivers Drive. So far all samples have come back negative for invasive ants which is great news! We would love for local residents to join us looking for invasive ants as we survey Top of the Range estate on 12 and 26 October. We will meet at the Gregory Terrace Park at 9am and finish by 12pm. No experience is required, basic fitness level (easy walking and bending), and we provide morning tea. Supervised children are welcome, and it's a great way to learn how to identify our native ants also. Come along and help us protect our rainforest village from invasive ants!



We encourage everyone to have a free yard check once a year.
Photo: Wet Tropics Images

Book your free yard check

Even if we have surveyed along your street verge, it's important that you get your own property checked at least once a year. Ants can hitch a ride through common items such as garden plants, but if we catch them early they are easy to eradicate. Our teams will set out food to attract ants and let you know what types of ants they find in your yard.

You can book your free yard check online through AntZone (bit.ly/4cABq1s) or phone 13 25 23.

Rachel

Join the invasive resist-ants

Coordinator: Rachel Reese

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coordinator@communitytaskforce.org.au

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What's Happening at the Amphitheatre

Gambling Community Benefit Fund – successful grant

We are delighted to announce that Kuranda Amphitheatre Society (KAS) has been granted \$73,487 for facility upgrades – Mainstage and Top Pavilion roofing repairs and maintenance – and installation of a solar system on the Top Pavilion! These funds come from the Qld Gambling Community Benefit Fund and are a huge help in maintaining the Amphitheatre and getting us closer to our goal of environmental and financial sustainability. Works will happen over the next six months, weather permitting!

Coming up November/December...

We have a couple of near bookings for big events at the Amphitheatre in November and December. At the time of writing, these are not yet ready to announce, but please stay tuned!

Looking Back – Spring Fair 8 September

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers, performers, and community for putting on a beautiful Spring Fair music event. It was a glorious afternoon of family, music, games, and the always beautiful vibe at the Amphitheatre as we joined in with the Kuranda village activities to welcome another Spring. May this new season bring us all a fresh start, creative collaborations, and the will and energy to make these beautiful community gatherings possible.

Special thanks to our sponsors Kuranda Koala Gardens, Peter and Angela Freeman, and to Mareeba Shire Regional Arts Development Fund for making our Spring Fair event possible. The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Mareeba Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

General Meeting – Sunday 27 October at 3pm – Master Plan final report and presentation

The survey for the second round of feedback on the results of the community consultation process for our next 10 year Master Plan has now closed. This survey was open for three months and gave an opportunity for members to give feedback on the report and drawings resulting from our community consultation sessions earlier in the year. Many thanks to those who participated and responded. The final results will be presented at our next General Meeting, on Sunday 27 October at 3pm.

Volunteering at the Amphitheatre – Committee positions available for 2025

Have you ever looked at the Kuranda Amphitheatre and had brilliant ideas and feedback about how it could be improved, how it could reach its full potential, or how it could go back to the old days and host the kind of big gigs that are such an

exciting part of the history of the venue? Well, all members have an opportunity to step up and make their ideas happen!

Our next KAS AGM is in February 2025, and there will be a number of Committee positions available. Please consider joining the Kuranda Amphitheatre Society Committee and contributing to this amazing community organisation. The only requirement is that you are a member of KAS at the time of nomination (two weeks prior to the AGM). Memberships are always available on our website, and at the Honey House on Therwine Street, Kuranda.

There are literally hundreds of people who have sat on the Committee over the last 40 years and done their best to keep this organisation alive and thriving. This is a chance to bring your enthusiasm for arts, culture and community, your ideas, skills, experience and networks, and put them into action.

Current committee members are happy to fill you in on what the job entails, how much time commitment is required, and if you wish, mentor you through your initial period on the Committee. Please contact us with any queries.

One Love Kuranda!

Kuranda Amphitheatre Management Committee



Slip 'n Slide fun at the Spring Fair.

Top: Cloud 9 & Friends performing at the Spring Fair.

Middle: ZDC & Friends on the mainstage.



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New Artist joins the Arts Co-op

We are delighted to welcome a new local artist, Nikki Sporri, who recently joined us at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative. Nikki is an artist whose abstract expressionist paintings delve into the subconscious realms of the human psyche, revealing the shadows and enigmatic dialogues that dwell within. Her work is a fascinating interplay of curiosity, playfulness, profound beauty, and raw emotion. Each piece serves as a window into the complexities of inner worlds, capturing the essence of what lies beneath the surface.

Nikki's artistic process is deeply intuitive, allowing her to follow the natural progression of each brushstroke or mark. This method of creation results in art that evolves organically, with each layer adding depth and texture to the final composition. Her preferred mediums include acrylics, ink, charcoal, and pencil, all of which contribute to the multi-faceted nature of her work. Elements of tropical life and lush gardens often make their way into her art, reflecting her surroundings in Kuranda. These influences are evident in her vibrant colour palettes and organic forms, which evoke the rich textures and hues of tropical flora.

In addition to her accomplishments as a painter, Nikki founded Monsoons and Mangoes, a clothing label she established in 2006. The label achieved global success, and for 15 years, Nikki's explorations in textiles honed her distinctive colour palettes and design sensibilities. This experience has deeply influenced her artistic practice, cultivating a rich appreciation for abstraction and innovation in her visual work.

Nikki's journey began in the serene Huon Valley of Tasmania, where she was raised. She later spent a significant portion of her adult life in Darwin, soaking up its vibrant culture and landscapes before relocating to Kuranda in 2017. This diverse geographical background has enriched her art practice, infusing it with a unique blend of influences from different environments and experiences.



In 2023, Nikki was honoured to be a finalist in the Kuranda Art Prize, a testament to her evolving and impactful artistic voice. This recognition highlights her growing prominence in the art community and her ability to resonate with audiences through her evocative and imaginative works.

Nikki Sporri's artwork.

Below left: *Maybe Its Love*

Right: *Fly Little Bird*

Below: *Emerald Enigmas*

Below right: *Art of Dreaming*



Kate Prynne



Marcia Bird

Other Artist News

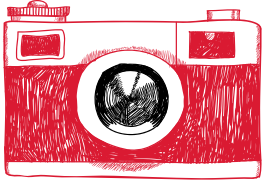
Kate Prynne has just completed a further glass landscape masterclass in the UK, adding to and enhancing the work she undertook last year. Right: *Davies Creek*.

Our customers love finding Marcia Birds's green ants crawling around the gallery... they make a great memento of a visit to Far North Queensland! Below right: *Green Ants*.

The artists are now starting to work on developing their work in preparation for the exhibition *Gatherings* to be held at the Tableland Regional Gallery from October 2025.

The Arts Co-operative is open seven days a week from 10am–4pm. Pop in and have a chat with the artist on duty and have a browse through the Gallery Shop. We also offer gift vouchers and can package and send work Australia-wide and overseas.

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The **Focus on Kuranda Photography Group** is a Facebook group for photographers of all levels. Photos featured here have received the most 'likes' for the previous month (at the time of going to print).



SEPTEMBER

"Pretty group of fungi."
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(9 September 2024)

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Djama Group and families excited to see the train

Our Kindy children in Djama Group were so excited on Tuesday 10 September when we went on our train station excursion. The best part was that so many of the children's family members were able to come along with us. We also had Imogen and Maya, our Kuranda District State College work experience students, join us on the excursion.

Ms Tracy led the way as we all walked from the Kuranda Community Kindergarten through Bartley Park and over to the Kuranda Railway Station. Kuranda is so beautiful – we saw so many vibrant flowers, interesting seeds and majestic trees on our walk. The children collected some of their favourite flowers to bring back to the Kindy.

At the train station we met up with Travel Consultant, Meagan, who told us some safety tips and facts about the Kuranda Scenic Railway. The children were excited to hear and even feel the train approaching the station. We counted two engines and eleven carriages.

The children were invited up into the train so they could have a look around. This will be a memorable experience for many of the children.

We were all very lucky to be invited into the train station carriage where we could see how Station Assistant, Paul, moves the railroad switch levers to control the track switches in the rail yard to ensure the trains move safely. Paul said that this was the way the train tracks had been controlled for over 100 years!

A massive thank you to Kuranda Scenic Railway's Meagan and Paul.

We finished our excursion with a sandwiches and fruits picnic in the park. Thank you to Kuranda District State School and Coles for all the fresh bread they donate to the Kindy.

We are excited to let families know that we will be able to offer FREE KINDY for target age children in 2025! Target age for 2025 is children born between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021. This is a wonderful opportunity so please contact us kcka@westnet.com.au or calls 07 4093 8087 for any enrolment enquiries. Places for 2025 are quickly filling, so please contact us early to avoid disappointment.



Picnic in the park



Paul showed us how he controls the train tracks to keep the trains safe



We counted 2 engines and 11 carriages.



Cairns Hinterland Steiner School
Academic Nurturing Creative

Joyful celebrations capture the beauty of Spring...and Steiner

On 7 September, Cairns Hinterland Steiner School (CHSS) welcomed the arrival of Spring with its Spring Fair and Open Day.

The school's Spring Fair and Open Day had something for everyone with children's activities and games, a marionette play and a range of delicious food and drink stalls. The Cairns Strings Orchestra also delighted crowds with a special appearance in the school's Majella Mary Hall.

The day demonstrated the best of Steiner education with students' work on display, breathtaking musical performances from students in Class 4-8, and Class 6 students running their very own stalls as a finale to a recent Business Studies unit.

School Board Chair, Sharonika Camplin said "Our Spring Fair and Open Day is an enjoyable day for the whole school community and an important part of our school calendar as we celebrate the turning of the year from Winter to Spring.



Photos supplied by CHSS



"We have children's academic work on display, a full-day's program of artistic performances and a range of traditional fete and carnival activities.

"It really is a celebration for our local community, hosted by our school community."

The highlight of the day was the Maypole dance. The school became abuzz as live music played a familiar and heart-warming tune and children and their families began to dance around the maypole. Together they wove vibrant ribbons into the most complex of patterns to create an iconic centerpiece to the school's festivities.

Nestled amongst 42 acres of beautiful rainforest in Kuranda—approximately 20km from Cairns and an easy drive from Mareeba—the school really needs to be experienced to be believed.

Amongst the cheerful crowds were parents considering Steiner for their children's education. It was their first time on campus and they were impressed by what they saw.

"This is an ideal opportunity for families who are exploring Steiner education to visit our school, meet with teachers and view students' work," Sharonika continued. "By attending our Spring Fair and Open Day families gain a sense of what we offer and leave with a greater understanding of what the Steiner curriculum involves.

"We are often asked about the academic rigor of Steiner education, and we absolutely hold high expectations for our students. We teach the ACARA-approved Australian Steiner Curriculum in a way which nurtures children, encourages creativity, and instills a love of learning," said Sharonika.

The Spring Fair and Open Day is an annual event and will be held again at the Cairns Hinterland Steiner School in 2025.



In need of a refresh on road safety?

On 28 October from 10–11.30am, the Kuranda Library will be hosting a Seniors on the Road presentation in conjunction with the Queensland Police Service and the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

The presentation will cover road rules, safe driving behaviour, tips, and support on how to transition from driving, as well as an overview on the different online services and apps available to you.

There'll also be time for questions from the audience if you need help with a specific query.

Bookings are essential! Head to our website by scanning the QR Code or visiting: Home | Mareeba Shire Council Libraries (spydus.com) and navigate to our Featured Events page to book your place! You can also visit us at the library for bookings or more information.



Did you know every Friday throughout the year, we hold Story Time from 10am–12pm?

As well as sharing a story or two, each week we have a variety of hands-on crafts and activities for your children to explore and learn from, in a relaxed environment where the children can choose what they want to do.

Research shows that when kids play, they are also learning. This has a positive impact on their literacy, numeracy, language development, and most importantly, social skills.

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In October, these titles are:

- *Seeds of Murder* by Rosie Sandler – a brand-new cosy crime series set in the gardening world featuring an unlikely amateur sleuth and her loveable dog.
- *Country Girl* by Edna O'Brien – an astonishingly honest and compelling memoir from one of the greatest names in twentieth century literature.

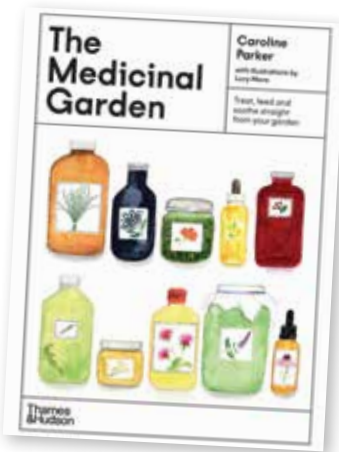
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Book Review – *The Medicinal Garden* by Caroline Parker with illustrations by Lucy Mora, published by Thames & Hudson Australia Wurundjeri Country, released 2024.

★★★★☆ 4 out of 5 stars

Publishers Blurbs: *Grow your garden and herbal first-aid kit with herbs, flowers, and foraged weeds. The Medicinal Garden is a considered guide to revitalising your health by soothing your mind, body, and green thumb. Add a nourishing boost to your diet with a variety of recipes for salads, snacks, treats, and drinks. Featuring easy, natural remedies for your skin, gut, muscles, heart, and mind with recipes for oils, tinctures, compresses, steams, washes and more.*



Welcome to spring! It's time to treat, feed and soothe—all from your medicinal garden.

As soon as I saw this book, I knew that it would make its home in Kuranda Library. It has a fresh, pleasing design using beautiful, yet simple, painted illustrations that really compliment the themes and captivate the reader's attention—bringing the herbs and recipes to life. The black borders which segment each page are reminiscent of the view of a rural landscape from an aeroplane, with fenced off paddocks and an abundance of open space. The uncluttered layout and minimal text is calming and as serene as the recipes, remedies, and infusions that the book contains. It truly is a well thought out and gloriously arranged book which celebrates the bounty of nature on every page. The recipes and remedies contain basic procedures made from readily available herbs, weeds, and mulches.

The book demonstrates the many ways herbs can be used for general land care. For example, they provide natural fungicides, loosen up compacted ground, improve water drainage, and aerate the soil due to the deep taproots grown by herbs. I even learned high nitrogen weeds make great composting activators! There is also information on how to use herbs and weeds for complementary planting, and gardening construction for specific soil types and drainage requirements.

I particularly liked the section 'How to Build Your Herbal Medicine Cabinet' which features interesting items such as ginger and lemongrass lozenges, sleep, headache and flu posies, tinctures for sunburn, steams to clear the head and lungs, and sore throat sprays. There is also a herbal chart which lists the herb name and an illustration, the part of the plant that can be used, the condition it can improve, preparation instructions, the body part it will effect, and details of possible cautions in the use of the plant.

I would recommend this book to everyone, from people interested in alternative or natural remedies, to the courtyard gardener who is excited about experimenting with the natural benefits of plants. The presentation of information in *The Medicinal Garden* is striking and modern, however, I would have liked to see acknowledgement that plant-based cures have been practiced for hundreds of years by First Nations peoples with extensive medicinal plant knowledge.

Reserve *The Medicinal Garden* and the other series titles, *The Kitchen Garden* and *The Preserving Garden* from the library at Home | Mareeba Shire Council Libraries (spydus.com) or drop into the library and the friendly staff will reserve them for you.

Kellie A.



Kuranda Writers Group

Books we've been reading included *Performing Place, Practising Memories: Aboriginal Australians, Hippies and the State* by local author and anthropologist Dr Rosita Henry.

This covers the wave of 'counter-culture' people who moved into rural Kuranda in the 1970s. With an emphasis on the relationship between the settlers and local Aboriginal population, the book concentrates on the political anthropology of place and performance through a number of linked social dramas and interviews about the sometimes-contested use of both public and private spaces. These include the Kuranda Amphitheatre, the Markets, the building of Skyrail, and more.

Next up for discussion was the *Amazing Ants of the Wet Tropics Field Guide* – a free, fun and interactive guide for parents and kids about all the ants found around FNQ is published by the Wet Tropics Management Authority. Still dealing with the current infestation of yellow crazy ants as a priority, the guide is a popular introduction to citizen science. Free copies are downloadable at www.wettropics.gov.au/ant-guide

One group member was reading Buddha books as part of an online study group, while another was reading the *Picador Book of Worst Journeys* – a serious collection of travel stories by some recognisable big name international authors.

A find from Possum Corner was an old and battered *Penguin Short Stories of Henry Lawson* edited by John Barnes. What better way to study the core elements of the short story form for a budding writer to emulate? Speaking of Lawson, when it came to screen, there was applause for Leah Purcell's movie *The Drovers Wife: the legend of Molly Johnson*, a retelling of the dramatic 1892 short story by Henry Lawson but from an Indigenous and feminist perspective. Notably, the *UnderStory Film Festival* of the best FNQ-made films screened at the Kuranda Library in late August were very much enjoyed.

When it came to the box, the Aussie *Return to Paradise* series based on the successful BBC *Death in Paradise* series set on the fictional island of Saint Marie in the Caribbean got a downward-tilted thumb, while the British *Unforgotten* series on ABC got a thumbs up. *Under the Banner of Heaven*, a drama series on SBS-on-demand based on happenings within a fundamentalist US faith group, also got a mention.

What could not pass without comment were the close parallels between the 4-season *Succession* series starring Brian Cox and Australian actor Sarah Snook and the real-life drama that sees Rupert Murdoch and his children currently in a US court contesting the anointing of Lachlan as Rupert's sole choice to inherit the helm of his media empire. Note that 93-year-old Rupert married his fifth wife in early 2024! Currently in the same dynasty cast is the 3-part *Australian Story* on Lachlan Murdoch himself, and the James Packer interview focussing on his struggles with bipolar on Seven Network's *Spotlight*. When life imitates art, who needs fiction?

Unlike films, books don't have a rating system like PG, MA and R to act as a warning for readers. The homework writing shared did raise questions about warnings to readers regarding content that may be triggering, and whether or not this was necessary or acted as a spoiler. There is something to be said for hitting the reader hard from the first page in the hope of achieving a page-turner in a similar way that the trend in crime movies now is to establish the crime in the first 30 seconds. But on the other hand, if the opening is too graphic, the reader may not go on at all.

We decided our homework prompt at the 14 October meeting at Kuranda Library from 10am will be a short excerpt to share from each other's current personal writing projects. Newcomers are welcome, and/or you can follow us on Facebook on the Kuranda Writers Group page.

Eve Stafford

Next meet:

Monday 14 October – 10am–12 noon
at Kuranda Library, Arara Street

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1253010558786902>

All welcome!



POSSUM CORNER GETS A FRESH NEW SIGN

Clare Woodington recently presented Possum Corner—Kuranda's popular charity 'op' shop—with a newly designed sign for the store with their opening hours. Many thanks go to Dot Dowd who painted the possums. Vivienne and Clare are both volunteers at Possum Corner.

Vivienne Veivers (left) and Clare Woodington with the new sign.

Photo: Paul Woodington



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Kuranda CWA Branch works within the QCWA Strategic Plan framework – Focusing beyond: overcoming isolation, healthy QLD women and our local community needs.

JUMPERS FOR PENGUINS

What's Your Pet Craft? – Glenda McGowan shared her 'Jumpers for Penguins' at the recent CWA Social morning (third Wednesday of the month). Glenda has the pattern for the jumpers which she donates to Rescue Penguins, or you can go online to find it! Participate in your own craft while enjoying coffee, tea and cake. You do not need to be a member to join in.



Above: Glenda McGowan knitting another penguin jumper which she donates to Rescue Penguins.

Above right: A penguin recovering on Phillip Island in its jumper. Search Jumpers for Penguins online for more information.

Coming Up – Activities coming up include the Ambulance CENT SALE on 19 October, the State Election on 26 October, and on 23 November we will be hosting another High Tea with entertainment which was so successful last year.

Kuranda CWA Membership – Check out QCWA website and see the benefits of becoming a CWA member, or enquire locally via email kurandabbranch.qcwa.org.au.

CWA monthly Members' meeting – will be held on Wednesday 9 October 9–10am.

Social Gathering – Wednesday 16 October at 9–11am at the CWA Hall. Come and join us for a cuppa and bit of fun! All welcome. For Country Kitchens information contact Vicki Donovan 0400 791 345.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CWA?

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We currently have hire availability on Mondays, Tuesdays 1–5pm, Wednesdays and evenings (except on 2nd and 3rd week for CWA meetings 8am–12pm), Thursdays until 4.30pm, Fridays, most Saturdays all day and Sundays free. Please enquire for availability.

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Open to all members of the community, this important event commemorates the sacrifice made by members of our Military in many wars and military operations to provide the freedoms we experience in our daily lives. Our fighting men and women came from all ethnic backgrounds and walks of life to serve country and way of life.

Kuranda Sub Branch is comprised of veterans and serving men and women giving their time and energy to provide the needs of ex-military, serving members and their dependants as needed. RSL Qld has very minor support from Government, so, please consider donating to our cause or buy some mementos at the ceremony.

For more information about Remembrance Day or anything to do with RSL activities, please contact Craig 0421 588 714.



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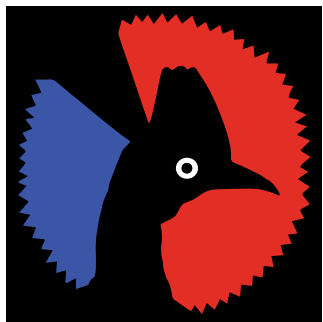
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MCU8/23/0014 - 121 DOUGLAS TRACK, SPEEWAH GARDENS

When an application was made to Council for a Function Facility on the site of the Speewah Gardens, many residents, both jointly and separately, expressed their opposition for fear their quiet, rural way of life would forever be ruined. For the most part, Council listened and has approved the application with a number of restrictive conditions.

What this has done for the community is motivate us into seeking to understand how the legal system of Town Planning works, which environmental laws are relevant, which government departments are involved and how to go about influencing Council's decision-making. This process is empowering the community. It puts Council on notice that we are aware and gaining knowledge. We are watching.



Male cassowary and his tiny stripy chick. Photo: Sharon McGrigor.

Around 30 years ago, this much smaller community did not have the awareness and knowledge we have now. Council then made inappropriate and uneducated decisions on lots of things and the community let it happen because it didn't know any better. Things have now changed and we are a growing, aware and well-resourced community. Council is responding. It's gratifying.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CASSOWARIES

Why are babies so adorable? They're small, clean and it is delightful to see them 'catch on' to life. They are very vulnerable at this time because the world is so big and they are so small.

Apparently Elvis has lost one of his two, Merlin has still got his two, and Dad has been seen with four. He's so old but he keeps on keeping on, year after year.

Please let us know by message, Facebook or a phone call (0439 899 731) if you are lucky enough to see a cassowary so we can record your sighting in our ever-growing database.

IN THE NURSERY

Jules Seabright has reported seeing the first of the Topknot Pigeons and Torresian Imperial pigeons filling our Tropical Northern skies again. These and other nomadic and migratory birds have come to take advantage of the rainforest's fruit bounty. They're already tucking into some early-fruiting trees such as the iconic Fan Palm (*Licuala ramsayi*). Look and listen for flocks of feeding pigeons. You'll likely find collections of rainforest fruit tree seeds below them.



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Caterpillar on a cordyline leaf.
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*Working with the Kuranda community to preserve
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KHS showcases Kuranda history at the Far North Queensland Heritage Expo

Kuranda Historical Society (KHS) was invited to be part of the inaugural Far North Queensland Heritage Expo in Herberton on 7 September alongside the 10 other historical societies



and museums from the region. It was beautifully hosted by the Herberton Mining Centre with over 500 people going through the well laid out expo area. Our representatives, Annie Clarke and Dugg Stratford, enjoyed sharing our stories and hearing of others' experiences. Dugg was a real asset to our display, being able to recall firsthand 80 years of events and people, and provided Kuranda family descendants with interesting details of their relatives. Herberton Mining Centre wish to make the Expo an annual event.

Kuranda Historical Society welcomes you to help catalogue

Our collection management system allows us to catalogue the details of every image, story and artefact that luckily comes to us. Anyone who would like to help us research information is welcome to join Jan at our office above the Kuranda Library and learn the ropes every Monday at 1–3pm. It's fine just to show up.

Kuranda Historical Society Annual General Meeting – Sunday 1 December 2024

KHS will be holding their AGM at their Centenary Park office at 3pm on 1 December 2024. Nominees for positions on the committee are welcome. Annie Clarke is retiring so we are in need of a President. If you are interested being part of a well-established and dynamic organisation please nominate.

Membership keeps us going

Your Kuranda Historical Society Membership is due in September of each year. It's only \$15 but across the community it adds up to be enough for us to keep plugging away at bringing Kuranda's history together. We have sent out membership renewal reminders which are now due to be paid. If you are new and want to join the Kuranda Historical Society, please send an email to kurandahistory@gmail.com.

Are you interested in taking a walk in the Kuranda Cemetery?

KHS is working on bringing together resources using public records and family recollections to discover history in Kuranda's Cemetery. We've started with a well-known Kuranda family, the Veivers. Here's a brief outline of the past four generations of the Veivers family in Kuranda.



The grave of George Alexander Veivers and his wife Joy Elizabeth Veivers. The grave number is K152 (AU Cemetery INDEX) above the parking area at top level Kuranda Cemetery.

George Alexander Veivers II, born 1922, died 1976 aged 54. His wife, Joy Elizabeth Veivers, died 2018 aged 91 yrs. (grave K152)

Their son, Ronnie Veivers remembers his father George was "a good humoured, quiet man who used gestures at times rather than speaking, played the piano and harmonica. He passed away from heart disease." Ron shared that "Joy used a firm hand to keep her 'boys'; George, Ron, Chris and Des in check." Joy played the mouth organ and button accordion, living to just shy of 92." George II was in partnership with his younger brother Maurice (Maurie) (b. 1924, d. 1997). They assisted in the war effort by supplying red cedar for the rifle butts on .303 army rifles. George's timber cutting family ran their own bullock teams from the Speewah area where the family owned various blocks of land. Their first timber lorry was a 1942 Ford and the bullock team loaded the lorry. George was the mechanically able partner and was motivated to buy an Allis Chalmers crawler tractor in 1954 which had a winch and a steel bobtail which was towed behind. They built ramps to enable them to load the logs onto the lorry, and so the bullock teams were retired. George delivered the logs to Cairns Timber Limited, Sawmillers, later known as Capricornia Plywoods.

George Alexander Veivers (George I) (grave K57) (George II's father) was born 1884, died 1965 at 81 yrs.

The family ran Brahman cattle in the Clohesy, Koah and Davies Creek areas. A timber cutting family, George drove bullock teams down past the Bottom Pub to the railway station. George I's wife, Rose May Veivers (née Newman) was born 1881. Rose died 1985, she and her 3-month-old daughter, Enid Rose Veivers, have a combined grave (K15A). Their children were Irene, George Alexander, Maurice, Ivy and Enid.

Walter Hill Veivers was George I's father. He was born in Canonbie Dumfriesshire Scotland in 1848 and came to Australia at age 23 yrs. Walter Veivers died 1912 aged 63 yrs from a stroke. Georgina Black (Hope) Veivers was Walter Hill Veivers' wife, born 1860 and died in 1935 aged 75 yrs. There is a grave stone on the Roscommon property at Speewah.

Walter had been invited to come to Australia by his Uncle Walter Hill – brother of his mother Mrs Grace (Hill) Veivers. From a large family, he arrived in Queensland in 1873 by the ship *Young Australia*. In 1876 he married Georgina Black Hope, fourth daughter of the late George Hope, of Nerang. They had eight children – six sons and two daughters. Walter arrived in the Cairns' district in 1883 'pulling timber', his wife worked as a midwife. They moved to Speewah in 1893.

From TROVE CP2012 – The uncle "Walter Hill born 1821 Scotsdyke, Dumfriesshire Scotland, arrived 1852 in Australia. Walter Hill died 1904 Conon Lea, Eight Mile Plains. Walter Hill, a Botanist, was the first Superintendent of Brisbane Botanical Gardens 1859, well known for the introduction of many commercial crops around Qld., including macadamias. He was in the Barron River area in 1876."

References:

Pioneers of a Trackless Land, The Veivers' Family in Australia written up for the Veivers Family Reunion and Pioneer Picnic on 10–11 September 1988 ref. c/- Vivien Veivers.

Articles including the Veivers family history can also be found in past editions of *The Kuranda Paper* online www.kurandapaper.com – 2016 August page 16 titled *Kuranda* by Jack Veivers, and 2020 May page 6 in Michelle Murray-Beckman's *The View From Here*.

The Kuranda Library has various local history books in its care including Shep Humston's *The Village in the Rainforest*.

The flies that don't bother us



We are all too familiar with the small bush flies that fuss around our faces and try to mop up moisture from around our eyes and even from our mouths. We seasonally endure the biting March Flies as they attempt to drink our blood. Although this is the classic annoying fly behaviour as we know it, it does not apply to all flies. There are flies that are not in the least bit interested in us humans; their focus lies elsewhere, in their own kind - other invertebrates.

With a robust and powerful body, spiny legs and huge eyes, Robber Flies are predators to be feared in the insect world. Although their name suggests they steal a meal from another insect, they are in fact actually stealing their lives. They will often patrol a territory, keeping a watchful eye for any unsuspecting insect that looks like suitable prey. Their prey consists both of flying and crawling insects, particularly those which live above the ground in leaves and grasses. Once a Robber Fly spots its target, it zooms in and plucks the insect up with its powerful limbs, plunging its needle-like proboscis into its victim. It will then find a safe spot to land and suck the juices out of its meal. Many Robber Flies are active at night, and will often catch a large number of other insects napping. They also feed on invertebrates which are mobile at night such as crickets, cockroaches, beetles and spiders.

Another fly which occurs locally that has little interest in us is the Hairy Maggot Blowfly, *Chrysomya rufifacies*. Blowflies are a very familiar group of flies, and most people have experienced them at a BBQ or in the less pleasant company of a dead animal - irresistible to blowflies. You would think that being the first to a dead carcass would be the best thing in the world for a blowie, but not in this case. The Hairy Maggot Blowfly arrives later once all the other blowfly maggots are already at work. Its maggots then go to work attacking and feeding upon the other maggots. In many ways this species is actually beneficial to us in reducing the number of 'primary' blowflies, and also helps to reduce the incidence of fly strike on sheep.

Some flies will attack other insects in more subtle ways. Their method is not classed as predation, but as parasitism. Many species of parasitic flies have a specific target species

known as a host. They usually have some sneaky way of getting their eggs onto the host without the host knowing or being able to do anything about it. Their larvae then go to work, usually eating the least important internal organs first so that their host lives as long as possible, providing them with a nutritious food source. Once they have had their fill (or when the host dies due to the damage) they leave the body and pupate in the ground. I have personally witnessed a large stick insect drop dead and several large well-fed parasitic fly maggots crawl out of the body.

With thousands of species of flies, there are of course many that are interested in pestering us and other vertebrate animals, but in the scheme of things much of their continual 'warring' takes place within their own invertebrate world.

Alan Henderson, Minibeast Wildlife



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Top: A snail parasite fly (*Amenia imperialis*) which parasitise native snails.

Above: A Hairy Maggot Blowfly, a maggot killer.

Below: A Robber Fly with a blowfly it has captured.

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The Speewah District Residents Association (SDRA) met on Monday 16 September and we are pleased to welcome Aneta Thomsen to the management committee as our new treasurer.

We are also making some changes to make it easier for Speewah residents to become involved with the SDRA, as our feedback indicates that although many would like to connect with issues and projects discussed at meetings, they don't have time to attend them. If you become an SDRA member, you will stay in contact with the Speewah neighbourhood through correspondence such as meeting minutes. To make this easier, we are setting up internet banking with the peppercorn fee of \$5 for an individual's annual membership. You can also email us your ideas while having the opportunity to be more actively involved in your neighbourhood.

Many residents are unaware of what we quietly work on throughout the year. One project that you may enjoy is the charming book library at Roscommon Park which Jo Garbellini and Aneta Thomsen created with help from their families. It is made from marine ply to withstand the wet seasons and is painted to complement the colours of the tennis court wall mural and appeal to children who use the playground. Local on-the-ground knowledge and consultation with Council staff resulted in its easy position for kids in the park and for motorists driving past.

Another example where the SDRA's community consultation has contributed to the Speewah social landscape, is the tennis court mural. The SDRA was successful in 2021 receiving a RADF grant for the *Roscommon Park Mural* project. Read more about it on the Mareeba Shire Council website at https://websync.msc.qld.gov.au/public_documents/files/1371/SDRA%20RADF%20Case%20Study%20%28A4%29.pdf

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A Grinter's Tale

Lying awake for the umpteenth time with that horrible kind of indigestion that feels like you have either swallowed an adult bandicoot or are in the throes of a heart attack, I made a vow to buy a pair of cute jammies, something suitable for being found in rigor mortis by young paramedics hoping for a more eventful lifesaving evening than rescuing ageing hypochondriacs with severe dyspepsia.

You may or may not know that old adage, "One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well". Personally I always thought that was a load of codswallop (polite term for bs).

If you can sleep after a big dinner, then maybe you are the kind of person who eats their dinner at high tea time, then takes the dogs for a walk around the block in the murky stillness of night. If, like me, you don't actually sit down until well after 7pm, eating at 8.30pm is like eating at 6pm for most sensible people, except, unlike me, you have probably half digested your dinner before the news at seven. Although, come to think of it, the news is enough to give you indigestion.

About the time I arrived in Australia, nouvelle cuisine morphed into cuisine minceur, which I thought might be a much better option. 'De rigueur' behaviour on arrival of the meal was to throw one's hands up in admiration at the artistic content of the plate, the tiny piece of rare meat topped with a speared olive and a soupçon of jus drizzled into little curls across the bare plate, with half a sprig of watercress and a decoratively carved half tomato. Don't forget the freshly ground pepper, just one turn of the mill or there could be a surcharge.

I'm by no means a huge eater, not a pie and chips woman by any stroke of the imagination, but if like me you had starved all day to enjoy the occasional meal out, your cuisine minceur dinner would grow cold while you waited for the rest of it to be served up. "Um, have we got a salad coming?" I would ask plaintively, which would be met by a withering look from my trendy friends, and the rolling of eyes by the waiter. What's more, because it was "minceur" and thus in vogue, it cost twice as much for half as much food.

My Dad went to cookery classes when I was a young teenager, and all of a sudden our salads turned into gourmet grazing platters. I think I have mentioned in a previous column that tinned mandarin oranges appeared in our classic side salad of lettuce, tomato and cucumber, mostly from Dad's garden. Whatever they lacked in creativity, they made up for in flavour, being home grown, but they lacked that certain je ne sais quoi. A soupçon of shredded zucchini, or rocket, or even a nasturtium leaf wouldn't have gone astray. These were the days before microgreens or home-sprouted mung beans, artichoke hearts, artificial sprinkles or sunflower seeds.

Reading the above, you would be excused for thinking I have been to French lessons lately. As a Pom of my generation, we learned French at school and I suppose we were talking about Cuisine minceur (the slimming kitchen) which was 'invented' by Michel Guérard, whose longevity (91) was a result no doubt, of his healthy diet.

As I got older and wiser and could make my own decisions about what to make for dinner, I relished this freedom. To my mind, it was one of the best parts of growing up and becoming independent, and one reason why I would hate to be a dog in my next life.

Living with three guys and two girls in a flat in South Kensington (I just Googled the street, and our flat would now be worth \$3m!), we girls cooked for the boys when they were nice to us. That was actually most of the time; they were a great trio, but they were boys, and boys will be, well, boys and at our age then, I wouldn't put it past them to accidentally poison us.

So on Saturday nights we girls were off with our boyfriends or doing whatever we did in those days, which I only remember as fun, and the boys would go out, get stonkered, come home and cook a late night, alcohol-induced fried meal. The frying pan would be left on the top of the stove, two inches deep in congealed fat through which could be clearly seen a trail of mouse feet and tiny teeth marks on Sunday morning. We could hear those mice all night, running around in the roof. They sounded more like a pack of staffies, but I suppose that wasn't surprising given their diet of solid fat.

In a saucepan, on the roof outside the kitchen window, Hugh, the nerd, would leave his smelly socks soaking to hang up on Sunday morning to be ready for work on Monday. We girls never did cook in that saucepan.

Following a dream, and a boyfriend, or maybe I should join those two words, I choofed off to Africa.

As a Geologist's assistant, in other words my then geologist boyfriend's love interest, Johannesburg Consolidated Investments paid for all our food. The Swazi and Mozambique camp cooks loved this free rein, cooking something like 7-8kg of meat every night with ne'er a trace of vegetable. The reasoning behind this huge amount of cooking was that it was far beyond what we, as the five strong geological team, could eat, as well they knew, and they would get the leftovers to take back to the compound. A veritable feast, enough to feed all their mates. As a result of that and experience with pork (only available in the expat supermarket and probably ancient) in Abu Dhabi, I very rarely eat any meat apart from the odd steak these days.

Arriving in Australia in 1977, I became hooked on a weekly visit to the Drummoyne markets, where in those days meat, fish and vegetables were so cheap, and my friend and I would buy in 'bulk' and share. Contemplating different potatoes one day, I asked my Irish friend why pink skinned potatoes were considered superior. In case you don't know, purple skinned potatoes are higher in antioxidants, but she said they taste better and she should know; she's Irish.

Suddenly, I dropped the potato, grabbed her arm, turned on my heel and hurtled through the crowds, hearing my friend breathlessly muttering "What, what?" We ran to my car, where I shoved her into the passenger side without explanation, and hopped into the driver's seat. We raced back over the Drummoyne Bridge, me yelling eee err eee err out of the window, for no other reason than to take my mind off what I had done. We broke all speed limits heading for my unit in Artarmon as I explained I had left potatoes on the stove for a potato salad for our lunch on return from the market.

The building I lived in was home to myriads of elderly folk, and I could see the headlines the next day. "Dumb blonde and Irish friend responsible for multiple deaths after burning spuds". We got back to a pan welded to the stove element, black as the ace of spades but thank God, no deaths (and no potatoes).



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The Red-winged parrots love the pods and peas so I bagged a few pods to make sure I have seeds for the future. We share and enjoy each others company and I love their call. One year the parrots stripped a whole bush and the bush eventually died. I quick-smart learned from this experience. Harvest the seeds for seed saving when the pods are dried, brown and just before they open up.

I spotted the Bean pod sucking bug (there are two species – *Riptortus serripes* and *Riptortus linearis*) in the Pigeon pea bush. That's bad news. I usually find them on my beans. They feed on the juice in the seeds and the beans fail to mature. The seed pods shrivel and die when attacked by *Riptortus*. I go in the garden in the morning and give the *Riptortus* a shake up and tell them to go elsewhere.

Marigold is one of my favourite plants. They are great as a companion plant. Marigold attracts lots of different pollinating insects. Mine have been flowering for months and I harvested lots of seeds last week to share with my community. The seed pods must be completely dry and you harvest the seeds on a dry, sunny day around noon.

Over the years I have compiled a list of companion plants. The list is available at www.acreativewriter.com go to Archive. Use search box, type in 'Companion planting'. Click read more and you will see my full list. When you practise

companion planting you are creating a friendship among the plants and they produce happy seeds for the future. Plant seeds of kindness and friendship will grow.

Red leaf Amaranth has been very productive in my garden. I use the leaves in salad when they are very young. The leaves are a great source of antioxidants. Older leaves go in the soup or stir-fry. Cooked leaves are a rich source of vitamin A and C and calcium. The birds love them too, so keep an eye out for when the seeds are ready for harvesting as the birds will nip off the flowers. The seeds can be added to any bread making.

The Seed Savers' Handbook by Michel and Jude Fanton is a great book and covers all you need to know about growing the plants and how to save seeds.

Come along. Join a seed savers group and you become part of supporting the survival and thriving of diverse foods for future generations and help improve strong adaptations for plant species.

For more information on seed savers and meetings in our region, please email seedsavers@kurandaregion.org also check out Kuranda.TV (YouTube channel) to see videos on local seed savers, gardening, syntropics and permaculture.

Happy seed saving!
Ulla Melchiorson

Buluwai Indigenous Corporation News



Threatened species Northern Bettong. Photo: Wayne Lawler

Northern Bettong Field Trip at Emerald Creek

Buluwai Rangers were pleased to be involved in the recent Northern Bettong Recovery Team meeting and field trip at Emerald Creek. The field trip was organised by TERRAIN NRM and included other agencies involved in the preservation of the species.

The crew were excited to see the interest in bettongs on Buluwai

country and the many activities that are funded to care for threatened species that will ensure stability of the local population going forward. In contrast to Buluwai country, where they are thriving, in other areas where the bettong once lived, they are not faring so well due to country being degraded and no longer able to support the species.

Last year Buluwai Rangers were involved with the translocation of bettongs from Davies Creek to a predator-free enclosure at the Australian Wildlife Conservancy's Mount

Zero-Taravale Sanctuary, 80km north-west of Townsville on Gugu Badun country. The translocated population is now established and breeding which is great news for the project and helping to heal Gugu Badun country.

The next step is for our Buluwai Rangers to work with Western Yalanji Rangers and the Northern Bettong Recovery Team to increase bettong numbers at Mt Spurgeon, the only other place with a tiny wild population.

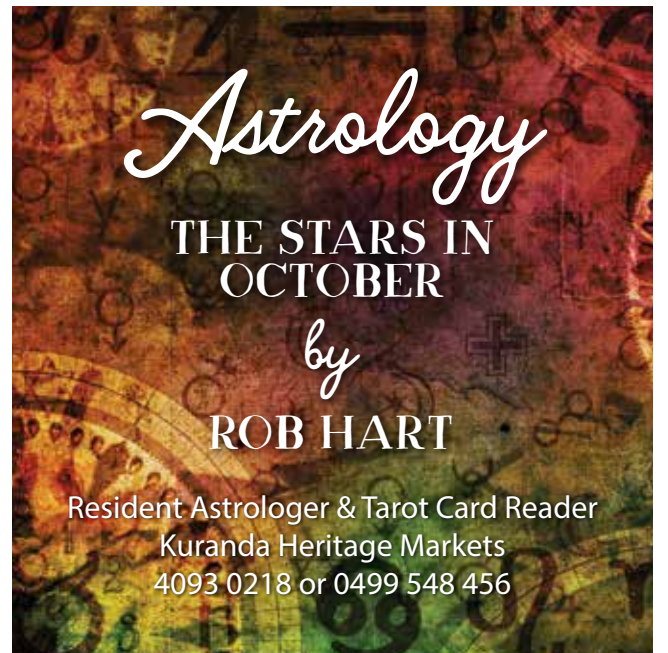
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October begins with solar eclipse on 3 October, with Sun, Moon and Earth all in line at 10 degrees Libra. Mercury is also in line, so if you have 9 to 12 degrees Libra as an active point in your birth chart a very cruisey few months are coming up, with harmony, beauty and happy connections. Some beautiful experiences in the area of your life depicted by the 'house' in your birth chart thus activated. This will positively affect all of us in some way so look to welcome the opportunities.

The waxing moon through until 17 October gives us plenty of time to 'pick the flowers' and the full moon in Aries on 17 October brings fulfilment, completion and the chance to begin again in a positive frame of mind. Here's an interesting little picture: through 8 and 9 October there is a harmonious trine aspect between Mercury and Jupiter in the 'air' signs of Libra and Gemini, and Jupiter is stationary, turning retrograde. Really that's all about good news! Communication, journeys, good fortune, expansion and positive movement forward. The train is waiting at the station for us to jump on board and head for the big win!

There's a Sagittarian moon which adds to the lucky, expansionary vibe and it's all moving very quickly. What's 'in the air' for you as we approach 8-9 October? A time for quick thinking and acting and really going for the golden ring. And taking chances, gambles and just acting and communicating with super-confidence.

Pluto goes stationary and begins forward motion on 12 October, in the final 29 degrees of Capricorn, preparing for its last pass out of Capricorn and finally, permanently, entering Aquarius and thus completing a 3,000 year cycle. The Earth also enters the Aquarian precessional age, completing a 30,000 year cycle! Given that Pluto is the destroyer, the transformer and the bringer of rebirth, it's no surprise that we feel 'on the brink'. Much is being destroyed and transformed, personally and globally.

So it's time to end a lot of Capricorn stuff: rules, authority, tradition and social structures. Now this becomes volcanic and seismic, so don't expect any respect for the status quo from here on in. Earthquake activity is probably on the increase with other geophysical disturbances. Exciting times ahead!

Traditional astrology called 29 degrees 'the anaretic degree'. The death of the cycle relating to that sign. Pluto is the planet of 'death' or endings, so much will be transformed, "People get ready". As the voodoo people say "dancin' with Mr.D". As we all do.

Full moon on 17 October at 24 degrees Aries, with Venus moving into Sagittarius, sounds like a time for fun, joyous adventures, fast rides and quick moments of love and passion. Enjoy. Mars trines Neptune in the compassionate water signs, Cancer and Pisces, on 26 October. All about service to others and the spiritual journey. Help when and where it is needed, and a nice ending to the month.

Blessings.

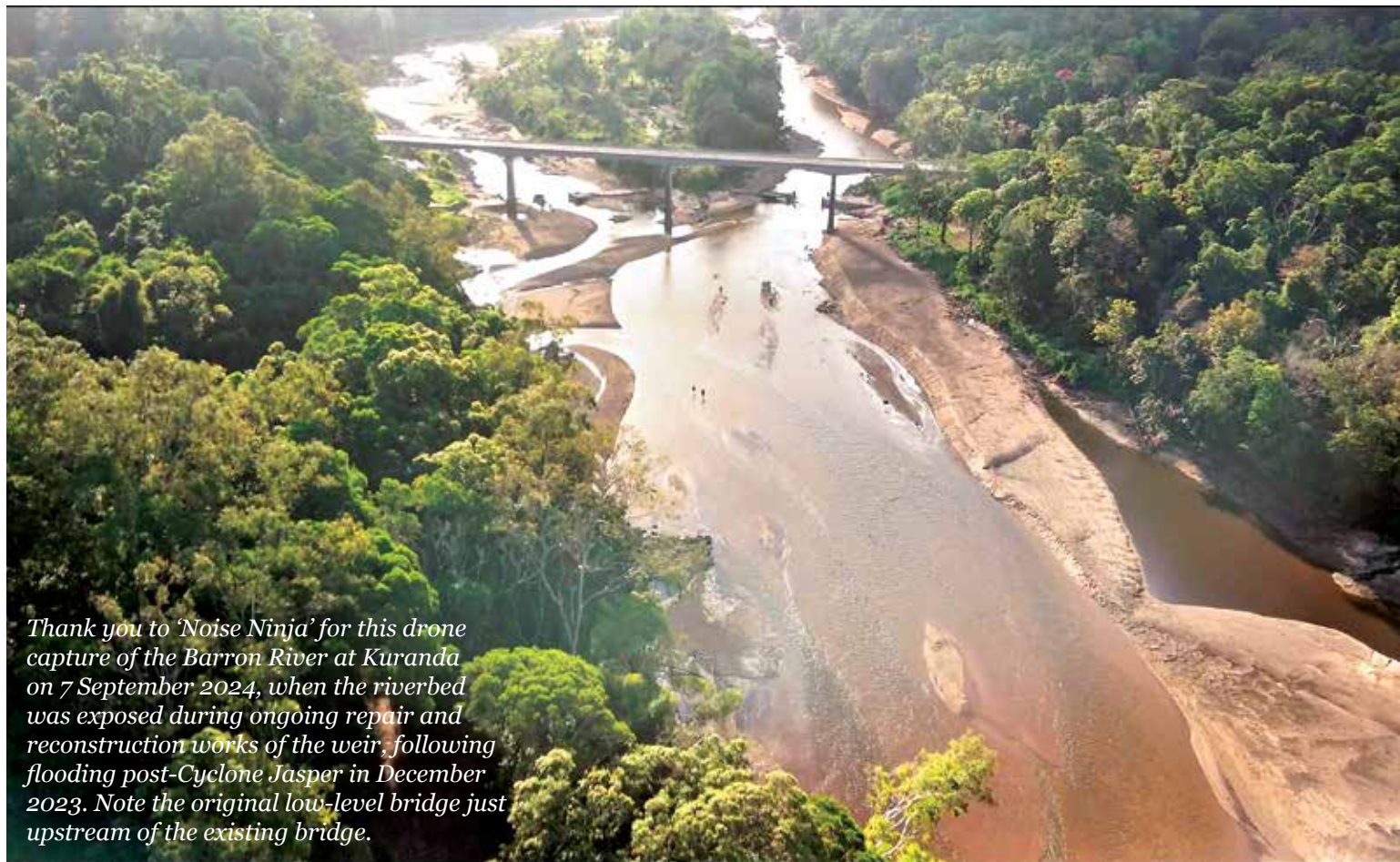




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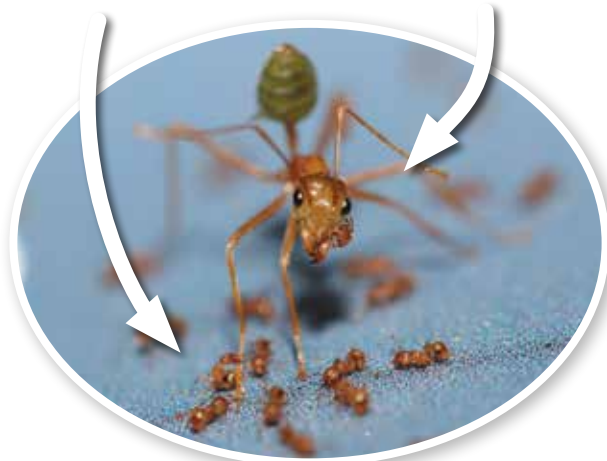
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WORD MEANINGS

- BALUR:** a curved spear-thrower
BANDIN: oyster
BANGGAN: fish tail
BIDA: bark canoe/bark container
BIDAGARRA: mouth of the Barron
BIRINY: salt water
BULUMAY: mullet
BUNUL: out-rigger on dug-out canoe
DIDJU: crab
DIGARRA: sand
DINGAL: egg
DJADJINDJI: shark
DJARRUWAY: island
DJILNGAR: shell headband for males, necklace for women
DJINIL: whip-tail stingaree/spear-point
DJULMBURRAN: dugong
DJULWA: black, saltwater mussels
GAMAY: sucker-fish
GANYARRA: crocodile
GARRANGGAL: coral
GINDAN: the moon
GIRAY: the tide
GUDJUGUDJU: rainbow snake
GULBUL: waves/the sea
GUMAY: fishing line
GURRIYALA: the hill at Port Douglas, associated with the carpet snake and the Rainbow Snake
GUYU: fish
MADJAY: a shield
MILI: jellyfish
MILGA: cowrie shell, used as a traditional ‘money’ in trading
MILGARA: a paddle
NGAWUYU: a sea-turtle
NGUNANGGARRA: a whale
WANGALDJUNGGAY: Double Island, wangel djunggay running boomerang
WARRDJAN: a raft
WUNYAMI: Green Island
YANGGIDJA: Cape Grafton
YIRRMBA: fishing spear
YULAL: dug-out canoe
YURRBING: the Barrier Reef/the sound of grinding teeth



Sea shells. Photo: Mandy Henry via Unsplash.

DJABUGAY
A guide to the pronunciation of Djabugay words

- Vowel Sounds**
/a/ is pronounced as the vowel in the (English) words “some”, “come” e.g. **bama** (person)
/a:/ is pronounced like the /a/ sound in “father” but longer e.g. **buda:dji** (carpet snake)
/i/ is pronounced like the /i/ in the word “bin” e.g. **bina** (ear)
/i:/ the vowel sound is lengthened and pronounced like the vowel sound in “heat”, “beat”, “feet” e.g. **biri:** (again)
/u/ is pronounced as the vowel sound in the English word “book” e.g. **mudu** (back)
/u:/ the vowel is lengthened and pronounced as the vowel sound in the words “good”, “tool”, “rule” e.g. **djungguu:** (behind)
Consonants
/dj/ The sound is like a /d/ and a /j/ pronounced simultaneously e.g. **djulbin** (tree)
/g/ is pronounced as in the word “gun” e.g. **gindan** (moon)
/rr/ a trilled, or rolled /r/ as in Scottish pronunciation of the word “sporrán” e.g. **burra-y** (to fly)
/r/ as in the American pronunciation of /r/ in car e.g. **biri** (fire)
/ny/ is like the initial /n/ in onion, like an /n/ and a /y/ pronounced simultaneously e.g. **nyurra** (you)
/ng/ as in the word “singer” e.g. **bungan** (sun)
/n.g/ when you see the n.g broken by a stop do not run the two sounds together e.g. **djin.gal** (sky)
/ngg/ is pronounced as the ng sound in the word “finger” e.g. **nyinggarra** (eel)
/ay/ is generally pronounced as in the English word “eye” e.g. **Djabugay**
Stress
When saying Djabugay words which syllables should we stress?
In words of two syllables, the first syllable is stressed e.g. **bina** (ear).
In words of three syllables, the first syllable is stressed e.g. **ganyarra** (crocodile).
However, if a long vowel occurs in the second syllable of a word of three syllables, it is stressed e.g. **buda:dji** (carpet snake).
In words with more than three syllables, stress falls on the first syllable and on the syllable before the last one e.g. **ganyarra** – **nggu** (crocodile).
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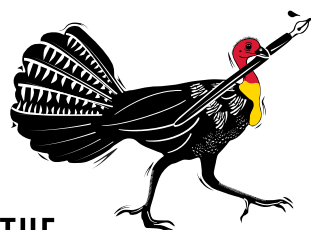
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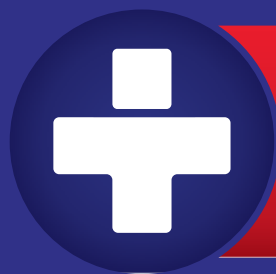
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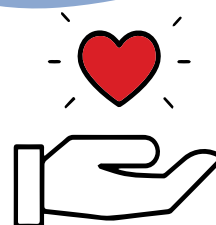
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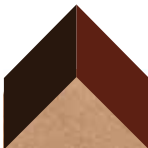
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Among our new members is Ron, who has jumped straight into the action by renovating a beloved old chair and a bookcase. Ron's projects have been greatly enhanced by the expert guidance of Greg, one of our long-time members and a former carpenter. Greg's extensive skills have been invaluable, offering support and sharing knowledge that's helping everyone involved learn and grow.

The Men's Shed isn't just about woodworking and repairs, though. We're fortunate to have a spacious verandah that's perfect for anyone looking to enjoy some good company. Whether you're interested in a friendly game of cards, a round of chess, or just a chat over a cuppa, our verandah offers a welcoming space for all.

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St Saviour's Thought for October

This month we focus on a passage from St Marks Gospel and read Chapter 8 verses 27-26. This month's reading brings us face to face with one of the great questions of the Bible, a question that has been asked in particular circumstances in the past, but which confronts anyone in any age who claims to follow Jesus of Nazareth.

Who do men say that I am?" asks Jesus, and receives various answers from his disciples. We too face different answers in our time. We live in a world where there are many responses to any question asked. Yet we often have to commit ourselves and make a decision. "But who do you say that I am?"

That is the question every Christian must come to terms with. To respond to it we cannot use merely intellectual assent. Jesus Christ is not an intellectual problem which we try to solve. Jesus Christ is a person, a relationship, to which we respond with commitment, or not. "The Son of man must suffer ... be rejected ... be killed ... and rise."

When we look at the sequence that way, we realise it forms a creed, a statement of belief about Our Lord. It reminds us that our relationship with him cannot be one of mere sentimental cosiness. His life teaches us certain grim but glorious truths about our own lives. No life is without its cross. No life is without rejection. No life is without the thousand daily deaths that come from the struggle.

Above all and this is the good news at the heart of the Gospel of Jesus Christ no life need be without its rising from these things with the help of his grace. "Get behind me, Satan." These truths are not easy to accept. It is a question we all in our own way will try to avoid. When Peter tries to move Jesus off this painful subject, he is acting from deepest instinct. Yet Jesus is extremely stern with Peter, and we can but presume that our unwillingness to face these realities earns the same sternness. Jesus utters three massive truths about life in the last verses of this reading.

First, we must "take up [our] cross." We must assume responsibility for our own lives. Second, if we try to hoard

or save life by focusing on ourselves, it will slip through our fingers. If we are ready to spend or lose life for others, we will mysteriously get it back. Third, total self interest can have a fearful if not fatal price. Such are the insights of Jesus. To acknowledge them is to transform our lives. Each one of us must choose how we respond to the question. For Jesus continually asks us "Who do you say that I am?"

News from St Saviour's

St Saviour's is gearing up for the Blessing of the Animals Service.

To celebrate the birthday of the patron saint of animals, St Francis of Assisi, a special Blessing of the Pets service will be held this Sunday 6 October at 9.30am at St Saviour's Church.

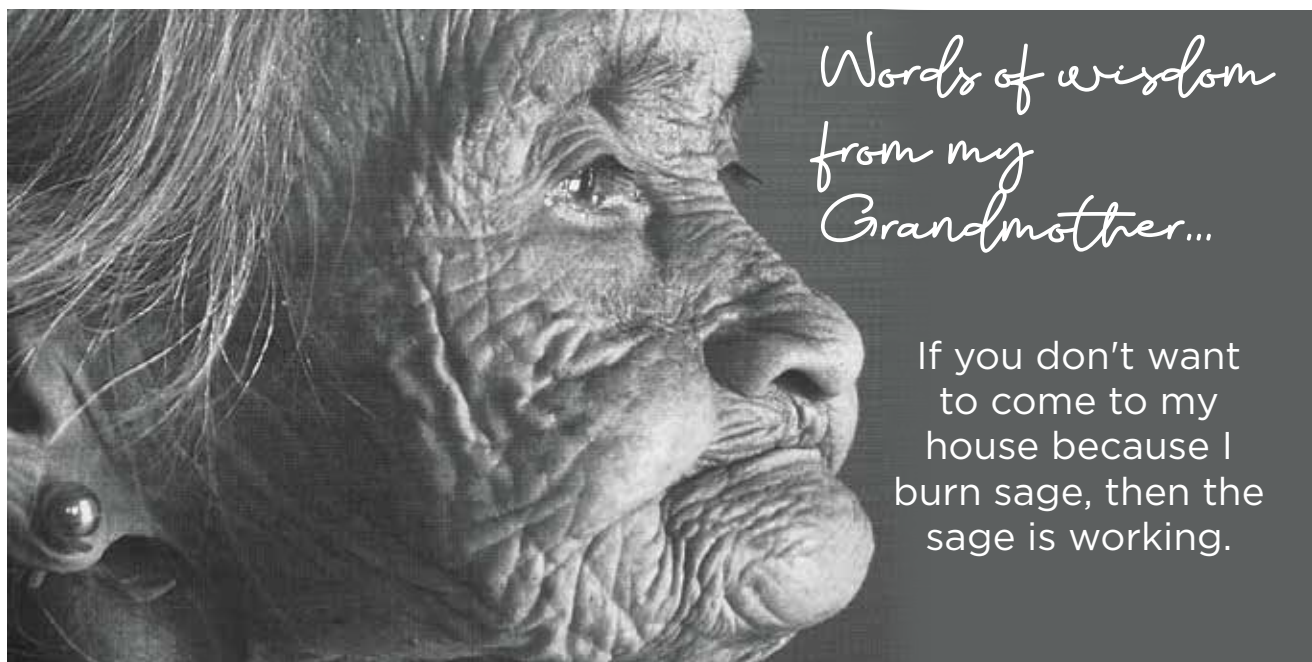
In the 1206 Francis, the wealthy son of a cloth merchant, decided to forsake all his worldly possessions and founded the order of Franciscan monks. He claimed he found his affinity with God through animals, and would often call birds, animals and even flowers his brothers and sisters.

Blessing of the Pets coordinator, Chris Wright, said people can bring pets of all shapes, sizes and species – as long as they are on a leash or in a box or cage.

"You don't have to belong to any church to come and join in the fun. Events like this connect people in the community who don't normally see each other or have things in common, and that's fantastic. The event gives the community an opportunity to meet together, share their common love of animals and make new friendships. It's really about shared humanity."

The Blessing of the Pets service starts at 9.30am in the area at the back of the Church.

St Saviour's is also gearing up for its Harvest Festival on Sunday 20 October with special services.



THOUGHT OF THE MONTH FROM THE BAHAI FAITH

"The utterance of God is a lamp, whose light is these words: Ye are the fruits of one tree, and the leaves of one branch. Deal ye one with another with the utmost love and harmony, with friendliness and fellowship. He Who is the Daystar of Truth beareth Me witness! So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth. The One true God, He Who knoweth all things, Himself testifieth to the truth of these words."

"This is the Day whereon the Ocean of God's mercy hath been manifested unto men, the Day in which the Day Star of His loving-kindness hath shed its radiance upon them, the Day in which the clouds of His bountiful favour have

overshadowed the whole of mankind. Now is the time to cheer and refresh the down-cast through the invigorating breeze of love and fellowship, and the living waters of friendliness and charity."

(Baha'i Scriptures)

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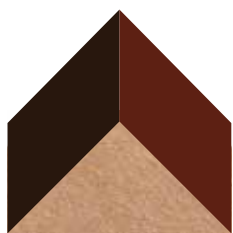


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Al-Anon Family Groups
Help and hope for families and friends of alcoholics

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 Kuranda, Smithfield and Cairns.
Contact **Kate 4093 9668** or **1300 ALANON**



Community Services

KURANDA LIBRARY and COUNCIL OFFICE

Monday to Friday: 10am–5pm

(No Council business after 4pm weekdays)

Kuranda Community Precinct
18-22 Arara Street, Kuranda
4093 9185

kurandal@msc.qld.gov.au
msc.qld.gov.au/libraries

SERVICES NOT OPEN PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

KURANDA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

Open 7 days from 10am

4093 9311

kurandavic@msc.qld.gov.au

KURANDA TRANSFER STATION

OPERATING HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday: 9am–4pm,

Saturday & Sunday: 9am–5pm

2186 Kennedy Highway, Koah
1300 308 461

msc.qld.gov.au/water-and-waste

65 Rankin Street, Mareeba
PO Box 154, Mareeba Qld 4880
1300 308 461

info@msc.qld.gov.au
msc.qld.gov.au

Emergency Contacts



Emergency – Police, Fire, Ambulance	000
Flood and Storm Emergency Assistance (SES)	132 500
Ergon Energy – Report Dangerous Electrical Emergencies	131 670
Mareeba Shire Council	1300 308 461
Poisons Information	131 126
13HEALTH – Health and Hospital Information	134 325

RURAL FIRE BRIGADE WARDENS



First Officer Kuranda	Baz Child 0437 746 601
First Officer Speewah	Mick Dub 0428 820 631
Warden Kuranda/Myola	Duncan Blakey 0408 151 199
Warden Speewah	Mick Dub 0428 820 631
Davies Creek	4093 3181
Koah	4093 7738
Speewah	0428 820 631

Permits required for fires larger than 2 metres in any direction

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DASHBOARD

Mareeba Shire Council's online Emergency Management Dashboard provides real time emergency information. The Dashboard provides live emergency news, information about road closures, power outages and river heights, weather warnings and fire feeds, emergency contact phone numbers and social media links. Notifications can also be viewed via an interactive map. Mareeba Shire residents can register for the Early Warning Network to receive email and SMS alerts for potential emergencies and severe natural disasters and weather events. Go to www.emergency.msc.qld.gov.au

Join your local SES

Kuranda SES Training
every second Tuesday 7pm
at Fallon Road.

Contact Caitlin **0476 772 500**



TRANSPORT & ALERTS

Kuranda Transfers 07 3132 3273

Rideshare 1300 743 374

Trans North 3036 2070



Local & Airport Transfers

Reliable, comfortable, and affordable rides for
the Kuranda community. Call or Book Online

Call: 07 3132 3273

kurandatransfers.com.au

Traffic Alerts Far North Region Roads

Sign up for SMS traffic alerts for the Kuranda Range, Gillies Range and Captain Cook Highway (Palm Cove to Craiglie). Go to Department of Main Roads website www.tmr.qld.gov.au and subscribe to your preferred SMS alert service. Or call **13 19 40** to subscribe or report an incident.

Live Kuranda Range Traffic Updates

Volunteer-run **Kuranda Range Updates** Facebook group is the fastest way to keep up to date in real time with road conditions from Smithfield to Mareeba.

Kuranda Scenic Railway (KSR) Updates for Kuranda Businesses

Subscribe to the Kuranda Scenic Railway for timely updates i.e. maintenance or closures. Email your business name and email address to ksrsales@qr.com.au

Queensland Justices of the Peace (JPs) volunteer to serve the public by signing documents that need a qualified witness.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Robin Anscomb – 0409 046 932
(Operates 24/7)



Trans North services are "Hail & Ride". **Please hail the driver** anywhere enroute where it is safe for the bus to pull over. For a small surcharge passengers travelling to Cairns may also be set down at:

Cairns Airport (\$5), Cairns Hospitals (\$3), Greyhound Terminal (\$3),

Please advise the driver of required destination when boarding the bus and also note that Trans North services do not pick up from any of the above.

****No services operate Good Friday, Anzac Day and Christmas Day****

Bus stops are located at:

Cairns – Platform 1, Cairns Central Railway Station, Cairns
Cairns T.A.F.E – Newton Street (7.15am & 3.00pm Services from and to Kuranda)
Smithfield – Bus shelter near the traffic lights on Kennedy Highway at bottom of the Kuranda Range
Kuranda – 15 Therwine Street – opposite Visitor Information Centre
Speewah – Speewah Road bus shelter in front of tavern
Mareeba – Arnold Park, 171-179 Walsh Street (next door to Police Station)
Atherton – 54 Main Street

Ticket Sales:

Purchase tickets from the driver as you board the bus or from Piagnos News at 142 Byrnes Street Mareeba. Phone 3036 2070 (office hours)
Email: atherton@transnorthbus.com.au www.transnorthbus.com.au

Atherton Tablelands to Cairns

Route 850	Monday to Friday			Saturday, Sunday and Pub Holidays	
Departs Atherton	6.00am	9.15am	1.00pm	8.00am	1.30pm
Departs Mareeba	6.30am	9.45am	1.30pm	8.30am	2.00pm
Departs Speewah	6.50am	10.05am	1.50pm	8.50am	2.20pm
Departs Kuranda	7.15am	10.25am	2.10pm	9.10am	2.40pm
Departs rainforest	-	10.30am	2.15pm	-	2.45pm
Arrives Cairns	8.50am	11.15am	3.00pm	10.00am	3.30pm

Cairns to Atherton Tablelands

Route 850	Monday to Friday			Saturday, Sunday and Pub Holidays	
Departs Cairns	7.00am	9.25am	3.30pm	10.30am	4.00pm
Departs Smithfield	7.20am	9.45am	3.50pm	10.50am	4.20pm
Departs Kuranda	7.40am	10.05am	4.10pm	11.10am	4.40pm
Departs Speewah	8.00am	10.25am	4.30pm	11.20am	5.00pm
Departs Mareeba	8.20am	10.45am	4.50pm	11.40am	5.20pm
Arrives Atherton	8.50am	11.15am	5.20pm	12.10am	5.50pm

Current as at 3 April 2024

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER?

11 October – SAHAJA MEDITATION – FREE 6–8pm

Join us for an evening of guided meditation where we teach the simple and proven technique of Sahaja Yoga Meditation. Our practice promotes inner peace and a balanced lifestyle through Kundalini awakening.

No equipment or experience needed.



12 October – MANIFESTING MAGIC CIRCLE 10am–2pm. \$40 for bookings contact 0459 362 863. Food offered.

18 October – PRIVATE EVENT

19 October – 8 BALL INTERCITY COMPETITION Bar open. 10am–4pm

25 October – SAHAJA MEDITATION FREE. 6–8pm (see info above 11 October)

26 October – WILD WOMAN FEST \$40. Register your interest 0459 362 863

CONTACT US

 Kuranda
Recreation Centre
 krc4881@gmail.com

**JUMRUM BAR OPEN
TUESDAY 6.30 PM**

WHAT'S ON

**Come join us in our
air conditioned classes!**

KURANDA 8 BALL –
Competitive Pool
Tuesday 6.30–10.30pm
Bar open, affordable prices

KURANDA RANGERS –
Training Thursday 4.30–5.30pm
Keira 0437 778 849

PILATES –
Monday 9.30am with Davini
Tuesday 5.45pm with Davini
Wednesday 9.30am with Davini
Thursday 9am with Davini
Saturday 8.15am with Jaide
Davini 0414 994 123 and Jaide 0488 229 700

TAI CHI – Monday 6pm
Les 4093 8276

Venue for Hire

Are you having a party or celebration?
The KRC has multiple areas available
for hire for functions, seminars and
activities. Email krc4881@gmail.com



What's On at Koah Hall

EVERY MONDAY

PILATES with Jaide or Davini 6–7pm
0488 229 700

EVERY WEDNESDAY

FELDENKRAIS WITH JUSTINE
9.30–10.30am.
Justine 0408 735 309

EVERY THURSDAY

TRI YOGA
5.30–6.45pm.
Sage 0457 069 457

THURSDAY 3, 17 & 31 OCTOBER

**MANKIND PROJECT MEN'S
GROUP**
7pm. Open to all men.
Simon 0459 755 553

EVERY SUNDAY

SHIBARI SANGHA –
Creating Shibari Community. 11am–1pm.
Contact Nikki 0433 779 796

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER

**COMPOSTING FOR THE
COMMUNITY!**
12–5pm. With Jaide. Contact Mareeba
Shire Council for details 1300 308 461

SAT & SUN 19 & 20 OCTOBER

**BEGINNERS HANDPAN
WORKSHOP**
2.15pm.
Contact Kym Stone 0409 963 638

HIRE FEES

- 1 hour \$10
- 24-hour only \$150 (community rates)
- \$200 refundable bond for one-off events (if space is left as you found it)

www.koahhall.com

 koah.hall@gmail.com

 Koah Hall

KOAH MONTHLY MARKET

STEAMPUNK PIRATE PARTY!

**Saturday 5 October
8am till Midday**

• Circus performances by
Dream BIG! Circus, free face
painter, fancy dress prizes, and
live music by Chris and Lawry !

• Community Market with all the
local goodness! Produce, honey,
plants, crafts, treats, treasures

• Fresh coffee and delish'
Koah Hall Fundraiser BBQ!

• Stallholders welcomed –
casual and/or permanent.

• SMS/Voicemail Nicky
0488 961 660 or direct message
via Koah Monthly Markets
Facebook page.

SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER

HALLOWEEN AT THE HALL
5pm until late. Games, live music, bar,
food, fire circle, performances and more.
See page 6 for more information.

DREAM BIG! CIRCUS CLASSES – Term Time

Bookings are essential. Please contact Sophie 0409 333 404.
More info at www.dreamstatecircus.com on the Dream BIG! Circus School page.

MONDAY – Circus 1– 4–5pm. Age 5–9.

TUESDAY – Circus 2 – 4–5pm, Age 10+ and **Show Class –** 5–6.30pm – Age 8+

WEDNESDAY – Aerial Silks, Trapeze, and Lyra Various classes 4–6.45pm



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Contributors please advise of any changes via email
mail@kurandapaper.com

**For events at the Kuranda Recreation Centre or the
Koah Hall please see details in their columns above.
See page 12 for CWA listings for this month.**

EVERY MONDAY

Al-Anon Family Groups 11am–12pm hall under
St Saviour's Church. Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON

Ashtanga Yoga 5.30am & 6pm. Biannka 0407 634 116

Kuranda Envirocare Nursery volunteering.
9am–12noon. 0474 560 700

EVERY SECOND MONDAY OF MONTH

Kuranda Writers Group 10am–12noon, Kuranda
Library.

EVERY TUESDAY

Taekwon-Do & Self Defence 6.30–8pm Kuranda QCWA
Hall. Jeff 0437 438 196

Mixed (male & female) Men's Shed Kuranda
12–3.30pm. mensshedkuranda@gmail.com

Kuranda Choir 6–7.30pm Kuranda Amphitheatre
Understage. Trish 0428 284 305

SECOND TUESDAY

Kuranda SES Training 7pm sharp at Fallon Road.
Paul 0448 008 087

She Shed Kuranda 1–5pm.
mensshedkuranda@gmail.com

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Ashtanga Yoga 5.30am. Biannka 0407 634 116

Social Tennis 5pm Wednesdays and Sundays at the
Kuranda Recreation Centre. Gidi 0448 480 200

Men's Shed Kuranda 8.30am–11.30am.
mensshedkuranda@gmail.com

Mah Jong 1–4pm Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Djabugay Language Classes 6–8pm Nyuwarri Estate
(old Ngoonbi farm), 1496 Kennedy Highway, Kuranda.
40938 116

EVERY THURSDAY

Kuranda Envirocare Nursery volunteering.
9am–12noon. 0474 560 700

Taekwon-Do & Self Defence 6.30–8pm Kuranda QCWA
Hall. Jeff 0437 438 196

Ashtanga Yoga 6pm. Biannka 0407 634 116

Domestic Violence Help Kuranda Neighbourhood
Centre by appointment 4093 8933

Kuranda Rangers soccer
Keira 0437 778 849 for any queries.

K.A.S.T. (Kuranda Amphitheatre Society Theatre)
6pm Kuranda Amphitheatre Understage.

EVERY FRIDAY

Ashtanga Yoga 6am. Biannka 0407 634 116

Kuranda Story Time 10am–12pm, Kuranda Library.
Every Friday, during school term.

She Shed Kuranda 8am–1pm.
mensshedkuranda@gmail.com

EVERY SATURDAY

Tree Planting Kuranda Envirocare. Contact 0474 560 700
or check Facebook or website www.envirocare.org.au

Men's Shed Kuranda 8.30am–11.30am.
mensshedkuranda@gmail.com

EVERY SUNDAY

Social Tennis 5pm Wednesdays and Sundays at the
Kuranda Recreation Centre. Gidi 0448 480 200

AA Group St Christopher's Catholic Church
9.30am 1300 222 222

EVERY SECOND SUNDAY

Kuranda Amphitheatre Working Bee
9am–1pm. Email volunteers@kurandaamphitheatre.org