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## Kuranda Tourism in a Bygone Era

During the first half of the twentieth century Kuranda was one of the premier tourist attractions of North Queensland. The Kuranda area is now readily accessible to the tourist by train, road vehicle or Sky-rail, but prior to the second World War a trip to Kuranda was much more complicated. Road access to Cairns was limited to gravel tracks north to Mossman and south to Innisfail, with a single lane, one-way "road" up the Gillies range to the Atherton Tableland. It was possible to reach Kuranda by road only by travelling up the Gillies Range then back to Kuranda through Mareeba. The road was very basic and only the brave or foolish attempted this trip.

Before the completion of the coastal railway line in the early 1930s most tourists arrived in Cairns by ship. Those wishing to visit the Atherton Tablelands or Kuranda took the train up the Kuranda Range. The Railway Department was an avid promoter of North Queensland tourism and frequently provided trains at the ship's side at the wharves to take passengers straight to their destination.

In 1914 Margaret Clow wrote a small book about her experiences while visiting Kuranda. This account gives us an insight into how the tourist experience has changed, and sometimes not for the better. The average tourist now spends about five hours in Kuranda, which contrasts greatly with the extended visits of previous years. Like many visitors of that time Margaret Clow and her friends spent two leisurely weeks in Kuranda. During this time they visited more natural attractions than are visited by the modern tourist – or even the present locals. Very few people now would know some of the places they visited.

The ship's purser arranged to have a train waiting at the Cairns wharf to take the group to Kuranda. The visitors were so impressed with the trip up the range from Redlynch that she describes it as "a panorama which for sheer beauty is unsurpassed in Australasia, if not the world".

The group stayed at Hunter's Barron Falls Hotel, and the hotel proprietor, Mr. Hunter, organised tours for them. In the absence of viable roads, all tours were by walking or boat. The first trip they undertook was to Rocky Hill View, which entailed a half-mile walk along the railway line and a climb up a low grassy hill. The views over Cairns, the Barron Range and the sea are described as "exquisite". After the climb the tourists were treated to a "billy" and a feed. After this "Mr. Hunter, who is thoughtfulness personified, has brought out a small flask, containing an amber coloured liquid. 'Snake-bite cure' says he, with a twinkle in his eye. The gentlemen all claim to have been bitten by the deadly reptile, and are accordingly cured".

Another attraction was F.P. Dodd's insect collection. Dodd's collection was one of the best examples of butterflies and insects in existence. In addition to the collection Dodd exported thousands of insects and butterflies to all parts of the world. Kuranda has lost the Dodd collection, but part of it is now on show at the Queensland Museum.

One of the highlights of the trip was a visit to Fairyland Tea Gardens. Fairyland was situated on the

Barron River on the opposite side to Kuranda. In 1914 Fairyland was owned and operated by the Dick family. The trip to the gardens began with a walk along the railway line for a mile and a-half to a place opposite Fairyland. The visitors saw nothing but rainforest, but a loud coo-ee brought the inhabitants of a small cottage to the opposite bank. Miss Lorna Dick rowed a boat across the river and transported the visitors to the opposite side. The first impressions of the visitors was of awe: "Landing, we are led up a low bank, and lo! We are in Fairyland. Through a maze of leafy trees, palms, ferns, and luxuriant grasses, we follow our guide along a narrow, winding pathway, where the trees tower high above our heads. Presently we come to a gigantic Kauri pine, with a girth of 21 feet! We are told that the first limb is 80 feet from the ground! This tree is under the protection of the Government, and is one of the many sights of Kuranda".

After experiencing the variety of rainforest vegetation the group wandered through a grove of fruit trees, including paw-paws and bananas. Then they were taken to a place described as: "Fairies' Bower, where the little people have magnanimously provided rustic seats and a rustic table for those human beings who invaded their dainty arbour. The tea is delicious, and the cake and bread quickly disappear beneath the inroads made upon it by the hungry people. Bananas from the plantation are set before us, and never before have I tasted any with such delicious flavour as these".

One of the most unusual attractions visited by the group was King O'Malley's Chair. After travelling by train to Barron Falls Station the group walked to the steps leading to the natural platform of rock where King O'Malley's Chair is found. The so-called chair is a smooth ledge of rock with a high back-rest. It is named after King O'Malley, a Minister in the Federal Government. O'Malley originally came from the United States.



### Lady Robinson's lookout

The party then went on to cross Mervyn Creek before climbing some steep steps to Lady Robinson's look-out. This spot was named after the wife of Queensland's Agent General, Lady Robinson, who visited the area. From here they had a fine view of Robb's Monument.

Another area visited was Milne Dell, a short distance from town. After travelling through an area known as "Lovers Walk" they went down the edge of an "Arcadian stream" which was "rippling over a gravel-strewn bottom between lily-lined banks, babbling over stones and pebbles, with giant tree ferns adorning either bank, or flowing silently, dark and calm, between overhanging trees thickly massed, this most wonderful of wonderful of streams, winds a circuitous course for three miles, from its source in the green hills, before joining the Barron, just below Kuranda Station". This effusive description can only refer to Jum Rum Creek. After crossing the creek near its mouth they climbed a hill before entering Milne Dell. Margaret Clow describes the Dell as "the most wonderful I have ever seen", with all the thousand and one scrub trees and vines.

It is clear that the experiences of the tourists of the past were greatly different from those of the present visitor. However, it is a testament to the special attractions Kuranda has to offer that people from all corners of the earth still find the area worth visiting.

## COMMUNITY LETTERS

PO BOX 66 KURANDA 4881

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**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

I take this opportunity to respond to the Kuranda Has Gone to the Dogs & Cats letter published in 30 May 2008 edition of the Kuranda Paper.

In September 2007, an application was made to Council for approval to expand the capacity of the kennels from 40 dogs to 80 dogs and 20 cats to 50 cats. Council at its General Meeting held on 4 March 2008 resolved to defer, not reject, the application pending further independent expert advice. The application together with further expert acoustic advice was resubmitted to the Ordinary Meeting of 23 April 2008 where it was approved subject to conditions, including all conditions suggested by the acoustic expert. The conditions include a requirement for additional screening between the kennel enclosures and exercise areas.

The approved increase in capacity cannot commence until all appeal rights have been exhausted and then must comply with all conditions of approval. Submitters will have twenty (20) business days to lodge an appeal to the Planning and Environment Court against Council's approval.

At present the kennel is still operating under the original planning approval which limits the capacity to 40 dogs and 20 cats. In October 2006, sound monitoring of the kennels was undertaken by the Environmental Protection Agency. This monitoring determined that the 40 dog capacity kennels were in compliance with the conditions of approval.

Yours faithfully,

**Tom Gilmore MAYOR**

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

In response to KURANDA HAS GONE TO THE DOGS AND CATS!

Can Tracey not see that Kuranda Pet Resort is a successful business which offers peace of mind to pet owners when they board their animals? Over 100 Kuranda locals and many more pet owners are assured that their animals are receiving quality care whilst boarding at KPR.

I know that the owners and staff at KPR work really hard to keep the noise to an absolute minimum (quieter than any kennel we have known, and we have worked at many). I notice Tracey has presented no noise measurements to support her wild claims of too much noise from the kennels.

Correct me if I am wrong, but is this the same Tracey from Boyles Rd who holds very loud Rave Parties that have lasted all weekend?!!

The thing that really astounds me about Tracey's attack is that this is a business that employs members of our community, one of whom is

my husband. He supports myself and our young family.

The expansion of KPR is going to offer security and more job opportunities in the future! HOW IS THIS NOT A BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY!!

Seriously are you really so worried about the noise that 50 cats would make? REALLY!!

How noisy can 50 cats be?????

**Jackie, Kuranda**

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

It was refreshing to see so many replies to my letter in a previous edition of the paper. However the missives do not detract from factual evidence.

I refer to the accusation that the 'palm' in question was somehow poisoned. Do the writers have proof that this is in fact correct or is it just an unfounded rumour?

Might I remind them that the poison mentioned is not residual in the soil or did they have a toxicology test done on the poor plant?

To the lady who stated that the palms removed by the Ergon contractors were Alexander and Golden Cane, I ask the question - have you taken notice of the height of some of the palms throughout our region? Some of them grow quite high even Golden Canes. They obviously would have become a problem in the future thus the need for removal.

In addition might I state categorically - I'm not a member of Rotary thus it wasn't 'my' sign.

Over to you folks.

**Ross Breadsell, Kuranda.**

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

In answer to Sandy Kelly (Issue 189) re "Aged Care Retirement Village". Hopefully you attended the Public Meeting held on 25 June 2008 at the Q.C.W.A. Hall.

FIRST THE GOOD NEWS. Following the feasibility study, 33.3 ha of land was purchased and progressed to Architect, Surveyors, Town Planners, and Consultant Engineers. More recently the project moved forward considerably when a Consultant was engaged to prepare a Business Plan to advance the project to the Local Government Approval Stage.

During the whole process (to date) numerous meetings have been held with former Mareeba Shire Council and recently with the Tablelands Regional Council. The Anglican Church, at the behest of the Kuranda community has already spent over \$800,000 (eight hundred thousand dollars) on the project - much of which has been raised by the Kuranda community.

NOW THE BAD NEWS. The State Government has a Draft FNQ2025 Plan that proposes to FREEZE ALL development in the Myola area.

What does OUR FUTURE hold when you consider (at this very time) there is a 250 bed shortage in the area for Aged Care,

**Lorraine Gould, Friends of Welcome Pocket.**

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

Good planning and meaningful public consultation can help avoid bitter disputes such as the furore over the Kuranda Pet Resort on Boyles Road.

The new Tablelands Regional Council had a chance to do things right when it re-visited this issue in one of its initial meetings. Unfortunately, it botched this early test of involving the community in decision-making. None of the previous objectors were even notified that Council was about to reconsider the matter. Dissenting locals found out only AFTER Council had approved further expansion of the controversial Pet Resort.

Councillors should deal with community concerns head-on, however tiresome this may seem. Most of the time, they receive little feedback from their constituency. When strong opposition to new projects is expressed, it's probably a sign that something is amiss. At minimum, objectors should be given a fair opportunity to present and argue their case.

The State Government showed the same tendency to brush aside public dissent when it wasted millions of dollars of tax-payers money on consultancies and reports advocating a grandiose Highway-building scheme for the Kuranda Range.

Objectors noted at the outset that the proposal was a non-starter from the twin-perspectives of climate change and Peak Oil. The Beattie Government responded by ignoring our objections and refusing to provide any serious intellectual response.

Fortunately, under Anna Bligh's leadership, the Queensland Government now seems to be taking a more rational and approach to planning policy in FNQ. Our new Council would be well-advised to do the same.

**Syd Walker Kuranda**

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Friday August 15<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm - Kuranda Amphitheatre  
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**Family Support Program:** KNC extends a very warm welcome to Ceri Hughes who has just started in the Family Support Worker position (16.6.08) on a permanent, full-time basis. Ceri is a Kuranda local and has worked recently at the Kuranda District State College and for the HACC service delivered by Ngoonbi. Please drop by and introduce yourself to her or catch up with her when she is out and about. We also have Auntie Rae Kelly doing a block of consultancy family support work for us over the next few months. Rae has a wealth of background experience, training and study and will assist us in program development and provide specific training and information sessions.

**No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) Program:** KNC has received approval for funds through the NILS program and NAB. We are looking for a Volunteer Coordinator to assist set up this program and to deliver it one day per week. The NILS program provides an opportunity for eligible participants on Centrelink Payments to purchase essential household items with a supported, affordable repayment process. Please contact the Centre if you are interested in this position.

**Administration Officer Position:** KNC is currently advertising for an Admin position at the Centre.

The position is a minimum of 15 hours per week paid under the SACS Award. The successful applicant will be required to do bookkeeping, use accountancy program software such as QuickBooks and MYOB and do general administration duties. Please contact the Centre for a position description

**Rummage Boutique:** Our Boutique has now closed. KNC wishes to thank all those community members who gave generous donations over the last few years.

**Book Exchange:** Please continue to give donations of books as we are extending our Book Shop/Exchange. Don't forget we have cheap photocopying, laminating, fax and some phone services. Internet is \$2 flat rate (book if you want more than 1 hour). We have office space and conference room with all facilities available for hire.

**Kuranda Interagency Network:** If you would like to attend we meet monthly at 2pm the first Wednesday in the month. The next meeting will be 2<sup>nd</sup> July. If you would like to receive minutes, reminders and opportunity to put items on the agenda, please contact me. The purpose of this network is to link with other services, share information, work on collaborative projects and have a voice on community service matters.

**Marg Yandell KNC Coordinator**

## Controlled Burn-off on June 26th

Cairns and District Hillslopes Committee plan to carry out a test of emergency services response times on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of June. They will be lighting two controlled fires: the first on Friday at Clifton Spur along the ridge to Buchan's Beach and the second on Saturday in the Mona Mona area at Pineapple hill. Controlled fires are used in National Parks as a means of reducing the risk of wildfires.

This procedure is carried out each year, with the district varied; last year it was done in the Gordonvale area.

Residents should not be alarmed by seeing smoke, but if they are concerned, should ring Queensland Fire and Rescue. The exercise will be cancelled if the weather is not suitable and will be re-scheduled at a later time.

Members of the Committee include: Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Cairns Regional Council, Queensland Fire and Rescue (Urban and Rural), Department of Natural Resources and Water and a representative of the Mona Mona community

## Queensland Government Introduces the Great Solar PV Swindle

A much heralded promise to introduce real incentives for domestic solar power in Queensland was confirmed as greenwash in the Queensland Parliament recently according to Queensland Conservation (QCC).

'The introduction of a net feed-in tariff for domestic solar PV systems in the Clean Energy Bill is nothing but greenwash and a swindle' said Toby Hutcheon, Executive Director of Queensland Conservation. The Bligh Government has effectively blocked suburban solar energy systems from receiving a fair price for the clean energy they produce,' he continued. 'It seems that the government is more interested in looking good rather than actually providing an incentive to install solar energy.'

'The Opposition parties clearly recognised the flaws in the Solar Bonus Scheme,' said Hutcheon. Queensland Conservation applauds their efforts in Parliament to amend the Clean Energy Bill to provide a gross feed-in tariff. Had the amendment they proposed received

government support, it would have given real incentives for householders to produce clean, renewable energy at home.'

Figures presented by the government on the scheme have been publicly challenged by Queensland Conservation. Our challenge showed that anyone using a 1 kW PV system would never generate more energy than they consume, and never qualify for the tariff.

The Department of Mines and Energy has refused to discuss its figures despite broad concerns on their accuracy.

'Properly constructed the Solar Bonus Scheme would have been a world best practice initiative on solar PV systems. It would have established the government's renewable energy credentials and given a real incentive for Queensland's householders, businesses, community and sporting organisations to install solar systems. As it stands it is an opportunity lost,' concluded Hutcheon.

For More Information Toby Hutcheon 0419 664 503  
<http://www.qccqld.org.au/The-Great-Solar-PV-Swindle.html>

## Words of Wisdom from my Grandmother:

The absence of war is not peace.  
 If triangles had a God - He would have 3 sides.  
 A bad cause requires many words.  
 Act in the valley so that you need not fear those who stand on the hill.  
 Nothing worth knowing can be understood with the mind.  
 I would rather be a coward than brave, because people hurt you when you are brave.

Fortune is a woman: if you neglect her today do not expect to regain her tomorrow.  
 To cultivate trees you need 10 years: to cultivate people you need 100 years.  
 Every ordinary person is responsible for the rise and fall of his country.  
 It's good to be on the right track, but you'll get run over if you just sit there.



## Fossil Forum

Overseas and interstate visitors at the Information Centre often remark on how friendly locals are and how they are made to feel welcome as they progress through the town. Word of mouth works well as advertising for the Village and its surrounds. From shopkeeper, stall holder to the resident - all play their part in making visitors feel wanted. With cuts in flights into Cairns, the rising dollar and fuel costs, nobody can afford to have visitors taking away poor memories of their time in Kuranda. Remember RAOK! - no it's not a frog call but stands for Random Acts of Kindness - they go a long way in making somebody's day especially a visitor's day, with us.

Volunteers at the Information Centre, like so many other volunteers supporting the richness and diversity of the area's organizations, give much time and effort to keeping things afloat. Volunteers are the unsung heroes of the town - without their goodwill and



contributions of time and effort, so many activities taken for granted would fall apart and so many things would be left undone.

Maybe some schooling needed here - shame if the

Village has lost an extremely forward-thinking Principal under the weight of sideline wisdoms and interferences. Sometimes only one Chief and others willing and able to play at Indians makes for a better, more enjoyable and successful game.

To the lady who walks the Fox Terrier along Barron Falls Road. You pick up the rubbish that careless walkers and drivers discard along the verge - A blessing on your house!

Brickbats however to the graffiti arses who left their tags on public signage and took to the Information board at the top entrance to Jumrum Creek Walk - may a very angry cassowary cross your path and make your day!

Just as everyone makes a contribution in ensuring Kuranda continues to be a top tourist destination, senseless acts of vandalism, like at the old Primary School site with repair estimates upwards of \$50,000, cost each of us monies as well as blighting the Village presentation.

# GARDEN JOTTINGS

BY ALECTURA



uly and the recent rain has been a boon. However, the rain has also brought on the weeds. The diligent gardener will remove these before seeding and compost. Presently in flower are many of the Callistomon and Grevilleas so beloved of various honeyeaters. These natives, available from prostrate to tall, are very rewarding, responding well to pruning and only require an open position with maximum sunlight and good drainage.

Generally in the garden, July is a time for cleaning up plantings and preparing beds for the return of warmer weather. Take inventory of your garden tools and the time to sharpen blades of secateurs and other cutters, oiling wooden handles and putting an edge on spades. A "lady's" digging fork with its narrower profile and lighter weight is a good investment and invaluable for dividing clumps and planting to established beds. When buying tools go for the best rather than be 'penny wise and pound foolish'.

**Plant of the Month:** Alocasia "Elephant Ear or Taro" (*Araceae*) is a genus of broad-leaved rhizomatous or bulbous perennials with over



70 species occurring throughout Asia, Oceania and South America. Grown mainly for the beauty of their leaves, these plants, particularly the larger (and I do mean LARGE) can bring a definite "wow" factor to any planting. With their close relatives Colacacias and Xanthosomas, the gardener is spoiled for choice in the amazing range of leaf shape and colourful foliage. Mostly requiring dappled light and well watered positions, they are of the easiest cultivation but some fencing may be required as the rhizomes are eagerly sought by forest munchers. To obtain best results, regular feeding and mulching should be given.

Eventually forming large trunks and when established with leaves over a metre long, and plants to 3 m, some giants of the family are: *A. portii* with its deeply incised leaves and *A. "Sumatra Giant"* with entire leaf. Definitely not for the faint hearted.

More refined, colourful and lower growing plants for the garden and which quickly make stunning potted plants are *A. amazonica*, *A. cuprea* (once readily available in FNQ but now more difficult to obtain and a little expensive) with its emerging leaf the colour of newly beaten copper, *A. "Hilo Beauty"* with its clown dapples and blotchings of cream and grey greens, *A. lowii* with its arrow shaped leaf a metallic blue green and silver mid-vein, *A. sanderiana* and not least *A. watsoniana*, said by some to be the most beautiful leaf in the world.

Extensive crossings, much work by hybridizers and with tissue culturing, there is a stunning choice for the average to zealot gardener. A variety of Alocasias is often available

at local markets for a nominal sum. Keep your eyes peeled for a recent introduction *A. "Bebe"*, miniature and quickly clumping - definitely one for the houseplant enthusiast.

A word of warning, while some Alocasias are used as a food source, with stems edible, all contain raphid crystals of oxalic acid that can numb and swell the tongue and pharynx. Edible corms require prolonged boiling before serving or processing as a food.

To whet your appetite for these tropical lovelies without too much boiling, the following site gives pictures of various Alocasias:

[http://www.agristarts.com/alocasia\\_main.htm](http://www.agristarts.com/alocasia_main.htm)

#### Q. & A:

**Dear Jo,** Sorry I could not help source seed/plant of the "Okinawa Spinach" (*Gynura crepidoides*). Your idea of an ornamental vegetable ground cover deserves top marks. A succulent vine with dark green leaves with purplish undersides and a full green form are cultivated. With its litany of common names Handama, Dawn Dewa, Leaves of the Gods, Googoolipid, Mollucan spinach, Cholesterol Spinach, it would appear appreciated in many places. Any reader able to help in tracking down please contact Alectura.

**Dear Eloise,** You can certainly import seed and plants but stringent conditions apply. Best start your quest with reference to the AQIS site that sets out terms and conditions of import. [http://www.aqis.gov.au/icon32/asp/ex\\_querycontent.asp](http://www.aqis.gov.au/icon32/asp/ex_querycontent.asp)

Type in your seed/plant name and see whether it is allowed. All seed must be clean and free of any foreign matter so packing in any plant material such as peat or sphagnum means seizure. Seeds must be scientifically and clearly labelled with seed mixes not allowed. While most O/S reputable seed companies are aware of conditions for import to Australia, if purchasing on Ebay you may need to advise vendor of conditions.

The importation of plant material is another matter, full of constraints, concerns and costs with frequent losses arising from gassing and during quarantine. I would highly recommend you discussing your needs with David Liddle, world-renowned Hoya expert who has licensed quarantine facilities just this side of Mareeba. If anyone can do the best by your investment in importing plant material, David can. The following site gives contact as well listing his extensive Hoya collection.

[http://www.bigislandgrowers.com/ghp/AH/Liddle\\_Catalog.htm](http://www.bigislandgrowers.com/ghp/AH/Liddle_Catalog.htm)

Despite recent bad press, from my own experience, I have generally found AQIS staff most helpful in dealing with the bureaucratic details. Given the high risks to our flora and fauna, no attempt should be made to "smuggle" in any plant or seed materials.

**Dear Jill,** The "Sweet Pandanus" used in many Asian dishes especially sweets is *P. amaryllifolius*, today distributed over Southern India, South East Asia, Indonesia and Western New Guinea with a long tradition of cultivation. Of uncertain origin as it only has one known instance of flowering, this is a low growing suckering form with no or little leaf serration. A recent guest from Malayasia with great delight took several leaves and used them in cooking rice to impart a subtle delicate flavour so what was just an ornamental is now another spice plant.

**For plant identification/sourcing, general questions contact Alectura or email [wortwoad@optusnet.com.au](mailto:wortwoad@optusnet.com.au) Keep those questions coming in!**



Sweet Pandanus



Enjoy a stroll around 3 very different gardens with

## KURANDA and DISTRICT GARDEN GROUP

Heather Price's  
Marjorie Spear's

Starting at

Denise Donald's  
6 Spear Road, Kuranda

2 pm Saturday 12th July

Please bring a plant or cuttings to swap, and a plate to share for afternoon tea.

Phone Denise 4093 9728

### RAINFALL

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# KIS

**Kuranda Film Society at the Sports & Social Club Sunday July 6 at 4 pm at the Sports & Social club Fallon Rd.**

Bring a plate to share at "interval".

Subscriptions for 2008 are: \$10 per year, or \$5 for a 1-day membership.

For more information ring Hans at 40938393

#### Johnny Guitar

A reformed gunfighter returns to a woman he had abandoned years earlier. She is now the proprietor of a gambling saloon opened in anticipation of the arrival of the railroad and in the face of hostile opposition from the local townspeople. The film's bizarre, even baroque, intensity derives in part from the central antagonism

between two women (virtually unique in the western) and in Yordan and Ray's expressed intention of making an anti-McCarthy parable.

#### Water

A Widow should be long suffering until death, self-restrained and chaste. A virtuous wife who remains chaste when her husband has died goes to heaven. A woman who is unfaithful to her husband is reborn in the womb of a jackal. -The Laws of Manu (sacred Hindu texts). Set in 1938 Colonial India, against Mahatma Gandhi's rise to power, the story begins when eight-year-old Chuyia is widowed and sent to a home where Hindu widows must live in penitence. Chuyia's feisty presence affects the lives of the other residents, including a young widow, who falls for a Ghandian idealist.

# the Arts page

## Picasso ~MORE THAN CUBISM~

The mere mention of Pablo Picasso draws pictures in our minds of twisted figures and faces in a cavalcade of colour. However, there is much more to Pablo than Cubism, and among the sea of literature praising and criticising the hero of modernism is a two volume set edited



by Ingo. F. Walther. Ingo mentions a private collector's library with fifty metres of books written about the 'Bull' of Cubism. He goes on to say that not one of the volumes was able to do justice to the creative genius of Picasso which ranged through a wide panorama of art disciplines including: draughtsman and painter, etcher and lithographer, sculptor and potter.

Estimates of the scope of Pablo Picasso's prolific production reach thirty thousand art works and maybe more, yet thirty five years after his death it is hard to find anyone that can name more than a half dozen of the works that changed the world's perception of art.

Pablo's approach to art was close to scientific. In his youth he attained a high standard of classic draughtsmanship and used those basic underlying principles to drive his quest for an ever-new creativity. Think of the path of modern performers like Dylan, Bowie and Madonna, there is a style



apparent in their work that begs for constant renewal, constant innovation. It was the same need to constantly innovate and re-birth himself that gave Pablo his prodigious drive and creativity. It is the same urge that produces the never-ending flow of new gadgets and the non-stoppable flood of new applications in the IT industry.

Since Picasso (and Duchamp and Warhol et al.) we are all artists if we can but see it. Pablo knew that what he was draughting was not the image that he was seeing with his eyes, but a 'representation' of the image or a mimetic representation, a 'mime' of the object. Since a mime only indicates the image it carries with it both a representation as well as an abstraction of the original article. By assessing both qualities he was able to create a 'hybrid' that is pleasing in its representation and enjoyable in the craft of its abstraction.

The current Picasso 'blockbuster' exhibition touring Australia may create a wave of appreciation for the type of artist, who, finds a way through the labyrinth of the acceptable drudgery of the everyday 'supermarket' style of art and produces a unique style that can draw us away from mass produced monotony into an appreciation of a more human quality, one not based on symmetry alone.

Thanks to Pablo, the task is no longer one of breaking away from traditional values, it has become more a quest for the edge or the horizon of what is possible.

So when you think of Pablo from now on, picture in your mind a range of creativity right across the vast game-board of art. Picasso; more than just cubism.



**Warning!! All of you who've been feeling slightly less than productive this last month... Look away now!!! Stop reading! I'm serious!!**

Those selfless, community-minded types amongst us have really excelled themselves this past month, with not one but TWO Working Bees, both very well attended. Such generous deeds, performed for the greater good of Humankind do tend to make Under-Achievers such as myself squirm deeper into the couch, and reach for more Turkish delight with a heightened sense of shame, but, alas, it is my duty to report these happenings, and report them I must..



The grounds are looking fantastic, everything that needed painting is now gleaming with fresh pigment, and Carl Neal's Erektion is now erect, and ready for action!!

That action will kick off with the Second Annual Kuranda Roots Festival on Saturday 8th. June from 12 midday, a day not to be missed, with something for everyone absolutely guaranteed. Be there, or be a social Pariah!!

The 18th. and 19th. July will bring us "After Passion", an original drama of the "Romantic Comedy" persuasion: Written by local theatre Maestro Diana Monaghan, all the usual theatre veterans will be performing, along with fresh blood such as Daniel Davages, Vanessa Van Der Made, Kara Ross, Damian Mooney and Alexis Herbohn. Lorna Hall will be making sure that the costumes will be of the same impeccable standard as the acting.

In keeping with the larger scope

of the production, it will be performed on the Mainstage, with a Bar, Snack Food and Coffee available.

Saturday 26th July we'll be having another Members' Night (does the fun ever stop?) Performing will be "Jerome" and if you haven't had the pleasure of seeing him before, come along, you won't be disappointed! An established crowd-pleaser, he'll be playing all your favourites, and he's sure to get even the most arthritic booties shakin'!

Looking ahead into August, Friday the 15th will see Dean Vegas bringing his "Elvis Extravaganza" to the Amphitheatre! This world-renowned Elvis tribute artist looks and

## Kuranda Photography Group

Butterflies? We went to the Butterfly House last month. Come to our next meeting, Saturday, 5th. July, at 3:30 pm.

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sounds more like "The King" than the king ever did!! His shows have a history of selling out, so get in early!

This show is being brought to us by Dave Coupe, of Kuranda Veranda/Kulture Vulture/Opera under the Stars fame, so we can all look forward to a professionally-run, slick, seamless and classy event. See the posters around town for more details!

As ever, check in on our website, [www.kurandaamphitheatre.org](http://www.kurandaamphitheatre.org), or [www.myspace.com/kurandaamphitheatre](http://www.myspace.com/kurandaamphitheatre) for photos, news, and updates on Kuranda's most special venue.

...Cat Lena

# the Arts page

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## KURANDA ARTS CO-OPERATIVE

### The Arts Co-op role in the community

There seems to be a misconception with some in the community about the role of the Kuranda Arts Co-op. We are not 'just like any other gallery' in Kuranda.

The Arts Co-op has operated as a not-for-profit organisation in Kuranda for over ten years. The community involvement has also contributed to its longevity. With the exception of a couple of small project grants, it has been self funded and self sustained for all that time. The gallery is open 7 days per week from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm and is fully operated by volunteers. It has an active membership of approximately 30 local professional artists.

The gallery in Rob Veivers Drive is the main activity of the Arts Co-op. It is the only gallery in Kuranda that displays solely the work of local artists. The gallery acts as a showcase where visitors can gain insight into an important aspect of Kuranda's cultural life.

The Arts Co-op plays a pivotal role advocating for the visual arts in the community and contributes to the economic sustainability of many local professional artists. All work is juried on a selection criteria to ensure only quality art and craft is displayed. This high standard has been recognised in 'Lonely Planet' and 'Fromers Guide' publications.

The Arts Co-op is a financial member of the Kuranda Chamber of Commerce and Tourism and during the past two years has hosted two Chamber social meetings at the gallery, along with members of the then Mareeba Shire Council. The Co-op artists donate artworks to many community organisations for fundraising raffles and Christmas gifts.

The Arts Co-op is currently financially 'extremely hard pressed'. We believe our situation has been contributed to by two main factors; the recognised decreased tourist numbers and our location - we are not in the main street. We

have undertaken measures to alleviate these adverse effects by increasing our advertising; KVPP publications, Kuranda map, Kuranda.org website and a regular monthly informative arts column in the Kuranda paper, brochures and new signage. These necessary recent additional expenditures have also added to our financial woes. A robbery of money and artworks from our gallery in 2005 set us back considerably for a couple of years while we endeavoured to compensate our artists for their losses. Although it has been raised with Chamber and the then Mareeba Shire Council regularly since 2005, there is still no street lighting in Rob Veivers Drive.

The Arts Co-op works closely with Cairns based Arts Nexus, a regional arts and cultural development organisation. Under the banner of 'Craft Connect' the Arts Co-op assisted over two years a number of local artists at Reeds Trade Fair at the Sydney Convention Centre, and also with an exhibition and sales in Singapore. These opportunities would be totally prohibitive to artists individually.

*"The Arts Co-op gives us a forum; it gives us an opportunity to do, as a group, what we have been unable to do as individuals."*

Our artists' involvement distinguishes the 'store' from other galleries. Challenged and rewarded by the original co-operative concept, individual local artists bring their diverse talents and business skills to the organisation, and democratically oversee policies and the operation of the Co-op's gallery.

The Arts Co-op gallery is dedicated to presenting new artwork to the community. The gallery is a place where the process of creating art is valued and where artists test new ideas and develop new skills. By encouraging the investigation of art-making and by supporting emerging artists, the Arts Co-op is committed to challenging and inspiring artistic growth among its members, and to building and sustaining audiences for contemporary art. We keeps a balance

of 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional artists who work in a variety of mediums. Most are 'seasoned' artists with impressive resumes, some are new talents with very bright futures.

The Co-op assists with the improvement of the business skills of artists, the encouragement and facilitation of more innovative work, market development and overall increased self reliance of the local arts community. The Arts Co-op contributes to the development and maintenance of a self reliant and thriving arts sector in Kuranda. Many talented artists and successful arts students are without the basic business knowledge to conduct an arts practice.

Many members are emerging artists and thus find it hard to gain exposure in commercial galleries. Often their first main public exposure of their work is through an artist-run studio or gallery. The Co-op offers advice and supports member artists when applying for individual project funding and completing funding proposals.

"KAC allows a close relationship to develop between the artist and the public. It is in this situation the work becomes less elitist and more accessible."

The direct link between the artist and the audience also helps to reduce the commodity nature of the art, thus allowing space for the art to be viewed for its intrinsic worth rather than in investment terms only.

In July 2005 artist members presented their "Growth" exhibition at the Cairns Regional Gallery under the Community Exhibition Program.

"Collaborative work is very different from individual work which involves personal reflection. But the type of collaborative reflection feeds back into your individual work - so your personal work benefits greatly."

Our current financial predicament highlights to us the valiant nature of our organisation - trying to carve out a place in a very rigid art world - and all on a very tiny budget. While most

people are aware of the larger arts organisations and commercial galleries in the region, very few are aware of the artist-run organisations operating in the shadow of the others. This is a shame, as in the case of the Kuranda Arts Co-operative it is where the real pulse of the visual arts beats.

The Kuranda Arts Co-operative should be recognised and appreciated for its contribution, as its disappearance would cause a serious deficiency in the resources and exhibition space currently available to developing artists, and the local arts community in the region. The Arts Co-op is one of the last links to Kuranda's origins - the birth of Kuranda with its artists and craft people - the 'Kuranda' that is still currently perceived and expected by its visitors but unfortunately is sadly lacking in reality.

### Congratulations Judith Corrighan

Judith entered a woodcut print, "Two Drongos" in the printmaking section of the recent Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas Art Show. Although not a winner in that section, the judges were charmed by "Two Drongos" and awarded Judith the Peter and Caroline Hinchcliff Encouragement Award. The work did not sell at the art show, in fact sales were disappointing; a sign perhaps of the generally shaky financial scene? However, the prize money awarded to Judith was both satisfying and welcome. Our heartiest congratulations go to Judith.

A collection of Judith Corrighan's fine prints are displayed in the Co-op's gallery. Come in on a Monday and talk to Judith about her woodcut print process.

### Mid-year Artists' Sale

Our mid-year artists' sale will be held on the verandah on Saturday, 5th. July from 10am - 4pm. This is a once a year opportunity to purchase special artworks from individual artists at sale prices. We look forward to seeing you at the gallery supporting our local artists.



### New to art Rhonda Harman

is a Master and an Avatar who has had no formal training in art, and indeed the last time she held a paintbrush in her hand was at 13 years of age. In less than 2 months she has produced 20 paintings. Her art is inspired by her work as a spiritual healer and teacher taking people through the third eye to access all aspects of their being and connect with Source. While this method is used for healing it is also the gateway to existence and the understanding of creation. The art work will also be used as illustrations in her soon-to-be published book the "Game of Life" which commenced when the Mother Of Creation asked her to write the book. The book brings forth a greater and more expansive understanding of the source of creation and of ourselves.



"The Cosmic Goddess"

The last 15 years have been totally dedicated to working with others to help them heal the unhealed and fragmented aspects of their Being and express their Higher Self on Earth bringing through the understanding of The Mother of Creation, the feminine aspect of "All That Is".

Rhonda will be holding an exhibition at the Kuranda Resort, Cnr Kennedy Hwy. & Greenhills Rd. on Sunday 6th. July from 3:00pm until 6:00pm.

## HEMP HEMP HEMP

Rainforest Markets is celebrating its 30th anniversary.

On 08/08/08 (August for those who need clarification) there is a gathering of people from Queensland and interstate to share information about, and exhibit products made from hemp, particularly those products being made in Australia. This aims to be an innovative and culturally unique event.

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This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate an historical icon of Kuranda, which is emerging phoenix-like from the past. The weekend aims to provide high quality local music and performance, mixed with unique stalls



## KURANDA HORSE & PONY CLUB

Well the club is coming into a busy month, with show season starting, and plenty of horse sport events happening, dressage competitions, it's all go go go.

Our club will be having its **gymkhana and horse sports on the 12th and 13th July** so be sure to get ready for that event. The program has been organized and should be a good weekend. Camping will be available and the kitchen and bar will be open.

Our Friday night social events are still happening but unfortunately Pat our wonderful coordinator of the kitchen has had to stop due to personal reasons so the club is going to keep up the great work she has done as long as our members pull together and help out. It's our main fundraiser and without this income the club can't succeed in improving. Any extra help will be really appreciated.

So for a good priced meal and social outing come along from 6pm on Friday nights. Hope to see you there. Happy Riding!!!

Any enquiries contact Di at paulanddi@bigpond.com

### The Kuranda Media Association Inc.

wishes to advise that its 2008 Annual General Meeting will be held as early as possible after end of the financial year and completion of its annual audit. Please note that all financial members will be informed in writing as to date, place and time of this meeting with notice of meeting also on community notice boards.

Renewal of current KMA membership may be made at this meeting or at the Video Shop - thanks Jan and Pam - and new membership forms are also held there.

Thanks to the sterling work of Treasurer Jennie Thomson, accounts are almost up to date. Apologies to our advertisers for the delays and glitches in our system and thank you for your patronage and patience.

Note that all Management Committee positions will be declared vacant with a number of current Executive members not seeking re-election.

Members are invited to forward in writing items they wished placed on the AGM agenda.

Peter North Secretary KMA Inc.

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1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month  
Mass 7.00 pm

### A Thought for July

This month we read from St Matthews Gospel Chapter 10 verses 24 to 39

'Jesus said to his disciples, 'Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father ... So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. —Matthew 10:29, 31

In the year 1905, an American woman called Mrs Civilla Martin became friends with a Mr and Mrs Doolittle in Elmira, New York. Mrs Doolittle had been bedridden for twenty years; her husband set off to work each day in a wheelchair. When the Martins asked them how their faith in God kept them so cheerful, Mrs Doolittle replied, 'His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.' Mrs Martin immediately wrote a hymn with these words as the refrain, and it's been popular ever since:

*Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come,  
Why should my heart be lonely,  
and long for heaven and home,  
When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is he:  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.  
I sing because I'm happy,  
I sing because I'm free,  
For his eye is on the sparrow,  
And I know he watches me.*

Jesus probably chose to speak about sparrows because they were the commonest wild birds in the Holy Land. In Mauritius they will take food off the table. The

cheeky way that sparrows peck up seeds in gardens or streets led to Londoners calling themselves 'Cockney sparrows'.

Yet the lives of sparrows are short, and to suggest that the creator of the universe cares about each individual sparrow which falls dead to the ground was an astonishing claim to make. But we're used nowadays to the thought of super-computers which can hold billions and squillions of facts in their memory at one time. Whatever picture we have in our minds of the awesome greatness of God, surely he can do the same and more so. Therefore, as Jesus said, if God can care for each unthinking sparrow, how much more will he care for you! You're the creatures he's made able to think and reason, to be aware of God's love for you, and respond by loving God in return. Surely God will care, then, about even the most trivial things that happen to you, and nothing's too unimportant to ask him about in your prayers.

That isn't to say that he keeps you from suffering, any more than he stops the sparrow falling to the ground. He didn't lift Mrs Doolittle from her bed or Mr Doolittle from his wheelchair. But Jesus, on the cross, shows us that Almighty God cares so much about our suffering that he comes down to earth and suffers with us. It's knowing that, which helps suffering Christians keep cheerful: God cares about suffering sparrows, and God cares about suffering people.

Jesus uses this comparison

in the context of a warning to his followers that they'll be persecuted. Roman Emperors could, and did, take the lives of Christians who refused to deny their faith, and Christians were very frightened of the Emperor. But all the Emperor could do was kill their body, predicted Jesus; he couldn't touch their immortal soul. Whereas if they escaped from the Emperor by saying that they didn't believe in a loving God, then they'd be liable to the judgement of God, who's much more powerful than the Emperor. It was not the Emperor they should fear, said Jesus, but God, who could judge them for being faithless.

Yet for Christians who are faithful, it's not God the judge we're dealing with, but the loving God who cares even for the sparrows. We're unlikely to risk our lives for our faith these days.

But if we admit to being a Christian, we may risk mockery by our friends, we may risk our job or our promotion, we may risk being written off by our relations as old-fashioned and irrelevant. And we shall very likely have to endure physical suffering, great or small, at some time in our lives. But be steadfast, hold on to your faith, proclaim it boldly, and Jesus will be with you in your suffering. Then store these words in your memory for when you feel low:

*I sing because I'm happy,  
I sing because I'm free,  
For his eye is on the sparrow,  
And I know he watches me.*

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## BUTTERFLY MAN OF KURANDA REMEMBERED

Dr Geoff Monteith of the Queensland Museum recently led a working bee of local and visiting entomologists to clean up the grave of Frederick Parkhurst Dodd, the "Butterfly Man of Kuranda". His grave can be found on the top of the hill in Kuranda cemetery. When the accumulated lichen and grime were removed from the grave, Geoff read aloud to the group Longfellow's poem, an excerpt of which appears



The Butterfly Man of Kuranda in his garden on Thongon Street

as the epitaph on Dodd's head stone.

Dodd was a well-known entomologist of the early 1900s, who collected insects extensively in the Kuranda area as well as other areas of Australia and PNG.

Dodd was born on 11th March 1861 in Wickliffe, Vic. and died in Kuranda on 27 July 1937.

He worked as a banker in Charters Towers and at the age of 34 quit his job to collect insects. At the age of 43 he moved to Kuranda with his wife and children. His family home was on the site of the present day Post Office. They also ran a guesthouse next door, opposite the Top Pub. Dodd supplied insect specimens to both professional and amateur collectors. His home became a tourist attraction with his children Colin, Katherine and Elizabeth acting as doorkeepers and assistant guides to his extensive personal collection that was arranged artistically rather than in a scientific manner.

and deposited in prestigious institutions such as the British Museum. Dodd himself was the author of 27 scientific publications and well over 90 insects have been named after the Dodd family. Dodd's interest in insects obviously rubbed off onto his son, Alan, who became a professional entomologist. Alan published copious scientific papers, named over 378 species of wasp alone and was instrumental in the success of the prickly pear project, bringing *Cactoblastis* moth to Australia from Argentina and being awarded an MBE and OBE for this work. The Alan Dodd Tropical Weeds



Working bee at Dodd's grave

Front with scrubbing brush, Dr Geoff Monteith. Rear from left to right Dr Max Moulds, Geoff Thompson, Dr David Rentz, Paul Zborowski, Dr Kerry Huxham, Dr Margaret Humphrey and Carolyn Fewtell.

Dodd, assisted by his children, took his collection on tour around Eastern Australia setting up his displays in public halls.

Many of Dodd's specimens that were sent overseas were new, unknown to science and were described and named by overseas entomologists

Research Centre in Charter Towers was named in his honour.

More details and illustrations can be found at [www.bunyipco.blogspot.com](http://www.bunyipco.blogspot.com) and in Geoff Monteith's book on F P Dodd "The Butterfly Man of Kuranda" available from the Queensland Museum.

## Kuranda Chamber Of Commerce

### President's Report - June 2008

A small but supportive group of members attended the June meeting at the Kuranda Hotel/Motel. It was a unanimous decision by the members present to proceed with the production of a promotional DVD on Kuranda. The initial run will be 5000 and all members will be given the opportunity to retail the DVD's at a recommended retail price.

The aim of this production is to increase the profile of Kuranda and hopefully increase the numbers of visitors to our unique region. Members will be advised on the web site when the DVDs will be available for sale and where they can be collected.

In the last edition of the paper there was a letter raising concerns that the Chamber was engaging in "bullying" tactics and that my comments would not inspire the lady in question to join the Chamber. Let me assure everyone, those remarks made by me were directed towards existing members who were sometimes disruptive and not against the general public.

Chamber invites every business owner in Kuranda and the surrounding areas to become members and contribute to the prosperity of our area. It is only by increasing our membership base that we

will be listened to by those who determine our future.

The decision by Qantas to reduce air flights from Cairns will undoubtedly affect our region. Only by becoming stronger and united will we overcome the negative affects of those decisions. Instead of being reactive we have to be more proactive

Chamber still constantly receives negative comments from tourists who arrive in the village to be greeted by rows of closed shops early in the afternoon. This gives our village a poor image and Chamber implores business owners to stay open a little longer in the afternoon. Remember, once the doors are closed - no more income. The existing mindset that once the last train departs it's time to shut up shop and go home is a hangover from the 70's and early 80's. Please remember that this is 2008 and there is a lot more competition out there for the tourist dollar.

The next social meeting of the Chamber will be held on the 1st July at Cedar Park Rainforest Resort. All members and guests are invited to attend

**Ross Breadsell**  
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**SAGE:** Sacred herb, grown everywhere. The flowers and leaves are used to produce the essential oil. Very good general stimulant, antiseptic, diuretic, depurative, astringent, very active against rheumatic conditions.

**SANDALWOOD:** Found in India and Australia. The wood is used among Hindus. The essential oil is extracted from it. The main property of sandalwood is as a strong kidney antiseptic, regulates overlong periods in women. In the Orient the perfume of sandalwood is very much appreciated. Used for furniture for its solidity and its resistance against destruction by insects. Reduced to powder it is burned in temples.

**STYRAX:** It is a resin coming from a very old tree in Mexico and Central America. Has a great influence in the treatment of very severe skin conditions. Also acts well as a rejuvenating element.

**THUYA:** "The Tree of Life" originally found in China. Cultivated now in France, is an expectorant-sudorific, anti-rheumatism, is also very good on warts, polyps.

**THYME:** Well known plant used as an aromatic in cooking. Very strong general stimulant, aphrodisiac - antiseptic - antivenomous, used for dermatitis, boils. One of the most used plants by Egyptians, Greek and Roman practitioners.

**YLANG-YLANG:** The tree is found in Java, Sumatra, Philippines and La Reunion. The essence is extracted from the flowers. Strong antiseptic, aphrodisiac, regulator of the heart, impotency, frigidity. Ylang-Ylang is used mostly in perfume.

There are many other essential oils, but it is not possible to list them all.

It is advisable to go to a very well trained expert for essential oil treatments.

Valarie Birchall, Aesthetician

## AYURVEDIC RECIPE



### Asparagus and Parsnips

- 2 1/2 to 3 cups fresh chopped asparagus
- 3 medium parsnips (2 to 2 1/2 cups chopped)
- 1 to 2 tablespoons sunflower oil or ghee
- 1/2 cup of water
- 1/2 teaspoon fenugreek seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon black mustard seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon turmeric
- 1 clove garlic (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon rock sea salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon coriander powder

**Garnish:** chopped small green chilli pepper and chopped dry ginger.

Wash asparagus and parsnips well. Dry and cut into pieces - parsnips into cubes. Bring 1/2 cup of the oil to warm in a large skillet, add fenugreek and mustard seeds. When the mustard seeds pop, stir in the garlic, turmeric and the chopped parsnips. Mix well. Add the water and cover to cook over a medium heat for about 4 minutes. Warm the rest of the oil in a separate pan and sauté the asparagus until flavourful, about 5 - 8 minutes. Add the remaining ingredients to the parsnips and stir well. Cook over low heat for another 5 - 10 minutes. Just before serving, mix the sautéed asparagus in with the parsnips.

**Comment:** This tasty dish is based on an old Gujarati favourite of okra and potatoes. If you wish to make the original, substitute okra instead of asparagus, potatoes instead of parsnips. Serve with rice.



## QUEENSLAND CANCER COUNCIL'S "RELAY FOR LIFE"

What a wonderful experience in more ways than one to be able to take part in the Queensland Cancer Fund's "Relay for Life" on the 31<sup>st</sup> May and 1<sup>st</sup> June.

The walk began with a lap of honour for all cancer survivors followed by tea and cakes, and then all the walkers got down to participating in earnest.

Teams came from far and wide to make this the largest event of its kind in Queensland, and almost all entered into the spirit by dressing up in fancy dress with various prizes offered by the Cancer Council. It started an amazing afternoon and when nightfall came a most moving feeling as 1720 candles were lit, several commemorating more than one loved one and friends who had not been lucky enough to win the fight.

These burned around the edge of the Barlows Park track all night. It was a pleasure to see over 3,000 participants, and

a joy to note that the young were there in great numbers.

Entertainment was provided by various artists throughout the event and great revelry carried on until dawn. At 9am on the Sunday morning all participants were provided with a cheering breakfast of bacon, egg, sausages and toast and you would never have guessed

that folk had been up all night as they were still in such a happy mood.

Brian and Brenda Reeves from Kuranda were sponsored by so many of you good folk to take part in this event especially the congregation of St Saviours Anglican Church, Colinda

& Ray from Foodworks, Kuranda, Cairns and Tablelands Masonic Lodges and many more individuals. Their efforts raised a wonderful \$730 towards this worthwhile cause.

GRATEFUL THANKS TO ONE AND ALL



### JULY ASTROLOGY

With the outer planets all retrograding and Jupiter backsliding in Capricorn, Government and legal matters could bog down, and any dealings with lawyers or bureaucrats could get stuck in the slow lane. So what's new? Be patient with them, they are weighed down, grinding away, and complaining won't speed things up. Not this month anyway. A good time for shifting some big rocks though.

Mars moves into Virgo on 2<sup>nd</sup> July pulling the focus down into the details. If it's not perfect yet do it again, and again. July 2<sup>nd</sup> is also origin III, Rugby League, that is. The Astro Chart for the decider gives the old Qld. Spirit and passion a strong edge. This game is all about strength and team spirit, and the chart suggests a rewriting of the rules and perhaps, the birth of a new era. It could be 'simply the best'. Go the Maroons!

Venus has just moved past the Sun and will once again become the evening star, visible above the Western horizon just after sunset.

The 11<sup>th</sup> July sees Mercury form an exact opposition to Pluto and moving into Cancer. Right on the Solstice points Mars conjoins Saturn in Virgo, and it all looks very quantum: paradoxes dissolving as more information comes to light. A bit like splitting the atom which was once considered impossible, and proved, in a most spectacular way that E does indeed = MC2. With this planetary pattern the irresistible force meets the immovable object and they find that they can, in fact, co-exist in a state of perfect potentiality and generate amazing energy. Apply this to your own life as you will - it's a complex, but grand and beautiful dance.

From the 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July, the planetary patterns involving the Sun, Venus, Neptune and Mars speak eloquently of fantasies coming alive. "We could be Heroes just for one day", breathing life and passion into our dreams and fine-tuning our skills, encouraging the talents of our children and being the best we can be. The energy flowing between us is palpable.

As the sun moves through Cancer the emphasis is on home, family and all the nurturing things that a nourishing things that a nourishing home-life can bring. The sun moves into Leo on the 22<sup>nd</sup> for its annual recharging in the sign which it rules. All things creative, showy and flamboyant take the stage, Self-confidence, self-indulgence and, well, just self really, expand into royal Leonine displays. Are Sun in Leo people really as special as they believe themselves to be? Well, yes actually, as the Sun is at it's most powerful in Leo and as much as serious Astrologers may disclaim the emphasis given to Sun signs in pop Astrology it really does work for Leo people.

Heart the Roar? Rob Hart

## TWEET DESIGNS

### Opening Soon (July)

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Shop 2, 19 Coondoo St. Kuranda  
 (next door to Bendigo Bank)

Enquiries: 0409344769

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With Unique Raw Organic and Sea Mineral Products



With 35 years experience in the health and beauty industry behind her, Joanne Simony's (known around town as Jo-Jo's) popular Hair and Body Salon in the Post Office Arcade is about to get a makeover with the launch of a new enterprise Spa-tacular Day Spa. Using a range of unique raw organic and sea mineral products, Spa-tacular is about finding the balance between mind and body.

After returning in January from a self-prescribed break in the south of India where Jo-Jo stayed in an ashram and gained more first hand Knowledge of natural therapy through the Ayurvedic philosophy, Jo-Anne says she is more inspired than ever to offer clients this "totally new experience".

"Every woman should have the experience of feeling like a princess and that is how Indian natural therapy makes you feel, beautiful on the inside and out", Jo-Anne said.

"My passion has always been to establish a retreat that would focus on health and beauty in a holistic way using completely organic, natural herbs and minerals," she said, "I am a great believer things happen for a reason; if it is meant to be, it will happen".

As a result, she has spent the past few months immersed in building plans and coordinating contractors as she is creating a totally new space, extending the existing premises. With a team of gifted therapists, masseuse and health care professionals, the day spa will be open to you this month.

'We provide all aspects, of Hairdressing, skin care, waxing and hair removal, body works and treatments, tanning and pedicures so the day spa will be adding another dimension," she said.

"We will be able to offer in the near future Pamper Packages which will provide visitors, regional and interstate with transfers and accommodation. Visitors to Kuranda can leave behind the pace and stress of the city and immerse themselves in a luxurious weekend where they can be pampered, explore the fabulous shopping including many new fashion and Jewelry boutiques and great local markets.

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## Activities Report June 2008

Students from the academy participated in the winter grading in Mareeba on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June, conducted by Mr Anthony Coleman 4<sup>th</sup> Degree black belt from Brisbane.

A total of 40 students from Kuranda, Mareeba and Smithfield demonstrated a high level of skill, with several students having the opportunity to display their abilities by destruction of boards.

Students demonstrated their knowledge and ability to deal with attackers in self-defence scenarios in an effective manner.

Mr Coleman was pleased to see a record number of students apply for testing. In addition, several Instructors and black belts performed their patterns as part of their preparation for

upcoming Dan testings.

It was pleasing to see a considerable group of supporters attending as spectators, particularly family and friends of the 14 white belts testing for the first time.

At the completion of the testing, Mr Coleman took some time to remind students that their next grading will be conducted as part of a full weekend of Taekwondo activities to be held at Lake Tinaroo in September.

Preparations are fully underway to ensure that all attending will gain maximum benefit from their participation at Camp Chon-Ji.

A group of 5 Instructors from FNQ are preparing to travel to Brisbane to attend an International Taekwondo Federation Seminar with Senior Master Low Ming Tuck from Perth. This seminar provides an opportunity for QSDTA Instructors from throughout Queensland and overseas to learn together, consolidate friendships and promote the Art of Taekwondo. Sabum Marcelle Dieben



Student Robert Sparring with Andrew As Part Of His Test

Cairns And Far North Environment Centre  
Ecosmart-Australasia Pty Ltd

## Claude Lewenz Author of "How to Build a Village"

FNQ Regional tour presentation on an alternative to suburbia. The Cairns and Far North Environment Centre in partnership with Ecosmart-Australasia Pty Ltd presents Claude Lewenz, author of "How to Build a Village", a book which has received international praise and acclaim since publication in 2007. The New Zealand based author will be presenting his ideas and design solutions, which he developed over a period of 16 years, to recreate "The Village" in the modern context.

"How to Build a Village" is about real estate development, to produce a wonderful place to live while treading lightly on the planet" says Lewenz. The new book explores the village concept in the 21st Century. It gives a blueprint on how to create sustainable, thriving communities; focusing on the interaction between environment, sustainability, town planning and real estate with the view to achieving quadruple bottom line developments. This is a hot topic in light of the State Government's 2025 Regional Draft Plan.

The village concept offers many benefits to local government. Imagine a corporation seeking a place to locate where it would convert marginal land into a billion dollar development. It would bring several thousand new jobs to the district worth a hundred million dollars a year. Local governments vigorously compete to attract such corporations, even when they come with liabilities, such as pollution and pressures on the infrastructure.

Claude will be speaking at CAIRNS: Thursday 3rd July, Serbian Centre, 73 Greenslopes St Edge Hill. ADMISSION IS FREE: BUT Please make a booking for catering purposes, Penny 4085 5197 or Email: penny@support.ecosmarte.com.au For more information and comment contact: Sarah Rizvi 40321 746 Steve Ryan 0425 344 746 Elaine Harding 40321 746 or 0408113281

## KURANDA VILLAGE TAX TIP

By Fay Allen BCom CPA

### TAX RETURN CHECKLIST - SALARY AND WAGE EARNERS

Well, it is that time of year again. I find it is very common for clients to make an appointment to do their tax return and then forget to bring items required to complete the return. The following list is a general list of items that salary and wage earners may be required to bring along to their tax agent. This list is not exhaustive and your tax agent may require other items not mentioned below.

#### Income

- All Payment Summaries (previously called Group Certificates) from employers, Centrelink and pensions.
- Bank interest earned
- Dividend Statements
- Trust or Partnership Distributions
- Sale of capital items e.g. shares and rental properties
- Foreign income
- Rental property income
- Details of any other income not already mentioned

#### Deductions

- Work related expenses e.g. motor vehicle, travel, uniform, protective clothing, self-education, union fees, telephone and any other expenses incurred for work related purposes.
- Gifts or donations
- Tax agent fee for previous year
- Rental property expenses

#### Other Information

- Days spent in zone areas
- Private Health Insurance details
- Names and dates of birth of dependent children or spouse
- Net medical expenses for your family
- Bank details - BSB and Account No. (this will generally speed up your refund)

If you have any questions about any of the items please feel free to call me on 4093 8222 at Kuranda Village Accountancy or visit the ATO website [www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au).

## "Dust"

Dust: it is the very stuff of things  
From a tiny seed to an artistic fake  
From a mighty biped to a spreading lake,  
In congregation dust makes tangibles, even belongings.  
Of matter it is the building blocks,  
Coalescing, in coalition  
Suffused with energy, with fission,  
Sufficient to bind together in classifiable stocks.  
Thus the human body grows, integrating  
Dust in patterns complex,  
So harmonised as to perplex,  
The consequent apex of evolution, quite fascinating.  
But has the purpose been such as to inflate  
An accumulation of dust cherished?  
Even when thereafter perished  
Confronted by chaos, entropy, dispersion and fate.  
They say: dust to dust, benign  
A permanent cyclical round  
From and back to the ground  
Utilizing natural laws of exquisite, practical design.  
So do we worship the dust combining  
This mortal phenomenal?  
A view periscopical,  
Or should the servant loftier heights go climbing?  
Is it an attachment to matters ephemeral?  
For a body that is moored  
In a life where the cord  
Begins and ends in matters parenthetical.  
Is this humble "dust" really that which veils  
The mortal self from progressing,  
To its nobler Self in a blessing?  
To where with self-effacement the soul doth sail.

Graham Nicholson

**Letters cont. from Page 2****Dear Kuranda Paper,**

Re "Welcome Pocket" Retirement Village Meeting. I am sorry I am unable to be present at this very important meeting as I am presently working up in Bamaga - Cape York.

I have been overwhelmed at the positive comments I received from my letter to the Kuranda Paper in relation to the "Welcome Pocket" retirement aged care project.

What are we going to do about this present and urgent situation of this very **IMPORTANT** and **NEEDED** project????? I hope we are certainly not going to 'bury our heads in the sand' and hope it will **EVENTUALLY** happen!!!!!!

There are many older people in Kuranda (myself included) who are depending on a group of dedicated concerned Kuranda and district people to keep the "fires burning" on the "Welcome Pocket" project, whether it is out in the Myola area or a new site closer to town. I personally believe closer to town would be the preference as I feel the Myola area would be isolating for the residents of "Welcome Pocket". People love to stroll into town and meet up with friends and see what the tourists are up to.

Please don't let us be beaten by the present obstacles and put it in the 'too hard basket'. Let us show the 'powers that be' that Kuranda has a strong community spirit and stand up and be counted by knocking on doors, writing letters, speaking to the media **BUT**, most of all, work together as a community-spirited team for the benefit of our Kuranda and district older generation. Always remember we all will be old one day and "Welcome Pocket" is where I would love to spend the last of my days.

"Welcome Pocket" retirement village/aged care services are needed **NOW** not in ten (10) years time. Yours in friendship.

**Sandy Kelly, Kuranda.**

**Dear Kuranda Paper,**

I am adding my voice to those who have tried to bring the unspeakable noise problem created by the dogs housed at the Kuranda Pet Resort to the attention of the local council responsible for the well being of Kuranda residents. I live next door.

The owners of the resort sought Development Approval for a Material Change of Use to increase their quota from 40 dogs to 70. This was voted against by Council last year who then took legal advice as to how to deal with the violation of noise issue. This resulted in approval in principal being given that has the more

stringent conditions attached to it. My personal concern is how will Council manage these conditions, as it has already been proved that the kennels noise restrictions don't comply with the regulations for the 40 dogs currently housed.

The current submission states the animals will be housed in a sound proofed facility but this is obviously not going to be the case as the animals are constantly outside and barking for 75% of the day and night.

There is a paragraph in the Council Meeting Minutes that reads as follows:

**(D) Assessment Manager's Advice**

**1. (iv) Implementation of the noise management conditions suggested by Air Noise Environment Pty Ltd should result in the proposed development having a minimal/lesser impact on the amenity of the locality.**

I draw your attention to the word 'should'. As a resident living 500 metres away from a facility housing upwards of 50 dogs, how can the 'amenity of the locality' ever return to the peace and tranquility one expects in a quiet rural area.

The minutes also reference Noise Control in Schedule F as follows:

**(F2) Noise from the operation of Kuranda Pet Resort must be limited such that the average maximum level of noise when measured at any adjacent noise sensitive place as the L<sub>Amax,adj,T</sub> must not exceed more than 5 dB(A) above the background noise level (L<sub>A90,T</sub>) for daytime hours (7 am to 6 pm) and evening (6 pm to 10 pm) and not more than 3 dB(A) above the background noise level for night time hours (10 pm to 7 am), where T is defined as 15 minutes.**

I ask that you imagine the sound of a dog waking you up in the middle of the night by barking continuously for 5 minutes, either in the street outside your home or in a back garden adjacent to your home. Imagine that this happens more than once a night, every night and then imagine what 15 minutes of this unabated noise would do to your sleep each night. Asking that T be defined as 15 minutes is outrageous when applying it to night time hours. Any and all dogs need to be housed inside a sound proofed shelter at night, and during the day, any dog that starts barking should be immediately placed inside the sound proofed facility.

Given that this facility is in the tropics, I respectfully suggest that adequate air conditioning be provided for the animals in the sound proofed areas.

There does not appear to be any valid reason why the original decision, to deny the expansion by the previous council, should have been overturned by the incoming council.

Since when should the needs of animals take priority over the rights of people, especially when hard work and savings have gone into creating the quality of life expected by the residents in the immediate surroundings.

The pet resort should relocate to an uninhabited rural area and not be constructed in the middle of a rural neighbourhood where families are bringing up children and endeavouring to make a life for themselves away from the stresses of city living. The unrelenting sound of dogs barking cause stress and this expansion cannot be allowed to take place. It would be preferable that the kennels be instructed to relocate so that normal life can be resumed.

**Rosemary Marks, Kuranda.**

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**TABLELANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL****Activity Report May 2008****Integration of Organisation**

Since election, the Tablelands Regional Council has held five ordinary meetings, to progress and integrate Council operations into a more streamlined and efficient organisation. Key outcomes so far include:

- Endorse organisational structure including six divisions covering executive services, infrastructure services, civil works, community services, financial services, and development & environment services
- Appoint Ian Chuch as Chief Executive Officer, and general managers for each division
- Adopt policy for the acquisition of goods and services and carrying out of procurement principles
- Instigate options for the design of a new Council logo and change existing naming of Council offices and facilities to Tablelands Regional Council
- Identify need for preparation of a master drainage plan for the Tablelands Regional Council area
- Facilitate public meeting regarding Johnstone River Estate water supply
- Commit to implementing bin collection of household recyclables in Atherton region following 30 June 2008
- Agree Councillor remuneration and reimbursement of expenses costs
- Appoint Councillors to committees to oversee key areas of operation, ensuring consistent delegation of work and progress issues for integration such as fees and charges.

**Financial & In Kind Support**

The following individuals and organisations have received financial or in-kind support from Council:

- Kuranda Bowls & Sports Club \$11,000 interest free loan over 3 years
- Tablelands Futures Corporation 3 month loan to complete regional development project
- Mareeba & District Pony Club \$100
- Mareeba State School P&C \$100
- Malanda Judo Club \$600
- Malanda Swimming Club \$300
- Garden Club of Ravenshoe \$200
- Chloe Felderhof & Jesse Hole \$100 each
- Zoe Sturgiss & Genevieve Kruyssen \$100 each
- Mareeba Art Society Inc \$500
- Koori Kids NAIDOC Week School Initiatives \$450
- Mareeba District Rodeo Association Inc \$1500 plus in kind support
- Wheelbarrow Race Staff team sponsorship
- 30th North Queensland Square & Round Dance Convention \$560
- Tyson Brookes \$100
- Atherton High School - in kind support
- Dimbulah Lions Festival - in kind support
- Tropical All Breeds Horse Show - in kind support
- Atherton State School P&C - in kind support
- Tinaroo Sailing Club - in kind support

**Website**

Visit [www.trc.qld.gov.au](http://www.trc.qld.gov.au) for copies of meeting minutes, Councillor committee representations and contact details, upcoming events, latest news and information on Council services.

**Capital Works & Road Upgrades**

- Flood damage restoration works on local roads and Main roads
- Slashing road verges and line marking
- Footpaths around the pool deck and construction of access road at the Kuranda Aquatic Centre
- Construct Fortunata Creek Highway Chillagoe
- Causeway construction & works Hurricane Road & Sewell Road
- Upgrade 45kms of Kennedy Highway at Mt Garnet freeways intersection
- Chanelisation upgrade Rolley Road intersection Wondecla
- Widening of curves on Herbert River Road
- Reseal Brodie Road Innot Hot Springs, Herberton township, south Millstream rural residential areas, Fuller & Kingcombe Rds, junction of Fern & Coral St's, and Atherton Transfer Station exit roads
- Restoration works areas south west of Mt Garnet
- Footpaths Garnet street Mt Garnet & Perkins Street Ravenshoe
- Seal Turner Rd near Bells Dairy Farm
- Repair curb & channelling Planet Avenue
- Seal McKown Road bridge approaches
- Rehabilitate & seal Northey Road
- Connect bitumen on Riffle Range Road
- Extend carpark for Atherton library & swimming pool
- Culvert upgrade on Kennedy Highway near Atherton International Club
- Repair guard rails to Spear Creek

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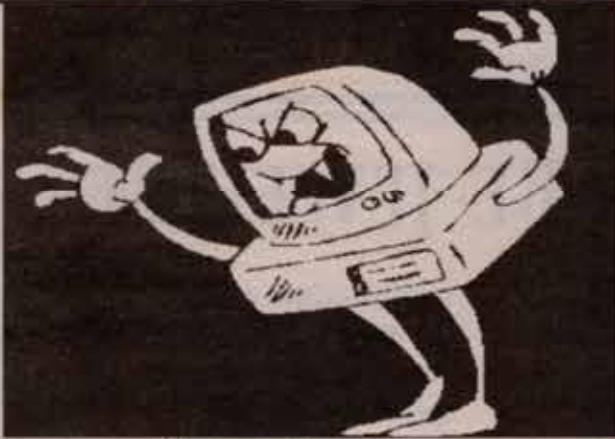
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# Kuranda Spring Festival

A project of  
Kuranda Festivals Association Inc.  
ABN: 50903745718

This year, 2008, the Kuranda Festivals Association Inc will support three great community events  
**8 August: Higher Ground Hemp Gathering to celebrate 30 years of the Original Kuranda Rainforest Markets (wear it, don't smoke it!)**  
**24 August: The Kuranda District State College Official Opening and fete (with stalls, rides, competitions and lotsa good fun and food.)**  
**6 September Battle of the Barron - raft races, canoe races and splashing good fun**



## Computer Tips:

Hi, and welcome to my rave. The aim for this month is to give Novice and Intermediate PC users some educational information to enable you to care and maintain your computers Operating System. The focus here is simple computer maintenance, speed and security. If you do not fall into this category I will endeavour to bring interesting info in future raves.

One common problem I come across on a regular basis is, there are a large number of PC users who do not know how to perform a Disk Cleanup and how to Defragment their computer; these two basic tasks are very important in keeping the computer running well.

The Disk cleanup utility will remove old temporary files and unused data that are taking up valuable space on

your hard drive. This is best performed before you Defrag. Disk Cleanup can take a little bit of time, so please be patient; once this is completed the next step is to Defrag.

Here is one simple analogy of how fragmented files affect your computer:

OK, so you have a filing system at home or in the office and you don't pay much attention to how you file your information, A-Z etc: when it is time to retrieve a certain document it may take you quite some time to locate this file, wasting time and energy in the process. Your computer needs to have regular file compacting and sorting to help maintain space and speed of file location; the same as you would have to do to clean up your filing system to make it more efficient.

If this is not carried out on a fairly regular basis, one of the effects is that it can slow down your computers speed and efficiency. It is important that you have at least 15% free disk space on your hard drive to defrag; if you do not, your system is getting close to having some serious overload problems and needs attention.

I could easily go into a lengthy explanation on how to perform Disk Cleanup and Defrag. Instead I suggest you view this web link below, as it has screenshots and step by step instructions for these procedures.

[http://www.theelderageek.com/disk\\_cleanup\\_utility.htm](http://www.theelderageek.com/disk_cleanup_utility.htm)

[http://www.theelderageek.com/disk\\_defragmenter\\_utility.htm](http://www.theelderageek.com/disk_defragmenter_utility.htm)

Another general misconception is that if you are running Windows Firewall and AVG FREE that this is enough protection for your computer. This is not the case as there

are many different types of Viruses, Malwares, Worms and Trojans that can infiltrate your system. AVG FREE does a good job in blocking a lot of these, but the free version does not totally cover this broad area. I recommend that in addition to AVG FREE adding SPYBOT SEARCH AND DESTROY, SPYWARE BLASTER and AD-AWARE. These extra free programs are easy to run and will give your computer much more protection from possible threats. Make sure that you follow the set up instructions and update and run these programs every week or so. These free programs are readily available from:

<http://www.filehippo.com> also a great site for a lot of other freebies.

One last important area that needs addressing is updating your operating system. A simple way of doing this is to turn on Automatic Updates. To do this, click on Start>Control Panel>Security> and turn on the Automatic Updates. These updates are vital for internet users in keeping your computers O.S. up to date with security, patches and drivers. A well maintained Computer is easy to do and makes your computing time a lot less frustrating.

Just one more tip, if you have a Bigpond broadband connection with limited download capacity, turn your modem off when not using the internet or your computer.

Happy Computing from Tracey of Outback IT Services Email: [outbackitservices@hotmail.com](mailto:outbackitservices@hotmail.com)

A member of (Kuranda's Combined Computer Service, Maintenance and Tuition)



## LIBRARY NEWS

There is a lot going on in the Kuranda Library at the moment. Since we are also an office of the Tablelands Regional Council, we are very busy with dog registrations. If you own a pooch but haven't come in to get a yellow tag from us yet, please drop in soon. While it's not compulsory to bring your dog along, if they are friendly then I always enjoy meeting

them (outside please), and since my dog has already stopped speaking to me since my odorously obvious dog-disloyalties, a few more won't hurt.

Mareeba is hosting their annual rodeo soon and there are a few competitions you can enter if you would like to get into the spirit. There is a colouring competition for the little 'uns and a Ute Photo competition for those of us lucky (and Aussie) enough to own one of these icons.

If the Rodeo isn't your thing, then maybe you would like to come to

the **Kuranda Library Knit-In**. You don't have to have special knitting talents (someone has to show me how to cast-on before then!?) as we'll just be knitting squares. We mail these away and they are magically transformed into warm wraps to help one of the millions of people in the world suffering extreme cold. This is something so simple we can do to help and should also be a fun morning. To sweeten the deal, breakfast and beverages will be served. The bad news is it starts at 7:00am (feel free to turn up in your P.J's). It is on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August and we are asking that you book, since we will be catering.

Gaelle Olsen.

Kuranda Branch Library and Council Office		
4 - 12 Throssy Street Phone 4093 9185		
Monday	Closed	No council services are available on Sat. Council cashier closes at 4pm on Tues. Wed. and Thurs.
Tuesday	11am - 6pm	
Wednesday	11am - 5pm	
Thursday	11am - 5pm	
Friday	9am - 12 noon	
Saturday	9am - 12 noon	

## The Poolman

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## Host Families are needed:

To host a group of Primary and JHS Japanese students arriving 2/8/08 to 12/8/08. They will be attending Kuranda District State College. A Stipend of \$15 per night will be paid. If you would like the opportunity to do so, please phone Donna on 4093 8263 (after 7.30 pm.) or 0404 219 889

# KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE



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**KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE**

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I am a **LEARNER**

*Promoting and Supporting Positive Behaviour*

## NATIONAL AWARD for FAFT

Kuranda District State College's Families As First Teachers program won a national Quality Teaching Award this month. Five representatives travelled to Canberra to receive the award that was presented by the Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard. The award recognised excellence in family school partnerships and was awarded \$50,000 prize money. This money will go back into the program to allow its continuation for 2009.

Thank you to all the families who have supported the program and continue to show commitment to early literacy and numeracy development to their children.



Rosetta Brim, Martha Brim, Kathryn Mannion, Ros Owen, Jim Turnour & Chris Capra.



Julia Gillard with Rosetta Brim

## Premier's Readers Challenge

Kuranda District State College has enrolled our P-6 students in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The students are being challenged to read 20 books between May 28th & September 5th. Each child who completes the challenge will be awarded with a certificate from the Premier, and a small prize from the school. The top reader in every year level will also receive a book prize from the school. For more Info contact Leanne Plasto or Michelle Bailey.



READ 20 Books between May 28 & Sept 5th.

## ICAS Writing & Spelling Competitions

Around 60 students participated in 2 International Competitions during the week. Students from Y3 - Y12 were nominated by their class teachers and sponsored by the college to participate in each test. The senior students used the test-like situation to prepare for Senior QCS exams. All students receive graded certificates for their efforts and results will come out during Term 3. Well Done!

## REGIONAL AWARD FOR POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT PROGRAM

Kuranda District State College recently won the Far North Queensland Showcase Award for Excellence in Inclusive Education.

Safe Respectful Learners is the result of Kuranda District State College's implementation of School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program. The school wide program caters for the diverse needs of all students, identifying and removing barriers to students' achievement of learning outcomes. Secondary prevention programs provide innovative approaches to meet the needs of at risk students in the Kuranda community.

Safe Respectful Learners is about developing school wide systems of support for all students that include proactive strategies for defining, teaching and supporting appropriate behaviour to promote a positive school environment.



Recent Winners at the College Cash Parade receive their certificates from Steve Wettenhall



Taylor Skinner, Year 12 student, has begun work experience at the Koala Gardens in Kuranda. She volunteers every Friday and is hoping this experience will help with her studies in Biology. Taylor is looking towards a career in Captive Animal Care and is already confident in handling snakes and learning about animal habitats and how to care for them. Thank You to management and staff at Koala Gardens for giving Taylor this opportunity.

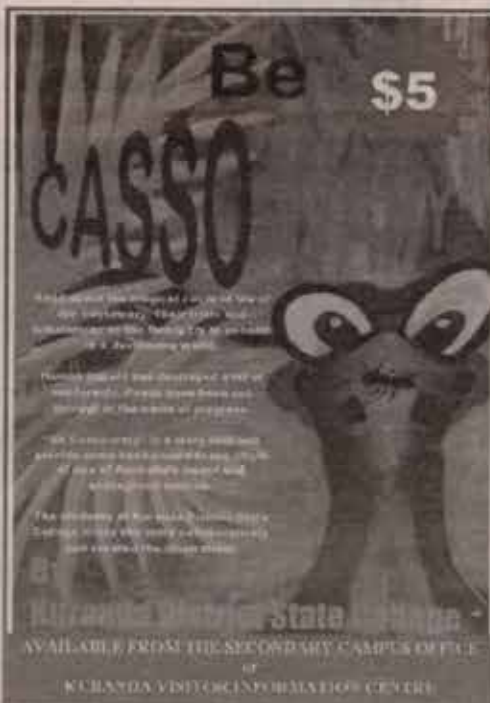
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AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOOLS

## Be- Cassowary Book Launch



Bama Dayal perform at the official launch

Middle school students recently launched their first children's story book. The launch was the culmination of a 10 week unit of work which focused on This module will explore the Rainforest Ecosystem and look at the effects of changes in that ecosystem and the impact it has, especially on the Cassowary.



## Kuranda District State College SCHOOL OPENING/FETE

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August  
12pm - 8pm

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We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle or can and NO ONE actually died from this. We ate cakes, white bread and real butter and drank cordial with sugar in it, but we weren't overweight because..... **WE WERE ALWAYS OUTSIDE PLAYING!!**

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the street lights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. And we were O.K. We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned to solve the problem.

We did not have Play stations, Nintendo's, X-boxes, No video games at all, No 99 channels, No Pay TV, No cable, No DVD movies or surround sound. It's crazy! We even had No mobile phones, No text messaging, No personal computers, No Internet or Internet chat rooms..... We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth and there were no lawsuits from these accidents.

We played with worms and mud pies made from dirt, and the worms did not live in us forever. Made up games with sticks and tennis balls and although we were told it would happen, we didn't poke out anyone's eye.

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's house and knocked on the door or rang the bell, or just yelled for them! Local teams had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment. Imagine that!!

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You might want to share this with others who have had the

luck to grow up as kids, before the lawyers and the government regulated our lives for our own good. And while you are at it, forward it to your kids so they will know how brave their parents were.

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## KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE WINS ANOTHER AWARD

Education and Training Minister Rod Welford has congratulated Kuranda District State College on winning another excellence award for its Families as First Teachers program.

"The school has just been named the winner of the National Award for Quality Schooling for Excellence in Family School Partnerships," Mr Welford said.

"This follows the school last year winning the 2007 Network Ten Showcase Award for Excellence in the Early Phase of Learning for this same program.

"The Families as First Teachers program is about helping Indigenous families support their pre-school aged children's early literacy and numeracy development and preparing them for school."

Kuranda District State College has a high enrolment percentage of Indigenous students from nearby communities who have English as their second language.

"School is a daunting prospect for many of these children but this program has made a big difference with Indigenous students now arriving to start their compulsory years' schooling, ready to learn," Mr Welford said.

"Consultation with the community in 2005

revealed that the community wanted to understand school better so the program was established to take school culture into the familiar surroundings of the five Indigenous communities. This gives them an understanding of the role the family plays in ensuring their children's success."

Member for Barron River, Steve Wettenhall, also congratulated the local school and said he had seen firsthand the success of the program.

"It breaks down the barriers that have made Indigenous families reluctant to visit schools and has encouraged them to value good early childhood education," Mr Wettenhall said. "The program has been enormously popular with parents attending workshops to learn to make alphabet and number charts, puppets and playdough and play games to help their children's learning.

"It is run by Kathryn Mannion, who has extensive experience in Indigenous schools in the Northern Territory, the Kimberley and northern Queensland, with teachers, teacher aides and Indigenous education support officers. Parents are running their own playgroups for their children and for the first time parents are becoming confident enough to come to the school unprompted to discuss their children's progress. The awards are not only a valuable validation of the school's program but the Indigenous community is also getting recognition for the work they are doing for their children."

## Community Meeting on Kuranda Sport & Rec Program

On the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2008 an urgent meeting of Community and Stakeholders was held at the Kuranda QCWA Hall, concerning the impending "Loss of the Kuranda Sport & Recreation Program" based at Ngonbi Co-Operative Society Ltd. This meeting was called as a response to community concern, and was also raised at the Kuranda Interagency Meeting held in June at the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.

Local, State and Federal Government representatives and MPs, Kuranda Police and PCYC, QLD Health, Kuranda Interagency Members, local organisations, Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Community members were invited to attend.

Concern over the past 5 months as to future of the Program had arisen from the lack of forthcoming information from the State Government regarding the future accessibility of organisations to identified Indigenous Sport & Rec Funding. Over the past 5 years Ngonbi Co-Operative Society has contributed over 30% towards the overall cost of this Program but is unable to continue this significant contribution.

As a result of letters to the Minister and calling the community meeting, representatives from the Queensland Department for Local Government, Sport & Recreation advised there would be an extension of agreement for up to 6 months with the transition of the Indigenous identified Sport & Recreation funding being made

to the Queensland Police Citizens Youth Welfare Association from 1 January 2009. This initiative has been handed down from the Minister for Sport Judy Spence and is part of the Agency Budget Highlights for 2008-09 towards Improving the Health & Well-being of Indigenous Communities.

See [http://www.sportrec.qld.gov.au/zone\\_files/Corporate\\_files/budgethighlights-sportrecreation.pdf](http://www.sportrec.qld.gov.au/zone_files/Corporate_files/budgethighlights-sportrecreation.pdf)

The security and nature of State & Federal funding for an effectively resourced Sport & Recreation program to continue in Kuranda over the next 6-12 months is still uncertain.

Many thanks to Marg Yandell and the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre who co-ordinated the preparation of the meeting and professionally facilitated the delivery of the meeting, to help support the continuation of vital services such as sport and recreation to the Community of Kuranda.

For more information from the meeting or how you can help, please contact Ngonbi Co-Operative Society Sport & Recreation Officer on 4093 7177.

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# BatReach news

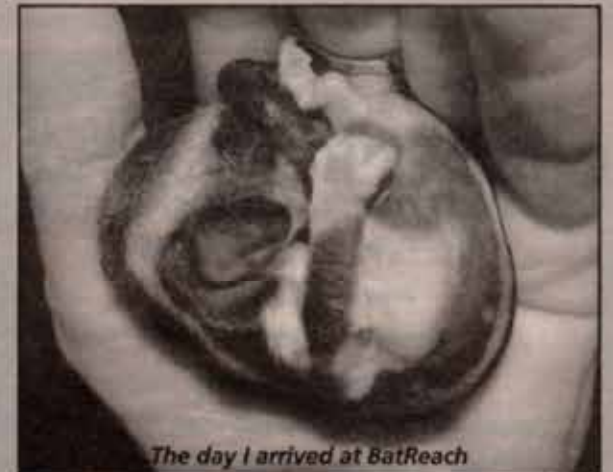
Hi,

My name is Irwin. Many of you will have seen my photo in this paper last month. I was still quite small then, but look how I've grown! BatReach volunteers are looking after me until I am strong and big enough to be released. I miss my striped possum mother and sometimes I cry so that Pam has to come and cuddle me. I now have some baby cereal solids as well as my bottle of milk, and some wood to chew, to get my insides used to it. I like custard apple, guava, and avocado too. Donna gave me a cricket to eat the other day, because I am actually omnivorous and I must get used to eating creepy crawlies - I didn't like the cricket, because it tickled my nose. As you can see from the photos I am being well looked after. There is a brushtail possum here too, and a squirrel glider. Three sugar gliders live together and keep each other warm in the cold Kuranda nights and early mornings. Every day at 4.00pm the volunteers come to prepare our food - there are lots of flying-foxes and some microbats too. The flying-foxes eat a lot of fruit which has to be washed and cut up by the volunteers, but we possums and the gliders have a more varied diet including nuts, lettuce, corn and seeds.

Irwin (with some help from Sue, BatReach Volunteer)



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A spokesperson for the group Mrs. Lorraine Gould said the draft 2025 plan has left the project in limbo. "Nearly \$1 million has been spent on the project, much of which had been raised in the Kuranda community. In a nation where there is an acute shortage of these facilities, and our hospitals are choked with the frail and elderly, it was a huge blow that the draft FNQ 2025 would seem to rule this development out," she said.  
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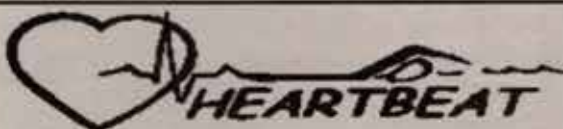
THE WATER IS IN AND EVERYONE HAS BEEN ASKING US "WHEN DID YOU SAY THE POOL IS OPEN?" IT'S GREAT TO SEE EVERYONE GETTING EXCITED. THE POOL WILL OPEN ON 1ST SEPTEMBER. SO WE HAVE ABOUT 8 WEEKS TO GO - NOT THAT WE'RE COUNTING OR ANYTHING! SO MUCH TO DO!  
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TRY TO POOLSIDE. SOON ENVIROCARE WILL BE ON THE JOB WITH TREE AND SHRUB PLANTING.

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## Reffold/Kuranda Springs Estates Highway Access Denied.

Concerned residents living on Fallon, Mason and other connecting internal roads are organising action against a recent Department of Main Roads decision to deny building of highway access from these estates.

Major factors cited in their appeals are the rise in internal traffic and that projected from the 200+ new housing sites, poor alignment of Fallon Road and its single lane culvert crossing cut in heavy rains. When cut, traffic is forced through the Village, also adding time to emergency call-out of Ambulance and SES.

Residents living along Masons Road are already reporting rises in wildlife kill and are concerned about increase in traffic, noise and pollution as well as the increase in accidents at the Fallon Road Highway entry and along the soft-shouldered Masons Road.

Some cynicism has been expressed when major highway access is in construction for a quarry entry but is denied on Highway efficiency to these major residential developments.

The developer of Reffold estates was prepared to donate land for this highway access and the decision may have negated a proposed purchase by the Tablelands Regional Council of land linking these estates.

Protest organisers, aware of other poor planning decisions with long-term consequences for the area, see this decision as affecting not only estate resident and households along existing routes but also the Village itself. Letters of concern to the Hon. Warren Pitt, Minister for Main Road and Local Government. PO Box 15031, City East 4002 are invited.



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## JENSEN'S JOTTINGS



*After 3 months in the job, after many meetings and miles, the Tablelands Regional Council has started to find its rhythm. There are still many challenges but we are definitely moving forward. In writing this monthly column for the Kuranda Paper, I hope to be able to provide you with some of the feedback from Council. Your comments are always welcome.*

**Old Primary School:** The building report on the current state of the buildings at the old Primary School has now been completed. The report indicates that there are significant building repairs required in order to make the buildings both safe and useable. Council will need to consider the matter and the costs involved before any decision on the future use of the old Primary School can be made. Future maintenance and upkeep costs will also need to be considered. Unfortunately this means that community groups will not be able to occupy the buildings yet. In the interim, Council has appointed a caretaker to live onsite in their own caravan and start basic clean-up and small basic repairs. I am committed to ensuring that the old school remains as a community facility, even though this process may take some time to begin.

**Budget:** The 2008-2009 Budget preparations are underway and will be presented to Council within the next month. Part of the budget considerations are of course rate charges for the coming year. At this stage I am not able to predict your rates amounts. However, it is to be expected that there will be some rise; hopefully this will closely align to CPI, given that the costs of providing services has risen.

**Council Services:** Council offers a number of services that may assist community groups and individuals. Currently, the Youth Development Officer is developing some programs to engage with youth in this community; the Events Officer is looking at ways

### KURANDA COLLEGE WINS ANOTHER AWARD

Kuranda District State College has won another excellence award for its Families as First Teachers program in June. The school was named the winner of the National Award for Quality Schooling for Excellence in Family School Partnerships. This follows the school last year winning the 2007 Network Ten Showcase Award for Excellence in the Early Phase of Learning for the same program. The Families as First Teachers program is about helping Indigenous families support their pre-school aged children's early literacy and numeracy development and preparing them for school. I congratulate everyone involved in the program.

### STATE BUDGET 08-09 HIGHLIGHTS

#### MYOLA ROAD FUNDING

Major local roads improvements will include further safety improvements and re-surfacing on the Kuranda Range Road, and widening and re-sealing sections of the Myola Road. Also \$125,000 has been allocated to for bridgeworks and approaches on the Myola - Oak Forest Road.

#### SENIORS AND PENSIONERS BENEFIT

to assist in promoting the future of the Spring Fair; The Tourism Co-ordinator is working with the Kuranda Visitor Information Centre; the Community and Social Planner is examining ways in which our community services may receive greater support and has been looking at the issues of lack of affordable housing in the region; Council will be assisting the local SES group with funding for an electrical upgrade at their shed; the Recreation Centre has recently received a 3 year loan to enable them to continue to operate the centre; our excellent Library services will be enhanced even further through the amalgamation of the libraries of the former 4 shires; Weed and Pest Management programs are continuing;

#### Welcome Pocket Meeting:

With the release by State Government of the 2025 Planning framework, planning for the Welcome Pocket Aged Care facility in Myola has been impacted. An important public meeting is being held on June 25<sup>th</sup> to discuss the matter. Council is very supportive of the proposed facility, however state planning authorities have jurisdiction over the planning matters. Submissions in response to the 2025 Plan are due by August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**2025 and the Myola area:** Most people will be aware that the 2025 Planning framework was released by State Government on May 9<sup>th</sup>. The Myola area is not in the "urban footprint" (i.e. it is no longer identified as

Seniors and pensioners will receive a \$20 increase in the electricity rebate up to \$165 per annum (to eligible concession card holders) - a 13.8 per cent increase in the rebate payable at a cost of \$10.7 million.

Continuation of the Pensioner Rate Subsidy Scheme of up to \$180 per annum; and 50 per cent discounts on motor vehicle and boat registration are also offered to pensioners and seniors - saving \$109 on registering a four cylinder car.

#### INCENTIVE TO REDUCE HOUSEHOLD GAS

A new \$60 million home-based service was announced to help Queenslanders reduce their household greenhouse gas emissions. The ClimateSmart Home Service will commence in January 2009 - funded from the proceeds of the Queensland Government's Climate Change Fund. Modelled on the successful Home WaterWise Service - the new ClimateSmart Home Service will help Queenslanders reduce their greenhouse gas emissions by assisting them to improve energy efficiency from the beginning of 2009. The service will involve the installation of energy-saving devices and detailed advice on ways to

further reduce their carbon footprint. For \$50, a tradesperson will visit your home to provide advice and energy saving tools, including a smart energy monitor, compact fluorescent light globes (CFLs) and water efficient showerheads. Seeing how much energy is being consumed and being able to measure the effect lifestyle changes can make to electricity consumption will encourage consumers to become more energy efficient.

The ClimateSmart Home Service will also include a home energy audit to help households further reduce their energy consumption. The program will provide 260,000 services across the State in its first two years. The installation of 15 CFLs, a shower rose and an expected 15% increase in energy efficiency as a result of the energy monitor means that every house participating in the service could save up to 3.6 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions per year and up to \$240 on their annual electricity and water bills. Register interest now to receive the ClimateSmart Home Service at [www.climatesmart.qld.gov.au](http://www.climatesmart.qld.gov.au) or by phoning 1800199 794. **Steve Wettenhall MP., Member for Barron River - Ph: 4038 2800**

an area for future population growth). However, any planning applications that were submitted prior to May 9<sup>th</sup> will be subject to the (pre 2025) former planning arrangements. The 2025 Plan is a State Government initiative and Local Council planning must fit within the state guidelines. If you have questions as to how the FNQ 2025 may impact on your property, please contact the Town Planning Department at Council or the State Dept of Infrastructure and Planning Ph 40398867.

#### Fire Management:

Over the past month I have attended a couple of meetings on Fire management. Our Rural Fire Brigades do a great job in protecting land and property in our rural areas. However, landowners are reminded that it is important to clear fire hazard areas around their property. Council staff also assist in managing fire risks. If residents have any questions or concerns please contact your Rural Fire Warden or Council.

#### KVPP and Tourism Promotion:

The Kuranda Village Promotions Program is a sub committee of Council and is funded by the Kuranda Benefitted Area Rate (paid only by commercial properties in the Kuranda Village area); The KVPP provides an excellent tourism promotion program which serves to continue to attract visitors to the Kuranda Village.

#### Kuranda Swimming Pool:

If you have driven past the new Kuranda Swimming pool

recently you have probably noticed that the pool is now filled with water. It is anticipated that the pool will be operational within 6-8 weeks and that an official opening will be held soon.

#### Highway Access Group:

A group of concerned residents in the Mason Rd/ Kuranda Springs area are trying to have an additional highway access created in preparation for approx 150-200 homes in the area. Unfortunately, despite efforts by Council and local residents, the Main Roads Dept. is not agreeable to the proposal.

#### Council Meetings:

Council Meetings are held every second Wednesday and Thursday. All Meeting dates, Agendas and Minutes are published on the TRC website [www.trc.qld.gov.au](http://www.trc.qld.gov.au)

Members of the public are welcome to attend any of the Council Meetings.

#### Congratulations:

Congratulations to the Kuranda Amphitheatre for securing some great shows over the coming months. Entirely staffed and operated by volunteers, the group shows just how much can be achieved by this community.

#### Councillor Contact Details:

You are welcome to contact me regarding issues, questions and feedback (however, I would request that you leave Sundays free.) Phone is 40938466 or 0417002046 and email is [jenny.jensen@trc.qld.gov.au](mailto:jenny.jensen@trc.qld.gov.au) Please also make use of the online facility on the Council website [www.trc.qld.gov.au](http://www.trc.qld.gov.au) where you can use the "Contact Us" link to the online feedback form.



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The official opening will be on July 31 from 3.30 pm open to everyone. Put it in your diary.

Also new is the introduction of Smart Business Services which provides a tailored support package for small to medium sized businesses, sole traders and tradesmen. Outsourcing customer service activities, administrative support, promotions and all business services one may have without the need to employ dedicated staff.

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**QCWA NEWSLETTER**

The busiest month of our year has arrived – and we have all donned our running shoes. Apart from our branch Annual Meeting on July 30, there are trips down the road to Innisfail in order to set up our branch entry in the QCWA craft contest and again the following week to Cairns to repeat this exercise. Interspersed with the weekly craft mornings are visits to other Far Northern Division branches to show our support at their annual meetings as well.

This year, events are a little more evenly spaced with Show projects in July, Division Finals in Public Speaking / Handcraft / Dressmaking / Knitting & Crochet / Cookery / International and Country Woman of the Year – taking place in August. The winning entries from here will then go on to the Northern Region Meeting to be held in Mackay. Last year, all the above happened in July – leaving our ladies feeling quite a bit ragged by August.

Craft: Quite a few moans and groans at the start of June's craft lesson – Beaded Amulet Bag – but once the ladies mastered the beginning rows, things soon settled down to a low murmur. However, once the little masterpieces are finished they can be worn with pride.

Due to the Show schedules this month, there will not be a craft lesson day although our weekly craft mornings will still take place with the exception of July 30 (last Wednesday in the month). This day is reserved for our Annual Meeting.

Local community groups are still using our hall extensively. The Ambulance Trivia night last month was well patronized by a happy and sometimes noisy group who did their best to raise funds in a fun way for our local Ambulance centre. Great prizes, heaps of tasty food. Pleased to say that the QCWA ladies and their partners did a good job of staying up near the top of the scoreboard right through the night.

Hall bookings: for the month of June please contact 4093 7599 or 4093 8229.



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**Accessible Taxis for Queensland initiative**

**Kuranda Taxi Service Area**

A new wheelchair friendly taxi, funded by the Queensland Government, is now on the streets of Kuranda providing needed transport services for local people. The new taxi will be used for general and community transport when not required by wheelchair passengers. The vehicle is provided under the government's Accessible Taxis for Queensland (ATQ) initiative which is administered by Queensland Transport.

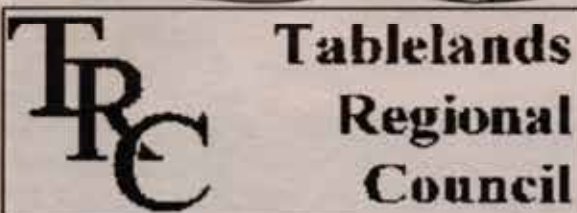
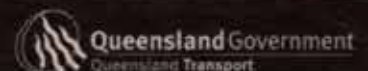
The government established ATQ and allocated \$4.8 million to fund wheelchair accessible taxis in rural and remote communities that have a taxi licence but no wheelchair accessible taxi. It is expected more than 70 vehicles for communities throughout Queensland will be funded by the end of 2008.

The ATQ initiative is the first to be funded under the Queensland Government's qconnect initiative, which will improve regional public transport services and connections.

The ATQ initiative is also part of a bigger picture for improving taxi services in Queensland, which includes the rollout of taxi security cameras and more taxi licences.

Queensland Transport has funded the introduction of a wheelchair accessible taxi in the Kuranda taxi service area. The taxi service licence owner operating the ATQ funded vehicle has amended their licence to incorporate the wheelchair accessible terms and conditions, which will be permanently in place. This means that there is a total of one taxi licence in Kuranda, which is provided under a wheelchair accessible taxi licence.

Paul Blake  
Executive Director (Passenger Transport), Delegate of the Director-General



Due to current constraints Council wishes to advise ratepayers in the boundary of the former Mareeba Shire Council that **Rate Notices for the half year ended 31 December 2008** will be issued later than usual. The Rate Notices will be sent to Ratepayers during the month of August 2008.

Should you have any queries in relation to this please contact Council's Rates Department on 07 4030 3900.

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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
MAREEBA QLD 4880  
16 June 2008

**A MESSAGE TO COUNCIL RATEPAYERS  
WITHIN THE FORMER MAREEBA SHIRE  
COUNCIL BOUNDARY**

As many people are now aware the **Mareeba Shire Council** ceased to exist as at 14 March 2008. The former Mareeba Shire Council has now been amalgamated with Atherton, Eacham and Herberton Shire Councils to form the **TABLELANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL**.

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# ENVIRO WATCH

Environment and Conservation News

## Postponed - Plant id workshop – Sat. 12th. July (free)

Reminder that the course has been changed to 12th. July at 19 Kullaroo Close. As we now have a larger venue we can host a few more people so ring Margaret on 4093 8393 or email [secretary@envirocare.org.au](mailto:secretary@envirocare.org.au) to book a spot.

### Nursery activities

It's been a busy time at the nursery this last 6 months with pot washing, potting up, seed treatments, wire basket making, spreading crusher dust, fertilizing, weeding and even a spot of planting out and watering. As with other community groups, we've been hosting our share of people from Centrelink on Work for the Dole

programs. Some have even been included into the DVD we've been shooting in the nursery and field as part of our volunteer education program in tropical revegetation. Greencorp teams and Better Earth volunteers have helped with potting up and planting out so the place has been a buzz.

Community and Centrelink volunteers share a few good stories and laughs and, of course, a yummy morning tea. Come join the fun for a couple of hours any Monday or Thursday at our temporary nursery at 19 Kullaroo Close.

### Seeds for seedlings

We're watching expectantly for the next rush of seeding. If you have trees seeding on your property, we'd be happy to identify them for you, bring in a cluster of leaves with the seeds for identification or we can come to your place to collect. We'd be happy to provide you with seedlings in exchange. Don't have any seeds but would like to plant some seedlings? Come volunteering for a few hours and we'll provide you with some.

### Watering tips

Young native seedlings, especially in community plantings, are prone to die if a "plant and forget" policy is applied during these much drier months. This method is really only effective during the "wet". A useful rule of thumb we've established by observation of our public area plantings around Kuranda / Koah is to water each seedling in with at least 5 litres, preferably 10 litres at planting time, followed each week

for the next 3 weeks by 5 litres for each tree, then check each month and provide another 5 litres if it continues to be relatively dry (<20mm / mth). You may need to continue till the first soaking storms of the new season "wet".



Volunteers enjoy morning tea after planting

## Introduction to Rainforest Revegetation workshop (free) 8,9 and 10th. July (Tue, Wed and Thu)

Our Rainforest revegetation workshop has been postponed to the new dates above due to illness of our tutor Druce Horton. The workshop covers rainforest ecology, plant botany and id, seed collection, nursery practices and revegetation practices. To book a place or for a detailed workshop outline, please call Margaret on 4093 8393 or email: [secretary@envirocare.org.au](mailto:secretary@envirocare.org.au)

### Wildlife Corridor protection & FNQ2025

The draft FNQ2025 plan, which is open for community submission until 8<sup>th</sup> August, has 3 specified corridors but none are nominated in this area. This means that under the draft plan there is no special protection afforded for the private property within the wildlife corridors which Envirocare has worked on planting trees for the past 10 years, other than the general

planning regulations regarding rural residential and rural land.

Rainforest Rescue, an Australian based not-for-profit organisation, spoke to our last meeting about the wildlife corridor they're creating in the Daintree lowlands and how they've gone about protecting this. Members were interested in the various options landowners have to provide more protection for the rainforest on their blocks. We're currently looking into private covenants and if there's anybody, in or outside the Envirolink corridor, who is interested in this concept, we'd like to hear from you and share what we've found out. Contact Cathy on 40939926 or email: [president@envirocare.org.au](mailto:president@envirocare.org.au)

## Tree Planting at the Kuranda State school Friday 25 July

An exciting new area is being worked on to link the BRICMA Green Corridor Myola plantings with the Fairyland corridor forest at the school. Preparation work has started on the council reserve, between the railway line and the Kuranda State school and this project will involve school students, the BRICMA Green Corridor project team, a proposed Envirocare Greencorp team and community tree planting volunteers. We'll even have a place ready for planting on National Schools Tree Planting Day on Friday 25th. July. Come along and support the school kids in their green endeavours.

## Envirocare plantings behind Kowrowa oval - Sat. at 8am

We're now working on the fig tree bend area, upstream of Big Sands, behind the Kowrowa oval. Watch for the signs to park at the Kowrowa oval/ Big Sands turnoff or ring Cathy to arrange a lift or directions - 4093 9926.



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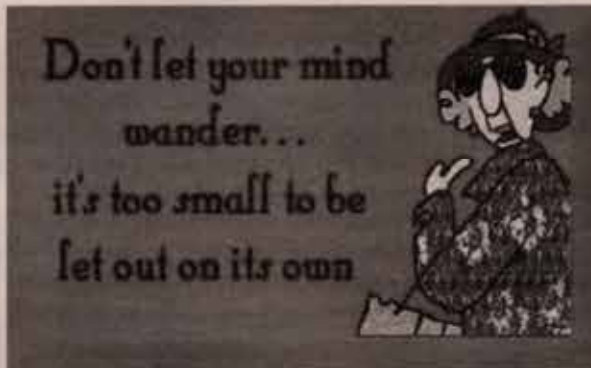
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Tenants in Common or Vendor financing  
Anything considered.  
**Tom and Sareena 0429 012 375 or**  
**4093 7078**



**TAX HELP**  
To find out if you are eligible for free tax return assistance contact the Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre (40938933).



Your local **MAXIMUM PEST MANAGEMENT**  
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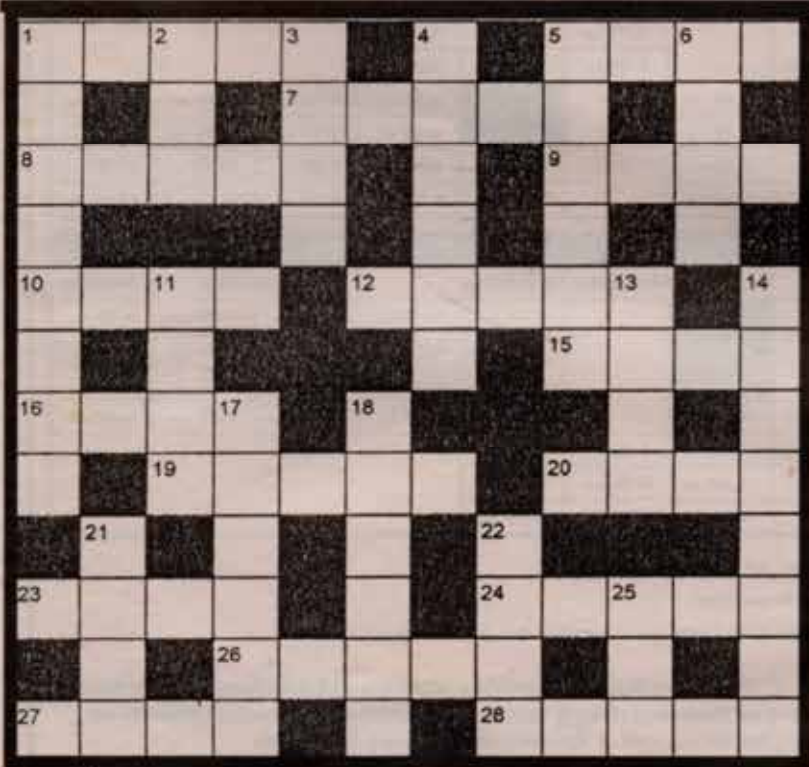
**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Administration Officer Position Vacant**  
Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre is looking for an experienced Administration Officer/Bookkeeper to work a minimum of 15 hours per week. The successful applicant will need to demonstrate competency in the use of Quick Books and MYOB and extensive experience in general office administration duties. The position hours may increase dependent on recurrent funding. Please contact Marg Yandell at the Centre on 40938933 to express your interest in this position.

**Volunteer Co-ordinator Required**  
Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre is looking for a Volunteer Co-ordinator to set up and deliver the NILS program. No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) is a national program to assist low income people on Centrelink Payments to purchase essential household items such as fridges, freezers, washing machines, beds, microwaves etc without paying high interest or running into financial difficulty when interest free period contracts expire. The program assists people to set up an affordable repayment process. NILS is co-ordinated nationally by Good Shepherd and the capital funds are donated by the National Australia Bank through their commitment in 2006 of a \$10 million national commitment to NILS. Please contact Marg Yandell at the Centre on 40938933 to express your interest in this position.

**ARTIST WANTED**  
Scientific Illustrator  
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Enquiries to Dr. Max Moulds  
Ph. 4093 8359

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**Kuranda Kryptic Crossword No. 100**

Compiled by John Brooksbank

- 12. Make baby an eastern snack.
- 15. Zoroastrian priests just one gate away from sauce.
- 16. Dropped during industrial precipitation.
- 19. Drain is at a low point.
- 20. Young poultry sounds trendy.
- 23. Taken with a prayer, travelling after excess
- 21 down.
- 24. Sedan travel for luggage.
- 26. High class are ignited between poles.
- 27. Dam road is almost odd.
- 28. Marked as unfashionable.
- 14. Billabong band plays with cemetery note.
- 17. Garden can be a liability.
- 18. Strangely, Sir Richard gave birth to one!
- 21. St. Saviour's & Bottom Pub requirement.
- 22. Murdered in winter?
- 25. Brute pruned in time for sex.

**Down**

- 1. Wet chair provides village links to the outside world.
- 2. Sex change for classy female amputee.
- 3. She loves you interjection?
- 4. Love in satanic foot configuration.
- 5. Jum Rum descriptor. What you need in your pencil!
- 11. Forests need lots of this stuff.
- 13. Wash in English spa.



**Across**

- 1. Raleigh certainly was one!
- 5&9. Route to wholesale gems in Kuranda. (4,4)
- 7. French brilliance.
- 8. Ultimate source of Ayurvedic treatment.
- 10. Cure for unbleached linen.



## Community Calendar

### Community Calendar

- Every Sat** Kuranda Envirocare Tree Planting bee, phone 4093 9926 for details or check website www.envirocare.org.au  
**Kuranda Tennis Club** Junior lessons 8.30am beg, 9.15am intermediate. Fallon Road. Court hire avail. Ph 40937666
- 1st Sat** Car Boot Sale Recreation Centre Fallon Road
- 2nd Sat** Garden Group 2 pm Phone David 4093 9492
- Every Sun** A.A. CWA Hall 10.30 am Phone 4093 7599  
**Kuranda Bowls Club** Please contact Lorraine on 4093 9583 or Sylvia on 4093 7124
- 1st Sunday** R.S.L. 5pm, Lower Market Mall, Thoree Street.  
**Kuranda Film Society** 4 pm 6th July Sports and Social club  
**Speewah Country Market** 8am to 2pm 4093 0361
- Every Mon** Al-Anon Family Groups 8 pm Phone Diane 4093 0462  
**Karate** at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm - 7.15 pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380  
**Junior Rugby League** 3:30pm Bartley Park Oval 4093 7177  
**Pilates classes** at Kuranda Resort & Spa (Function Room) 6.30 pm  
**H.A.L.S. (Health Across the Life Span)** Stretch and flex class. 8.45pm QCWA hall
- 1st Monday** Kuranda Horse and Pony Club 7.30 pm Mantaka  
**Koah Sports & Social Club** 7.30 pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026
- 3rd Monday** KNC Management Committee Meeting 6.00 pm Rob Veivers Dve. Ph 4093 8933
- 1st Tuesday** The KCCT meets at the Kuranda Hotel/Motel.
- 2nd Tuesday** The KVPP meets behind St. Saviour's Church.
- 3rd Tuesday** Spring Festival meeting. 5:00pm. 1 Pademelon Ln, Kuranda 4093 8834. All Welcome.
- Every Tues** Tae kwon do & Self Defence adults 7.00 pm QCWA hall Ph 4093 8682  
**Tai Chi Sports and Social Club** 6 pm 4093 8276  
**8 Ball** 7.00 pm at Kuranda RSL, Top pub, Speewah Tavern, Kuranda resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537  
**Belly Dance** at Kuranda Resort and Spa. Have fun and keep fit at the same time Ph. 0429 070 393  
**H.A.L.S.** Circuit training 4.45pm -5.45pm QCWA hall
- Every Wed** Craft and social morning at QCWA hall 9 am  
**Kuranda Playgroup** - 9:30 am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre - New families please RSVP Lisa ph 4093 0038 or Michelle ph 4093 9851  
**Baha'i "Spirit of the Forest"** 7pm at Bahai Information Centre, Therwine St.  
**Karate** at Koah Hall 6.15pm - 7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380  
**Yoga** at CWA  
**Kuranda Bowls Club** Please contact Lorraine on 4093 9583 or Sylvia on 4093 7124
- First Wed** Kuranda Interagency Network Meeting at 2.00 pm @ KNC
- 2nd Wed** QCWA meeting 12.30 pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016  
**Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group** - 10 am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.
- Every Thur** Rotary 6.00 pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph: 4093 7206  
**Tae kwon do & Self Defence** 7.00 pm CWA Hall Ph 4093 8682
- 2nd Thur** Ambulance 7.30 pm Ambulance Centre Fallon Road
- Every Fri** H.A.L.S. Stretch Yoga. 4.45pm for 5pm start at QCWA hall

PLEASE CHECK THAT INFORMATION IS CORRECT

### EMERGENCY CONTACTS

**FIRE** or other emergencies - please phone 000  
**SES Flood or Storm emergencies** - please phone 132 500  
**Kuranda SES phone** Bob on 4093 9143 or 0408 939 143  
**Rural Fire Brigade Contacts**

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

### Kuranda Transfer Station Opening Times

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

### JOHN'S KURANDA BUS

	MON & TUES	WED & FRI	SAT, SUN & PUB HOL.
<b>To :- SPEEWAH</b>	0900	0900	1000
<b>          KOAH</b>		1300	
	*1530	*1530	
	1750	1750	1630
<b>EX :- KOAH</b>	#0705	#0705	#0815
	#1315	#1315	
	*1550	*1550	
<b>EX :- SPEEWAH</b>	#0710	#0710	#0820
	#1320	#1320	
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\* SCHOOL DAYS ONLY  
 # BOOKING REQUIRED  
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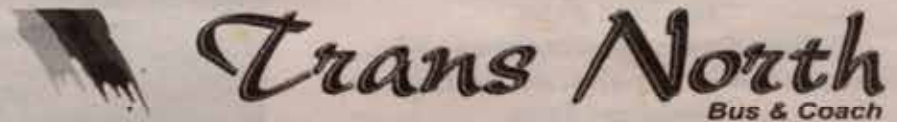
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"THE LOCAL BUS"

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<b>DEPARTS KURANDA</b>	#0725	#0725	0830	(SCHOOL DAYS ONLY)
	1330	0900	1500	W/CRT 1450
	1530	1130		REDLYNCH 1455
		1330		CARAVONICA 1505
		1530		SMITHFIELD 1510
<b>DEPARTS CAIRNS</b>	**0825	0825	0930	ALL SERVICES EXCEPT
	1715	1000	**1600	1600 GO TO SPEEWAH & KOAH IF REQUIRED.
		1230		
		1715		

\*\*ATHERTON & MAREEBA  
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### Local Bus Timetables



#### ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS BUS TIMETABLE

Departures	Monday to Friday			Saturday	Sunday
RAVENSHOE	7.30 am	7.45 am	2.00 pm		
HERBERTON	8.00 am	8.15 am	2.30 pm		
ATHERTON (arrive)	8.25 am	8.45 am	3.00 pm		
ATHERTON (depart)	6.30 am	9.15 am	3.30 pm	6.30 am	9.15 am
MAREEBA	7.00 am	9.45 am	4.00 pm	7.00 am	9.45 am
KURANDA	7.30 am	10.20 am	4.30 pm	7.30 am	10.20 am
CAIRNS	8.15 am	11.15 am	5.15 pm	8.15 am	11.15 am

#### CAIRNS TO ATHERTON TABLELANDS BUS TIMETABLE

Departures	Monday to Friday			Saturday	Sunday
CAIRNS	8.30 am	3.15 pm	5.30 pm	9.30 am	1.00 pm
KURANDA	9.05 am	3.55 pm	6.05 pm	10.05 am	1.40 pm
MAREEBA	9.40 am	4.30 pm	6.40 pm	10.40 am	2.15 pm
ATHERTON (arrive)	10.15 am	5.00 pm	7.15 pm	11.15 am	2.45 pm
ATHERTON (depart)	11.00 am	3.00 pm	5.15 pm		
HERBERTON	11.20 am	3.30 pm	5.35 pm		
RAVENSHOE	Noon	4.05 pm	6.15 pm		

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 - from the driver as you board the bus.

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 - 15 Therwine Street, Kuranda,  
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