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Aid For Flood Victims

A message from QCWA State President

PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY can assist in a practical way by donating to the QCWA Public Rural Crisis Fund. These donations are tax deductible. The Fund is used to help those in need in the general community by giving them store credit cards e.g. Woolworths or IGA or letters of credit with other specific stores if in a small rural community where there are no bigger stores. We sometimes pay their household accounts such as electricity, telephone or chemist. The limit they can request is \$500 but they can re-apply at a later date if things continue to be bad for them. The application is one page and can be downloaded from our website <http://www.qcwa.org.au/> or by sending their cheque to QCWA, 89-95 Gregory Tce., Brisbane 4000. We can assure the donors that 100% of monies received are distributed in practical aid for those in need of it. (The QCWA covers all costs of collection and distribution from other sources.) People who make sizeable donations can also direct how they would prefer to see it used, for example for fencing replacement (thousands of kilometres needed), seed replacement, fuel for farm vehicles or whatever else you like to nominate. The money donated is spent in the local communities so this helps the community get back on its feet.

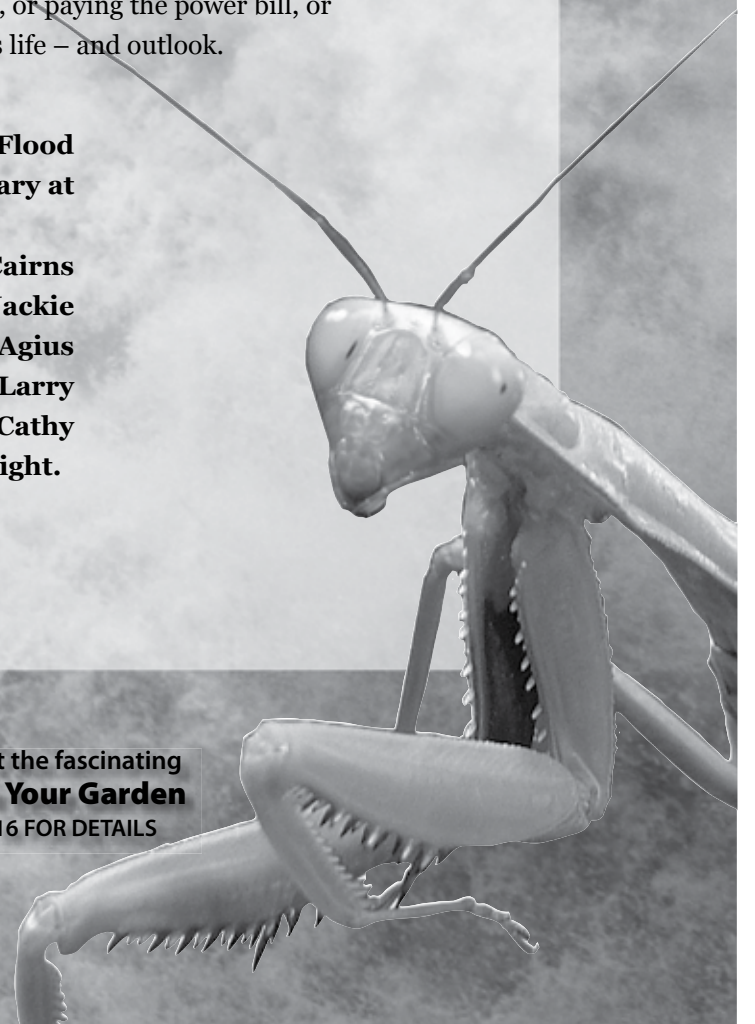
We know from experience that many of the people in rural and regional areas “fall through the cracks” when it comes to Government handouts or assistance – especially the elderly and families. It is amazing how sometimes something as simple as a \$200 Woolies voucher, or paying the power bill, or buying some school shoes can make an enormous difference to someone’s life – and outlook.

Locally, our Division will be holding a Variety Concert QCWA Flood Relief Fundraiser at Cairns Civic Centre on Sunday 27th February at 2pm. Tickets available through Ticketek.

Artists so far include: Sing Australia, Cairns Choral Society, Cairns Brass, Lou Cadotto & Lou Pensini, Geoff Mann (bush verse), Jackie Wilson’s dancers (performing Highland and Irish), Jodie Agius dancers doing a variety of styles (modern, tap, hip hop etc), Larry Hammond and his students (and probably Wilma Reading), Cathy Knight...so it looks like it should really be a variety concert all right.

**Valentine’s
Day**
14th February

Learn about the fascinating
Insects In Your Garden
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COMMUNITY LETTERS

PO BOX 66 KURANDA 4881

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Dear Kuranda Paper ...

Village Vandalism

I think most people would agree that one of the things that makes the village of Kuranda so unique is its wonderful and quirky metal artwork. From bollards to bins and signposts, the theme is carried throughout the village and it's common to see visitors photographing the unique artwork.

It's unfortunate that over the past several months someone has taken it upon themselves to leave their mark by way of dousing (can't call it painting) some of the sculptured features in garish colours. There is not even any finesse in the way the paint has been daubed to make a frog green or a lizard red – I find it disrespectful to the original artist and to those who admire and appreciate the artwork which is so much a feature of our village.

I am appealing to those responsible to please stop defacing the artwork and if anyone reading this knows who is responsible please pass on the message. Surely any frustrated artists out there could find a different creative outlet.

A Concerned Citizen

Welcome Pocket

Just before Xmas the signage went up on the fence on the proposed "Welcome Pocket" development and I feel there needs to be some pertinent information regarding this proposed development made known throughout this community. I now take the opportunity to present the following facts:-

1. Several years ago this community successfully lobbied the State government long and hard re their opposition to Myola becoming an "urban node".
2. The owners/developers of the proposed "Welcome Pocket" development then went and lobbied the State government to grant them special/privileged exemption from Myola's urban development exclusion.
3. Under this State government "special" exemption the "Welcome Pocket" site was to be developed "only for the facilities and activities associated with the accommodation and care of the elderly". I, probably like most of you, read this as being for medium to high levels of aged care. The details of this development appear to stretch this definition.
4. This "aged care" (the predominant adjective that to date has been attached to the definition of this proposed development) proposal is for the following sum of people – 140 Aged care places over a 2 Ha area. 600 Retirement places (the major component of the development) over a 13.7 Ha area - 50 childcare places.
5. Shopping facilities, tennis court/s, pool, bike tracks etc.
6. Traffic assessment on Myola road – 1225/day.
7. Then further down the track – a school.

I can't help but ask the question – just when/where does this development ever stop???? This all inevitably leads to the questions:-

- Is this proposed development appropriate for this area?
- What exactly IS it? An "aged care" facility like the one at Malanda? A "retirement village" like so many other commercially orientated retirement villages out there?
- Just who are the beneficiaries of this development?
- Is this proposed development genuinely to serve the needs of our elderly population irrespective of financial means or is it in fact a very well thought out commercial development by very experienced and successful developers with the aim of being a COMMERCIAL success as against a SOCIALLY responsible success?
- How genuinely representative is/will our TRC representative be in their position on this development? Are they going to represent ALL the surrounding landholders or just this one developer? History to date shows many interesting "coincidental" and complimentary covert parallels between our previous Council and the developer.
- What impact will it have on our existing rural and rural residential lifestyles? Is it compatible with the existing Myola residents' expectations?
- What resulting financial costs will inevitably result (rate increases/water/sewerage connection costs/road upgrade/electricity upgrade etc)?
- Who will bear these additional infrastructure costs? The local and surrounding landowners or the developers? Will this stand long term or will these additional costs inevitably and covertly be shifted onto the surrounding landholders?
- Will/is there plans down the track to change the existing dead-end Boyles Rd into a connecting road onto the Kennedy Hwy?
- Isn't this the same group who dishonoured the wishes of the property donor of Taylors Point?
- How/why were they and they alone given exemption from Myola's "no urban footprint" classification?

The ramifications of this proposed development upon the landholders and residents of Myola itself will be devastating. While I know there are so many of you who disagree and are angry about this proposed development and particularly how it has been so misleadingly "sold" to our community, it is now up to YOU to register your objections to this proposed development to the Mayor and every TRC councillor. If you let this go, you will not only have to live with the consequences but with the knowledge that you failed to stand up for your beliefs on just what is appropriate for our rural Myola community.

Cheryl Tonkin.

UnWelcomePocket@gmail.com

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Clohesy Rural Fire Group

Whilst acknowledging Steve Wettenhall's support for the Rural Fire Brigades in the Clohesy Rural Fire Group, the Speewah Community must also take credit for its support. Payment of fire levies on Rates Notices helps purchase much needed equipment. Speewah citizens contributed over \$16,000 towards this appliance and it must be recognised that this vehicle now belongs to the State Government. Should Brigades cease to function through lack of volunteers, all equipment could be dispersed to other areas in Queensland. Age is fast catching up to the original members and we are always searching for younger volunteers who wish to contribute to their Communities.

The Speewah Brigade has Council approved plans in hand to extend its headquarters. This extension will be built by Rural Fire Brigade volunteers with the help of other Speewah citizens who regularly offer their time and energy through their private businesses.

The structure is on Tableland Regional Council land and is therefore owned by the Ratepayers through the Council, who have always been ready to back our Brigades.

Yvonne Thomson,

(Admin. Officer, Clohesy Rural Fire Group)

***I wish to say thank you to
the kind person who found
my bag and so honestly
returned it to me last week.
You have no idea how
much it meant to me
to get it back.***

Beth Edwards



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Village in the Rainforest

Marc's Tourism Tweets

NEW EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE FOR 2011: Happy New Year from Tourism Kuranda and we are extremely excited to advise that 2011 is going to be an even bigger year for tourism and events in Kuranda Village. Tourism Kuranda was involved with a number of successful events last year and we plan to turn many of these into annual features on our events calendar. We will also be supporting a number of music events like the ROOTS Festival and turn our birthday celebrations and the KSR 120 year celebrations into a massive day of fun & excitement for the village.

Kuranda Village Calendar of Events - 2011

April - Easter in the Park Celebrations

May - Rock'n Roll Busking Competition

June - Bash of the Barron River Raft Race

July - Kuranda Roots Festival

July - Kuranda Scenic Railway 120 year celebrations

October - Kuranda's Birthday Celebrations

December - Kuranda Markets Mad Hatters Party

SKYRAIL'S BRAND NEW BARRON FALLS WEBCAM: The mighty Barron Falls is now on display for the world to see through Skyrail's new webcam. Mounted on a cableway tower overlooking the falls, a camera streams real-time footage to the web, allowing people to access the spectacular display of the Falls with one click of a button on Skyrail's website.

This week's timing couldn't have been better for Skyrail's webcam to have gone live. The rainforest is buzzing with life, every day is different from the day before and tropical rainfall has brought the Barron Falls to its majestic best. Jump online now and check out the Falls via Skyrail's brand new webcam - visit <http://www.skyrail.com.au/webcam.html> The ROAR of the Falls can be heard miles away!!

JAPAN SALES MISSION - HUGE SUCCESS FOR KURANDA: Last month Tourism Kuranda attended the TTNQ - Japan Sales Mission for the very first time which was attended by seven other TTNQ members and we visited four cities, Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka and Kobe to host workshops and presentations, supported by Jetstar, Continental Airlines, Tourism Queensland and Tourism Australia.

We met over 300 travel trade, online and airline representatives during the events and promoted Cairns & the Region with Kuranda's new Japanese flyer and promotional material. Kuranda and the Atherton Tablelands were extremely well represented with 5 out of the 7 participants having a connection with the village!

"Team Kuranda" consisted of participants from Tourism Kuranda, Koala Gardens, Skyrail, Rainforestation & Doki Doki Tours who operate guided tours to Kuranda & the Atherton Tablelands.

ZINC RADIO "WE LOVE KURANDA" CAMPAIGN: Tourism Kuranda co-ordinated a new advertising campaign with Zinc Radio in December 2010 & January 2011 and received wonderful support from 6 local businesses who contributed to the co-operative advertising campaign. The advertising period occurred two weeks prior to Christmas and three weeks after Christmas and included 60 second commercials promoting Kuranda and all the amazing shopping opportunities and world renowned attractions.

GATEWAY MAGAZINE: Tourism Kuranda has secured a full-page of advertising for Kuranda in the latest edition of the Gateway Magazine which is distributed at the International and Domestic Airports and throughout hotels in Cairns, Northern Beaches and Port Douglas.



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WITH its first edition for 2011, the Kuranda Paper is pleased to welcome two new regular contributors Tina Corry-Sokolich and a writer who wishes to remain anonymous. Tina is writing **Health and Beauty** and our new **Living In**

Kuranda - Household Tips writer is sure not letting the mould grow with her efforts. Also dug up from his mulch heap is that grumpy old bugger, Alectura, sharing his gardening passions.

All our regular feature writers welcome your queries so as to keep their columns topical and you the reader happy. Please contact either direct at address given or through kurandamedia@bigpond.com

Remember the Kuranda Paper is your Paper and we welcome your contributions - letters to Editor, pics of beasties (both human and otherwise), beauties and events, and articles on your private passions and cravings no matter how esoteric or singular (however, try to keep them family-friendly).

Also welcome is your feedback (yes, and that includes our ever-increasing on-line readership) on what you would like to see in the Paper. Our Production Team is constantly seeking to make the Kuranda Paper the best little community paper in Australia.

Last but not least - to our advertisers. Thank you for your continued support, you keep the Paper going. Please contact us for your advertising requirements and remember that we are now reaching an international audience so think about putting up your business on the Paper's on-line site. We continue to have the cheapest advertising rates in FNQ and go that extra mile to meet your requirements.

So to all our readers and advertisers, may 2011 be a great year for you and all your hopes and endeavours.





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Neighbourhood Centre News February 2011

Sport and Rec Family Day:

Sport and Rec coordinated a great Family Day at Bartlett Park (old Primary School oval) on 19th January. It was really well attended by kids of all ages and from local and outreach services. The Northern Pride ran a rugby workshop and there was a range of other activities including: kite making (Mareeba PCYC); beading (WuChopperen); bubbles and BBQ/poppers/icy cups/treats (Ngonbi); bus trips and transports (Youth Substance Misuse Service) skipping rope and tug-o-war (KNC). It was great to see services and organisations come together and for so many kids and young people attend.

Strong and Proud – Young Men's Program:

This program was run in the last 12 weeks of Centre opening before Christmas. While the program will be formally evaluated, attendance and anecdotal feedback demonstrates that program has been successful. Following a full assessment, KNC will refer to the Kuranda Interagency Network to explore options of a collaborative partnered submission for a bigger program later in the year. If you want to know more, or want to be involved, please contact me or attend the next Interagency meeting on Wed February 2nd at KNC at 2pm.

Family Support Items Needed:

Thank you to those who have generously donated items over the Christmas period. We have an informal way of linking up families and individuals with different items of furniture and household goods etc that they need. Right now we know families who need: double or queen beds/mattresses, washing machines, lounge suites/sofas, dining table and chairs, fridges and baby items. If you have any of those items that you no longer need, please give us a call.

OUTCOMES Adult Numeracy and Literacy:

OUTCOMES from Atherton are delivering courses to improve numeracy and literacy for adults – this is helping with learning to read, write and manage numbers. Please contact KNC or OUTCOMES directly on 4091 4277.

Lifeline Financial Counselling:

Lifeline financial counselling sessions can be arranged at KNC on Monday mornings. The counsellors are experienced workers who can help you sort out how to manage financial problems, debts and budgets. So if you find yourself in a pickle with money troubles, someone is there to help work out the best way forward. Appointments are necessary, so please call or come in to make a time.

Workers at KNC:

The full time workers at KNC include myself and Ceri Hughes (Family Support Worker). Small communities sometimes require a 'fluid' nature to service delivery. For this reason we would like let the community know that in times of illness, conflicts of interest or any other reason, I can provide Family Support and Ceri can provide Personal or Individual Support. If you would like to nominate a worker for any reason at all, please let reception know.

Marg Yandell, Coordinator

Chinese New Year 2011 The Year Of The Rabbit



People born under the sign of the rabbit are gentle, sensitive, modest, merciful and have a strong memory.

They like to communicate in a humorous manner.

They cannot bear a dull life, so they are good at creating romantic or interesting situations but lack meditative abilities, often sinking money into ideas that may cause failures in their career.

People born in the Year of the Rabbit are articulate, talented, and ambitious.

They are virtuous, reserved, and have excellent taste.

Rabbit people are admired, trusted, and are often financially lucky.

They are fond of gossip but are tactful and generally kind.

Rabbit people seldom lose their temper, are clever at business and being conscientious, never back out of a contract.

They would make good gamblers as they have the uncanny gift of choosing the right thing. However, being conservative, they seldom gamble.



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Written nominations to be received by

The Secretary

by 5.00pm Friday 18th February 2011



Gardening in Kuranda



Back to Basics

Before shelling out for that new plant, the question to be asked is: will it grow in my garden? Many factors come into play to determine whether or not a plant will perform well in your garden so it pays off to know your plot. Each kind of plant has its own needs and requirements and the more you know about the specifics of its origin, the more likely you are able to reproduce the conditions needed for its successful growing.

Generally the success of weeds is their tolerance of a wide variety of conditions, while others, such as the tassel fern, have very exacting requirements. Before you spend the time, effort and money attempting to grow a new plant in your garden, it is best to do some research to learn something about the conditions that the plant needs to grow properly. A Google search or a good reference book will provide this information and save you \$\$\$\$ and heartbreak!

Here are some of the environmental factors that influence plant growth:

Temperature

Plants grow best within an optimum range of temperatures and the range may be wide for some species, narrow for others. Plants survive only where temperatures allow them to carry on life-sustaining chemical reactions. Just because a plant comes from the tropics does not mean it will necessarily thrive in our area – think about the plant if it comes from over 1000m, perched on a branch in a cloud forest – will you be able to reproduce its growing requirements?

Heat

Heat tolerance varies widely from species to species. Many plants that naturally

grow in tropical regions are very heat tolerant, while most cool climate and alpine plants show very little tolerance for heat. High night temperatures are often the most limiting factor for many plants.

Cold

Plants differ in their ability to survive cold temperatures. Some tropical plants are injured by temperatures below 15 Celcius. Coffee and Breadfruit trees are susceptible at these temperatures.

Water

Different plants have different water needs. With our hot, wet summers, many plants that tolerate drought during the summer are vulnerable. These include many Mediterranean and South African species – hence the struggles to maintain lavenders, proteas and many WA treasures. Other plants need a consistent supply of moisture to grow well. Careful attention to water requirements can help you select plants that need a minimum of irrigation to perform well in your garden. With our high rain falls, good drainage is vital to most plant requirements.

pH

The ability of plant roots to take up certain nutrients depends on soil pH, which is a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of your soil. The pH scale runs from 0 to 14, with neutral at 7.0. Less than 7.0 is acidic (sour) and more is alkaline (sweet).

Most plants grow best in soils that have a pH near 7.0. Lime can be used to raise pH and materials containing sulfates such as aluminum sulfate and iron sulfate can be used to lower pH. The solubility of many trace elements is controlled by pH, and only the soluble forms of these important micronutrients can be used by plants. If a soil is too sour or too sweet, plants cannot take up nutrients like nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P) and potassium (K).

Tomato plants favor a neutral to slightly acidic soil. A pH range of between 6.0 and 6.5 is considered ideal

Iron is not very soluble at high pH and iron chlorosis is often present in high-pH soils, even if they contain abundant iron – often seen in citrus and gardenias.

Daylength

Daylength is sometimes a critical factor in regulating vegetative growth, flower initiation and development, and the induction of dormancy. Many plants such as chrysanthemums and poinsettia require specific daylength conditions to initiate flowering.

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For reviews on the Cedar Park Rainforest Resort go to http://www.tripadvisor.com.au/TravelersChoice-g8-cBargain-South_Pacific.html For the complete 2011 Travelers' Choice list, go to www.tripadvisor.com/travelerschoice.

The Cedar Park Team is proud to be a part of the Kuranda and Cairns Community. We would like to thank everybody for all the congratulatory mail and phone calls. We were surprised how many People are happy for our success. Thank you, Gracie, Danke schön, Merci, Gracias, Dank u, Σας ευχαριστούμε

The Cedar Park Team: Rosy, Christoph and Markus

Kuranda Chamber of Commerce and Tourism

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

KCCT hope that everyone has made a new year's resolution to become a member of the Kuranda Chamber of Commerce and Tourism. Do some networking and have some input on your village in the rainforest. What goals and achievements do you have for 2011 for Kuranda?

KCCT welcome new and existing members to our first meeting of the year on Tuesday 1st February 2011 at Malcolms Original Market place 4.30pm.

Robyn Vogler, Secretary



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Tablelands Regional Council advises residents that Barang Street, Kuranda will be closed for several weeks due to urgent works that need to be undertaken. Pipework under the road has collapsed and needs to be replaced. The works will take approximately 6-8 weeks. There are alternate routes available via Thongon Street and Thoree Streets, Kuranda and Masons Road and Fallon Road, Kuranda. Council apologises for any inconvenience caused by these urgent works.

Cedar Park Rainforest Resort

It's time to sneak away for a holiday. We need a refreshment served by someone else than Rosy, a nice meal not prepared by Christoph or Markus. We know it's tough to leave you behind ... and we don't even feel sorry.

Cedar Park is closed from 11th to 25th February

The Cedar Park Team

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KURANDA RAINFOREST RAIDERS

2011 Season Kicks off soon

Sign on day

Sat 5th Feb
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Free Sausage Sizzle!!

Kuranda Rainforest Raiders had a fantastic year in 2010 and are looking forward to a bigger and better season in 2011.

Kuranda District Junior Rugby League (KDJRL) gives a big welcome to the Kuranda District Senior Rugby League C grade team.

New players are welcome. Calling for interested people to fill coaching positions and help with management of teams. We welcome more involvement for our working committee.

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the Arts Page

Effervescence

Circa 1907 Contemporary Artspace

25 Jan – 19 Feb 2011

Rebecca Claire Edwards

Photographic artworks

Effervescence: to give off bubbles is a series of abstract images captured underwater, revealing texture, shape, form and drama. This contemporary series exist as a result of situation and experimentation and endeavour to capture the unusual.

"My motivation when I capture an image is to create an artwork that is beautiful to the viewer's eye. Images are planned and studio lighting is carefully considered. Photography is my outlet and through each photographic experience I receive, grow and learn."

Rebecca Claire Edwards graduated with a Bachelor of Photography from James Cook University in 2005. Rebecca lectures photography at James Cook University, is a freelance photographer and artist, and was a mentee in the 2010 Starburst Regional Mentoring Program managed by Youth Arts Queensland. Rebecca continues to exhibit her digital art in numerous group exhibitions throughout Far North Queensland.



OPENING NIGHT Fri 11 Feb 2011 6pm – 9pm

Please join us at Circa 1907 Contemporary Artspace, Lake St City Place at 6pm sharp to officially launch Effervescence.

Circa.1907 Contemporary Artspace, Lake St, City Place, Cairns

OPEN Tues to Sat 10am to 4pm FREE ENTRY

Effervescence exhibition dates 25 Jan – 19 Feb 2011 (Closed Australia Day 26 Jan 2011)

Focus Theatre

Treading the floor boards with Focus. Hope everyone had a good Xmas and New Year. Focus is starting to do short one act play readings starting on 3rd Feb. If you would like to come and do some readings, we start at 7pm at the Ampitheatre Understage. The bonus is, if you like one of the plays, we'll perform it onstage. The more the better. We already have some plays on the burner, but there is always room for more. We hope to see you at the Ampitheatre on Wednesday nights. Regards **Morgan**. "Keep your hair shapely"



On Sunday 14/11/10 Diana Monaghan attended a Cultural Morning Tea at the Tableland Regional Art Gallery in Atherton, where selected volunteers from across the Tablelands received a certificate of appreciation for their contribution of time and effort to benefit the arts community of the Tablelands. Diana received her certificate for her involvement with Focus Theatre.



Left: Diana Monaghan, Mayor Tom Gilmore.

President's Report

Dear Members and Friends,
February is election month! This is when members elect the management committee for the coming year. The KAS Committee currently comprises of seven members: President, Secretary, Treasurer and four committee members. Bookings and Media Officers are an integral part of the committee. Members are responsible for the ongoing management, maintenance, events, community and Council partnerships etc, of the Amphitheatre. The roles are interesting and exciting, giving each person an understanding, and experience of, the machinations

of the Amphitheatre. Involvement in all events is necessary, attendance at meetings, and of course, 100% support of the Amphitheatre and its future. **The AGM is scheduled for Sunday 27th February at 4pm.**

Written nominations are to be received by The Secretary, PO Box 500 Kuranda by 5pm on Friday 18th February 2011.

We wish to congratulate our latest Volunteer of the Month, **SONYA RICHARDSON**. Sonya is a new member of the Amphitheatre this year and has already given a huge amount of time and energy for the positive outcomes of the Amphitheatre.

Thanks Sonya!

A General Meeting is scheduled for Sunday 13th February at 4pm. To enable the continued growth and sustainability of the Amphitheatre a proposal of workplace procedures will be presented to members at this meeting. Hope to see you there.

Cheers,

Mandy

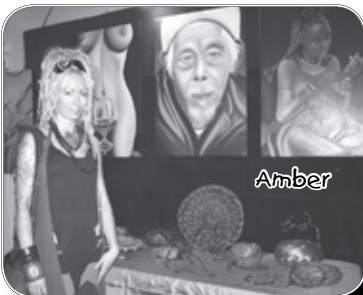
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Kuranda Amphitheatre

**Annual General Meeting
Sunday 27 Feb, 4:00 pm.**

**General Meeting
Sunday 13 Feb, 4:00 pm.**



**To all the freaks and funsters of Kuranda,
Looney Poets is on again Friday 18 Feb.
at the Amphitheatre Top Stage**

**So dust off the old spell and poetry book
and give us what you've got.**

**It's a great night out with light
refreshments and yummy food.**

Entry is just 8 bucks (\$8), and well worth it.

**Feel free to get up on stage and shake your thing,
who knows, you might even get a diamond ring.**

Let the poetry run forth!!



ALL IS ART

It's 2011 already! Only one year to go til the end of the world as we know it. I hope we don't blow it. Somehow the world ends every day, at least the one we thought we knew. The fabrication of society wears thin and lets us see what lies within. It should be no surprise that it's pretty much the same for all, big or small. And while Truth at last is getting a hearing, Justice will find itself on trial. Anyhow, when it all implodes we won't be too worried about the same old things we used to. This is happening all over the place right now. Floods, etc, caused by global warming, caused by over-production. We're just not going to worry too much about our precious possessions any more. Anyhow they'll probably get all smashed up, or water-logged. Now what fool would want to try and replace all that stuff knowing that the manufacture of that same stuff caused the problem in the first place? I think this is what they call the economy. Well, "Come on End-of-world-as-we-know-it" I say. Not to worry. Now that Truth has made a stand, we won't do anything that stupid next time. "Come on Start-of-world-as-we-know-it-can-be". Anyhow, in the meantime we ought to get on with our Art, our Music, our Poetry. That might be all we have left. Why did we want all that other stuff anyway? Yes my friend, as they say in India "all that remains is the Dance". Have a great 2011, Art Lovers, and enjoy the dance, seren





Kuranda Resort and Spa

We welcome our new owner, Pommy Johnny, yes, someone with a keen community focus and action at last!!!! Your Kuranda Resort is very pleased to also have on board our very popular and talented Italian chef, Daniel. Come in and try the new menu. And more good news; we have Ben in his new role as Restaurant Supervisor. Ben is well known to many for his exemplary service and high standards and is a well respected asset to our team. Jacquie the one and only, is still holding the helm with her fabulousness. Joanne is back on track and is helping pull everything together and will be offering spa and hairdressing services, with all her usual pizzazz. We look forward to welcoming you to your re-vibed and fabulous resort with a distinctly local flavour.

up coming events

Friday, 11 February: 5.30-8.30pm
Kuranda-ites Hour with Davy Simony and Jayden Williams on double bass
 Also, come in and meet the Resort's new owner, Pommy Johnny. Please join us for a complimentary drink and nibbles between 5.30pm and 6.30pm and share with us your vision of what you would like from a re-vibed Resort.

IT'S MY PARTY BIRTHDAY SPECIALS

Receive \$50 credit at the bar or in the restaurant when you come in with 4 or more friends. Bookings essential. Cut out this voucher to get the deal and come in and spoil yourself!!!



➤ Kuranda-ites Hour 5.30 - 6.30



Valentine's Day 14 February

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Celebrate with a glass of bubbly and a red rose for your special person on arrival. Indulge in an extensive menu available from our popular chef Daniel. **Accommodation is also included.** Check out our other great packages and call us direct so we can tailor-make a special night just for you, and make this Valentine's Day the best one yet.

Baby-sitting facilities are also available upon request. Call us on 07 4093 7556 and make a booking.

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MUSIC PAGE



LOONY POETS NIGHTS

The Loony Poets Nights are fast becoming a popular evening of entertainment with local Kuranda-ites. An informal evening, hosted by Lunar, Morgan & Quiffy, and presented in open mic style, anyone is invited to take a turn at the microphone; whether it be to share a song or musical piece from the stage, recite a poem or share a story from the 'Comfy Chair', or act out a skit on our 'Live Loony Poets' television, we welcome you to perform to your heart's content...

The December Loony Poets Night met on the Full Moon Solstice. The top shed looked amazing, all decked out for the night (see Arts Page 7). It was a fun evening for everyone. Special guest acts were Dave Cooke, Peter McCabe, Gwain Barker, Twiggy, and Deb Robinson. Dan & Yuki gave a wonderful performance as 'Bosko & Honey'. Always a favourite with the audience, they were welcomed back resoundingly to the Amphitheatre by all present. Their performance included a medley of well chosen, original music.

We were also treated to some very fine story telling & poetry recitals by, amongst others, David Jones aka Quiffy, Di Russo, Phil Free, Morgan Hurst, our very own Hacker, the infamous Carl Neale, and introducing Isaac and Tegan Crowley sharing some original written works, including a tributary reading of poems written by Lisa Crowley.

Resident live visual artist, Mark Steiner, intrigued the audience, with a live portrait creation on the night. Guest artist on the evening was Kuranda based artist, the amazingly talented, Amber Gill, who exhibited a selection of her incredible paintings. Also displayed were wire sculptures by 'Bent & Twisted' Pete, and coconut weavings, by yours truly, to help create an even more special atmosphere.

An all round entertaining evening!!

Next Loony Poets Night, Friday 18th February, celebrating the full moon, and this month there are bound to be some funny Valentine Day's anecdotes, so get into the spirit and dress in Red! Check out the Gig Guide for more details.

Kitty



Xavier Rudd at the Amphi, Dec 2010

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Sunday 27th Feb.

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Zennith Boyz Astro Brim, Biri-Jah, Isaac Crowley, Aden Brim, Lindsay Snider & Willie Brim, won top award for **Best Local Band** voted by **TimeOUT Awards** on January 15th 2011. Knowing the calibre of performers in our region this is a huge honour.

Congratulations Boyz, you do us proud!!

KURANDA GIG GUIDE FEBRUARY 2011

FRIDAY 28th JANUARY
Kuranda Resort & Spa
Dave Cooke
6.30-9.30pm

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**SUNDAY 30th JANUARY**  
Nevermind Cafe & Jungle Bar  
Davy Simony, singer/guitarist  
3.30-6.30pm

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SATURDAY 5th FEBRUARY
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**FRIDAY 11th FEBRUARY**  
Kuranda Resort & Spa  
Davy Simony, singer/guitarist  
& Jayden Williams on double bass  
5.30-8.30pm

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MONDAY 14th FEBRUARY
Kuranda Resort & Spa
Valentine's Day Special
Featuring "Astrid Erika"
Harp player & Singer/songwriter
6.30-9.30pm
(See ad for more details)

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**FRIDAY 18th FEBRUARY**  
The Top Shed, Kuranda Amphitheatre  
Loony Poets Night  
Full Moon  
Open Mic style  
Dinner & Chai Tea available  
Gates Open 7.00pm, Entry \$8

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SUNDAY 20th FEBRUARY
Kuranda Resort & Spa
Koahlition Tropical Reggae
7-9pm

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**SUNDAY 27th FEBRUARY**  
Nevermind Cafe & Jungle Bar  
Crying Tiger  
Meals available  
3.30-6.30pm

## THE BOOGIE BROTHERS MUSIC NEWS & REVIEWS

**Our Albums of the Year: Three Boogie Brothers - Three selections for our 2010 Pick of the Year's releases**

**Grinderman:** "Grinderman" Nick Cave, Warren Ellis, Martyn Casey, Jim Sclavunos. Four very tough, seasoned rock musicians belting out the best music they've ever played. The Caveman's, wolfish, sardonic and oh-so-lyrical vocals. At forty minutes it's way too short! More!

**The National:** "High Violet" The cutting edge of contemporary late-night rock. Perfect musicianship, thoughtful lyrics; silky and masculine vocals. A rare, elegant gem.



**Dan Sultan:** "Get out while you Can" The breakthrough album from a major new Australian talent. Rich and earthy; raw and rockin'. Dan's the man.

**CD Reviews:** Holly Golightly and the Broke Offs: "Medicine County" This immediately shifts you back to Marianne Faithful's "Broken English" And you know (we hope) how raw, broken and just incredibly good that was. Then it dives into a really solid rock rhythm, recorded in Georgia, and you won't miss the touch of infectious, exuberant rock of the 'Georgia Satellites'. A strong country edge; taken to a surreal level of caricature with "Blood on the Saddle". Never mind, they also venture into Rolling Stones territory, "When He Comes" could be straight off "Exile" and "Eyes in the back of my Head" is even more so. Hello Mick 'n Keef!

A nice vocal mix from the slightly scary looking male/female duo. She's got a voice that ranges from a sharp cutting edginess to soft, sweet, romantic and he's 'kinda' soft country-rock.

Very 'Portishead' in places - and that's a good thing

too. No actual names on the liner notes, but very English - even a touch of the heavy "Abbey Road" Beatles. Strong Roots indeed. A Rich mix. [www.myspace.com/hollygolightlyandthebrokeoffs](http://www.myspace.com/hollygolightlyandthebrokeoffs)

**Battles:** "Mirrored" If you still got a liking for drums 'n bass, this is definitely worth checking out. Some strong military beats marching along; trancy hypno-tech floating in and out, and funny little vocal harmonies sweetening the mix. If you need to shift the vibe out to the weird edge, this CD is just the ticket. There's enough variation going on to keep it interesting, but in the end, it is still very drums 'n bass. Good fun at the spacey end of the evening. When you need to step back a little from the beckoning oblivion. As you do...



**The Boogie Brothers**





"See the Lights"

## RECREATION CENTRE

Hunter Park, Fallon Road  
Kuranda



### What's On and When

**Monday:** 4x4 Soccer, 6.00pm-8.00pm.

Tennis, 6.00pm-8.00pm

Social Night, 5.00pm

**Tuesday:** Tai Chi 6.30-7.30pm, Contact Les Anwyl, 4093 8276 or 0400 938 276.

**Wednesday:** Tennis, 6.00pm-8.00pm

Social Night, 5.00pm

**Thursday:** Available for opportunity bookings.

**Friday:** Social Night, Pool, Darts, Table Tennis and Tennis. Meals in Sandra's Kitchen.

**Saturday:** Free for opportunity bookings.

**Sunday:** FILM CLUB, first Sunday of every month. Contact Margaret or Hans 4093 8393.

**Uniting Church:** every second Sunday of the month, contact Krishna 4093 8730.

#### NEW BAR OPENING TIMES:

Sunday, Wednesday, Friday from 5.00pm

#### RECREATIONAL TENNIS

Courts, Fallon Road

**Beginners tennis tuition** 6.00pm every Monday.

**Social tennis** 6.00pm Sunday and Wednesday

Enquiries to Kuranda Tennis Club

**Aileen 4093 7401 • Rudy 4093 8453**

#### WANT TO PLAY BOWLS?

Ring Sylvia 4093 7124

#### WANT TO PLAY VOLLEY BALL?

Every Wednesday at 6pm for a 6.30pm start.

Ring Leo 0405 116 066 or Lisa 4093 9659

#### WANT TO PLAY NETBALL?

Ring Juliet on 4093 0067, Kirsten on 4093 0000

or Leo 0405 116 066

**Venue Hire:** Need a venue for a private function? A business function or a community group meeting place? Telephone 4093 7511 or 4093 7109.

## COME and TRY

Clubs Development and Structured  
Recreational Activity

## GRASS COURT SPORTS

Volleyball • Netball

### • Lawn Bowls • Modified Soccer

- **Aim:** To get interested parties and new players together for recreation, fitness and fun
- **Purpose:** to survey the activities' response and thereafter determine the potential community needs
- **On offer:** Grassed rink and courts for social players to make more use of and improved as needed
- **Includes:** Some equipment and questions answered by experienced players to get you familiar with these activities and gives young and old a chance to experience sports and games that are organized with rules, referees, skills and strategy at a non competitive low key level to see if you like them.

We encourage everyone to *Come and Try* these sports so they can come together regularly and have some healthy fun!

**The Recreation Centre:** a base for lots of activity. The next **Come and Try** day to be announced in future editions of the Kuranda Paper — keep you posted.

**SUNDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2011**

**Play off 2.00pm • Last Play 8.00pm**

**Refreshments Available**

**Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road**

"See the Lights"

## Kuranda Recreation Centre

JANUARY NEWS AND ACTIVITIES UPDATE

### 2011 – The Year of the Rabbit – let's get hopping

Welcome to the New Year and new opportunities for all of the community to enjoy some time being active. The momentum grows from all of the hard work and achievements experienced in the past twelve months and a wide welcome is extended for everybody to participate!

See the news on the latest Come and Try Day planned for February 13th.

The Centre is open to hire for approved clients for meetings, seminars and private functions. We also have chairs and tables for hire for your functions at home, at reasonable rates. More information and bookings, please ring **Arch 4093 7511**.

Access to the Centre has been made simpler with the appointment of the a caretaker. The smiling face of Dave McDonald will greet you and be ready to answer any of your questions regarding opening times and events.

Most importantly, the **AGM** will be held on the **5th March 2011 at 4.00pm**. Watch for next month's paper with special events for the day.



**Lawn Bowls:** Social lawn bowls is played weekly at 7.00 pm Friday night, weather permitting, only heavy rain will limit play as the rink has the fastest drainage characteristics in the tropical north! More information, please ring **Sylvia 4093 7124**.

**Soccer:** On representing Kuranda a Club for Soccer for juniors is being established to help foster individual and team talent when it is abundantly clear there is plenty in our district. For those families who don't want to drive down the hill or to Mareeba, attempts are being made on your behalf to enter Tablelands Soccer this year. This day will therefore double as the first of a few chances to SIGN ON for the Kuranda Soccer Club and that will lead to tuition session opportunities and even young players identified and fostered to competition. Visits to schools, clinics or kids and officials will be offered and flyers will be available in the community to notify all the dates for becoming a foundation member. Junior Soccer training starts this week with everyone training this year needing to sign in to train and/or play on weekends in the district competition beginning in March. More information, please ring **Gary 4093 8399**.

**Swim Club:** The swim club will use the Centre for presentations and fundraising when it cannot operate at the pool. Summer is here...so is the Kuranda Pool, a great way to exercise and get some sun while socialising with other aquaholics. More information, please ring **Gary 4093 8399**.

**Volleyball:** Has been dormant over winter but is expected to fire up again next month with the Come and Try session a perfect time to get back into it. More information – please ring Leo 0405 116 066 or Lisa 4093 9659.

**Netball:** We have quite a strong interest base registered so all those awaiting to bounce into some social games and hone their goal shooting skills, please contact our coordinator for information. **Juliet 4093 0067**.

**Tennis:** The Kuranda Tennis Club, is happy to announce that social games are on Sunday and Wednesday from 6pm to 8pm and tuition for beginners at 5.30pm every Monday. This year we are hopeful of commencing a local competition so come and sign on at the Come and Try Day! More information, please ring Aileen 4093 7401 or Rudy 4093 8453 or contact

Dave at the club 4093 9007

**Basketball:** Anyone interested in using the new Backboards and getting into shooting some goals with friends and developing this activity are encouraged to contact **Gary 4093 8399**.

**Social Nights:** If you are worn out just reading about all the options available at the KRC, don't panic; Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5.00pm will have Dave willing to serve you and quench your thirst! Remember, you don't have to be physical to enjoy the atmosphere at the KRC. Indoor activities are options with darts and pool tables, table tennis or card games, maybe just a social gathering with friends.

Friday Night remains popular for a simple and tasty meal, but, please confirm bookings with Sandra and avoid disappointment - telephone **4093 7393**.

**From the President:** Try one, try all; we might also try some modified Cricket. In what will be the most varied of all of our Try It days, this one allows everyone to reuse the old lawn bowls rink for other sports and generate a new energy into this wonderful community facility. Being Summer and the wet season we will have some indoor alternatives if we are deluged. This Come and Try it day brings us within the shelter of the club building and the lights will go on in the evening to continue into the night for the older individuals. The program would work as mid to late afternoon for Netball, some Volleyball and Lawn Bowls over the twilight and some night Soccer to finish. Three of the sports have already been established with the dividing of the lawn bowls square in 2009. So calling all those Volleyballers, Bowlers and Soccer Players:



let's get a competition established for 2011, there is a user pay system, incentives for club membership and no costly affiliation fees, as a local comp. can be for recreation and fitness rather than representation.

## Kuranda Aquatic Centre

*Public Swimming Pool*

Est. September 2008

#### OPENING HOURS

1<sup>st</sup> September – 30<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 12 noon – 6.00pm

Tues – Fri 6.00am – 6.00pm

Saturday 8.00am – 6.00pm

Sunday 10.00am – 5.00pm

#### ADMISSION PRICES

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Spectators \$1.50

Family (2A + 2C) \$9.50

20 Entry Pass 20% discount

**Managers Gary & Linda Davis**

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262 Myola Road, Kuranda





# Kuranda Pool News

The vacation period has been relatively kind to us weather wise with some lovely mornings and sun through January boosting family numbers, functions and events in what, typically, is wet. The Boxing day pool party was well attended thanks to DJ Paris. A Vacation Kids fun day was put together by Dameon Hunter from Ngoombi. The holiday Learn to Swim Intensives have again been well received with each of the three weeks very well attended and the children stronger swimmers for it. The concept of 4-8 year olds swimming five days straight really helps them get fit and ready for the water.

With school going back to a twelve week term last week we have skipped week one for swimming lessons and we will start on 31 January. This term's block of lessons will apply for eleven weeks to the Easter break. What with the re-settling of students and Australia day in the middle we will re-affirm with a solid start of five after school days a week of lessons, stroke development and squads. We will also go back to three mornings a week of babies, toddlers and preschoolers on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Kuranda College's Swim program will re-commence on 7th of February and the College's Swimming Carnival will be on Friday 18th taking up the whole pool for the day between 9:00am 3:00pm. All welcome to spectate.

Finally action has started on the Shade Sail structure for the toddler pool and surrounds. The posts have been positioned and put up and in the next week we look forward to the shade materials being brought in and hung. This will mean sun protection for the smallest swimmers and their parents can look forward to much more time splashing and having fun in their pool knowing they are safer and comfortable. Look for the gigantic colored sails!

**Gary and Linda Davis**  
Managers Aquatic Swimming Centre

# Kuranda Taekwondo Club Kicks Into 2011

Students from Queensland Self Defence and Taekwondo Academy recently returned to training at the Kuranda CWA hall.

Branch Instructor Patricia Goldfinch commended those students returning and proceeded to teach the new material required in preparation for the March quarterly grading. In addition, Patricia is preparing students who will compete at the All Australia International Taekwondo Federation's State Championships in Brisbane later this year. All FNQ instructors currently hold the relevant certification to officiate at State and National level and will assist in the running of this event.

QSDTA is now in its 32nd year of providing quality Taekwondo and self defence instruction to students of all ages and backgrounds throughout the State. Popularity for the club is based on its commitment to the teaching of traditional Taekwondo, accompanied by the inclusion of straight-forward practical self defence training.

The objectives of Taekwon-do are to

- Cultivate strong moral character
- Strengthen the body
- Bring out one's strong qualities
- Display powerful techniques, in essence – to develop the Mind, Body, and Spirit.

For those students

who may be interested, QSDTA Founder, Mr Graham Moulden will be conducting an International Taekwondo seminar in Thailand in December this year. Those participating will have an opportunity to combine sightseeing with training under the direction of Sabum Graham at his dojang in Thailand.

Kuranda students are reminded of the changed class times—starting at 6.30pm through to 8.00pm. Those interested in trying Taekwondo should come along on Tuesdays or Thursdays for a free introductory lesson, or research our club at [www.queensland-selfdefence.com.au](http://www.queensland-selfdefence.com.au).

*Below: SBI Chris flying side kick*




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## Two Ladies Talking in Heaven...

1st woman: Hi Wanda.  
2nd woman: Hi Sylvia. How'd you die?  
1st woman: I froze to death.  
2nd woman: How horrible!  
1st woman: It wasn't so bad. After I quit shaking from the cold, I began to get warm and sleepy, and finally died a peaceful death. What about you?  
2nd woman: I died of a massive heart attack. I suspected that my husband was cheating, so I came home early to catch him in the act. But instead, I found him all by himself in the den watching TV.  
1st woman: So, what happened?  
2nd woman: I was so sure there was another woman there somewhere that I started running all over the house looking. I ran up into the attic and searched, and down into the basement. Then I went through every closet and checked under all the beds. I kept this up until I had looked everywhere, and finally I became so exhausted that I just keeled over with a heart attack and died.  
1st woman: Too bad you didn't look in the freezer – we'd both still be alive.

  
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# Inside My Studio

Interview by Toni Rogers



It didn't matter that the rain was tumbling down or the sun was not shining, the colour and energy generating from **Mollie Bosworth's** garden and surrounds compensated. Mollie's office is an artwork in its own right, with designs, photographs, memorabilia and 'scribblings' wrapping around the office walls. 'Ordered chaos' I think it is called. You can see immediately that this is a working area of a very creative mind.

## **Where is your current studio?**

My studio is located downstairs, under my home at Top of the Range estate surrounded by my garden and the rainforest. When I get going my pottery activities take over most of the house. The office computer is the hub of communication and design, the spare bedroom doubles as a packing room and the veranda is used for photography sessions.

## **Do you work alone or with others?**

I design, make and market all my work alone. On rare occasions, I have collaborated with other artists on special projects.

## **What are the essential features your studio has to have?**

It has to have electricity, a pottery wheel and kiln, access to running water and good light.

## **Describe your work pattern – hours/days/weeks.**

My work pattern can be very erratic. It is often driven by deadlines for exhibitions or wholesale orders. It often goes in cycles of two or three weeks. After each firing, works are packed and sent off and I relax and clean up for a few days before starting the next group of work. My time is fairly flexible and I can usually take time off when I choose.

## **Describe the work you do in your studio.**

I make porcelain pieces by either wheel throwing or hand built methods. These are worked in series with no two pieces being exactly the same. Wheel thrown bowls currently make up most of my work. These are decorated in many methods with laser prints being a current favourite. The designs for the prints are worked from images in Photoshop. Each piece is hand polished and goes through two kiln firings. My recent work uses very little glaze.

## **Why is clay your chosen medium?**

It is the plasticity of clay which attracts me. There are so many ways of 'making' to explore. There is also an endless choice in clays, firing temperatures and glaze styles. I have mostly specialised in high fired stoneware and porcelain clays. I enjoy using Southern Ice porcelain, brought up from Victoria. It is so white and translucent.

## **List three things you listen to while working.**

ABC National radio, Dig radio and an eclectic mix of music on CDs.

## **Your favourite tool?**

Probably my Japanese Shippo pottery wheel which my father bought for me over 20 years ago. I have just been bogging the rust spots and I'm sure it'll keep going for another 20 years. I certainly hope so. Other little tools I've made myself for specific jobs are hard to do without.

## **How do you identify your work? (signature/stamp/chop)**

Usually I use a little clay stamp with a 'MB' symbol which I have been using for a long time. Special pieces sometimes get a full signature.

## **How do you sell your work?**

Mainly retail sales, at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative Gallery and several selected outlets in Cairns and the Tablelands. Nationally, I have outlets in Perth, Melbourne, Sydney, Mittagong, Canberra and South Australia. I have received invitations to participate in ceramic group exhibitions both nationally and internationally and the sales and recognition I have received from these experiences have been pleasing. I am getting a good response from my website, mostly from galleries, retail outlets and professional opportunities. It is certainly a 'must-have' tool for a world-wide presence and promotion.

## **Do you teach or sell from your studio?**

I have conducted regular small pottery classes from my studio for several years, currently being held on Thursday mornings.

## **What do you do with your seconds?**

What seconds? Seriously, any artist who experiments, pushes the boundaries and evaluates their work honestly, will have work they aren't happy with. In pottery, we have work we are happy with but the kiln can change our expectations sometimes for the worst. I am learning to smash up all inferior work or put some pieces in my garden. Sometimes seconds sit on the studio shelf as learning pieces for problem solving. They remind me of what can and does go wrong.

## **Do you have any other paid or unpaid jobs?**

Rarely paid jobs, however, I am remunerated to teach or demonstrate my craft at workshops or conferences. I went to Perth to demonstrate in October last year. Apart from that, I volunteer at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative Gallery three or four times a month and assist in its administration as Chairperson.

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

A building extension for packing, photography and display would be great to keep it all in the one area. I have just extended for the kiln room so I don't think a further extension will be happening very soon.

## **If you were not working with pottery what would you be doing?**

Probably gardening. It lures me away from my studio work and sometimes it is hard to go back. I can get totally absorbed in my plants and the colour and design. However, it is the endless jobs in the garden that can consume me.

**Mollie Bosworth's ceramic works can be found at the Kuranda Arts Co-operative Gallery in Coondoo Street. Mollie has won many awards, and commissions. Her work is highly sought after by discerning collectors. Mollie's creativity extends into her garden and for a number of years has featured publicly with the Australian Open Garden Scheme. This is currently on hold to enable Mollie to renovate and revamp the front section of her garden with pebbles and new plantings.**

## Kuranda Medical Centre

Kuranda Medical would like to welcome Dr Alex Lapenga who joined us on 4th January 2011 as a full time GP. Please feel free to come in or ring and make an appointment to see our new GP, Alex.

We would also like to welcome Dr Marissa Woodburn as of 24 January 2011. Marissa joins us as a GP Registrar in her Subsequent year of Training.

Dr Aileen Traves will continue to work at the Medical Centre on a part time basis, including the fortnightly Wednesday Kowrowa Clinic.

Doctors Dave, Helen and Julia continue to work on their set rostered days.

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We would also like to thank all the lovely patients in our Community who sent in or delivered the wonderful assortment of Christmas Cards, Home Baking and Chocolates, it was very much appreciated from all the Doctors, Nurses, Reception and Admin. Staff. We are now the ones who will need to go on a Diet!

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# Book Review

**“Before the Fallout:  
from Marie Curie to Hiroshima ”**  
(Berkley Books 2006)

**Diana Preston**  
ISBN 9780 42520 7895  
\$15.95

We are all accustomed to the reality of radioactivity in our material lives. We hear it talked about, we are aware of its uses, both for good and for bad. We know that it has its dangers, and we may have different views on such things as the advisability of nuclear power generation and the value or otherwise of the nuclear deterrent. But its practical use in some form or other now seems to be an established feature of modern society – for example, in X-rays and in the treatment of some cancers.

But what do we know about the complex history behind the unlocking of the secrets of radioactivity, and in particular the human aspects of how this was done? Here is the classic example of something, the reality of radioactivity, that was hidden within nature and then brought to light. It was perhaps inevitable with modern advances in science and technology that this was going to happen. Radioactivity is a potentially benevolent force, existing harmoniously in nature. But being of the greatest magnitude, it is so powerful that it could, once discovered and misused, destroy humanity. The chain of events from the early discoveries of the Curies to the terrible events at Hiroshima and Nagasaki and beyond to the present day, hold lessons for all of us. This book details those events in an illuminating manner that holds our attention, causing us to also consider what is yet to come.

The book highlights the work of famous scientists such as the Curies, Rutherford from New Zealand, Einstein, Fermi, Teller, Oppenheimer and others. It also details the concerns felt among the Allies about progress towards a “dirty bomb” by the Nazis and the real dangers that this posed to the War effort and to civilization (foreshadowing the fears of nuclear proliferation today). The testing of the first atomic bombs is discussed, leading up to the first and so far only aggressive use of nuclear weapons at Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The effect of these events on the course of history is analysed. Also referred to are the attitudes of the scientists involved, ranging from simple objectivity through to one of concern for the consequences of their actions and discoveries.

The book is a cause for reflection. All things in nature are neutral and cannot be categorized in terms of their goodness or badness. There is no point in referring to the existence of radioactivity in nature as a negative or bad thing. Nature operates according to a regime of natural, interlocking laws of amazing dynamism, complexity and design, with all things having their legitimate place. However some organisms can, if taken or used in certain degrees by humans, have a detrimental effect – for example – natural poisons. Radioactivity is similar in its effect. It is human beings that have the capacity by choice to take and use aspects of nature in new ways. It is only in this element of choice that assessments of good or bad can be made. Humans are responsible for the choices they make and are accountable accordingly.

So far, in this and in other ways, humanity has made many bad choices. On any rational or moral basis, humans have sometimes used and applied the principles of radioactivity in ways that deserve to be strongly condemned. We must learn from history’s mistakes. There is a strong argument that it is time to revert, on a united planetary basis, to the rational and morally defensible use of nature on an ongoing basis. Failure to do so may be catastrophic. It is a matter of choice and responsibility.

The book ends: “In thinking about history but, above all, about the future, we should not depersonalize situations but remember our individual responsibility for them and the consequences for others.”

We should read this book to understand how, by the use and misuse of radioactivity in nature, we have reached this point in human history, as well as its lessons for the future.

**Graham Nicholson**  
*Hidden Words Bookshop, Kuranda,  
Tel 4093 7120*

## The Popular Cantata Choir Sings Again

Plans are underway for a Cantata this year. Rehearsals for “God With Us”, a choral celebration of God’s love for all people, will commence in Mareeba on Tuesday, 25th January at 7.30pm in the Uniting Church, next to Target, opposite Coles, in Walsh Street. Initial rehearsals will be held as well in the Uniting Church in Atherton under the direction of Edna Wright (ph 4095 3756) starting on Monday, February 7th. If you enjoy singing do come. There are no auditions.

For more information contact Ruth on 4093 0303. Performances are planned for Atherton, Mareeba and Cairns over the weekend April 15th to 17th, the week before Easter. This activity is supported by the Tablelands Regional Council through its Regional Arts Development Fund.



**Kuranda Film Society**

## Fundraising film evening for Queensland flood victims

**Sunday 6th February at 4.00 pm  
at the Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road**

**A curry supper will be provided at interval for the donation  
of a bank note.**

**All money raised will go to the Red Cross.**

### Shades

Based on the award winning novel by Nick Earls, 48 Shades of Brown, this coming of age comedy is about a 16 year old, Dan, who must choose between going to Geneva with his parents for a year or move into a house with his young Aunt, Jacq, and her roommate, Naomi. He chooses the latter and now, in his final year of school, has to come to terms with survival in an adult world and falling in love for the first time.

### The Caterpillar Wish

Susan’s given up on men. Stephen’s given up on life. Elizabeth’s given up on marriage and Carl has plenty to hide. All too afraid to confront the painful past, or the untenable present, until an innocent young girl, Emily (Victoria Thaine), who just wants to find her father, takes action and everything changes. Set in a small coastal town one tumultuous winter, it is a story about the complexities of life, loss, relationships, forgiveness and finding the courage to believe they have the power to transform their own lives.

**Subscription for 2011 is \$20 per year, commencing February,  
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## SENATOR THE HON JAN MCLUCAS SENATOR FOR QUEENSLAND

## KEEP YOUR BACK-TO-SCHOOL RECEIPTS

As families across the Far North are preparing for the commencement of the school year later this month, Senator Jan McLucas is reminding parents to hold on to their receipts as they do their shopping.

“The start of the school year can put strain on the household budget however the Federal Government’s Education Tax Refund will put some money back into the pockets of eligible parents,” Senator McLucas said.

The Education Tax Refund helps with the cost of educating primary and secondary school children.

Families can claim 50 per cent of eligible education expenses, up to a maximum refund of \$794 for high school children and \$397 for primary school children on back-to-school items.

Senator McLucas said a range of items may be claimed under the Education Tax Refund including:

- school textbooks and other printed learning material, including prescribed textbooks, associated learning materials, study guides and stationery
- home computers and laptops
- computer-related equipment such as printers, USB flash drives, software for educational use and aids to assist in the use of computer equipment for students with special needs
- home internet connections
- prescribed trade tools for secondary school trade courses.

“Keep your receipts and claim everything you are entitled to. The Australian Government introduced the Education Tax Refund to help families with education expenses so I urge local parents to hang on to those receipts, which really can add up to a sizeable amount, and put some money back in their pockets.”

The Education Tax Refund, along with the Child Care Rebate and Paid Parental Leave scheme, reinforces the Government’s commitment to reducing cost of living pressures on working families.

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Welcome to the New Year from Kuranda Horse and Pony Club. To start the year off our club's SIGN ON and AGM with a sausage sizzle is on Saturday 5th February at 2pm. This year all committee positions are vacant and will need to be filled so please consider taking on a role to help keep the club alive!

All welcome, any new horsey people out there come along and find out what pony club has to offer.

Membership fees for this year are Riding members \$75.00 and Social members \$30.00.

With this membership is the responsibility of donating some of your time in either fundraising and working bees to keep the grounds in good condition. Pony Club is a volunteer organisation so a little bit from everyone goes along way!

If anyone needs any more information about the club please email Di at paulanddi@bigpond.com

Until further notice our fortnightly social nights for Food and Drinks will be put on hold till a decision is made at the next meeting with the new committee. Keep an eye out in the next paper for this year's happenings.

Hoping it will be a good year, as it's starting off a pretty wet one specially down south – our thoughts go out to all our fellow horse owners who are doing it tough. We wish them well.



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# KURANDA ARTS CO-OP

## Photographers' Dream

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Although floodwaters have entered the lower levels of some of Brisbane's major cultural institutions, there is no damage to any of the artworks or artefacts in their collections. The Queensland Art Gallery (QAG), Gallery of Modern Art (GoMA), Queensland Museum, Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) and the State Library remain closed to the public.

## Travelling Co-op Artists

Laurel McKenzie and Margaret Genever are travelling to Paris to study Elles@CentrePompidou (the National Modern Art Museum of France) – the works of women from the 20th century to the present day from the museum's collections. This landmark show is the Pompidou's first exhibition comprised entirely of the works of women. Elles is of particular interest to Laurel who is enrolled in a Creative Arts PhD at James Cook University as her research topic focuses on the role of significant women in a range of cultures and how these have relevance today. The pair will stay three weeks, visiting other galleries and museums especially those with shows of relevance to their current work. As both are printmakers, they will visit several print studios in Paris to view some of the latest processes in that discipline, as well as the Cité International des Arts where Laurel previously had a residency. And if they have any time left over, they intend to give serious consideration to French champagne, bread, cheese and sausage.

A fair way off – but important now, a 'must do' for all artists.

Enrolments are being taken by Fibre Arts Australia for a fibre event during 18-24 September 2011 to be held at The Cathedral School, Townsville, Qld

This is a new event on the very popular diary of Fibre Arts Australia. There will be seven International tutors and five Australian tutors, the best in their fields.

The information for the event and tutors is on the FIBRE ARTS AUSTRALIA website [www.fibrearts.viviti.com](http://www.fibrearts.viviti.com)

They include:

- Christine Atkins, Aust. (Modern Relics: Jewellery)
- Bobby Britnell, UK (Locating and Abstracting)
- Pamela Croft, Aust. (Textured: A Visual Narrative)
- Jane Dunnewold, USA (Complex Cloth)
- Michelle Eastwood, Aust. (Stitched in memories)
- John Garrett, USA (Experimental Fibre Constructions with alternative and recycled materials)
- Steve Gonsalves, Aust. (Photography as Art)
- Angie Hughes, UK (Indian Block Printing with a Difference)
- Sherril Kahn, USA (Mixed media, Collage/Applique and Composition Techniques)
- Elizabeth Lada-Gray (Collections and Obsessions – a personal exploration via collaged art making)
- Cherilyn Martin, Netherlands (New Dimensions in Surfaces and Stitch – a include journey of discovery)
- Catherine O'Leary (Unique Body Wraps)

It is going to be a very exciting event with so many international tutors in the one place in FNQ. Contact either Glenys Mann, Fibre Arts Australia direct or speak to Toni Rogers at the Arts Co-op. Toni has attended previous workshops under this umbrella. She will thoroughly endorse the event and will be attending in September. Early bookings with Fibre Arts Australia are essential as there are limited spaces.

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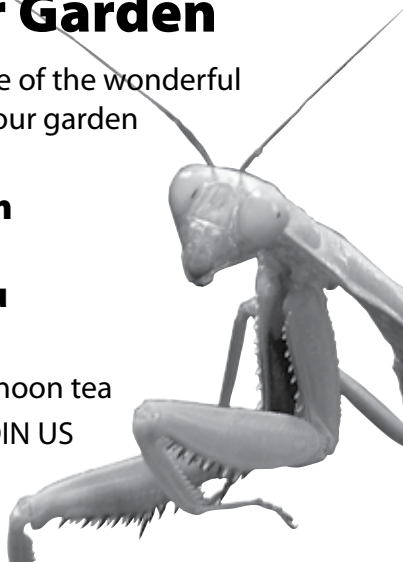
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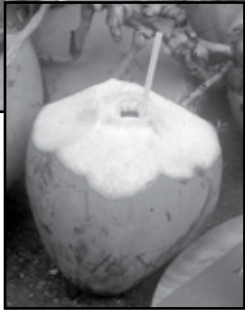




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# Living in Kuranda

## Living With(out) Mould

**If the “La Nina” weather pattern continues, more rain is expected through the “Wet Season” until April or May, extending the #1 tropical housekeeping hazard – Mould.**

Queensland’s current flood disaster drastically highlights flood victims’ next battle with the toxic black mould, which requires help from flood damage specialists. (See video online at <http://tinyurl.com/2dftsrt>)

While the rain continues, make life healthier with these easy precautions. However, black mould inside your home must be removed with proper safety precautions or professional advice.

Mould grows where there is excess moisture, little sunlight and no air circulation, cross ventilation or extraction.

### BATHROOM

- During the wet season, always use your exhaust fan, portable fan or dehumidifier after removing towels and wiping dry all wet surfaces.
- Dry your body with a thinner towel, or cloth towel, so they dry quicker.
- Don’t hang towels under the fan in your living room – it will spread the dampness throughout your home.
- Hang them under cover in your carport or patio and have a portable room fan blowing over them for quicker drying.
- Now and then, spray cleaning vinegar, eucalyptus/metho spray throughout your bathroom to inhibit mould growth.

### LAUNDRY

- No clean clothes? No clothes dryer or it’s stopped working? Options:
- Ask a favour from a friend or neighbour.
- Use the local Laundromat.
- Just wash important clothes, don’t soak them. Wet clothes or clothes sat in water will smell.
- Put clean laundered wet washing in plastic grocery bags (colour coded), and store in your freezer. Hang them out when the sun shines again.
- Don’t put dry clothes from the washing line onto your bed, or you’ll be sleeping with spiders and caterpillars!

### IRONING

- Spray clothes with clove spray or vinegar while you iron.
- Completely dry your clothes before hanging them in the wardrobe.

### CLOTHES STORAGE

- To stop your clothes absorbing moisture in cupboards, use wardrobe dehumidifiers or make your own absorbent pouches from rice, clay cat litter, shredded paper or stored excess toilet rolls. Damp-rid type products are a constant expense unless you recycle the liquid.

### GENERAL

- There’s no 100% method for stopping mould, it’s the nature of the tropics. Only persistent cleaning will keep your home healthy and toxic free.
- If you care about our green frogs, geckos and other animals in and around your home, please use environmentally friendly cleaners.
- Bleach doesn’t kill mould, only fades or ‘bleaches’ it. Good alternatives to harsh chemicals are:
- salt & water (if it’s safe to use in your septic system), cleaning vinegar (Acetic Acid), and aromatherapy essential oils such as clove oil spray or this recipe: 1 tblspn eucalyptus or tea tree oil, 1 tblspn methylated spirits, 2 cups water in a spray bottle.

Mould will get worse if you don’t fix the problem; e.g. unsealed weather-prone walls, leaking taps, roofs, gutters, condensation on fridges or freezers, indoor Feng Shui waterfalls or over-watered pot plants etc.

<http://tinyurl.com/2ec2gmr> SMH Mould school children’s health –file downloads directly to your desktop

<http://tinyurl.com/2e99djt> Black mould – a health hazard.

Air filters, air purifiers, UV sterilisation, dehumidifiers, exhaust fans, room and ceiling fans and vents are absolutely vital to maintain your family’s health.

**7 Solutions to a Mould Free Home** by Anne & Darryl Clark

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#### THE HEALTHY KURANDA-ITE

Hello, my name is Tina. I will be writing a small article every month, just sharing with you some of my passion and knowledge on health issues. I am a qualified Massage Therapist, Weight Loss Counsellor and Clinical Nutrition Consultant. My belief is that our body is like an engine that needs a lot of maintenance and the right fuel to run well!  
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### Vitamin D – the Sun Vitamin

'But you live in Australia, in the tropics, how is this possible?' This question came from my Mum who lives in the north of Germany, close to Scandinavia, a part of the world where the 'Sun' is being worshipped whenever it is nice enough to raise its head through the clouds. Faces, arms, legs and whatever other body parts are quickly turned towards the sun, soaking up as many rays as possible in fear it disappears again.

I had just told Mum that I was diagnosed with severe Vitamin D deficiency. Who would have thought. I have always been passionate about health and nutrition, but never took much notice of this particular Vitamin (which acts more like a hormone) and comes to us mainly via the sun and only a few food sources. Fish and fish oils are good, the best being Cod Liver Oil – *yucky!* Also egg yolks, fortified cereals and milk, and surprise, surprise – Sunflower Seeds! Unfortunately, most of us don't quite chew enough of those.

Most of us do the responsible thing when we go into the hot sun – we slip, slap, slop in fear of some little red dark or raised dot appearing on our skin being diagnosed as skin cancer. We all have seen an old farmer somewhere with part of his nose or ear cut off and he'd be one of the lucky ones – so, apparently Australians have one of the highest rate of known Vitamin D deficiency in the world (I wonder how the Arabs would score?)

It is not to be taken lightly though. Some of the things Vitamin D is needed for is absorption of calcium – the lack of it can lead to osteoporosis, bone deformities, depression, chronic fatigue, heart disease, low immune system and the latest studies show that it affects cognitive impairment – so it is also badly needed by our brains!

It's tricky – it's a 'Catch 22'. Even harder for those of us with fair skin, as darker skin has more melanin and can absorb a lot more sun before it gets burned. So, what do we do? I guess, now that we are aware of it, we can eat more foods that contain Vitamin D, we can take supplements (1,000 to 2,000 IU daily) or we can sunbathe for 15–30 min. three times a week hoping that our freckles and horrid age-spots won't get worse. Of course, remember, this can only be done in the early morning sun (preferably before 8.00am) and after about four in the afternoon! Good Luck. In health and harmony,

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More than a little distraught, the Solicitor grabs his mobile and calls the police. Five minutes later, the police arrive. Before the policeman has a chance to ask any questions, the man starts screaming hysterically: 'My Porsche, my beautiful silver Porsche is ruined. No matter how long it's at the panel beaters it'll simply never be the same again!'

After the man finally finishes his rant, the policeman shakes his head in disgust.

'I can't believe how materialistic you bloody Solicitors are,' he says. 'You lot are so focused on your possessions that you don't notice anything else in your life.'

'How can you say such a thing at a time like this?' sobs the Porsche owner.

The policeman replies, 'Didn't you realise that your arm was torn off when the truck hit you?'

The Solicitor looks down in horror. 'HELL!' he screams. 'Where's my Rolex???'

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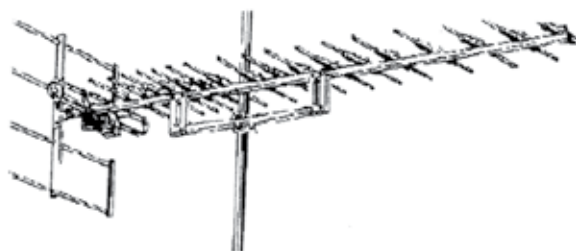
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# Reiki, Connect and Annabel Muis

**OUR FIRST PROFILE** of the new year is of **Annabel Muis**, Reiki Master, author, personal development trainer and former social worker. Annabel has lived in Kuranda since moving here from Darwin in 1996, and since then has become well known around the locality from her workshops and training, her writing and other activities.

Annabel was born in the South Australian country where she lived until she moved as a child to Adelaide. She was encouraged to go to University there, completing a Diploma of Social Studies. She worked initially in Repatriation in different cities until her first marriage to an army officer. This required her to move around a lot, as well as one year without him while he was in Vietnam. She had two children, and during much of this time she had casual part time work as a social worker.

When the marriage ended she bought a house in Sydney for herself and her two children, and a couple of years later married a doctor who was at that time working with the Department of Defence in Sydney. They married and together with her two children they moved in 1979 to Darwin, where her husband established a medical practice. Annabel continued working as a social worker, all-in-all a career that lasted for 20 years. She also undertook part-time lecturing at Darwin Community College and ran some personal growth workshops. Then she took a position with a Division in the NT Public Service Commissioner's office, which provided management and team development, change management and staff consulting for all NT government departments. She was the Director of this Division from 1986 to 1988 until its functions were outsourced. For the next ten years she conducted her own consultancy business, doing much the same kind of work.

In 1996 her second marriage ended very unexpectedly. By then her children had grown up and she felt the need to move away from the Northern Territory and start her life again somewhere new. Her association with Kuranda began when she bought a property here. For some years she travelled backwards and forwards to Darwin for her business, but then she took a staff development position with Calvary Hospital in Cairns for five years until she retired.

She now enjoys her life in Kuranda and loves meeting with people. Having begun her life in the country she has a great feeling for nature and is also interested in reading and classical music. But her two main areas of activity now are Reiki and Connect Magazine.

Reiki is a holistic, hands-on healing practice developed in Japan in the 19th century that is now popular in Australia. Annabel first became interested in it in Darwin. After attending an initial workshop she decided she would like to teach



it, so for two years she assisted a Reiki Master from Perth who came to Darwin from time to time. In 1991, Annabel was initiated as a Reiki Master and began teaching on her own. This she continued when she came to Kuranda, and she also offers Reiki treatments from her home here. She had previously investigated Christianity and various New Age teachings, but was not satisfied. Now she regularly attends a meditation group in Kuranda, and this together with her personal practice of Reiki has become a more fulfilling spiritual practice.

Annabel is on the Board of Reiki Australia, a Reiki membership organisation that was established to develop professional standards for the public practice of Reiki. Currently the organisation is developing training to assist its members to comply with compulsory standards introduced in 2008 by the NSW Government for all non-registered health practitioners, which includes public Reiki practice.

She has also been involved with Connect Magazine, a popular spiritual and new age magazine produced in Cairns, since it began some six years ago. She is part of the editorial group for the Magazine, and is a frequent writer in it. Her writings concentrate on subjects that people can relate to and hopefully obtain some benefit from, such as personal growth, finding the inner self, self worth and letting go. She has also written and published a book with Lesley Moseley, herself a former Kuranda-ite, entitled "Turning Points – Regaining Joy After Loss"[1].

Annabel and her current partner Mark, who is also a Reiki Master, have added a special room to their Kuranda house dedicated to their Reiki practice. Together they have already undertaken some workshops in Cairns for Reiki practitioners who are interested in deepening or enriching their personal practice, and Annabel continues her training and treatments. While not practising any religion, Annabel has strong beliefs in a spiritual consciousness or Oneness that is a part of all of us. She sees her task being to help others to find this side of their nature, the inner person. Her long training and experience in social work and professional personal development, as well as that of Reiki, have all contributed to her considerable capacity in this regard.

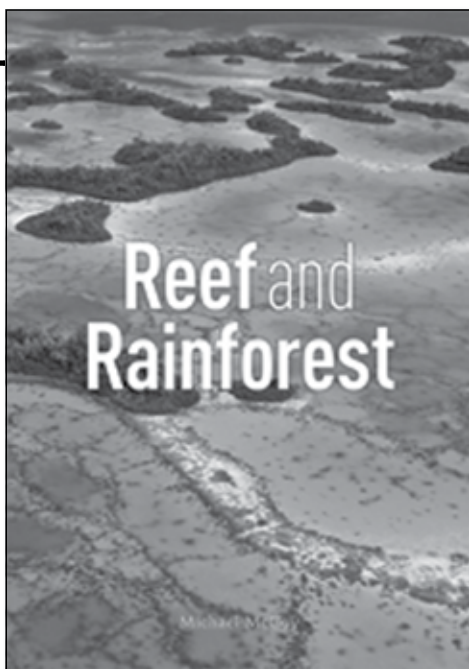
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## BOOK REVIEW

### Reef and Rainforest

Michael McCoy – published by CSIRO

CSIRO has recently published Kuranda resident Mike McCoy's latest book, a 256-page photographic work titled "Reef and Rainforest". It sounds a bit like an up-market restaurant dish and it is certainly a banquet for the eye and mind.

The geographic coverage of the book is tropical North Queensland, Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea. The book comprises around 250 colour photographs with about

half being Australian based. The majority of these have been taken in and around the Tablelands, with many from the Kuranda region. The underwater photographs are mostly from the Solomon Islands with others from Papua New Guinea and the Great Barrier Reef. There are also a few photographs from the savannas bordering the western margins of the Tablelands. The book is intended for a general audience and each photograph has its own lengthy and detailed caption. These are 'soft' science; imparting fascinating aspects of the animal or plant's biology and ecology. The wonder of these startling photographs oozes out between the lines and drives you to want more details, more marvels.

The photographs were taken over a period of more than 30 years while McCoy was living in Solomon Islands and in tropical North Queensland. The species depicted in the photographs range from the abundant (mother and young agile wallabies at Speewah); to the iconic (the recently discovered Kuranda tree frog); to the super rare (the giant orange "tiger huntsman" spider on the Barron Falls boardwalk); to the bizarre (the coral cage constructed by a

tiny crab on the Great Barrier Reef) and even to the historic (the sunken coral-encrusted wreck of the B-17 bomber in the sea off Guadalcanal).

The CSIRO's Ecos Magazine summarises:

"The beautiful photographs of intrepid photojournalist Michael McCoy are the core of the visually stunning Reef and Rainforest. McCoy's photos show marine and terrestrial life in the tropics of north-eastern Australia and the South Pacific nations of Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea,

McCoy is not only a skilled photographer, but also a talented communicator. His lucid and accessible writing conveys a good deal of science, and brings his images to life with stories of the circumstances of their capture". I must concur with Ecos' opinion. This is really an autobiography of a man who speaks with vision. McCoy has authored a book that engenders our wonder and fires our thirst for more knowledge. I actually felt privileged to share in his work when reading this book.

"Reef and Rainforest" is McCoy's fifth book. He has extensive photographic experience, having worked on contract assignments for National Geographic Magazine (Philippines, Solomon Islands) and photographed and written for Australian Geographic (magazine articles and a book on the Great Barrier Reef), undertaken consultancies for various television documentaries (including the BBC National History Unit and National Geographic Television) and lectured in Photojournalism at the South Pacific Media Centre in Suva, Fiji. In McCoy's 2006 book, "Solomon Islands – A South Seas Journey", Prof. Tim Flannery wrote in the Foreword: "McCoy ranks among the world's great natural history photographers."

Reef and Rainforest is available at most booksellers in Cairns and online at [www.publish.csiro.com.au](http://www.publish.csiro.com.au)

**Reviewed by Mark Freeman, Kuranda,  
23rd November, 2010**





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## PUTTING ON THE RITZ:

Kuranda is taking on a colourful new look after hours. Take a look at the roller shutter doors at the Queen Bee Café and Honey House in Therwine Street and Frogs restaurant in Coondoo Street. Peter "potter" Thompson and Kylie Moore have been giving the place a facelift. Thanks to the Kuranda Paper for its assistance and encouragement.

## ON THE AGENDA for 2011:

- \* Interest is building over development of a project to create a walking, horse trail and cycle track from Boyles Road to Koah. It'll be for us locals but has the potential to be a draw card for tourists who want to enjoy this experience.
- \* There is also considerable enthusiasm over promoting Kuranda for products that are "unique" or "pure" to Kuranda and only available here. This is going to be a particular and positive focus for ADVANCE KURANDA this year and we're hoping to draw in many of the facets that go to make a product that is especially Kuranda's. We live in a remarkable place with more than our share of remarkable people. There you go - there's got to be something remarkable and unique lurking in our very midst just waiting to be "discovered". Could it be you or something you do?

## NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 4pm at Nevermind Café, Heritage Markets  
We hope you'll join in and give us the benefit of your suggestions and opinions.



Russett Park Bridge recently in flood. Photo by Rod Rogers.



## NEWSLETTER

The New Year has started out, not exactly to plan, but promising to be a fairly busy one. Although our Branch was officially on a Christmas break, some of our members have been busy assisting with the planning and carrying-out of fundraising events due to the terrible floods in Queensland.

QCWA women from branches all over Queensland have been rolling up their sleeves and helping wherever possible including cleaning some branch halls that were affected by floodwaters. CWA cooks have been busy for days turning out cakes, scones and scores of sandwiches for the workers and volunteers. One member has been driving kms each day between Jandowae and Dalby, collecting baskets of dirty clothing, linen etc. to take home, wash and return clean the next day.

Meanwhile, back in our own Kuranda branch, we are also assisting with the above and getting back into the swing of another busy year. Last year, our "crafty" members put together quite a collection of small patchwork rugs (25 in all), which were presented to the Backpacks4Kids co-ordinator, Despina Parakas- along with a quantity of filled toiletry bags. This year will probably see a large number of articles made and sent south for flood victims.

Our Craft & Social Mornings will begin again on February 2. We look forward to see all our regulars - and perhaps some new faces then.

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**O**NCE again we enter a very exciting year as revealed by the planetary and star alignments. As Les Norton once observed, “De fun don’t done”. Let’s look at the big picture.

Three of the slower moving outer planets are about to cross the zodiacal sign cusps and enter a new energy field. Chiron, the very small planet that describes a wild orbit between Saturn and Uranus, moves very speedily into Pisces this month and, over the next two months, Uranus crosses the zero Aries point and Neptune comes home into Pisces. Very synchronous.

With Chiron, the planet of healing, teaching and unexpected opportunities, and Neptune, the bridge into the mystic, deeply devotional and selfless service (also drugs, alcohol and illusions), both moving into Pisces, where it all dissolves into the great cosmic ocean, where does this take us? Well, at the same time, Uranus: the rebel, the revolutionary and the wild eccentric, moves out of Pisces and into Aries: the prime mover, the pioneer and the warrior. All is forgiven; all is resolved into compassion and at the same time an incredibly exciting, never before experienced, cycle begins.

Just focus on everything that needs to be forgiven, healed and released. Total, complete surrender of all negativity and judgement and we are free. Free to enter the portal which aligns us with multi-dimensional information fields and a complete reversal of the old paradigms which have held us in the lower dimensions.

Our solar system is moving into alignment with galactic Centre and crossing the galactic equator where the electromagnetic energy spin reverses. Same as happens when we cross Earth’s equator: water running down plugholes, cyclones, hurricanes etc, reverse their spin. Imagine how powerful this must be at a galactic level.

Well, actually, we don’t have to imagine it. We are living it. What do you want to reverse and will this take you to a higher frequency light vibration? Just our intention is all that’s needed because we are already part of the great galactic reverse spin phenomena. We are just harmonising with it.

The “we” is humanity and it’s happening to us all. Some will flow smoothly; some will be really jolted; but don’t doubt that it’s happening. The earth itself is very unstable at this time, as it would be, and it may be that the interface between the earth’s energy field and the global web of human consciousness is very delicate. We can determine the outcome of this great phase shift.

All the planets are beautifully spread throughout one hemisphere of the celestial circle that surrounds us and have been so for months. As the earth turns each twenty-four hours we experience a time of total exposure to all the planetary energies as they are spread around the sky above us and a time of great emptiness as the planets all disappear below the horizon. A bit like revolving in the centre of a yin yang symbol. Light and dark; balance and harmony within time/space. And the whole planet goes through this daily cycle.

“Where do we fit in the big picture? And how can we serve?” are the real questions at this time. Our great journey has begun.

**Rob Hart**



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Last year I was worked at C&K Tieri Kindergarten, in Tieri, a coal mining town north of Emerald. Previously I have worked at Saint George Primary School, St Patricks Primary School in St George, and Dirranbandi Kindergarten in Queensland, and Elliot Primary School, Pine Creek Primary School and Tennant Creek Primary School in the Northern Territory.  
I am enjoying meeting the children and families that come to our Kindy and am looking forward to meeting and working with people in our Kuranda Community. Please feel free to drop in. Thank you to the parents and staff connected to our Kindy that I have met, for giving me such friendly support and for showing such kindness. I am enjoying the friendly community atmosphere in Kuranda.

**Five day fortnight**

Next year heralds new changes for our much loved Kindy. To ensure each Kindy kid gets at least 15 hours per week over 40 weeks a year as per new QLD Government policy, we will operate two groups on a five day fortnight. This means Group A will attend Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday one week, and then Thursday and Friday the following week. Group B will attend Thursday and Friday one week, and then Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the following week. We start back on 24 January, following a week of holiday care.

**Enrol Now**

Kindy begins on Monday the 24th January. Term 1 finishes on Friday the 15th April. The Monday/ Tuesday kindy group is now full and places in the Thursday/ Friday kindy group are filling quickly so please visit the Kindy or phone us on 07 4093 8087 if you would like to enrol your child.

Your child will be able to attend our kindy program in 2011 if they are born between 1st July 2006 and the 30th June 2007. Your child will need to be toilet trained to begin Kindy. If your child has just turned 3 by December 2010 you are welcome to come in and fill in a waiting list form.

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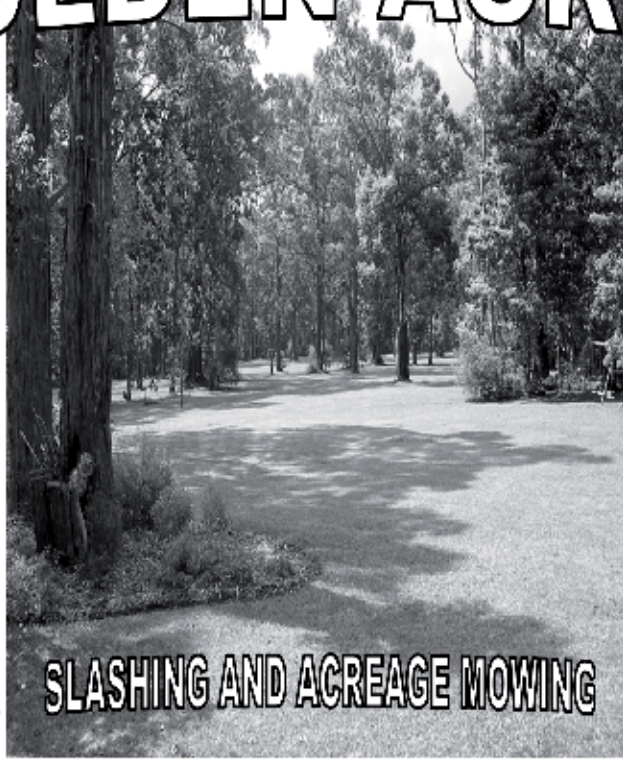
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## A Thought for February

**T**HIS month we read a passage from St Matthews Gospel Chapter 3 versus 13 -17

Why was Jesus baptised! This question has always teased Christian minds for centuries. The Gospel of Mark tells the story quite simply and directly, but Matthew is obviously troubled by it and pictures John as reluctant and Jesus insistent. Luke Gospel gets rid of the whole matter in one dependent clause. The gospel according to John skirts around it.

Why, then was Jesus baptised, why was Jesus baptised by John the Baptist if he was already the Christ, the Son of God? From one point of view, that question makes sense. Matthew tells us that John the Baptist baptised for repentance and Jesus had no need of repentance. But there is another point of view and if we grasp it we may have another understanding of Jesus' baptism and of our own as well.

The reading from Matthew tells us that the baptism of Jesus changed baptism. It is true that John baptised penitents. His baptism was from sin. But when Jesus was baptised he turned baptism into the sign of the new creation. Remember for a moment the story of creation at the beginning of the book of Genesis. We enter that story through the powerful image of the ancient waters being blown by the wind or Spirit of God. It is only when that image has been fixed in our minds that the creation story starts. The same image returns at the baptism of Jesus: water and the breath, the wind, the Spirit of God, come together so that the new creation may begin. And the prophet Isaiah tells us what that new creation is to be like (and remember Jesus applies these words to himself in the synagogue at Nazareth in Luke's Gospel). Isaiah says (and Jesus repeats him), "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted ... to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound." Driven by the creative wind of God, the prophet proclaims the overthrow of oppression, comfort to mourners, bouquets of flowers instead of ashes, ointment instead of tears, the robes of praise instead of the nakedness of timidity. And in his baptism Jesus makes baptism itself the point of entry into just such a new age.

Some of us were taught to think about baptism chiefly in terms of repentance and forgiveness of our own sins. The baptism of Jesus does not deny our need for repentance and forgiveness, but it changes the emphasis of baptism.

Baptism is about the new creation, baptism is about being blown by the creative and transforming wind of God, baptism is not so much from sin as for new being, not so much about ourselves as about those to whom we are called (as the speaker in Isaiah and Jesus were called) to offer healing, freedom, comfort, and strength. The baptism of Jesus was for the re-making of the world. And so is our baptism. It's a challenge isn't it?

## Thought of the month from the Baha'i Faith

*"Still another cause of disagreement and dissension has been the formation of religious sects and denominations. Bahá'u'lláh said that God has sent religion for the purpose of establishing fellowship among humankind and not to create strife and discord, for all religion is founded upon the love of humanity. Abraham promulgated this principle, Moses summoned all to its recognition, Christ established it, and Muhammad directed mankind to its standard. This is the reality of religion. If we abandon hearsay and investigate the reality and inner significance of the heavenly teachings, we will find the same divine foundation of love for humanity. The purport is that religion is intended to be the cause of unity, love and fellowship and not discord, enmity and estrangement.*

(Abdu'l-Baha, The Promulgation of Universal Peace, p. 231)

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### The Italian Secret to a Longer Marriage

At the local Catholic Church, they have weekly husbands' marriage seminars.

At the session last week, the priest asked Giuseppe, who said he was approaching his 50th wedding anniversary, to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years.

Giuseppe replied to the assembled husbands, 'Wella, I've tried to treat her nicea, spenda da money on her, but besta of all is, I tooka her to Italy for the 25th anniversary!'

The priest responded, 'Giuseppe, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell us what you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary?'

Giuseppe proudly replied, "I gonna go pick her up."

Dan was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business.

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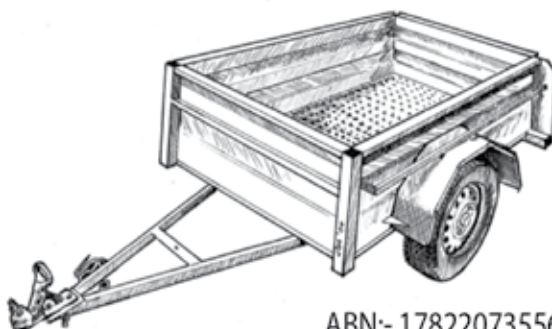
Her natural beauty took his breath away. "I may look like just an ordinary man," he said to her, "but in just a few years, my father will die, and I'll inherit \$200 million."

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The Cassowary's survival is threatened by our human need for the space it uses -its habitat, its food and its safety. If we lose it, we interrupt the ecology of the Wet Tropics' rainforest, with consequences we can only guess at.

You are living in Cassowary country. You can lessen your impact by planting Cassowary food trees, driving to avoid a collision with one and keeping your dogs under control.

## COLLECTING POO AND DNA

We have an ever growing team of Casso poo collectors who do their thing with the enthusiasm of children at a treasure hunt.

The purpose of the poo hunting is to have the DNA tested to identify the bird which did it. This also tells us how many birds there are in our area and this, in turn, informs us about food and habitat availability. Then this directs us to plant the right tree in the right place. We know that the trees we grow from the Casso poo we collect is the right stuff.

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## THE KURANDA RANGE ROAD CASSOWARIES

There is an adult and two chicks which cross this road quite often between the lookout and water point. Please keep an eye out, drive warily and give them a chance.

We believe this is the same adult bird which lost a chick last year at the same location. Dad crossed the road safely but chick was scittled when it tried to follow. We've tried to rake the fruit from the side of the road into the gullies so the birds can get it without being on the road but it's falling as quickly as we're raking it off.

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**PIGS:** Now here's a story. Mason Road resident had a pig trap set for months and never caught the one that haunted him but hit it with his car when it dashed across the road late one night.

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## A beautiful strange creature

**LAST WEEK** as we went for one of our usual walks through the garden at the Cedar Park Resort, we spotted this 25cm long cocoon decorated with tiny sticks hanging in a bush. "What kind of butterfly or moth might appear one day?" we wondered.

Nevertheless, we continued our walk. However, when I came back with my camera a few hours later to take a picture of this strange creature, it was gone. At first I thought someone had enjoyed a nice snack. But when I looked closer, I saw that a caterpillar was about one-third of its length out of the cocoon and it was already starting to crawl along the branches.

I had no idea what kind of caterpillar this was, but after a few Google searches on the internet I was much wiser.

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And now that I know these cocoons are made by case moths, I see them all the time, in all sizes and decorated with all kind of leaves and sticks. When we take the time to look closely, we will often be surprised by what lives on, in and under our fabulous rainforest trees.

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Following the unveiling of the plaque guests were able to wander through the nursery facilities. The feedback was overwhelming in its praise of the layout and all the hard work which has achieved a great working environment for our volunteers. Many thanks to everyone who made this day very special.



**Volunteers Hans and Ivonne deal to the barbecue**



**Envirocare President Cathy Retter, Elder Gerald Hobbler  
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**WHEN: WEDNESDAY 2ND FEBRUARY**

**TIME: 7.00PM**

**WHERE: SPORTS & RECREATION CENTRE  
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As this is our first meeting for 2011 we encourage all members to come along and participate in a relaxed social evening to "brainstorm" our direction for the next 12 months. If you have ideas or suggestions we would love to hear them. The evening will finish off with supper. See you there!

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

**Happy New Year to all residents. I hope that 2011 turns out to be a good year for you.**

## Flood Appeal

With the devastation of the Queensland floods, we have all been impacted. The damage and loss has been almost beyond belief. I urge you to contribute to the Flood Appeal if you are able to. This is the best way that we are able to assist. Council has offered assistance to some of the affected areas and is waiting for specific requests from other Councils.

## New 10 year Kuranda Infrastructure Plan

Council recently approved the new Strategic Plan for Kuranda Infrastructure. The Plan will now progress to the Minister for Local Government for final approval. Major projects over the next 10 years include upgrade to the Visitors Centre, construction of a Riverwalk with access to Kuranda Village, improvements to the Amphitheatre facility as well as other projects. (details elsewhere in this edition). This is great news for Kuranda as these projects will add benefit to both visitors and locals.

## New Aged Housing

You may have noticed some activity on the start of the construction of the Aged Housing units in Barang St. The construction will progress very soon. Later this year, additional aged housing units will also be constructed in Harriman St and in Thoree St near the Library.

## Parking Review

Over a long period of time, many residents and businesses have been concerned about the availability of parking in the Kuranda Village area. Council will be undertaking a Parking Study/ Review to determine the best way to improve parking options. It is expected that

funding will come from Parking Reserve Funds held by Council.

## Kuranda Community Centre

Works to ensure safety and fire compliance of Block C will begin soon. The building should soon be available for community use. As well, progress on the independent community consultation to decide on future options for the site has been made. Tenders for independent consultants have closed and the successful consultant will begin work soon. This will allow everyone to have a say and a wide range of consultation techniques will be used. (Some face to face, some meetings, some web based etc). Because there are so many viewpoints, the end result will be an informed future plan for the site.

## New Planning Scheme

The draft Planning Scheme is progressing well and Council have recently considered Draft zoning for each town on the Tablelands. The Kuranda Local Area Reference Group ( Steve Dominikovic, Mark Freeman, Syd Walker, Gerald Hobbler, John Beasley, Marg Yandell) will meet to consider the Draft for Kuranda and to provide feedback.

## Speewah News

The lights for the tennis courts at RosCommon have been delayed; however these are expected within 4-6 weeks. Council is continuing to work with the federal government to resolve the issues relating to television reception and the digital changeover. Telstra Countrywide have agreed to attend the next Residents' Association meeting to discuss mobile phone reception issues for the Speewah area.

## Koah News

The new tanks are installed and the plumbing upgraded at the Koah Hall. Finally the hall now has a drinkable good quality water supply.

Recycling: Council is working on the development of the new TRC Waste Management Strategy. Options are being explored and no decision has yet been made as to recycling and budget options.

## Community Planning

Consultation for the new 10 Year Community Plan (a requirement of all Councils to guide Council plans and budgets) is coming soon. You really need to have a say on this as it includes all issues that affect you. Draft dates are as follows: (more details later) Koah: March 1<sup>st</sup>, Speewah: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Kuranda Indigenous community: June 16<sup>th</sup>, Kuranda area: June 28<sup>th</sup>

## Library News

Farewell and Best Wishes Maddy at the Kuranda Library. Maddy has done a great job in running the Library and Council services. Thank You!

## Kuranda Office

The small office in Rob Veivers Drive will be closing on Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. The office will move to the Kuranda Community Centre site as soon as Block C work is completed (early 2011). In the interim, I will still be available to meet with residents/ groups at the Kuranda Library and I am always available by phone or email.

## Council Meetings

Council Meetings in February will be held on Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> in Malanda and Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in Herberton. Anyone can attend. Requests to address Council can be made by contacting the Mayor's Office.

## Councillor Contact Details

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## Mona Mona Handback

12 December 2010 will be a day to remember for everyone who has fought so hard for so long to achieve a just and appropriate land tenure outcome for Mona Mona. At a ceremony attended by hundreds of locals, I had much pleasure and pride to officially witness the signing of a 30-year lease of land to the people of Mona Mona. The ceremony is a milestone for not only the people of Mona Mona but for Indigenous land management rights in Queensland. I am exceptionally pleased to have been able to support the people of Mona Mona to bring about this important land tenure agreement with the Bligh Government. We have listened to the people's aspirations about the future of the land and delivered on an election commitment I announced in 2009 to re-examine the future land tenure of the reserve. After negotiations with the people who have traditional and historical connections to Mona Mona, a 30-year Trustee Lease has been issued for the entire 1,600 hectare reserve. It is also a significant step forward for reconciliation as we turn a new page on the history of the Mona Mona – a place that has seen much hardship and injustice but also a place where people lived and worked and found happiness in family, culture and country.

The new land tenure arrangements are designed to conserve the social, cultural and environmental values

and assets of the land. Most importantly, it protects Aboriginal people's connection to the land which will ensure that elders and youth will continue to maintain a sense of belonging with Mona Mona now and for generations to come. I would like to acknowledge the long years of struggle and determination of the people of Mona Mona. We will continue to work closely with the custodians to support them into the future.

## Family Fun Day

I attended the Family Fun Day on Wednesday, January 19, 2011. It was great to see so many children with their families enjoying the day. Thank you to all the Ngoombi staff and numerous volunteers who supervised the activities and staffed the information booths. Congratulations, the day was a huge success.

## Back to school

Regular school attendance is linked to better academic achievement as well as social and emotional wellbeing, so I am encouraging parents and carers to make sure their children are at school all day, every day in 2011. When children go to school all day, every day they learn more, make friends and have a brighter future ahead of them. Parents and carers have a responsibility to ensure their children attend school every day and it's great to see most parents are doing this. In 2011, we all

want to see every child in our area attending school and reaching their full potential.

## Don't Forget the Free Range Road SMS Service

As the wet season is now in full swing, don't forget to register for the free text message service which alerts you about delays on the range road. Phone the Department of Main Roads on 13 19 40 to register.

## Cyclone Ready At Home

You can help reduce the demand on the SES by preparing thoroughly for the cyclone season. For information on how to prepare go to [www.emergency.qld.gov.au](http://www.emergency.qld.gov.au). If you do require assistance from the SES, call 132 500.

## Floods Appeal donors urged to donate online

If you have not already done so, I would like to encourage everyone who can to make a donation to the Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal. The recent floods have been the worst in our history and people who have lost everything need our help. You can donate online at the Queensland Government website [www.qld.gov.au/floods](http://www.qld.gov.au/floods).

**Steve Wettenhall MP**





## Infrastructure Program Aimed at Boosting Kuranda's Tourism Potential

A 10-year infrastructure program aimed at boosting Kuranda's tourism potential has been approved by Tablelands Regional Council.

The \$6 million program of works will now await final approval from Minister for Local Government and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Desley Boyle.

Projects contained in the Kuranda Infrastructure Plan are funded by the State from revenue collected through fees and levies associated with the transportation of passengers through the World Heritage area on Skyrail and the Kuranda train. The funds are provided to Council by way of the Kuranda Infrastructure Agreement 2010-2020, which was renewed last year with the State Government.

Chair of the Kuranda Infrastructure Advisory Committee and Tablelands Mayor Tom Gilmore said he was delighted with the projects outlined in the 10-year strategy.

"This has been a very professionally managed project that has involved extensive community consultation which identified a raft of potential projects that will help to enhance the visitor experience in Kuranda," Cr Gilmore said.

During the consultation phase, visitors, commercial operators and residents identified four key strategic directions for the town - Improved visual and physical access to the natural attractions including the rainforest and Barron Gorge; Developing more authentic activities, services and retail options; Introducing elements that will improve pedestrian comfort and; Encouraging a greater diversity of uses and extending operating hours to create a livelier town centre.

"From the more than 50 projects that were identified during the consultation process, a final list was chosen that we believe will provide Kuranda with much-needed improvements and boost the overall tourist attraction of the village," Cr Gilmore said.

The projects outlined in the report include two that have already been approved - the Kuranda River Walk (approx cost: \$150,000) and the new Transport Interchange area (approx cost: \$70,000) - as well as three new projects considered to be top priorities, and several long-term projects.

### Council to Seek Changes to Election Process

Tablelands Regional Council will write to Minister for Local Government Desley Boyle seeking changes to the Local Government election process.

Council will request that the Tablelands region be granted full postal voting for the March 2012 election due to the difficulty faced by many voters trying to get to polling booths.

At the 2008 election, 28 Councils throughout the State opted for full postal voting.

Mayor Tom Gilmore said full postal voting made good common sense, given that elections were always held in March which is traditionally one of the wettest months of the year.

"Many people don't opt for postal voting, only to find themselves unable to get to a polling booth on election day due to localised flooding," he said.

"By making the entire region a full postal voting area, it will remove the need to go to a polling booth and we won't have the same sort of frustration many people faced last time when they could not get access to a booth."

If full postal voting is not approved, Council has asked the Minister to make changes that will allow people to vote at booths outside their own division which was another major issue at the 2008 election.

### Council Rejects Pay Rise

Tablelands Regional Councillors have rejected a proposed 2.5 per cent pay rise.

The increase was determined by the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal but Councillors rejected the proposed rise, expressing their concern about the tough economic times the community is experiencing.

"Given the economic situation confronting our community, I could not support any increase," Tablelands Mayor Tom Gilmore said.

The decision by Council not to accept the pay rise will result in an overall drop in wages due to the loading for amalgamation being reduced.

The salaries for the calendar year of 2011 will be:

Mayor - \$134,695 (2010 comparison \$137,460)

Deputy Mayor - \$91,020 (2010 comparison \$92,640)

Councillor - \$80,870 (2010 comparison \$82,570)

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## Financial and In-Kind Support to Community Groups

Council has approved financial and in-kind assistance to a number of community groups, organisations and individuals.

Those approved were:

Health Careers in the Bush Program (\$100); Atherton Roosters Football Club (\$165); Ravenshoe Motorcycle Club (\$500); Far North Queensland Sports and Pistol Club (\$447 refund of fees paid); National Foods Limited for a community carnival in Malanda (\$343 remittance of fees and \$125 in-kind assistance); Queensland Country Women's Association (\$100); Heart Magazine (\$100); Australian Agriculture College Mareeba (\$100); FNQ Wildlife Rescue (\$100 remittance of fees); Herberton Rocky Mountain Sport and Recreation Association (\$32 remittance of fees); Kuranda Amphitheatre Society (\$56 remittance of fees); and Tableland Regional Youth Band (\$57 remittance of fees).

**Monster Book Sale to Benefit Flood Victims**  
Proceeds from Tablelands Libraries Monster Book Sale to be held in early February will go to the Queensland

Premier's Flood Relief Appeal.

The book sale will be held from 4 -12 February from a shop front at 15 Roberts Street, Atherton. Doors will be open from 9am to 12 noon on Saturdays and from 10am to 4pm on weekdays.

## Celebrate Library Lover's Day at Mareeba

Celebrate "Library Lover's Day" at Mareeba Library with a Champagne Breakfast on **Monday 14 February**.

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The library is also hosting the "Blind date with a Book" program from 5 - 19 February. Mareeba Library staff will "set you up" with a selection of books in your favourite genre.

You borrow your "blind date", undress them at home and read to your heart's content! Be the first to uncover these brand new titles. A chocolate heart will accompany all blind dates!

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Hanging Out In Kuranda PHOTOGRAPH BY HELEN

# Barron River Community Groups to receive Funding

Christmas came a few weeks early for a number of Barron River community groups set to benefit from more than \$148,600 worth of Gambling Community Benefit Fund Grants and over \$43,000 from the Reef Hotel Casino Community Benefit Fund, Member for Barron River Steve Wettenhall announced.

Both the Gambling Community Benefit Fund and the Reef Hotel Casino Community Benefit Fund uses a percentage of state revenue raised from gaming activities to offer grants to assist community organisations in Queensland to meet the ongoing demand for their services.

To apply for a grant simply visit the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation website at [www.olgr.qld.gov.au](http://www.olgr.qld.gov.au) and click on 'grants'.

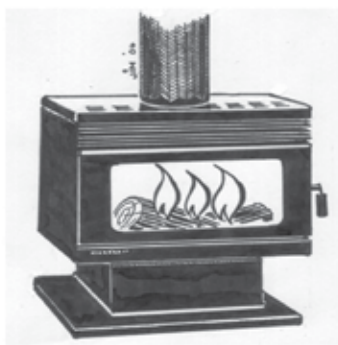
Applications for the next round of funding close on 28 February 2011.

Local groups to benefit were: Kuranda Recreation Centre Inc for purchase of TV & Music equipment \$8,208.87; Ngoonbi Co-operative Society Ltd to upgrade ablution facilities \$49,136.39; Djabugay Tribal Aboriginal Corp to install airconditioning \$7,872.73.

Other recipients included Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre, Hekili Outrigger Canoe Club Inc, Yorkey's Knob Activities Group and Mungana Park Inc.

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Unable to separate them and perplexed as to what to do next, although it was late, she called the vet, who answered in a very grumpy voice. Having explained the problem to him, the vet said:

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The wife replied ‘That was for the piece of paper with the name Jenny on it that I found in your pants pocket’.

The man then said ‘When I was at the races last week Jenny was the name of the horse I bet on’.

The wife apologized and went on with the housework.

Three days later the man is watching TV when his wife bashes him on the head with an even bigger frying pan, knocking him unconscious. Upon re-gaining consciousness the man asked why she had hit him again.

Wife replied, ‘Your horse phoned’.

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- Some people hear voices. Some see invisible people. Others have no imagination whatsoever.
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**Guilfoyle Funeral Services**  
would like to announce we now have an office in **Kuranda situated in The Red House, Coondoo Street.**  
The office will be open 2 days a week and also by appointment.  
Please feel welcome to come and talk to Lachlan for any information concerning cremations, burials, pre-arrangements and all services provided by Guilfoyle Funeral Services.

**Pilates**  
**at CWA Hall**  
**Kuranda**

**Mondays 9.00 am**  
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**Beginners**  
**Basketweaving Class**

Learn a number of techniques on starting to weave a basket.  
ALL MATERIALS SUPPLIED  
**Saturday morning, 12 February**  
**9.30–1.00pm**  
**Bookings essential Ph: 4093 9293**  
Toni Rogers, Cantata Studio,  
11 Punch Close, Kuranda.

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MEETINGS IN MAREEBA, SMITHFIELD, CAIRNS  
**Phone Kate 4093 9668**  
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**1800 55 1800**







Every Sat **Kuranda Envirocare** Tree Planting, Ph 4093 9926 for details or check website [www.envirocare.org.au](http://www.envirocare.org.au)  
**Tai Chi Chuan** 9.30am CWA Hall. Contact Sifu Julie 042 705 4132 or Tai Chun Academy 0409 104 753.  
**Aquafitness** 8:30 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109

1st Sat **Kuranda Camera Club - Photo Shoot** 2.30pm, (see Art Pages for this month's location)  
**Garden Group** 2.00pm Ph David or Graham 4093 9492  
A.A. CWA Hall 10.30am Ph 4093 7599  
**Speewah Country Market** 8.00am to 2.00pm 4093 0361

Every Sun **R.S.L.** 5.00pm, Lower Market Mall, Thoree Street.  
**Kuranda Film Society** 4.00pm to 8.00pm Kuranda Recreation Centre Ph Margaret or Hans 4093 8393

1st Sun **Simply friendship club.** Men and women over 45. Kuranda Resort 12.00 to 3.00pm. Nola: Ph 4093 8824

2nd & 4th Sun **Al-Anon Family Groups** 7.00pm and 6.00pm respectively. Ph Kate 4093 9668 or 1300ALANON  
**Karate** at CWA Hall Kuranda 6.15pm to 7.15 pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380  
**H.A.L.S.** (Health Across the Life Span) Stretch and flex class. 8.45am for 9.00am start QCWA hall. Ph 4093 7617  
**Soccer Training**, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. 4093 7109/4093 7109  
**Kuranda Horse and Pony Club** 7.30pm Mantaka  
**Koah Sports & Social Club** 7.30pm Barbara La Baysse 4093 7026  
**KNC Management Committee Meeting** 6.00pm Rob Veivers Dr. Ph 4093 8933

Every Mon & Fri **Tae kwon do & Self Defence** 6.30 pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196  
**8 Ball** 7.00pm at Kuranda RSL, Top pub, Recreation Centre, Speewah Tavern, Kuranda Resort, Kangaventure Ph 4093 8537  
**Tai Chi** 6.30–7.30pm, Recreation Centre, contact Les Anwyl, 4093 8276 or 0400 938 276.  
**Aquafitness** 6:15 pm Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109  
**The KCCT** meets at Malcolm's original markets at 4.30pm.  
**Tourism Kuranda** meets behind St. Saviour's Church.  
**Kuranda SES Training**, 7.30pm sharp at Fallon Road. Contact James Partridge 0402 119 642

1st Mon **Mareeba Toastmasters** meets 7.30–9.30pm, Mareeba RSL. Phone Fran 4093 7288 or Joe 4092 2089. Guests welcome.

3rd Mon **Volleyball under lights** at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. contact Lisa 4093 9659 or Leo 0405 116 066  
**Craft and Social Morning** at QCWA hall 9.00am  
**Kuranda Playgroup** – 9.30am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre. New families please phone Lynda Ph 4093 8361.  
**Weekly Meditations/Reflections** 7.00pm at The Hidden Words Bookshop, bottom of Therwine Street.  
**Karate** at Koah Hall 6.15pm–7.15pm for more info call Geoff 4093 7380  
**Yoga** at CWA  
**Soccer Training**, Hunter Park, Fallon Road. 4093 7109  
**Aquafitness** 8:30 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109  
**Kuranda Interagency Network** Mtng 2.00pm at KNC

Every Tue **QCWA** meeting 12.30pm at Hall Ph 4093 7016  
**Kuranda and Environs Community Alliance Group** – 10.00am Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre.  
**Rotary** 6.00pm Kuranda Hotel/Motel Ph 4093 7206  
**Tae kwon do & Self Defence** 6.30 pm CWA Hall Ph 0437 438 196  
**Lifeline Counselling** at KNC (appointment necessary)  
**Women's Acapella Choir** Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre, Cumberland Ave, Smithfield 7.00-9.00pm Thursdays  
**BioDanza** Dance of Life at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. Contact Catherine 4057 8549 or visit site [biodanza.com.au](http://biodanza.com.au)  
**Aquafitness** 6:15 pm Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109  
**Ambulance** 7.30pm Ambulance Centre, Fallon Road

1st Tue **Sandra's Kitchen** at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road. Contact Sandra 4093 7393 Thursday. Bookings essential

2nd Tue **Barefoot Bowls** 6:00pm at the Recreation Centre Fallon Road  
**Aquatonics** 11:00 am Kuranda Aquatic Centre Myola Rd. 4093 7109


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## Kuranda Amphitheatre February Events

**Sunday 13th Feb: General Meeting**, The Understage 4.00pm. Matters for the agenda please contact the Secretary, KAS, PO Box 500, Kuranda.

**Friday 18th February: Loony Poets Night**, Open mike style, Top Shed, Gates open 7.00pm, meals, Chai Tea & refreshments available.

**Sunday 27th Feb: Annual General Meeting, The Understage**, 4.00pm. Any nominations for committee please contact the Secretary, PO Box 500, Kuranda by Friday 18th Feb.

**Every Thurs from 10th February till 10th March: Drum Up Big**, Drumming classes with Tara, 6.30-7.30pm, \$15 per class. Enquiries Tara 0432 399 332.

## EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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

### RURAL FIRE BRIGADE CONTACTS

|                     |                                 |               |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Davies Creek</b> | <b>4093 3181</b>                | <b>Lloyd</b>  |
| <b>Koah</b>         | <b>4093 7006</b>                | <b>Peter</b>  |
| <b>Kuranda</b>      | <b>0408 077 746</b>             | <b>Nick</b>   |
| <b>Myola</b>        | <b>4093 7190 / 0408 151 199</b> | <b>Duncan</b> |
| <b>Speewah</b>      | <b>4093 0211</b>                | <b>John</b>   |

### Kuranda Transfer Station Opening Times

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


## JOHN'S KURANDA BUS

### "The Local Bus"

|                                          | Mon & Tues | Wed & Fri          | Sat, Sun & Pub Hol |
|------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>To:</b>                               |            |                    |                    |
| <b>Speewah</b>                           | 0900       | 0900               | 1000               |
| <b>Koah</b>                              |            | 1300               |                    |
|                                          | *1530      | *1530              |                    |
| <b>Ex:</b>                               | 1750       | 1750               | 1645               |
| <b>Koah</b>                              | #0705      | #0705              | #0815              |
|                                          | #1315      | #1315              |                    |
|                                          | *1550      | *1550              |                    |
| <b>Ex:</b>                               | #0710      | #0710              | #0820              |
| <b>Speewah</b>                           | #1320      | #1320              |                    |
|                                          | *1540      | *1540              |                    |
| *SCHOOL DAYS ONLY                        |            | # BOOKING REQUIRED |                    |
| NO SERVICE EASTER FRIDAY & CHRISTMAS DAY |            |                    |                    |

|                                                                          | Mon & Tues | Wed & Fri | Sat, Sun & Pub Hol |
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| <b>Departs Kuranda</b>                                                   | #0720      | #0720     | 0830               |
|                                                                          | 1330       | 0900      | 1530               |
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|                                                                          |            | 1530      |                    |
| *1510 from Smithfield to Koah Mon to Fri SCHOOL DAYS ONLY                |            |           |                    |
| <b>Departs Bus Stop "D" Lake Street Transit Mall, City Place, Cairns</b> |            |           |                    |
| <b>Departs Cairns</b>                                                    | **0825     | 0825      | 0930               |
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| All services except 1000 go to Speewah & Koah if required                |            |           |                    |
| **Atherton & Mareeba                                                     |            |           |                    |
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**Tel John 0418 772 953**



## Trans North

Bus & Coach

### CAIRNS TO KURANDA SHUTTLE

| Departures           | Daily (Except Christmas Day) |        |         |        |        |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| CAIRNS (Spence St)   | 6.45am                       | 8.30am | 11.30am | 1.30pm | 3.00pm |
| CAIRNS (Mall Zone D) | 6.47am                       | 8.32am | 11.32am | 1.32pm | 3.02pm |
| CAIRNS (Central)     | 6.50am                       | 8.35am | 11.35am | 1.35pm | 3.10pm |
| KURANDA              | 7.30am                       | 9.15am | 12.15pm | 2.15pm | 4.05pm |

### KURANDA TO CAIRNS SHUTTLE

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

7.30am Shuttle via SKYRAIL, CARAVONICA, TAFE, CAIRNS HIGH  
3.00pm Shuttle via CAIRNS HIGH, TAFE, CARAVONICA

### ATHERTON TABLELANDS TO CAIRNS

| Departures         | Monday to Friday |         |        | Saturday |         | Sunday  |
|--------------------|------------------|---------|--------|----------|---------|---------|
| ATHERTON           | 6.15am           | 9.00am  | 3.30pm | 6.15am   | 9.00am  | 9.00am  |
| MAREEBA            | 6.45am           | 9.30am  | 4.00pm | 6.45am   | 9.30am  | 9.30am  |
| KURANDA            | 7.30am           | 10.05am | 4.30pm | 7.30am   | 10.05am | 10.05am |
| CAIRNS (Spence St) | 8.15am           | 11.20am | 5.20pm | 8.15am   | 11.20am | 11.20am |
| CAIRNS (Central)   | 8.35am           | 11.25am | 5.35pm | 8.35am   | 11.25am | 11.25am |


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| CAIRNS (Spence St) | 8.30am           | 3.15pm | 5.30pm | 8.30am   | 3.15pm | 3.15pm |
| CAIRNS (Central)   | 8.35am           | 3.20pm | 5.35pm | 8.35am   | 3.20pm | 3.20pm |
| KURANDA            | 9.10am           | 4.05pm | 6.10pm | 9.10am   | 4.05pm | 4.05pm |
| MAREEBA            | 9.45am           | 4.40pm | 6.40pm | 9.45am   | 4.40pm | 4.40pm |
| ATHERTON           | 10.20am          | 5.10pm | 7.15pm | 10.20am  | 5.10pm | 5.10pm |

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