

KURANDA FIRE AND RESCUE NEWS

Can you operate under pressure?

Kuranda Fire & Rescue is currently looking community minded men and women interested in becoming Auxiliary Firefighters. Further information can be found at:
<https://www.qfes.qld.gov.au/employment/index.html>



Make sure we can find you easily in an emergency

It may save valuable time. Would you be able to accurately describe your location in an emergency? The majority of triple zero (000) calls are now made from mobile phones. People often aren't aware of their location, especially if they are in open space areas like beaches, parks or long stretches of road.

Unfortunately, unlike in the movies, it is not usually possible to readily pinpoint your location using your mobile phone in an emergency but the good news is you can – using a mobile app our friends at Fire & Rescue NSW have developed and have made freely available.

Latitude and longitude details can be relayed to an emergency operator as well as an address and suburb details. For more information check out the webpage link or search for the Emergency+ app on iTunes or GooglePlay
https://www.qld.gov.au/emergency/news/features/emergencyplus_app



KURANDA RANGERS report

Our Crackin' U10s

With any elite sport there's the chance of injury and the U10s aren't immune, with one of their players succumbing to a fractured wrist. Like true champions the team has rallied and even picked up a newcomer – Morrison – to help fill the void that Ryan has temporarily left.

We thank 'on-call coach' Russ Dennis who recently gave our U10s a few coaching sessions and tips to help improve their game.

All other teams are doing very well and continue



U10 team with coach Nicko Djeric. Photo: Steven Nowkowski

to improve each week. We also have a couple of little ones helping our U6s field a full team.

You never know...one day we may have our very own Matilda or Socceroo playing in the World Cup!

Kuranda Rangers Football Club



Community Nursery and Landcare

"Kuranda: a place where the environment is valued and protected"

Nursery: 284 Myola Road, Mon & Thur 9.00–1.00pm; Sat 10.00–1.00; Phone: 4093 8989/0419 624 940

Protecting and Connecting corridors to the Barron

Kuranda Region Voluntary Conservation Covenants Program public meeting 19 July (see notice on page 29)) learn how you can provide more protection to the forest corridors which already exist on your blocks or that you intend to plant out.

Some of areas not cleared during European settlement were the steep sided gullies of our local creeks, during the cut over for timber or clearance for cattle grazing or housing.

Enhancing these timbered areas, removing weeds, expanding the buffers to the local creeks and improving these wildlife corridors is our aim. Please contact us if you need a hand with planting areas which you would like to expand or if you need advice and assistance with weed control at your place. Together we can make it happen.



Kuranda area Elimination round with Electric Ants

Now we hear that the Kuranda area out to Koah is a hotspot for Electric Ants and a whole of community effort is needed to eliminate them. This means you. (see article page 17)

In a fight between Yellow Crazy Ants and Electric Ants, Electric win 6 feet down. Believe me you don't want them on your property, they will change your lifestyle, not to mention eliminate the wildlife, if left without controls.

Funding for this pest ant eradication is limited and federal funding has already ceased.

Don't delay. It's up to you, the land owner or tenant and down to two things:

1. Get your block checked for pest electric ants by Biosecurity. Its free to you. Ring 13 25 23
2. Don't accept any plants from someone who hasn't had a clearance on their block. Don't be responsible for an S.T.P. (swap transmitted pest) – tell your friend "thanks but no thanks" – if its not on, that plant is not (coming) on (your property).

And just for good measure, dunk any plant in water to float off any ants and spray the plant with a contact insect killer spray.

Come on Kuranda residents, you can do it.

Wonder which of the streets/roads in Kuranda region will be first to get all their blocks given the all clear. Results posted in the next month's Kuranda Paper.

Photo below: Life-size Electric Ant on a lead pencil.



June Super sale time at our nursery

Two for one sale on selected species at our community nursery as we reduce stock to make space for our nursery make over. Come and browse and get a bargain on revegetation seedlings in particular. Boxes of unpotted, older stock to give away. Come check it out.

plant sale

Date Claimers

- 5th July 7.00pm. Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road. Speaker TBA. Light supper provided
- Frog Monitoring week 16th to 22nd July – monitoring days vary. Check FB page or text Cathy 0419 624 940
- Saturday morning activities/plantings – Meet at nursery 284 Myola Road at 8.00am or call Cathy on 0419 624 940 for details .

**Become a member, borrow the Box Trailer and receive mate's rates:
 Ring Garth on 0428 914 380 or Cathy on 0419 624 940**

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