

Words of Wisdom

- A penny saved is obviously the result of a government oversight.
- Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today, it's called golf.
- The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.
- The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because by then your body and your fat have become really good friends.
- The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a new replacement for it.
- He who hesitates is probably doing the right thing.
- Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are 'XL'.



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Caring for Kuranda's Environment

"by standing on the shoulders of those who've gone before"

Nursery: 284 Myola Road, Mon & Thur 9.00-1.00pm; Sat 10.00-noon; Phone: 4093 8989/4093 8393

Connecting Corridors

Community Planting May 13 – Little Road

The Biodiversity Fund grant received by Kuranda Envirocare in 2012 has allowed the team to take on 10Ha of serious riparian rainforest revegetation. We have opened up areas all along the Barron river, so its now possible to walk along the river from Mantaka/Russett Park bridge to Little Road at Warril Creek.

The area from Little Road crossing to a lovely stand of remnant rainforest trees near the rapids, upstream from the Little road crossing is a case in point. Once a mass of guinea grass, prone to fire every few years, it's now a nice walk along the river flats under river cherries, melaluecas and other hardy river trees.

The birds have been returning as shown in field survey work by a small team of volunteers over 3 years, led by Dr. Ray Pierce and reported on the Envirocare website by Dr. Pam Shultz, funded by a Birdlife Australia grant. Resultant ideas to improve revegetation have been incorporated in the most recent planting year. We have rediscovered three massive fig trees near Owen Creek and opened that area around them up, once a coffee plantation, the rainforest understorey had been taken over by small coffee seedlings.

Photo Below: Firbank school girls from Melbourne planted 100 trees on a hot February afternoon



Plant Sale – End of Project

Our nursery volunteers took advantage of the masses of seeds last year to build up a collection of natives which are more than we need as our project winds down. So we're having a plant sale. We have trees whose lineage stretches back to Gondwana land, shrubs and trees which attract the birds, ones for butterflies, sets of hibiscus, some which are best for screening and, of course, the cassowary food trees. Some are best for revegetation and others are good and small enough for gardens.

Most are \$1.50 with a return of the pots and there's a further discount if you purchase more than 50 trees.

Nursery at 284 Myola Road, open Monday & Thursday 9.00 till 1.00pm, Saturday 10.00am till 1.00pm.

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Yellow Crazy Ant Taskforce: Volunteers Needed

Another call out for volunteers for the baiting activity on 29 & 30 April. If you can spare a day for baiting or a couple of hours fortnightly for monitoring please contact Sylvia, the community taskforce coordinator on 0409 647 714. Your help is greatly appreciated. We must win this battle for the sake of our outdoor lifestyle, the Wet Tropics and our rainforest tourism industry.

Monitoring: fortnightly – Mondays and Tuesdays

Baiting Activity: Saturday 29th April

Date Claimers

- 29 & 30 April: YCA Bait Treatment
- 13 May: Community Planting at Little Road
- 28 May: Eco-Fiesta – stall, come check it out
- 24 June - Community Planting at Mantaka
- Frog Monitoring, 3rd week of every month. Check Kuranda's-Frog-Friendly-Neighbourhood FB page or ring Sylvia 0409 647 714 or email info@envirocare.org.au

Every Saturday Morning: Tree Plantings

8.00-9.30am Meet at the KEC Nursery, Myola Road
Email info@envirocare.org.au for reminder or call Sylvia on 0409 647 714

BOX TRAILER HIRE: Contact Hans 4093 8393

Give a gift that keeps growing, through our local Grow Project.
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RANGERS r e p o r t

U7s Rangers Ready to Rumble!



Some of the U7 players (L-R): Tia, Cara, Esh, Isaac, Leo and Lincoln

The Kuranda Rangers started the 2017 season with five teams, but sadly have lost the U12 team due to lack of numbers. Some of those players will continue on with either Mareeba or Stratford clubs, and some will play with our U10 team. We wish them all the best and will miss them at the Rangers.

Our other teams started the new season with plenty of gusto despite the very high temperatures. They are all showing a lot of promise and will only get better.

Our goal is to invest in these kids and teams so they stay in Kuranda and become strong competitors in the future.

Kuranda Rangers Football Club



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