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"Welcome to Kuranda" booklet

If you're relatively new to Kuranda and haven't seen this booklet before, we have a new edition of "Welcome to Kuranda" available. You'll find useful information about Kuranda's history, our community groups and services, our special environment, considerations for living in our semi rural setting brimming with wildlife of all types, tips about native plantings and invasive weeds and generally caring for this special place. For a copy, please contact the Kuranda library, come to the Envirocare nursery or contact Margaret on 4093 8393.

"Cassowary Coming to a Place near You?"

The whole of Kuranda was once cassowary country, covered in rainforest and even now, as people have built houses on the subsequently heavily cleared farmland, there are gullies between streets and along water courses that are largely connected and rainforest corridors are regenerating. Several cassowaries (one maturing with bright colours and small casque, one sub adult and one with several chicks have been investigating humans and rainforest tree fruiting since last year, in the area of Weir Road and Barron Falls Road. Now at least one is checking out Kuranda Crescent residents. It's entirely feasible to think that, given there are sufficient connected areas with fruiting cassowary food trees, these cassowaries, on the hunt for new territory and food sources, could roam across the bottom of Kullaroo Close, into the Jum Rum Conservation Park and along the esplanade below the railway station. Within the last 5 years a

cassowary scat was reported under the Kennedy Highway Kuranda road bridge on the river bank walk, a cassowary was seen swimming the Barron from the Black Mountain Road side to the Kuranda side and a cassowary was seen on the edge of the bush at Kuranda resort. So it's a viable roaming route. Please keep watch for these curious creatures as you walk along the river in this area, there could be a cassowary watching you. For those who run their dogs in this area without a lead please consider leashing up, just in case your dog scares up one of these big birds. We'd hate to see them scared off or harmed via a panicked run to escape through the bush. Let's try to show that Kuranda is a place which cassowaries and people can share. (I'm not so keen on sharing with brush turkeys though). If you'd like to plant even one cassowary fruit tree for the future, contact Envirocare nursery on 4093 8393 or Kuranda Conservation nursery.

Community Planting Field Day
Sat. 28th May 8am - 1pm

We're having a special planting day on the last Sat. in May when we plant another GROW project site with 500 trees, donated through private sponsorship. GROW sponsorship has grown since the first planting of 250 trees, 3 seasons ago. Sponsorship pays for the plant and the maintenance for 3years till the planting achieves canopy closure and fire risk from guinea grass has been eliminated. All holes will be dug and fertilized so you'll just need to plant the seedlings! Bring a hat and trowel if you have one. Park at the nursery and we'll walk to the planting site.

Following the planting we'll have morning tea at the Envirocare nursery. We'll follow this with a talk on soil erosion control techniques, a demonstration of a "cold" composting technique called Bokashi with some hints and tips for the tropics, an explanation of the nursery reed beds construction, and the significance of Warril Creek, finishing with a field walk through a 3 season old Envirocare site and a barbeque at the nursery. **Come join us on Saturday May 28th for any part of the morning that suits at 284 MYOLA ROAD, KURANDA**

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ENVIROCARE NURSERY - OPEN SATURDAYS 10:30 to 1PM

Speaker meeting - Peter Ryle

WHERE HAVE ALL THE TROUT GONE?

Since the advent of European settlement in Queensland many new species of plants and animals have been introduced into the area, many of which had a detrimental effect on the environment. The freshwater trout was one of the little-known species introduced into North Queensland. When and where was the freshwater trout introduced, and how did it fare? Come and find out!

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 4th May, TIME: 7.00PM

**WHERE: RECREATION CENTRE, FALLON ROAD, KURANDA
FOLLOWED BY SUPPER**

SATURDAY MORNING PLANTING

WARRIL CREEK SITE

**Directions: Turn into Little Road off Myola Road
Winter start 8am - 9.30am, Followed by morning tea**

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