

Hi all, well SES has been busy again fund raising for a second vehicle. To all of the businesses who have bought into the calendar, a big Thank-you, we had such a great response that we never got to everyone. Hopefully the calendars will be on sale around town in October.

We also did the car parking at the Roots Festival, which went very well, and we helped with the Cairns roadrunners race through Speewah, Davies Creek and Cedar Park areas.

Thanks to Kuranda paper, Lions Club and the CWA for the kind donations to our unit.

SES will be providing the food for the Pink Pony Parade, this is a fund raiser for Cancer awareness, so if you're free in October, mark the 6th and 7th on your calendar and come along and support the riders who will be riding for a cure. You can come out for tea if you don't feel like cooking.

I went on the search for the missing miner in Maytown in July, this was a 3 day event camping under the stars; sadly we did not find him during this time.

More of our members have been trained in Heights and safety, so we have a great many trained now to tarp if in the event of a disaster. Well done to the members who have passed their courses recently. We are holding the chainsaw course at our unit on the 4th and 5th August so will also have more members trained in this.

Thanks to Clinton from C & R Earthmoving and to Warren from Kuranda Landscaping for bringing in dirt and levelling out beside our unit. Looks good guys, thank you.

Don't forget, we are always after new members; training is Tuesday nights at 7.30pm in Fallon Road, next to the Ambulance station, would love to see you there. Till next time,

– Carolyn Day 0409 758 122

Rewick, Annette Jean In loving memory of my partner, their mother

and grandmother who left us so suddenly on Saturday 22nd August 2009. Too dearly loved to be forgotten. Your partner Neville, son Clinton, daughters Zoe and Kerrie

and grandchildren Dontae and Claudia



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Myrtle rust has arrived in North Queensland

Myrtle rust is a serious fungal disease that affects plants in the Myrtaceae family. This family includes Australian natives such as the lillypilly, bottle brush and tea tree. It also affects many plants that are commonly grown in our gardens, such as lemon scented myrtle.

Biosecurity Queensland reports that myrtle rust is now established and widespread in Far North Queensland, including in the Barron Gorge and Kuranda National Park. It has also been found in private Kuranda gardens. It cannot be eradicated and will continue to spread as it produces large number of spores which are spread by the wind and human and animal activity. The bright yellow spores found on the underside of an affected leaf can live for up to 3 months in the environment.

Myrtle rust represents a significant risk to our Wet Tropics forests, due to the hot humid climate and the many rainforest species in the Myrtaceae family. The possible long term impacts of the disease are likely to affect natural regeneration and the resilience of forests recovering from cyclonic events.

Photos on the Biosecurity website will assist you to identify the rust if you suspect you have found it in your garden. For more information and suggested treatment options for affected plants visit www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au .

Tree of the month

Growing to only about 2m high, Lime berry, (Micromelum minutum) is ideal for small gardens. A spreading shrub with bright green glossy leaves, it is readily grown in full sun or partial shade. It is hardy and relatively fast growing. Small white flowers are produced in large heads on the outside of the bush and their nectar attracts many different butterflies. The bright green, glossy foliage attracts the Orchard, Ambrax and Capaneus swallowtail butterflies as it is host to their caterpillars. The bright red berries are very attractive and attract many birds.

Box trailer for hire, ring 4093 8393 Good selection of garden sized rainforest shrubs available



Reminder - Nursery now open 10:30 till 12noon Saturdays, & Mon & Thurs 9 till 1pm, , ring nursery on 4093 8989 or by appointment 4093 8393

General meeting

7:15pm Thursday 2nd August, Kuranda Recreation Centre, Fallon Road

4 films -winners from the Jackson Hole Wildlife Film Festival - 59 mins. Satoyama Japan's Secret Forest - people & nature co-exist in harmony The detour - the fight to reroute a major highway, Rospuda Valley, Poland. The ancient forest - what we lose if we cannot save our ancient forests. Switch today - 95% of toilet paper used in the US is from "virgin" fibre.

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Heyday Tree Planting Morning Saturday 11th August Heyday Festival participants will join our regular planting upstream of the Little Road causeway.

For more information about the Heyday Festival go to www.heydayfestival.com.au

SATURDAY morning Tree Planting 8 till 9:30am

Current planting site 200m upstream of Little Road Causeway Park at the Little Road turn-off and walk down the road and left along the track. And a yummy morning tea to follow. Or ring Margaret for details 4093 8393

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