

Land for Wildlife registration

If our threatened cassowary is to survive and thrive it will need habitat rich in food plants and space to breed free from dog attack and vehicles. Landowners who put up a Cassowary Country sign remind us all that the survival of the cassowary depends directly upon our actions. It is heartening to see so many residents declaring their commitment to cassowary conservation.

Although certainly the most recognized, the cassowary isn't the only threatened species in our area. Others include the red goshawk, waterfall frog, common mist frog, Northern bettong and ghost bat. All are dependent on a healthy habitat.

With most of Australia in private hands, Greening Australia sponsors the Land for Wildlife program. This is a national, voluntary program which aims to protect remnant native vegetation and ecosystems upon which the survival of endangered plants and animals depends. It aims to provide links between increasingly isolated nature reserves, allowing for wildlife movement and genetic interchange.

You can become part of this national campaign also by joining the Land for Wildlife movement. If you have inherited a Land for Wildlife sign when you purchased your property, you will need to have it re-registered in your own name to receive the quarterly magazine. For further information contact Margaret on 4093 8393.

Kuranda Riverlinks Greencorp team

It's all go now, with interviews starting this week for the Kuranda Riverlinks team.

Green Corps is a six-month training experience and the Kuranda project is commencing in **Kuranda** around **6th October 2008**.

Green Corps participants must be between 17 and 20 on 6th October, will receive a fortnightly allowance and graduate with practical experience and accredited training in Conservation and Land Management Certificate 1 & 2 units.

Kuranda Riverlink project sites are based around Kuranda and/ or the Barron River and the team will be reporting on their progress through the Kuranda paper over the training period. The two main sites are next to the Kuranda School and the Kowrowa

community and the team will plant around 10,000 trees during their training.

If you'd like more information or would like to apply, please see the Conservation Volunteers advertisement in this paper or contact Janine on jmills@conservationvolunteers.org.au
Or on 4032 0844.

Those bright yellow flowering/fruiting tree s

A few people have asked about a bright yellow flowering tree on the Range Road seen from culvert 51 going down the range- *Deplanchea tetraphylla* (Golden bouquet tree). And for those who travel on Myola Road at present there's a *Diploglottis diphylostegia* (Northern Tamarind) just past Boyles Rd going out to Kowrowa casting golden "jubes", containing a smooth brown seed, all over the roadside.

Rainforest timber trees

We still have a few hundred very straight rainforest timber tree seedlings looking for a new home. We're reluctant to prune them as they won't produce long straight trunks of mill-able timber after that treatment. We have Queensland maple (*Flindersia brayleyana*), Silver Ash (*F. bourjotiana*) and Silky maple (*F. pimentaliana*). They'll probably need repotting before planting out this wet season. Please call 40 93 9926 for more details.

Envirocare watering at Kowrowa - Sat. at 8am

We've moved into dry season mode with waterings of previous plantings at Fig Tree Bend and Bottom Kowrowa. Ring Cathy for directions - 40 939926.

Mulching hay and trailers

We still have a few of the small bales of mulching hay available for sale. You can even borrow the trailer to take them home. We also have a couple of trailers for hire. We're usually at home but to make sure one is available, its worth ringing 40 93 9926 to check and book one out.

Envirocare General meeting Oct 1st 7-9pm

at the Sports and Social clubrooms, Fallon Rd.
All welcome, light supper provided