

Babinda News

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“Babinda the Umbrella Town “



“The Presidents Notes “

Debra Quabba

Hello Everyone,

Well it's finally here!! Wonderful rain! It's surprising how much we actually miss it when it doesn't happen for a while. But I suppose it won't stop now that it's has. Are we ever happy!

Last month saw our Annual General Meeting and as you would be able to gather I have been re-elected President for another year. Marg Moller is 1st Vice President, Maureen Raddatz is second Vice President, Cathryn Spertino is Secretary and Peter Carnsew is Treasurer, congratulations and thankyou for staying involved in our organisation. My Presidents report is printed in this edition of the newsletter to give you some idea of the things we have been doing over the last 12 months.

I am becoming increasingly annoyed about the amount of litter that is surfacing in our community. Cigarette butts, automatic teller machine receipts, empty softdrink cans to name a few. Babinda did not just happen to be a Tidy Town we have worked hard to make it this way. Let's not allow our town to descend into untidiness and increasingly have to work to turn it around again.

On a brighter note our volunteers have come up with another successful Pink Ribbon Morning Tea. Thankyou to all who contributed and took the time to ensure our morning tea was a great success. (More on our Morning Tea inside)

We have also started our Q150 interviews this week to be uploaded to our Website (once it's created) we are looking forward to the completion of this project and hearing about peoples experiences.

With the wet weather about please drive safely.
Stay safe
Debra

We will be printing an article written by Mr George Jago, local historian about research that he has done regarding how Babinda got its name. We will be running the article over two months, as it is quite a long article. It is interesting to note the time and effort taken by Mr Jago in the pursuit of discovering the truth.

Rainfall for the Month of October

Bellenden Ker - Top Station - 189mm
Year to Date - 5903.2mm

Bellenden Ker - Bottom Station - 172.4mm
Year to Date - 4104.2mm

Babinda Rainfall - 129.6 mm
Year to Date: - 4292.3mm

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Police News

The past month has been quite a busy one for us here at the Station. Probably most concerning of all is the fact that we have uncharacteristically had two break and enters reported along with an attempted break and enter. On the 03/10/2009 in the early hours persons have attempted to enter the rear of the Bakery by jemmying the roller door, however entry was not gained. At this stage police have identified a number of persons of interest in relation to this and the matter has been forwarded to Innisfail CIB for their attention. Secondly a farm shed at Bellenden Kerr was entered sometime over the past three weeks with power tools and a parts wash basin stolen. On this occasion the owner was away at the time and investigations are continuing. Lastly sometime over the weekend of the 30/10/2009 unknown persons have forced entry to the aquatic centre before taking a small amount of cash and causing an amount of damage to the office area. This matter is also still being investigated.

Please if anyone has any information in relation to these matters can they contact the station. Information can be provided anonymously and of course any information can be provided in full confidence. Furthermore these incidents provide a timely reminder to everyone to be extra vigilant with their property security. I also ask that we all keep our eye out for suspicious activity within our community and report it to police so that we can keep Babinda such a great place to live.

On one last note you may have noticed police from Babinda and Innisfail Traffic regularly conducting radar in the 60 zone on the Bruce Highway through town lately. Unfortunately we are regularly detecting some very high speeds in this zone (over the 100kph mark) and motorists don't seem to be heeding the speed limit. With these idiots on the road, please be vigilant when using the intersection and ensure that you leave yourself plenty of time to pull out into the traffic. Remember not everyone values their safety on the road like you do.

Until next month
Stay Safe
Gerard BRADY

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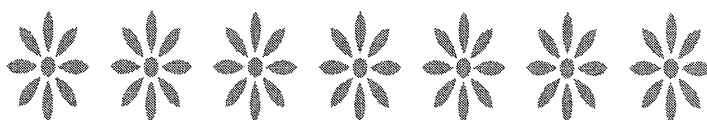
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NEWS FROM BABINDA S E S

from Don Lawie

The Flood and Cyclone Season has officially commenced and we are urging people to be prepared. We are willing to help anyone, particularly those who may be new to the area, with advice and some assistance : we are having an afternoon at our SES building in Howard Kennedy Drive on Saturday 14 November from 1 pm. We have a supply of hessian sandbags , and a pile of sand behind the building. People are welcome to collect some bags for later or to fill now – be aware that they do rot when filled and can always be filled when the rain starts. We also have pamphlets detailing what supplies should be stockpiled at this time of year. Come along – there is no charge at all for this service.

We have a number of small motors – chainsaws, generators and the like, which require regular maintenance. Russell, our usual maintenance man is working out of Queensland. Is there somebody out there who would like to take on the job of looking after these machines? Joining SES would be an advantage but such person would not be expected to go on activations. We are forming a Service Team to match our Welfare Team to back up the active “Grunts” in the unit – every member is valuable to the Team as a whole. Interested? Ring Shirley, our Local Controller on 40 672345 and have a chat. You'll never regret it!!



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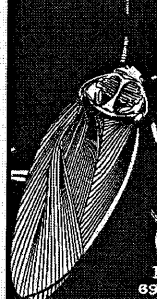
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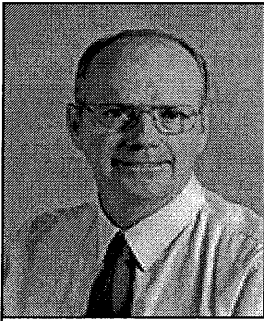
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Cairns Regional Council Notes By Paul Gregory

"Hi from CRC.

An issue of real concern recently has been the direction from the State Government regarding the abolition of River Trusts and Drainage Boards. The Trusts will disappear with the repealing of the River Trust Act 1940, due to happen mid next year. I attended an LGAQ Executive meeting in Brisbane late last month where this development was part of the agenda for discussion, followed the next day by the AGM of the

State Council of River Trusts, again a forum where this item was a main point of discussion.

As a result of these two meetings, it is proposed to form a group consisting of members from the River Trusts, Local Government Association of Queensland, Department of Infrastructure and Planning and the Department of Environment and Resource Management to have input into the new Local Government Act. The reason for this action is that the State has indicated that the way to continue the work of Trusts is via the local council. The councils do have the necessary mechanisms to do this work, but currently lack the legislated power that is in the River Trust Act now. Some of these powers are around the capacity to mobilise quickly after flooding events, Section 11's which are to do with the transfer of "ownership" of riparian land, the power to enforce a precept on the local government (a demand for an annual funding amount, in the case of CRC \$200,000) and the requirement of a contribution from the riparian landholder. If these powers can be amalgamated into the new Local Government Act, then this problem could most likely be dealt with, but the time for this is right now. Similarly, the issue of Drainage Boards needs to be dealt with concurrently.

I am heavily involved with this and will keep interested parties involved as we progress. It is important that the work of both Trusts and Drainage Boards continues in our super wet belt of North Queensland.

Cheers Paul."

Drive with your
LIGHTS ON in the RAIN!

BABINDA COMMUNITY CAROLS NIGHT

7.00PM SUNDAY 6TH December
State School Great Hall

Phone Russell on 4067-1757 (evenings) if you
Would like to present an item.

AMBULANCE NEWS

Welcome, another month gone. Firstly I wanted to remind people of the Dengue information session we are having at the Spirit of Babinda Hall on November 12, 12 00. It should be very interesting with the researchers at James Cook University sharing their wealth of knowledge with us. It is free of charge and should take less than an hour. My thanks to the members of the Babinda Local Ambulance Committee (LAC) who are helping out with the organisation of this talk. If you are free come along.

We are selling tickets at \$ 1 each in a Christmas hamper that will be drawn at the Christmas in Babinda night. The tickets are raising money to purchase new training equipment for the ambulance - we also sometimes utilise this equipment with the firies and hospital staff. You may see some LAC members selling tickets throughout the month up the street. You can also have a chat to them or myself or Peter if you are interested in joining the Babinda LAC.

On a sad note Dr Anila Reddy is leaving us. It is a sad day for the town when a highly accomplished doctor leaves. He has been a great help to the ambulance and is held in high regard by everyone I have spoken to. I have had family members treated by Dr Reddy during the recent winter illness and he has been thorough, caring and has a great bedside manner. Sometimes you don't realise how much you miss something until it has gone. The only good news is that there is a shortage of doctors everywhere and he will continue to help hundreds of people wherever he relocates to.

Keep safe on the roads in this drizzly weather.

Until next time
Justin Cairns

How Babinda Got Its Name

By George Stanley Jago

When the railway line was extended from Harvey Creek to Babinda Creek in 1910, the stop at Weinert's Creek was known by that name, and the terminus on the southern side of Babinda Creek, was call Babinda Creek. The population of the area was about 100 and the business centre of Babinda Creek Hotel, WJ Munro's Butcher Shop and Davies & Stopp's General Store, were all on the eastern side of the road and the southern side of Weinert's Creek.

With the passing of the Sugar Works Act of 1911, money was authorised, and advanced, to build a sugar mill in the Babinda Creek area, to open up the lands of the Russell River. Tenders were called and work commenced in 1914, and it was ready for crushing when the mill commenced on 15th September 1915, to crush 47014 tons of cane for the 1915 season. With the building on the mill, land was required for a town to house the workers and their families. Land was resumed from Portions 422, 383 and 46V and the resumed land was called Potion 12. This was then subdivided into 14 sections, which in turn were re-subdivided into allotments. Areas were set aside for a school and a hospital, and government departments such as Police and Court House, and Post Office. This land then became known as the "Township of Babinda" and became administered by a town agent. The first public auction of land in this township was held on 13th May 1915.

Owners of land adjacent to the town also got in to the act. JJ Parry subdivided land in Portion 46V, called it "Hollywell" and, had an auction on 30th April 1915 – before the Township auction. JE Christian subdivided land on the eastern side of the Cairns Road and WJ Munro subdivided land to become Martin St. The railway line was extended to Moolaba (Pawngilly) and the stop on Weinert's Creek became known as Babinda – creek being dropped from the name. So the town was named after the creek.

On 1st September 1881, Isaac Duffin, Bailiff of Crown Lands, issued a Proclamation giving a description of a block of land as:- "Commencing at a tree marked M on a road from Cairns to Johnston where it crosses a creek called O'Connell Creek, thence down the north bank of the creek about 80 chains thence N thence W to a road thence S along road to a point of connect to contain 640 acres. O'Connell Creek is between three and four miles southerly from Frenchman's Creek is a broad sandy creek with very little water in it.

This block of land in Portion 422, and the Proclamation was issued in response to Application to Lease before Survey, made by Michael O'Connell, Postmaster at Cairns. The lease was granted to O'Connell on 7th August 1883, but he forfeited it on 29th May 1890. In 1891 Portion 422 was proclaimed into 4 sub-divisions of approximately 160 acres each. Karl Weinert then made Application to Lease before Survey, of the northern section of 160 acres, and this was granted on 4th January 1892 after the survey by T Behan was completed on 21st November 1891. Part of this land became part of the Township of Babinda. The southern part of Portion 422 became known as 422A.

South across the creek was another large tract of land. It was called Portion 460 after the number on the Application to Lease before Survey made by William Henry Pettett, address given as Cairns. This application was 12th October 1883, approval on 14th November 1883, and a lease issued on 18th January at an annual fee of 128 pound (\$256), but was forfeited on 25th August 1886. On a letter dated 7th June 1886 from Pettett requesting forfeiture of this lease, he stated that the land was on Babinda Creek, and his address shown on the letter was 'Babinda – Nyngan NSW.'

William Henry Pettett when he applied for the lease, gave his address as Cairns as it was necessary to be a Queensland resident. He later gave his postal address as C/- Geo Newman, Aloomba, and his occupation as 'Gentleman'. He actually was a co-owner in the partnership of Pettett and Cameron who owned a sheep station called Babinda about 15 kilometres from Nymagee, which was the nearest Post Office. The Station buildings are at Latitude 31.56 Longitude 146.29. Babinda Lookout is at Lat 31.57 Lon 146.3, and this may be Babinda Hills. Babinda is in the County of Flinders as shown on an 1892 Geographical Encyclopaedia. The 1882 stock return from Cobar district, showed 'New Babinda' owned by Pettett and Cameron as having 13100 sheep. However, the 1883 return shows that the 'Babinda station' owned by Pettett and Cameron, had 25 horses, 50 cattle, and 12295 sheep grazing on 50000 acres. It would thus seem that the name of Babinda came from NSW. 'Babinda' station in the Wellington District was in existence from at least 1866, as it is listed as owned by Morehead and Young with an area of 64000 acres with a grazing capacity of 4000 sheep. In the same year 'Babinda N' is listed exactly the same. Is this one or two stations?

To be continued next month.....

RSL NEWS

Well, the new hall has been finished. No doubt there will be seven or eight teething problems for us to sort out. In order to sort them out to the satisfaction of all, we need to find a citizens management committee.

You, the people of Babinda, under the auspices of the RSL, built the Hall destroyed by Larry. Although this new hall has been paid for by insurance, Australia wide RSL contributions and generous public Donations, you still retain a moral ownership.

We expect the new hall to meet our needs into the foreseeable future. But to meet our collective needs, we must know what they are. That's where the Citizens/Peoples Management Committee comes in. Aside from providing a venue for social events, what else is wanted?

Licensing Laws forbid the bringing of alcohol by individuals. To comply with the law, several members of Lions have, at Lions expense completed the required courses to allow the proper & legal presentation of alcoholic liquor.

A new lift is on order from Europe to give disabled access to the Mezzanine balcony. The mezzanine will also accommodate an office for the RSL and offices for government employees handling any emergency event.

Neither Federal nor State government, despite promises made in Babinda immediately after cyclone Larry has contributed a cent to the cost of the new hall. They did however, insist that the design provide for emergency evacuation needs: number of toilets, showers, power generation, water and catering along with stores. Needless to say, the cost escalated. No doubt governments will to pay a generous monthly rent for the conditions we have provided.

And so, good people, we aging RSL members are appealing for your help in setting up your management committee. Things to be considered include insurance, hire fees, event scheduling, venue cleaning, provision for maintenance to name a few.

Those interested will be most welcome and should leave their name & contact number with the Babinda TaskForce.

Cheers
Errol Wiles.

Pink Ribbon Morning Tea



We are pleased to advise that our fundraiser for Breast Cancer on Wednesday 28th October raised \$214 in sales of pens and ribbons etc and \$520 in morning tea sales, a total of \$734. We would also like to thank

Balbi's Bakery for the donation of bread and the cake to make our lamingtons and Wendy at Babinda Meat Mart for heavily discounting a slice. Maureen donated a Pink Ribbon pen, which was won by Noreen Stevens and Edge Away donated a Bath Set, which was won by Carmen Vi-carioli. Congratulations to everyone involved it was a great morning, and it was fabulous to see everyone dressed in pink for the occasion.



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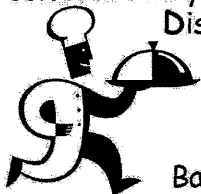


Photo taken 21st. October 2009

Left to Right : Ann-Marie Edwards (FNQ Regional Officer), Margaret Maloney (Treasurer), Dian Lock (Vice President), Margaret Palmer (Roster), Annasticia Palaszczuk (Minister Qld. Gov.), Margaret Bayne (President), Curtis Pitt (Local Member) Denise Irwin (Secretary)

Celebrating 25 years of Babinda Meals on Wheels (BMOW)

On the 21st. of October, BMOW volunteers, past and present, attended our party to celebrate 25 years of service to our community. We were privileged to have member for Disability & Multicultural Services Ms. Annasticia Palaszczuk and representative for Mulgrave Curtis Pitt joining us.



Some History of BMOW

On the 24th Sept. 1984 the first Meals were delivered to the people of Babinda by Kaye Omodei & Hilda Butler. The Volunteers were delivering 5 days a week driving to Gordonvale to pick up 2 or 3 meals. After awhile it was decided to deliver only 3 days a week. Babinda still coming under the umbrella of Gordonvale service. Due to a flooding of the highway in 1986, Babinda Hospital undertook to cook the meals. and in 1992, Marg Moller held a meeting to start Babindas' own service, independent of Gordonvale. That first management committee consisted of, Betty Satchwill (President), Amy Walters (Treasurer/Roster), and Marg Moller (Secretary/co-ordinator), Betty has become our 1st. volunteer to complete 25 years. Many have completed 20 years Congratulations to those people. Well done. Many thanks to all our volunteers and to our hospital kitchen staff who work tirelessly in the background.

Todays committee consist of Margaret Bayne (President), Margaret Maloney (Treasurer) Denise Irwin (Secretary), Margaret Palmer (Roster), and Dian Lock (Vice President).

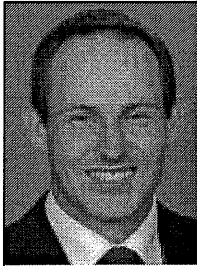
HAVE A GO AT VOLUNTEERING

Volunteering is a positive and rewarding role for the people who take it on. BMOW are always seeking people who can help by delivering meals on Monday or Wednesday for approx. 1 to 2 hours.

If you don't drive we can pair you up with a driver. Find out just how satisfying it can be.

If you can help please phone our Secretary Denise Irwin 4067 1454 or me 40671627

Thanks Margaret



Curtis Pitt MP Member for Mulgrave Working group to address Babinda Medical Services

I am pleased to advise that the medical model for Babinda is moving ahead and I have been working closely with Cairns and Hinterland Health Service CEO, Julie Hartley-Jones, to ensure that the views of the community have been fully taken into consideration.

As an interim measure, Dr Andrew Cliff a locum who has previously worked in Babinda, has commenced work and will remain until Christmas, receiving additional support from doctors from the Innisfail Hospital. This will ensure that there is adequate medical cover for the community while the new medical model is progressed and will also allow for continuity of care.

Although Dr Brian Merlo has finally ceased practising, the surgery will not close. The State Government has given a commitment to lease the surgery for the next three months while an independent valuation of the private GP practice is undertaken.

The community has indicated its desire that Queensland Health takes into consideration the long and dedicated contribution by Dr Merlo when arriving at its offer.

Recruiting is now underway for three full-time doctors with advertisements placed for a Medical Superintendent and for two Medical Officers, all with the right of private practice.

The Babinda community has been formally invited to provide a representative to sit on the recruitment panel for the three new Babinda doctors.

I know this is an important issue for residents and I will continue to work with Queensland Health, community representatives and the Far North Queensland Rural Division of General Practice until the model has been implemented.

Meals on Wheels

I recently joined the Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk, Minister for Disability Services and Multicultural Affairs to celebrate the 25th year of Babinda Meals on Wheels service to the community.

Congratulations to all past and present volunteers. This hardworking group not only delivers the meals provided by Babinda Hospital, they also provide a point of social contact for their recipients.

If you would like to volunteer some time at Babinda Meals on Wheels, contact Margaret Bayne on 4067 1627.



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The Babinda **Community Bank®** Branch held a very successful combined Annual General Meeting and Sponsorship Night on 30 October. Community members from Babinda School and Meals on Wheels spoke of the difference that our investments have made to the recipients. Other organisations sent letters and certificates of appreciation. All members of the Board who stood down by rotation or had been appointed during the year were re-elected.

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BABINDA LIONS CLUB - SERVING THEIR COMMUNITY

The Lions Club of Babinda is well known for the work done and service provided to support the local community, and at their Dinner meeting last month they were congratulated by Lions District Governor John Muller for their continued efforts in "Making a Difference" for their local residents.

"You are to be commended for the many hours of hard work and the range of projects and activities you do to support local community initiatives, and for the high profile you portray of Lions in the Babinda area" said District Governor John. "Lions are a group of community minded men and women bonded by a common thread of providing quality of service - a dedicated and committed group who can be relied upon to give freely of their time, labour and expertise to make their communities a better place in which to live - and the Babinda Lions are a shining example of this" Governor John said.

The Babinda Lions Club with a current membership of 22 was chartered on 9th August 1971. The Charter President Lion Eddie Accatino, now well into his eighties, remains a committed member of the club, and how pleasing it was to see him standing beside new 24 year old President Matt Harding during the dinner. "The leadership of the club is in safe hands, with an energetic and enthusiastic young President who will take the club forward to meet new challenges and continue the excellent work of Babinda Lions" District Governor John said.

Babinda Lions also took the opportunity to make a donation to Carl "Curly" Lauridsen to enable him continue his support to the Babinda Community through the conduct of his project "Curley's Camp," which has been supporting the youth of the area for over 40 years.

Lions Clubs International was formed in Chicago, USA in 1917, and to-day is the largest Service Club organisation in the world with 1,322,683 members in 45,923 clubs in 205 countries around the world. The Lions Motto is "WE SERVE", and this is truly evident in times of emergency e.g. floods, cyclone etc, when Lions members are at the forefront in providing assistance and leadership to their communities.

Anyone interested in knowing more about Lions and wishing to join the Babinda Lions Club should Club Secretary Frank Gatti - Ph 4067 6197

It's Too Hot Anyway!

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Info Centre Illuminations

Congratulations Babinda ! How good was the news that our special town has been acknowledged by the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia as a RV friendly town. At present, it is the only town in the Far North to be recognized in this way. Our council camping grounds, parking spaces for big rigs and the friendly service from our retailers have all contributed to make Babinda an ideal stopover for our visitors. Here at the center we regularly hear those positive comments and are delighted that Babinda has now been "formally" recognized.

Our newest venture is another great tourism venture – *Mulgrave River Cruises* Business operators Sean Arnold and Mark Bowe have been offering their services free of charge for some time now. This, of course will change in the near future. The feedback from those who have made the most of this very generous offer has been as one would expect – fantastic ! Information regarding *Mulgrave River Cruises* and of course, *Babinda Kayak Hire* is available from our center.

Christmas often means lots of visitors. Be prepared for those youngsters who inevitably cry "boredom" during school holidays ! Call in to see what our local area has to offer. Our volunteers have expert knowledge at their fingertips and are able to suggest many safe and exciting activities suitable for both adults and children.

Happy Trails and Expeditions

FREE Well Women's Clinic – Babinda Hospital – Tuesday 7th December 2009

Service includes Pap Smears, Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, Domestic Violence, etc. All services are provided by a specially trained Qld Health Nurse.

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Russell Landcare and Catchment Group



**Russell Landcare &
Catchment Group**

We had a small turnout to our planting on the 18th October for National Water Week along Lower Babinda Creek. Since our group couldn't get all the planting and mulching done in time (we needed to stop for some well-earned refreshments and a chat!), it was later finished by the Conservation Volunteers. Thanks so much to those who came and helped, including some new faces which is great to see.

New faces are also welcome to come along to our Annual General Meeting on Thursday November 26 at 7pm in the Spirit of Babinda Hall. The current committee has worked very well this year and we have been discussing ways to run our group so that the burden of office does not sit too heavily on individuals, for like all community volunteer groups, we struggle at times to fit everything in and to attract new members.

We have some great ideas to make the volunteer side of RLCG much easier and I will detail these at the AGM for those interested in contributing but who are time-poor. Come along and see if you can help out or just provide a voting audience for a new committee! We can't function without a quorum (minimum number of members at the meeting). You will also hear about the wonderful work that is going on around the catchment at our yearly review of activities, and as usual, complimentary refreshments will be served.

RLCG Annual General Meeting – Thursday November 26, 7:00 pm

Venue: Spirit of Babinda Hall behind the Babinda Taskforce office

Agenda:

- Yearly Review of Activities
- Election of Office Bearers
- Receiving the statement of income and expenditure, assets, liabilities and mortgages, charges and securities affecting the property of the association for the last financial year.
- Receiving the auditor's report on the financial affairs of the association for the last financial year
- Presenting the audited statement to the meeting for adoption

If you would like to nominate for a position on the executive, please contact me for a nomination form or pop in to see Melanie at our Munro St Office. Nominations will also be taken from the floor on the night for all positions. Proxy forms are available on request.

We welcome any enquiries via email to russell.landcare@gmail.com or pop in for information on the group, funding opportunities and assistance with natural resource management issues in the Russell Catchment. Email: melaniem@terrain.org.au; Phone: 4067 2515; Mobile: 0419 771 629

As this is our last update before the AGM, I would like to thank our current executive for their work this year, we can all be very proud of our work around the catchment; I regularly hear great comments from the community about it. A special thankyou to all our members, community partners, government agencies, local businesses and school groups who have supported our meetings, plantings and the establishment and maintenance of projects. We are extremely fortunate that we have a fantastic coordinator, Melanie McDonald from Terrain NRM, who oversees our activities and accounts for us; it makes a huge difference and we could not achieve anywhere near as much without this assistance; thankyou Mel!

Michele Dale

Secretary, Russell Catchment and Landcare Group Inc.



BELLENDEN KER STATE SCHOOL

THROUGH FULFILMENT WORK

After a well earned break our students have begun and are currently working very hard on their "Transport Unit". The school will be travelling on the Tilt train to Innisfail and then on the Australian Sugar Museum to look at the processes and transport systems involved in sugar production. Our students are very much looking forward to the excursion. We have had a very busy start to Term 4 with our students participating in Instrumental Music Camps, High School Transition days, Swimming, Leadership programs at Daradgee and an upcoming trip to Cairns to a Japanese Restaurant for LOTE. Thank you to our staff and parents who have assisted us with transport when required.

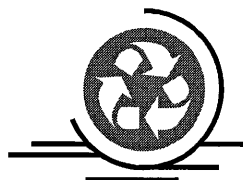
Our Prep orientation days are being held on three consecutive Mondays, 9th, 16th & 23rd November. Please contact the school for times and any further information.

Bellenden Ker is currently taking enrolments for 2010. If you would like your child/children to learn in a safe and supportive environment, or would just like to come and have a look at our wonderful school, please feel free to contact us here at the school or drop in between 9.00am to 3.00pm. We are located on Harvey Creek Road Bellenden Ker. For any further information/inquiries on what our school has to offer we can be contacted on 40 675292 or 0428775293. Please note, a school prospectus is available upon request.

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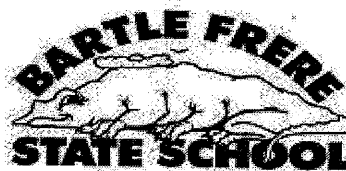
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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Date: Monday, December 7th

Time: 7.00pm

Where: Spirit of Babinda Hall, Munro St, Babinda

All members of the wider Babinda community are welcome! This is your chance to get involved in running the 2010 Babinda Harvest Festival.

Also...

The 2009 Harvest Festival committee has been successful in receiving a grant to develop the festival in 2010. One of the purposes of the grant is to contract a Fundraising Coordinator for six months (approx one day per week) from early 2010 until the festival at the end of May, 2010.

Activities include:

Raising cash and inkind sponsorship to develop a stable base for the festival into the future.

Liaison with the Harvest Queen Coordinator to coordinate fundraising activities and assist Harvest Princess entrants with fundraising ideas.

Coordinate advertising and promotions

If you are interested in this position, or to nominate anyone for the new committee, please contact Secretary, Fiona George, on fionavanilla@hotmail.com or phone 0488 702 203 for more information.

November is the start of the Cyclone Season

If you need help during this period, please register your name with the Disaster Recovery Register or phone 1800 070 444.

"The Good Old Days"

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Babinda Kindy

Children at the Babinda Community Kindergarten have had a fun filled Term 4 so far. We have been enjoying "wet" days with lots of water and sprinkler activities to keep cool. We recently had a visit from the Auxillary Fire Services to talk to children about fire safety- we even got to look inside the fire engine and have a turn of spraying water from the fire hose.

Over the last few weeks we have had a tent set up inside and have had fun participating in all sorts of "camping" activities. Last week, we celebrated Halloween with a spooky fun day – scary stories, snakes and jelly, jacko-lanterns, dressing up, coloured hair etc.

Babinda Community Kindergarten is currently in the process of finalizing enrolments for 2010. We still have a couple of vacancies for children born between 1st July 2005 to 30th June 2006 – so, if your child's name is not already on our waiting list and you would like a placement for your child, please ring the Kindergarten on 40671294 as soon as possible.

Secret Cook

Although cooked in a loaf tin, this loaf is as moist as if cooked in the popular nut roll tin. The secret is in aluminium-foil covering before baking:

- ½ lb. Dates
- 1 Egg
- 1 Cup Boiling Water
- 1 1/2 cups self-raising
- 4oz. Butter or substitute
- 1 Cup Plain Flour
- 1 Cup Sugar
- ½ Cup Of Chopped Walnuts
- ½ Teaspoon Salt



Chop Dates roughly, add to boiling water, boil for 3 minutes. Stir in butter, sugar, and salt. Blend until butter just melts. When cold, stir in sifted flours alternately with beaten egg. Stir in nuts. Put in greased 23 by 12cm loaf tin. Cover with foil allow for expansion; Press foil firmly round rim of tin to seal completely. Pierce top of foil once with skewer. Bake in mod. Slow oven 1 to 1 ¼ hrs. Remove foil, bake for further 10min.

A huge pat on the back must be bestowed on the organisers of Babinda's very own Girls Night In, held at Babinda QCWA Hall. A huge \$752 made for research into Breast Cancer. Congratulations girls.....



God Bless the Cassowary—our rainforest gardener. Cassowaries are large flightless birds nearly 2 metres tall. They are considered an important species for the survival of the rainforest. Cassowaries are known to disperse the seed of at least 150 rainforest plants. The Quandong and the Cassowary Plum are so big only this bird is big enough to swallow it whole. Once swallowed the seed passes through unharmed and is ready to germinate. Seeds are often collected from their scats for vegetation projects as they are more likely to germinate. The rainforest surrounding our area here in Babinda is home to the Cassowary and should you sight a bird, it will be for you an uplifting experience.



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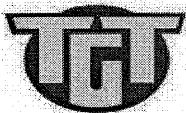
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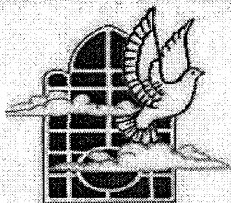
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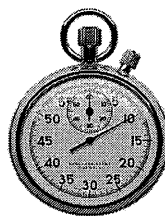
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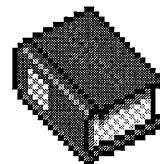
Resident Evacuation and Recovery Register.

With the annual cyclone season on the way, Council invites residents of this region who are elderly, infirm or disabled and who have no transport or family/funds in the area, to sign on to Resident Evacuation and Recovery Register.

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Holy Cross Anglican Church will be having their Christmas Holy Communion celebration on Sunday 20th December 2009 at 10am. It will be followed by a light luncheon. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate Christ's Mass with us.

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Babinda District Community Association Inc
Presidents Report 2008/2009
Debra Quabba

It is with great pleasure that I present my report on what is the 10th Anniversary of the establishment of this organisation. It only seems like yesterday that the community came together as one and decided to fight for the very existence of our wonderful community, and as a result of many years of hard work we now boast what is essentially the only working Rural Transaction Centre in Australia that includes a Centrelink Agency, Queensland Rail Ticketing Agency, a community meeting place, computer training and internet access, visiting solicitor, Cairns Regional Council representative, Cr Gregory and more recently Curtis Pitt MP and much, much more and still remains unfunded in terms of wages and assistance with electricity and telephone. We are proudly continuing to print a monthly newsletter and a yearly local Telephone Book. We continue to lobby for support from all levels of Government on a range of issues from Street litter to provision of health services for our community and I can say that sometimes we have been unsuccessful in our bid for assistance, but we have always put up the good fight and will continue to do so, given the opportunity.

We continue strong relationships with our lessee's, which include Marino Moller Lawyers, Bendigo Community Bank, terrain Natural Resource Management and Stella Florist and Gift Gallery. We also have continued bookings for our Spirit of Babinda Hall from groups and organisations which include Healthier Great Green Way, Eyedentity, Mamu, Tai Chi, Powerlink, Red Cross, Liberal National Party, and Youth Justice Conferencing. Community groups who meet in the hall free of charge include Babinda Pensioners and Superannuates League, Cootharinga, Farming for the Future, Russell Landcare and Catchment Group, Meals on Wheels, Abbeyfield, Deb Ball Committee and dancing lessons to name a few. We have also held community meetings and events in the hall including Munro St/Bruce Highway meeting, Seniors Expo, and Community Health Services Meeting.

In November last year an executive committee meeting decided to purchase 10 new computers for the computer room which are used as not only as an internet café but a training facility. Unfortunately we will be losing our classes in January due to lack of ongoing funding, but hopefully we will be able to attract a new service provider and continue education in our community.

We have received Q150 Grant Funding to record Oral Histories of significant weather events and we have decided to limit these experiences to the 1918, 1956 (Agnes), 1986 (Winifred) and 2006 (Larry) cyclone experiences. The project was to have been taken up by the school but staffing arrangements changed and time got away from them so we have decided to go ahead with the project ourselves and to set up a Babinda specific Website to upload our interviews and to give a broader based insight into what it is that has shaped our community in terms of the weather.

We have also received a Powerlink Grant which was to have been completed by the end of September but our tradesman has been a little on the busy side so it is in the process of being completed as we speak. The grant was to place a water proof cover of the Disabled Access to the Spirit of Babinda Hall.

We had an application to the Department of Communities for a senior's event but we were unsuccessful. However in March this year we put together a Seniors Expo where groups and organisations showcased their products and services to the seniors in our community. The function was unfortunately not well attended but the morning was a complete success for those that did attend.

We had also received funding the previous year to undertake an Under 5's event from Mission Australia which we had considered returning due to lack of volunteers. This event was also sadly under attended but was a fabulous success for our community. A bus was hired to bring community members from Yarrabah and although we had a date clash those that came had a great morning.

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This years Tidy Towns entry resulted in a win for our community being awarded the Regions Tidiest Town. We have been quite successful with our entries over the years, which, proves a very high level of community spirit, awareness of the environment, and a commitment to the future of our area.

It continues to amaze me that our 2 staff who are paid a total of 35 hours per week and 3 volunteers can achieve the volume of work that is achieved out of this office. Their dedication and commitment to not only the organisation but the community is a credit to them and I thank them for their many hours of hard work over the last twelve months.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the executive committee who are extremely supportive of me and the never ending trail of ideas and projects that I embark upon daily and weekly. So a huge thankyou must go to them.

No organisation that undertakes the level of community work that the Taskforce does would be able to do this without the support of outside assistance. This support for us comes in the shape of Cr Gregory. Cr Gregory has and is the person that I turn to for advice and knowledge about a range of subjects. His commitment not only to me, but the Taskforce and our community is unquestionably of the highest level and I am extremely grateful for everything he does. Without his guidance and support we certainly would not be able to achieve the many things that we do. Thank you, Paul.

The future of the organisation is unfortunately unstable due to ongoing financial commitments but it is without doubt we have become an essential part of our community and it would be reprehensible to allow financial constraints to be our undoing.

On that note I would like to congratulate the new committee on their election and I hope that your experiences in the community will give you great satisfaction and pleasure.

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Watch out for your NEIGHBOURS!

As the cyclone season approaches we Babindaite's should consider making a quick visit to our neighbours who are elderly or have a disability.

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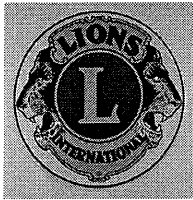
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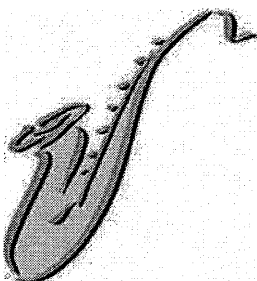
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Answer:
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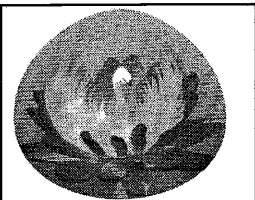
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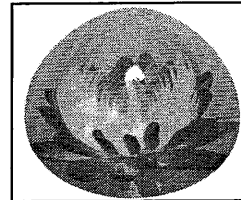
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B.B.C. NEWS

Well it has been a very exciting month for the Babinda Bargain Centre. Clients from our Supported Accommodation House in Cairns visited us recently. The Carers took time out to transport their Clients to browse our Bargain Store and catch up with some of our volunteers at work.

The money raised through the Babinda Bargain Centre continues to assist Cootharinga to provide accommodation and support services throughout Townsville, Cairns, Mackay and regions in between.

Congratulations to Maisie Smith for putting together a wonderful selection of clothing for an impromptu Fashion Parade held at the Stag Tavern on Melbourne Cup Day. Those hats sure did impress!

A quick mention to a few of our volunteers who have been in poor health, "We're all thinking of you and wish you well." And to those who celebrated BIG birthdays, "our congratulations!" (You know who you are!!)

Lastly, our HUGE end of year CENT SALE is coming up on the **5th December** and will be held in the "Spirit of Babinda" Hall. We welcome everyone to attend this great Fundraising Day and extend an invitation to all both far and near. The afternoon will commence at **1:30pm**, with a **\$3 entry fee** which will include a tasty afternoon tea.

Special thanks to Babinda "Spar," our local Supermarket, for donating a **\$100 Shopping Voucher**. Tickets for this Grand Prize are already on sale, just **\$1** each and will be drawn at our end of year cent sale on the **5th December**.

Have a Happy Day! See you all at the *Babinda Bargain Centre!*

What's Happening In Babinda

BABINDA TASKFORCE - MONTHLY MEETINGS - Third Thursday of the month. 9:30am at the Taskforce Office.

Australian Pensioners & Superannuates League - 2nd Thursday of the month at 9am at the Spirit of Babinda Hall.

BABINDA ARTS & CRAFTS - 2nd Thursday every month - 7pm shop, bring a chair

BABINDA DISTRICT FISHING CLUB meetings are now held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at the Club House - Phone 4067-1087

BABINDA BOWLS CLUB - Weekly Bowls dates and times - Tuesday 1pm - Wednesday 6pm - Thursday, Saturday & Sunday 1pm - Brian Walker—40676764

BABINDA GOLF CLUB - Time of competitions - Wednesday - Chook Run 9 holes 2.45pm
Friday - Social Holes 3pm Saturday - 18 Hole Competition 1pm

BABINDA LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Monday of the month a 7pm at the RSL Hall, School St

BABINDA STATE SCHOOL P & C MEETING - 4th Monday of the month 7.30pm at the school

BABINDA WOMEN'S GROUP - Hoy at Abbeyfield 1st Monday of the month 1.30pm

BARTLE FRERE STATE SCHOOL - Family Day Group Every Tuesday 9am—11am
All welcome (Contact Principle Danielle 4067-6240 for more information)

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - 6 - 6.30PM - 1st Tuesday of the month at Roddo's

CHILD HEALTH CLINIC - 2nd Wednesday of the month 10am Hospital

COOTHARINGA - HOY - 3rd Monday of every month 1.30pm to 4pm in the Spirit of Babinda Hall

FITNESS & MARTIAL ARTS - THURS 6pm to 7pm at the School Hall

FNQ WILDLIFE CARERS Harry Potyondy and Rae Heywood 228 Price Rd., Bartle Frere
Tel: 4067-6054 (after 4pm & W/ends) Mob: 0428699246 (7.30am to 4.00pm Mon to Fri)

HOSPITAL WELFARE - 3rd Friday Second Monthly - 3pm Stag Tavern

INFO CENTRE - First Friday of the month 9.30am at the Info Centre

KIDS CLUB - Grade 1 to Grade 7 - Wednesday 5pm to 7.30pm CWA Hall, Babinda.

PLAYGROUP - BABINDA BUMBLE BEES - meets every Mon. 9.30am - 1130am at St. Rita's School, Church St. Ring Julie on 4067-2397 for more information.

QCWA BABINDA- 2nd Saturday of the month meeting @ 9.30am Craft held after the meeting
4th Monday of the month - Hoy and Mini Cent Sale @ 1pm

QCWA DEERAL—2nd Wednesday of the month—09.00am Craft lessons (Teacher) - open to all.
Meeting 1.30pm—New members welcome.

RUSSELL LANDCARE & CATCHMENT GROUP - 4th Thursday of the month 7.00pm at the Spirit of Babinda Hall.

SCHOOLIEZ CHURCH - Grade 8-12 Every Sunday 8.30am Tootie and Wendy's 116 Munro St Phone: 40671568.

SOCIAL TOUCH FOOTBALL - Every Thursday night 7pm Bill Wakeham Park

STORYTIME - Babinda Library 3rd Wednesday every month

TAI CHI - Every Saturday at the Babinda Golf Club from 8.30am to 9.30am
Ring 4067-1762 for more information.

YOGA—Every Wednesday 5.30-7.00pm at the Spirit of Babinda Hall. All Welcome.