



**KURANDA**

**conservation**

**COMMUNITY NURSERY Inc**

The KCons community nursery is nearly always open at 1 Pademelon Lane (cnr Fallon Rd and Kennedy Hwy). *Spring is in the air and the plants know it. If you can keep water up to newly planted seedlings, they should do well. If temperatures are going to rise as forecast, think about planting more hardy, dry-tolerant plants. The Lilly-pillies, the sygyiums, are a safe bet. They do well in both wet and dry conditions.*

**\*\* Box trailers for hire: 4093 8834 \*\***  
Two sturdy trailers ready to go

1 Pademelon Lane, Kuranda 4881

Phone: 4093 8834

Email: kurandaconservation@hotmail.com Website: www.kurandaconservation.org

A special thanks to our "Media Liaison Officer", Lorraine Harris, for transforming our public face. We've named a cassowary after her.

## GARDENING AUSTRALIA

Finally a date for our feature on Gardening Australia – it's about us and cassowaries in Kuranda.

**4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2019**  
**7.30pm on ABC TV**

***Garcinia warreni*** or Native Mangosteen is now in flower. A medium-sized tree, it has separate male and female plants. **The perfume is an absolutely intoxicating Indian sweet spice flavour.** It may well be that scent that suddenly reaches you on the warm air and has you looking around for its origin. This tree is a suitable garden species and the fruit are also a favourite food for cassowaries. We have them in the nursery. The flesh is edible but not in the same class as the non-native mangosteen.

### A FINAL WORD ON SPREADING WEEDS

(probably not the last word but a strong one)

**IF** you didn't have weeds in your lawn but now you do, it's probably because your mower man is dirty, or rather his machinery is. If your road verge is now covered in Navua Sedge, it's because Council's mower is spreading the fine seeds from property to property.

**IF** you want to stay weed-free, mow your own place or insist that any machinery coming on to your property is seed-free.

**IF** you already have weeds like Navua Sedge, then it's game over. Get used to it. One way you can slow it down is to mow your lawn before the weed forms seeds. If you mow the seeds, you're adding years of seed stock to your soil.



## ***Hibiscus diversifolius*** **SWAMP HIBISCUS**

Shrub  
Flowers red, purple or yellow. July-Dec  
Available in our community nursery

## TREES FOR LIFE (all life)

### PLANT JUST 1 TREE

We are disappointed that no one has taken up our offer of providing, free, a tree for you to plant.

Our offer still holds – a free tree and we'll assist you to plant it, if needed.

The world is crying out for repair and regeneration. We seem intent on removing anything and everything that's in our way but not so committed to restoring our space to anywhere near its natural balance.

You could make all the difference.

**IF YOU SPOT A CASSOWARY ON YOUR PROPERTY, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL.**

**4093 8834**