



# KUPIDABIN NEWS

## August - September 2021

Dear Friends

Regretfully Kupidabin Wilderness Foundation Committee have postponed our 8th Bi-Annual Gathering of the Four Winds this year scheduled for the 17th/18th/19th of September. We are so grateful to all our amazing First Nations Elders and Presenters who were committed to being with us to share their knowledge and culture. There were so many unknown factors due to the current world health situation that it would be very difficult for everyone to safely travel and come together for an entire weekend. 5 of our Presenters are living in N.S.W. and as we know now it would be impossible for them to cross the border into Queensland

The Gathering of the Four Winds will now be held September 16th -17th -18th 2022.

Please keep the new dates in your next year's diary. We will keep you informed of our events and plan to put a wonderful program together for 2022. Thank you to our Presenters who have committed to joining with Kupidabin again in 2022.

**A Special Retreat** will be held for the Spring Equinox Sunday, September 19th 2021.'

Kupidabin Wilderness Presents 'LEAP INTO SPRING' with Tere supported by Claudia.

All welcome. Max. 30 Adults - Plenty of Open Space – Fresh Country Air. at Kupidabin Wilderness 7 Lyell Court Mt Samson 9am – 2.30pm. Vegetarian Lunch/ Tea / Coffee. Cost \$50.00pp- What to Bring. - Water Bottle - Mat and Cushion. Bookings Essential.

Text Maureen 0402 092 741 Email [info@kupidabin.org](mailto:info@kupidabin.org) Check [facebook.com/kupidabin](https://www.facebook.com/kupidabin) for full program info.

**The International Day of Peace**, Tuesday 21st September 2021 will still go ahead at our Peace Haven. This is an Annual Event. A SPECIAL CEREMONY with Speakers and Cultural Music will be held on this day at Kupidabin Wilderness to pray for all the families affected by the Covid-19 Virus and the end to this Pandemic. Full Program on [www.kupidabin.org](http://www.kupidabin.org) and Kupidabin FaceBook.

DOVES of PEACE WILL BE RELEASED ON THIS DAY AT 3PM.

Our Peace Pole was erected at a dedication Ceremony on Easter Saturday 7th. April 2007

*Image: Kupidabin Peace Pole being erected with Uncle Tex Chapman – Wakka Wakka*



An 8 sided Pole which holds 24 Plaques. 3 on each side "May Peace Prevail on Earth" is engraved in the Native languages of ' Friends of Kupidabin' in English, Aboriginal, Maori, Japanese, Finnish, Gaelic, Druid, Runes, Greek, French, Guarani, Tuscarora, Urdu, Chinese, Russian, Tsalgi, Spanish, German, Iroquois Nation, Lakota / Sioux Nation, Czech Republic, N.A. Blackfoot Nation, Tamil, Turkish. There are more than 250,000 Peace Poles in 180 Countries

Now our Pole is complete further Plaques can be engraved and placed on the walls. If you wish to place a Plaque on the wall in the Peace Haven contact Maureen 0402 092 741 Email: info@kupidabin.org The Peace Fire will also be lit to Pray for Peace around the World.



**All Welcome Join us at 2pm.at Four Winds Cultural Centre 7 Lyell Court Mt. Samson. On-site Parking available. Gold Coin Donation. for Afternoon Tea.**

*Image; Kupidabin Peace Haven and Pole constructed by Des Pickstone and Blessed by Uncle Tex Chapman April 2007*

#### **DIARY DATES:**

**Monthly Peace Fire will be lit at 7pm. Tuesday 7th September. Followed by Tea/ Coffee and Snacks All Welcome. \$10.00 Donation .pp**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 17th FAMILY DRUMMING CIRCLE 4pm – 6pm. All Welcome – Spare drums to share \$10.00pp - \$5.00 Children Tea/ Coffee /Snacks available.**

**Wanted – First Nation Person or Family to restore "Gunya" in Kupidabin Wilderness Yarning Circle constructed by Danny Doyle in 2012. Many Yarning Circles have been held here by Elders over the years. Very Strong winds July /August has created havoc with the structure.**



*Image: Kupidabin Yarning Circle.*

**A free weekend at Kupidabin offered to the right person/s Contact Maureen by text 0402 092 741 or email: info@kupidabin.org.**

Kupidabin Four Winds Culture Centre available to hire for Workshops and Retreats etc. Weekends and School Holidays. Book now for 2022.

More News to come in October.

Please share our September events through your networks.

Welcome to our new readers. If you wish to know more about Kupidabin –Go to our website [www.kupidabin.org](http://www.kupidabin.org) Click on 'About us- a dropbox will say HISTORY of LYELL DEER FARM AND Birth of Kupidabin Cultural Association Inc.

I HAVE ONLY WRITTEN UNTIL 2018 BUT WILL UPDATE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

Many Thanks and Blessings to all.

Maureen.