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Everyone enjoys a relaxing
Christmas Holiday in
Wingello

Everyone wants to be in Wingello

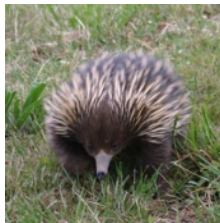
We welcome our newest local resident - a sleepy Koala



Those of us who live in Wingello enjoy the country peace and quiet within striking distance of city services. We often sit back and listen to the quiet country life - animals, birds and other wildlife. If you hadn't

guessed as much from driving around here in the evenings, Wingello is home to many wombats.

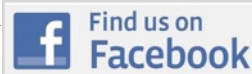
Although we have seen kangaroos, wombats and even the occasional echidna, we have now seen another of Australia's iconic residents - a koala. The koala pictured was enjoying his Christmas rest high up a gum tree within the village. This must mean the rest of the colony is also around, so we may now be home to another new family of Australians. Cool.



The key thing now is not to scare them away. Watch from a distance and enjoy their company in our little slice of Australia.

| Wingello Rain Chart | | | | | | | | |
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| Month | 2011 | | 2012 | | 2013 | | 2014 | |
| | Mth | Cum | Mth | Cum | Mth | Cum | Mth | Cum |
| Jan | 45 | 45 | 64 | 64 | 87 | 87 | 27 | 27 |
| Feb | 129 | 174 | 304 | 368 | 320 | 407 | 112 | 139 |
| Mar | 70 | 244 | 160 | 528 | 27 | 433 | 192 | 331 |
| Apr | 63 | 307 | 62 | 590 | 68 | 501 | 44 | 375 |
| May | 84 | 390 | 15 | 605 | 47 | 548 | 32 | 406 |
| Jun | 84 | 474 | 80 | 685 | 310 | 857 | 56 | 462 |
| Jul | 39 | 513 | 25 | 710 | 18 | 875 | 9 | 471 |
| Aug | 67 | 580 | 13 | 723 | 2 | 877 | 290 | 761 |
| Sep | 53 | 633 | 23 | 745 | 65 | 941 | 31 | 791 |
| Oct | 81 | 714 | 26 | 771 | 25 | 966 | 78 | 869 |
| Nov | 75 | 789 | 60 | 831 | 84 | 1,050 | 46 | 915 |
| Dec | 47 | 836 | 32 | 862 | 37 | 1,087 | 263 | 1,178 |

The Wingello Village Store is now on Facebook. Just look for **Wingello Village Store** and you will find us.



You can also get Wingello Village News via email. Just contact us at wingello@gmail.com and we will send you the subscription link.

Local Awesome Burgers

Continuing our efforts to increase our reliance on locally sourced produce, we have upgraded our hamburger patties so they are all 100% Angus patties from Marulan Meats and sourced from Wingello farms. This is not just because it is better to support all our local producers and businesses, it's also because it makes a better burger. This is all part of our continual improvement we have practiced over the last 6 years in the Wingello Village Store. Ongoing additional training, fine tuning and updating our menu and food sources has seen great results in increasing the number of new and returning customers.

If you have not had a burger from us in some time, come on in and experience a fair dinkum Wingello Burger. Our experienced core team of Ariel, James, Eric and Peter with Lucy, Liam and Sean are providing excellent quality food and coffee.

THE WINGELLO BURGER REVEALED

- Bun - baked fresh by **Bryants Bakery** in Goulburn with no strange preservatives or funny stuff.
- Bacon - from **Marulan Meats**
- Australian Tasty Cheese
- 130gm 100% Angus Beef patties from local farms from **Marulan Meats**
- Beetroot for a true Australian Burger
- Add Sauce - Tomato, BBQ, Sweet Chilli, Belgian Mayonnaise, Hot Chilli or a mix!
- Onions, Tomato and Lettuce sourced from local green grocers.
- Australian Pineapple
- Egg - Free Range eggs from **Nixon's Produce** in Wilton.

Store Opening Hours

Phone: 02 4884 4340

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| Mon - Thu: | 7:30 am - 6:00 pm |
| Fridays: | 7:30 am - 9:00 pm (Restaurant till later in the evening!) |
| Weekends: | 8:00am - 2:30pm |
| Public holidays: | 8:00am - 10:30am |

We are open **Every Day** except Good Friday and Christmas.

Bin Collection

Mondays

January

- 5 ● Green
- 12 ● Yellow
- 19 ● Green
- 26 ● Yellow

A Busy December

624 parcels.

That is how many parcels we received this December, which averages to around 33 parcels a day. Online shopping has certainly made its impact!

Luckily everyone expecting parcels was quick to visit and collect their presents so we did not have to store parcels in too many extra storage locations.

It is still a busy time with mail and post-Christmas online buying resulting in lots of parcels for our happy elves to distribute when they come in.



We now provide Gas Refilling

We are now an authorised Gas Bottle Refiller for Supagas.

For \$29 we can refill your 9kg LPG bottles. 4.5kg bottles will be \$16.

All our key staff have been trained in appropriate safety and delivery of LPG.

This is just another service we can now provide to all our customers.

(For reference, the standard price for a 9kg bottle swap is around \$38.)



Wingello Fire Brigade News

Well, another Christmas has passed and a New Year begins. We do hope that you all had a pleasant and happy Christmas. The Brigade was busy with five callouts during the month of December. They consisted of three motor vehicle accidents, occurring between Marulan and Sally's Corner. The Brigade also attended a grass fire just north of Murrumba Rd on the Highway and a house fire call in Canyonleigh. A good response by the Brigade members who assisted in all of the callouts.

The weather! What can we say about that? A white Christmas for Wingello. This month the village was the recipient of inches of rain, quite a few very hot days and then to cap it off the hail on Christmas day. We hope not too much damage was caused by the hail stones which were of a size.

The Brigade Community Engagement team carried out more house visits last month making sure that the residents had their Bush Fire Survival plans in place or needed any assistance in preparing them. It has been a few months between visits but we will continue to get around to the rest of the village in the coming months. In all the response we have had from the houses that we visited has been encouraging to say the least. Most have been aware of the Fire Danger within the area and have been preparing their properties in various ways, others we have spoken to have said that they would not be able to defend their place in the event of a fire and would be leaving early. The decision they made was based on the info from the Bush Fire Survival booklet and that they were not physically fit enough to stay and defend. Probably the most important decision one would have to make.

We have been lucky so far with fires within the area and we hope it continues but the hottest months are yet to come and even with all the rain we have had it will not take much to dry out so keep up the good work and remain aware of the Fire Danger Ratings at all times.

Brigade members also visited all the homes in the village during December to deliver the 2015 Brigade Calendar. If your home didn't receive one then you can pick one up from the Wingello Village Store. Many thanks to the Wingello Village Store for their continued sponsorship of the Brigade Calendar.

Santa visited Wingello again this year and was transported around the Village by the Brigade crews; he was greatly impressed with the number of children and adults who were out to greet him around the village. This was his second visit to Wingello this month - the first visit was to the school children before they broke up for the holidays. Again Santa enjoyed the opportunity to talk to the kiddies. I'm sure he will be around next year.

Training and maintenance nights continue on Wednesdays, and is open for visitors to call in if in need of advice or assistance with their Bush Fire Survival Plans.

So with 2015 upon us let's hope it is a safe one.

Take care and stay safe.

