

Why be
anywhere
else?

Summer Colours
of Wingello



Steam Train races through Wingello

Wingello gathered to watch restored railway history in action



At 8:30am on Saturday 28 Feb, over 150 locals gathered at the train station to watch as a part of Australian railway history made a lightning visit.

One of our villagers had helped with the restoration

of the 6029 Steam Engine - the largest steam engine in Australia - and it was finally ready for a maiden trip. It is fascinating to read how much time and effort and love of history that went into the restoration of this engine that is revealed in the blog dedicated to the work: <http://blog.project6029.com/>

The plan was for the train to come through Wingello at 8:30am and put on a bit of a steam and sound show. There was a small brochure placed on the shop bench on Thursday Afternoon and we promoted it on Thursday night on our Facebook page. Word of mouth quickly spread and on Saturday morning people began gathering at the station and crossing waiting in anticipation.

Why so much interest in an old train? We believe that it is because we all like a bit of style and steam trains have that certain something. Also, as Wingello has always had a keen interest in the railway, and the sound of trains is a background noise to our peaceful lifestyle, we all secretly like the idea of a train that can inspire so much passion in its restoration.

When you ask children what sound a train makes, they always reply with steam train noises. This is even though the majority of children and adults have never even travelled on one!

At 8:30 we were all looking at our watches and then at 8:38 the familiar boom gates began to ring with their

familiar chant. Everyone looked South down the line, cameras ready and waiting.

We saw the huge black engine with its gold 6029 emblazoned on the front rushing towards us, steam billowing in triumph and horn blaring in joy. There was no pause in its progress as it rushed at a frantic pace straight through the intersection and station and in seconds it was gone on to its destination Northwards. Dazed but smiling, with the sight and sound of a real steam engine in our memories, we all checked to see if we were able to capture any good photos in the window of opportunity we had.

And the best thing about the morning? The multitude of greetings and catching up with each other, the camaraderie and good will as villagers compared notes and generally had a great village experience. Many stopped off for coffee, cake and something to eat and linger a bit longer to retain more of the good time that was the visit of train 6029 to Wingello.

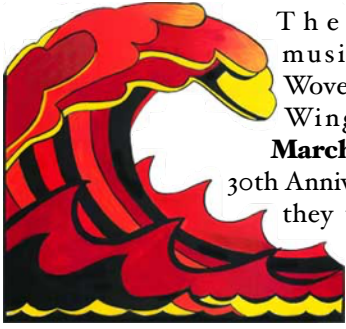


Trial Bus Service	
Bus Times to 3 May:	
Wingello to Marulan:	10:56, 12:26, 16:51 <i>(arriving 19 minutes later in Marulan)</i>
Wingello to Bundanoon:	11:39, 13:09, 17:34 <i>(arriving 16 minutes later in Bundanoon)</i>
More details are on the Community Noticeboard at the Wingello Village Store	

Bin Collection	
Mondays	
March	
2	Green
9	Yellow
16	Green
23	Yellow
30	Green

Store Opening Hours	
Phone: 02 4884 4340	
Mon - Thu:	7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Fridays:	7:30 am - 7:30 pm <i>(Restaurant till later in the evening!)</i>
Weekends:	8:00am - 2:30pm
Public holidays:	8:00am - 10:30am
We are open Every Day except Good Friday and Christmas.	

Loosely Woven Concert



The very entertaining musical group "Loosely Woven" will be returning to Wingello on **Sunday 15 March at 1:00pm**. This is the 30th Anniversary for the group and they will be providing some excellent entertainment.

Their concert is suitable for all ages.

Entry is by donation of say \$10 per adult, and includes afternoon tea. Children 12 and under are free.

This great event is brought to you by The Wingello Hall and Penrose Hall Committees.

For more information you can call (02) 4884 4170 or 0468 334 188.

Wingello Fire Brigade News

What a quiet month this has been - and a short one at that. No call outs, just training and maintenance around the Station. Lots of rain of course which helps all things grow and this is sometimes a bit uncomfortable when training but that can't be helped. Our Brigade has now increased its membership by two with the addition of Murray and Linda Thomas. Murray is very experienced with pumps and is also heavy rigid licensed making him a valuable asset to the brigade. Linda will be support for the time being and being a qualified nurse she also will be a great asset to the brigade as we need support people as much as we need crew. Murray has been attending training and will start his BF course in the next month or so. A big welcome to you both.

A lot of our members are undergoing additional courses through the winter months and every course they do enhances their abilities to assist in the field. The brigade will be assisting in the **Enduro Mountain Bike Classic event on the 22nd March**, this being the first fund raiser for the Brigade this year.

The word has also got around that one of our members and his wife will be increasing the population of Wingello by one more sometime not too far away. Congrats to Tim and Liz Ball on the coming event. Also of course to Max who will be the big brother.

These last few weeks we have been having some in house training on Interface Fire Fighting. The program is quite relevant to the Wingello brigade and very interesting as it is to do with bush fires close to communities like ours and what we have to deal with. These programs are of great value and many thanks to David Stimson for running this program. So we are now heading into autumn which is a great time of the year for Wingello. Let's hope it is another quiet month.

Chef Night Special - 20 March

On **Friday night, 20 March**, we will be hosting another of Eric's Chef Night Specials. This is to celebrate his completion of his Certificate III in Commercial Cookery in which he has just graduated.

The support of the Wingello community in participating in these Chef's Night Specials has been very beneficial to his gaining valuable hands-on experience of commercial cooking, and given him and us a good chance to try a variety of really tasty meals. Thank you.



This month the set meal will be:

Entree:

An extremely tasty freshly made Tomato Soup, served with Garlic Croutons.

Main:

Beef Stroganoff served with creamy mashed potatoes, buttered beans and carrots.

Dessert:

Baked Raspberry and Vanilla Cheesecake served with ice cream.



Entree is served at 6:30pm and **bookings are essential.**

If you don't book by Wednesday 18 March, you will miss out on the special dessert. It is baked and refrigerated overnight so we must have accurate numbers before the night.

