Why be anywhere



A Busy Wingello

With the arrival of colder weather there has been an abundance of happenings in Wingello

Brrrr! Snow arrives to bring in Winter early.

On 13th May Wingello featured on the National News! We were part of their story on the onset of very cold weather including snow.

In the mid afternoon the temperature suddenly dropped and the sky darkened. Then it began to rain. But it wasn't rain, or hail. It



was sort of soft hail or a hybrid of snow and hail -"Snail". There ended being about an inch of snow on the ground and roofs, enough to make snowballs and snowmen. The temperature remained low and before it had a chance to melt night came. Next morning everything was still covered in Nature's white blanket with the snowmen finally departing just after lunch time.

Ben Hall returned to the Wingello Hall

On 8th May Ben Hall and his gang returned to Wingello Hall for a fine play, meal, dance and entertainment. Over 80 people enjoyed a fun night organised by the Wingello Hall Committee and Penrose Community Association. It was another marvellous



night of entertainment organised and benefitting locals.

Store Opening Hours Phone: 02 4884 4340

Mon - Thu: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm Fridays: 7:30 am - 7:30 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

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Hundreds of Horses, riders and supporters have come and gone again.

On the weekend of 23rd and 24th May the Wingello Forest Horse Endurance Ride was held in the forest. The Wingello Village Store and Snax on Trax kept the riders, strappers and spectators fed and supplied with hundreds of burgers, coffees and various extras.



Saturday was a day for the casual riders and lots of beginners and spectators. Once the sun started to set we had the riders from both days gathered around the fire for dinner and entertainment, staying warm near the lovely bonfire.

Sunday morning opened very chilly but in typical Wingello fashion, the sun rose, cleared away early frost and mist and the weekend was



wonderful! Congratulations to all involved in organising such an enjoyable weekend.

Firewood is the best

With the colder weather we love warmer homes in which to relax. Wood is one of the best value heating fuels, especially in Wingello where we have a good selection of wood suppliers. The best long lasting wood is denser hardwood,



selling for \$170 a cubic metre. Firewood in Wingello costs from \$100 to \$170 depending on the quality, density and availability. We use a mixture of both at home, with the denser wood used for overnight.

Supplier details are available in the Wingello Store Community Noticeboard.

Many changes at the Store

May has seen a lot of updates at the Wingello Village Store. We finally updated the floor, bearers and joists in the main part of the shop. As we are open every day it

was an interesting juggling act by **Daniel Hill** and his team. Over three Wednesdays they pulled up sections of the floor, updated the bearers and joists and laid down new



flooring. Once that was done we moved everything to the sides and after we closed for Anzac Day **Brendan Den** came in and did the painting. Now with the floor updated, the Southern outside walls of the shop repaired and replaced and the Post Office bench repainted, it all looks excellent.

Also updated is our new Coffee Machine and Grinder. The increased coffee demand has meant it was a good time to upgrade our equipment for a better, more efficient, smoother coffee. Our new Wingello Coffee Card means you also get rewarded on a regular basis.

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Wingello is now an electronic Post Office.

We are one of the first manual Post Offices to be converted to the new smaller computerised systems. Wingello now can do Bill Payments instantly, Bank@Post for Commonwealth, Westpac and St George customers, Telephone Credits, iTunes cards, computerised postal labels and postal accounts.

Book Discussion at Penrose Hall

On **Friday 19th June at 12 Noon** Rob and Jane Earles from Middle Harbour Press will be at the Penrose Hall discussing their very interesting books. A sandwich lunch will be served. Anyone who would like to come is welcome but needs to let Dawn Jonas know on djonasi@westnet.com.au or on 4884 4145 for catering purposes.



There will be no charge. This is another great opportunity available locally.

Monthly Dinner at the shop

We have brought back our regular once a month dinners at the shop. These will be held on the 3rd Friday each month with a Roast as the main meal and a

special entree and dessert for a fixed price of \$25. This month's dinner will be **Friday 19th June**. Entrees are served at 6:30pm.

Entree: Pumpkin Soup with Garlic Croutons

Main: Slow cooked Roast Beef with vegetables and boiled potatoes rolled in butter and chives.

Dessert: Raspberry Cobbler and Ice cream.

Book now.



Wingello Fire Brigade News

The past month has been the quietest month this year for the brigade with not one fire or callout of any description.

Our new vehicle is still undergoing some installations and alterations but hopefully it will grace our station before the end of June and when that happens we will have few days to fit it out with all the equipment from the existing Wingello 1.

The brigade held its Annual General Meeting on the 13th of May and all positions were filled. The President is again David Stimson, Aaron Deegan remains the Brigade Captain, Mark Wilson Senior Deputy, Carlyle Seers Deputy and also Tim Ball elected as another Deputy. Congratulations to all. Other positions were Lyn Leniston remains the Brigade secretary and Murray Thomas the new treasurer. Community Engagement

team is once again Colin Hadley and Mark Wilson and the Equipment Officers are Colin Hadley with Scott Carpenter assistant Equipment Officer.

Many thanks to Aaron for the work he has carried out over the last year it is a very time consuming job and we appreciate all he has done for the brigade. We thank Michael Pike who resigned as treasurer at the AGM for the work he has put into the brigade over the last twelve months keeping all our accounts in balance. Thanks again Michael for a job well done.

We do welcome our new Deputy Tim and also Scotty into the organisational side of the Brigade. Scotty along with Lucy Brearley are in the process of completing their VF (Village Fire fighting) course. Well done.

So with all the rain we have had in Wingello things will be a little damp for a while so we can enjoy the quiet for a while longer.

Until next time remain safe.