



Wingello is booming

Lots of new people moving in to Wingello and some moving out. Exciting times.

Anyone enjoying a walk or drive around Wingello will have noticed all the new construction and "For Sale" signs around Wingello.

Unsurprisingly, many people are discovering the country joys of our village and according to the Real Estate Agents Wingello is a hot marketplace right now. Some are even cold calling houses to see if they can meet demand.

As has happened in the almost 150 years since the Wingello Railway station was built in 1871, people have been moving in to and out of Wingello as their lives and circumstances changed. We will be sad to see so many people who have made such great contributions to the life and times of our village and at the same time welcome all the new families and individuals moving in to start the next stage of their lives with us here.

It is a good time to remind new residents about some of the things that make Wingello different to many places in which others live.

- There is no mail delivery to homes. All mail is delivered to and sorted at the Wingello Village Store and LPO. Villagers need to drop in and pick up their mail which is placed in folders based on names. There is no need for a mailbox on your front gate. In this respect you are not anonymous here.
- Villagers have always adopted a very Australian attitude of letting everyone live according to their own choices. When there is a fire or important event vil-



lagers band together and help, but at other times everyone is content to do their own thing.

•Bush fires are a real threat and you need to know how to make you and your loved ones and property as safe as possible in case of a fire. The local fire brigade is excellent and always willing to help you learn about what you need to do to be fire safe.

- Water and sewerage are on site. Your water is based on the rain and/or local bore water. This has the benefit of very clean and clear water with no additives. On the other hand you need to ensure your water supply - especially your roof - is clear. Also, learn about how a septic system works and remember some things you may send down the drain may kill the septic.
- The Wingello Village Store is quite a busy little place with food, coffee and so much more to assist the villagers. If you are new, drop in and you can pick up a small brochure listing all the products and services on offer.
- Mobile phone reception. Telstra and Optus have the best coverage, but this still varies depending on where in the village you are. And when the phones are out the shop has free Wi-Fi.

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

July

6	Green	Green
13	Yellow	Yellow
20	Green	Green
27	Yellow	Yellow

36 New PO Boxes

We have now installed an additional 36 Post Office boxes to meet increasing demand. As we do not have mail delivery in Wingello, these are available at special reduced rates of only \$28 a year. A Post Office Box allows you to collect your mail at any time. If you receive a parcel, a delivery slip will be in your box and you can collect your parcel any time we are open.

Events for July

Wingello Village Association (WVA) AGM is on **Saturday 25 July at 2pm** at the Wingello Mechanics Institute Hall.

Afternoon tea will be provided after the meeting.

The WVA has performed important work in liaising with council regarding many Wingello Village improvements and issues.



Three Ring Circus mountain bike event is on the weekend of 26 and 27 July. The forest will be closed for all other visitors as many hundreds of mountain bike enthusiasts will be around enjoying the great Wingello State Forest and many other activities for the weekend. There are events for people of all ages. You can get more information at: <http://www.wildhorizons.com.au/3-ring-circus/about>

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 17th July**.

When you book you can select to be on a special "Meet and Greet" table where individuals, couples or small groups can join others on one large table. It's a great way to meet new people in a convivial atmosphere.

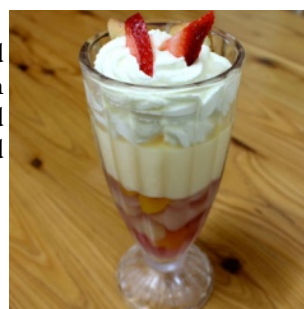
Entrees are served at 6:30pm.

Entree: Vegetable soup

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

Dessert: Individual Trifles.

Book now.



Wingello Fire Brigade News

Well, June has come and gone and we are into the second half of 2015. Time certainly goes quickly here in Wingello. The Brigade has been busy with a number of things during this month. Not so many call outs: just two. One oil spill North of the twin shells and a MVA again near Sally's Corner involving a truck and a car. There were no serious problems with either of them.

Next was the receiving and hand over of the new Wingello 1 Tanker after a few weeks and the last of the modifications had been completed. The equipment from the old tanker was then transferred to the new unit at Fire Control in Mittagong and driven to Wingello station where it now lives. This vehicle has more safety features installed in it for the crew with heat shields on all windows and Spray halos around the cab. It also has a lot more room inside and a heap of electronics in it that enable the crew to operate more quickly and efficiently with a lot more safety. A reversing camera and also a forward camera have been installed. We still have some organising of equipment to do and this will take place over the ensuing weeks to bring it to full operational readiness.

The Brigade will take part in the setting up and marshalling at the 3 Ring Circus to be held in the Wingello Forest on the weekend of the 25/26th of July. If anyone would like to assist us please contact David Stimson or Arron Deegan.

The Open Day in conjunction with Get Ready Week end for the brigades including Wingello will be held on the weekend of 12/13th of September. The brigade will have its usual Open Day on the Saturday and will include a giant slide for the kiddies, our BBQ, and demonstration on our training practices throughout the morning. The brigade will also have all crew members present and around the village during the course of this get ready Weekend. More information on this weekend will be available closer to the date. Keep this date in mind. The Get Ready Weekend is as it says - to have the brigades get more involved with their communities and be available to assist them in any way we can to help them prepare for the oncoming fire season. The general consensus is that it looks like a being a busy one. So Get Ready to stay safe



The latest member of the Wingello Rural Fire Brigade Team - Wingello 1