

Why be  
anywhere  
else?

The colours of Spring  
in Wingello



# Murrimba Road

*Our patch of road - a road full of patches*



We had a very good response from the council after the publication of August's Wingello Village News. Within a week there were warning signs up before the worst part of Murrimba road and shortly thereafter most of the pot holes had been patched with

bitumen - except for the worst one which was piled high with dirt.

Then we had the rain.

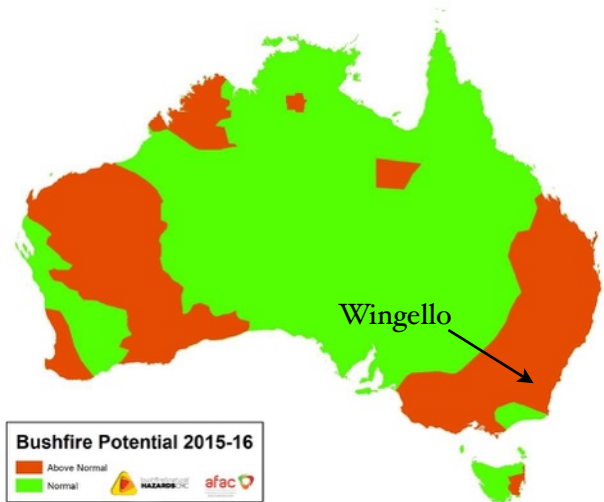
Now the dirt has mostly washed away leaving the worst part of the road as bad as ever, and about half a dozen new potholes started with other parts of Murrimba road having their edges falling away.

Murrimba Road is the entrance to the Southern Highlands and Wingello is the first stop for anyone entering the Southern Highlands from the South. So long as visitors look up and ignore the rumbling underneath their vehicles, everything is fantastic - lovely trees and wildlife all round, friendly and welcoming locals, a marvellous forest for riding or running, great coffee and more. Just be careful where you drive and walk.

The council has commissioned a survey asking locals what priorities their rates should be allocated to. For us, the priority in Wingello is the quality of the roads. If you get the call from the survey company, let them know what you think. For some reason, the survey only wants to hear from people 49 years old or younger.

## Are you ready for Summer?

This map shows the fire danger for the coming season. See how Wingello is right in the middle of the red bit? How will you know what to do?



## Get Ready weekend

The Wingello Rural Fire Brigade will be holding a Street meeting on the **13th of September** in line with GET READY weekend being held in NSW by the Rural Fire Service Brigades. This also includes our Open day on the 12th. The meeting will be held at **Casburn Park starting at 10.30 am on Sunday 13th**. It will be all about getting ready for the coming fire season. The Brigade will also be having a BBQ for those who wish to partake.

**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**

September

- 7 ● Yellow
- 14 ● Green
- 21 ● Yellow
- 28 ● Green

**Library Bus**  
*Tuesdays 2:15 to 3:15*  
*In front of the park*  
Sep 1, 15, 29 Oct 13, 27

Wingello Rain Chart										
Month	2011		2012		2013		2014		2015	
	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum
Jan	45	45	64	64	87	87	27	27	205	205
Feb	129	174	304	368	320	407	112	139	73	278
Mar	70	244	160	528	27	433	192	331	34	312
Apr	63	307	62	590	68	501	44	375	166	477
May	84	390	15	605	47	548	32	406	52	529
Jun	84	474	80	685	310	857	56	462	58	587
Jul	39	513	25	710	18	875	9	471	51	638
Aug	67	580	13	723	2	877	290	761	195	833
Sep	53	633	23	745	65	941	31	791		833
Oct	81	714	26	771	25	966	78	869		833
Nov	75	789	60	831	84	1,050	46	915		833
Dec	47	836	32	862	37	1,087	263	1,178		833

## Events for September

### Kangaroo March

It's going to be 100 years since men of rural Australia signed up for what was then known as King, Country and Empire, to fight in a war that threatened to end the way of life Aussies and others in the British Empire held so very dear. They were away for 3 more years; some never came home, some came home permanently scarred, maimed or poisoned with mustard gas, or damaged mentally having witnessed the horrors of mates being killed before their eyes. The Kangaroo March wants to pay due tribute to these men.

On 5th September marchers will start at Wagga Wagga and will be stopping in Wingello on Tuesday night 29 September. Wingello is hosting dinner at the Mechanics Institute Hall. More details are at the store or at <http://kangaroomarch.org.au/location/wingello/>

### Muso's Afternoon

On the 2nd and 4th Sunday every month (13 and 27 September) a local group of musicians will be having a jam session in the Wingello Store Shed from 11:30am to 3:00pm. All acoustic musicians are welcome.

For more details you can call Anthony on 0418 972 876 or ask at the Wingello Village Store.

## 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 18th September**.

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:** Something nice

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

**Dessert:** It will be yummy.

**Book now.**



## Wingello Fire Brigade News

Wingello like many other places has experienced an incredible amount of rain over the past couple of weeks. The brigade was able to undertake a small hazard reduction burn on private property during this time.

The past month has seen the brigade called out to numerous incidents which have all been motor vehicle accidents. A good job done by all the crew members as most of these call outs were in wet and cold conditions at night.

The brigade will be participating in the State-wide RFS Open Day/Get Ready Weekend on the 12/13th September. All members of the Community are invited to drop in to the station between 9.30am and 2.30pm. Attractions include a giant slide for the kids and a colouring in competition for the local primary school children. The colouring in sheets will be handed out at the school according to their age group. The posters must then be handed in at the Station before 12 midday on the 12th September. The completed poster will be displayed in the Station and judging will take place at 1pm. Prizes will be given out for the winners in each of the four groups. Good luck to all entries.

During the course of the day we will demonstrate some fire fighting training procedures that we do. These will be carried out under the control of our deputies and training officers. The new Wingello 1 will be on display for all to see and feel free to inspect the station facilities and equipment.

There will be on display information sheets and brochures with some prices regarding firefighting equipment that are available within the area that may help you prepare your property more efficiently. Our brigade members will be on

hand to advise and help whenever needed. We will also have on hand a display on how to protect your property and yourself and "Get Ready" for the oncoming fire season. Information sheets on the correct way to handle pile burns when allowable. We hope that you will have a look at what we have available and that it may help you in some way to protect your home.

The Brigade will also have its usual BBQ running, along with Coffee and tea also available for those who wish to indulge.

We have posted notices around the village about the old Siren that was used to summon the crew to a fire call. It has not been in use for some years since the advent of pagers and mobile phone messages but it was refurbished and is mounted on the Station. We will be sounding the siren at the start of the day's program at 9.30 on the 12th and then at the close of the day at 2.30pm it will only be for a brief moment each time but the long time residents of Wingello will remember it.

Don't forget that the fire season starts on the 1st of October and it will be No Fires without permits after that date.

The Brigade recently assisted with the Southern Highlands Challenge Marathon event in the Wingello State Forest by providing parking and marshalling services. This event attracted very large participation and is likely to get even bigger in years to come.

So Take care and be prepared

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1 October  
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permits after that date.**