

Why be
anywhere
else?



The Wingello Lads
ready to take
on the world.

Lake Wingello Reappears

Lots of rain fills the water tanks, replenishes the streams - and brings back our very own Lake Wingello

I think there is little doubt that Winter has arrived - even a little earlier than the official start date.

We are very grateful that the cold and windy weather had a brief respite for the weekend of the **Wingello Forest Horse Endurance Ride** which saw over 300 riders and their horses and supporters take over the forest. This ride has become one of the largest Horse Endurance events in Australia and those that attend are very grateful for the local support.

As I am writing this, we recorded over 92mm of rain for the night of 4 June. With that much gratefully received rain we see the reappearance of our old friend Lake Wingello.

The council has made some limited remedial work in the past on this section of Murrimba Road and that lake is fractionally smaller. We are fortunate that locals and visitors are sensible and slow right down as they see the water covered road.

The best way to navigate Lake Wingello is along the white lines in the middle of the road.



Now if those drivers in a hurry would just resist the urge to overtake on the dangerous bends over double white lines along the rest of Murrimba Road we would be much safer!

Sit back, enjoy the delightful sound of rain drumming its pleasant song on our tin roofs and the water spilling out of overfilled water tanks onto puddles in the grass. Chuck another log on the fire and get to enjoy some of the better peaceful moments in life in Wingello and the Southern Highlands. Hmmm. Perhaps a long bath now that there is so much water.



Store Opening Hours

Phone: 02 4884 4340

Mon - Thu:	7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Fridays:	7:30 am - 6:00 pm
3rd Friday of Month -	Open till 8:30pm

Weekends: 8:00am - 2:30pm

Public holidays: 8:00am - 10:30am

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

Bin Collection Mondays

June	
6	Green
13	Yellow
20	Green
27	Yellow

Library Bus

Tuesdays 2:15 to 3:15

In front of the park

Jun 7, 21 Jul 5, 19



Tea and mixed Sweet Potato and Beer Batter chips in front of the fireplace at the shop.

News Snippets

The Wingello Hall is providing great benefits

Many events are being held in the hall including a well attended Bush Dance last month.



(Photo by Katherine Seers)

The Hall Committee has also been successful in having a commercial dishwasher installed in the hall. This will be an asset to Wingello residents and all hall hirers. Anyone who has had to wash up in the sink following a large function will no doubt agree that it is a major improvement. Commercial dishwashers are expensive, this one costing over \$4,000. Funds for the dishwasher came from Wingecarribee Shire Council plus a grant that we were successful in obtaining from the Veolia Trust. As well, some hall funds were used.

The Hall Committee is very pleased to see a major project such as this come to fruition. The dishwasher will be installed by Council and will be available for use as soon as this is done.

Wingello Fire Brigade News

Winter seems to have finally arrived in Wingello so let's hope everyone has completed their check on all heaters, electric blankets, electric and wood fire systems and any other heating appliances that we may have so that this Winter we have a warm and safe one.

The Brigade's Annual General Meeting was held on the 4th of May and the Executive positions were filled by the following people. David Stimson President, Rudy van Acker Vice President, Murray Thomas Treasurer and Alister Young Secretary. The Field Officers were Arron Deegan Captain, Mark Wilson Senior Deputy, and Carlyle Seers and Tim Ball filled the two remaining Deputy Captain positions. The AGM was well attended by all Brigade members along with a few visitors. The meeting was Chaired and addressed by Ashley Frank from Mittagong Fire Control. Ashley has been a long time senior Officer for the Southern Highlands but is now moving to another senior position in the Hunter Valley area. We thank Ashley for his assistance and dedication to the

Monthly Dinner at the shop

We have brought back our regular once a month dinners at the shop. They are 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 \$29. This month's dinner will be **Friday 17th June**.

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: Winter Soup.

Main: Slow Roasted Pork with Potatoes and Vegies.

Dessert: Lemon Tea Cake.

MUST book by Midday Thursday 16 June



Eric and James have returned from Prague representing Australia in Historical Medieval Battles. Those of you that have popped in to the store may have seen their battered helmets and had a feel of how heavy they are. Australia ended up getting about 15th in the world rankings. Not bad for Australians competing in such a relatively new sport for us. They were able to beat the USA, Czech Republic and Denmark and were knocked out in the Playoffs by Russia, current World champions.



Southern Highlands and especially for his assistance and help to the Wingello Brigade. We wish him well in his new position. Refreshments followed after the meeting concluded.

The brigade has also announced that the very popular 'FireFlies' Dinner Dance will be held on **Saturday 3rd September** at the Wingello Hall. Keep an eye out for further details. Part of the proceeds from the night and in particular the raffle go to the Children's Hospital.

This month has been a quiet one for the brigade with only three call outs.

The brigade has welcomed a number of new members over the past couple of months however still requires more to step forward to assist with daytime availability. If you would like to know more about volunteering with the NSW Rural Fire Service please drop in to the station on any Wednesday evening and introduce yourself. Serving your Community provides great satisfaction, opportunities for advancement through training and a great atmosphere of camaraderie.

So until next month stay warm and stay safe