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Daffodils bloom to brighten up a Wingello Spring

Spring

Winter may make a valiant last effort, we all know Spring is here and will win.

Spring has officially begun although Winter insists it didn't get a fair go and is starting September with cool and wet weather. This doesn't stop everyone enjoying life in the Wingello and the Southern Highlands.

There are lots of planned events, such as the very popular annual Firies Ball on the first Saturday in September, the Fire Brigade's open day and get ready weekend on the second weekend (10 and 11 Sept) and later in the month School holidays with lots of activities planned.



We enjoy making any excuse to go for a walk among the streets of Wingello, sometimes chatting or just waving to fellow villagers and enjoying the country life.

On the sunnier days it's also a good time to just lay back and enjoy the fresh air. We have had fun just watching the busy cloud-scape on these days, claiming cloud shapes to win the game. The challenge is to convince everyone else your matching of the cloud shapes is the best one.



Pokemon Go has also provided a great prompt for many to go walking. The game only works if players get out of the house and go to specific places such as Gyms and Poke-stops. The larger population centres have lots of Pokemon creatures that can be "caught" in the game but the places they pop up are much rarer in our villages.

To help players get out and explore Wingello, we have marked on our village map places we have discovered Pokemon may appear. This means players can go for a walk participating in the world around them and only need to check their phones when they get near one of the spots on the map. Also, each Saturday at 11am we will be placing a Pokemon "lure" at Casburn Park. This means that Pokemon will pop up for 30 minutes allowing any players the opportunity to increase their collections as well as play in the park and meet other families.



Another traditional Springtime activity every few years is the Council elections. Polling will be at the Wingello Mechanics Institute Hall on Saturday 10 September. Hopefully it is a lovely day which will mean everyone comes along for a walk, families play in the park and everyone gets to meet other locals before and after doing their duty.

The Wingello Public School will also be having their "Spring Fling" on Sunday 16 October. So many things to do! Why be anywhere else?



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

September

5	Yellow
12	Green
19	Yellow
26	Green

Library Bus
Tuesdays 2:15 to 3:15
In front of the park
Sep 13, 27 Oct 11, 25

Alpaca Good News

Two weeks ago The Australian Alpaca Association held its Annual National Alpaca Show in Adelaide. Wingello's Linda and Paul drove to the show towing 9 of their alpacas. A long journey (16 hours with 3 short stops) but well worth it as all but one of their alpacas were awarded ribbons. Attached photo shows two of their winning Suri alpacas.

As a follow-up to the dog attack on their farm at the beginning of August, the three injured alpacas have now recovered well enough to return to their original paddocks.



School Holiday Crafts

School holidays fun filled craft activities for children at the Wingello Village Store.

Wed 27 Sept. Make a house out of clay. Cost: \$35
(clay, glazes and firing included in the price)

Thu 28 Sept. Be a sculptor for a day. Cost: \$35
(all materials included in the price)

Fri 29 Sept. Make a mandala with color papers, feathers and other bit and pieces. Cost: \$25 (all materials included)

Maximum number of children in a class :8

To book send Sandra a message to 0400 461 905 or email sandrapasserman@yahoo.com.au **Book now**

Monthly Dinner at the shop

Our regular once a month dinner is 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 16th September**.

When you book you can 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.

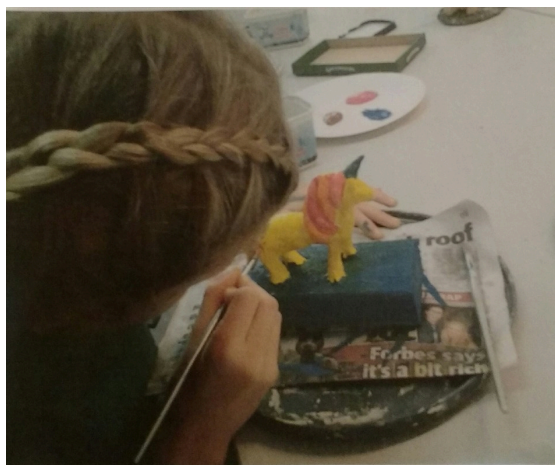
Entrees are served at 6:30pm.

Entree: Marinated Chicken Kebabs.

Main: Slow Roasted Pork with crunchy crackling, served with Potatoes and Vegies.

Dessert: Lemon Meringue Pie.

MUST book by Midday Thursday 15 September



Wingello Fire Brigade News

The brigade has had a busier month than previous with an assortment of incidents including motor vehicle accidents, chimney fires, escaped pile burns, smoke sighting and cattle roaming along Murrimba Road.

Over the past month many brigade members have spent time at the weekends selling raffle tickets outside McDonalds at Sally's Corner. The raffle, which has a couple of great prizes, will be drawn at the 'FireFlies' Dinner Dance held on Saturday 3rd September. Part of the sales money will be donated to the Children's Hospital at Westmead.

Three brigade members recently completed their Basic Firefighter assessment after a lot of hard work leading up to it. Congratulations to Liz Brearley, Kevin Fitzgerald and Ben Grosskreutz.

Just a reminder to all that the brigade will be participating in the Statewide 'Get Ready Weekend' which will held on the **10th and 11th of September** and will be having an 'Open Day' on the Saturday (**10th September**). The station will be open from 9.30am till 2.00pm where there will be demonstrations of fire drills along with our displays and entertainment for the children. Our usual sausage sizzle will be available for those who wish to partake in a good sausage sandwich. The brigade members will be on hand to assist in

any way regarding fire protection of property and personal safety. Please come join us on this once a year day.

During this school holidays the brigade will be hosting a "Summer Safety for kids" program which is organised by Cassandra Deegan. It will incorporate a fire awareness session for children run by Wingello RFB, a first aid session, also it is hoped to run a water safety session along with another program session yet to be booked. The program will be on **Monday 26th of September** and held in the Wingello fire station, the program will start at 10 am until 12 mid-day. There will be breaks and nourishment of sorts for those children attending. Keep a look out for the notices and bookings are essential.

Now as we know this month September is the last month that we can burn off without a permit. The fire season officially starts on the **1st of October** and from then on permits will be required.

So as this "out of fire season" period comes to an end we can be pleased that no serious fires have impacted on our Village, people seem to be more aware of our surrounds and have been more observant as far as smoke and fire sightings are concerned. Also people are taking more time in preparing their property during the winter months. Well done. Let's hope it continues through the next summer.

So until next month stay safe and as always PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE