

Why be
anywhere
else?



Great Autumn colours
of red, yellow and
orange in Wingello

Thousands on the roads at Easter

With many of them stopping at the nearby Monastery in Hanging Rock Road.

Good Friday may have been quiet for many but it was busy on the roads with thousands of people escaping Sydney.

Meanwhile the Wingello Fire Brigade and many others were involved with the annual Good Friday Passion Play held at the Pauline Fathers' Monastery in Hanging Rock Road. An estimated 5,000 people came to see around 90 actors and support crew put on a play of the events for which Good Friday commemorates. The quality of the play is very high and as some locals mentioned to us, it was like seeing Mel Gibson's film but being right amongst the action. The play has been run for over 25 years and is getting better each year.



Entry is always free, with a gold coin donation for the Fire Brigade, and people of all walks of life come along to experience a very immersive play.

The play starts near the entrance and everyone walks to each scene until the final crucifixion scene about 1200 metres from the beginning. It is quite an impressive event only 15 minutes away from Wingello.

The Fire Brigade was responsible for the parking for which they received good donations. The trickiest part was to quickly move everyone off the road and on to the grounds so the traffic did not back up and impact the Good Friday traffic escaping Sydney. They did a marvellous job, offering up their holiday time to raise the much needed funds for the brigade.



Bin Collection Mondays

May

1	Yellow
8	Green
15	Yellow
22	Green
29	Yellow

Fire season is over from

1 April

Fire Season starts again
1 October 2017.

Library Bus

Tuesdays 2:15 to 3:15

In front of the park

May 2, 16, 30 Jun 13, 27

Store Opening Hours

Phone: 02 4884 4340

Mon - Thu:	7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Fridays:	7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Weekends:	8:00am - 2:30pm
Public holidays:	8:00am - 10:30am

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

Wingello Happenings

Saturday 13th May Wingello Bush Dance

The dance kicks off from 6.30 pm with the multi-talented Paddy's River Band.

Great night for all the family, includes hot finger-licking finger food. BYO drinks.

All the action is at the Wingello Mechanics Institute Hall
Adults \$20 Children over 12 yrs \$10

Following last year's sell out, get in quick by booking on-line using the following link

<https://www.trybooking.com>

type in **Wingello Bush Dance**



Regular Events in Wingello

1st Tuesday 2:30pm: Meet and Greet

3rd Thursday 7-9pm: Indoor Bowls

Last Wednesday 6-8pm: Ladies Dance Evening

Upcoming Events - more info as the date approaches

Saturday 13 May - Bush Dance with Paddy's River Band

Saturday 17 June - Craft Afternoon: World Wide Knit in Public day

Saturday 29 July - Trivia Night

Wingello Fire Brigade News

Once again Winter will be soon be upon us and while we now enjoy the lovely autumn weather in the Southern Highlands the cooler and colder days will soon be here. So by now a lot of Wingello residents will be lighting up their fuel heaters and switching on their electric blankets at night to keep warm. Let's hope you have had all checked and are safe for the oncoming winter months.

This month has been the quietest it has been for many years. Not one call out, which is good for the Village, so let's hope the winter months are the same. Training continues on Wednesday night along with meetings and maintenance. Joint exercises have once again been carried out with the Southern group which is Exeter, Bundanoon, and Penrose and of course Wingello Brigade. These joint exercises enable brigades to work and function better together in extreme circumstances and improves overall efficiency and general knowledge.

Wingello Forest Horse Endurance Ride

The weekend of **27 and 28 May** will see a horde of horse people descend upon the forest for this increasingly popular event.

The **MAXXIS Wingello Forest Endurance Ride 2017** offers a range of opportunities, with 5km, 10km, and 20km rides on Saturday 27th May starting from 12noon, and 20km, 41/61km and 80km rides on Sunday 28th May starting from 7am.

Ride one day or both days, or perhaps take a look behind the scenes and join the merry volunteers for a day.

The ride uses the wonderful trail system of the Wingello State Forest. Come and meander (or hoon) through tall dark pines, silver-white gums, fern-filled gullies, and green rolling farmland. Short sections of the 41km and 80km rides are on dirt Council roads.

Wingello's own **Village Store** and **Snax on Trax** will be providing great food and coffee over the weekend and Saturday evening.

Horsemanship Demonstration 3pm Saturday 27th May at Maxxis Wingello Forest Endurance Ride

Mark Langley will be demonstrating how to gain calm focus to manage and address tension as he works a troubled horse at the event.



The Brigade once again will be holding their AGM and as usual it will be held at the Station on **Wednesday the 10th of May starting at 7.30 pm**, visitors are welcome. The Election of President, Secretary, Treasurer, Captain, Deputies and other officer bearers will be held for the next twelve months.

The Brigade helped out with traffic and parking at the recent Good Friday celebrations at the Pauline Fathers Monastery at Hanging Rock. I believe it was well attended by a good crowd of visitors from Sydney to Canberra and the Brigade members enjoyed the day.

Just a reminder folks regarding pile burns, keep it small, feed it often if need be, and keep a good watch on it while burning. Also do the right thing and don't burn on windy days, let your neighbours know if they are likely to be affected by smoke and remember to burn dry not green material.

As always be prepared and stay safe through the winter months.