

Autumn is a great time to live in Wingello

Lots of events in May so locals can enjoy life in our spot in the country.

The Legendary Australia Wingello Forest Endurance Ride 2018

The 10th Birthday Celebration Wingello Forest Endurance Ride will be held on the weekend of 26th to 27th May 2018. They are repeating the popular newcomers format - providing another great opportunity to give endurance riding a go!

Spectators are welcome - there will be caterers and a great range of horsie trade stalls at the ride base throughout the weekend. If you are interested in becoming a Cherished Volunteer, contact Bec Hogan on 0412 600 173.

On Saturday 26th May there will be introductory ride distances of 5km, 10km and 20km, starting from 12 noon. On Sunday 27th May there will be an introductory ride of 20km, an intermediate ride of 41km with the option of increasing to 61km, and an endurance ride of 80km, starting from 7am. Entries can be booked online through http://www.trybooking.com/UOQQ Late fees apply to entries taken on the event weekend.

Please watch out for horses on Bumballa Road on Sunday 27th May, between 7am and 5pm.

The ride raises funds for local Rural Fire Services, and is

generously supported by the Wingello Village Store

For more information, pick up a brochure at your local village store, visit the website www.highlandsendurance.com

Wingello Hall Bush Dance

Dance to the music of David Johnson and his Paddy's River Band. Paddy's River Band is well known among Bush Band and Folk Music circles far and wide.

New to Bush Dances?

No problem as David calls the dance and demonstrates if necessary. Join in and have fun. Dance the barn dance, meet new and old friends at this fun filled night. Have a short break for tasty hot finger food supper then continue the dancing. This event is the highlight of the Wingello calendar.

Book now at https://www.stickytickets.com.au/67129

7pm Saturday 12 May

Tickets \$25 Adult, \$10 Children 14 - 18 years, Children under 14 FREE

Includes hot savoury supper. BYO drinks.



Glimpses of Wingello

This fascinating collection of histori-



cal and other bits of Wingello is available from the Wingello Village Store WVA and events.

Bin Collection Mondays May

Feeding the riders early and late.

Green Yellow Green 28 Yellow

Fire season ended 1 April

Fires on properties 4000 SqM and over permitted

Library Bus

Tuesdays 2:15 to 3:15 In front of the park May 1, 15, 29 Jun 12, 26

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, Christmas & Boxing Day.

Wingello Happenings

Back to Wingello Reunion High Tea 26th May 2 - 4pm

For past and present residents and friends to get together \$10.00 p.p at the Wingello Hall

Tallong Apple Day

This year's Tallong Apple Day was a great success. Perfect weather and plenty of stalls and activities for the many visitors to see

We were hosting the Medieval Fighting event, showing the crowd a bit of history about fighting in armour, watching James and Peter fight and then allow everyone to come on and try on the armour and see how heavy everything is!





Regular Events

1st Tuesday 2:30pm: Meet and Greet (\$2 donation, bring a small plate of afternoon tea)

2nd Saturday 2-4pm: Craft Afternoon.

Bring your spinning, knitting, embroidery, or whatever you're working on, enjoy a cuppa and biscuits

(\$5, tea and biscuits included)

3rd Thursday 7-9pm: Indoor Bowls - All Ages Welcome (\$5, tea and biscuits included)

On a Sunday to be advised – Book Club - see Bronwyn Fitzgerald for information bronyfitz@gmail.com

Wingello Fire Brigade News

April 1st was the end of the official fire season and out of the no burn period became a very busy month for the Brigade. The Brigade kicked off on the first of the month with two call outs one in Bundanoon the other in Railway Pde. Then in the ensuing period of April the Brigade attended another ten call outs. These were smoke sightings, trees down, and pile burns. The pile burns were legal and done in a safe manner. We do have to remember who are allowed to burn under the new council rules in regards to land/property size. The Brigade has to conform to the council rules and will deal with them accordingly. We do not make the rules but have to abide by them. So please do the right thing. We might not agree with the rules but we do have to abide by them.

The Wingello crews assisted greatly in the Joadja and Holsworthy Hazard Reductions and fires with multiple shifts worked both day and nights over quite a few days. Well done to all who assisted in what had been a tough few days.

Wingello History Snippets

Another bit of long forgotten Wingello history. Everyone knows that the Bill O'Reilly oval is known for cricket.

But it was also the tragic scene of a fatal plane crash. On the 30 January 1960, when attempting an emergency landing because of bad weather in their Army Cessna, SGT Hugh Montgomery from Mossman NSW and two fellow Army personnel from Duntroon were killed when the under carriage struck the heavy wooden rail fence around the oval, flipping the plane. 6 yrs earlier another Army DH82 VH-AAY aircraft crashed on the 10 January 1954. The aircraft impacted trees near where the NBN tower now stands. The pilot survived with minor injuries.

And lastly, if you fancy solving a mystery, in the 1940's WWII a twin engine Dragon took off from Bankstown with 2 Australian serviceman and 2 American serviceman but were never seen past Goulburn. They are still classed as Missing in Action (MIA)!

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The Brigade, as you know, assisted in the set up of the Brigadoon event and also on the day. The balloon toss, traffic control then the clean up and breakdown after the close of the day did make it a long and tiring day and a great effort from all who helped to make Brigadoon a success.

This month we have a number of our members undergoing once again courses to increase their skills in fire fighting. We have some doing their Advanced Fire fighting course (AF) and others furthering their qualifications by doing their Crew leaders course. We hope all do well.

As we now head into the winter months and Anzac day has passed we should have checked, or must check, our smoke alarms to make sure new batteries are installed where necessary and are operational for the coming months. Also many of us have combustion heaters and chimney fires are a constant threat. To have your chimney cleaned of coke and carbon before the onset of cold weather will help you eliminate the possibility of a fire in the house. Please take the time to check on these two important issues.

And as always be prepared and stay safe.