



Hundreds of horses and riders enjoy Wingello

The 10th Wingello Forest Horse Endurance Ride enjoyed perfect weather.

The last weekend of May saw hundreds of horses and their riders, strappers and supporters gather in the Wingello State Forest, transforming it into a very friendly little village of its own for a couple of days.

The Wingello Rural Fire brigade was helping with the water for the horses along the tracks and the **Snax on Trax** and **Wingello Un-named Cafe** were feeding the riders and their supporters and lots of visitors.

We were very happy to have such beautiful days of 18 to 19 degrees for both days after some chilly evenings, perfect for everyone to enjoy the event. As usual, the organisers did a superb job with everything going very smoothly. This is a great event for anyone that loves horses. There is plenty of time to see many riders and horses and everyone is ready to share information and stories about what they do and how they train and ride their horses.

On Sunday morning, a quite skilled bugler spread the news that it was time to wake up for all those who were still asleep. Most riders, however, had already woken up



A 6am Bugle call to wake up the sleepy heads.

some time earlier to get ready for the 7am start of the 40km and 80km rides. We were there getting ready to feed the early risers. Brrrr. It was quite chilly!



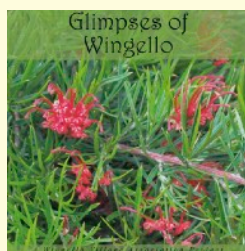
Warming up with a coffee in front of the fire



Feeding the riders early and late.

Glimpses of Wingello

This fascinating collection of historical and other bits of Wingello is available from the Wingello Village Store and WVA events.



Bin Collection Mondays

June

- 4 ● Green
- 11 ● Yellow
- 18 ● Green
- 25 ● 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
Jun 12, 26 Jul 10, 24

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

Craft Afternoon Saturday 16th June 2 - 4pm

Enjoy a Craft Extravaganza with displays of work by local artists/craftspeople.

Selections of painting, patchwork and pottery will be available for sale and there will be demonstrations of various crafts.

If you would like to display your work, please contact secretary.wva@gmail.com by 10th June.

\$5.00 donation includes afternoon tea.

Trivia Night

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Trivia Night will be rescheduled to a date in August to be confirmed.

Indoor Bowls

The fun Indoor Bowls is on a Winter break.

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)

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

Wingello History Snippets



A recovered photo from the 1970's showing one likely young lad (still a local) in front of the Wingello Village Store. The "Wingello Post Office" sign is now hanging inside the shop just in from the front door. I wonder what the hamburgers and milkshakes were like then?

Do you have any old photos or stories from Wingello you are willing to share? Just let us know at wingello@gmail.com.

Wingello Fire Brigade News

As we are now entering the winter months there are a couple of things we should have checked out, one being wood heaters and the flue associated with it to make sure it is safe for the coming months, secondly those who have electric blankets, once again make sure they are okay, if not sure then get them checked out. Do not take the risk of using a unsafe appliance.

During the month of May the Brigade had six call outs pertaining to fire calls, an incident call being a fuel leak from a vehicle and one Motor Vehicle Accident, all were dealt with quickly. Well done crew.

The Brigade has also had their Annual general meeting which was held on the 9th of May. There being no contested positions all were voted in unopposed. The executive positions were filled as follows;

Rudy Van Acker the sitting president stood down from office and was replaced by Michael Brearley, Rudy taking vice president's position.

Treasurer Murray Thomas, Secretary Helen Brearley. Field positions were once again Arron Deagan as

Captain, Mark Wilson Snr, Deputy, then Carlyle Seers, Tim Ball, Anthony Duffy and latest and newest Tess Brearley. Congratulations to all. All other minor positions were also filled.

During this month I had the pleasure of attending the opening of the new Emergency Services memorial wall in Canberra on the edge of Lake Burly Griffin. The memorial site has been there for some time but a new wall with the names of all members of the Emergency Services people that had lost their lives in the line of duty were set in marble plaques fixed to the new wall, Amongst those 500 or so names was our own David Quinlivan who died in the tragic over-run some years ago. On the same plaque was the Commissioner's father who was killed by a falling tree during a fire up north. The ceremony included all people from the following emergency services, Fire and Rescue, RFS, SES and Forestry. It also included service people from New Zealand and America. It was a very moving ceremony and a great tribute to all those men and women who lost their lives protecting their communities.

And as per usual be prepared and stay safe.