

Some Good News

Long awaited burnt tree clearance is coming soon

They're finally coming down!

A grant application in with the EPA for many months has finally been approved. This covered a great many burned and dangerous trees in Wingello, Balmoral and other areas in the Wingecarribee Shire. It is estimated that there is about 8 months worth of tree clearing work to be done.

This is all set to start soon and continue into next year. All the trees to be removed have been marked on a map and may be denoted by crosses on the tree trunks. There's no point adding your own little crosses at this point as each tree is detailed in their removal plans.

So expect to see the Tree Removal teams later this month and into the next year.

This has been a long process dealing with various levels of bureaucracy. Credit must be given to so many in the various villages and towns that have persevered. The council people have also fought hard for the clearance and the support from individuals often broke the bureaucratic blockages by leaping over many of the normal barriers.

More good news is that a collaboration of Habitat for Humanity and Resilience NSW will be providing support for villagers to clear fallen trees and all the undergrowth affecting many villager's properties. This is not just for those that were hit by the fire. It is for all fire threatened properties so we are more prepared next time fire season gets hotter.

We will have more details in the next newsletter. The rough process will be contacting the relevant people who will arrange a site visit and then determine works required.

Red Cross will be visiting again to complete their visit to everyone in Wingello. COVID restrictions badly impacted on the timeliness of this process, but you may get a visit from the friendly Red Cross volunteers on either **Sunday 14th or Sunday 21st November**. They are not asking for donations or doing fund raising.

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They are following up to see that all of us affected by the fires from 2020 have not been missed. Red Cross has done a great job of linking up villagers with much needed support for a variety of matters. Sometimes it is beneficial to just have a chat with someone that can help, even if you don't need any yourself.



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NO FIRES

without a permit.

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November

Green

8 Yellow

15 Green

22 Yellow

Green

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Rainfall so far

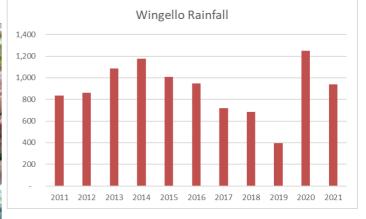
Rainfall is always a topic of interest to people on water tanks and farms.

As we start a special 10 days of rain to begin November it looks like we will end up with a lovely annual rainfall total.

But I suspect everyone could guess we have had good rain and plenty of sun as we see so much green around, as well as the flourishing gardens of so many in our village.

Wingello Rain Chart												
Month	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Mth	Cum
Jan	45	64	87	27	205	142	34	61	52	25	75	75
Feb	129	304	320	112	73	40	96	142	22	424	111	186
Mar	70	160	27	192	34	52	227	45	103	60	298	483
Apr	63	62	68	44	166	19	44	36	12	55	1	484
May	84	15	47	32	52	36	21	18	12	54	235	719
Jun	84	80	310	56	58	337	50	37	69	17	32	751
Jul	39	25	18	9	51	60	20	6	12	92	20	771
Aug	67	13	2	290	196	57	30	29	23	226	66	836
Sep	53	23	65	31	39	61	-	28	59	30	35	871
Oct	81	26	25	78	56	36	61	75	18	133	67	938
Nov	75	60	84	46	48	47	98	109	16	64		938
Dec	47	32	37	263	33	63	43	101	2	72		938
Total	836	862	1,087	1,178	1,008	949	720	685	397	1,250	938	





Wingello Fire Brigade News

"We've seen the devastating impact that bush fires can have – on people, properties and communities....."

This is the tag line for this year's NSW RFS campaign to alert NSW residents to the upcoming season and urge them to "Live Bush Fire Ready". In Wingello we know the above statement all too well, for many of us the sounds, smells, images and stories of the Black Summer bushfires are still front of mind and extremely personal.

As a village, Wingello is bounded by forests and national parks, we live in an environment where bush fires are not unusual.....for us especially it is important we "Live Bush Fire Ready". If a bush fire again approaches the village:

- Will you stay?
- Will you go?
- When will you go?
- · Where will you go?
- What will you take?

Answering these questions is a big part of your bush fire survival plan, it's time to answer these questions and review your plans. Prepare, act and survive.

This month we congratulate and welcome three newly qualified active members to the Wingello brigade! Ken, Will and Polly (David) all successfully completed their BushFire assessment and qualification and are now active members of the team protecting our community. Now that we're into the fire season, it's great to have more people available and willing to help.



Information provided by Wingello Rural Fire Brigade