Why be anywhere else?



After 100 years - a new roof

The Wingello Village Store has a new roof.

No more leaks, no more buckets.

The Wingello Village Store has a lot of "Character" generated over the last 100 or so years of its existence as a Post Office and General Store. Much of this character is great, giving the village a rural and homely feel, but some of it is just old and needs replacing.

The roof was definitely the wrong type of character.

When the front concrete section was added in the 1950's a box gutter was installed and a number of quick fixes were put in place to handle the addition. 50 years on (today) we had to take some drastic action to fix the now rusted box gutter and the 100 year old iron roof had seen enough patching, paint and sealant.

So, as we have done before, we have made changes that should last for a long time to come.

The roof has been replaced with modern colourbond steel with insulation directly underneath. Additional gutters have been added and the plan was for the whole job to be completed in around 8 days.

John Boag (smiling here atop the roof) was quite surprised to discover some major structural deficiencies in the roof. Not content to just cover them up, he came up to me and nervously said he had some bad news. I was not surprised and was very glad he would be able to rectify it.

"Please fix it now so I won't have to worry about it later," I instructed him.

So he went and strengthened the main roof and ceiling, rebuilt the front of the main roof, completely rebuilt the roof above the hall side extension and made sure that all the rain would now go



where it was meant to go - and not inside the shop.

In the bottom photo we can see what the roof used to look like. Have a look now and compare the difference.

Only a few hours after all the construction material had been cleared away, the clouds opened and about an inch of rain fell. Outside. With none inside.

Woohoo!

Store Opening Hours Phone: 02 4884 4340

Mon - Thu: 7:30 am to 6:00 pm Fridays: 7:30 am to 7:30 pm

(Restaurant till later in the evening!)

Saturdays 8:00am to 2:30pm Sundays & Public holidays: 8:00 am to 10:30am

We are open Every Day that Newspapers and Postal Services are delivered.





Endurance Ride Over

They're gone, quickly followed by rain

The Wingello Forest Endurance Ride finished last weekend with 130 horses competing in the 40km and 80km endurance rides. The 300 people attending had a wet Friday and Saturday evening, but the days were quite good with the forecast "torrential and cyclonic rains" waiting until the last riders had finished and left for home.

We popped out there on Sunday to see what was going on and learned quite a lot about what the vets check for at each checkpoint and what was involved in the endurance race. It's not all speed!

Martin and Rose thought they would help by pointing to the finish line for some of the riders.

We look forward to seeing them all again next year.

(The photo on the heading of this month's Wingello News is Martin accidentally including his finger with the horse's food. He had no lasting damage and couldn't even show us the finger which was bitten 10 minutes later.)

The String Contingent on display



Did you know we have lots of talented people in Wingello?

Chris Stone is part of "The String Contingent", the "Original Acoustic Chamber Folk group from Scotland/Australia" according to their blurb and website at www.thestringcontingent.com.

They play new acoustic music for violin, double bass and guitar. They have their own CD which they have been promoting around the world.

You can hear them locally on Friday 4 June at The Scottish Arms Hotel in Bowral at 8pm.

You can get more information at the website.

Wingello Lad to play in State Championships

Eli Pearsall (pictured here with his Dad, Craig) attended the Public School Open Touch Football South NSW Coast tryouts. 140 children were hoping to get on the team to play in the State Championships being held in

August at Gosford later this year. Only 14 players were chosen and Eli was good enough to be one of the selected few.

If he does well at the State Championships he could represent the State.



Well done Eli!

(Craig is the man who supplies us with the lovely Hoki fish. He supplies fresh fish all over the Southern Highlands. If you want some fish give him a call)

Latest DVDs

Each week we bring in some of the latest DVD releases as well as customer requests. Wingello has the largest DVD collection between Moss Vale and Goulburn. Since 5 May we have the following new releases:

■The Tournament
■It's Complicated

Did you hear about the Morgans?

Sherlock HolmesOld DogsBran Nue Dae