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### Wingello Hall is better than ever

Open Day Sunday 22 May at 2pm to 4 pm

In 1917, members of the Mechanics Institute built the hall and gave it to the community. Since that time it was managed by local residents and it was the home to many dances, meetings and other events for the community.

One matter affecting the running of the hall was community interest. Over the years the hall almost fell into disrepair and the management committees were restarted almost from scratch numerous times.

Luckily, each time some people were found willing to donate their time and effort and try to keep the hall available for community use.

Funding for repairs and maintenance was always an issue. Funds were raised through various means to fix up one thing or another and pay for the necessary building and contents insurance. This kept going up, especially considering the hall is a wooden building built 80 years ago.

Finally the effects of insurance and public liability claims began to take its toll. Members of the committee management discovered they would be personally liable if someone decided to sue them.

About three years ago meetings of the hall management committee in conjunction with public meetings were held and votes cast to turn over management of the Hall to the Wingecarribee Shire Council.

This has allowed for a proper maintenance regime to be put in place and appropriate insurance cover for the hall and those on the management committee.

Many may complain about the paperwork needed to rent the hall but this is not council's fault. It goes back to the courts interpreting claims regarding public liability very broadly, greatly expanding the liability for all concerned. This meant insurance policies were required. Each time a multi million dollar claim is brought down, insurance rates go up.

All that paperwork is just the reaction to ensure all appropriate parties are covered in case of a lawsuit. If other halls aren't doing the risk assessment and the associated insurance paperwork, the risk to the hall management committee and organisers of events is much higher.

responsibility for the hall many improvements have been made including:

- Rewiring and safety switches,
- · Air conditioners in the hall and meeting room
- · New blinds
- Painting inside and out
- Repaired internal stairs

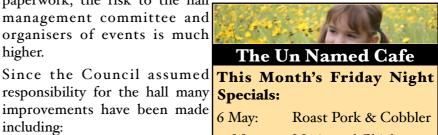


Lest we forget

The Roll of Honour in the hall is from the war of 1914 to 191. The plaque was never updated to reflect the end of the war in 1918.

- · New chairs
- Stage lighting and curtains updated as well as a new piano
- Repaired kitchen cupboards and fittings

At least that tells us where some of our rates are going.



Marinated Chicken 13 May:

Thighs & Chocolate

**Brownies** 

20 May: Roast Lamb &

Pumpkin Pie

27 May: Roast Beef & Pineapple Fritters

#### Village News

## Wingello Community Meal a hit

It was quite a chilly night on 29 April and The Wedding was being televised but that didn't stop the inaugural Wingello Community Dinner.



We decided to hold it inside the shop to gain the benefit of the cosy fire. All told it was a lovely evening.

### Fireflies Golf Day Sunday 29 May

All are invited to join the Wingello Rural Fire Brigade for their annual Fireflies Golf Day on Sunday 29 May, held at the lovely Moss Vale Golf Club, Moss Vale.

Register at 7:30am for an 8:30am hit off.

The \$55 entry fee includes golf ball, breakfast and lunch.

You could win a 7 Day all inclusive holiday package for two to Fiji or any holiday package to the value of \$10,000.

Bookings can be made at the Moss Vale Golf Club Pro Shop - 02 4868 1503

# Horse Endurance Ride in Forest 28 & 29 May

More information: 0427 788 801

The Wingello Forest Ride is on again, this time hosting the South Coast Zone Championships. The ride will be run over the prettiest trails that Wingello State Forest can offer – through tall mature pine forests, natural bush and ferny gullies. The ride is undulating so horses need to be fit, but is great underfoot and has plenty of shade and water.

They have a new ride base this year on private land adjacent to the forest.

This is the third year the horse endurance event has been run in the Wingello State Forest and is gaining a reputation as an excellent event. Horses and riders from around the country are coming here to experience the Wingello we are

lucky to live in.



#### **Latest DVDs**

Wingello has the largest DVD collection between Moss Vale and Goulburn. Go to **wingello.blogspot.com** to see our full listing. Since I April we have the following new additions:

⊕The Borrowers
⊕Harry Potter 7, Part I
⊕Little Fockers
⊕Tron 2011
⊕Life as we know it
⊕Megamind

⊌Life as we know it⊌Megamind⊌Fair Game⊎Twelve⊌Pathfinder

❷Beau Ideal❷Alexander the Great

Batteries Not Included
 Bridge Too Far
 Bridget Jones Diary
 Chicken Little
 The Craic
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⊌High Crusade

■Kelly's Heroes
■The Net
■The Plank
■Waterloo
■We're No Angels
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