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Wingello Radio

Local Radio - broadcast worldwide



Michelle Hrlec is putting together a radio program to be aired Sunday nights on Blog Talk radio. It's a local program featuring stories, artists, events and news from in and around Wingello.

Michelle has been out and about interviewing many locals and listening to their stories and history of life in Wingello.

The show will be aired every Sunday, with the first show to air on **Sunday 4th March** from **7.30pm** – **9pm**.

All you need to do to listen (from anywhere in the world) is a computer (with speakers) and Internet access.

To access the web page go to:

http://www.blogtalkradio.com/wingello-village-life Here is a short video with some instructions about accessing the shows:

http://screenr.com/Q3js

You can also call in and chat to Michelle on 02 8005 1973 (this is a local call for people in Australia) or call using Skype to michelle.hrlec (this is a FREE call).

If you have any contacts to local talent, interesting characters, upcoming events or anything you think would be interesting to talk about, please get in touch.

The first show will cover some history about Wingello and Michelle would be interested in hearing from you if you have a good story to tell.

Strawbale Shelter

Wingello School is building a shelter

The Wingello Public School is organising a **Strawbale Shelter Family Working Bee**.

The school has an opportunity to create a small strawbale information shelter at the entry to the school's nature reserve on Murrimba Road. The shelter will highlight the entrance to the nature reserve and provide an information point for the school children and the general community.

The school is making the shelter with strawbales as a fun thing to do for the families of the school and the broader community. It's a hands-on, creative and eco-friendly activity that all can do together. The strawbales are locally sourced and have a low embodied energy. The school will be re-using old car tyres for the footings and using other recycled materials where possible.

Why not get involved?

There are a few ways you can help to build the structure:

- I. Helping set the foundations on **Saturday 4 March** 10.00am-1.00pm,
- 2. Coming to an Information Talk and learning more about strawbale construction on **Sunday 18 March** 10.30-11.30am,
- 3. Help render the Strawbale shelter on **Saturday 24 March** 9.30-12.30pm (includes lunch), and
- 4. Help render the strawbale shelter and do the roofing on **Sunday 25 March** 9.30am-12.30pm (includes lunch).

'Buy a Bale'

The school is also asking for people to help 'buy a bale' to build the structure. Everyone who donates \$8 towards the structure gets to 'buy a bale'.

You can get more information from Greg O'Donnell or Alison Parr on 0403 203 963 or 4884 4467 or email gudhara@bigpond.com and let them know how you would like to help.

You can also check the Notice Board at the Wingello Village Store for more details.

Wingello Fire Brigade News

We have had another wet month and more training on Wednesday nights. All the crew members participated in pumping procedures incorporating relay pumping with two tankers over the last few weeks and were keen to do more of the same, as this is probably one of the most important operations of a fire crew.

During the wet nights members were shown inhouse videos covering various fire fighting procedures along with the technical side of the pumps. This type of training will occur while we have this delightful weather. All crew members appreciate the effort that the training team puts in enabling the crew to sharpen their skills. One never knows when these skills will be needed.

Meet your Firies:

Michael Brearley is long time resident of Wingello and has a long association with the Brigade. Michael is a regular crew member.

Colin Hadley moved to Wingello from South Durras in the Eurobodalla Shire near Batemans

Bay and has been in the RFS for over 26 years. Colin is a life member of South Durras brigade

Both Michael and Colin celebrated their birthdays in February.



Robertson Show 9-10 March

The Robertson Show is almost here again. This is a great country show with plenty of activities in which all can participate. Once through the gates there is so much to see and do. The pavilion is full of produce, crafts, cooking and more displays of local talent and ingenuity. The Show has plenty of



animal and other events, and there are lots of rides and competitions for young and old.

This photo is from the Hay Stacking competition. I am sure the School's Strawbale shelter will be much better built.

Wingello Progress Association News

Following successful meetings at the Information Kiosk run by Wingecarribee Shire Council Officers, some W.P.A. members met on 19 February with Charmaine Cooper, the Community Engagement Co-ordinator for the Council.

Ms Cooper explained to the meeting that due to the recent formation of the Wingello Progress Association and the strong sense of community that characterizes our village, Wingello has been identified as a perfect participant in a program aimed at assisting communities obtain their goals.

The council program called "Our Village Our Future" has experienced great success in Victorian country towns and villages, and the potential benefits for Wingello include, but are not restricted to:

- Enhancement of community spirit
- Financial and Resource support
- Partnerships to help achieve community projects

Where to from here?

- The Council will mail a survey to all residents prior to 6th April.
- Local community workshops will explore the results of the survey. (Dates to be advised)
- Priorities (our priorities) and resulting plans to be determined and discussed.
- Partnerships sought to help achieve these plans.

How can you participate?

Please complete the survey on arrival and return it to the Council by the due date.

Further details can be found on the Wingello

Progress Association Web-site and a hard copy of the full minutes are on the notice board at the Wingello Village Store.

Store Opening Hours Phone: 02 4884 4340

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Mon - Thu: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Fridays: 7:30 am - 9:00 pm
(Restaurant till later in the evening!)

Weekends: 8:00am - 2:30pm
Public holidays: 8:00am - 10:30am

We are open Every Day except Good Friday and Christmas.