

Why be
anywhere
else?



It's great to see the rain

Wingello's water tanks are full again!

After an extended period of little or no rain many locals were running low on water. A few truckloads of water were seen coming to the rescue of some villagers who had run out and the fire brigades were concerned about this very dry Winter.

And then it all changed.

Water tanks filled very quickly as we had non-stop rainfall on 16th and 17th July. Rain is a great common cause that all villagers have in common!



Month	Wingello Rain Chart							
	2011		2012		2013		2014	
	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum	Mth	Cum
Jan	45	45	64	64	87	87	27	27
Feb	129	174	304	368	320	407	112	139
Mar	70	244	160	528	27	433	192	331
Apr	63	307	62	590	68	501	44	375
May	84	390	15	605	47	548	32	406
Jun	84	474	80	685	310	857	56	462
Jul	39	513	25	710	18	875	9	471
Aug	67	580	13	723	2	877	290	761
Sep	53	633	23	745	65	941		761
Oct	81	714	26	771	25	966		761
Nov	75	789	60	831	84	1,050		761
Dec	47	836	32	862	37	1,087		761

What's happening in September

Fire Season Starts 1 September

The Fire season has been brought forward and as from the 1st of September.

Remember No Fires without Permits.

Fire Brigade Open Day

The Brigade's open day will be held at the Station on the 13th of September. These open days are the perfect way to learn about the fire risk situation in Wingello, how to prepare and meet the local volunteers who generously give their time to defend the village from fire and assist in other emergencies in the village and surrounding areas.

Fireflies Dinner dance

Join in with your friends and other villagers at the annual Fireflies dinner dance.

More details over the page.

Store Opening Hours

Phone: 02 4884 4340

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.

Other Local News from August

Markers Film

The film that had Wingello as the setting went extremely well. We were able to get enough extras, but not just locals. Two thirds were from Wingello and discovered the casting call via the shop, but one third of the extras came from the Radio interview that arose from this newsletter. It was good to see how effective local radio remains as a source of information.

The filming company was very happy with the response of Wingello and once the film premieres at the Sundance Film Festival we should be able to have a public viewing.

Southern Highlands Challenge

The inaugural Southern Highlands Challenge foot race in the Wingello State Forest is now over. An excellent turnout of over 500 runners plus supporters combined with a fantastic clear day arising from a foggy dawn resulted in a very busy and successful day. Supporting the event were the Wingello Public School (*catering*), Snax on Trax (*Coffee and yummy stuff*), Wingello Rural Fire Brigade (*Marshalling*) and the Wingello Village Store (*variety of meals and other support*).



Congratulations to the organising team for a great first effort. We look forward to seeing you next year.

The Wingello Village Store is now on Facebook. Just look for **Wingello Village Store** and you will find us.



You can also get Wingello Village News via email. Just contact us at **wingello@gmail.com** and we will send you the subscription link.

Science Today: The Best Way to Hold a Burger



The Japanese television show *Honma Dekka!?* wanted to find out the best way to hold a burger without the fillings falling out. They tasked 3 researchers — with expertise in fluid mechanics, engineering, and

dentistry — with figuring out the very best way to hold a burger.

In the name of science, this crack team analyzed the issue for four months, studying 3D images of burgers to discover where the weak spots and potential leaks arose. At the end of their study, they shared their conclusions with the world. The secret, as it turns out, is the pinkie. While most of us grab our burgers with our thumbs on the bottom, and all the rest of our fingers on top, a far superior hold is to use both hands, placing both the thumbs and the pinkies on the bottom



of the burger, with the three middle fingers resting evenly-spaced on top. This lends balanced support all around the bun. No tasty toppings are lost as the burger makes its way from the plate to your mouth.

James was on hand to test the theory with a Wingello Burger with the Lot. The placement of the pinky finger is the key. James also compressed the burger before starting so his mouth could open wide enough!

Wingello Fire Brigade News

August has certainly been a wet month and we can now be sure that the drought has broken in Wingello. In just over two weeks we have received over 330mm of rain and it is still hanging around. A Hazard Reduction was scheduled to be done on and around Freestone Tower, near Paddy's River, on the first weekend of the big rains. However this needed to be cancelled. The Brigade did participate in a HR at Buxton prior to the big wet. This was done over a few days and thanks to the guys that attended. Another HR was carried out in the Starlight Ave area in Wingello again before the wet and it was reasonably successful. Hope we did not inconvenience residents too much with the smoke.

The brigade attended three callouts during August but all were not serious. Two fire calls and then an MVA in the north bound lane just north of Paddy's River bridge. No injuries in the MVA and no property damage to the two fire calls. All calls were done in wet and adverse conditions, well done guys and girls.

OK serious stuff now. **The Brigade's open day will be held at the Station on the 13th of September**, as advertised there will be a jumping castle and face painter for the kids with a BBQ for all. So come down and meet your crew members, talk to them about your Bush Fire Survival Plans and also protection of your property if needed. Checkout our station and what we

do in and around it. It is also a day to enjoy the company of other residents of Wingello that may be there.

Our **'FireFlies' Dinner Dance is on the 20th of September** and the tickets are selling quickly so if you intend to be with us on our tenth Dinner Dance anniversary I suggest you book promptly, as it looks as if it will be a great night with some top raffle prizes to be had. Talking about that, raffle tickets are available from most of the Brigade members but can also be purchased on the night.

One Important thing that you must know is that the Fire season has been brought forward and as from the 1st of September.

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please be aware of this and don't get caught doing the wrong thing. We hope to see you at our Open Day and the Dinner Dance.

Stay safe and be prepared.

Date: Saturday, 20 September 2014
 Venue: Wingello Mechanics Hall
 Time: 7:00pm for 7:30pm
 Cost: \$60 ph (Table of 8 for \$460)
 Meal: 2 Course with Hors-d'oeuvres and wine on arrival
 Drinks: BYO
 Bookings: 0427 788 801
 Vegetarian Meals catered for
 Heated Hall
 Lucky Door Prize
 Dance till late
 Individual seating available.