



BWBC newsletter

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 Wednesday
 April 19th
 Start at 7.30pm
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Speaker
 Dan Traucki
 Director Wine Assist

April Competitions
 Fortifieds
Ron Head Trophy

Liqueurs
*Barry and Gwen Freeman
 Trophy*

Please have your entries in by
 7.30pm. No labels on bottles.

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*Banner photo: Harvest finally under
 way*

Dan Traucki



Dan Traucki, Wine Industry Consultant, and Director of Wine Assist Pty Ltd, has nearly 30 years experience in the wine industry. He regularly writes articles for wine industry magazines, such as Wine Business and Winestate magazines. Dan commenced his working career as an accountant for an insurance company but in the late 1980s made a career change to the wine industry joining the Orlando Wyndham Group – makers of Jacobs Creek where he spent 10 years. Throughout his career, Dan moved around the world and to

many different wineries, helping to consult, reorganise and rebuild. Today through Wine Assist, Dan continues to offer a wide range of services to the Australian Wine Industry and wine enthusiasts. He has been a judge at our ANAWBS and club competitions. Every Friday Dan posts “Dans Blog” www.wineassist.com.au/_blog/blog This is a fascinating read focusing on local wine news, world wine news and reviews of wines. He is passionate about alternative wines or as he likes to call them Innovative wines. You can sign up and receive his weekly email blog on www.wineassist.com.au/about



Dan Traucki and Sam Watkins Judging at ANAWBS 2016



Dan - judge at our Nov 2015 meeting.



MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION



At the AGM the membership subscription was set for 2017 at \$30. Members are reminded that payment **must be made before the end of April** to secure your continuing membership. We

have a long waiting list of new members. Payments can be made by EFT. See page 6 for details.

Wine for Sale

Sauvignon Blanc



The club has been fortunate in purchasing a limited number of cases of 2016 Adelaide Hills Sauvignon Blanc from Lambrook Winery. The wine will be available for tasting and purchase at the April meeting. We still have a number of cases to sell. Please help by promoting this wine to friends, relatives and colleagues.

The price is \$95 per doz.

BWBC First Aid Officer

Des Williams has taken on the role as the club's first aid officer. The club has purchased a portable defibrillator and first aid kit which will be available at all meetings and trips should the need arise. Des currently holds a certificate in first aid.

Last February 16 members attended a training course on the use of the defibrillator.

If you have first aid qualifications and willing to back up Des, please let the committee know.

The committee places great importance on the safety and well being of our members.



Lucky Door Prize

The committee has introduced a lucky door prize at each meeting. To get a ticket you must be there before 7.30pm.



Venn diagram for the BWBC mathematicians

March Competition Results

Last meeting saw the 2nd year of competitions for the Chris Bills trophy for Pale Ales, and for the Steve Potiuch trophy for Lagers or Pilseners. There were 20 entries for the Chris Bills Trophy and 4 for the Steve Potiuch Trophy. We were privileged to have one of Australia's leading beer judges (Simon Fahey) as our judge. As well as being the Trade Quality and Laboratory Manager for Coopers Brewery Limited, Simon has been a judge for the Australian International Beer Awards since 2002, and has been the Chief Beer Judge for the Royal Adelaide Beer and Cider Awards since 2011.

Results for the Chris Bills Trophy were;

1st Gavin Pennell for an India Pale Ale with a score of 44.5

2nd place saw equal points of 43.5 go to Chris Loveless for an English Pale Ale and to Gavin Pennell for his second India Pale Ale.

3rd was Brian Cloudesley for a Belgium Pale Ale with a score of 42.5

Results for the Steve Potiuch Trophy were,

1st Richard Blake for a Pilsener with a score of 43.

2nd Chris Bills for a Pilsener with a score of 40.

3rd to Colin Routley for a German Pilsener with a score of 39.5

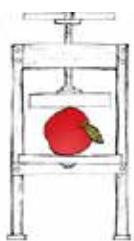
Simon Fahey congratulated all entrants on the quality of their entries, which he acknowledged were difficult to produce without the technical equipment and resources available to professional brewers. His compliments were amplified by the scores awarded which saw 10 bronze medal, and 12 silver medal beers in the two competitions.

The only down side for the competitions were that I made one transposition error in the scores entered on the "Entry Sheet" and Simon made one arithmetic error. My error saw Gavin Pennell not being acknowledged on the night as gaining equal second position for the Chris Bills Trophy. I apologise for this and will attempt to be more astute in the future. I do recommend that all entrants check their score sheets and my completed entry sheet for such errors to ensure the validity of the results recorded.

Bernie Morgan Competition Convenor



BWBC Social Program 2017



Apple crush – Lenswood

Sunday May 7th 11am

Geoff Trenorden's property,

Tregarthen Road Summertown.

Head north from Summertown on Tregarthen Road. Look for the "Apple Juice" sign on right.

This is a combined gathering with The Winemakers and Brewers Club of Adelaide.

The crushing is limited to 1200lts. Once the 1200 litres is filled there will be no more orders taken.

This is a great social day. Please bring food for a barbecue, the Club's barbecue will be available.

Please note orders for juice must be in by 21st April.

To place an order contact Michael Lineage preferably by email mclineage@bigpond.com or ph 8395 5186

Order Apple Juice Now

Wine Tasting and Lunch

Patritti Wines

Sunday May 28

12noon – 5pm

Patritti Winery

13-23 Clacton Road,

Dover Gardens

Tastings, winery tour, catered Lunch and wines/beverages

Cost - \$35 per member

BOOK NOW

Bookings close at the April Meeting

Gavin's Fine Red Wine Afternoon

Come and enjoy an afternoon with

Wine
Cheeses
Platters and Dips

Sunday 23rd July 2017

1.30pm till 5pm

23 Jordan Court, Aberfoyle Park

Cost: \$40/ head

Limited to the first 50 so

get in early

email on hegaelect@gmail.com to reserve tickets
or TXT on 0412107107 with your name



Film /Dinner Night

Sunday August 27th

5.30pm

Mitcham Cinemas

Cost - \$35 includes – 2 course dinner, wines and film of choice

Limited Number (55)

BOOK NOW



Bus Trip

Friday October 27th

Southern Adelaide Hills

Visit 3 wineries

Includes – winery entries and tastings, lunch, bus

Cost - TBC

Limited Number (57)

BOOK NOW

Christmas and Presentation Day

Sunday December 3rd

Blackwood Football Club lunch, wines, drinks.

Details in later newsletters.

Social Event Bookings

Bookings for the Patritti Lunch, Film night and Bus trip can be made by contacting Ian Maxfield at the meetings or Ph 0499 039 132. Bookings for Gavin's Fine wine tasting, contact Garvin Pennell email hegaelect@gmail.com or TXT on 0412 107 107 with your name.



Meet the groups Five plus One



Brenton Pain, Glenn Snook, Gavin Pennell, Jan Skjemstad, Ann-Marie Franklin, and in front David Carpenter



The Five plus One wine making group was formed from the 2014 beginners group led by Greg Jackson.

Gavin Pennell (cellar master), Jan Skjemstad (Chemist) and Ann-Marie Franklin (OHS) were from the original beginners group. Last year Brenton Pain and David Crpenter joined the group as Apprentice winemakers and Glenn Snook (long time wine maker) also joined the group.

The group's operation is at Gavin's house and now makes a variety of wine including Shiraz, Cabernet, Tempranillo, Grenache, Durif, Nero D Avola. Five plus One has had success with their wines being awarded medals every year at ANAWBS.

The group is all about having fun all year round with dinners and an open cellar policy which leads to making wine that is drinkable.

Gavin's approach "With a different approach to the making this year we are seeing some great results even after 2 weeks, (its a secret) I just love to explore and press the boundaries a little.

After spending some time with Geoff Patritti a few weeks ago we both said we would explore the heating of grapes as practised in France and document our finding sometime after the panic of vintage. I'm also expanding next year to include champagne, chardonnay and a sparkling durif, shiraz and cabernet if I get time to do all of this and still operate the Five plus One syndicate Think I'll have to retire early."

Winestate Magazine wine tasting



Fellow taster and Ian Maxfield



David Tulloch tasting the best Photo - Sue Tulloch

The BWBC was well represented at the WineState Cabernet Sauvignon and Bordeaux Blends Tasting held at the National wine Centre last Friday.

Two of our members, David Tulloch and Ian Maxfield, won the right to taste the top wines at the head table.





ARGENTINA'S FLAGSHIP GRAPE

Argentina is, in fact, the fifth largest producer of wine in the world. In this process of sustained development, the role of Malbec has been fundamental.

Malbec is grown in all the wine regions of the country. 35% of the hectares planted in Argentina are Malbec and it represents 51% of sales abroad.

Malbec was a relatively forgotten red wine variety in Australia until about a decade ago, but thanks to Argentina there is now a great deal of interest in the variety. Malbec's home is the Cahors Region in South West France. In that region it makes rich dark wines referred to as "black wines". These reached legendary status in pre-Phylloxera times, but the Cahors region has taken a long time to recover from that disaster. Only in recent decades have the Cahors wines regained more than local recognition.

So seek out a good Malbec and celebrate the Day. The Thumbs Up group made a Malbec wine last year from grapes sourced from McLaren Vale.

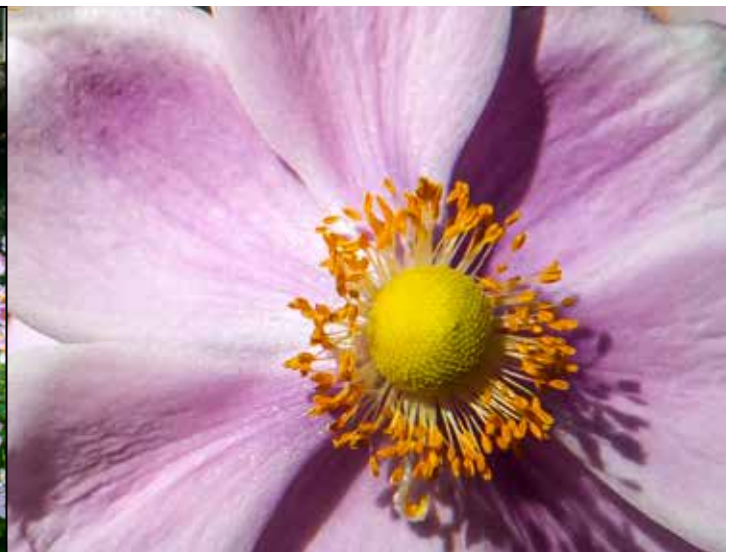


Ron Head and chairman Brian Ferris

Ron Head

BWBC Life member Ron Head was presented with a pair of engraved wine glasses at the March meeting. Ron's involvement with the club goes back a long way. He was editor of the BWBC newsletter from the late 1970s to the 1990s and chairman of the inarguable 1980 ANAWBS competition.

Other life members were presented with a similar set of glasses at the 2016 end of year presentation day.



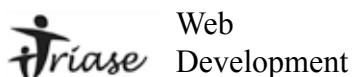
The Long Garden

BWBC member Barry Long opened his beautiful garden to the public as part of Open Gardens SA. The property was purchased over 45 years ago and has been developed from what was essentially a blank canvas into this magnificent garden. It is situated on the banks of the Sturt river, next to the old Winns bakery at Coromandel Valley.



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Items for Sale

If you have any wine equipment or other items for sale, information about grape supplies for the coming vintage, or any other items of interest to members please let the editor know so we can advertise it in the newsletter or if urgent send out an email to members.

BWBC Loan Equipment

The BWBC has an extensive range of equipment available for loan to members for use with your wine and beer making activities. If you would like to borrow this equipment you must make all arrangements with the property officers Bill Neubauer 8278 8866 or Roger Pounder 0412 565 256. Please book early.

Members' Duty Roster 2017

Those rostered for duty are asked to arrive at 7pm to help set up for the meeting and then clean up afterwards. All members are asked to wash, dry and place in the provided trays their own tasting glass.

April*	May	June
Rudi Tromp	Roy Pozenel	Gavin Pennell
Pat Vartuli	Nathan Crase	Mike Butcher
John Callus	Joe Marchington	Joao Dos Santos
Clayton Fisher	Errol Hepworth	Errol Fisher
Berndt Wulf	Colin Raston	Chris Loveless
		David Strachan

* The hall needs to be set up with tables and chairs in groups for tasting session.

Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club Inc.

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Bill Ekins	Bob Morton	David Tulloch
Ron Head	Steve Potiuch	

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Meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month except December

Venue Blackwood Memorial Hall
21 Coromandel Pde., Blackwood
7.30pm.

Newsletter Editor David Tulloch
Deadline 2nd Wed. of each month.
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You can transfer payments for Wine purchase, Club fees, Social activity fees and other payments directly to the BWBC bank account.

Bank - Westpac Blackwood
BSB - 035-082 Account Number - 145202
Account Name - Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club inc.



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