



Next Meeting
Wednesday
November 16th
Start at 7.30pm

Wine tasting
The best of ANAWBS

Competition
Red and White Current
Vintage
Please have your entries in before 7.30pm

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*Banner photo: Vineyard at O'Leary
Walker, Leasingham SA*

Innovating according to Dictionary.com is from the 1540s, "introduce as new," from Latin innovatus, past participle of innovare "to renew, restore; to change," from in- "into" + novus "new" . Meaning "make changes in something established" Related: Innovated; innovating.

Dan Traucki, Director of wine assist, Freelance Journalist for WBM and Wines-tate magazines, blogger, ANAWBS judge and BWBC judge wrote a recent blog on renaming the new emerging wine varieties in Australia from "Alternative" to "Innovative". What do you think of the suggestion?

In Australia we have no native grapes, Vitis vinifera varieties were introduced from Europe and South Africa in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon both from the old world flourished in Australia and have become the established varieties. The Vinodiversity web site lists 1600 Australian wineries who have stepped out of the comfort zone of classic varieties and make wine from the 140+ other grape varieties.

From Dan's Blog published on Friday, 4th November 2016.

I have been writing about Alternative varieties for over five years now and have written about a stack of different varieties that are new to Australia (around 70 to 80 varieties). As well as writing about a number of interesting and tasty native varieties in countries such as Greece, Georgia, Turkey, Spain and Japan which have not made it here as yet.

Given that according to Jancis Robinson's book Wine Grapes, there are 1,168 grape varieties used for wine-making on the planet, there is quite a way to go, to write about them all, even after discounting those varieties that make mundane wine in their native countries.

For a very long time people in the wine industry have been calling these varieties "Alternative", on the basis that they were an alternative to the mainstream varieties that everybody in Australia grows. However, recently it has been suggested that "Alternative" could well be construed as meaning "lesser" or "second-best", like in the phrase "if you can't get XXX then the alternative is to get YYY", i.e. the second-best possible. Therefore, I would like to suggest that instead of calling the 120+ new variet-

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Tasting ANAWBS 2016

At the November meeting members of the BWBC who attained distinction at the 2016 ANAWBS competition will present their wines for tasting and discuss their wine making techniques.



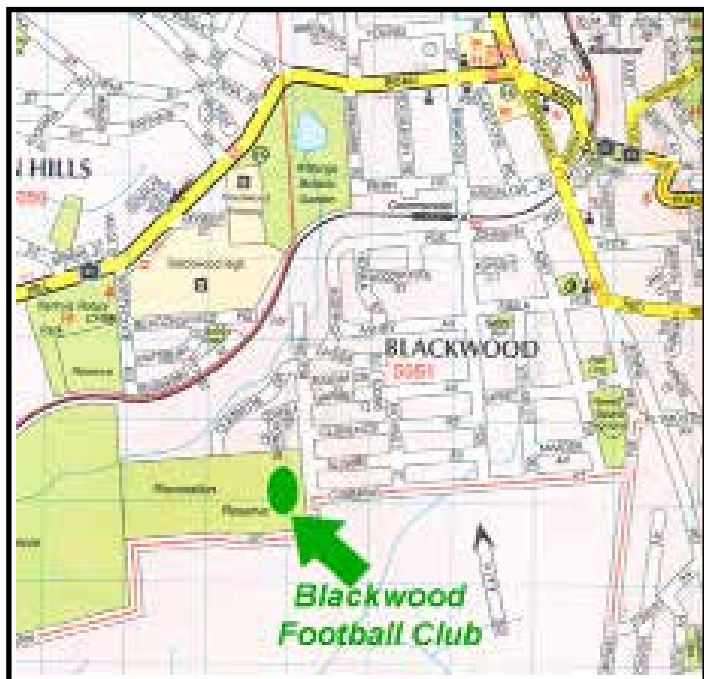
ies that are currently being produced here in Australia as "Alternative", we call them "Innovative", as it is the innovative winemakers who are growing these varieties in order to offer something different from the mainstream varieties grown by every man and his dog. For example, whilst there are around 2,300 wineries in Australia growing Shiraz, there are only 28 wineries that are innovative enough to grow the fabulous Austrian white variety, Grüner Veltliner. Some of these Innovative varieties will gain sufficient traction to join the mainstream varieties, like Pinot Gris/Pinot Grigio has done, and like I am sure Tempranillo will do soon, as there are over 400 wineries growing this excellent Spanish variety.

I believe that these 'new' varieties should be called Innovative because they are already established mainstream varieties in the lands that they come from, and are not Alternative varieties by any means. An "Alternative variety" is really a variety that has been engineered through breeding to serve a particular need, such as cold weather resistance in marginal growing areas like North America. That is, hybrids bred specially for a particular purpose, like Muscat Bailey A or Seyval Blanc, etc.

SO WHAT DO YOU THINK? Will you please join my little crusade by calling these new and interesting varieties "Innovative" instead of "Alternative"? I believe that over time we can help improve the image and change the perception of these exciting new varieties in the minds of wine drinkers across the country.

Dan's Blog can be read weekly at www.wineassist.com.au

article by David Tulloch



Trevor Terrace Blackwood
(entrance off Craighburn Road)

Presentation/Christmas Function

Sunday 4th December

11.30 for 12 noon start

Blackwood Football Club

Trevor Terrace Blackwood

See Map

This year it will be a fully catered function. The cost will be \$15 per head for members and partners and \$25 per head for non-members.

To book please contact Ian Maxfield mobile 0499 039 132 or email maxfieldian01@gmail.com or at the next meeting. Bookings are essential so we can organise the catering.

Payment must be made by or at the November meeting. Payments can be made by EFT to the BWBC bank account.

Bank - Westpac Blackwood

BSB - 035-082 Account Number - 145202

Account Name - Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club inc.

Members are asked to bring along some of their wine or beer. It's a great opportunity to let others taste your wine or beer and get their comments. The club will supply some wine, beer and soft drink.

CHRISTMAS ROAST MENU

MAIN COURSE

Choice of two, served buffet style

Oven roasted leg ham or turkey

Served with roasted baby potatoes and gravy,

With your choice of 4 fresh garden salads.

Tossed salad, potato salad, pasta salad, coleslaw

- Sauces & condiments

-Bread Rolls and Butter

For vegetarians there is Spinach & Ricotta Cannelloni.

DESSERT

Christmas pudding and brandy custard

or

Choice of cakes

If you any other special dietary requirements please contact Ian Maxfield



* Live Music

* Club Presentation Day

* Lucky Door prizes

* ANAWBS raffle

* Highlights from the past year

* Great fun day





Wine Bottling 2016

4000 bottles filled labelled and packed before lunch. What a great team achievement! We have sold all the excellent 2015 premium Shiraz and over half of the 2015 Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon, the rest is in storage at the old Horndale Winery.

We need to clear the wine as soon as possible as it does cost the club for the storage of the wine and we also need to rebuild our bank balance so we can continue to offer the subsidies for the club activities through out the year. This is our major fund raiser for the year.

Please contact Ian Maxfield mobile 0499 039 132 or by email maxie30@bigpond.com to place your orders. An order form and tasting notes was attached to the October Newsletter.

2017 Beer Competitions

The committee has rescheduled the beer competitions for 2017. The reason is to spread the competitions out over the year and to put more emphasis on beer making in the club.

March 15th - Lager and Ale

This will be the first competition in the 2017 program.

September 20th - Dark Ale and Stout

Whisky - Wine - Beer Tour of Tasmania

Richard Blake has been working on an idea of an extended BWBC bus trip for 2017. Full details were attached to the last newsletter. If you are interested in this great trip please lodge your expression of interest with Richard at the November meeting.



CPR Training

A training session with St John for this important course will be on Thursday 9th February 2017. Those who have indicated they would like to attend will be notified, any other members who would like to attend please contact Brian Ferris.



Social Events 2017

The committee is busy scheduling the social activities for 2017. If you have any ideas for the club social calendar please contact the committee. We would love to hear from you.





Bus Trip 2016 Clare Valley

The 2016 club bus trip to the Clare Valley was a great success. We visited 5 wineries, O'Leary Walker, Shut the Gate, Claymore, Jim Barry, Knappstein Winery and Brewery, and Stone Bridge. Over night and dinner was at the Clare Comfort Inn. Our thanks go to Brian Ferris for the concept, planning and organisation of the trip and to Roger Pfeiffer from Woodside Coaches for our safe and comfortable transport.

Highlights of the weekend will feature in the slide show at the end of year presentation day.





ANAWBS 2016



\$2 = 1 ticket; \$5 = 4 Tickets; \$10 = 10 tickets
To be drawn on 6th Dec. at the Adelaide Club Meeting.

- 1st 1 Bottle Scarpantoni Brothers Block Cabernet Sauvignon 2010
- 2nd 1 Bottle Scarpantoni Block 3 Shiraz 2013
- 3rd 1 Bottle Patriitti Saperavi 2013
- 4th 1 Bottle Woodstock Shiraz 2013
- 5th 1 Bottle Woodstock Cabernet Sauvignon 2014
- 6th 1 Bottle Scarpantoni School Blend 2012
- 7th 1 Bottle Patriitti Arneis 2012
- 8th 1 Bottle Blue Rock Wines Merlot 2013
- 9th 1 Bottle Mandoletto Nero D'Avola 2014
- 10th 1 Bottle Woodstock Chardonnay 2015
- 11th 1 Bottle Woodstock Rose 2015
- 12th 1 Bottle Mike Press Sauvignon Blanc
- 13th 1 Bottle Dog Ridge Chardonnay 2013

Tickets will be on sale at the November meeting and at the Presentation/Christmas Show.

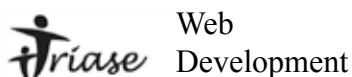
This raffle is a very important part of the annual ANAWBS competition hosted by our club and the Amateur Wine-makers and Brewers club of Adelaide. Please support it.

Octoberfest 2016



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Please support them.



Wanted Crusher Destemmer

New or second hand electric crusher destemmer to purchase. 1.0 tonne/hr.
Contact Five + One group
Gavin Pennell 0412197107 email hegaelect@gmail.com

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 2016

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.

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David Carpenter
Paul Hakendorf
Shirly Jansen
Bob Morton
John Starr

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

Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club Inc. 2016/17 Committee

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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.

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