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*Banner Photo - Gavin Pennell -
making wine is hard work*

Cask wine - is it all bad?

“We Aussies have always considered ourselves to be the, “lucky country”, and at times even the “clever country”, when we have done something that is particularly smart or inventive. However, recently while attending a seminar at the sensational World Bulk Wine Exhibition in Amsterdam, I was given reason to wonder why we shouldn’t be labelled as a “dumb nation”.

OK, we started out as being very clever and creative by conceiving and producing the wine cask some 50 plus years ago. We were bloody clever because we called it a “cask” which has positive connotations instead of a “bag-in-box” like the rest of the world did, which has significant negative connotations. On top of that, being clever little sausages, we put decent quality wine into them (again, unlike the Europeans who put the dregs in there to start with) so that our casks were eminently drinkable, to the extent that by the early to mid-1980s over half of Australia’s wine was being sold in casks. Being practical as well as clever, we made our casks 4.0 litres – convenient as they fitted into the Aussie fridge.

Alas, as the demand for casks grew the quality of the wine being put into the casks plummeted. In the mid-1990s Australia was running short on red wine and so most cask producers began to import cheap red wine from South America and Spain, to put into their casks.” *From Dan’s Blog March 2019*

Dan recently attended the world bulk wine exhibition in Amsterdam and found first hand that not all bulk wine is cheap and nasty. He wrote an article for Wine Business Magazine (WBM), Jan/Feb 2019 edition, and will speak about his findings at our March meeting.



Dan judging wine at ANAWBS

Dan is the director of Wine Assist, a company involved in wine marketing, a writer for WBM, and also writes a weekly blog on wine topics. As well he judges wine at club competitions and ANAWBS.

www.wineassist.com.au



Meet the 2019 Committee



Ann-Marie Franklin
President



Bernie Morgan
Secretary



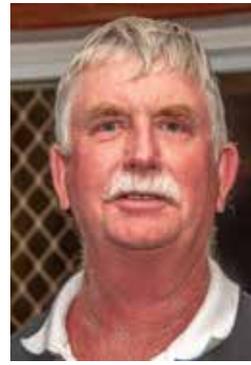
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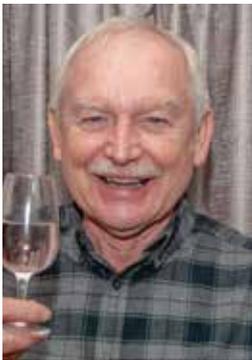
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Social Program
Safety Officer



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Competition
Co-ordinator



David Lewis
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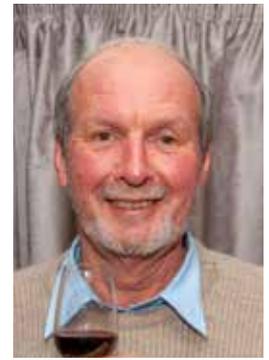
Bill Neubauer
Wine Sales



Rudi Tromp
Competitions and
Social Program



David Tulloch
Newsletter and Web Site



Des Williams
Speaker Co-ordinator
1st Aid Officer

The committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month. If you have any matters that you would like the committee to consider or would like to attend a meeting please contact Ann - Marie Franklin. Contact details of committee members are always on the last page of the newsletter.



Membership Subscriptions

From The Treasurer

At the Annual General Meeting of the Blackwood Wine-makers & Brewers Club, held on 20th February 2019, the Annual Membership Subscription for the 2019/20 year was set at \$70. This includes a refundable amount of \$30 when purchasing the 1st only dozen bottles of wine from the Club 2019 bottling.

The way this would work is that all Members (apart from Life Members) will pay \$70 subscription up front and then those who buy a dozen wine from the 2019 bottling will get the first dozen only at a \$30 reduced price. So in essence those members who buy wine from the 2019 bottling will end up, after receiving the \$30 rebate, only paying \$40 for their subscriptions and those who don't buy any wine will be paying \$70 for their 2019 subscriptions.

In terms of the Club's constitution, subscriptions become due for payment on 1st March and if subscriptions remain unpaid as at 30th April, membership of the Club would cease.

The Annual Subscription of \$70 can be paid by bank EFT to the Westpac Bank Blackwood BSB 035-082 account number 145202 (please make sure you detail your name on the transaction), paid at the March or April meetings (cash or cheque) or you can send a cheque or money order to PO Box 755 Blackwood 5051.

Ian Maxfield

BWBC Treasurer

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This subscription of \$40 is the same as set at the 2018 AGM, so there has been no increase in the base rate.

NEW Duty Roster

The duty roster will be split into a set-up team and a clean-up team as from April.

Members rostered for the meeting set-up are asked to arrive by 7pm to organise seating, tables and assist with bringing the trolleys up from the store room.

Members rostered for the clean-up team will assist with glass cleaning, table and chair stacking, mopping the floor and returning trolleys to the store room.

Members are asked to wash, dry and repack their tasting glasses before leaving the meeting.

If you are unable to attend your rostered meeting please arrange with another member to cover your duty.

The duty roster is always on the back page of the newsletter.



Change to Constitution voted on at the AGM

The change to the constitution allowing for seven members to be elected to the committee was passed unanimously at the AGM.

This resulted in 7 being elected to the committee and one member has been also co-opted on to the committee.

Wine for Sale **SOLD OUT**

All the club wine from the 2018 bottling at Patrilli Winery has been sold.

The committee is now considering a small offering of sparkling and white wine for autumn, as we did last year. Planning has started for our major bottling later in the year.

Mash Beer Brewing

The club has a full range of brewing equipment available to members to make their own full mash beer. Beer making workshops are held during the year using the Club's brewing equipment. If you would like to join one of these groups please contact Gavin Pennell email hegaelect@gmail.com

Name Tags

Members are pleased asked to wear their name tags to all meetings, it helps to get to know who is who and particularly helpful for new members to get acquainted. If you don't have a name tag please contact the membership office Richard Blake.

CPR Training



The club has a defibrillator unit that is available for use at all club meetings, bus trips and other functions. Sudden Cardiac Arrest is one of the leading causes of death in Australia. Knowing

how to use the defibrillator unit can make the difference between life and death.

If you would like to attend a short course run by St Johns on CPR and the use of the defibrillator please contact Des Williams or any committee member.



Rob Keane



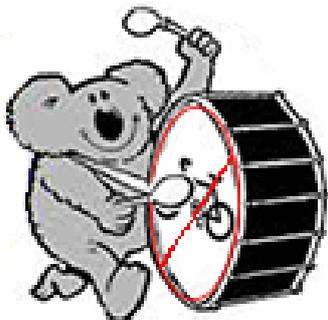
Club member Rob Keane has just come out of hospital after being seriously injured in a bicycle accident. He was riding to work when he hit a koala which appeared unexpectedly from in front of a van. Rob's injuries included a cracked scapula, broken collar bone, three broken ribs, a collapsed lung and serious skin damage.

Rob is now recovering at home after a week in hospital during which he had challenging surgery to repair his injuries.

President Ann-Marie sent Rob a card on behalf of the Club wishing him a speedy recovery.

Happily, the koala was not injured in the incident.

From Roger Pounder



Ban the Bike

2019 Social Programme



Film /Dinner Night

Sunday May 5th

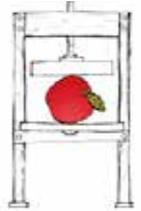
5.30pm

Mitcham Cinemas

Apple crush – Lenswood

Sunday May 19th 11am

Geoff Trenorden's property,
Tregarthen Road Summertown.



2019 Wine Bottling

The committee is currently planning to hold the bottling day in August. More information will be in later newsletters.

Bus Trip

The committee has started planning for our annual bus trip.



ANAWBS 2018

Presentation Day

October 6th 1pm

Waite Campus

Christmas and Presentation Day

Sunday December 2nd 12noon

Blackwood Football Club



Full details of social events will be in future newsletters.

Loan Equipment



The club has 2 refurbished single bottle fillers for loan to members.

The 'Enolmatic' is a semi automatic single bottling system, able to fill bottles at a rate of 250 bottles per hour via a VACUUM pump all air is eliminated in the bottle and throughout the entire process.

A demonstration video of the Enolmatic is available from https://youtu.be/87du_AE7iAc

Contact our property officers to book . see page 5



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David Lewis	Technical Officer	8277 5053
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David Tulloch	Newsletter, Website	8270 1907
Des Williams	Speaker Co-ordinator	0416 041 629

Property Officers

Bill Neubauer	8278 8866
Roger Pounder	0412 565 256

1st Aid Officers

Des Williams	0416 041 629
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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. Contact the property officers Bill Neubauer 8278 8866 or Roger Pounder 0412 565 256.

Members' Duty Roster 2019

NEW ROSTER DETAILS see page 3

March	April	May
Chris Bills Errol Fisher Manfred Kurmis Joshua Pozenel John Starr Trevor Ward	Set-up Team Andrew Bills Greg Jackson Roger Pounder Malcolm Snell Clean-up Team John Callus Ron Holmes Barry Long Jan Skjemstad	Set-up Team Brenton George Mario Micarone Glenn Snook Peter Vigants Clean-up Team John Godden Shirley Jansen John Redmond Pat Vartuli

Those rostered for duty to set up hall are asked to arrive at 7pm.

All members are asked to wash, dry and place in the provided trays their own tasting glass.

If you are unable to attend on your rostered day can you please arrange with another member to cover your duty.

Life Members

Chris Bills	Steve Potiuch
David Lewis	Glenn Snook
Bob Morton	David Tulloch

Postal Address	PO Box 755 Blackwood SA 5051
Web site	www.bwbc.org.au
Meetings	3rd Wednesday of each month except December 7.30pm
Venue	Blackwood Memorial Hall 21 Coromandel Pde., Blackwood
Newsletter	Editor David Tulloch Deadline 2nd Wed. of each month. Contact davidt@internode.on.net



You can transfer payments for Wine purchase, Club fees, Social activity fees and other payments directly to the BWBC bank account.

Bank - Westpac Blackwood
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Account Name - Blackwood Winemakers and
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