

BWBC

Newsletter

Stay Safe

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Meetings of the BWBC have been deferred till further notice.

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The competition program has also been deferred till further notice.


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All social events including the apple crush scheduled for May 31st have been deferred.

Banner Photo - Stay safe

Greetings to all.

Well, another month has whizzed by.

Ron nominated me as DS (Designated Shopper) some six weeks ago and has generally remained at home for that time. Last Monday was his first 'escape to the shops day'. I had to brief him prior to leaving that things were now a little different when shopping I.E. sanitizing hands, standing on X's in store and keeping a trolley length behind other shoppers. I can report there were no breaches and he did return safely with provisions including the elusive TP! (toilet paper)

It's inspiring how folk have adjusted to various situations throughout this challenging time. Babies born, people married, and some have left the Planet. Our way of celebrating these events have been curtailed but the sentiments remain the same. The innovative manner in which many acknowledged Anzac Day was remarkable. Respectful and meaningful.

Your committee has continued to meet and last week we did up the ante by holding a Zoom video conference. It worked well. (I must confess to dimming the light a little for a softer, muted look!)

Brenton George, an avid beer maker and on committee has suggested hosting internet "Beer Workshops" via 'WhatsApp'. He is looking for fellow enthusiasts so give him a call on 0432 535 163

We are still not able to give a date when our monthly meetings will resume as we believe it will take some time for SA to return to group gatherings of over 50.

As far as the August bottling is concerned there are a number of options to consider which include scheduling it later in the year, or not having one at all. We are fortunate to be in an excellent financial position for our Club to be able to sustain this decision if necessary.

Tentative social functions for later in the year are an Adelaide Hills Bus Trip; an afternoon luncheon and our 6th December Christmas Presentation. I have been thinking of how things will be when we are gradually 'released' back into our communities. It will be different. Not better or worse. Let's hope we will continue to reflect, be grateful and have time to 'stop and smell the roses'.

One member told me they had done so much work around their house that 'it has never looked better' and added "perhaps we should put it on the market".

Keep Smiling!

Ann-Marie Franklin
President





May Committee Meeting

BWBC joins “The Information Age”



A screen shot of the BWBC May virtual committee meeting.

BWBC On Line Brewing Group



An online chat group, called the BWBC brewers has been set up by Brenton George . It is an online meeting place for all club brewers or those wanting to start brewing to talk about all things brewing - Kit or grain, techniques and equipment, styles, recipes and style guidelines and more.

If any one wants to be involved download the App (WhatsApp) if you don't already have it and text Brenton on 0432535163 and he will include you in the group.

Membership Subscriptions

Club subscriptions for the 2020 financial year have been deferred. Any subs already paid can either be refunded in full or used to purchase wine from our Autumn selection.



The Mysterious Case of the Unknown Member

Rick Blake, our membership officer, has contacted 12 of the 13 members, by email, who have paid their 2020 membership fees, with the available options regarding refunds or otherwise. (see page above)

There is one payment we cannot identify from the bank deposits. Number 13 “The Unknown Member”, so if you have not received an email from Rick and have paid your membership fee, please could you contact Rick by email - rsblake@bigpond.com or the treasurer Andrew Seifried- andrew.seifried@internode.on.net

The \$70.00 deposit in question was credited to the BWBC bank account on 16 March 2020, (so was probably paid by the member on 15 March), from a Police Credit Union Account, with a narration of simply “Membership Fees 2020”.

If you use EFT to transfer funds to the BWBC , subscription, wine sales, social events etc could you put some identifier in the narration so the treasurer is able to identify the transaction, eg - “[Your Name] Membership Fees” or email the details to the treasurer - Andrew Seifried- andrew.seifried@internode.on.net

Members' Update

Jack Van Reyem, the clubs oldest member, is now a resident of the Resthaven residential aged care home at Aberfoyle Park. Jack will be 99 in August.

Jim Hay, our resident Scot and broadcaster (5EBI), is home resting after completing his latest course of treatment. The club extends our best wishes to both members.



Autumn Wine Sales



NV Sparkling Shiraz



This premium sparkling Shiraz shows an alluring dark garnet colour and a bouquet of rich, complex fruit and oak development. Rich, full bodied flavours are evident on the palate, which has a drying finish.

A superb choice for events, pre-dinner drinks, BBQs, and special occasions.

The price is \$100 per doz.

NV Prosecco

Fresh apple, flint and clove aromas. A soft palate balanced by moderate acidity with bright and lively flavours of white peach

makes this a great sparkling to serve before a meal or with light fare such as Barbecued Seafood Salad with Rocket, Capsicum & Hazelnuts

The price is \$100 per doz.



2019 Pinot Grigio

Tasting Notes

Light straw in colour with fresh notes of lime citrus fruit and hints of spice. Limey, citrus flavours and hints of pear with a crisp crunchy acid finish.

Winemaker's Notes

This wine exhibits a crisp palate of poached pear and a refreshing citrus finish. A perfect accompaniment to an array of Seafood and Asian dishes. This wine spent 3 months maturation on lees.

The price is \$100 per doz.



Last year the club was able to source a limited quantity of Sparkling Shiraz from Patritti Wines. This proved very popular with the members and sold very quickly. This year we have been able to obtain a sparkling shiraz wine, from Patritti Wines, for sale to members and friends.

To add to the variety on offer we have also been able to obtain a limited quantity of Prosecco and a very nice 2019 Pinot Grigio from Accolade Wines

As always we ask members to consider buying these wines and to promote them to your friends and colleagues.

To order the wine please contact Bill Neubauer ph 0412 525 343 or email bill@bn-products.com.au An order form is attached to this newsletter.

We have only very limited supply of these excellent wines.
Thanks to the response of our members over half has already been sold.
DON'T MISS OUT

2020 Apple Crush



Due to the prevailing pandemic restrictions both the Blackwood and Adelaide clubs have decided to cancel this year's apple crush which was scheduled for Sunday May 31st.

However if you would like to get juice for your cider making activities then you can contact Geoff Trenorden directly at 83901648. It is better to ring in the evenings.



Lock down BBQ wine suggestions at a glance

There are few things better than a barbecue in the sunshine (it's not quite winter yet) with a glass of wine, even if the current situation means that you can only have your immediate household present.

Here are some wine pairings for classic barbecue dishes. For ease of use, uses of marinades and sauces have been overlooked.

- Steak – Malbec, Syrah/Shiraz
- Burgers – Zinfandel, Grenache, Cabernet Sauvignon
- Sausages – Tempranillo, Gamay, Pinot Noir
- BBQ chicken – Chardonnay
- Pork chops – Valpolicella, Barbera, Riesling, dry rosé
- Salmon – Rosé, Pinot Gris, Chilled Pinot Noir
- Sardines – Albariño, Picpoul de Pinet
- Halloumi – Sauvignon Blanc, Sémillon, Assyrtiko
- Veggie Skewers – Chenin Blanc (fresher styles), dry rosé, Gamay

from the Decanter newsletter

So if you don't have all these wines in your cellar, you can still track them down online or at your local bottle shop. In lock down it's a good time to also taste these wines if you are not familiar with them, and perhaps write a critique for the newsletter. Just remember social distancing.



The sign of a BWBC member in isolation

Where's the next BBQ

A set of Penfolds Grange wine has sold for a world record price of \$372,800 at auction.

The set of 65 vintages, ranging from 1951 to 2015, was bought at the Langton's Rewards of Patience Auction by an Australian collector.

What would a set of Blackwood Wine Club wines be worth?

Our first bottling, in 1979, was a 1977 Coriole Shiraz/Grenache - \$12.50 per dozen.



Nanotech your wine

When you reach for your favourite white, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, or Chardonnay, is it the clean, clear sparkle that first catches your eye or does the wine look cloudy - a sign of protein instability.

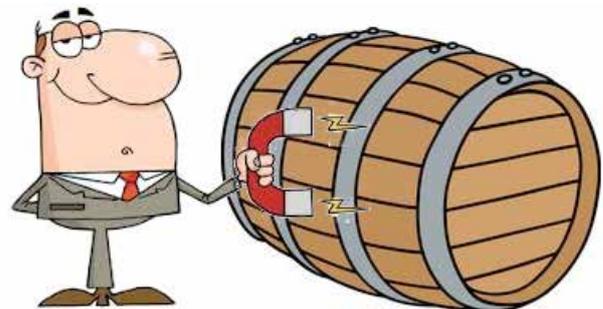
Ground-breaking research led by the Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI) in partnership with the University of South Australia, is ensuring white wines will always look their best as novel magnetic nanotechnology is proving to quickly and efficiently remove haze-forming proteins in white wine.

This new technology shows promise as a valuable and sustainable alternative to conventional bentonite fining treatments, which is a clay, that swells in the wine solution and can lead to a loss of wine volume of approximately three percent.

The new technology uses magnetic nanoparticles coated with acrylic acid polymers which, when placed in heat-unstable wine, attract and bind proteins to the nanoparticles' surfaces.

The particles are then drawn from the wine using a magnet, leaving behind a clarified product devoid of haze.

From Daily Wine



Every loaf of bread is a tragic story of a group of grains that could have become beer but didn't.

Join the BWBC online brewing group

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Members' Duty Roster 2020

Members rostered for the meeting set-up are asked to arrive by 7pm to organise seating, tables and to 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.

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

April

May

June

Suspended until further notice

If you are unable to attend on your rostered day can you please contact Sid Thomas 0401 123 482 to arrange a replacement.

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 0412 525 343

Roger Pounder 0412 565 256

Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club Inc.

2020/21 Committee

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Meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, except December, at 7.30pm

Venue Blackwood Memorial Hall
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EFT Payments

Members 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.

