

BWBC

Newsletter



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Meetings of the BWBC have been deferred till further notice.

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Spring greetings to all!

The days are longer, sun is shining and people are smiling. It's a magical time of the year AND we're living in the best place on the planet.

It is with deep sadness that we advised our member Jim Hay 82, died on 30th August. Jim was a stalwart at the club and we acknowledge his great contribution. I thank members for their understanding re numbers being strictly limited at his funeral. A gentle man and scholar. RIP dear Jim. His service was live-streamed and this will be available for the next 3 months via internet link <https://digifix.com.au/live-streams/james-hay-funeral/>

Social events

- Our Vigna Bottin lunch is next Friday 18th September. Numbers must be finalized by Tuesday so book now! As this will be our first social event for the year it's an opportunity to catch up with folk not seen since March. Great value for money at only \$45ph. Which includes drinks, Antipasto, Salad, Entrée & Main.
- The Adelaide Hills bus trip is on Friday 30th October. This will be well subsidized by the club to keep the cost under \$100ph. A full itinerary and costing will be out in a week or so but I can say venues Rudi has booked include Howard Vineyard, Chesterfield Whiskey, Melba Chocolates, Barristers Block Winery & Mismatch Distillery. Something for everyone. Bookings to be in by September 28.
- Our wines were bottled at Patriitti early September (thanks to all who helped in the preparation and on the pickup day). These are excellent value for money so please recommend to family and friends. Remember we have no income from subscriptions this year so the wine sales are very important.

Unfortunately, because of continuing Covid social distancing requirements for smaller venues, our September meeting cannot go ahead. This makes our social events more significant as ever to keep in touch with our fellow members.

A word for our brewers from Thomas Jefferson "Beer, if drunk with moderation, softens the temper, cheers the spirit, and promotes health"

Ann-Marie
President



Jim Annandale Hay

Jim passed away on Sunday 30th August. His funeral service was conducted at the Chapel on Finnis, formerly known as St Anns Church, Finnis Street Marion. Due to the current corona virus there was very restricted access to the service. A link to the live service stream is <https://digiflix.com.au/live-streams/james-hay-funeral/>
Ann-Marie gave one of the eulogies.

Dear Freda and family.

Many thanks for the honour of speaking about my friend, the remarkable James Annandale Hay. Although Freda assures me, he was never called James, only by his mother when he was wee and naughty!



Smelling the roses at Murray Valley Street Vineyards - 2019 bus trip

Jim was born in Glasgow in 1938. He married Freda in 1963. I met Jim, Freda and Jason many moons ago. Around 1998. Gosh that was in another century! This was well after Jim's John Martins days, when they first immigrated in 1969 and their time in Papua New Guinea in the 1980's, when Jim was appointed Advertising Co-ordinator for Steamships Trading Company and Freda was their Credit Manager for the Merchandise Division. With young son Jason (born in 1974) they lived there until 1988.

Jim had the ability to make you feel special when he spoke to you. He was interested and listened attentively never interrupting. Rather rare these days! There were many aspects to this gentle man. There was Jim the proud, passionate Scot of the Hay Clan. The Hays being one of the major clans of Scotland, whose Chiefs, the Earls of Erroll, have been hereditary Lords High Constable of Scotland since Sir Gilbert Hay of Erroll was rewarded with that office after the Battle of Bannockburn in 1312 by King Robert the Bruce. Now, that's from

good stock eh!

Jim was the Convenor of the Clan Hay Society in S.A. On one of their many trips to Scotland and beyond they stayed in the ancestral Delgatie Castle in Aberdeenshire which was given to the Hay Clan after the Battle of Bannockburn. They were the only guests apart from the resident ghost of course. Freda said they slept in a huge four poster bed and it was the best sleep.

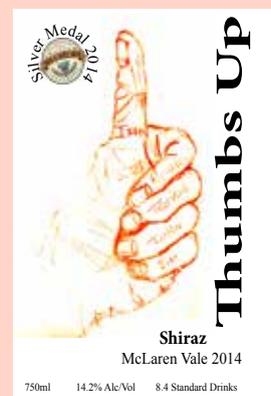
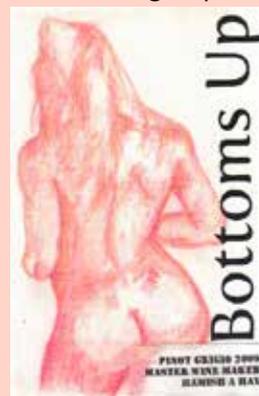
And who could ever forget the Scottish Night that we had at the Club? When the handsome Jim resplendent in his kilt, entertained us with tales of Scotland, and the Hay clan. The evening finishing with a whiskey toast to his piper Des Ross and a (compulsory) haggis tasting. Great stuff!

Jim the artist saw beauty everywhere and his paintings reflected this. Whether it was a sketch of his beautiful granddaughter Sonia, a landscape, PNG masks and warriors, or his beloved highland terriers, Jim painted with flair. Ron and I went to some of his exhibitions and we were proud to know the artist.

His gift extended to designing a couple of wine labels for his winemaker groups at the Blackwood Winemakers and



Jim at the opening of his art exhibition - Mitcham 2013



Brewers Club. His mischievous 'Bottoms Up' label was a sketch of the rear view of a shapely woman, wickedly bare. A tad avant-garde, but fun. His other effort was his 'Thumbs Up' label. Jim photographed the clenched fist of one of their wine group, drew a sketch and added the names of the group members on the fingers.

Jim the winemaker & brewer made a variety of beverages over the years. Some award winning beers gaining gongs at the Club competitions and the annual national amateur wine and beer shows. AND there were a few not so successful. Freda said a few went into the garden some plants died, others thrived. Then he and his mate Ron Holmes ventured enthusiastically into making spirits. I remember when I was there the night before they were leaving on a cruise, (I was going to house sit) Jim had just finished making some whiskey. As was the custom we had a bon voyage drink. Jim and Freda decided to try this latest effort. (Fortunately, I declined.) I reckon it must have been a pretty volatile potion as in the morning they were both a little weary. Jim saying "we've decided to leave the bottle home to let it rest for a while."

Jim the club member. A stalwart of the club for some 15-20 years, always ready to help, particularly with the competition program when he, Ron Holmes and Trevor Ward would set up for the judging. And it was Jim who invited me to join the club around 2014 saying, "Why don't you come along lassie you'll enjoy it.?" And I did.

And there was Jim the family man loving and devoted husband of Freda. Very proud father of Jason and daughter in law Bora, and very, very proud grandpa to granddaughter Sonia.

Dear Freda you were always at Jim's side facing the same way. Not leading or following but hand in hand. A handsome and classy couple. Slangivar Jim. A gentleman and a scholar.

Ann-marie



Jim with long time friend piper Des Ross at BWBC Scottish night 2018

Scottish Radio - 5EBI

Another of Jim's passions was to promote Scotland and the Scottish culture he loved.

One way he achieved this was his regular broadcasts on Scottish radio – part of the 5EBI multicultural community radio station. Jim served as president of Scottish radio from 2004 -2014, was the group delegate to the 5EBI management board, fund raiser – he ran the annual 5EBI



Jim promoting the Scottish culture at 5EBI

art show, and also volunteered as a continuity presenter. I had the privilege of sharing the microphone with Jim on many of the Scottish Radio broadcasts. It was a fun time and I learned a lot about Scottish history and music.

Jim was a true Scottish gentleman, a great member of the Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club and will be sorely missed.

David Tulloch



Jim with past BWBC president Brian Ferri





2020 Wine Bottling

Due to covid restrictions we will not be able to have our annual bottling/social day.

This year the committee has decided to again buy wine from Patritti Winery, as we did in 2018 & 2019, but this year they will bottle it for us.

Blackwood



McLaren Vale
Premium Shiraz
2019

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PATRITTI

Bottled by Patritti Wines - 2020
13-23 Clacton Road, Dover Gardens, SA

750 mL 14.3% alc. vol 8.3 standard drinks Contains sulfites
Wine of Australia

\$170 per doz

Blackwood



McLaren Vale
Shiraz
2019

Blackwood Winemakers
and Brewers Club Inc.

PATRITTI

Bottled at Patritti Wines - 2019
13-23 Clacton Road, Dover Gardens, SA

750 mL 14.3% alc. vol 8.3 standard drinks Contains sulfites
Wine of Australia

\$100 per doz

Blackwood



McLaren Vale
Cabernet Sauvignon
2019

Blackwood Winemakers
and Brewers Club Inc.

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An order form with tasting notes is attached to the newsletter email or contact Bill Neubauer
email bill@bn-products.com.au



Vigna Bottin Winery Lunch

192 Main Road, Willunga

'Our Cellar door & Osteria – a place for you to come and experience our rich Italian heritage.'

Friday 18th September 12pm for 12.30pm start. Maximum of 60 allowed.

Cost \$45 including drinks.

To book for this lunch please use the online booking form - a link will be in the newsletter email or phone Ian Di Bartolo at 0412 373 739.

Bookings close on 15th September



2020 Bus Trip Friday 30th October

This year the committee is still planning on having a bus trip to the Mt Lofty wine region in October.

Rudi Tromp has put a lot of effort into the planning of this trip, focusing on wineries and businesses affected by the fires in December.

Again this is very much depending on how the covid restrictions are at the time.

To book a place on this trip please use the online booking form- a link will be in the newsletter email or phone Rudi at 0412 999 154.

Bookings close on 28th September. The bus is limited to around 50 persons.



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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
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