



# BWBC

## Newsletter

### A Little Ray of Sunshine

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#### Next Meeting

Wednesday  
20th April 7.30pm  
"A Taste of 2021"

Please can all members register their intention to attend the meeting so that we can prepare an attendance sheet for Club records and Covid registration if required.

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April Competition  
Shiraz - 1-3 year old

#### May Competition

Beer - Ale and Lager  
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Banner Photo - Beer tasting at the Woolshed

This past month has seen a ray of sunshine with not only a return to some form of normality on the horizon, but also a good vintage by all accounts and a very successful and enjoyable Caravan/Cabin trip to the Riverland. The Committee is very aware of the changing situation re the pandemic and our next meeting will be the first under the new arrangements.

The Riverland Discovery trip was excellent and the Club and those attending must thank Colleen and Bernie Morgan for their outstanding organisation. Blessed with perfect weather, we were able to enjoy the friendship and hospitality of the region with visits to the new Wine Centre, Woolshed Brewery, tour of the St Agnes Winery with brandy tasting and then return to our cabins/caravans at the excellent Berri Park to enjoy the evening meal together. To be able to taste the huge variety of new varietal wines that the region is focusing upon, was a highlight.

With the Committee finalising the social programme for the year, I strongly encourage all members to be involved and enjoy each other's company. Also, the Committee is seeking to re-arrange the timing of the wine bottling and more details will be given very soon.

I thank those members who have already paid their membership dues with the final date the end of this month. With each renewal, the member will be offered a bottle of wine as a small thank-you from the club. If you are aware of friends, colleagues, family who are keen or active in beer and/or wine making, then there will be vacant membership spaces that are now available.

I look forward to meeting you at the next Club meeting

Regards  
Brian Ferris President

#### A taste of the 2021 winners White wine

Members who won awards in the 2021 red wine competitions will present their wines for tasting to the members at the April meeting. A chance to taste the extraordinary quality wines our members produce.

**PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN TASTING GLASS**



## Secretary's Report

Secretary's report of the March meeting (16/3/2022)  
There were 29 members, 2 partners and no guests present. Apologies were received from 13 members. Thank you to the member and partner who notified me that they developed symptoms on the Friday following the meeting and were subsequently found to be Covid positive. Our attendance registration system allowed me to send emails to all other attendees and thankfully no other member or partner at the meeting developed Covid.

### COVID AND OUR APRIL MEETING

Many will be pleased at the relaxing of South Australia's Covid mandated restrictions. Our meetings can be conducted without the mandated requirements of having:

- a Covid Marshal,
- to socially distance to 1.5 metres with number restrictions according to the area of the room.
- to wear masks,
- to be seated except when eating or drinking, and
- to register by QR code or be signed in.

### PLEASE NOTE that:

- SA Health RECOMMENDS "maintain social distancing and wash or sanitise your hands regularly (hand sanitiser will be at the registration desk)

### AND

- many attending may still be quite concerned regarding having contact with those not wearing masks. I will be wearing my mask as I register people's attendance. Please respect people's decisions to need personal space or wear a mask.

### ASK:

- that anyone who is feeling unwell, please do not attend, AND
- that any attendee who develops symptoms within a few days after a meeting, please have a Covid test and notify me immediately if the test is positive. (0447212278) In this event, I will notify all attendees of this Covid infection.

Bernie Morgan  
Secretary

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## Treasurer's Report

Hello members.

Could those people who paid cash to me at our last club meeting on 16 March 2022, please contact me on 0478 294 101 to clarify the amounts?

I have a couple of payments that I cannot match up to the payer that I require your assistance with to do so.

Roger Hughes, Peng Kang & Jacob Van Eyck do not need to contact me - I can reconcile your payments.

Best regards.

Andrew Seifried.



**2022 Apple crush  
Summertown  
Sunday May 15th 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 8th May.

To place an order contact Michael Lineage preferably by email [mclineage@bigpond.com](mailto:mclineage@bigpond.com) or ph 0415 604 788

**Order Apple Juice Now  
Orders close 8th May  
Cost \$1 per litre**

Apple cider is probably one of the simplest home brewing activities.

Download a recipe and instructions from the internet

## New members

The Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club has vacancies for new members. If you know of somebody that is interested in wine or beer making and would like to join the club please contact the membership officer. (see back page of the newsletter for details)

## For Sale Wine Making Chemicals

Potassium Metabisulphite \$4.40 /kg

Citric acid \$4.62/kg

Oxyper \$ 2.64/kg

Minimum order for each of the above is 1kg

Contact Michael Lineage preferably by email [mclineage@bigpond.com](mailto:mclineage@bigpond.com)  
ph 0415 604 788



# 2022 Sparkling Competition Results

## March 2022

Place	Entry No.	Name	Entry Description	Score	Medal
1st	5	Michael Lineage	NV Eden Valley Summertown Sparkling Chardonnay Pinot Noir 17-20	18.5	Gold
2nd	8	Mike Butcher	Sparkling Char/Pinots 2018	17	Silver
3rd	6	Michael Lineage	Bridge Water Sparkling Chardonnay Piont Noir 2019	16.5	Bronze
	3	Michael Lineage	Para Hills Sparkling Blanc de Noir Shiraz 2019	16	Bronze
	2	Michael Lineage	Para Hills Sparkling Shiraz 2020	15.5	Bronze
	9	Mike Butcher	Sparkling Char/Pinots 2019	15.5	Bronze
	4	Michael Lineage	Summertown Sparkling Chardonnay Pinot Noir 2019	15	
	7	Michael Lineage	Bridgewater Sparkling Chardonnay Pinot Noir 2018	15	
	10	Mike Butcher	Sparkling Char/Pinots 2020	15	
	1	Ian Maxfield	Sparkling Malbec	14.5	

10 entries received      Judge - Mike Mudge      Judge's comment "Blown away by the quality"

## Wine Sales

### 2019 McLaren Vale Shiraz Premium

The fruit was sourced from a combination of our Estate grown vineyards including Malpas and Little Road vineyards in McLaren Vale, South Australia.

This Shiraz has a lifted bouquet of red berry fruits and oak. On the palate the purity of this Shiraz and freshness of flavour, we believe this wine over-delivers with flavours of dark plums, spice and a long lingering palate complemented by fine supple tannins. Matured in 1 to 4 year old hogsheads. American oak (70%) and French oak (30%).

Enjoy now and up to 2024. Alc 14.5% pH 3.53 TA 6.6

Wines produced and bottled by Serafino winery, McLaren Vale.

**LIMITED STOCK**

\$170 per doz (\$14.17 per bottle)

### 2019 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon

The fruit is sourced from a combination of our Estate grown vineyards including Communication and Little Road vineyards in McLaren Vale, South Australia.

This Cabernet Sauvignon displays a lifted bouquet of red berry fruits and spice and has purity of fruit and freshness of flavour, black pepper, sage leaf and black cherry complemented by fine supple tannins on the palate.

Matured in 1 to 4 year old hogsheads. American oak (50%) and French oak (50%).

Enjoy now and up to 2024 Alc 14.5 % pH 3.61 TA 6.3

Wines produced and bottled by Serafino winery, McLaren Vale.

**LIMITED STOCK**

\$100 per doz (\$8.33 per bottle)

To place orders

Contact Bill Neubauer at the next club meeting,

Email:- bill@bn-products.com.au or ph 0412 525 343

Payment by EFT - see page 5

*Please promote all these wines to family, friends and colleagues and help clear the stock.*

**MEMBERSHIP  
SUBSCRIPTION**

**DUE NOW**

**MUST BE PAID BY 30TH APRIL**

At the Annual General Meeting of the Blackwood Winemakers & Brewers Club, held on 16th February 2022, the Annual Membership Subscription for the 2022/23 year was set at \$80.

The subscription fee is in 2 parts - \$40 for the membership fee (the same as in 2021) and \$40 as payment toward the first 1 dozen bottles of wine purchased from the club bottling in 2022. Payment by EFT - see page 5. If you can not use EFT please contact the treasure 0478 294 101 or at the next meeting.



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...promoting excellence in wine and beer making...

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# The 2022 BWBC Riverland Discovery Tour

The tour was based at the wonderful Community owned holiday park at Berri. The park has great facilities for the group visit including very spacious grassed caravan sites. excellent cabin accommodation and lovely areas for the very important happy hour gatherings.

24 members made the trip to Berri, most arriving on Monday in time for the first happy hour to catch up and discuss planning for the week ahead.

As this was a discovery tour activities were very much decided by the region and the facilities on offer.

Tuesday afternoon a visit to the Riverland Wine Centre was arranged and our host from the centre, and winemaker, Sonya gave us a very enthusiastic tasting session of wines from RICCA TERRA .

Ricca Terra make wine from grape varieties that are better suited to the warm and dry climatic conditions of the Riverland. Ricca Terra is made up of ten individual vineyards, all of which were established during the solidier settlement scheme. While French varieties once dominated, they are being replaced with grape varieties that originate from northern hemisphere regions, such as Sicily, Spain & Portugal which have similar growing conditions to the Riverland.



*Roger Hughes, Brian Ferris, Phil and Anne Hicks and Sue Tulloch overlooking the Murry at the Riverland Wine Centre*



*Wine tasting at the Riverland Wine Centre*

The Tuesday happy hour was also a the club BBQ night and again a chance to compare notes and taste more wine and beer.

The group highlights for Wednesday was a conducted tour of Angoves St Agnes distillery and Barrel Halls. Dr William Angove established a distillery in Renmark in 1910. His plan was to make a plain spirit for fortifying wine. In 1925, William's son Carl decided to create a new style of Australian brandy that was lighter and more delicate than anything previously produced, which they have been distilling, ageing and handcrafting ever since. The tour concluded with a tasting of 2 brandies one a 5 year the other a 15year old Brandy, a very interesting tasting experience. Wednesday evening is traditionally Pizza night at the Berri

The wines presented tasted were  
Vermentino 2021- This Italian grape variety can be found on the island of Sardinia plus the coastal sections of Tuscany.

Juicy June 2021 – A blend Negroamaro & Grenache Nero d'Avola 2021– A red grape variety that originates from Sicily, which is perfectly suited to the warm and dry growing conditions of the Riverland.

The Marathon Man 2020- A blend of Petite Sirah, Lambrusco & Souzao.



*Phil Hicks and Roger Hughes - Club BBQ night*





*Hats off to a great tour*

Between all these activities members had time to explore nearby wineries and other points of interest around the area.

Bassham Wines, a family owned business specialising in Organic viticulture and Mediterranean emerging varieties, proved to be very popular. They make a very large range of superb emerging variety wines both red and white, and it was a great opportunity to taste and enjoy these wines that are being introduced to Australia.



*Beer tasting at the Woolshed Brewery*

In summary the week was a great opportunity to get to know the wine region, taste some fabulous wines and enjoy the companionship of members of the Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club. Thanks to every body who attended.

Here's to our 2023 discovery tour.

*Words and photos by David Tulloch*



Holiday park. The staff fire up the wood fire pizza oven, supply the pizza base and allow you to supply and build your own pizza topping.

Late Thursday morning the BWBC group gathered at the Woolshed Brewery for a beer tasting and BBQ lunch. The Woolshed is on Wilkadene Station, located 20km north of Renmark, on a picturesque backwater of the Murray River. The brewer has a very large range of beer to taste as well as hard lemonade.

The club was able to use the BBQ facilities at the brewery for a sausage sizzle lunch.



*Guess who had to get in on the act?*

919 winery, which the club visited on a bus trip in 2014, again was another chance to taste quality emerging wine varieties from a family run organic winery. They make wine from exciting and emerging varieties, including Petit Manseng, Vermentino, Sangiovese, Touriga Nacional, Tempranillo and Durif.



*Colieen and Bernie with Bruce Bassham and their huge variety of wines*

## 2022 Competition Program

Competition	Meeting	Entries Close
Fortifieds Liqueurs	February	31st January
Sparkling Wine	March	28th February
Shiraz - 1-3 year old	April	31st March
Beer - Ale Beer - Lager	May	30th April
Cabernet Sauvignon - 1-3 year old Other Red Wine - 1-3 year old	June	31st May
Red Wine - 4 years and older	July	30th June
Beer - Porter Beer - Stoutt	August	31st July
ANAWBS	September	TBA
Current Vintage - White Wine Current Vintage - Red Wine	November	31st October

## Members' Duty Roster 2022

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. After the meeting clear meeting room, mop the floor and returning trolleys to the store room.

**All members are asked to bring their own tasting glass.**

April	May	June
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Jim Anderson	Mark Dorman
Andrew Williams	Chris Taylor
John Callus	Paul Bohlman

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

## Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club Inc.

### 2021/22 Committee

#### Executive

Brian Ferris	President	0423 125 269
Bernie Morgan	Secretary	0447 212 278
Andrew Seifried	Treasurer	0478 294 101

#### Committee Members

Chris Ball	Social Program	0400 344 467
Ian Di Bartolo	Social Program	0412 373 739
David Lewis	Technical Officer	0409 678 366
Bill Neubauer	Wine Sales	0412 525 343
Sid Thomas	Speaker Co-ordinator	0401 123 482
Andrew Thomson	Membership/ Competitions	0422 285 720
David Tulloch	Newsletter	0414 581 401

*The committee can also be contacted at: [committee@bwbc.org.au](mailto:committee@bwbc.org.au)*

#### Property Officers

Bill Neubauer	0412 525 343
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#### 1st Aid Officer

Des Williams	041 604 1629
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#### Safety officer

Ian Di Bartolo	0412 373 739
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#### Life Members

Chris Bills	David Lewis	Steve Potiuch
Brian Ferris	Ian Maxfield	Glenn Snook
David Tulloch	Phil Hicks	

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Email address	<a href="mailto:bwbc@bwbc.org.au">bwbc@bwbc.org.au</a>
Meetings	3rd Wednesday of each month, except December, at 7.30pm
Venue	Blackwood Memorial Hall 21 Coromandel Pde., Blackwood
Newsletter	Editor David Tulloch Deadline 2nd Wed. of each month. Contact <a href="mailto:davidt@internode.on.net">davidt@internode.on.net</a>

#### 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

