



# BWBC

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Banner Photo - Christmas in July Lunch  
Watkins Winery

I am not sure how you are coping with winter but having spent June in northern Australia in shorts and short sleeve shirts, the shock of the "long cold winter days" has certainly had an impact. Perfect weather for spending time indoors with a good port or muscat.

For the Club, winter has brought many highlights and future events – the Christmas in July at Watkins Winery was an outstanding success with members enjoying sparkling upon entry, anti-pasta platters, choice of wines and an Argentinian meal, finishing with excellent coffee. On behalf of the club, a very big thank you to Ian D for his excellent organisation.

Our next social event is the bonfire/bbq in September, a free event for all members, our second such function this year. More details in the Newsletter. I encourage all to come and enjoy an enjoyable afternoon. In October is the bus trip and there are a limited number of vacancies still, so get in very soon. We finish the year with the annual Christmas luncheon-presentation in December. Again details in the newsletter.

At the launch event for our bottled two red wines held last weekend, members and friends were able to taste and purchase the Serafino Shiraz and Watkins Cabernet Sauvignon wines – with the price per dozen the same as last year - \$100 – and with members using their membership dues of \$40 to offset the price of the wine i.e cost - \$60 per dozen for the first wine dozen, this is certainly a bargain. As we have said, we are very pleased with the quality of the two wines and we encourage you to ask friends, family, neighbours etc to purchase these wines.

As we have indicated, it is the Committee's intention that in Spring, we will offer sparkling and white wines for members. More details later in the year.

A highlight of our winter meetings, has been the excellent speakers and a big thankyou to Syd T for his planning and organisation.

Brian Ferris  
President



Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club inc.

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

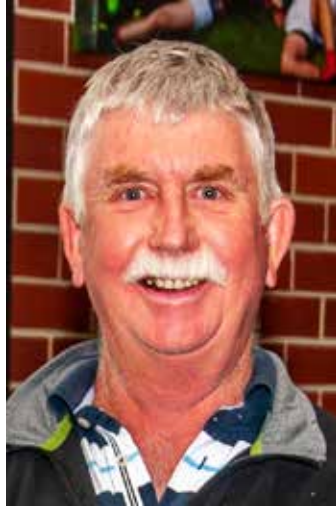
August 2022

## Lindsay Elliott

### A taste of Italy

The talk will take a tour through some of Italy's wine grape growing areas looking at some of the towns and tasting a few wines along the way. The talk will concentrate on some of the red grape varieties.

Italy is home to over 20% of the world's grape varieties. Currently there are over 370 grape varieties made into wine in commercial quantities (red, white and sparkling). Over 470 individual



grape varieties are listed in the national register with probably many more still to be recognised. Wine quality has improved significantly over the last 30 years, both through winemaking techniques and viticulture. Most wines have no oak flavouring being stored in large old barrels. Grapes and resultant wines vary from almost no tannin to extremely tannic, so there is an Italian grape and wine for all tastes. Many of the wines imported into Australia and those made from 'Italian' grapes in Australia tend to be higher alcohol and more tannic than those seen in countryside Italy.

**Please bring a tasting glass**

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### THE JULY MEETING

There were 35 members, 1 partner and 2 guests present. Apologies were received from 12 members (including me). Thanks to all who assisted with the running of the night. I understand from several members who were there that it was very successful. Although it is not obligatory, I appreciate getting apologies from members not able to attend, as we like to keep contact with all of our members and know we are meeting their expectations of our Club.

### WINE TO ENCOURAGE ATTENDANCE

In addition to the opportunity of winning a bottle of wine as a door prize, members attending their first meeting of the year receive a complementary bottle of wine. My records show that there are 33 bottles of wine waiting for members to collect.

Regards  
Bernie Morgan  
Secretary

## Interclub Wine and Beer Competition

### September 21st 7.30pm

This year the Blackwood Club will host the interclub wine and beer competition. This follows the very successful competition hosted last year by the Adelaide Club. This year there will be 6 competition categories.

#### Wine competition

Red wine - 2021, 2020, 2019

Red wine - 2018 and earlier

White wine - 2021, 2020, 2019

White wine - 2018 and earlier

#### Beer competition

Lager (no dark beers)

Ale

### Competition Rules

This competition is open to individual amateur winemakers and brewers or syndicates.

Entrants and syndicates can only enter under one Club name and with a limit of 3 entries per category.

Each entry is to be clearly labelled on the front of the bottle with a stick-on label detailing

Label details required

wine or beer category

wine style or beer style

wine vintage

region of fruit and variety

blend and percentage detail if known

The Competition organisers will allocate an exhibitor number on each bottle.

Judging will take place on the night of the Inter-Club Competition by qualified judges.

Entries are returned to entrants on the night only and if unclaimed will be disposed of.

#### How to enter

All entrants must register their entries on line.

Entries not registered will not be accepted on the night.

Deliver of entries to

Blackwood Memorial Hall

September 22nd from 6.45pm

A link to the online registration form will be sent out with the Newsletter email.

**ENTRIES CLOSE ON 2nd September 2022**



# July 2022 Competition Results

## Red wine 4yrs and older

### Glenn Snook Trophy

Place	Entry No.	Person/Syndicate	Wine	Points	Medal
1st	12	Bempton	2016 Shiraz	17	Silver
2nd	18	Wattiparinga	2018 Cab /Petit Verdot/Shiraz	16.5	Bronze
3rd	16	Garry & Andrew Seifried	2013 Shiraz	16	Bronze
	4	Bill Neubeur	2014 Cabernet Sauvignon	15.5	Bronze
	17	Garry & Andrew Seifried	2007 Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
	2	Bempton	2016 Cabernet Sauvignon	15	
	6	David Lewis	2018 Shiraz	15	
	8	David Lewis	2017 Shiraz	15	
	9	Michael Lineage	2017 Shiraz - Padtheway	15	
	10	Mike Butcher	2017 Shiraz	15	
	11	Bill Neubeur	2017 Shiraz	15	
	15	Bill Neubeur	2012 Siraz	15	
	19	Michael Lineage	2018 Tempranillo - White's Valley	15	
	20	Michael Lineage	2016 Malbec - Clare Valley	15	
	22	Bill Neubeur	2015 Cabernet /Merlot	15	
	5	Bill Neubeur	2013 Cabernet Sauvignon	14.5	
	7	Garry & Andrew Seifried	2018 Shiraz	14.5	
	21	Michael Lineage	2015 Cabernet /Malbec	14.5	
	1	David Lewis	2017 Cabernet Sauvignon	14	
	14	Bill Neubeur	2015 shiraz	14	
	3	Mike Butcher	2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	13	
	13	Glen Snook	2015 shiraz	Not Entered	

22 entries received

Judge Scott Heidrich, Senior Winemaker, Geoff Merrill Wines.

### Entry Conditions

Club members and syndicates who intend to enter our monthly competition MUST register their entries online the week before (Wednesday) the meeting date. Due to the amount of work involved in organising a competition unregistered entries cannot be accepted on the night.

A link to the online registration form is included with the monthly newsletter email sent to all members.

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## 2022 Speaker Program

The program for speaker program for 2022

August	Lindsay Elliott	October	Octoberfest
	Italian Wine Varieties	November	Daniel Zuzolo - Contract/Consultant winemaker
September	Interclub competition		
	Katie Spain		
	Wine writer for The Advertiser and Sunday Mail		

Sid Thomas our speaker co-ordinator has organised a great speaker program for the rest of the year. As always things can change so please consult the monthly newsletter for updates.

If you would like to suggest a speaker or activity for a future meeting please contact Sid 0401 123 482





Spring

# Bonfire / BBQ

Bill and Carol Neubauer's home  
Sunday 11th September 2022 11am



Free event  
BBQ lunch  
Club Wine or BYO

5 Hillside Rd,  
Blackwood SA 5051

Please park in Plymouth Avenue or the car park on the western side of Main Road near bridge. There are plenty of car parks available. It's just a short flat walk along the walkway to the bonfire site.

If you intend to come to this event please could you register so in the event of inclement weather we know how to advise that the event has to be cancelled. The registration link is sent out with newsletter email.

Please bring chairs, plates and glasses etc.

The club will be hiring a portable toilet for the day.

Plymouth Ave

From Coromandel Parade

Please do not go to the Hillside Rd entrance as the parking is very limited and there is a very steep walk down to the bonfire site.



Look for sign

Entrance from walkway

Walkway

Car Park Area

Bridge

Car Park Area

Main Rd

Somerset Rd

Maddern Reserve

B29

Devon Dr

Minno Creek

Main Rd

St John's Anglican Church

Coromandel Primary School

Sunday 11th  
September 11am



## Social events



### 2022 BWBC Bus trip Southern Fleurieu Wine Discovery Tour Friday 21st October 2022

This year's bus trip is again being organised by Ian and Chris Maxfield. The theme of this bus trip is "Southern Fleurieu Wine Discovery Tour".

### Tour Highlights

- **3 Pickup points** - Eden Hills Karinga Park, Northcote Road (8.45am), McLaren Vale Visitor Centre (9.20am), Victor Harbor - Urimbirra Wildlife Park (10am)
- **Coffee** - Cockles Cafe - Pt Elliot (10.15am)
- **Wine tastings** - Factory 9 - Port Elliot - Charlotte Dalton Wines & Cooke Bros Wines (11.15am)  
No 58 Cellar Door - Port Elliot - Thunderbird Wines & Vineyards (2.30pm)
- **Lunch** - Port Elliot Bowling club (12.55pm)
- **Arrive Eden Hills** (5pm)

\$75 per head for members and partners.

**Bookings are now open ( limited to 50 persons ), members and partners only.**

**Places still  
available**

Please book on line by EFT to secure your booking.  
Bookings only confirmed when full payment is made.

### Extend your discovery tour

Stay in the area for the weekend and discover more of the highlights the Southern Fleurieu district has to offer. Ian Maxfield indicated there are plenty of accommodation options available and you can join the BWBC tour at the southern pickup point.



### New member

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Vivien Hope to the Blackwood Wine Makers and Brewers Club. Vivien's interests are whisky and gin making. Please make her feel welcome.



### New payment method



"tap-and-go"

Payment for wine, social events, membership etc can now be paid by card at the meetings or when picking up wine from Bill Neubauer. EFT transfer is still available on line. See Bank details on last page of newsletter.



### BWBC Wine Discovery Tour Clare valley Wine Region

The tentative date for the tour is the 5th to the 8th of May 2023. More details will be in the coming newsletters

### Long neck beer bottles

Pickaxe and Coopers long neck beer bottles. Clean ready to go packed in cartons looking for a good home.  
Contact Jack 0484 005 238 - in Mitcham area



## 2022 BWBC red wine sales

This year, as we did last year, the committee has again organised for the wineries to bottle and label the wine for us.

### 2021 McLaren Vale Serifino Shiraz

The fruit was sourced from a combination of our Estate grown vineyards in the McLaren vale wine region. Matured in 2 year old hogsheads, American oak (70%) and French oak (30%), producing a bright red wine with purple hue, and lifted bouquet of red berry fruits and oak.

The fruit was destemmed and fermented in a combination of stainless steel and open fermenters using selected yeast strains. The ferments remained on skins for a period of 8 days in order to keep the tannins soft and supple and the fruit bright and fresh. Post ferment the wine was pressed and allowed to undergo malolactic fermentation in tank. After malolactic fermentation, the wine was racked to seasoned French and American oak hogsheads (300L) for a period of nine months.

Alc 14.7% ,ph 3.53, Ta 6.6. Enjoy now and up to 2026.

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

### 2018 Currency Creek Cabernet Sauvignon

An intense ruby colour, still with vibrant hues at its edge are indicative of the nose. Given enough time to mature, this Cabernet is still displaying primary characters of ripe plums and mint, while just starting to develop some more earthy and tobacco leaf complexity, all being tied together with some subtle, dark cocoa oak notes. The palates structural tannins are balanced out by a rich generosity from the beginning through the mid-palate up to the lingering acid line holding together the finish.

Approachable now and for the next 6 years.

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

### Wine from 2021 promotion

#### 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. In 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)

To place orders

Order on line - see email for link

Contact Bill Neubauer at the next club meeting,

Email:- [bill@bn-products.com.au](mailto:bill@bn-products.com.au) or ph 0412 525 343

Payment by EFT or card - see page 8 for account details

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

***Sample bottles are available***



*Members and freinds at the Serifino wine launch*





## July meeting

Our guest speaker at the July meeting was Justin McNamee from Samuel's Gorge winery.

Justin started with a brief overview of his history in the wine industry, growing up in Victoria, graduating at Roseworthy Agricultural College he worked in the Yarra Valley, Central Victoria and overseas, before arriving in McLaren Vale in 1996, to join the wine team at Tatachilla. Justin's long term aim was to set up his own winery on a hill top where he could focus on working with grape varieties that are best suited to the diverse geology, the maritime climate and the proven wine history in McLaren Vale. He eventually found the ideal place, an 1853 built farm shed; the winery and cellar door sits atop a ridge. Our winery overlooks the spectacular Onkaparinga River National Park to the North, and to the South, the ocean. Justin's focus was to work with grape varieties that are best suited to the diverse geology, thrive under the immense blue sky and benefit from the cooling maritime climate. Utilising indigenous yeast, ensuring the ferments are long and slow.

Grapes are sourced from their own vineyards and from other local growers.

Justin presented 3 Tempranillos for tasting. These were 2022 vintage, still in the maturing stages but it was to give the members a taste of 3 different clones of the same grape variety. One being from their own vineyard and the other 2 were recently introduced clones to Australia.

Tempranillo has been grown on the Iberian Peninsula, Portugal and Spain, its name is the diminutive of the Spanish temprano ("early"), a reference to the fact that it ripens several weeks earlier than most Spanish red grapes. To get elegance and acidity out of Tempranillo, you need a cool climate. But to get high sugar levels and the thick skins that give deep color you need heat. In Spain these two opposites are best reconciled in the continental climate but high altitude of the Ribera del Duero. Justin found that these conditions match those of McLaren Vale, high summer daytime temperatures and cooler night temperatures thanks to the cooling effect of the ocean. In Australia it is still quite an emerging variety. A similar tasting of current vintage Grenache, also showed the different fermentation one with skin contact and the other with bunch contact.

The talk concluded with a tasting of 2019 Graciano, another emerging variety. Graciano is a Spanish red wine grape that is grown primarily in Rioja wine region in Spain. It thrives in warm, arid climates and produces a low yield characterised by its deep red colour, strong aroma and ability to age well. Again another emerging variety in Australia that thrives in our Mediterranean climate.

Samuel's Gorge Label is a mosaic of 600 small tiles, each a picture in its own right, but when brought together make a big picture. This is very much Justin's vision of wine making, bringing together individual pieces to create a unique vintage representing the personality and the imagination of the makers. Not looking back but always forward to what the next vintage has in store.

Written by David Tulloch  
acknowledgements  
[www.gorge.com.au/](http://www.gorge.com.au/)  
wikipedia



*BWBC member Trevor Ward and Justin McNamee  
Photo by Andrew Thomson*

Trevor is our competitions results co-ordinator. At most meetings he is hidden away with the judges in the judging area, often missing the meeting highlights. He is responsible for the recording of all our competition results and making them available for publication in the newsletters. One of our tireless behind the scenes workers.

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## Wine report

From Des Willams

18th July 2022

I have just consumed, 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Serafino club bottling, excellent, enjoyed, but possibly 2 to 3 years past its prime.



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## Australian Alternative Varieties Wine Show

Mildura during the first week of November

full details:- [www.aavws.com](http://www.aavws.com)



## 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
1-3 year old other red wine Cabernet Sauvignon >85% 2021,2020,2019 Cabernet Sauvignon blend 2021,2020,2019 Other Red Wine (NOT SHIRAZ) 2021,2020,2019	June	31st May
Red Wine - 4 years and older (<=2018)	July	13th July
Beer - Porter Beer - Stout	August	10th August
Interclub Beer and Wine	September	2nd September
Current Vintage - White Wine Current Vintage - Red Wine	November	9th November

## 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.**

July	August	September
Graham Hunt	Phil Hicks	David Racz
Paul Hakendorf	David Strachan	Nathan Crase
Jan Skemstaad	Greg Thomas	Dino Donati

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
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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 Officer

Bill Neubauer 0412 525 343

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Des Williams 041 604 1629

#### Safety officer

Ian Di Bartolo 0412 373 739

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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 Blackwood Memorial Hall 21 Coromandel Pde., Blackwood
Venue	Editor David Tulloch
Newsletter	Deadline 2nd Wed. of each month. Contact <a href="mailto:davidt@internode.on.net">davidt@internode.on.net</a>

#### BWBC 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

Payments can also be made by card at the meetings.

