

# BWBC

## Newsletter



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Katie Spain is a journalist, wine writer and winner of the 2021 Australian Wine Communicator of the Year + winner of Best Published Feature or Column.

She is the national drinks writer for GOOD FOOD (Sydney Morning Herald and The Age), feature writer for Australia's Wine Business Magazine (WBM), state editor (SA) for Gourmet Traveller magazine and Australian correspondent for Sweden's Livets Goda wine magazine. She is the author of The Wine Producers: McLaren Vale, The Wine Producers: Barossa, The Wine Producers: Adelaide Hills and Adelaide Central Market – Stories, People & Recipes and co-author of The Highly Improbable Audacious Adventures of Wirra Wirra (2019 Wine Communicator Awards Best Wine Book: Trade, Technical or Consumer). Katie is a regular guest on 5AA and ABC radio, hosts events and wine forums across South Australia (including James Halliday's 2020 Top 100 virtual event). She was the 2017 Australian Alternative Varieties Wine Show fellow and was an Australian Wine Communicators mentor in 2019-2022. She is a farm kid at heart (from SA's south east no less) and if she's not behind her keyboard she can usually be found scouring the country for stories (and cellar doors) in a tiny vintage caravan called Charlie.



Katie Spain

Please bring your own tasting glass

### Interclub Wine and Beer Competition

September 21st 7.30pm

Entries will be accepted from 6.45pm  
Entry registration closed on 2nd September 2022  
Full details are in the August Newsletter

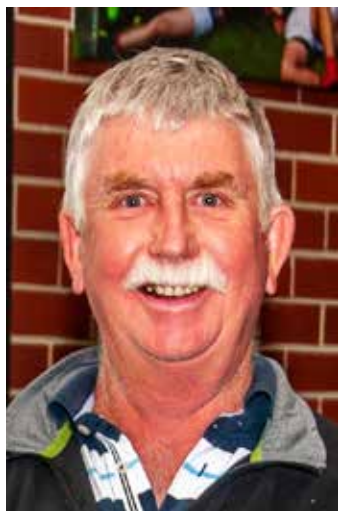


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...promoting excellence in wine and beer making...

September 2022

## Lindsay Elliott A taste of Italy

The speaker for our August meeting was our own club member Lindsay Elliott. Lindsay is passionate about Italian wines and on this occasion he picked 3 Italian wine regions describing his visits to the areas and the wines the regions are noted for.



Starting with the a northern Italian wine region of Piedmont. With Turin as it's regional capital the area has a typically temperate climate Piedmont is one of the great wine growing regions in Italy. More than half of its 700 km<sup>2</sup> (170,000 acres) of vineyards are registered with DOC designations from indigenous grape varieties which include Nebbiolo, Barbera, Dolcetto and from the hillsides of a northern area of Piedmont around the towns of Serralunga, Barolo and La Morra, comes Borolo a wine noted for it's ability to age. It can take more than 10 years for the wine to soften and become ready for drinking.

Lindsay presented a tasting of a 2012 Nebbiolo from Vineyard 28, located in Western Australia, which Lindsay described as a Lighter style nebbiolo from sandy soil – more like Nebbiolo style from around the town of La Morra 40km southeast of Turin.

Tuscany, located in central Italy along the Tyrrhenian coast, Tuscany is home to some of the world's most notable wine regions. Chianti, Brunello di Montalcino and Vino Nobile di Montepulciano is primarily made with Sangiovese grape whereas the Vernaccia grape is the basis of the white Vernaccia di San Gimignano. The history of viticulture in Tuscany dates back to its settlements by the Etruscans in the 8th century BC. Amphora remnants originating in the region show that Tuscan wine was exported to southern Italy and Gaul as early as the 7th century BC.

Lindsay had planned on a Montepulciano d'Abruzzo but could not find one that shows the fresh fruity flavours the variety exhibits for a taste of the region so presented a Lacrima di Moro mainly grown in the adjoining vineyards in Belvedere Ostrense near Ancona in the Marche region. Described as a purple wine with violets on nose, reasonably tannic but still fresh and fruity. The violet noise was very prominent.

Of the southern wine regions

Lindsay focused on Sicily and the southerly areas of Italy On the slopes of Mt Etna is home to so many indigenous

grapes. The main red grape varieties grown in this area are Nerello Mascalese and in the southern area of the island wine is made from Nero D'Avola (Calabrese) and Frappato. Frappato a more fragrant grape.

As a taste of the area, Lindsay presented a 2015 Etna Rosso Ulysse made from Nerello Mascalese and Nerello Cappuccio gapes from Sicily.

Southern Area Wines from around the boot area of Italy are made from the main form Negroamaro, Primitivo, Nero Di Troia grapes. These are commonly blended often big and are heavy, sometimes smoky often with >13.5% alc.

The tasting of this area was a 2020 Pillastro Susumaniello. Susumaniello is a little-known red-wine grape from Puglia, southern Italy. Grown almost exclusively in the Salice Salento area, and in a tiny number of vineyards around Brindisi, it ranks among the world's rarest wine grapes.

Lindsay's presentation was a great follow up to the previous 3 speakers we have had this year who all presented wines that are often grouped in the alternative variety wines class but are becoming more available in Australia. A welcome change.

*By David Tulloch*

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## Mario Micarone



To members and friends of Mario Micarone.

I wish to advise that one of our long-time members Mario is now residing at Eldercare - Allambi, at 86 Oaklands Road, Glengowrie. Ron and I took him to lunch recently and he is in good spirits despite a few health challenges.

Mario has been a great supporter of our Club. Always

smiling and sharing his vinos.

He sends his regards to all and I know he would welcome a call or visit if down that way.

His phone number is 0418 542 727

Ann-Marie Franklin



## 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



*Club Bonfire and BBQ at Bill and Carol's*



A big thank you to Bill and Carol for hosting this very enjoyable event.





## 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)

**Limited seats  
available**

\$75 per head for members and partners.

**Bookings are now open ( limited to 50 persons ).**

**Members and partners only.**

Please book on line by EFT to secure your booking.

Bookings only confirmed when full payment is made.

AT THE TIME OF WRITING THERE ARE STILL 12 SEATS AVAILABLE ON THE BUS. AFTER THE MEETING, 21ST SEPTEMBER, ANY SPARE SEATS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO FRIENDS OF CLUB MEMBERS. THIS IS IMPORTANT SO WE HAVE A FULL BUS

## Presentation/ Christmas Function



**BOOK NOW**  
**Payments must be made**  
**before the**  
**November meeting.**

(online booking form link sent with newsletter email)

Sunday 4th December

11.30 for 12 noon start

Blackwood Football Club

Trevor Terrace Blackwood

This year it will be a fully catered function. The cost will be \$35 per head for members and partners and \$45 per head for non-members.

To book please use online booking form - attached to BWBC newsletter email contact or Ian Di Bartolo mobile 0412 373 739, email dibartolo241@gmail.com or contact Ian at the next meeting. Bookings are essential

so we can organise the catering.

Payment must be made by or at the November meeting. Payments can be made by EFT see back page for details. Members are asked to bring along some of their wine or beer. It's a great opportunity to let others taste your wine or beer and get their comments. The club will also supply some wine, beer and soft drink.

**Book on line NOW**



## 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. **SELLING FAST** \$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. **SELLING FAST** \$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)

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

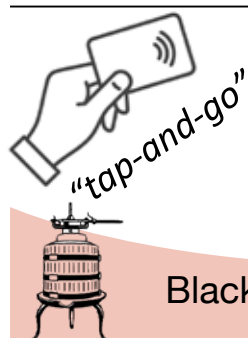
## How to order wine

**All orders MUST be placed on line using the online order form.**

A link to the online order form is always included with the email sent out with the monthly newsletter advice. Complete the form, payment can be made via EFT before you pickup the wine or by card at the time of pickup. You will receive an invoice by return email.

If you do not have a link to the form contact David Tulloch email davidt@internode.on.net

**Contact Bill Neubauer ph 0412 525 343 to organise a suitable pickup time.  
Please bring your invoice and if paying by EFT a copy of your transaction.**



## New payment method

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 the newsletter.

## 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.**

September	October	November
David Racz	John Redmond	Barry Long
Nathan Crase	John Callus	Carl Kuhn
Dino Donati	Richard Williams	Des Williams

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

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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

#### 1st Aid Officer

Des Williams 041 604 1629

#### Safety officer

Ian Di Bartolo 0412 373 739

#### Life Members

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

#### Contact

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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.

