

BWBC

Newsletter



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Next Meeting

Wednesday
20th November 7.30pm

The best of members wines

Club members will present their winning wines for tasting from our 2024 competitions.

Please bring your own tasting glass.
Beer and wine will be available for tasting at the meeting.

Competitions

November

Current Vintage
Red and White Wine
Entries Closed

Presentation/ Christmas Function

Sunday 1st December
11.30 for 12 noon start
Blackwood Football Club
Wood Tech Oval,
Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

Club Wine Sales

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*Banner Photo - BWBC Bus trip 2024 -
Croser Petaluma Wines
photo by Ian Di Bartolo*

President's Report

With the arrival of Spring and warmer weather, we can look forward to enjoying Christmas and the New Year, with family and friends.

The last Club meeting, Oktoberfest was again a major highlight, with an excellent presentation from Andrew Williams and his informative presentation of German beers. Special thanks to Syd Thomas for his excellent chairing of the meeting, Ian Di Bartolo for arranging the tasting beers and Bill Neubauer for his catering of very well received German foods – wonderful and enjoyable night for all.

Our November meeting, which is our final year's Club meeting, has become traditional in that our successful Club members present their winning wines. You will be able to taste their wines, learn how they evolved and acknowledge the quality of wines from our own winemakers. Our competition programme will conclude with the annual Current Vintage Red (President's Cup 1978) and White (Inaugural Committee Trophy 1978) wines.

The October Bus trip to the Adelaide Hills was an outstanding success and all who attended had a wonderful day wine tasting at Petaluma, Simon Tolley and Artwine, ending with the luncheon at Grunthal's. A very big thank you to Ian Di Bartolo and Committee members for their work and for introducing us to new wineries in the region.

The Newsletter has the details for the Sparkling Wine Launch Saturday November 23 at Carol and Bill Neubauer's residence. You will be able to taste and purchase the selected sparkling wines, be in the company of other members in a very relaxed setting and enjoy a typical Aussie sausage sizzle. As in past launches and sales, the sparkling wines is quickly taken up by our members.

The annual Christmas luncheon, December 1st at the Blackwood Oval is always a fitting conclusion to another Club year and is a highly enjoyable afternoon. It will begin with the presentation of Club awards which is a recognition of members who have been successful in competitions. The Club heavily subsidises this function and I encourage all, and friends to attend. Details are in this Newsletter but we do need final number the week before. As with Club meetings, we are asking members to bring their own glasses.

The social programme for 2024 is well advanced including another Discovery Caravan/Cabin Tour, April 2025. If you have any suggestions for activities, the Committee is always seeking ideas.



The Club subsidises members attending functions through the sale of our wines and presently there are limited stock available. This newsletter has the Wine Order and details for collection and payment. I encourage you to purchase and inform family and friends of the wines.

Hope to see you at the November meeting or the December Christmas luncheon.

Brian Ferris
President

Welcome to our new members



Please introduce yourself to Nicky and Steve

Secretary's Report

Oktoberfest Meeting

I was disappointed to miss this meeting, but our caravan holiday in Western Australia did not allow us to get back in time. I thank Roger Henderson for filling in for me while I was away.

From all reports, this meeting was a cracker, and is always a favourite with members. From Roger's attendance sheet, there were 36 members present with 6 partners and 4 guests. Apologies were received from 8 members (including President Brian and me.)

Looking forward to catching up with you at both the sparkling wine and muscat launch and the November meeting.

Regards

Bernie Morgan Secretary

Presentation/Christmas Function

Sunday 1st December 11.30 for 12 noon start
Blackwood Football Club

Wood Tech Oval, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

This year will be a fully catered function.

The cost will be \$35 per head for members and partners and non-members \$45.

A link to bookings form included with newsletter email

BWBC Club Wines

2023 Shiraz Serafino

Purity and freshness of flavour, the Shiraz over-delivers with flavours of dark plums, spice and a long lingering palate complemented by fine supple tannins. **Only 10 doz available.**

Price: \$100 per doz

2017 Nero d'Avola - McLaren Vale

Only 3 doz available.

Price: \$100 per doz

This wine sold out very quickly at the June launch, so this small addition batch won't last long. **ORDER NOW**

Back by popular demand - Patrilli sparkling wines

NV Sparkling Shiraz Premium

This premium sparkling wine is dark purple in colour with a bright crimson hue; the nose displays blue fruits, plum and raspberry, but it also has a savoury edge with wet slate and subtle integrated oak. The palate is seamlessly integrated, structured and long. Plum and blue fruit flavours work well with oak derived complexities of subtle coffee and dark chocolate.

Price: \$180 per doz.

NV Sparkling Red

This sparkling red bend 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.

Price: \$100 per doz

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sparkling Wine Launch

- Taste and purchase the selected sparkling wines.
- Relaxed setting and enjoy a typical Aussie sausage sizzle.

Saturday Nov 23rd 11am

Carol and Bill Neubauer's home
5 Hillside Road, Blackwood

A link to the order form is included with the email sent out with the monthly newsletter advice.

Contact Bill Neubauer ph 0412 525 343 to organise a suitable pickup time.





2024 Bus trip to the Adelaide Hills

photos by Ian Di Bartolo



2024 Competition Program

Meeting	Competition	Entries Close
February	Fortifieds & Liqueurs	14th February
March	Sparkling Wine - Cancelled	13th March
April	Shiraz - 1-3 year old (2023,2022,2021)	10th April
May	Beer - Ale Beer - Lager Sparkling wine (rescheduled)	8th May
June	1-3 year old other red wine (2023,2022,2021) Cabernet Sauvignon >85% Cabernet Sauvignon Blend Other Red Wine(NOT SHIRAZ)	12th June
July	Red Wine - 4 years and older	10th July
August	Beer - Porter Beer - Stout	14th August
November	Current Vintage - White Wine Current Vintage - Red Wine	13th November

A maximum of only 3 entries per competition is allowed.

Please note competition closing dates. Entries cannot be received after the closing date due to administration organisation.

Members' Duty

Members are needed to help before the meeting (by 7pm) to organise seating, tables and to assist with bringing the trolleys up from the store room.

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

Please contact Sid Thomas 0401 123 482 if you are able to help either setting up for the meeting or clearing up afterwards.

All members are asked to bring their own tasting glass.

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 officer
Bill Neubauer 0412 525 343

Blackwood Winemakers and Brewers Club Inc.

2024 Committee

Executive

Brian Ferris	President	0423 125 269
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Des Williams	0416 041 629
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Life Members

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

Contact

Web site	www.bwbc.org.au
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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 davidt@internode.on.net

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.

