

# THE AMATEUR WINEMAKERS AND BREWERS CLUB OF ADELAIDE INC

PATRON: KAAREN PALMER

Next Meeting: **Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 Newsletter**  
**The AGM Edition**



When: Meetings held on the first Tuesday of each month from **7.45 for 8.00 pm start.**  
Where: Clarence Park Community Centre, corner of East Ave & Canterbury Terrace, Black Forest.  
How: Check out our website Adelaide Ferment: <http://awbca.org.au> for our Calendar and photos and lots of information

Please bring your wines/beers to share for others to taste and comment and discuss with others how you made them, problems you had, or where you purchased them from and price you paid etc...a great chance to chat about anything wine and beer (and food too if you wish).

**Join us to taste our shared beers and wines and enjoy them with a small supper**

**We welcome friends and new members at all times to meetings and functions.**

**We encourage sharing wine, beer and food skills and love to meet people.**

**Think about inviting your friends, relatives or people you meet who seek the enjoyment of better beer, better wine with great food.**

**It's a great occasion to be involved in the Club and taste all the amazing beer & wine entries - bring your friends - to experience fantastic craft beers and wines.**

**Above all else - we promote responsible behaviour!**

## 2018 / 2019 year Executive Committee & Positions ([contact details](#))

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**Beer Convener Assistant:** Murray Barber  
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## Competition(s) this Month: May 2019

**Wine competition:** Aged Dry Red 4+ years. (Certificate)

**Judge:** Scott Heidrich (from Geoff Merrill Wines)

**Beer competition:** Ales (No Darks) (Certificate)

**Judge:** Internal

**Discussion:** Annual General Meeting (AGM)

**Annual Subscriptions: \$30 for members** (\$25 concession card) for current membership year due May onwards. Payments can be paid via EFT directly to the AWBCA:



BSB: 035-048  
Account # 230 040  
Account Name: The Amateur Winemakers and Brewers Club of Adelaide Inc.

## Competition Winners for April 2019

**Beer competition:** No Beer Competition

**Wine competition:** Best Herbal Vegetable or Flower Wine

## Wine Results: 0 Entries

Did you have a favourite from last month's tasting of exotic White Wines? Do you remember their names? Here are the details:

**Pinot Grigio 2017** – The Killer - Italy

**Soave 2017** – Zonin - Italy

**Chardonnay 2014** - Kendall-Jackson - California

**Sauvignon Blanc 2017** - Zonnebloem – South Africa



Welcome to new visitors:



Watch this space for next year's dates: **Bus Trip – where & when??**



Committee currently discussing this!!

See next pages for event photos:  
**Diary Dates:** Keep these dates free  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in month is club meeting

**NEXT MEETING** or date to remember

- 7<sup>th</sup> May Meeting - AGM
- 4<sup>th</sup> June Meeting
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July Meeting
- 7<sup>th</sup> August Meeting
- 3<sup>rd</sup> September Meeting
- 1<sup>st</sup> October Meeting
- 5<sup>th</sup> November Meeting
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December Meeting

**We like to think we are more than just a wine & beer brewing club... more like a "food & beverage experience" but with the sharing of knowledge / philosophies at "minimal cost"**



Mario Micarone organized last month's homemade Pizza supper.

Take a look at the perfection in Pizza preparation below:



This month will be Roast Chicken.

If you would like to present your specialty dish, speak to Mario (Ph: 8264 0897 or 0418 542 727) who currently co-ordinates and plans the date(s).

(You will be reimbursed for ingredients...just keep receipts)

## Annual General Meeting 2019

# Amateurs Winemakers and Brewers Club of Adelaide

## Presidents Report

April 2019

To All Members,

Well I've made it through my first year as President and am looking forward to developing the club into a wine/beer haven for the people of Adelaide.

I can report that this year 2018-2019 year has shown strong growth in members and the participation in appreciation of wine and beer due to club tastings at meetings has been outstanding. This club is blessed with a strong active committee and the keen members always there for support.

I am very supportive of club competitions, which has been the most disappointing part of the calendar this year, so please everyone make an effort to make, experiment or ask someone in the club to help you make a beer or wine.

The key to any club is the newsletter and I wish to thank Peter Tilsley for a job well done. Jane, Sandy, Michael and Jerome, a big thank you for your dedication and support throughout the year and may it continue.

To all the people in the background, Mario for Supper, a great job that we all appreciate at the end of the night, Julie and Chantel for member enrolments and the monthly raffles, Murray for helping with the comps setup, a big thanks to you all. A special thanks to Kaaren, (our patron) for her support during the year and yes we love drinking champagne.

Snob....a word that describes very well our club bottling with a change this year to McLaren Vale for Shiraz. A beautiful wine that has been hand crafted with love and

allowed to mature in the bottle for several years, if you can keep it that long. The bottling is our fund raiser for the year and has always been supported greatly by members and friends. A great job done by all.

ANAWBS...Adelaide Club has now 3 members on the committee, myself, Sandy and a big warm welcome to Peter Avery. This is the 40<sup>th</sup> year and will hopefully be our best. Your support as club members is critical to the success of this Australian Competition based in Adelaide. A big thanks to the Blackwood Club as joint organizers of ANAWBS.

Social events are a great way to meet new people and chat to members and the bus trip to the Barossa and the New Year picnic were both a hit with members.

I can report that the club is in a good position financially and the running of the club is in very good hands, so let's make this the best club out there.

The running of the club does not just happen so to all on the committee and all helpers, we are looking for new blood to join in and be an active part of one of the best wine clubs in Adelaide.

President

Gavin Pennell  
April 2019

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## **Amateurs Winemakers and Brewers Club of Adelaide**

### **Special General Meeting**

April 2019

As part of the May 2019 general meeting a Special General Meeting will be held to consider the nomination of a Life Membership for:

### **Jane Boroky**

Jane has been in the club for many years and has held positions such as President, Treasure, and Chair of ANAWBS.

In appreciation of Jane's work for the Adelaide Club the committee would like to recommend to the members that Life Membership be awarded to Jane for her long time commitment to the club.

A vote will take place at this Special General meeting in May, which will require a majority of the vote to be accepted.

...on Behalf of the Committee, I, Gavin Pennell (President) propose this motion.

Gavin Pennell  
April 2019

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## The day I stopped drinking \$7 wine...

**In a \$7 bottle of supermarket wine, how much is likely to have been spent on the juice inside? Is it 80c or \$2?**

The average \$7 bottle sold in Australia only contains about 80 cents worth of wine. The rest goes on marketing, duty, shipping and packaging... leaving diddly-squat for actual wine.

**Okay, so what if you upgraded to a \$15 bottle? \$1.50 or \$3?**

Spend \$15 and you get \$3 worth of wine - over FOUR TIMES more. That's because every single extra cent is now going towards the juice. Taking you from good fruit to legendary fruit. From good winemaking to passionate winemaking.

**So the more you spend on a bottle of wine, the more you get? Right or Wrong?**

It's wrong... if you spend TOO much, you're often just throwing your money down the drain. Spend over \$40 on a bottle of wine and you're mainly shelling out for brand name and reputation. Quality doesn't get much better past a certain point, no matter how much cash you flash.

**Where does most of your money go when you buy wine? Grapes, winemaker or Stuff you can't taste (fancy packaging, big budget marketing campaigns and tax)?**

In the average bottle, most of your money goes towards stuff you can't taste - fancy packaging, tax and big budget marketing campaigns. The truth is, there are only TWO things you can taste. Great grapes and talented winemaking. And those cost a lot less than you might think...

**Want to know the real secret to buying great wine? Yes or No?**

Yes... Good decision! Here's the real secret...spend less on expensive sales and marketing and more on the stuff you can taste.

This is a marketing campaign for Naked Wines, an on-line wine sales organisation... make no mistake. The point is ....their campaign highlights the influences made in the pricing and cost structures going into supermarket wines. Interesting stuff... don't you think? Online sales are expected to account for 4.6% of total liquor retail sales this year...meaning the supermarkets are dominating.

...and according to Wine Australia "...the total wine grape crush in 2018 was 1.79 million tonnes, of which South Australian regions accounted for 879,000 tonnes (49%). From this, winemakers produced 1.29 billion litres of wine – giving an average extraction rate of 716 litres/tonne. There are estimated to be 2468 wineries and 6251 grape growers employing 172,736 full and part-time employees across 65 winegrowing regions in Australia, contributing over \$40 billion annually to the Australian economy."

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### For Sale

**Hafele 60cm Stainless Steel 2.4KW Oven – 10A Plug in electrical  
(Model HF60PLOSS Type e60sm/amron805te)**

**Unit is 4 years old, going for \$100, with proceeds going to the Brighton Surf Life Saving Club.**

**Interested, contact Glen Snook on 0403 069 024?**

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Anything of interest you want to put in the newsletter?

This is where your photos or articles will be in the next newsletter if you provide them to me in time for publishing... closing date: 7 days before the meeting; the editor: Peter Tilsley: [editor@awbca.org.au](mailto:editor@awbca.org.au) please include photos.

...Do you wish to "JOIN A SYNDICATE / GROUP" and excel at a craft beer or a participate producing your favourite wine..???

Contact the Editor to put your advert or article in the next newsletter.....