

AMATEUR WINEMAKERS AND BREWERS

CLUB OF ADELAIDE INC.

PATRON: SCOTT HEIDRICH

Next Meeting: **Tuesday October 1st 2024 Newsletter**



When: Meetings held on the first Tuesday of each month from **8.00 pm start – 10:30pm finish (no early arrivals)**

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 beers and wines and enjoy them with a small supper

Competitions & Supper this Month – October 2024

Wine Competition:

Wine – CV Dry White & Mature (1-3yrs) Dry White Wines



Judge: Scott Heidrich



Beer Competition:

None this Month

Please email the wine convener two days prior to the event with details of your entry so a speedy start to judging can begin.

Supper: fresh Oysters - organized by the Club.

(to complement the wine competition)



Diary Dates: Keep these dates free

1st Tuesday in month - Club meeting

NEXT MEETING or date to remember

- 1st October Meeting
- TBA October – St Laurence Vineyard (Social - light prune/spray)
- 27th October Snob Bottling Event – Michael's place
- 5th November Meeting
- 3rd December Meeting (last one for the Year)
- TBA February Club BBQ (Thorndon Park)



Please keep it up - **don't forget, bring your own glass – please**

To allow more time for tasting of the competition winners, we request bringing your own tasting glass.

This is working out well now!!

Subscription of \$30 remains unchanged given the healthy financial position of the Club finances

Annual Subscriptions:
\$30 for members (\$25 concession card).



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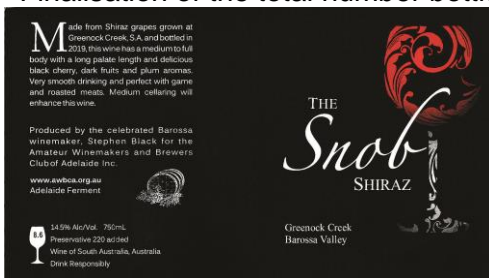
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SNOB Bottling

Unlike last year, we had Michael & Carmel volunteer with the unpacking and boxing up of the bulk pallets of bottles (a big thank you).

Club members wishing to assist on 27th October (between 8:30-9:00am) to perform this year's bottling will be most welcome. If you are coming, let Michael know, and please bring a salad or dessert to share at the BBQ that follows.

Finalisation of the total number bottled is influenced by pre-orders from members. Can you please confirm your orders with Michael?



Can you recall what you ordered last year? Last year we planned some 2,300 bottles so it becomes important.

This year's wine was selected by a shoot-out, double blind taste-test of three Shiraz wines, all performed by committee. A 2020 Shiraz from Stephen Black won the test!

In line with that selection, the Committee have managed to keep the price unchanged @\$115/dozen (in these difficult financial times).

Please start collecting your orders and advising Michael on those orders by the next meeting.

Moët Chandon promotions early 20th Century



During a recent visit to the NSW Art Gallery there was an exhibition featuring Alfons Maria Mucha, known internationally as Alphonse Mucha.

Mucha was a Czech painter, illustrator, and graphic artist (1860 - 1939). He was extracting a living in Paris during the Art Nouveau period, and was widely-known for his distinctly decorative & stylised theatrical posters, particularly those of Sarah Bernhardt, who really elevated his career.

Art Nouveau is characterised and often inspired by natural forms such as the sinuous curves of plants and flowers.

During the build of Mucha's fame, he had to make ends meet and to that end found a commercial channel for his highly popular posters, particularly for advertising (for Biscuits, Cigarette papers & Champagne).

Here are the two stand out posters that promoted the Moët Chandon Imperial and White Star brands of the day. These images are from the full human-sized images printed on posters that survive today.

The posters were published in 1899.



Competition Winners for September 2024

Beer Result - Belgian Beers plus any other beer not listed in the calendar competitions

Judge: Jane Boroky: 2 Entries

1st Domenic Facciorusso – Score 40.0 Points – *Belian Bruin*;

2nd Tim O’Leary - Score Points 34.0 – *Belgian dibble dobbel gangly special*;

3rd Not Awarded



Topic of Discussion: 2024 Bus Trip - things that were great / improvements?

When: 29 September 2024

Where: Adelaide Hills district (Limited to 20 – 25 places – Subsidised by the Club)

One pickup point (subject to demand): (Big W car park). Cumberland Park (8:30am sharp).

Deviation Road Winery: 9:45am-10:45am,

Petaluma Winery: 11:15am – 12:15pm

Lobethal Beirhaus Tour (Lunch 12:30pm- 2:00pm) and beer flights (if wanted)

Barristers Block Winery 14:15- 15:15pm

Hahndorf Ambleside Distillery 15:45- going home time

What do members think about this event when compared to wine districts in previous years?

St Laurence – Spring time grass cutting between the Vines



Reality



Aspirational

Tim O’Leary and Michael Lineage went and mowed the vigorous growing grass between the St Laurence Vines recently and promptly shared their efforts. The Ride-on Mower is in line for some maintenance and repairs preventing it use in cutting the height down, so it was down to some domestic-sized mowers and some hard graft. Of course, some of our intrepid committee members (currently overseas) could not help themselves and quickly fired off an image about what we should be aspiring to.

We are planning a repeat spraying (soluble sulphur) in the next few weeks, potentially a light hair-cut might also be included. If you are interested and I understand the working folks can’t make it (sometimes) during the working week, if they contact me (Peter T via SMS) or email the editor, I will coordinate as best as possible to have you included.
