Eltham & District Winemakers Guild

Artisans of amateur grape and country winemaking

Fellowship through home winemaking

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June 2012

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The Guild encourages the responsible consumption of alcohol

The Guild meets on the last Friday of each month (except December)
at the Eltham Living & Learning Centre at 7.45 pm
Next meeting: 27 July 2012

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Next Meeting – 27 July

Our next meeting for 2012 will be held in the Pavilion at the Eltham Living and Learning Centre, commencing at 7.45 pm on Friday 27 July 2012.

The June meeting is replaced by the International Night function.

Guests checking out joining the Guild are welcome to our regular meetings, as always.

President's Press

Bill Loughlin

GUILD TREASURER

I wish to formally thank David Pryor for his long and distinguished role as Guild Treasurer. He has formally resigned and has been replaced on an interim basis by Mario Anders.

Nominations for Treasurer are sought from financial members and will be voted on at the July AGM. David has undertaken this task with professionalism and with the Guild's efficient functioning foremost in his mind. Thank you David.

He has left the Guild with a healthy financial balance, the details of which will be made available to members at the July AGM.

MAY MEETING GUEST SPEAKER

Continuing the Guild's philosophy of improving the technical knowledge of members' country and grape winemaking skills, Lindsay Corby provided a very good presentation on the correct use of SO_2 from grape harvest to bottling. I hope those present learnt from his expert advice and apply it to their winemaking practices.

Notes on his presentation will be included in the Guild's website.

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT FRIDAY 29 JUNE

This night replaces our normal monthly meeting and will have a Spanish orientation, including food, wine and live entertainment. There is still capacity for another 10 people to participate in what will be a very good value night. Please advise Darko Postruzin of your interest, friends welcome, (see separate sheet in this Newsletter for contact and function address details).

Darko can be contacted as follows; Email: dlpost@aapt.net.au Tel: (H) 9434 2617 (B) 9610 5625.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Gary Capanella has advised me that he will not be able to continue his role as Secretary beyond the AGM. Any member willing to perform this function should speak to me or Gary for further information about the duties associated with the position.

Gary can be contacted on email: gcampane@bigpond.net .au
Bill Loughlin can be contacted on email: bill.loughlin@bigpond.com or Tel: 5786 5047.

Zenon Kolacz has also indicated to me that he will not be continuing his role on the Executive Committee beyond the AGM. Executive Committee positions need to be filled to ensure the efficient functioning of the Guild. Please let me know of your interest.

Nomination forms for Committee and Executive positions will be sent separately early next week.

Wine Quotes and News

Articles wanted

Articles of interest, whether they are quotes or newsworthy, are requested from members. If you have a draft version or need some assistance, I'm happy to assist for its inclusion.
(Ed.)

Wine Quotes

International Night

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INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

THE GUILD INVITES MEMBERS, FAMILY & FRIENDS TO THE SOCIAL HIGHTLIGHT OF THE YEAR, THE INTERNATIONAL NIGHT. THE THEME THIS YEAR IS:

'SPANISH '

Have Fun! Wear Your Favourite 'Clothes' (Red, Yellow colours)

FRIDAY 29TH JUNE 2011

Slovenian Club
82 Ingrams Road Research
Mel. Map 12, G11

PRE-DINNER DRINKS AT 6.30PM – at Bar & B.Y.O .
With Guild funding a range of Sparkling & Spanish wines

MEAL COMMENCES AT 7PM SHARP
Slovenian Chef - Spanish Meal @ $30/head
Three -course meal will be served
Charcoal grill vegetables
Saffron rice with drayed fruits & nuts with Chicken and meat balls
Dessert:
Apple Strudel
Coffee and Tea

- ***Spanish singer and dancer performing 9.45pm $5 cost per head***
- *Prize for best dressed in line with **theme** and dancing Flamingo.*

RSVP by Friday 22nd June 2011

Call or Darko Postruzin Mobile 0419540205 AH 94342617

RSVP Friday 22 June 2011

Trading Barrel

BUY / SELL SERVICE FOR MEMBERS - *Ads need to be lodged with the editor by the 14th of the month to be included in the next Newsletter.*

Winemaking Equipment for Sale

Please find attached some photos of winemaking equipment that we are trying to sell for my father. He is now quite elderly and not up to making his lovely wine anymore. All has been well cleaned after each use and stored well. Ideally would be good if we could sell as a whole, but would break up as required.

Vesna Daniel
0419 133 901

Winemaking Equipment for Sale

Attached are some photos illustrating what I have for sale, all these I purchased from Cellar Plus. It's all in very good condition and has been kept clean after use, sterilised and stored in shed.

Motorised crusher, ratchet press takes up to 10-12 boxes grapes, wooden barrel takes 120 lt. of juice, 2 x fermentation barrel and the accessories, as package around $1000. If not I can separate it. If more than a few people are interested to split among themselves, 2x 54 lt. glass demijohn with tap $70.00 each and 1 x 34 lt. Same as others $45.00.

Contact Jesse Sheohmelian (Glen Waverley)
Phone 9884 6333 (not available between from 10am-to 6pm), or mobile 0428 312 005 any time

Sponsors Corner

Vinvicta Products

2/19 Macquarie Drive
Thomastown VIC 3074
Ph: 1300 360 353
Fax: 1300 360 356
Mobile: 0438 833 795

Suppliers of Quality Products to the Wine Industry - Bucher Vaslin - Anchor Yeast
Tannins & Enzymes . Winery Chemicals Lab Supplies

Winequip Products

59 BANBURY RD RESERVOIR PHONE: 9462 4777
www.winequip.com.au

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Costante Imports

Cellar Plus

Cellar Plus also has now in stock Accuvin wine test kits from the USA , which are a low cost way for testing every thing from Free SO_2 sulphur in wine, your pH or malic acid to see MLF ferments are complete. It could be a cheaper and simpler option, for those who are unable to leave samples at the Cellar Plus store, for their more analytical laboratory testing service which is still available with results returned usually within 24-72 hrs.

Cellar Plus has moved its Epping retail / trade Showroom from Yale St just around the corner on to the main road at 218 Cooper St (near the Medical Centre), with an expanded display space which allows the wine enthusiast an improved opportunity to roam around the many tanks, pumps, presses on display, and not to mention an internal cool room with ample yeast for all us winemakers and plenty of hops styles to please the advanced brewers.

Home Make It

Greensborough Home Brewing

Your local homebrew shop carrying a complete range of Wine & Beer making supplies …

- Books
- Nutrients
- Glassware
- Acids
- 5L Stills
- Oak Barrels
- Corks
- Yeasts

Winemaking equipment hire – including motorised crusher / destemmer (750kg / hr), basket press, corker and more.

Call Dave for all your needs …

Greensborough Home Brewing
22 Louis Street, Greensborough (Melways Map 20/J4)
Tel: 9432 0283

Heritage Coopers

WINE BARRELS FOR SALE

We can recondition your barrels or you can buy ex-winery barrels that have been recovered and renewed.

Local service at Diamond Creek

- Ex-winery barrels shaved and toasted
- Re-conditioned (completely re-coopered) barrels from 50-150 litres
- Shaving and toasting

For all your cooperage needs contact
Neil on 9438 1790 or 0402 015 138
Enquiries welcome