



CLUB MEETING

Wednesday March 2 2016

Commences 8pm (please be punctual)

Food and Wine Night

This month the Club's popular annual Food & Wine Night returns.

Once again Janne Williams, Denise and Chris Herbert will be presenting three food courses with interesting and possibly challenging wine matches. It is recommended that you do not have dinner beforehand.

The cost is \$30 per head which will be collected on the night.

The night is fully booked. If you have booked but cannot attend please advise Janne Williams as soon as possible so that others may attend – janne_williams@hotmail.com or on 9819 2373.

February committee meeting

Held at the home of Andrew and Janeen McFarlane

The theme for the Shiraz Club Feb. committee meeting held at the home of Janeen and Andrew McFarlane was cool climate cabernet. The challenge was to explore whether climate change had made conditions more amenable to producing acceptable cabernet from areas that had, over the last 20 to 40 years, all but given up on cab. The allowable growing areas were restricted to South of a latitude line running through the Melb. C.B.D. and only Victoria. I can attest to the fact that there was not a lot to choose from, however the following 5 wines at least showed that it can be done successfully, avoiding for the most part excessive green or unripe flavours.

1st. Hochkirch 2010 cab. From Tarrington – 20 points – Kaye near Hamilton

2nd. Bass Valley Estate 1998 cab. Sth. Gippsland – 13 points – Tony

3rd. Crawford River 2008 cab. – 11 points – Maarty Between Hamilton and Portland

4th. Merricks Estate 2005 cab. – 8 points – James Mornington Peninsula

5th. 148 Browns Road cab. – 2 points – Gayle. Near Rosebud

A 6th wine was on hand but the committee showed admirable restraint, however I have since carefully evaluated it (purely in the interests of wineology) and can report that it was a good example of what can be achieved. Wild Dog Estate 2013 cab. Warragul Gippsland.

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MAY NOT LIE
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BOTTOM OF
A BOTTLE
OF WINE.
BUT YOU SHOULD
AT LEAST CHECK.**

Calendar of Events 2016

- Autumn Harvest Dinner - 28 May
 - August – Education Night
 - November – AGM
 - December – Christmas Dinner
- Note that some dates are to be confirmed.

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