

VAWA

Vancouver Amateur Winemaker Association

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www.vawa.net

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June Meeting

Time: June 13, 2013 8:00 to 10:00

Venue: Scottish Cultural Centre
8886 Hudson Street, Vancouver

Door: Members \$10.00 Guests \$15.00

Evening Program:

Alan Marks of Scott Labs – discussion on products and services offered by Scott labs

Mini Comp – 2011 Club Crush – Kiona

Gewürztraminer Judge: TBD Steward: TBD

Upcoming VAWA Events:

Garden Party – June 22, 2013 – Please see VAWA website to register your attendance.

Evening Toast

June

Wine Tom Robinson

Toaster Robbie Davino

Upcoming Toast

September

Wine Len Sigurdson

Toaster Roger Dahlquist

Special Notices:

Annual dues 2013 are payable : \$35 individual \$50 couple. Membership Card will be issued upon payment.

Name Badges: All members are reminded to wear their name badge to meetings. Those not wearing name badge will not be eligible for the door prize.

Medal Buy Back: Members are invited to return competition medals to the Treasurer. Members will be paid \$2 per medal returned.

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E-mail them with any questions you may have.

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Highlights of May Meeting

- The meeting began with Larry McIntyre (chair) welcoming everyone and calling the meeting to order
- **The Toast** was given by John McMaster – with the wine competitions coming to an end for this year a toast to “Wine Competitions” and the value of good conversation and information sharing that comes from the wine competitions.
- **Toasting Wine** was supplied by Miroslav Ristich – a very flavourful 2010 Syrah. Grapes supplied by Pacific Breeze. Yeast D254
- **Executive Update –**

Banquet and Competition – A debriefing on the banquet and competition. The outcome of this resulted in proposed changes to format of the future VAWA competition:

Club Crush – will return to a the in house Mini-Comp

2011 Gewürztraminer will be judged at the June meeting

2012 Kiona Riesling will be judged at the November meeting

3 Wines For Dinner – will be removed from the competition. Consideration is being given to organize this as an in house “team” competition. Details to be worked out.

Class A&B – Sherry and Aperitif – will be set aside for 2014 competition as only one entry was received in 2013. If membership make wine for either class and wish to enter into competition then the Class will be reinstated.

Beer – given the club has several “prize beer glasses” on hand it was decided to retain the Class despite the rather small number of entries

- **Garden Party –** Scheduled for June 22 to be held at the home of Ron and Judy Toffolo. On line registration will is available. Members attending must sign up and commit to bring either appetizer, salad or dessert sufficient for 8 people. Main menu will include salmon and prawns.
- **Club Crush 2013 –** still discussing options but the two front runners under consideration – Kiona Chardonnay and Muscat Canelli
- **Provincial Competition –** May 4 – VAWA was well represented with all VAWA winemakers entering competition winning medals. Congratulations to those members.



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- **Provincial Competition 2015 – VAWA** is scheduled to host 2015 competition. In order to properly prepare 2 members attended the 2013 competition to gain an understanding of what needs to be done.

Treasurers Report

The bank account is up due to success of the banquet/competition and Silent Auction. The Treasurer thanked all members who contributed to the Silent Auction as such contributions had a significant impact on the income results.

- **New Business** – Clem Joyce brought samples of corks that he has available. Members in need of corks should contact Clem.

• **Evening Program** –

Avon Mersey provided a very thorough discussion and several tasty samples of the wine that can be produced from Grapes and Juices that he imports from Kiona Washington. These wine grapes are grown in the Red Mountain district of Kiona which is very close to the Oregon border.

More information on grape and juice price and availability can be found on Avon's website as noted below:

Madronapointdistribution.com

Information in respect of Kiona wines can be found at the website noted below:

kionawine.com

Door Prize and Mini Comp Prize – both won by Mike Erhardt

Mini-Comp – both red and white class won by Duncan Ainslie – Great accomplishment - Congratulations Duncan!



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