

VAWA

Vancouver Amateur Winemaker Association

VAWA Web Site

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November Meeting and AGM

Time: November 14, 2013 8:00 to 10:00

Venue: Scottish Cultural Centre
8886 Hudson Street, Vancouver

Door: Members \$10.00 Guests \$15.00

Evening Program: Open Forum – Come with your winemaking questions for which you need answers and your answers for questions others may have

Moderator – Larry McIntyre

November Mini Comp – 2012 Kiona Riesling (Club Crush)

Judge: Clem Joyce

December 13, 2013 – Christmas Social 8:00 pm – Sign up sheet (dessert or appetizer for 10) will be available on VAWA website in the coming days

March 1, 2014 – VAWA Annual Banquet and Competition

Evening Toast

November

Wine Ron Thorne

Toaster Ljubomir Cvjetan

Upcoming Toast

December

Wine Eric Urquhart

Toaster Steve Blaschek

January

Wine Dave Wong

Toaster Paul Arcand

Special Notices:

Annual dues 2014 are payable : \$35 individual \$50 couple. Membership Card will be issued upon payment. 2014 dues must be paid by the November Meeting in order to insure that your name is on the 2014 subscription list for Winemaker Magazine

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New Winemakers! We have mentors! Club members have volunteered to be mentors for new winemakers.

E-mail them with any questions you may have.

Duncan Ainslie dainslie@shaw.ca

Clem Joyce cjoyce@telus.net

Larry McIntyre

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Highlights of October Meeting

- The meeting began with Larry McIntyre (chair) welcoming everyone
 - **The Toast was provided** by Mike Erhardt pinch hitting for Ljubomir – the toast had something to do with the benefits of wine old age and memory loss. Frankly, I can't quite remember!
 - **The Toasting Wine** – was supplied by Ron Toffolo – originally a Syrah which due to low Brix needed a great deal of help, Ultimately a Rhone style wine was created as a result of the addition of already cellared wine and additional contributions from Club Members. 12 different wines in all.
 - **VAWA AGM**- Larry reminded all members that the November meeting is the AGM and Election of Executives for 2014. VAWA bylaws limit VAWA executives to a two year term in any one position. At present there are candidates for all positions except the position of Vice President and Secretary. Anyone interested in putting their name forward for an Executive position is asked to contact Larry McIntyre.
 - VAWA is hosting the Provincial Competition in 2015. The VAWA is currently planning on holding the Annual VAWA Banquet and Competition in 2015 as well.
 - **BCAWA Update** –
 - John McMaster is now on the Executive of BCAWA and Larry McIntyre sits as VAWA member.
 - VAWA has been asked by BCAWA to draft a bylaw that would limit executive to 2 consecutive terms in one position.
 - Axel Kroitzsh in conjunction with BCGWJ is developing a condensed program for those interested in judging
 - Mentorship programs (which VAWA has) and greater communication with the use of social media is an objective being advanced by BCAWA
 - **The Evening Program** – was provided by Roger Phillippe. Roger provided a detailed presentation on the history of Pinot Gris and the differing methods of creating this varietal. The primary focus of discussion was Pinot Gris from France, Italy, B.C. and Oregon. Members were then treated to a tasting of Pinot Gris made from France, Italy, BC and the famous Sally Jones winery in Richmond.
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- Door Prize: Larry McIntyre Mini Comp: Duncan Ainslie
 - Mini Comp Winner – Roger Phillippe – Chardonnay



DRINKING AND DRIVING

**VAWA applauds those who consume responsibly
Complimentary taxi available at events sponsored by VAWA**