

VAWA

Vancouver Amateur Winemaker Association

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October Meeting

Time: October 10, 2013 8:00 to 10:00

Venue: Scottish Cultural Centre
8886 Hudson Street, Vancouver

Door: Members \$10.00 Guests \$15.00

Evening Program:

Pinot Gris – A discussion on and tasting of Pinot Gris

Presenter – Roger Phillippe

October Mini Comp – Chardonnay

Judge: T. Robinson

November Mini Comp - 2012 Kiona Riesling (Club Crush)

Judge: C. Joyce

Upcoming Events: November Meeting - VAWA AGM and Election of Officers

December 13, 2013 – Christmas Social 8:00 pm

March 1, 2014 – VAWA Annual Banquet and Competition

Evening Toast

October Wine

Wine Ron Toffolo

Toaster Ljubomir Cvjetan

Upcoming Toast

November

Wine Ron Thorne

Toaster TBA

Special Notices:

Annual dues 2013 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

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.

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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.

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Highlights of September Meeting

- The meeting was held at Pacific Breeze Winery in New Westminister. Twenty-two members were in attendance.
- The began with Larry McIntyre (chair) welcoming everyone and thanking Pacific Breeze for hosting the meeting
- **The Toast was provided** by Larry McIntyre – the toast recognized that coming together at this time we reconnect with friends, make new acquaintances and begin new adventures in our winemaking.
- **The Toasting Wine** –both a red and white was supplied by Pacific Breeze, it was their new label, “*I Can't Remember*” this version will vary vintage to vintage.

The Evening Program – was hosted by Maurice Hamilton, his son Dylan and colleague Devon who runs the Pacific Breeze lab.

The program consisted of a question and answer period, for the most part comparing, the practices of the winery and the home winemaker.

Another topic discussed was the blending of their wines. In rare cases Pacific Breeze will make a varietal with the intension of using it in one of their Signature Blends. After the barrel aging has been completed if it does not fit the profile of the Blend they then consider Plan B alternatives.

A number of barrel samples etc were provide, components of their Killer Cab. as well as a 2012 Barbera, which was very intriguing.

The VAWA extends a big **Thank You** to Pacific Breeze for hosting an informative evening and sharing their expertise with our members.



DRINKING AND DRIVING

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