

Bruce Thiele Red Wine Club



FARQUHAR

Wines by Farquhar

Welcome to the latest edition of our monthly newsletter!

Thirty-seven members and guests gathered at Home Base the CWA Community Hall Tanunda. Thank you to all who helped get the hall ready for the evening, apologies for being late from Ron and Viv, who usually open-up the hall for our caterer Kerry at 6.00 pm.

Liza and Connor poured the welcome wine, a chilled 2024 Rosata Amici Rosé, whilst we chatted and enjoyed platters from Crafty Cooks.

At 7.00 pm our MC Graeme welcomed members and their guests, Ron Vis and Christine Palumbo, guests of Nipper. Ron was a member of the club



We were pleased to welcome the following guests:

- Peter Klemet
- Christine Palumbo
- Ron Vis

We hoped they enjoyed the night and will come again!

Editors Viv Tomlinson & Ian Cooper. Photos: Ian Cooper

GUEST INVITATION

You are invited to join a group of like minded people at a Bruce Thiele Red Wine Club dinner meeting to taste, talk about, learn and enjoy wine. Inquiries btredwineclub@gmail.com.

Coming up:

- ◆ **March** Paisley Wines
- ◆ **April** Bosward Wines
- ◆ **May** Greenock Creek
- ◆ **June** Ben Murray Wines
- ◆ **July** Birthday Gomersal Wines . **AWAY**
- ◆ **August** The Willows
- ◆ **September** Gibson Wines
- ◆ **October Founders Dinner** Kies **AWAY**
- ◆ **November** Blind comparison of areas led by **Ian**.
- ◆ **December** Esilio Wines. **AWAY**

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for about twelve years until he relocated to Cairns. Also, Peter Klamet guest of Ross.

Graeme then welcomed Lisa, Wayne and Connor from Wines by Farquhar.

A Thai beef salad entrée was served while Wayne talked about the welcome wine the [2024 Rosata Amici Rosé](#). Blended by Connor 60% Saperavi 40% Montepulciano. A world first! Picked and pressed within 30 minutes fermented in stainless steel, Wayne said 'Bloody Good Job Connor'

Wayne has retired from winemaking and passed his legacy onto Connor in 2022. Wines by Farquhar was born! Connor has become the wine maker and in future Wayne said he will be just be the cellar hand!

The Lord Farquhar Range was Connor's baby, a range of blends offering easy drinking wines. Connor's caricature is captured on the front and back of every bottle. For those seeking something truly special the Premium Range showcases unique single vineyard wines that celebrate the character and complexity of the Barossa's rich terroir.

The second wine we tasted was from the Lord Farquhar range the [2021 Uvaggio](#). Uvaggio means blend in Italian. An interesting Italian blend of Primitivo, Montepulciano, Dolcetto and Canaiolo Nero. Bright red fruits on the nose with mouth filling red cherries, raspberries, and gentle soft tannins.

Wine number three was another world first! The Lord Farquhar [2021 G.S.M.](#) A blend of Graciano, Saperavi and Menica it's a big wine! Graciano (Spanish) brings the acidity, Saperavi (Georgian) brings the colour and Mencia (Spanish) brings the divine smooth finish. It's a big wine with a gorgeous colour and aroma of black fruits and dark chocolate.

Wine number four was the [Wines by Farquhar 2024 Nero D'Avola](#). One of the most important varieties grown in Sicily and is perfectly suited to the Farquhar Barossa vineyard. Dark red with red fruit aromas, and flavours of plum, pepper, chocolate and dark raspberry. Nero D'Avola has often been compared to new world shiraz.



Wine number five the [Wines by Farquhar 2024 Sandstone Shiraz](#). Barossa Shiraz at its very best. Dark red/purple colour with concentrated fruit aromas of blackcurrant, black plum, blackberry and black pepper. Well balanced in French oak for a good tannin structure and extended bottle ageing

Wine number six the [Wines by Farquhar 2024 Saperavi](#). Saperavi originates in Georgia (Russia) and dates back thousands of years. Rich black fruits giving the colour an intense purple inky hue. Interesting to learn from Wayne that Saperavi is England's best-selling wine, they even have a Saperavi wine club!

Wine number seven the [Wines by Farquhar 2024 Lagrein](#), it has a rich perfumed aroma and a dark inky colour double the colour score of Shiraz.

We enjoyed more of the wines over dinner, Connor offered 20% all wines



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ordered during the evening with free delivery.

After dinner the raffle was drawn by Lisa. There were 4 lucky wine bottle winners!

Ron Tomlinson Wines by Farquhar 2024 Sandstone Shiraz

Andrew Pickles Rosata Amici 2024 Rosé

Vivienne Tomlinson Wines by Farquhar 2024 Saperavi

Ross Van Enckevort Wines by Farquhar 2021 Lagrein



MC Graeme brought the evening to a close and thanked Wayne for his informative and lively presentation.

Thanks also to Kerry and team from Craftly Cooks.

Vivienne then presented Connor with the club's Certificate of Appreciation.

Well done Connor you have a bright future ahead!

"This is the beginning of a new adventure, following in the footsteps of my father - Wayne Farquhar. This is my own wine brand and I promise to give to you the same excellent quality of handmade and small batch boutique wines that you came to know and love by Wayne - from our family-owned Farquhar Vineyards!" - Connor Farquhar

Big thanks to Rita Coleman for generously donating the water glasses.

Thank you to everyone who stayed behind to help clear up after the meeting, putting away tables and chairs and giving the vacuum cleaner a great work while singing, "I want to break free." The committee are grateful for your continued help.

Next Month Tuesday 25th March we will be back at Home Base for 'Paisley Wines'.

Home to Kirsten and Derek in the heart of the Barossa, producing delicious handcrafted Barossa wines.

Not to be missed, you won't be disappointed!

If you have any suggestions, constructive feedback, gripes, or ideas for winemaker presenters for 2026. Please don't hesitate to contact a committee member.

Your contributions are important to our Club's success..



Photos



What it is to be a teacher

A number of our members are educators of one sort or another—including one of our longest standing members Rory Chisholm. But this meetig it was his wife Margret who was the centre of attention when member Anthony Sharkey showed her a photo of a Certificate of Merit she had presented to him when he was her student!

