

CELLAR CLUB INC.
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 8 MAY 2002
2001 / 2002

Meeting held at: Newlands Arms Lounge, Bachelor Street, Newlands commencing at 8.00 pm

Present: 35 Members and 3 guests. See attendance list at end of these minutes.

Apologies: Eunice and Warren Thessman, John Revell, Carol Hinton, Richard Mason, Fay & Rick Julian and Sally & John Angus.

Confirmation of Minutes 2000 / 2001:

The Minutes of the 2001 Annual General Meeting were distributed and confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved by Derek Thompson, Seconded by Annette Hood — Carried

Finance Report for the 2001 / 2002 Year: —

Wayne Kennedy presented the financial and audit reports. In summary pretty much a break even year with a final profit of \$70. This is not a particular problem as we are not a profit making Club and a small profit, indeed even a small loss, are acceptable results. Income was affected by smaller attendance at monthly meetings, a significant drop in the number of guests attending, and a general increase in the cost of food and wine. In addition there was a slight increase in the value of gift presentations.

The Audit report was included and this indicated full acceptance of the financial statement as presented.

Moved by Wayne Kennedy, Seconded by Robin Semmens that Financial and Audit Reports be accepted — Carried

President's Report — Printed report distributed at meeting— Francesca ran through the highlights. In particular, she recorded that Sally Clarke wished to step down from the committee, and thanked Sally for her very valuable contribution. A vote of thanks for Francesca and the committee was offered by Ted Maguire and supported with acclamation.

Moved by Francesca Menzies, Seconded by Ted Maguire that the President's Report be accepted — Carried

Election of Officers and Committee — Francesca stood down from the chair for the election of the President. Robin Semmens reminded those present that while most of the committee were prepared to stand again, we did not want members to think that re-election was predetermined, and that people should feel free to make nominations from the floor. The following nominations were received.

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| ▪ President | — Francesca Menzies | — Annette Hood / Derek Thompson
Carried |
| ▪ Vice President | — Don Morris | — Francesca Menzies / Peter Scherf
Carried |
| ▪ Secretary | — Robin Semmens | — Wayne Kennedy / Annette Hood
Carried |

- Treasurer — Wayne Kennedy — *Francesca Menzies / Sam Lawrence — Carried*
- Committee — Alan Evans, Annette Hood, Anne Meggett, Cecilia Parker, John Browning.
— Brian Harris — *Sally Clarke / John Hood*
— *Don Morris / Francesca Menzies*

There being no further nominations it was moved *Derek Thompson, seconded Robin Semmens* that nominations be closed. All nominations were accepted and the election of the above named, as the committee for 2002 / 2003, was carried.

Election of Honorary Auditor:

Graeme Fountain has indicated his preparedness to be the Honorary Auditor for another Year.
— *Wayne Kennedy / Robin Semmens Carried*

Wayne to organize the gift for Graeme, to consist of 1998 Church Road Reserve Chardonnay and the 1994 Dry River Botrytis Gewürztraminer.

Membership Subscriptions:

Wayne suggested that we hold the subscription at \$20 for the year. Whilst the Club is having a struggle to maintain the break-even financial position we strive for, it is a general view that we adjust prices at monthly meetings if it is anticipated costs will be high for a particular presentation. Many members are comfortable with the low subscription and to be able to pick the meetings that most appeal to attend. If the subscription is too high it may dissuade some of the less regular attendees who might then just give membership away.

Proposed that the subscriptions be set at \$20 for the 2002/2003 year.

— *Wayne Kennedy / Sally Clarke Carried*

General Business:

1. Derek Thompson passed around an email he has received from Ownavine Estates En Primeur wine club. He had an approach about this while he was carrying out a tasting at Pak n Save. The club is a mail order one. Derek is not supporting, merely passing on the information in case anyone is interested.
2. A general discussion ensued in which the committee sought ideas for future Club evenings. Suggestions included:
 - Arranging for a Senior Traffic Officer to attend to discuss drinking and driving, limits, and other ideas.
 - A night in Burgundy
 - Second growth Bordeaux wines that people might not access otherwise
 - A beer tasting night
 - South American, South African (Richard Gooch) and / or North American wines
 - Blind tastings but without embarrassment, ie marking in groups or anonymously etc
 - Paul White
 - Wine Options
 - Food and wine combinations
 - Port Tasting (probably with something else as might be a bit high on alcohol otherwise)
 - Cheeses (perhaps other than Kapiti)
 - Olive Oil tastings
 - Special bring a guest nights.

Agreed that there needed to be a balance between cost, and doing things that are different.

Wayne invited anyone who was concerned at meeting costs going regularly above the \$10 mark to discuss their concerns with him.

Generally most of the ideas were warmly received and it will give the committee food for thought.

3. Membership — there was a discussion on the appropriate level of membership. Agreed that there was no need to restrict membership, and it may be an appropriate time for a membership drive.
4. A suggestion that email is used more to get Club information out to members. Wayne has undertaken to pursue this.
5. Cellar policy — Francesca outlined the rationale behind the Club's cellar. She mentioned the Magnum Club and the problems that the creation of a major cellar could create. It is not our policy to maintain a substantial cellar in terms of numbers, or value. Most purchases were leftovers from presentations when Wineries did not want to take unopened bottles away. We occasionally made specific purchases but not frequently. Mainly want to have wines suitable for quaffers, and the odd occasion, such as the AGM, when the Club provides the wine for members without cost.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm and some wine and light refreshments were served.

ATTENDANCE LIST OF THOSE PRESENT AT THE 2002 AGM

John Browning, Lilli Ficko, Sarah Burrowes, Tim O'Grady, Ron Christian, Sally Clarke, Trevor Edmonds, Terry Field, Carolyn Hooper, Brian Heath, Pam Heath, Annette Hood, John hood, Murray Jaspers, Helen Wilson, Wayne Kennedy, Christine Knowles, Sam Lawrence, Ted Maguire, Dennis Mann, Anne Megget, Francesca Menzies, Kevin Moran, Maureen Davies, Don Morris, Helen Murray, Cecilia Parker, Brian Harris, Robin Semmens, Peter Scherf, Victor Stagpoole, Derek Thompson, David Twidle, Margaret Van der Eeze and David Ward

Guests: Geoff Lobb, Steven Heath and Kay MacGregor