

**CELLAR CLUB INC.
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD
AT THE JOHNSONVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON
WEDNESDAY, 8th MAY 2013**

Present:

Anne Megget, Steve Eades, Carolyn Hooper, Terry Friel, Derek Thompson, Dinah Bunny, Everlyn Dawson, Fiona Shaw, Gayl Gaukrodger, Mike Gaukrodger, Gillian Bohm, James Cupit, Jenny Jebson, Richard Jebson, Kevin Moran, Maureen Davies, Mary Taylor, Richard Taylor, Mel Ingalls, Murray Jaspers, Robin Semmens, Pat Semmens, Ruth Richards, Shona Macintyre, Trevor Edmonds, Wayne Kennedy.

Apologies:

Carmel Joe, Susan Andrews, Mark Haythornthwaite, Francesca Menzies, Dennis Mann, Angela Gillman, Pamela George, Graham Roberts, John White, Cecilia Parker, Brian Harris

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous AGM, had been circulated with the May Newsletter.

Motion: That the minutes of the 2011/2012 AGM held on 9th May 2012 as circulated be confirmed.

Moved by James Cupit, seconded by Derek Thompson

Passed by Acclamation

Matters Arising

The special AGM was held at the April 2013 meeting and the constitution was amended.

Financial Report for the Year 2011/2012

Wayne Kennedy spoke to his report, circulated by email in May 2013 and tabled at the meeting. Total income was \$5,683 while expenditure totaled \$5,224 resulting in a profit for the year of \$459. The subscriptions were down in the last year due to a fall off in the membership. Expenditure on food and wine was lower again this year as the presenters subsidized more of the wines at the tastings. The room hire was the same as last year. The Champagne evening this year was 100% supported by Advintage. The barbeque and dinner subsidies were higher this year. Net assets at balance date totaled \$4,786 meaning that the Club was in a very healthy position.

Wayne further reported that a copy of the financial statements for the year ending 31st March 2013 would be on the website.

The cellar held by the club has been decreased slightly this year. However, the cellar still provides enough wine for a tasting if there was a sudden nonappearance of a guest speaker, to provide wines at the AGM and to provide library wines for comparisons.

Motion: That the Income and Expenditure Statement and Balance Sheet for 2012/2013 be received.

Moved by Wayne Kennedy, seconded by Richard Taylor

Passed by Acclamation

Membership Report:

Anne Megget reported to the meeting as part of her President's report that in the membership department there have been a few changes. At this point in time the club has 4 Life members and 56 financial members. Anne commented that during the year the club had welcomed five new members, and sadly said farewell to some longstanding friends. Anne noted the passing of David Ward, Ron Christian, and Victor Stagpoole, who although he hadn't been a member since 2005, was a member for over 20 years, and served on the committee.

Anne further reported that while the numbers attending the tastings are good; the club would like to get a few more like-minded individuals to join the club. Anne commented that visitors are always welcome, and the dinners are a great chance for partners, and maybe intending members to join us too. Anne added that the club has business cards and brochures available at every meeting, so please ask her if you would like some to hand around, and of course the website has proved invaluable. Anne thanked Steve Eades for the time and expertise he puts into the website.

President's Report

Anne Megget spoke to her report. Anne thanked the club for supporting her for another year as President, commenting that "I think we've got a really good thing going here, and I hope you all enjoy the club as much as I do".

Anne commented that the club has had had some wonderful presentations during the last 12 month such as Yealands, Wynns, South African wines with Richard Gooch, Bannock Brae, the bubbles night with Mac and John Kemble, and more recently Mission, Lansdown and Bijou, and the Easter Show winners. Anne then talked about the club dinners' held at the Petone Weltec restaurant and Hazels and the BBQ at Derek's. Anne thanked Derek for his continued hospitality, and also for caring for the club's cellar so efficiently.

Anne thanked the members that turn up early and give a hand with the setting up, and to the ones that stay behind to help tidy up. Anne also thanked Steve and then Gayl who have taken on the supper duty.

Anne commented that the club has as its guiding objective the understanding and appreciation of wine, and that the club committee try to have variety in the presentations throughout the year. Anne further commented that the committee are very much open to feedback, so please do talk to committee members about any new ideas, and let the committee know what you think about how the things are done.

In conclusion, Anne thanked the committee, for the time and effort they put in to keep this club functioning. Cecilia, Murray, Mel, Wayne, Robin, Jenny, Steve, and our newest member Gayl.

Notices of Motion

Election of Officers and Committee for the year 2013/14:

Nominations were received for the officers and committee as follows:

President: Anne Megget - *Moved by Wayne Kennedy, seconded by Derek Thompson*

Vice-President: Murray Jaspers – *Moved by Anne Megget, seconded by Gayl Gaukrodger*

Secretary: Jenny Jebson - *Moved by Anne Megget, seconded by Mel Ingalls*

Treasurer: Wayne Kennedy - *Moved by Anne Megget, seconded by Robin Semmens*

Committee: Nominations were received for Gayl Gaukrodger, Robin Semmens, Murray Jaspers, Steve Eades, James Cupit, and Mel Ingalls.

All these nominees were deemed elected by acclamation.

Anne reported that Cecilia Parker stood down this year after 20 years of committee service with the club formally thanking Cecilia at her next meeting.

Subscriptions

Motion: That 2012/2013 subscriptions be maintained at \$25.

Moved by Wayne Kennedy, seconded by Robin Semmens

Passed by Acclamation

General Business

Wayne raised the option of having a degustation menu at a cost of \$85.00 at La Cloche for the July dinner. However, the club members present opted for the alternative 3 course menu instead. Wayne also gave an outline of the plan of the rest of the year and asked for suggestions.

A club member present asked why the club assets do not appreciate or depreciate. Wayne replied that the assets of the club are recorded at cost in the financial statements.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm and was followed by the traditional supper catered by the Committee, accompanied by wines from the Club's cellar.