

**35th Annual General Meeting
of
the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology Inc.,**

held on the 19th of November, 2015 in the SARDI Auditorium, Adelaide

The Chair, Dr Mardi Longbottom, declared the Annual General Meeting open at 5:30pm and that a quorum was present.

1. Attendance

Twenty (20) members, were in attendance as recorded on sheets at door of meeting;

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| 1. Mardi Longbottom | 8. Tony Bataglone | 15. Anh Nguyen |
| 2. Mike Trought | 9. Fiona Kerlake | 16. Markus Herderich |
| 3. Kristy Bartrop | 10. Bob Damberg | 17. David Wollan |
| 4. Brett McClen | 11. Paul Grbin | 18. Tony Proffitt |
| 5. Paul Petrie | 12. Ian Powrie | 19. Matt Holdstock |
| 6. Peter Hayes | 13. Tony Robinson | 20. Dan Johnson |
| 7. Belinda Bramley | 14. Richard Hamilton | |

Seven (7) members submitted proxy forms;

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| 1. Brian Walsh | 4. Liz Waters | 7. Eveline Bartowsky |
| 2. Jeremy Dineen | 5. Kate Harvey | |
| 3. Mark Krstic | 6. Colin Goad | |

2. Apologies

Twelve (12) member's apologies were recorded.

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| 1. Murray Paterson | 6. Patrick Iland | 11. Evelyn Bartowski |
| 2. Jason Amos | 7. Vlad Jiranek | 12. Kate Harvey |
| 3. Mike DeGaris | 8. Mark Krstic | |
| 4. Kerry DeGaris | 9. Rob Bramley | |
| 5. Kate Harvey | 10. Adam Friend | |

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Confirmation of Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on the 18th of November 2014.

MOTION: That the minutes are recorded as a true and correct record of the 34th AGM
The motion was moved by Paul Petrie and seconded by Paul Grbin.
The motion was carried.

4. Business arising from the minutes

No business arose from the minutes.

5. Chairman's report.

The Chair presented the report to the members making particular mention of:

The Board's efforts to identify and take advantage of opportunities to collaborate with industry partners to ensure the sustainability of the Society

The significant work done by the Wine Show committee in appointing an industry-based technical advisory group to review the best practice guidelines for Australian wine shows.

The special edition of the journal to be published in December 2015 to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI).

The Chair thanked all of the ASVO members for their support during the year and acknowledged the help of the Board members.

The Chair thanked Paul Petrie for his contribution to the Society serving 6 years on the board with 3 as President.

MOTION: That the chairman's annual report be accepted.

The motion was moved by Paul Petrie and seconded by Mark Krstic.

The motion was carried.

6. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer presented the audited financial reports for the year ended 30 June 2014 to the members.

The Treasurer summarised the report noting that despite a drop in membership income, revenue from events and frugal administration had resulted in a considerably higher surplus compared to last year. The Treasurer noted that the equity was stable and that cash reserves were increasing.

The Treasurer called for any questions relating to the Treasurer's report:

Ian Powrie led discussion regarding the challenges faced by the Society as publishing and information access evolved and changed.

Attending members discussed several questions and considered proposals put forward to safeguard the Society's interest in a new publishing environment.

In the interest of timeliness the Chair asked members to hold further discussion of the questions raised until item 9.

MOTION: That the Treasurer's report is accepted.

The motion was moved by Kristy Bartrop and seconded by Paul Petrie

The motion was carried.

7. Board elections

The Chair reported the outcomes of the election for the five general positions on the board. The chair welcomed newly elected and returning Board members.

1. Dr Mardi Longbottom
2. Brett McClen
3. Prof Mike Trought
4. Dr Anthony Robinson
5. Matt Holdstock

The Chair thanked all candidates for their participation and acknowledged the other candidates for their desire and willingness to play a greater role in the Society.

8. Appointment of fellow

The Chair announced that Peter Hayes had been invited to become a fellow of the ASVO. Peter had accepted the invitation.

The Chair informed members present that Peter had been awarded the fellowship recognizing his outstanding contribution through major roles within industry, Peter has extensive experience across education and training, R&D investment and management, viticultural operations, irrigation sector and government and industry affairs in a 30+ year career in the wine industry and was a deserving recipient of the invitation.

9. Other business

The Chair invited all those present to raise any matters of relevance that have not been dealt with on the agenda

Ian Powrie restated his question and opened discussion again on the issue of the real and perceived value of publishing the Journal by the Society.

Members present continued discussion of various models of publishing, open access, acceptance of papers from ASVO members only, and in house publishing and the various advantages and disadvantages of each model.

Paul Petrie advised that the current contract was a much more advantageous to previous contracts and still had 2 years to run. Paul indicated that the cost of printing the Journal was small compared to all the remaining costs of production.

Richard Hamilton reminded members present that the formation of the Society was to provide for a means of dissemination of the research undertaken by the Australian research community.

After discussion by members present, Peter Hayes offered his assistance to formally approach Wine Australia with a proposal for increased recognition and part funding of the Australian Journal of viticulture and Oenology.

Paul Grbin asked what the Board's plans were to increase memberships. The Chair responded that engaging the student cohort was a priority.

Paul Grbin volunteered his assistance to the Board to facilitate undergraduate and post graduate engagement with the Society

The Chair thanked Peter Hayes, and Paul Grbin for their respective offers.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.26pm