

**36th Annual General Meeting
of
the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology Inc.,**

held on the 16th of November, 2016 in the SARDI Auditorium, Adelaide

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

1. Attendance

Twenty-four (24) members, were in attendance as recorded on sheets at door of meeting;

2. Kristy Bartrop	10. Richard Hamilton	18. Brett McClen
3. Tony Bataglène	11. Markus Herderich	19. Vinay Pagay
4. Belinda Bramley	12. Matt Holdstock	20. Tony Proffitt
5. Sue Caloghris	13. Patrick Iland	21. Tony Robinson
6. Peter Clingliffer	14. Vladimir Jiranek	22. Mike Trought
7. Dianne Davidson	15. Fiona Kerslake	23. Rob Walker
8. Paul Grbin	16. Terry Lee	24. David Wollan
9. Barbara Hall	17. Mardi Longbottom	

Eight (8) members submitted proxy forms;

1. Jeremy Dineen	4. Norman Lever	7. Paul Petrie
2. Peter Hayes	5. Mark O'Callaghan	8. Liz Waters
3. Mark Krstic	6. Murray Paterson	

2. Apologies

Twelve (12) member's apologies were recorded.

1. Rob Bramley	8. Mark O'Callaghan
2. Jeremy Dineen	9. Murray Paterson
3. Peter Dry	10. Paul Petrie
4. Peter Hayes	11. Chris Pfeiffer
5. Dan Johnson	12. Liz Waters
6. Mark Krstic	
7. Norman Lever	

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Confirmation of minutes of the Annual General meeting held on the 18th of November 2015.

MOTION: That the minutes are recorded as a true and correct record of the 35th AGM.
The motion was moved by Mardi Longbottom and seconded by Tony Bataglène.
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 positive feedback received regarding the Mildura Seminar. The Chair told members that improvements to the program, the mix of presenters and the opportunities for networking had been well received and the focus was now on building attendance.

The chair told members that there had been an improvement in processing times for the Australian Journal of Viticulture and Oenology and the impact factor had increased.

The Chair thanked Dr Tony Proffitt for his considerable efforts to improve the awards program including overseeing the design and fabrication of new perpetual awards. The Chair said that the Awards program was recognised as an important part of the Society recognising and promoting excellence in the industry.

The Chair thanked Tony Jordan and Dr Tony Robinson for the significant work done by the Wine Show committee in producing the revised best practice guidelines for Australian wine shows. The guides have been distributed to all major wine shows in Australia.

The Chair said that the Board had focused on building strategic partnerships and could be particularly proud of the special edition of the journal published in December 2015 to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI) and the partnership with the Wine Industry Cluster to hold the 2015 Awards for Excellence dinner in conjunction with Crush.

The Chair told members that a Strategy day was planned and that a major focus of the Board would be identifying and putting into action strategies for improving Membership numbers.

The Chair thanked Vladimir Jiranek and Tony Proffitt for their contribution to the Society. Stating that Directors serve voluntarily and often go above and beyond what is expected. The Chair also acknowledged and thanked employers who allowed Directors to spend time on the Society matters.

The chair thanked all the Fellows for their contribution, particularly Pat Iland and Peter Hayes for judging the Awards

6. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer presented the audited financial reports for the year ended 30 June 2015 to the members.

The Treasurer summarised the report noting that despite a drop in membership income, revenue was slightly higher than the previous year as a result of increased sponsorship and royalties. The Treasurer noted that the equity was stable and that cash reserves were increasing.

MOTION: That the Treasurer's report is accepted.

The motion was moved by Kristy Bartrop and seconded by Richard Hamilton

The motion was carried.

7. Board elections

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

South Australia

Associate Professor Paul Grbin

Victoria

David Wollan

WA, QLD, Tas

Dr Fiona Kerslake

New South Wales

Kristy Bartrop

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 told members that the process for selecting fellows had been reviewed and had changed to allow nominations. Nominations and eligible members were reviewed by a committee comprising current Fellows and chaired by a Director.

The chair announced that the committee had recommended that two members be admitted and the Board had unanimously decided to accept their recommendation.

The Chair announced that Brian Croser AO and Dianne Davidson AM had been invited to become fellows of the ASVO and both had accepted 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

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.04pm