

**34th Annual General Meeting
of
the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology Inc.,**
held on the 18th of November in the Italian Centre, 262 Carrington Road, Adelaide

The President declared the Annual General Meeting open at 2:00pm

1. **Attendance** Nineteen (19) members; making a quorum, were in attendance as recorded on sheets at door of meeting;

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| 1. Bob Dambergs | 11. Richard Hamilton |
| 2. Brett McClen | 12. Rob Bramley |
| 3. Kristy Bartrop | 13. Richard Fennessy |
| 4. Mardi Longbottom | 14. Vladimir Jiranek |
| 5. Mark Gishen | 15. Kerry Wilkinson |
| 6. Markus Herderich | 16. David Wollan |
| 7. Mike Trought | 17. PT Pham |
| 8. Patrick Iland | 18. Mark Krstic |
| 9. Paul Grbin | 19. Andrew Ewart |
| 10. Paul Petrie | |

Eight (8) members submitted proxy forms;

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| 1. Murray H. G Paterson | 5. Tony Battaglone |
| 2. John H. Thorngate | 6. Jason Amos |
| 3. Catherine Wotton | 7. Mary Retallack |
| 4. Kim Chalmers | 8. Catherine Looney |

20. **Apologies** Twelve (12) member's apologies were recorded.

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| 1. Murray Paterson | 8. Vic Patrick |
| 2. Kim Chalmers | 9. Peter Hayes |
| 3. Belinda Bramley | 10. Kerry DeGaris |
| 4. Stephen Chambers | 11. Kate Harvey |
| 5. Jason Amos | 12. Marcel Essling |
| 6. Mike DeGaris | |
| 7. Keith Brown | |

3. **Confirmation of Minutes** of the Annual General meeting held on the 19th of November 2013.

MOTION 1508: That the minutes are recorded as a true and correct record of the 33rd AGM The motion was moved by Paul Petrie and seconded by Paul Grbin. The motion was carried.

4. Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. President's report.

The President presented his report to the members making note of the major events for 2013–14 which included the 15th Australian Wine Industry Conference (15th AWITC), organized in collaboration with the AWRI, the debate “Will natural wine become the new conventional wine in the future?” and the second Awards for Excellence dinner held at the National Wine Centre.

The President emphasised that the lack of seminar events and the additional costs associated with attendance and prize sponsorship at the 15th AWITC resulted in a substantially smaller surplus compared to the previous financial year, but reassured members that the Board remained confident of the society's financial sustainability into the future.

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

The President thanked Mark Krstic and Bob Dambergs for their contributions to the Board and acknowledge the help and support of the Administration Officer, Chris Waters.

MOTION 1509: That the President's 2014 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 2013 to the members. The Treasurer summarised the report noting that membership income had decreased and that the lack of event revenue had contributed to a considerable reduction in the surplus compared to last year. The Treasurer noted that the equity was stable and that cash reserves were increasing.

Vladimir Jiranek asked the Treasurer to explain the reduction in Journal costs. The treasurer explained that publication expenses were not a fixed cost and the reduced number of members meant that the cost was less than last year.

Rob Bramley asked whether the grant from AWITC was generated from income at 15th AWITC. The President advised that the grant was not a profit share. The structure of the AWITC prevented distribution of dividends to shareholders; any distribution must be in the form of a grant for specific projects. The grant was used to support the publication of the Journal.

Brett McClen asked if ASVO members were able to review the financial reports of the AWITC in the light of the ASVO part ownership. The President advised that the ASVO representatives would be attending the upcoming AWITC AGM and would pose the question of making a financial report available to the ASVO Board and / or ASVO members

**MOTION 1510: That the Treasurer's 2014 report and Audited financials be accepted.
The motion was moved by Paul Petrie and seconded by Mark Gishen.
The motion was carried.**

7. Board elections

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

Ms Kristy Bartrop (Regional Director, NSW)
Prof Vladimir Jiranek (Regional Director, SA)
Mr David Wollan (Regional Director VIC)
Dr Tony Proffitt (Regional Director WA, QLD & TAS)

The President thanked the outgoing members for their contributions over the past two years. Special thanks to Mark Krstic who was President from 2009 to 2011 and was instrumental in returning the Society to a stable financial base, and to Bob Dambergs whose contribution over two terms as Secretary was invaluable.

The President 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 President announced that Paul Henschke had been invited to become a Fellow of the ASVO. Paul was admitted as a Fellow at the Awards for Excellence Dinner.

The President explained that Paul had been admitted as Fellow due to his outstanding contribution through major roles within industry, science, education and the Society itself. These contributions include acting as an Associate Editor for the AJGWR since its inception in 1995. Contributions to the industry include co-authoring over 100 scientific and technical papers, more than 100 scientific and technical presentations and co-supervising 21 post-graduate students.

9. Other business

Paul Grbin asked if the AWITC financial results could be made available to members following the AWITC AGM. The President replied that he would take the question on notice and would seek the approval of the AWITC board at the upcoming AGM.

Paul Grbin congratulated the board for the informative nature of the content of the ASVO newsletters. The President thanked Paul Grbin for his positive comment.

The President declared the meeting closed at **2.18pm**