

## FRIENDS OF THE MORNINGTON PENINSULA VIGNERONS MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER

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#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

#### Hi Friends,



We are off and running for 2023 with the return of the Summer BBQs using the FMPV BBQs at Kings Creek on February 26th. We have a Degustation Lunch at Pier 10 on March 26th and then a two vineyard tour on April 23rd. The Comparative Tasting Dinner is locked in for May 27 and our

Cellarmaster is taking us to a cool climate region I don't believe we have explored before. We're also firming up plans for later in the year and hoping to have a beer vs wine event, wine and music event, an Old and New lunch followed by an Award Event in October and the AGM in November. I am very pleased to be working with a Committee that is full of enthusiasm to explore some new event ideas whilst maintaining some of our old favourites.

With subscriptions becoming due, we have had some resignations as members but we have also had a number of new members join so our numbers are continuing to grow. We implemented Trybooking as our Event Booking system for the February Event and, from a Committee perspective this has made it so much easier to manage our bookings - and I say that as the Event organiser for February where we ended up with 75 people attending. The Committee is wanting to ensure we are getting feedback from you, our Members, on the Booking system and particularly to understand if people have had issues with the methodology we are trialling. If you wish to provide feedback, please contact me on 0437 501 714 or send me an email on fmpv.president@outlook.com. Mark Higgins is working on updating our website which is our most important portal for recruiting new members and Gaye Storey has taken on the role of Membership Secretary to ensure that new applications are processed swiftly and appropriately. Rod DeBoos is smoothly sending out our Flyers, Newsletters and other communications.

We are rolling out new emails which are specific to certain roles on the Committee. This will facilitate us being able to go largely paperless for our records and also make it easier to hand over a job to a successor.

Enough of the mechanics of running the Club, enjoy Pier 10 later this month.

Tony Sewell on behalf of the 2023 FMPV Committee



Meet the Bakers from Pier 10 at our next function (see below)





On Sunday February 26, 75 friends descended on Kings Creek Vineyard for the resumption of our Summer

BBQs. The weather turned out glorious, although the wind did make for a challenge for Alan Fincher and Glenn Lugg on the barbies (Thanks for your efforts guys).





Kings Creek rolled out the current (2021) vintages made for the new owners Kim and Ian Chapman, but



also some of the older wines running back to a 2011 Chardonnay and a 2016 Pinot Noir for tasting. They also had a few bottles of the 2006 Pinot Noir on sale. After tasting the wines, everyone indulged in duck and lamb snags with the trimmings and went back to purchase some of the wines they liked best. After the snags, people had a little cheese supplied by Boatshed Cheese to finish off the food. It was great to be out, sitting in view of the vines, enjoying a Summer day with Friends. My thanks to Kim and Ian for hosting us. To all the people who helped out with the setup, serving and clean up. Also to Laurence Tedesco and Elgee park for delivering and taking back the FMPV BBQs that have essentially been in storage for the last 4 years.

Tony Sewell, President, FMPV



# Forthcoming Events March

#### PIER 10 – A Degustation Luncheon

On Sunday 26th March 2022 at 12MD

10 Shoreham Road, Shoreham

#### (Places still available)



On arrival guests will enjoy a delicious glass of Pier 10 Sparking followed by a specially designed 5 course degustation menu with a paired 50ml tasting to complement each course.



(Sample plates from the kitchen; not part of the degustation menu)

Additional wine can be bought from the restaurant. One of the very knowledgeable restaurant staff will speak about the property, the family, and the wine.

The wines that we will be tasting can also be bought from the cellar door. A discount of 10% for 6 bottles and 20% for 12 bottles will be available.

Cost \$85 for members and \$95 for guests please note that a booking fee applies.

Bookings open now and will close March 18.



### April

Two Vineyard Tour

Sunday 23rd April 2022 at 1.45pm

Underground WinesBarmah Park1282 Nepean Hwy, Mount Eliza945 Moorooduc Hwy, MoorooducImage: Strain St

Kick off the day at <u>Underground Wines</u> where a couple of great winemakers set up shop making wine from not only Mornington Peninsula, but other locations around the state. For your tasting pleasure, under their spacious covered veranda, we will be focusing on MP Grigio, Gris, Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Although there are no special wine purchase deals on the day for us, or the public at large, their wines are very competitively priced to sell and do include a free assisted trip for your wine to your boot ©

Next stop is <u>Barmah Park</u> for a late lunch a la European style so please be sure to eat a hearty late breakfast at home. We will kick off with a structured tasting by the owner, or winemaker, of 4 wines, two Pinot Noirs and two Pinot Gris, and followed by a two course lunch of a main and dessert. Additional wine or beverages can be bought from the restaurant. Wrap up at 5-5.30P

As a special deal for the Friends they will generously offer 6 bottles for the price of 5 and 12 for the price of 10.



Cost is \$80 for members and \$90 for guests.

May Comparative Tasting Saturday 27 May, Safety Beach Sailing Club Details to be released shortly.

### The Schedule for 2023

MONTH	ACTUAL DATE	EVENT NAME	VENUE(S)
FEBRUARY	Sunday February 26, Noon	Snags at the Creek	Kings Creek Vineyard
MARCH	Sunday March 26, Noon	Introducing Pier 10 - A Degustation Luncheon	Pier 10
APRIL	Sunday, April 23, afternoon	2 Vineyard Tour	Underground/ Bahmah Park
ΜΑΥ	Saturday, May 27	Comparative Tasting	Safety Beach Sailing Club
JUNE		Educational	Punjabi Paradise
JULY	Sunday, July 16	Booze and Blues	Flinders Yacht Club
AUGUST		Educational	ТВА
SEPTEMBER	Sunday 24th September	Old and New Lunch	Dromana Surf Life Saving Club
OCTOBER		Awards Lunch/Dinner	Ranelagh Club
NOVEMBER	26th November	AGM	Paradigm Hill