



January 2011 Newsletter



The Australian Wine Society of Toronto and the Canadian Australian Chamber of Commerce, invite you to the annual Australia Day Celebration Reception and Dinner, Wednesday, January 26, 2011



Australia Day, the official national day of Australia, commemorates Captain Arthur Philip's landing of the first fleet at Port Jackson on January 26th in 1788. Australia Day is celebrated in all states and territories of Australia, and will be celebrated here in Toronto, on Wednesday, January 26th at The Albany Club.

The evening will begin at 6:30 with a reception on the Fourth Floor, for bubbly, beer and finger foods. At 7:30, it's down to the main dining room for dinner. The Club's Executive Chef Jay Parhar, has prepared a special menu for the occasion. As always, wines, and door prizes are included with dinner.

Some of the wines we'll have from the Cellar include; 2004 St. Hallet Barossa Semillon, 2007 d'Arenberg Dry Dam Reisling, 2002 Currency Creek Black Swamp Cabernet Sauvignon from South Australia, 2002 Ring Bolt Cabernet Sauvignon from Margaret River, 2002 Poole's Rock Cockfighter's Ghost Shiraz from McLaren Vale, 2002 Plunket Blackwood Ridge Shiraz from Victoria, and more as the evening progresses.

First Course

Mixed Greens Salad in a Lemon Myrtle Dressing

Second Course

Char Grilled South Pacific Snapper, with Saffron Risotto,
Sauteed Oyster Mushrooms, finished with a Chardonnay Beurre Blanc.

Third Course

Rosemary Braised Australian Lamb Shanks in a Shiraz Reduction with
Garlic Smashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert

Passion Fruit and Mango Pavlova, Kiwi Coulis and Mixed Berries

Tea and Coffee

There will be door prizes and entertainment with a sing along led by Brendan Bell. Born in Victoria, Brendan has been a musician for over 20 years, and now resides in Toronto, luckily for us. Bring your enthusiasm and your voice to join in and make this a memorable Australia Day evening.

Please note that we are limited to 120 seats for this event, so reserve early. Tickets are \$120.00 for AWS Members and Guests, CACC Members and Guests, including all taxes and gratuities.

The link to on line registration is <http://aday2011.eventbrite.com>

Or download the attached Registration Form and mail to AWS, c/o Barbara Barde, 900 Yonge Street, Suite 503, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 3P5

Past Events

We have had nothing but accolades for the December 7th dinner at Blu Ristorante in Yorkville, for both the food and the location. Members and their guests enjoyed the evening so much that many of us were there until closing time. Our thanks to owner, Alfredo Rodriguez for his excellent service all evening.

Future Events

March 3rd, 2011 A Wine Odyssey.

April 12th Agent's Night at Faculty Club

May 17th Cabernet Tasting at the Faculty Club

June 22, Summer Solstice at the Boulevard Club