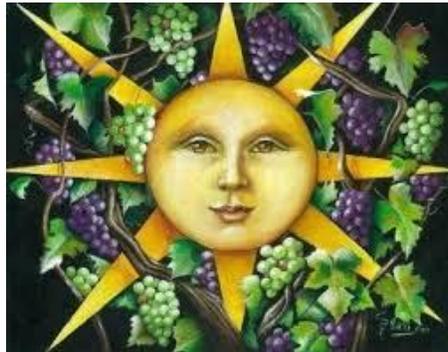




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Our Next Event

**Summer Solstice Celebration,
Thursday June 19, 2014, on the patio at the Faculty Club**



Though the summer solstice is an instant in time, the term is also colloquially used like midsummer to refer to the day on which it occurs. The summer solstice occurs on the day that has the longest period of daylight, here in the Northern Hemisphere, it is June 21st. As is our custom, we celebrate with fine wine and fine food, and this June will be no exception, in fact it is quite special, with the introduction to two Australian wineries, Woodstock and Wicks. Mr. Tony Gray, representing the wineries in North America, and Laura Rapuano, the local Agent, will talk about the wineries, the region and the wines with dinner.

Woodstock Estate boasts some of the oldest vineyards in the McLaren Vale, with vines planted in 1900, plus winemaking under the skilled hands of Ben Glaetzer. Wick's Estate is family owned and sits in the picturesque Adelaide Hills, and is regarded as one of the region's highest premium wine producers. So we are in for a treat on the nineteenth.

2014 Summer Solstice Dinner

Reception

A Selection of passed Canapés and the Sushi Bar on the Patio

Served with 2013 Semillon/Sauvignon Blanc

First Course

**Seared Ahi Tuna on Asian Slaw, with Mango, served with Wasabi Cream,
in a Soft Taco Shell**

Served with Wicks' 2012 Chardonnay and Woodstock 2012 Chardonnay

Main Course

**Braised Beef Short Ribs, cooked in a rich Shiraz Sauce,
Celeriac & Mashed Potatoes and Baby Spring Vegetables**

Served with Wicks's 2012 Shiraz and Woodstock 2012 Shiraz

Dessert Course

Bowl of Fresh Fruit Salad, with Fresh Peaches, Apricots and Berries

Served with Woodstock Moscato

Coffee and Tea

Reception will on the patio at 6:30, followed by dinner at 7:00.

Member cost, all inclusive is \$75.00, Guests \$85.00. This will be a joint event with Faculty Club Wine Members, so book early. The Faculty Club is located at 41 Wilcocks Street on the U of T Campus, one block south of Harbord and east of Spadina. Dress comfortable summer casual, bright and breezy.

The Registration Form is attached for mailing to Australian Wine Society of Toronto or Register on-line at <http://awssummersolstice2014.eventbrite.ca>

Past Event

On May 13, 30 members and guests were treated to an assortment of white wines, accompanied with finger foods to complement. Chairman Mal provided notes and background on the wines and the regions to the buzz of the room. Favourites were mixed, however, we all agreed that the McWilliam's 2006 Mount Pleasant Semillon was a tad thin. The Turkey Flat 2011 Marsanne /Viognier/ Rousanne was a solid choice.

Future Events

August 17 - AWS Annual General Meeting and Barbeque. Watch for details in the July Newsletter.

October 7 - A joint wine dinner evening with the South African Wine Society at Avli on the Danforth.

December 9 - Our 2014 Holiday Dinner, location will be announced later.

January 23rd 2015. Australia Day Dinner and Celebration at the Albany Club.

Membership Renewal

It is amazing how the year flies when you are having fun. Yes, it's that time of year again to renew your membership for the period July 1, 2014-15

We are pleased to announce that our membership fees remain unchanged.

You can renew online at <http://aws201415membership.eventbrite.ca> or mail in the renewal form.