



October 2017 Newsletter

***Super-Shiraz Me*, A Special Tasting of Eight 2005 Shiraz.**

At the Faculty Club, Thursday November 2, 2017



Super Shiraz Me, will be a special evening featuring eight 2005 Shiraz from South Australia wine regions, each from an outstanding year. Harvest 2005 had a good lead-in to the season with good winter and spring rains establishing favourable soil moisture levels in most locations. The ripening and harvest period was characterized by generally cool-to-mild conditions with the majority of regions benefiting from regular, refreshing rain. The cooler conditions provided a steady ripening environment in which superior colour, flavour, acid and varietal definition are developing in the grapes. So now we get to taste those wines that were made 12 years ago, and stored in our cellar.

Here are the wines;

BRL Hardy Chateau Reynella Shiraz, McLaren Vale

Fox Gordon "Eight Uncles" Shiraz, Barossa Valley

Jim Barry "The Lodge Hill Shiraz", Clare Valley

Torbreck "Woodcutter's" Shiraz, Barossa Valley

d'Arenberg "The Dead Arm" Shiraz, McLaren Vale

Heartland Wine "Director's Cut" Shiraz, Langhorne Creek

Mitolo "Jester" Shiraz, McLaren Vale

Taylor's Wakefield Shiraz, Clare Valley

The evening will start at 6:30 with a white reception wine, then the tasting starts at 7:00 p.m. Food will be served when we first start and then again before the second four wines.

The Faculty Club is at 41 Willcocks Street, Toronto, 416-978-6325, one block south of Harbord, and east of Spadina Avenue. Metered parking on the surrounding streets, and TTC stops at Willcocks on Spadina. We will be upstairs for both the reception wine and the tasting.

Price for this evening, all inclusive, with finger foods, Members \$68.00 and Guests \$75.00. Seating is limited to 60, so be sure to book early.

You can register on-line at <https://supershirazme.eventbrite.ca> or mail the attached Registration Form to Bernard Nottage to the address as noted on the Form.

Past Event

47 AWS members and 39 Toronto Cricket Club members, thoroughly enjoyed our Paracombe Wine Dinner on Thursday September 21st, when all were delighted to meet Kathy Drogemuller, winery owner on her first trip to Canada. Following a sparkling Chardonnay/ Pinot Noir reception wine, we enjoyed an outstanding four course dinner with wines, from her family winery in the Adelaide Hills in South Australia. Her Agent, Eleanor Cosman of Bokke Wines was there with many members of both clubs ordering wines. Once again the quality of food and service were top notch, so much that we will return in 2018 for another AWS dinner with TCSCC members.

Future Events

The Annual Holiday Dinner will be at the Faculty Club on December 9, for a traditional Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings and held in the warmth of the Main Lounge, watch for details in the next month's Newsletter.

Our Australia Day 2018 celebration will be on Friday January 26th with a return to the Albany Club on King Street East, this time we have invited Albany Club members to join in the party, and with Peter Shaw leading the singing, and door prizes, an event to plan, so mark the date in your calendar or smart phone now.

February 27th will be a joint Shiraz/Syrah tasting with the South African Wine Society, when we will have 4 reds from each country to taste.

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