

Results Booklet

Queensland and Australian International Emerging Variety Wine Challenge 2021



History of the Challenge

The mainstream wine varieties have been well known in Australia since they were imported in the 1820's by the Australian wine industry "godfather", James Busby. In recent years, many new exciting, emerging varieties have been imported and explored in Australia. Whilst they are new in Australia, they have distinguished histories in their respective home locations in Europe.

As part of the Australian Government's \$50 million Export and Regional Wine Support Package, in 2019-2020 the Queensland Wine Industry Association received a Grant co-funded by the Queensland State Government to promote International Wine Tourism. The idea to showcase our Emerging Varieties in Queensland began. These wines judged along side benchmarked wines country and region of origin.

In 2021, our second year of the Challenge, we have opened the event to the rest of Australia to also showcase their Emerging Varieties.

The interest in emerging varieties in Australia is driven by: - Many consumers are fascinated by something new and they actively seek innovative wine styles and tastes. Emerging varieties often provide a particular growing advantage, particularly where climate change is occurring. For example, some emerging varieties hold freshness and natural acidity through to the time of harvest even with unseasonal hot weather conditions. Other emerging varieties offer resistance to diseases caused by excessive humidity.

Interest in Emerging Varieties is strong in Queensland. The Challenge presents Emerging varieties from all over Australia with some benchmark wines from Europe. Judges of the competition are not at all aware of the origin of any wine. The results draw attention to Queensland wines that have achieved approval of the judges and these Queensland wines can be compared to Australian and international examples.

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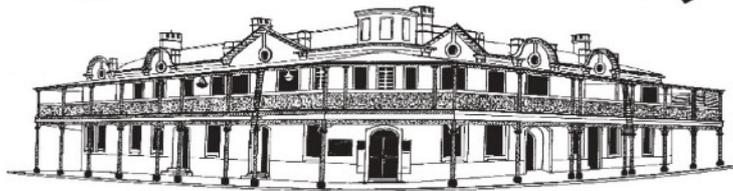
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Yalumba Wines -2019 “Running with the Bulls” Tempranillo

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Boireann Winery – 2019 Mouvedre

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Bents Road – La Petit Mort - 2020 Saperavi

Class 1 – Italian White

	Winery	Wine	Year	Score
1	Luigi Maffini Kratos	Fiano	2021	88 - B
2	Hidden Creek	Vermentino	2020	92 - S
3	Costamolino	Vermentino	2019	NR
4	Sirromet Wines	Pinot Grigio	2019	95- G
5	Heritage Estate	Fiano	2020	83
6	Rocco di Montemassi	“Calasole” Vermentino	2019	86 - B
7	ridgemill estate	Pinot Grigio	2021	83
8	Hidden Creek	Unsung Hero Fiano	2020	83
9	Heritage Estate	Vermentino	2020	83
10	Zilzie Wines	Fiano	2019	84
11	Ballandean Estate Wine	Giallo Fiano Malvasia	2021	90 - S
12	Sirromet Wines	Granit Vermentino	2020	83
13	Ballandean Estate Wine	Fiano	2021	93 - S
14	ridgemill estate	Pinot Grigio	2019	83
15	Hidden Creek	Unsung Hero Ansonica	2020	86 - B
16	Zilzie Wines	Fiano	2020	84
17	Ravens Croft Wines	Pinot Grigio	2021	83
18	Sirromet Wines	Granit Fiano	2020	83
19	Monte Tondo	“Classico” Garganega	2021	83

Class 2 Iberian White

	Winery	Wine	Year	Score
1	View Wines	Alvarinho	2019	88 - B
2	Kingsley Grove Estate	Verdelho	2021	83
3	Balancing Heart Vineyards	Verdelho	2019	84
4	Zilzie Wines	Arinto	2020	96 - G
5	Hillsdale Estate	Verdelho	2021	94 - G
6	Marques de Riscal	Verdejo	2019	93 - S
7	Robert Channon Wines	Verdelho	2021	83
8	Banca Ridge	Albarino	2020	80
9	Tobin Wines	Verdelho	2019	84
10	Clovely Estate	Verdelho	2021	83
11	Ricca Terra	Terra do Rio White Field Blend Arinto/ Verdejo		87 - B
12	Morgan & Gill Wines	Verdelho	2018	85 - B
13	Ravens Croft Wines	Verdelho	2021	83
14	Moffatdale Ridge	Verdelho	2021	NP
15	Banca Ridge	Late Picked Verdelho	2021	82
16	Jester Hill Wines	Verdelho	2021	84

Class 3 Other World Whites

	Winery	Wine	Year	Score
1	Jester Hill Wines	Sommers Gold Roussanne	2021	82
2	Yalumba	Samuels Collection Eden Valley Viognier	2018	88 - B
3	Heritage Estate	Pinot Gris	2021	89 - B
4	Balancing Heart Vineyards	Evolve Viognier	2019	89 - B
5	View Wines	“Mistelle” Menseng	2020	80
6	Bents Road- La Petit Mort	Gentil Qvevri Gewurz/Muscat	2020	88 - B
7	Yalumba	Y Series Viognier	2021	84
8	Jester Hill Wines	Roussanne	2019	90 - S
9	Domaine Cauhope	Jurancon	2017	95 - G
10	Gruner Veltliner	Laurenzfive	2015	95 - G
11	Nuovla Scuola	Viognier	2020	83
12	Domaine Paul Blanck	Pinot Gris		NP
13	Bents Road – La Petit Mort	VMR Qvevri Viognier/Marsanne/Roussanne	2019	81
14	Toppers Mountain Wines	Menseng	2017	95 - G
15	Balancing Heart Vineyards	Viognier	2021	84
16	Yalumba	The Virgilius Viognier	2018	96 - G
17	Banca Ridge	Gruner Veltliner	2019	86 - B
18	Belardent	Picpoul de Pinet	2019	87- B
19	Viognier	Toppers Mountain Wines	2020	86 – B

Class 4 Italian Red

	Winery	Wine	Year	Score
1	Nouva Scuola	Sangiovese	2019	87 - B
2	Clovely Estate	Nebbiolo	2021	86- B
3	Hidden Creek	Unsung Hero Novello Lagrein	2020	88 - B
4	Toppers Mountain Wines	Nebbiolo Vino Giovane	2015	88 - B
5	Boireann Winery	Sangiovese	2019	95 –QTG
6	Balancing Heart Vineyards	Inspire Sagrantino	2017	91 - S
7	Luigi Maffini Kleos	Aglianico		80
8	Langmeil Winery	Della Mina Sangiovese/ Barbera	2019	90 - S
9	Heritage Estate	Nero d’Avola	2020	84
10	Sirromet Wines	Tempo Verita Lagrein	2019	88 - B
11	Boireann Winery	Barbera	2019	91 - S
12	O’Reilly’s Canungra Valley Vineyards	Sangiovese	2019	84
13	Masseria Altemura	Primitivo	2018	82
14	Ricca Terra	Aglianico	2019	88 - B
15	Ricca Terra	Nero d’Avola	2020	96- G
16	Nuova Scuola	Nebbiolo	2018	82
17	Sirromet Wines	Granit Montepulciano	2020	89- B
18	Hidden Creek	Unsung Hero Lagrein	2020	83
19	Sirromet Wines	Le Sauvage Nebbiolo	2018	83
20	Kingsley Grove Estate	Sangiovese	2020	83
21	Michele Chiarlo	“Le Orme” Barbera	2018	87- B
22	Hickinbotham of Dromana	Lagrein	2016	91 -S
23	Clovely Estate	Nebbiolo Rose	2021	89 - B
24	Ravens Croft Wines	Sangiovese	2021	89 - B

25	Langmeil Winery	Massimo Primitivo/ Montepulciano	2020	89 - B
26	Ballandean Estate Wine	Nebbiolo	2018	88 - B
27	Sirromet Wines	Granit Lagrein	2020	86 - B
28	Occhippinti Siccagno	Nero d'Avola		NR
29	Morgan & Gill Wines	Sangiovese Rose	2018	82
30	Pemo	Montepulciano	2019	86 - B
31	Vietti Perbacco	Nebbiolo		95 - G
32	Sangiovese	Querciabella		96 - G
33	Toppers Mountain Wines	Nebbiolo	2020	82
34	Hidden Creek	Anglianico	2020	95 - G

Class 5 Iberian Red

	Winery	Wine	Year	Score
1	Hidden Creek	Prieto Picudo	2020	87 - B
2	Rioja	Oliver Riviere Vinos	2018	86 - B
3	Banca Ridge	Tempranillo	2018	83
4	Yalumba Wines	Tempranillo	2019	96 - G
5	Nuova Scoula	Tempranillo	2019	86- B
6	Hidden Creek	Unsung Hero Touriga	2020	90 - S
7	Tobin Wines	Tempranillo	2019	86 - B
8	Salterio	Mencia	2019	90 -S
9	Hickinbotham of Dromana	Tempranillo	2016	88- B
10	Toppers Mountain Wines	Tina Roriz/ Touriga/ Tinta Cao	2020	82
11	Hidden Creek	Mensia	2020	84
12	Tobin Wines	Tempranillo	2016	95 - G
13	Tobin Wines	Tempranillo	2014	86 - B
14	Banca Ridge	Tinto	2018	84
15	Herdade do Roci Mariana	Touriga	2017	91 - S
16	Banca Ridge	Tempranillo	2017	86 - B
17	Petalos	Mensia	2019	86 - B
18	Mariana	Touriga	2019	86- B

Class 6 Other World Red

	Winery	Wine	Year	Score
1	Balancing Heart Vineyards	Petit Verdot	2019	83
2	Zilzie Wines	Malbec	2019	88 - B
3	Jester Hill Wines	Petit Verdot	2013	84
4	O'Reilly's Canungra Valley Vineyards	Chambourcin	2019	84
5	Jester Hill Wines	Petit Verdot	2012	85 - B
6	ridgemill estate	Saperavi	2019	88 - B
7	Maison de la Villette	Mourvedre	2019	90 - S
8	Jester Hill Wines	Petit Verdot	2018	87 - B
9	O'Reilly's Canungra Valley Vineyards	Chambourcin	2019	84
10	Sirromet Wines	Tempo Verita Saperavi	2019	80
11	Boireann Winery	Mourvedre	2019	90 - S
12	Bents Road – La Petit Mort	Saperavi	2020	90 - S
13	Banca Ridge	Petit Verdot	2018	84
14	Sirromet Wines	Granit Saperavi	2020	89 - B
15	Toppers Mountain Wines	Tannat	2015	85
16	Ballandean Estate Wine	Saperavi	2018	87 - B
17	Jester Hill Wines	Petit Verdot	2016	87 - B
18	Rosi Shuster	Blaufrankish	2017	82

The QWIA President and QWIA Board would like to Congratulate all the Award Winners and thank you to all the wineries for supporting this Wine Challenge.

Thank you to our Judges for giving your time and expertise to support this challenge.

The hard working Stewards for making the day run smoothly.

Thank you to our sponsors for your support of the Queensland Wine Industry Association.

A special thank you to Tafe South Bank for supplying such a fantastic venue for our judging, presentation, and public tasting to be held.

To the General Public, we hope you enjoyed your Emerging Variety Experience, and you go away with some new favourites and keep supporting Queensland and Australian Wine.

Judges:

Tony Harper

Luke Willis

Alan Hunter

Associate Judges:

Ashley Ratcliffe

Elliot Baker