

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY
OF VITICULTURE AND
OENOLOGY



2019 Annual Report

The Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology (ASVO) is a not for profit, non-political organisation serving the interests of winemakers and viticulturists.

ASVO promotes the dissemination of scientific, technical and practical information through multiple mediums to advance the knowledge and skills of its members. It supports high-level education, teaching, research and professional development in the fields of viticulture and oenology.

The ASVO is the only professional society for winemakers and viticulturists in Australia with members enjoying access to technical seminars and the highly regarded *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 2019 financial year was another fruitful and exciting year for the Society and its members. The Board of Directors continues to oversee the improvement of member offerings with the addition of streamed overseas presenters at ASVO seminars, the introduction of regional seminar nodes to enhance the accessibility of content to more members, hosting seminar recordings to modernise its proceedings, and student scholarships to attend ASVO seminars. Further to this, the ASVO Awards for Excellence has now become a standalone event with 200 guests attending the dinner in 2018 to celebrate the outstanding achievements of ASVO members.

The Society has experienced a successful financial year during which it continues to explore alternative revenue options and reduce operating costs. A modest surplus is attributed to growth in membership numbers coupled with increased attendance at the Viticulture and Oenology seminars. The Board also engaged an increased number of event sponsors which has offset the operational costs of ASVO events. Through strategic investments and cautious management of expenditure, the Board continues to improve value for its members.

ASVO Seminars continue to be an important offering to members. This year there was excellent attendance at the Viticulture seminar "Frontline pest and disease management for healthy vineyards" which explored topics including biosecurity, plant viruses, pest and disease management, and agrochemical use in vineyards. This was followed by the Oenology seminar "Fermentation: Converting research to reality" which explored topics including microbial ecology in wild ferments, the use of non-Saccharomyces yeast, controlling colour and tannin extraction, and managing problematic fermentations. Both seminars continue to offer diverse, accessible, and practical knowledge to attendees. A highlight in 2018 was the introduction of regional 'host' nodes to provide more ASVO members and practitioners the opportunity to attend while also making it more affordable due to reduced travel and accommodation costs.

Since 2012, the ASVO Awards for Excellence has been a forum to promote industry excellence, foster leadership, and encourage innovation and sustainability in the Australian wine industry. In 2018 the Society recognised Viticulturist of the Year, Colin Bell (AHA Viticulture) and Winemaker of the Year, Pete Bissell (Balnaves). These awards reflect outstanding career achievement. In addition to these awards, the Society continues to provide the Advanced Wine Assessment Course scholarship which was awarded to Frank Butera (Bass River Wines). In 2018 the ASVO

introduced the Dr Peter May Award in honour of the late Dr Peter May who was the inaugural editor for the *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research* (AJGWR). This award is presented to the author(s) of the most cited AJGWR paper published in the previous five years. The Society recognised Rob Bramley *et al.* as the recipient of the inaugural Dr Peter May Award. The Society also recognised research groups Catherine Clarke *et al.* and Paul Boss *et al.* for the Viticulture and Oenology papers of the year respectively published in the AJGWR. These awards reflect research with the most potential impact on industry practice. Finally, the Board invited Dr Richard Smart and Dr Bob Dambergs to become Fellows of the Society in recognition of their numerous contributions to the Society and wider grape and wine community. The Society would like to thank all the advisory committee members, who themselves are distinguished in the fields of viticulture and oenology, for contributing their time to selecting award recipients nominated by their peers.

The Board of Directors would like to express their appreciation for the dedication and attention to detail provided by its Executive Officer Chris Waters. Chris continues to work energetically and attentively throughout the year to ensure that the events and activities of the Society are planned and executed to the highest standard.

Finally, I would like to recognise each of the ASVO Directors for their dedication and commitment throughout the year to drive the strategic direction of the Society. It is also important to acknowledge the Directors employers for allowing them the time to support the Society.

Dr Anthony Robinson
President



TREASURER'S REPORT



*Kristy Bartrop
Treasurer*

The past financial year was one of further consolidation of positive change over the past several years. The Society was able to return a surplus of just over \$26,000 and increase equity to levels not seen since 2009.

Revenue

The total income for the 2018-19 financial year reached \$262,169, which was an increase of 22% on the 2017-18 year.

Membership income has increased with \$115,261 collected in 2018-19, compared with \$105,054 in 2017-18 which is due to an improved member retention rate and an increase in membership fees of 2%. Automatic payment of membership now contributes 47% of the annual membership revenue.

Registrations for seminars increased by 8% to \$61,720 compared with \$57,301 and sponsorship of events from \$3,636 to \$15,686.

Royalties from Institutional subscriptions to the *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research* and from the sale of *Viticulture* Volume I and Volume II increased by 24% to \$20,852.

Sales of proceedings, and MOG posters declined from \$1,600 in 2017-18 to \$1,019 in 2018-19 countered by an increase in sales of Aroma kits from \$2,404 in 2017-18 to \$2,803 in 2018-19.

Sponsorship revenue increased by \$14,313 representing 16% of annual revenue. This increase is primarily attributable to a strategic change in the event sponsorship model which has proved to be more attractive to sponsors and helps drive registrations at ASVO events.

ASVO received a grant of \$10,000 from the Australian Wine Industry Technical Conference to assist with the hosting and broadcasting of technical seminars to regional nodes.

Expenses

Total operational expenditure increased from \$180,675 to \$236,007. Operating expenditure continues to be well controlled with an increase in 0.1% compared to the forecast.

Event related expenses increased by 47% from \$51,566 to \$75,655. This is largely attributable to the increased expenses associated with regional events and variable costs associated with the larger audience attracted to the annual awards for excellence dinner.

Publication costs decreased (3%) from \$56,225 in FY17/18 to \$54,706 in the current year, a reflection of the reduced number of manuscript submissions.

Equity

The overall financial position remains healthy with the ASVO total equity reported at the end of June 2019 as \$369,452, an 8% increase on FY18 to \$343,290. This ensures the continuation of activities that benefit ASVO members and further measures can be undertaken to grow the membership offering.

Indemnification and Insurance

The Society insures directors and officers of the Society and related bodies corporate against liability and property protection (fire & perils/accidental damage/theft). No insurance cover has been provided for the benefit of the auditor.

Directors Benefits

Since the end of the previous financial year no director of the Society has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Society, with a director or with a firm of which the director is a member or with an entity in which the director has a substantial financial interest.

Future Directions:

The Board has confidence in the long-term growth of the Society and continues to plan for the future. The Board has invested in the development of a new website and member management system, the cost of which will be amortised over 5 years and has set ambitious goals to increase the value to members by increasing its regional presence through streamed seminars and other new initiatives.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Dr Anthony Robinson
President
General Director



Brooke Howell
Vice President
General Director



Kristy Bartrop
Treasurer
Regional Director New South Wales



Chris Brodie
General Director



Andy Clarke
Regional Director
Victoria



Assoc. Prof. Paul Grbin
Regional Director
South Australia



Matt Holdstock
Secretary & Public Officer
General Director



Richard Fennessy
Regional Director
Western Australia,
Queensland & Tasmania



Dr Mardi Longbottom
General Director



SUB COMMITTEES

Finance Sub-Committee

2018	2019
Kristy Bartrop (Chair)	Kristy Bartrop (Chair)
Mardi Longbottom	Brooke Howell
Tony Robinson	Tony Robinson

The sub-committee has continued to monitor and strategically invest to maximise the revenue from the Society reserves, made strategic investments in a member management software and undertaken ongoing due diligence on financial processes.

A special mention is made of Angie McGee at Australian Grape and Wine for her ongoing accounting assistance.

Sponsorship Sub-Committee

2018	2019
Chris Brodie (Chair)	Brooke Howell (Chair)
Kristy Bartrop	Chris Brodie
Tony Robinson	Kristy Bartrop
David Wollan	Tony Robinson

Sponsorships and partnerships obtained by the Australian Society of Viticulture & Oenology (ASVO) provide the Society with vital funds to conduct activities that will benefit the membership.

Wine Australia are a major sponsor of the ASVO, and this relationship was continued in 2019/20 with Wine Australia extending its sponsorship by a further 12 months.

The Society's sponsorship prospectus was reviewed and updated after the Mildura seminar in an effort to be more attractive to potential sponsors. This proved advantageous as the number of sponsors gained for the Adelaide seminar and the Awards dinner was higher than previous years.

The ongoing partnership that ASVO has with Winetitles Media was continued in the 2018/19 season. This partnership provides a valuable resource in being able to communicate the Society's activities to a wider audience through multiple channels

The ASVO continues to sponsor a scholar to attend the AWRI Advanced Wine Assessment Course at a value of approximately \$4,500. Six students were also provided scholarships to attend the Mildura and Adelaide seminars.

Wine Show Sub-Committee

2018	2019
Matt Holdstock (Chair)	Matt Holdstock (Chair)
Tony Robinson	Tony Robinson

ASVO Best Practice Recommendations

In late 2015, the ASVO Best Practice Recommendations (BPRs) were completed and made available for all wine shows in Australia to reference and benchmark their practices. There is ongoing, broad acceptance of the BPRs by industry and wine show societies across Australia.

Planning for a review of the BPRs has commenced, and a Technical Advisory Committee has been formed. The working group comprises a range of people who have experience across small, medium and large wine show societies and includes a number of wine show Chairs. The Advisory Committee is chaired by ASVO Fellow, Louisa Rose.

ASVO Wine Show Judge Register

The ASVO wine show judge register is a centralised place for existing wine show judges or aspiring new judges to create a profile of their judging experience. The register also permits additional information to be categorised such as professional development of judges that participate in the AWRI Advanced Wine Assessment Course and the Len Evans Tutorial. An annual review of the register was performed again in 2019. Promotion of the register during the year saw an additional 32 judges joining the register in 2018/19 bringing the total number of judge profiles to 366.

Wine Show Auditor Register

The ASVO maintains a register of suitable wine show auditors, to which all Australian wine shows can refer. The list of wine show auditors is available through a closed page on the ASVO website. The ASVO has also made available a list of wine show contacts which is accessible to wine show committees to communicate with each other. Both the list of auditors and wine shows were reviewed in collaboration with the wine show committees and updated in early 2019.

SUB COMMITTEES

Membership Sub-Committee

2018	2019
Brooke Howell (Chair)	Andy Clarke (Chair)
Kristy Bartrop	Brooke Howell
Paul Grbin	Paul Grbin
David Wollan	

The membership sub-committee has strived to increase tangible member value and engagement as a mechanism for growth and relevance whilst keeping fee increases to a minimum. There is optimism for the future. The ASVO has weathered the decline in membership numbers that most associations experienced during a recent period of industry consolidation and are now seeing some growth.

The Society commenced building a new membership management system which includes a new website design, a feature-rich membership portal and customer relationship management capability to improve internal processes.

The ASVO sponsored 'Vintage conversations' sessions with students in partnership with the University of Adelaide alumni. These events provide opportunities for experienced members of the Society to share their wealth of professional and life experience with students and help them in making the transition from university in to their career. This collaborative effort is designed to serve as a valuable bridge for connecting current and past graduates and creating a sustained relationship of engagement with both the alumni and the Society.

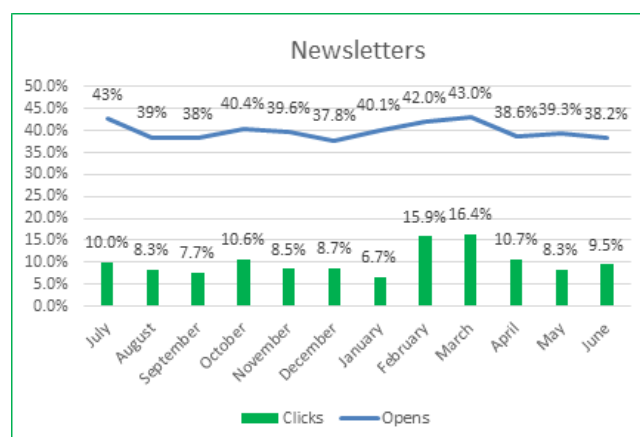
Scholarships for students to attend the viticulture and oenology seminars were introduced with six students awarded complimentary registration to attend the two seminars.

The Society became a signatory to the Australian Grape and Wine Diversity and Gender Equality Charter and the ASVO Board developed and endorsed its own policy and strategy that reflects the Society's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Communications Sub-Committee

2018	2019
Fiona Kerslake (Chair)	Richard Fennessy (Chair)
Paul Grbin	Mardi Longbottom
Brooke Howell	

The Communications sub-committee has achieved increased social media coverage commensurate with an improvement in both volume and quality of content of communications produced.



ASVO Newsletter engagement rates

The ASVO newsletter now reaches more than 1,100 readers with an open rate of around 40% compared with the MailChimp marketing industry benchmark average of 19.9%. The high level of engagement with the newsletter is attributed to the inclusion of seasonally relevant technical topics and member profiles.

The Society's social media accounts continue to grow with presence on four platforms and over 1,600 followers across Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn. The committee is progressing new communications initiatives to strengthen the ASVO brand and improve member engagement.



L-R Corrina Wright, Jill Bauer, Paul Grbin

THE AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF GRAPE AND WINE RESEARCH



*Dr Terry Lee AOM
Senior Editor*

Message from the Senior Editor

The Senior Editor is pleased to note the strong support by the Society for the Journal during 2018/19. The Journal published 59 articles in four issues, containing 511 pages of high-quality research including a review on bunch compactness.

As noted later in this report the quality of the research articles has led to an increase in the impact factor of the Journal and its standing amongst horticulture journals.

The Senior Editor also wishes to record his appreciation of the contribution made by the Deputy Editors Dr Greg Dunn and Dr Kerry Wilkinson, by the Associate Editors and the many reviewers who all contribute substantially to the standing and success of the Journal

Special mention is also made of Chris Waters who manages the flow of manuscripts through the reviewing and editing process.

Editorial Board

The Journal sub-committee appointed an additional five Associate Editors to assist in managing manuscript reviews. This was to continue the reduction of the manuscript review period and to build the diversity of expertise of the editorial team. The Society welcomes to the editorial team Dr Christopher Davies (CSIRO Agriculture and Food), Dr Diego Intrigliolo (Spanish National Research Council), Assoc. Prof. Paul Petrie (South Australian Research and Development), Prof. Steve Tyerman (University of Adelaide) and Dr Liz Waters (Wine Australia).

Senior Editor

Dr Terry Lee, OAM

Deputy Editor

Assoc. Prof. Gregory Dunn, *Plumpton College, United Kingdom*
Prof. Kerry Wilkinson, *The University of Adelaide*

Associate Editors

Assoc. Prof. Malcolm Allen, *formerly Charles Sturt University*

Dr Eveline Bartowsky, *Lallemand Australia*

Dr Rob Bramley, *CSIRO Agriculture and Food*

Prof. Veronique Cheynier, *IPV-IS VMM-INRA, Montpellier, France*

Dr Christopher Davies, *CSIRO Agriculture and Food*

Prof. Serge Delrot, *University of Bordeaux, France*

Dr Katherine Evans, *University of Tasmania*

Dr Leigh Francis, *The Australian Wine Research Institute*

Assoc. Prof. James Harbertson, *Washington State University, USA*

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Assoc. Prof. Paul Petrie, *South Australian Research and Development*

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Prof. Javier Tardaguila, *Universidad de La Rioja, Spain*

Dr Mike Trought, *Fellow, Plant & Food Research, New Zealand*

Prof. Steve Tyerman, *University of Adelaide*

Dr Rob Walker, *CSIRO Agriculture and Food*

Dr Liz Waters, *Wine Australia*

Prof. Dr Peter Winterhalter, *Inst. Lebensmittelchemie, Germany*

THE AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF GRAPE AND WINE RESEARCH

Content management

This year was the second year that the Society provided four issues of the Journal and a hard copy of the first issue to all members. The objective of publishing four issues was to improve the speed that research is published and to increase the frequency that research papers reach ASVO members.

The Journal editorial team and the Journal Advisory Committee continue to explore ways in which improvements can be made to the review process. Year on year decreases in the median number of days from submission to first decision have been recorded. The figures presented in Table 2 represent articles included in the year the decision was made, and includes all articles, whether or not they were peer reviewed.

Table 2. Year on Year Comparison 2014-2018

Year	Number of pages	Number of articles	Average days from receipt at Wiley to Early View publication	Average days from receipt at Wiley to print publication
2018	509	59	37	173
2017	460	56	74	173
2016	514	63	76	200
2015	518	53	48	141
2014	518	59	61	114

Citation trends

The *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research* 2-year impact factor increased from 1.913 to 2.343 while the 5-year impact factor increased slightly from 2.231 to 2.631. An Impact Factor is a measure of average citations over a defined period of time (usually two or five years). This can be problematic as averages

Article downloads

In 2018, 77,741 articles were downloaded from the Journal, a decrease from 82,024 in 2017. The majority of online traffic is from Australia, USA, China, Italy, France, and Spain. The average number of downloads per article in AJGWR in 2018 was 138, a decrease from 169 in 2017. For all journals published by Wiley in Food Science & Technology, the average number of downloads per article in 2018 was 239, an increase from 223 in 2017.

Table 1. Speed of Review Process 2016-2018

Median number of days	2016	2017	2018
Submission to first decision	58	44	41
Submission to final decision	65	62	58

tend to disguise differences in the behaviour of contributing articles. Journals with high Impact Factors may still have a high proportion of uncited content, with the Impact Factor score being reliant on the inclusion of a few highly-cited articles. This can result in Impact Factor fluctuations as the highly-cited articles fall out of the Impact Factor window

Table 3. Journals Citation Ranking (JCR) metrics 2014-2018

Metric	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
2Yr Impact Factor	1.816	2.126	2.635	1.913	2.343
5Yr Impact Factor	2.779	2.793	2.777	2.231	2.631
2Yr IF Ranking for Food Science & Technology	42 of 123	35 of 124	25 of 129	62 of 133	51 of 135
2Yr IF Ranking for Horticulture	5 of 33	4 of 34	4 of 36	5 of 37	4 of 36
Total Citations to All Journal Content	1669	1925	2,205	2,062	2,374

Most downloaded articles

- ❖ Nesbitt, A., Kemp, B., Steele, C., Lovett, A., and Dorling, S. (2016) Impact of recent climate change and weather variability on the viability of UK viticulture – combining weather and climate records with producers' perspectives. *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*, 22: 324–335.
- ❖ Swiegers, J.H., Bartowsky, E.J., Henschke, P.A. and Pretorius, I.S. (2005), Yeast and bacterial modulation of wine aroma and flavour. *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*, 11: 139–173.
- ❖ Keller, M. (2010), Managing grapevines to optimise fruit development in a challenging environment: a climate change primer for viticulturists. *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*, 16: 56–6.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Journal Advisory Committee

The Journal Advisory Committee (JAC) provide guidance to the ASVO Board on matters relating to the administration of the *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*. The JAC is also intended to assist the ASVO in elevating and promoting the Journal within the wider research community. The JAC provides an invaluable service to the journal in the form of their expertise and advice, so it is important that the committee accurately reflects the diversity of the field. Past, existing and new Journal Advisory Committee members are thanked for their invaluable service to the Journal

Dr Paul Grbin, *The University of Adelaide*, Chair
Dr Paul Boss, *CSIRO Agriculture and Food*
Dr Rob Bramley, *CSIRO Agriculture and Food*
Dr Dimitra Capone, *The University of Adelaide*
Dr Markus Herderich, *The Australian Wine Research Institute*
Dr Fiona Kerslake, *University of Tasmania*
Dr Terry Lee, OAM (*ex officio*)

Dr Jacqui McRae, *The University of Adelaide*
Dr Paul Petrie, *South Australian Research and Development Institute*
Dr Suzy Rogiers, *NSW Department of Primary Industries*
Dr Anthony Robinson, *Treasury Wine Estates*
Dr Leigh Schmidtke, *Charles Sturt University*
Dr Paul Smith, *Wine Australia*

Award Advisory Committees

The ASVO award advisory committees provide an accountable and transparent framework process for the receipt, evaluation and recommendation of nominations for Honours or Awards to the ASVO Board of Directors.

2018 Viticulturist of the year committee

Liz Riley (Chair)	Mardi Longbottom
Kristy Bartrop	Tony Proffitt
Colin Hinze	Ben Rose
Mark Krstic	

2018 Viticulture Paper of the year committee

Nick Dry	Tony Proffitt
Catherine Kidman	Liz Riley
Inca Pearce	Alex Sas

2018 Winemaker of the year committee

Wendy Cameron (Chair)	Gary Baldwin
Tony Battaglene	Paul Grbin
Mike Hayes	Frank van de Loo
Sarah Pidgeon	

2018 Winemaking Paper of the year committee

Wendy Cameron	Alana Seabrook
Bryan Currie	Alison Soden
Mike Hayes	David Wollan

Seminar Advisory Committees

2018 Oenology seminar planning committee

Paul Grbin (Chair)	Alana Seabrook
Eveline Bartowsky	Paul Smith
Matt Holdstock	Alison Soden
Tony Robinson	David Wollan
Simon Schmidt	

2018 Viticulture seminar planning committee

Mardi Longbottom (Chair)	Chris Brodie
Kristy Bartrop	Brooke Howell
Fiona Kerslake	

Fellow Advisory Committee

Tony Robinson (Chair)	Dr Peter Dry
Di Davidson	Louisa Rose

EVENTS

Frontline pest and disease management for healthy vineyards

Held in Mildura on July 25-26, highlights from the seminar included presentations from Ollie Powrie, Chief Viticulturist at Villa Maria in New Zealand who shared his success controlling Botrytis without using chemicals and Jim Pekin, CEO of the Australian Banana Growers' Council, who presented the stark reality of the impacts of the devastating Panama TR4 disease on his industry. Andy Clarke, Viticulturist at Yering Station described life living with phylloxera in the Yarra Valley and posed a scenario to consider the impacts of a phylloxera detection in South Australia and Dr Gerhard Rossouw shared results of a study that will help growers to more accurately identify herbicide drift.

Liz Riley, Viticultural Consultant at Vitibit and 2017 ASVO Viticulturist of the Year said, "this year's ASVO Viticulture seminar again showcased the great vision that ASVO have in delivering a topic that is vitally important to industry in biosecurity".

Locations

The mid-year ASVO seminar was offered to several regions Using 'Zoom' technology. The entire proceedings was live-streamed to smaller, more intimate gatherings in Margaret River, Hobart and Melbourne. ASVO members hosted the remote seminars and attendees interacted with the presenters and each other both during the event and in the evening at a local dinner.

SA Mildura Arts Centre
Hosted by Mardi Longbottom

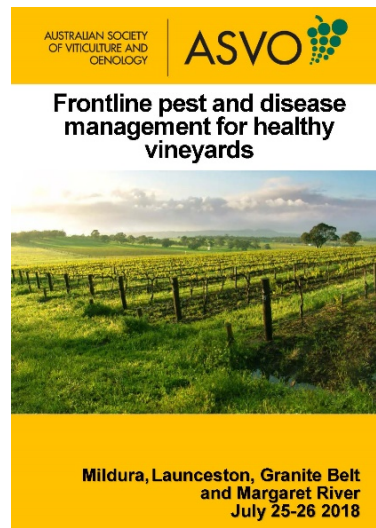
QLD Stanthorpe QCWT Queensland
College of Wine Tourism
(cancelled)

WA Margaret River Education campus
hosted by Tony Proffitt

TAS Launceston University of Tasmania,
hosted by Fiona Kerslake.



*Dr Mardi Longbottom
Program Chair*



Keynote speakers

- ❖ Vaughn Bell, *New Zealand Institute for Plant & Food Research*
- ❖ Ollie Powrie *Villa Maria Estate Ltd*
- ❖ Catherine Clark *Agriculture Victoria Research Division*
- ❖ Jim Pekin *Australian Banana Growers' Council*



EVENTS

Fermentation: Converting research to reality.

Record numbers attended the 2018 oenology seminar "Fermentation Converting research to reality" This one-day seminar on Thursday 27th September focused on fermentation technology, management, and microbial diversity.

Held concurrently in six venues across Australia the reach of the Adelaide event was significantly improved. Wine industry professionals heard much needed information on the trends, concerns and practical challenges encountered during fermentation as well as the most recent research and innovative solutions with a strong practical element on practical implementation.

Brian Walsh, Wine Australia chair, provided opening remarks and noted the association's commitment to delivering first-rate educational seminars to the wine industry. With this event, ASVO continued its 37-year tradition of gathering wine industry professionals to share insights and practical solutions to the biggest issues facing winemakers. The information provided the tools for optimum performance and continued success in the industry in Australia.



Assoc. Prof. Paul Grbin
Program Chair



Fermentation Converting research to reality

ASVO 2018 Oenology Seminar:
September 27th

Keynote international speakers

- ❖ Dr Gemma Beltran, University of Tarragona
- ❖ Dr David Block, University of California Davis
- ❖ Dr Warren Albertin, University of Bordeaux
- ❖ Dr Ana Hranilovic, University of Bordeaux

Locations

- SA** Charles Hawker Conference Centre
Host Prof Paul Grbin
- VIC** RACV City Club Melbourne
Host David Wollan
- NSW** TAFE NSW Griffith
Host Kristy Bartrop
- TAS** University of Tasmania Launceston
Host Hugh McCullough
- WA** Margaret River Education campus, Centre for Wine Excellence Margaret River
Host Jarrah Prior
- QLD** QCWT Queensland College of Wine Tourism, Stanthorpe
Host Mike Hayes



AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

The ASVO strives to promote the advancement of professional knowledge, professional skills and professional attitudes, in the fields of viticulture and oenology, in members of the Society. In 2012, the ASVO Awards for Excellence was established as a prestigious event to promote industry excellence, foster leadership, and encourage innovation and sustainability in the Australian wine industry.

The ASVO Awards for Excellence recognises the achievements of some of the most dedicated and professional individuals in the wine industry.

ASVO Award recipients are nominated by ASVO members, with the finalists decided by an ASVO Board-appointed selection committee, comprised of individuals who themselves are distinguished in the fields of viticulture and oenology and who demonstrate exceptional leadership ability and vision. Winners of the ASVO Viticulturist and ASVO Winemaker of the year, along with the ASVO Best Viticultural Paper of the Year, Best Oenology Paper of the Year, and the Dr Peter May Award for the most cited AJGWR paper published in the previous five years, are announced at an Awards ceremony and dinner in November each year.



Viticulturist of the year

This award honours an outstanding viticulturist who demonstrates a broad positive contribution to the Australian wine industry and / or community, improvement from standard practice in their field through adoption of innovative practices, technologies or standards, and contributes positively to the culture of their organisation and the broader wine industry in either a regional, state or national capacity. Proudly sponsored by Wine Australia.

2018 Winner: Colin Bell

Finalists: Dr. Kerry DeGaris, Nick Dry



Winemaker of the year

This award honours an outstanding winemaker who demonstrates a broad positive contribution to the Australian wine industry and / or community, improvement from standard practice in their field through adoption of innovative practices, technologies or standards, and contributes positively to the culture of their organisation and the broader wine industry in either a regional, state or national capacity. Proudly sponsored by Wine Australia.

2018 Winner: Pete Bissell

Finalists: Bryan Currie, Corrina Wright



2018 ASVO Advanced Wine Assessment Course Scholarship

The Advanced Wine Assessment Course (AWAC) Scholarship is designed to support applicants who have the potential to become wine show judges to develop the sensory analysis capabilities and the vocabulary to judge wine at an elite level.

2018 Winner: Frank Butera – Bass River Wines

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE



ASVO Viticultural Paper of the Year Award

This award honours an outstanding Author(s) of a paper published in the AJGWR in the previous twelve months where the potential application of the research on viticultural practices is deemed by an industry/science-based panel to have the most impact. Proudly sponsored by Wiley.

Winner: Dr. Catherine Wanjiru Clarke

Research Scientist – Entomology Microbial Sciences, Pests & Diseases,
Agriculture Victoria Research Division

Clarke, C., Wigg, F., Norng, S. and Powell, K. (2017) Effectiveness of sodium hypochlorite as a disinfestation treatment against genetically diverse strains of grape phylloxera *Daktulosphaira vitifoliae* Fitch (Hemiptera: Phylloxeridae), *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*, 23: 432-440. doi:[10.1111/ajgw.12288](https://doi.org/10.1111/ajgw.12288)



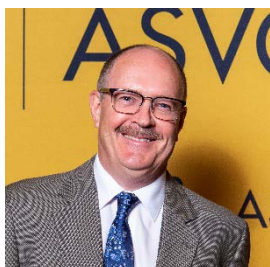
ASVO Oenology Paper of the Year Award

This award honours an outstanding Author(s) of a paper published in the AJGWR in the previous twelve months where the potential application of the research on winemaking practices is deemed by an industry/science-based panel to have the most impact. Proudly sponsored by Wiley.

Winner: Dr Paul Boss

CSIRO Agriculture & Food

Boss, P. , Kalua, C. , Nicholson, E. , Maffei, S. , Böttcher, C. and Davies, C. (2018), Fermentation of grapes throughout development identifies stages critical to the development of wine volatile composition, *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*, 24: 24-37. doi:[10.1111/ajgw.12296](https://doi.org/10.1111/ajgw.12296)



Dr Peter May award

This award is in honour of the late Dr Peter May who was the inaugural editor for the *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research* (AJGWR) and is awarded to the author(s) of the most cited AJGWR original research paper published in the previous five years. This award was established in 2018.

Winner: Dr Rob Bramley

CSIRO Agriculture & Food

Scarlett, N., Bramley, R. and Siebert, T. (2014), Within-vineyard variation in the 'pepper' compound rotundone is spatially structured and related to variation in the land underlying the vineyard, *Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research*, 20: 214-222. doi:[10.1111/ajgw.12075](https://doi.org/10.1111/ajgw.12075)

FELLOWS OF THE SOCIETY

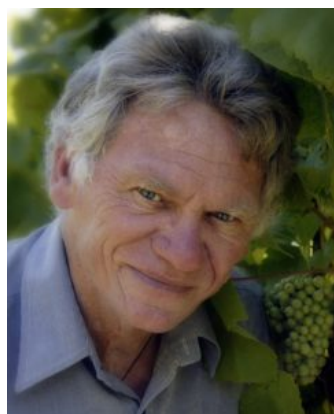
The Board of the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology elects Fellows from members who have made a particularly outstanding and meritorious contribution to the grape and wine industry. The criteria for this award include making a major contribution in an industry, scientific, educational or Society role and having been a Member of the Society for at least ten years.

In 2018 two long-serving members were inducted as Fellows of the Society: Dr Bob Dambergs and Dr Richard Smart.



Dr Bob Dambergs

Member since 6 December 1993
Regional Director 2009 - 2014
Society Secretary 2013 - 2014
1986 -2000 Interwinery Analysis Group
Statistical Secretary
2010 - 2012 Chairperson, International Cool
Climate Symposium Program Committee
2014 Best research presentation, WIC Crush
2014 AWRI Innovator of the year
2015 ASVO Viticultural paper of the Year



Dr Richard Smart

Member since 1 April 1981
Inaugural editorial Board member
Significant contributions to Viticulture 1 and 2
1980 French Government Scholarship
1983 Walter and Carew Reynell Fellowship
2004 Personality of the Year for Innovation
Wine Magazine UK
2005 "50 Most Powerful Names in Wine",
Decanter Magazine
2007 UK New Zealand Wine Hall of Fame
2015 Wine Communicators of Australia "Best
Technical Writer" award Wine



AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE AND OENOLOGY INC

STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

In the opinion of the Executive Board the accompanying financial report:

- (a) Present fairly the financial position of the Society as at 30 June 2019 and the profit for the year then ended; and
- (b) Have been prepared and presented in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards.
- (c) The Executive Board has reasonable grounds to believe that the Society will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
- (d) The Executive Board hereby states that during the year ended 30 June 2019:
 - (i) no firm of which an Executive Board member is a member; and
 - (ii) no body corporate in which an Executive Board member has a substantial financial interest has received, or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the Executive Board member, firm or body corporate and the Society.

The above statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Executive Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Executive Board by:



ASVO Treasurer
Kristy Bartrop



ASVO President
Dr Anthony Robinson

Dated this 6th day of August 2019

Profit and Loss

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY INCORPORATED

For the year ended 30 June 2019

	2019	2018
Trading Income		
Grants (AWITC)	10,000.00	-
Interest Income	8,794.58	5,484.07
Membership Fee YR 17-18	-	105,054.43
Membership Fee YR 18-19	115,261.22	-
Merchandise	2,803.30	2,404.55
Miscellaneous Income	1,031.74	0.17
Posters	748.10	1,191.57
Proceedings	271.47	447.11
Registrations	61,720.77	57,301.56
Royalties	20,852.27	16,812.93
Sponsorship- Major	25,000.00	22,736.36
Sponsorship-Events	15,686.44	3,636.36
Total Trading Income	262,169.89	215,069.11
Gross Profit	262,169.89	215,069.11
Operating Expenses		
Accommodation	10,309.09	5,702.27
Administration Services	67,461.68	45,625.00
Advertising / Promotional	30.00	-
Audio-Visual & Photography	503.90	810.08
Audit Fees	2,660.00	1,765.00
Awards	1,158.00	263.64
Bank Charges	207.38	75.77
Board Meetings/AGM Expenses	2,142.30	1,699.20
Bookkeeping Services	1,550.09	1,175.00
Computer - Laptop	305.45	-
Database Hosting	24.09	-
Depreciation	996.80	559.34
Domain Hosting	90.85	430.00
Editorial Services	25,576.41	28,687.00
Event Catering	41,470.57	28,213.50
Event Printing & Stationery	1,923.51	1,291.43
Event- promotion & marketing	1,502.61	186.33
Exchange Hosting	326.22	167.17
Freight	509.42	-
Goods for Sale	2,467.98	1,727.10
Insurance	2,796.80	2,966.27
Internet/Telephone	1,268.16	1,322.57
Legal Fees	1,125.00	986.51
Manuscript Management	7,055.01	7,380.00

	2019	2018
Merchant Fees	2,868.18	3,830.66
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,170.99	285.27
Postage	397.50	444.41
Printing & stationary	340.84	222.77
Publishing	22,074.65	20,158.81
Rent	2,200.00	2,400.00
Scholarship	4,409.09	4,327.27
Software Licences	145.45	416.07
Storage	1,090.92	269.61
Subscriptions	775.79	-
Teleconferencing	144.55	952.74
Travel - Committee	3,120.09	2,163.44
Travel - EO/Staff	1,459.22	-
Travel - Speakers & Others	10,104.21	9,490.13
Typesetting	3,400.00	-
Venue Hire	7,569.70	4,441.60
Website Hosting & Maintenance	1,275.41	240.00
Total Operating Expenses	236,007.91	180,675.96
Net Profit	26,161.98	34,393.15

Balance Sheet

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY INCORPORATED

As at 30 June 2019

	30 JUN 2019	30 JUN 2018
Assets		
Bank		
Business Online Saver	14,464.35	84,145.88
CBA Cheque Account	102,940.29	20,368.72
Term Deposit #1 38048010	50,568.30	50,000.00
Term Deposit #2 38048010	280,000.00	300,000.00
Total Bank	447,972.94	454,514.60
Current Assets		
Accrued Interest	3,199.96	915.03
Deposits Paid	4,846.82	2,700.00
Trade Debtors	1,780.05	514.76
Total Current Assets	9,826.83	4,129.79
Non-current Assets		
Office Equipment Accum Dep'n	(9,439.94)	(8,443.14)
Office Equipment at Cost	11,701.82	10,620.92
Prepayments	26,648.08	-
Total Non-current Assets	28,909.96	2,177.78
Total Assets	486,709.73	460,822.17
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	2,560.00	1,700.00
GST	7,850.00	9,618.49
Membership paid in advance	106,660.93	91,804.87
Trade Creditors	185.94	2,662.80
Mastercard - Commonwealth Bank	-	30.07
Total Current Liabilities	117,256.87	105,816.23
Non-current Liabilities		
GST Adjustment Account	-	(1.15)
Revenue in Advance	-	11,716.21
Total Non-current Liabilities	-	11,715.06
Total Liabilities	117,256.87	117,531.29
Net Assets	369,452.86	343,290.88
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	26,161.98	34,393.15
Retained Earnings	343,290.88	308,897.73
Total Equity	369,452.86	343,290.88

NOTE 1 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Executive Board of the Association has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity. Accordingly, this financial report is a special purpose financial report which has been prepared solely to meet the reporting obligations of the Executive Board, the limited information needs of the Association's members and to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985. The Association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

(a) The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985 and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

- AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- AASB 110: Events after the Balance Sheet Date
- AASB 1048: Interpretation of Standards
- AASB 1053: Application of tiers of Australian Accounting Standards
- AASB 1054: Australian Additional Disclosures

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

(b) The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, unless otherwise stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies adopted in preparing this financial report are consistent with those of the previous years.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report

a) Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation. The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

b) Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the entity reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

d) Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

e) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the assets and liabilities statement are shown inclusive of GST.

f) Events After the Reporting Period

The Executive Board are not aware of any events occurring after the reporting period that require any consideration for the adjustment to, or additional disclosures in the financial report.

g) Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

There were no Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets to be reported.

h) Association Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Association is:

i) New accounting standards

In the current year, the Association adopted all of the new and revised Standards and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are relevant to its operations and effective for the current reporting period. The adoption of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations has not resulted in any material changes to the Association's accounting policies.

Certain new accounting standards have been published that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2019 reporting period and have not been used in preparing these reports.

The Association is required to implement AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts*, AASB 16 *Leases* and AASB 1058 *Income for Not-for-profit Entities* as from 1 July 2019. As at the time of preparing these financial statements, an assessment has not been completed to quantify whether the introduction of the new accounting standards will have a material impact on the Association's accounting policies and future reported financial performance and position.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF
VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY INCORPORATED**

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of the Australian Society of Viticulture & Oenology Incorporated (the Association), which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2019, the Statement of Profit and Loss for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and the Statement by the Executive Board.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2019 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985*.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Considering the operating environment, it is difficult to establish effective control over cash revenue collected relating to the Australian Society of Viticulture & Oenology prior to its entry into the financial records of the Association. Accordingly, for these types of revenue, it is not practical to extend my examination beyond the amounts recognised in the records of the Association nor to express an opinion on whether all revenue due to the Association has been collected.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Executive Board's financial reporting requirements under the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985*. As a result the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Association and should not be distributed to or used by parties other than the Association. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Executive Board

The Executive Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985* and for such internal control as the Executive Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Executive Board is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Executive Board either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Executive Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Executive Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Executive Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

DEAN NEWBERY & PARTNERS CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



**JOHN JOVICEVIC
PARTNER**

Signed on the 3rd day of October 2019,
at 214 Melbourne Street, North Adelaide 5006

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