

## Viticultural and Oenology Committee

MINUTES		
VOC Committee Meeting		
Tuesday 7 February 2017	8.00am	Katnook Estate meeting room

### 1. Welcome/Attendance/Apologies

Present: Chris Brodie (CB), Martin Wirper (MW), Sally Macleod (SM), Josh Clementson (JC), Trent Brand (TB), Sid Kidman (SK), Catherine Kidman (CK), Allen Jenkins (AJ), Heidi Eldridge (HE)

Apologies; Joe Cory (JC), Dan Redman (DR), Paul Fitzpatrick (PF), Gavin Hogg (GH), Kerry DeGaris (KD)

Minutes: Chris Brodie (CB)

2. Minutes of the VOC Meeting held 7 November 2016		
Moved SM	Seconded CB	

3. Actions arising previous meeting		Who	Completed
7/12/16	<b>Weather Station Network</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Website status uncertain</li> </ul>	CB	ongoing
6/11/16	<b>Coonawarra Grape Register</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CB to liaise with HE &amp; CL to commence grape register</li> </ul>	CB	Ongoing
7/12/16	<b>Water allocation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CB has requested a meeting with DEWNR. SM suggested at the next general meeting of the CV in February would be a good time to do this. <b>Action: CB to liaise with DEWNR to organise</b></li> </ul>	CB	Ongoing

4. Standing Items	
4.1	<b>Weather Station Network</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CB to meet with HE &amp; Jamie to get details on website &amp; weather stations.</li> <li>Include, a map of weather station locations on the webpage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phylloxera protocols</li> <li>Grape register</li> <li>Tech papers</li> <li>Environmental protocols</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
4.2	<b>Cabernet Leaders Award Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Change name to reflect change in use of funding, Coonawarra Cabernet Project?</li> </ul>
4.3	<b>Remote Sensing Technologies Project</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funds from PIRSA &amp; SENRM will cover budgeted costs.</li> <li>Thermography towers have been installed &amp; are operating.</li> <li>First Ceres imaging flight to take place next week, ground truthing to take place at the same time.</li> <li>If data is available this can be presented at general vignerons meeting on Feb 22.</li> </ul>
4.4	<b>REAL@Coonawarra</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing to report.</li> </ul>
4.5	<b>Water allocation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NRM board report required on current seasons groundwater recharge.</li> <li>Consider reviewing planned allocation cuts.</li> </ul>
4.6	<b>SENRM update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing to report</li> </ul>
4.7	<b>Coonawarra Grape Register</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CB to meeting with HE &amp; CL to commence the register</li> </ul>

4.8	<b>Coonawarra rootstock trial</b> CK to review & distribute report from Vine Health Australia CK to review trial status and ask for recommendations on what wines to make. Funding may be required to ensure enough wines are made to collect information required. AJ & SM to present request to CGWI board meeting Rootstock trial walk planned for March 22 <sup>nd</sup> .
4.9	<b>General meeting topics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Late season snail control</li> </ul>

<b>5. Board Update and information</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coonawarra position paper underway, include Fracking, water allocations, NRM levy</li> </ul>
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<b>6. Correspondence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None.</li> </ul>
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<b>7. Finance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See attached budget</li> </ul>
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<b>8. Vinehealth Australia</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CK to review resource &amp; funds used to date.</li> <li>Consider asking Vine Health Australia to continue funding the trial for 5 years.</li> </ul>
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<b>9. Limestone Coast Grape and Wine Council – Technical Sub-Committee update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research priority meeting held on Dec 14 to develop research projects that would be suitable for a new initiative (Incubator projects).               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thermography</li> <li>Rootstocks</li> <li>Iron bacteria / irrigation efficiency</li> <li>Cabernet flavour</li> <li>?</li> </ol> </li> <li>Iron bacteria presentation to be held at the same time as the rootstock trial walk, Glenn &amp; Nikki Harrington to present findings &amp; recommendations</li> </ul>
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<b>10. Welfare, Health and Safety Issues</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CB reminded the group that SAWIA would be holding pre-vintage safety meetings which will require some promotion.</li> </ul>
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<b>11. New Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Woolworths article:</b> CB tabled the article about Woolworths having a meeting from Feb 1, VOC will assist with arranging a venue and distributing invitations if asked.</li> <li><b>Coonawarra Improvement proposal:</b> CV has thought to include in next years budget a small sum of money (1.5k) to develop ideas to improve Coonawarras visual appearance. The VOC has been asked to think of ideas. – NOT DISCUSSED, carry over to next meeting</li> </ul>
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<b>Next Meeting Tuesday 7 March 2017 at 8am – Katnook Estate Admin office.</b>
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Meeting closed at 10.00am
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	Name	
	Signature	