

# Viticultural and Oenology Committee

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VOC Committee Meeting		
Monday 7 November 2016	8.00am	Coonawarra Vignerons Office

## 1. Welcome/Attendance/Apologies

Present: Cathy Hughes (CH), Chris Brodie (CB), Sid Kidman (SK), Catherine Kidman (CK), Joe Cory (JC), Martin Wirper (MW), Sally Macleod (SM), Allen Jenkins (AJ) Josh Clementson (JC).

Apologies: Trent Brand (TB), Paul Fitzpatrick (PF), Dan Redman (DR), Peter Balnaves (PB)

Minutes: Kerry DeGaris (KD)

## 2. Minutes of the VOC Meeting held 10 October 2016

Moved	Seconded	Hold over until November meeting
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3. Actions Arising Previous Meeting		Who	Completed
5/7/2016	<b>Vine Health Australia</b>	CK	Completed
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CK/PB to draft letter to VHA about the rootstock trial and future funding.</li> </ul>		
07/11/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove from Action list</li> </ul>		

## 4. Standing Items

4.1	<b>Weather Station Network</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Website to be completed by Dec. Each member to have their own login. CH sought clarification that the VOC would only require one link to obtain weather data once login achieved. Agreed.</li> <li>CK queried how data from weather stations is being stored, and the need to have it stored within Coonawarra Vignerons. <b>Action: CB to investigate with Tim Powell. Action: CH to purchase additional hard drive to download data.</b></li> </ul>
4.2	<b>Cabernet Leaders Award Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CK indicated that the Adelaide University (via Vladamir Jiranek) had approached us about supporting a PhD student. General discussion raised the idea of redirecting funds for the Cabernet Leaders Award. <b>Action: CK to forward email from Vladamir to VOC committee.</b></li> <li>Consensus that this was a good idea and a preference for PhD student over Honours/Masters student. <b>Action: SM and AJ to develop a proposal to be resented to Board.</b> Additional funding sources: LSCGWC, PIRSA and SENRM. <b>Action: CB/CK to liaise with Vladamir to formalise our interest in developing.</b></li> </ul>
4.3	<b>Remote Sensing Technologies Project</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CK/AJ gave an update on the project with peer reviewed journal article in AJGWR to be published in the next edition. Towers to be installed in next few weeks. AJ indicated that CERES require more hectares to be flown to be profitable; forestry may be an option to accommodate request. PIRSA has provided an additional \$10K towards the project to enable a second flight. AJ speaking to Vinehealth Australia as a potential collaborative partner via the use of their vineyard register. KD indicated that the SENRM will be approaching Coonawarra Vignerons as part of the partnership funding and may be a source of additional to enable more hectares to be flown.</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>Seasonal carryover and updated water allocations had been distributed recently. CB indicated he wonders how they calculate the carry-over and is keen to have a</li> </ul>

	district meeting. <b>Action: CB to liaise with DEWNR to organise a meeting with Coonawarra Vignerons prior to the end of November.</b>
4.6	<b>SENRM update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KD updated on most recent SENRM Board meeting held on 27 October. The partnership fund was discussed at length, as Coonawarra Vignerons is one party to be getting a visit from the SENRM to be a potential recipient of some of the partnership fund (\$100k) for 2017. Updates on the SE flows and water allocations were also discussed.</li> </ul>
4.7	<b>Coonawarra Grape Register</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Action: CB to liaise with purchasing wineries to indicate who is interested in being contacted in the future. CH to send Coonawarra template to CB before distribution to members.</b></li> </ul>

#### 5. Board Update and information

- No meeting since AGM on 20 October, Next meeting planned for 17 November.

#### 6. Correspondence

- None.

#### 7. Finance

- Action: Updated VOC budget to be circulated with Minutes.**

#### 8. Vinehealth Australia

- Meeting planned next week with Darren Oemcke.

#### 9. Limestone Coast Grape and Wine Council – Technical Sub-Committee update

- KD reported on the recent LSCGWC AGM held on 19 October. A regional partners meeting organised by Wine Australia is planned for 15 November and will discuss the next 5 years funding round. The next LSCGWC – TSC is planned for 14 Dec in Coonawarra and will have the SENRM completing the viticulture component of the SENRM 5-year plan, and Mark Sosnowski will be presenting on the new eutypa project the LSCGWC are part-funding.

#### 10. Welfare, Health and Safety Issues

- SAWIA has advised that staff using high risk equipment need to have appropriate documentation/licences.

#### 11. New Business

- Future meeting timetable:** Members consulted, and agreed that first Tuesday in the month at 8am is preferable.
- VOC membership:** CB advised of proposed new members. **Action: CB to distribute list of members to committee.**
- Vignerons Cup:** Additional VIP's requested for Cup: Nikki and Glenn Harrington, and Inca Pearce (VHA). **Action: CH to arrange invitations.**
- VOC news on social media:** CH requested VOC related information should be sent to Jamie for sharing on social media (for possible Facebook, Twitter or Instagram use).

**Next Meeting Tuesday 6 November 2016 at 8am – Katnook Estate Admin office.**

Meeting closed at 10.45am

Date	THESE MINUTES WERE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD OF THE MEETING DESCRIBED AND THE CHAIRPERSON OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE WAS DULY AUTHORISED TO SIGN THEM AS SUCH	
	Name	
	Signature	