

Viticultural and Oenology Committee

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VOC Committee Meeting		
Tuesday 9 May 2017	8.00am	Katnook Estate meeting room

1. Welcome/Attendance/Apologies

Present: Chris Brodie (CB), Martin Wirper (MW), Heidi Eldridge (HE), Catherine Kidman (CK), Sally Macleod (SM), Josh Clementson (JC)

Apologies; Joe Cory (JC), Dan Redman (DR), Paul Fitzpatrick (PF), Gavin Hogg (GH), , Trent Brand (TB), Allen Jenkins (AJ), Sid Kidman (SK),

Minutes: Kerry DeGaris (KD)

2. Minutes of the VOC Meeting held 7 March 2017

Moved CB	Seconded MW	
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3. Actions arising previous meeting		Who	Completed
7/12/16 7/3/17	Weather Station Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JM has been in contact with Tim Powell to ensure correct roll over to new web-site. HE reported that once new website is up and running new links will be created for members to access TP was creating a map of where weather stations are currently located. Action: CB to follow up with TP 	CB	Completed
6/11/16 7/3/17	Coonawarra Grape Register <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No replies to invitation to submit uncommitted fruit HE to continue to place in weekly correspondence 	HE	Completed

4. Standing Items

4.1	Weather Station Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New web-site launched, so weather station login now available through member logins. These are being created at the moment. CK suggested a cover page that summarised monthly statistics. Action: CB to investigate this with Tim Powell. Map of weather station location is also being uploaded onto the website.
4.2	Cabernet Leaders Award Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See email from Vladamir (Adelaide Uni). Still awaiting confirmation that ARC grant was successful.
4.3	Remote Sensing Technologies Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CK reported that data is still being written up, with a May 31 deadline. CK highlighted a new funding opportunity through the federal government. Asking that projects leaders from the VOC be sought. Vinay Pangay is to present work at ASVO seminar in August.
4.4	REAL@Coonawarra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report.
4.5	Water allocation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received letters about fines if water allocations are exceeded. Importance of monitoring water meters highlighted.
4.6	SENRM update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE regional plan – community consultation to occur in May/June. Action: HE to email out invitation to attend. Commencement of community consultation on the Tatiara WAP.
4.7	Coonawarra Grape Register <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This was used by three growers this season. HE asked about non-members using the register. SM asked if it was up to growers to remove fruit from register once sold/season finished. Consensus that it was up to grower not office to chase up. HE asked members to provide feedback on how the register worked in 2017 vintage.

4.8	Coonawarra rootstock trial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CK reported that trial did not get harvested this year due to seasonal difficulties.
4.9	General meeting topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date discussed – it was thought once collation of remote sensing data is complete. CK reported that this would be the end of May when report is due.

5. Board Update and information	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SM gave an update on the April board meeting. Budget was touched on – but no finalisation. Registration of trademarks. Fullers contracted to assist with implementing the marketing plan and developing projects for grant applications. Currently negotiating for a new EO to replace HE. Website up and running. 	

6. Correspondence	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Omnia request to present at next general meeting. See New Business 	

7. Finance	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for budget items from VOC sent in in March. No feedback from Bruce Redman at this stage 	

8. Vinehealth Australia	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CB reported a protocol for visitors visiting vineyards was circulated. Announcement of an extension of the PIZ zone in the Yarra Valley. Machinery movement – tightening of protocols. 	

9. Limestone Coast Grape and Wine Council – Technical Sub-Committee update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KD reported that incubator projected had one applicant for the LSC which is currently being assessed. Regional AOP for 2017/18 has been approved. Finalisation of 2016/17 AOP currently occurring with an Aged CAS tutored tasting to occur in June. 	

10. Welfare, Health and Safety Issues	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	

11. New Business	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Omnia request to speak to general meeting – Action: CB to liaise with Ryan Sheridan to progress AWRI Agrochemical reference group – CB requested if any member has issues with chemicals used in the viticultural industry to discuss with him to bring up at the reference meeting Vine Improvement – Grapevine reference group. CB attending and will become a ongoing agenda item CAS symposium – planned for 2018. Action: CB to forward presentations from a similar event held in Margaret river in 2016. To make on ongoing agenda item 	

Next Meeting Tuesday 6 June 2017 at 8am – Katnook Estate Admin office.	
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Meeting closed at 9.30am	
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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	