

Viticultural and Oenology Committee

MINUTES - VOC Committee Meeting		
Tuesday 31 July 2018	8.45am	Katnook Estate Meeting Room

1. Welcome/Attendance/Apologies

Present: Chris Brodie (CB), Luke Trotter (LT), Christian Fraser (CF), Sean Murphy (SM), Olivia Nunn (ON)

Apologies: Sally MacLeod (SM), Kerry DeGaris (KD), Allen Jenkins (AJ), Catherine Kidman (CK), Martin Wirper (MW), Paul Fitzpatrick (PF)

No response: Gavin Hogg (GH),

Minutes: Chris Brodie (CB)

2.	Minutes of the VOC Meeting held 6 February 2018		
			Note that the previous minutes were not distributed.

3. Actions arising previous meeting	Who	Completed
Coonawarra Cabernet Symposium		
• Symposium held on July 5 th .	ON	
ON to circulate feedback questionnaire seeking suggestions		
for topics & speakers for next symposium, also frequency of		
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4. Standing Items					
4.1	 Coonawarra Cabernet Project Dr. Dimitra Capone appointed as post doc. Researcher. Lira Souza Gonzaga appointed as master student on the project. Initial tasting and meeting held on July 30 to identify significant areas of interest for cabernet Action: Project researchers will continue to identify key cabernet characteristics & circulate to project group. 				
4.2	Remote Sensing Technologies Project Data gathered across the 3 treatments on 2 soils and grapes harvested for winemaking, CK & Vinay Pagay drafting final report. Action: Coonawarra tasting of wines & report presentation in Sep/Oct				
4.3	 Water Allocation Plan (WAP) The government has placed a moratorium on planned allocation cuts pending a review of the process. Action: Pete Balnaves will represent CGWI on refence group for the review. A LCGWC is also being sought. 				
4.4	SENRM Board Update • No update, KD overseas.				
4.5	 Coonawarra VOC Sponsorship Action: CB will meet with EDG on Aug 10th to provide update on status of projects EDG are helping to fund. 				
4.6	 Coonawarra Cabernet Symposium Symposium was held on July 5th, with good attendance. Initial feedback has been positive. Action: Feedback questionnaire to be prepared and sent out. 				
4.10	 Coonawarra Improvement Project ON has opened improvement project to be opened up to the wider community by discussing with schools. 				
4.11	 Coonawarra Rootstock Trial CB met with Con Simos from AWRI regarding cost of making wines. Con proposed that Replicate wines are not required and AWRI use the wines in AWRI roadshow events and contribute \$5,500 towards trial costs. 				

Action: CB to accept AWRI proposal.

5. Board Update and information

• NIL – Board Meeting is to be held on 1 August 2018.

6. Correspondence

• Suggested that correspondence be tailored for VOC Updates in addition to weekly correspondence to increase engagement. See action below.

7. Finance

NIL to report. Next meeting share the Budget as approved.

8. Vinehealth Australia

• Signs have been distributed. ON will check if the signs have been put up. Noted Phylloxera Bumper Stickers in office and continually releasing information such as posters that were available in the session.

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

NIL – KD overseas.

10. Welfare, Health and Safety Issues

- Risk assessment workshop held in Coonawarra in December. Identified a lack of sites that had a Fire Plan.
- Action: Fire planning to be reviewed and the role to play of CGWI considered further.

11. Viticulture and Onelogy news for social media posts

Encouraging members to forward pictures and updates from the vines for social media posts to olivia@coonawara.org. So far this has resulted in a social post when received. Keep them coming.

12. New Business

- CB met with Peter Magarey & Alison McGregor regarding hosting a Pest & disease control / sprayer workshop, a proposal is due.
 - Action: CB follow up with Alison McGregor.
- Lack of engagement from CGWI members with VOC discussed,
 Action: VOC minutes to be emailed in a separate email to correspondence email, with a summary in the email text.

Next Meeting Tues 4th September – Katnook Estate Admin Office Meeting Room

Meeting closed at 10.00am

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		