

Dear Blackwood Valley Wine Producer,

**THE 2017 BLACKWOOD VALLEY WINE SHOW  
will be held in Bridgetown from October 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> 2017**

This year two wine shows will be held concurrently; the Blackwood Valley Wine Show and the Western Australian Boutique Wine Show. This formalises the manner in which these shows have been conducted in the past. Wines entered in the Blackwood Valley Wine Show that are eligible to enter the Western Australian Boutique Wine Show will be automatically entered therein at no additional fee. Likewise wines entered in the Western Australian Boutique Wine Show that are eligible to enter the Blackwood Valley Wine Show will be automatically entered therein at no additional fee.

The change in structure of the wine shows has resulted in some changes to the schedule of conditions. Fortified wines can now be stored in bulk storage (Clause 9). I encourage you to review the amended Schedule.

The Show is open to Wine Producers from the Blackwood Valley who crush up to 1500 tonnes of fruit. It provides a wonderful opportunity for producers to have their wine judged to Australian standards, as well as promote their label and region.

If the wine qualifies for the WA Boutique wine show trophies then it is preferable to enter via the WA Boutique Entry Form. If it is not eligible then please use the Blackwood Valley Entry Form. Regardless of the form used the entries will be reviewed to ensure the wines are entered in the appropriate show or shows.

The judging process will occur over two days, Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October. The Chief Judge is Tony Davis and his judging team includes Andrew Dawson. For more details see the Blackwood Valley Wine page on Facebook.

The 'Exhibitors Only' Tasting will take place on the afternoon of Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 3:00pm at Bridgetown Gardens Function Centre. The judges will be on hand and you are welcome to discuss your wines with them. It will also be an opportunity for you to compare your wines with other entries. On request, two tickets for the Exhibitor's tasting will be provided free of charge per Exhibitor.

The Official Function and Presentation of Awards will follow at 5:00pm where the top wines of the Show will be available for Exhibitors, Show Sponsors and other wine enthusiasts to sample, whilst enjoying canapés. Tickets for the Official Function are \$30 per head. You are welcome to invite family and friends to this Function. Tickets are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

The Blackwood Valley Wine Industry Association would like to encourage all Blackwood Valley Winemakers to enter this Show highlighting wines from the region..

Please find a copy of the Wine Show Schedule with Conditions of Entry and the Entry Form attached. Online entry is also available at [www.blackwoodvalleywine.asn.au](http://www.blackwoodvalleywine.asn.au).

**ENTRIES CLOSE on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> 2017** when payment is also due (see Condition 10). All wines must be delivered to the specified address by **NO LATER THAN Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> 2017**. Please note that labels will be *posted to you* upon receipt of your entry form. *Please do not send your wine before attaching your labels.*

If you require further information, please contact the Wine Show Administrator via the details listed below.

Kind regards,



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