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IWFS INTERNATIONAL NEWS APRIL 2016



OUR FESTIVALS



CAPE TOWN (SOUTH AFRICA)

A wonderful EAZ festival, held in February, showcased SA's up and coming wine areas. In Swartland members met the 'Independent Producers' (led by **Adi Badenhorst**) who are creating outstanding wines reflecting local terroir. A tasting with these revolutionary winemakers plus a lunch on the homestead were real highlights.

Included also was a tour of the Cape Peninsula with a boat trip to Seal Island, a visit to the penguin sanctuary and a delicious lobster lunch at Two Oceans Restaurant. A dine-around in members' houses was also memorable and new friends made. A final day wine tasting with Roland Peens and, IWFS member, David Swinger demonstrated the changing styles of SA wines and the Festival closed with the gala dinner.



JOHN AVERY MEMORIAL DINNER (SOUTH AFRICA)

The gala dinner was a tribute to John Avery and was held at the Twelve Apostles hotel. 30+ Cape Town Festival delegates joined members from local and worldwide branches to celebrate John's time as an IWFS member and President.

His daughter, Ros, joined us, making the evening all the more special. Cape Town Branch chose a special menu, with wines associated with John's early promotion of new world wines from SA including wines from Vondeling, Hamilton Russell, Luddite, Glenelly and Nederberg. EAZ chair, Ian Nicol, paid tribute to John and invited guests to share their happy memories of him.

An evening we trust John would have enjoyed too.

SHANGHAI (CHINA)

In mid-March, almost 70 delegates from Asia Pacific met in the beautiful city of Shanghai (China) for their AGM, a weekend of very special wine and food, and some fabulous camaraderie. Thanks to the Shanghai Branch for hosting this wonderful weekend, particularly President Yi Wang. A black tie gala dinner at the luxurious Waldorf Astoria was a real highlight, along with a tutored wine tasting of some of the top vineyards in China, and a guided tour of the amazing Bund by a specialist in architecture and social change.



We also held our inaugural APZ Lecture, presented by Yi Wang on the 'Production and Consumption of Wine in China' – absolutely fascinating. Almost all of APZ's 28 branches were represented – a really excellent outcome.





MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Do you enjoy the fun and excitement of tasting wines blind? Do you sometimes tote special wines to restaurants or friends' homes? Do you occasionally travel by plane to wine-growing areas and want to bring home those enchanting bottles you discovered? Well, your Society has been working toward providing members with well-made, IWFS-logoed solutions for these questions. And the first, a Society kit of ten numbered wine tasting bags (burgundy on black) is on its way!



Mrs Andrea Warren, our International Secretariat, will be mailing one free sample kit to every branch around the world. It will go to your branch president, so be sure to ask to see it. Then use it! Also available for purchase will be neoprene single- and double-bottle carrying bags (also burgundy on black). And, finally, we now have a sample number of reusable, logoed wine luggage sleeves, in heavy-duty plastic and bubble-wrap, with a tough Velcro seal. I love this last product. We travel frequently to wine regions around the world. And I love my wines. In New Zealand's South Island last year, we visited the marvellous Felton Road winery. (For obvious reasons, I attempted to claim that the winery belonged to me by obscure inheritance laws. I was soundly rebuffed.) But I brought home a half dozen Felton (Road) wines, all packed away securely in our wine luggage sleeves inside our suitcases.

David R Felton Chairman, IWFS ICM

MESSAGE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT NEXT IWFS MONOGRAPH - ROUND THE WORLD WITH OLIVE OIL

Are you a lover of olive oil or even consider yourself something of a connoisseur? If so, then this year's monograph, with more of a food focus, should grab your interest. Leading expert and author on this topic, Judy Ridgway, will take you around the world considering the differing qualities of olive oils now being produced and where. Be prepared to be absorbed by this topic and to be armed with all the latest news...



OUR AWARDS EAS AWARD 3 ANDRÉ SIMON BRONZE MEDALS

John Nicholas (left) received his AS Bronze Medal at the John Avery Memorial Dinner, on 25 February, for his service on the committee of Zurich Branch, his service as EA Committee treasurer, and more recently his service as a member of Council.



Hilton Kuck (middle) was awarded the AS Bronze Medal in Cape Town. This was to recognise his service as Chairman of Cape Town Branch and as African Branches representative on the EA Committee and for his lead

role in organising the Cape Town Festival 2016 (for which he also received the IWFS Diploma from the International Council, presented by Dave Felton (left), ICM Chair).



Robin Sheppard, of the Northampton Branch, was presented with his AS Bronze Medal to recognise his service to that Branch both as a member of its committee and as an officer for over 30 years, especially 5 years ago when he became Secretary when the Branch was in difficulty.

Congratulations to all three worthy recipients.



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ZONE NEWS

AMERICAS CHAIR: Andrew Jones



IWFS Americas is pleased to note that attendance at Festivals and Events throughout the world is increasing. The Americas Zone was well-represented at the Melbourne Festival and a good contingent is joining the Danube cruise. We encourage all members to check out the details for the coming Niagara Great Weekend October 13 – 16. Should be lots of fun!

ASIA PACIFIC CHAIR: Yvonne Wallis



So much action in Asia Pacific right now. A brilliant APZ Weekend in Shanghai with almost all of our branches in attendance, and plans now afoot for our 2017 APZ AGM Weekend in Mumbai next February, a Post-Tour to Delhi with an option to visit the Taj Mahal. Great!! Plus we are looking to open a second branch in the bustling city of Hong Kong very soon, and a fourth branch in Taiwan (Kaohsiung). Also had a brilliant visit to our Chaoyang District branch in Beijing and warmly welcome their new president, Shunichi Matsui.

EUROPE AFRICA CHAIR: Ian Nicol



It is four years since we sadly lost our then President John Avery, but it was great to see the numbers who turned out for the dinner in Cape Town, to celebrate the times we had together. Many a tale was shared and in the presence of his daughter, Ros, a great night was had by all. Congratulations to Cape Town Branch and Hilton Kuck for arranging the event.

UPCOMING FESTIVALS

TOKYO / KYOTO, JAPAN

NOVEMBER 10-18 2016

Coming up in just over 6 months, places have recently become available for this outstanding festival, but you will need to book very soon. See the brochure [here](#) where you will find information on how to book or to make an inquiry. Open to all IWFS members.

TOKYO MAIN FESTIVAL

November 10-13 2016

KYOTO POST TOUR

November 14-18 2016

Don't miss this very special festival. You can book either the Main festival in Tokyo or just the Post-Tour in the beautiful city of Kyoto, or both. We hope to see you there.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



DANUBE RIVER CRUISE, HUNGARY, JUNE 2-5 2016

Hosted by the Americas, a pre-tour to Budapest (Hungary) (sold out, welcome to wait list), and a River Cruise of the Danube visiting Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Germany (places still available). Click [here](#) for details.

EDINBURGH (SCOTLAND) SEPTEMBER 20-23 2016

Now fully booked but members are welcome to wait list. Bookings welcome for the Royal Yacht Britannia Reception and Dinner on 22 September at £275 per head and on 23 September for a wine or whisky tasting at £30 per head and the post-festival lunch at £55 per head. Click [here](#) for details.

NIAGARA, ONTARIO (CANADA), OCTOBER 13-16 2016

Your chance to enjoy some of the best food and wine that Niagara, one of the least known great wine regions of the world, has to offer. This is an Americas Great Weekend and only a few places are remaining. To find out more click [here](#). Max 120.

TOKYO/KYOTO (JAPAN), NOVEMBER 10-18 2016

Hosted by Asia Pacific, this will be an exclusive Japanese experience with the primary festival in Tokyo Nov 10-13 and a post-tour to Kyoto Nov 14-17. Click [here](#) for reservations. Attendees 100.

MUMBAI (INDIA), FEBRUARY 24-26 2017

Hosted by Asia Pacific, this APZ AGM Weekend will open first to APZ members. Limited places may become available to members of other zones. Details as they become available.

DELHI (INDIA), FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 1 2017

Open to members worldwide, a fabulous festival in the great city of Delhi, 3 nights. Details as they become available.

AGRA (INDIA), MARCH 2-3 2017

Open to members worldwide, 2 nights, the amazing city of Agra, close to the city of Delhi, where we will have a guided tour of one of the 7 New Wonders of the World, the Taj Mahal. Details as they become available.

"A VISIT TO VIRGINIA" IN VIRGINIA WINE COUNTRY, APRIL 2017

A visit to the US East Coast, hosted by the EAZ, where both Washington & Jefferson experimented with grape growing and winemaking. Today's wines are winning taste-offs and making headlines. Max 60.

SONOMA, CALIFORNIA (USA), MAY 2-6 2017

An Americas Regional Festival is in the pipeline in this beautiful wine region, home to many prominent California wine producers. More details to follow very soon.

BALTIC CRUISE (EUROPE), JUNE 29 - JULY 7 2017

Booking are now being taken for this magical cruise of the Baltic with food and wine experiences in cities such as Copenhagen, Helsinki, Tallinn, St Petersburg and ending in Stockholm. Click [here](#) to view details or email [Stephanie Shepherd](#). Attendees 40-60.

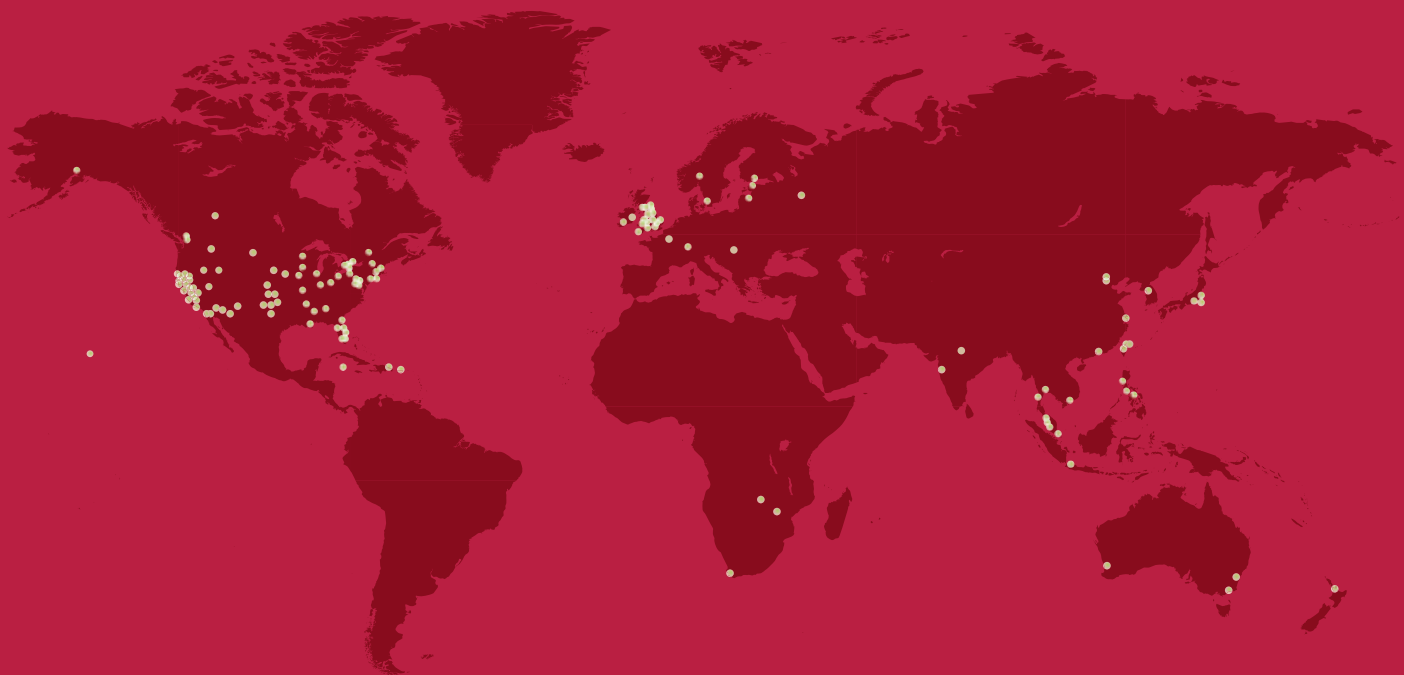
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND (USA), OCTOBER 11-14 2017

Stay tuned for details of a Great Weekend and AGM, hosted by the Americas in Baltimore. Max 60.

LONDON (UK), MAY 28 - JUNE 2 2018

Make sure London is your travel destination in 2018. The next tri-annual International Festival, following Melbourne 2015, will be in London. Plans are being made to ensure this is a memorable trip. Put it in the diary now so you don't miss out. More later.

OUR IWFS BRANCHES



137 BRANCHES WORLDWIDE

AMERICAS (78)

CANADA
ALBERTA - EDMONTON
BRITISH COLUMBIA
 VANCOUVER
 VICTORIA (BC)
ONTARIO
 KITCHENER-WATERLOO
 NIAGARA
 OAKVILLE
 TORONTO
QUEBEC - MONTREAL
CAYMAN ISLANDS - CAYMAN ISLANDS
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
MEXICO
 TECATE
 TIJUANA
PUERTO RICO - PUERTO RICO
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ALABAMA - BIRMINGHAM
ALASKA - ANCHORAGE
ARIZONA
 PARADISE VALLEY
 PHOENIX
 TUCSON
CALIFORNIA
 CHULA VISTA
 COACHELLA VALLEY
 EAST BAY
 HOLLYWOOD
 LA JOLLA
 LAGUNA BEACH
 LOS ANGELES
 MARIN COUNTY
 MONTEREY PENINSULA
 NAPA VALLEY
 ORANGE COUNTY
 PASADENA
 PHYSICIANS OF LOS ANGELES
 RANCHO SANTA FE
 RIVERSIDE
 SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN
 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
 SANTA BARBARA
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

FLORIDA
 JACKSONVILLE
 MIAMI
 NAPLES
 ORLANDO
 PALM BEACH
GEORGIA - ATLANTA
HAWAII - HONOLULU
ILLINOIS - CHICAGO
INDIANA - INDIANAPOLIS
IOWA - COUNCIL BLUFFS
LOUISIANA - NEW ORLEANS
MARYLAND - BALTIMORE
MASSACHUSETTS
 BOSTON
 CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS
MINNESOTA
 MINNEAPOLIS/ST PAUL
 ROCHESTER
MISSOURI - KANSAS CITY
MONTANA - BOZEMAN
NEBRASKA
 GREATER OMAHA
 NORFOLK
 OMAHA
NEVADA
 LAKE TAHOE
 RENO
NEW MEXICO - SANTA FE
NEW YORK
 BUFFALO
 LONG ISLAND
 NEW YORK
OHIO - CLEVELAND
OKLAHOMA - OKLAHOMA CENTRAL
PENNSYLVANIA
 PHILADELPHIA
 YORK
SOUTH CAROLINA - AIKEN
TENNESSEE - MEMPHIS
TEXAS
 AUSTIN
 DALLAS
 FORT WORTH
 HOUSTON
 NORTHEAST TEXAS

UTAH - SALT LAKE CITY
WASHINGTON - SPOKANE
WASHINGTON DC - WASHINGTON DC

ASIA PACIFIC (28)

AUSTRALIA
 NEW SOUTH WALES
 VICTORIA
 WESTERN AUSTRALIA
CHINA
 BEIJING CITY
 CHAOYANG DISTRICT (BEIJING)
 SHANGHAI
HONG KONG - HONG KONG ISLAND
INDIA
 BOMBAY
 DELHI
INDONESIA - JAKARTA
JAPAN
 ROPPOGI
 TOKYO
 TOKYO BAY
MALAYSIA
 IPOH
 KUALA LUMPUR
 PENANG
NEW ZEALAND - AUCKLAND
PHILIPPINES
 CEBU
 MANILA LADIES
 PHILIPPINES
SINGAPORE - TANGLIN
SOUTH KOREA - SEOUL
TAIWAN R.O.C.
 TAICHUNG
 TAIPEI
 TAIWAN BELLE
THAILAND
 PHUKET
 BANGKOK
VIETNAM - SAIGON

EUROPE / AFRICA (31)

ESTONIA - TALLINN
FINLAND - HELSINKI
FRANCE - CHAMPAGNE
HUNGARY - BUDAPEST
IRELAND
 LEINSTER
 MUNSTER
NORWAY - OSLO
RUSSIA - MOSCOW
SOUTH AFRICA - CAPE TOWN
SWEDEN - MALMÖ
SWITZERLAND - ZURICH
UNITED KINGDOM
 BATH & BRISTOL
 BERKSHIRE
 BLACKPOOL & FYLDE COAST
 CAPITAL
 DEVONSHIRE
 HEREFORDSHIRE & MONMOUTHSHIRE
 LEICESTER
 LIVERPOOL
 LONDON
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 MANCHESTER
 MERSEYSIDE & MID-CHESHIRE
 NORTHAMPTON
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