



OUR 85TH ANNIVERSARY

THE DATE

November 14, 2018 is a cause for celebration... This is the day the Society celebrates its 85th anniversary and will be an opportunity for members around the world to organise a sparkling event - not only to celebrate the history of the Society but the now and the future. It is hoped that events will run around all corners of the globe - from Bombay to Bristol, Miami to Melbourne, Valencia to Vancouver - maybe even invite potential new members so they can enjoy of the celebrations and also be part of the future of the Society.

Do send us the details about your event (email sec@iwfs.org). Whether you replicate the inaugural dinner or give it a modern twist, it will be great to hear. Plus we will aim to archive most of these along with those from 85 years ago. They could be an inspiration for future events and maybe even the Society's Centenary!!!



HOW WE CAN BE OF HELP...

- **Sample menus and recipes of the inaugural event back in 1933** are now available on the website for you to refer to – [click here](#)
- **85th anniversary logo:** This has been created so you can promote your event. [Click here](#) to see the various designs, colours and formats it is available in. (n.b. you will need branch admin access to view).
- **Archives:** All members can now view these via the [website](#) and may also provide inspiration for themes for your events now and in the future. The archives include Society events, Branch events and also an extensive library of press cuttings.

Enjoy 2018 and celebrate the Society's 85 years the best you can - *Santé*.

NEW BRANCHES

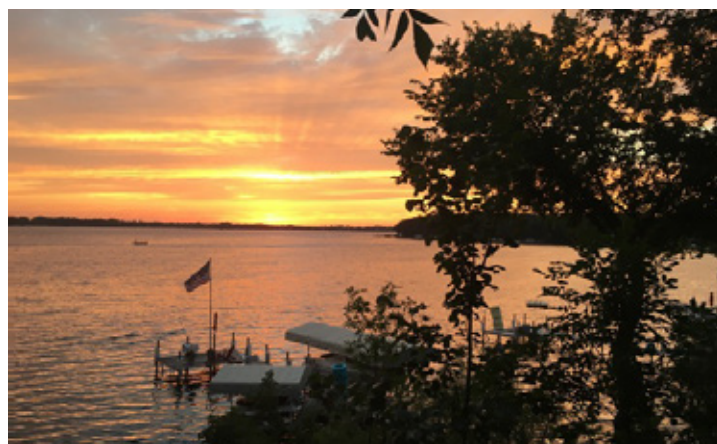
OKOBOJI (USA)

The newest Americas branch opened in Okoboji, a hidden gem of a lake community in Northwest Iowa, famous for its crystal-clear water and outstanding boating culture.

The brainchild of Morris Caudle, a long-standing member of the Omaha branch, it has already grown in numbers to 44. The branch hit the ground running, and has conducted several educational and unique events from mid-summer through the holiday season



IWFS Americas director Stephen Hipple was on hand to present the provisional charter to the branch at their holiday dinner of December 7th. This is a fun loving branch to keep your eye on.



Sunset on Okoboji Lake

MARGARET RIVER (AUSTRALIA)

We would also like to welcome members of the new Margaret River branch in Western Australia. A wonderful opening event was held in November last year. Full details and photos will be included in the next issue.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

After the festive activities it is nice to be at home for a while before the programme of IWFS meetings and events kicks in. We are fortunate to have a local Michelin starred restaurant *Northcote*, (with Lisa Goodwin-Allen their Executive Chef) who organise 'Obsession', eighteen consecutive nights where visiting international chefs cook for one evening.

We only managed to attend a few evenings, as it is highly popular, but have in past years enjoyed the cooking of Lanshu Chen, *Le Mout*, Taichung City Taiwan, and Peter Templehoff, *The Greenhouse*, Constantia South Africa, and this year The Berezutskiy Twins, from Moscow Russia. Their restaurant *The Twins Garden* is one of only two Russian restaurants listed in the top 51-100 restaurants of the world. With impeccable credentials, (Sergey trained at *Alinea* in Chicago, and Ivan at *El Bulli* and *El Cellar de Can Roca* in Spain) they produced an 8-course meal which included typical Russian ingredients such as Sea urchin caviar, Adjika crab, and Sturgeon, a thoroughly enjoyable meal.

It was nice not to have to travel to Moscow to sample their fare, and I hope you have a local restaurant who occasionally feature a visiting chef or winemaker. Having said that we are still hopeful that our Moscow Branch Chairman, Leonid Gelibtermann, will put together a festival in Russia and Moscow.

Ian Nicol Chairman,
International Council of Management (ICM)



Photo by Allen Markey

The Berezutskiy Twins



My wife, Chris, and I are here with Leonid from our Moscow branch

NEWS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT

A supply of branded IWFS Drop Savers (three per branch) have recently been purchased to assist you in your events in 2018, with compliments of the ICM.

Many of you may already use them as they certainly do save drops spilling onto the table when pouring wine – but we feel you can never have enough!

Plus these Drop Savers have a unique design to stop the pourer slipping inside the bottle. Watch out for yours to arrive in the coming weeks – they will be posted to the branch contact, as listed on the website. The International Council trust you will find them useful.



LOCAL KNOWLEDGE FROM THE BRANCHES

Ahead of his recent trip to "Down Under", Europe Africa member, David Chapman was seeking some extra advice regarding places to visit when in Sydney.

The local branch was most helpful and their recommendations proved to be excellent. These were fine dining at Quay Restaurant overlooking Circular Quay, then (after a water-taxi ride across the harbour) at Doyles at Watson's Bay with a great sunset view with the Harbour Bridge as a back-drop and, finally, at Aria for more fine-dining overlooking the harbour and the Opera House.

If you are heading that way soon, maybe even for the Sydney pre-tour next month, you might want to keep them in mind.



Doyles at Watson's Bay

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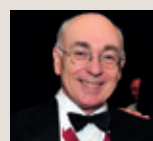
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(London, UK)

ZONE NEWS



AMERICAS CHAIR: Mike Donohoe

In 2017 in the Americas, I am proud to say, 36 over-achievers received certificates of appreciation, Silver or Gold medals, or André Simon Bronze medals. We also have several more branches in the formation stages and we hope to bring you more exciting news about them in upcoming issues. As 2018 unfolds, we are looking forward to hosting a splendid New York Weekend in mid-April, showcasing wine and food, as well as experiences that can only be found in the Big Apple. Late September will bring a Great Weekend in Québec City. By the time you read this Grapevine, registration may be underway for our Douro River Cruise of June 2019. The pipeline is full. Let the fun begin!



ASIA PACIFIC CHAIR: Yvonne Wallis

APZ opened a new branch in November in the beautiful wine region of Margaret River in Western Australia, under the leadership of Michael Whyte. More details and photos in the next edition. More new branches in Japan and Taiwan are underway. We are working hard to prepare for our festival in Perth in March, with a pre-tour to Sydney and a post-tour to Margaret River. There are still a few places available so do let us know if you wish to attend. Under the Festival Chairs of Michael Tamburri and Ulrich Kunzmann, this is looking to be an outstanding festival.



EUROPE AFRICA CHAIR: Ian Nicol

Focus this year for the zone will be on attracting new and younger members, and new branches. We are looking to invest in PR and marketing to assist this process but hope that every member will look to introduce new members or spawn a new branch when they move location. Subscription renewals are in progress and we have managed to hold subscription prices despite rising costs for another year. We look forward to branches putting together their own 85th Anniversary events with the theme of inviting other local branches to take part. There are a few more places released for the London Festival, and individual dinners. See below for more details, and also [visit the website](#).



HONORARY PRESIDENT'S MUSINGS

I'm sitting here at home in Southern California with my right leg in the air. I'm truly musing. But let me explain. I want to be day-dreaming about flying south to Australia, getting giddy about the Society's Perth festival soon to begin on the far west of that great continent. It's a gorgeous city in the land of Oz, with the beautiful Margaret River wine country immediately south. And better yet, the program is being run by the inimitable Michael Tamburri of the Perth branch, who turns unusual activities into magic. Yet I'm going to miss it.

My right knee was replaced recently, and my travel schedule curtailed. These opportunities to wine, dine and make friends with like-minded peers in fantastic locales around the world are many, but still too few. Take advantage of them while you can. I will hope to see you, personally, in London this summer. Best wishes.

Dave Felton Honorary President

UPCOMING FESTIVALS LONDON INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

28 MAY – 2 JUNE 2018

Thinking that you should have booked for the IWFS triennial International Festival in London, or for one of the pre- or post-tours, or for one of the individual Festival Events? Now is the time to do it. There are still a few places available for the main festival but bookings need to be made by 31 March 2018.

The exciting events you can choose from include a trip to Champagne, a tour of Sussex and Hampshire wineries, a Gourmet London post-tour, an exclusive musical and historical tour of London's Westminster Abbey as well as a single place on the Irish Delights tour. For all of these, find full details and booking instructions by [clicking here](#).

**LAST CALL
FOR BOOKINGS**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



PERTH (AUSTRALIA), 9-11 MARCH 2018

This APZ AGM Weekend is hosted by the Western Australia branch and will be one to remember. A pre-tour in Sydney for all lovers of seafood from March 4-7 and a post-tour to the Margaret River wine region will be from March 12-14. Open first to APZ members, then to members from other zones. Max 100 attendees. [Click here](#) to find out more.

NEW YORK (USA), 12-14 APRIL 2018

Enjoy a Spring Weekend in the Big Apple – dining in some of the City's best restaurants. See Upcoming Festivals alongside here to find out more. This event has now sold out but there is a wait list. Visit the [Americas Festivals page](#) to find out more.

LONDON (UK), 28 MAY – 2 JUNE 2018

Only a few places remaining as the international festival draws even nearer and London opens its doors to members from around the globe. Don't miss out on an opportunity to see this great city as you've never seen it before. A 5 star hotel, dining in a historic livery hall and a former royal palace plus a visit to the 21st century home of an internationally known food producer are all in the plans. Please see Upcoming Festivals below for more details.

BRISTOL (UK), 23-24 SEPTEMBER 2018

Join the EAZ AGM weekend in England's west country and with the opportunity to dine at the Lord Mayor's Mansion House. More details to follow.

QUEBEC (CANADA), 26-30 SEPTEMBER 2018

This event sold out within hours of being opened for bookings. Please email [Stephanie Schmitz](#) if you would like to be placed on the wait list and be part of this chance to experience the high quality food and wine the city has to offer.

AUCKLAND (NZ), 8-10 MARCH 2019

The 2019 APZ AGM Weekend will be held in Auckland, with a pre-tour in the North Island and a post-tour to the fabulous Central Otago wine region in the South Island. Stay tuned.

DOURO RIVER CRUISE (PORTUGAL), 9-16 JUNE 2019

A wonderful cruise is planned by the Americas along this major river on the Iberian peninsula designated as a World Heritage Site. A pre-tour in Lisbon is also planned from 6-8 June. [Click here](#) to download the tour itinerary, pricing and booking details.

If you are interested in joining an event that is full, or reservations closed, then please contact the organiser in case space is available.





OUR IWFS BRANCHES 140 BRANCHES WORLDWIDE

AMERICAS (79)

CANADA

ALBERTA - Edmonton

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver
Victoria

ONTARIO

Kitchener-Waterloo
Niagara
Oakville
Toronto

QUEBEC - Montreal

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Cayman Islands

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Dominican Republic

MEXICO

Tecate
Tijuana

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

Boca Raton
Jacksonville
Miami
Naples
Palm Beach

GEORGIA - Atlanta

HAWAII - Honolulu

ILLINOIS - Chicago

INDIANA - Indianapolis

IOWA

Council Bluffs
Okoboji

LOUISIANA - New Orleans

MARYLAND - Baltimore

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston
Central Massachusetts

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis/St Paul
Rochester

MISSOURI - Kansas City

MONTANA - Bozeman

NEBRASKA

Greater Omaha
Norfolk

NEVADA

Lake Tahoe
Reno

NEW MEXICO - Santa Fe

NEW YORK

Buffalo
Long Island
New York

OHIO - Cleveland

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma Central

PENNSYLVANIA

Bucks County
Philadelphia
York

PUERTO RICO - San Juan

SOUTH CAROLINA - Aiken

TENNESSEE - Memphis

TEXAS

Austin
Dallas
Fort Worth
Houston
Northeast Texas

WASHINGTON - Spokane

WASHINGTON DC

Washington DC

ASIA PACIFIC (33)

AUSTRALIA

Margaret River
New South Wales
Victoria
Western Australia

CHINA

Beijing City
Chaoyang District (Beijing)
Shanghai

HONG KONG

Hong Kong Island
Hong Kong Pearl

INDIA

Bombay
Delhi

INDONESIA - Jakarta

JAPAN

Jiyugaoka
Roppongi
Tokyo
Tokyo Bay

MALAYSIA

Ipoh
Kuala Lumpur
Penang

NEW ZEALAND - Auckland

PHILIPPINES

Cebu
Manila Ladies
Philippines

SINGAPORE - Singapore

SOUTH KOREA

Decanting Soul
Seoul

SRI LANKA - Colombo

TAIWAN R.O.C.

Kaohsiung
Taichung
Taipei
Taiwan Belle

THAILAND - Bangkok

VIETNAM - Saigon

EUROPE AFRICA (28)

ESTONIA - Tallinn

FINLAND - Helsinki

IRELAND - Leinster

NORWAY - Oslo

RUSSIA - Moscow

SOUTH AFRICA - Cape Town

SPAIN - Valencia

SWEDEN - Malmö

SWITZERLAND - Zurich

UNITED KINGDOM

Bath & Bristol
Berkshire
Blackpool & Fylde Coast
Devonshire
Herefordshire & Monmouthshire
Leicester
Liverpool
London
St James's (London)
Manchester
Merseyside & Mid-Cheshire
Northampton
Surrey Hills
Sussex
Thameside (London)
Wessex
West Yorkshire

ZAMBIA - Lusaka

ZIMBABWE - Harare

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