

# VAWA

Vancouver Amateur Winemaker Association

## VAWA Web Site

[www.vawa.net](http://www.vawa.net)

## Upcoming Events

- Next Monthly Meeting  
Jan. 12, 2006
- Saanich Sommeliers Annual  
Competition, Jan 21,2006
- Chilliwack Zymurgy  
Competition, Feb 25,2006
- Nanaimo Winemakers  
Competition, March 11,2006
- VAWA Annual Competition,  
March 25,2006
- See the [BCAWA web pages](#) for  
further information on club  
events

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### Future Mini Tastings

|               |                    |
|---------------|--------------------|
| <b>Jan/06</b> | BC Dry White Table |
| <b>Feb</b>    | Club Crush         |
| <b>Mar</b>    | Social             |
| <b>Apr.</b>   | BC Dry Red Table   |
| <b>May</b>    | Zinfandel          |
| <b>June</b>   | Non Grape          |

### Future Evening Toast

|               | Wine             | Toaster        |
|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Dec.</b>   | Charles Plant    | Larry McIntyre |
| <b>Jan/06</b> | Cam McLean       | Joannie Marr   |
| <b>Feb</b>    | John McMaster    | Don Lyster     |
| <b>Mar</b>    | Barbara Milne    | Doug Lusignan  |
| <b>Apr.</b>   | Frank Clark      | Al Lewis       |
| <b>May</b>    | Ric. Pellizzarri | Peter Leitner  |
| <b>June</b>   | Mike Roman       | Michael Lam    |

## Thursday, December 8, 2005

**Time:** 20:00 to 22:00 Hrs  
**Venue:** Scottish Cultural Center  
8886 Hudson Street, Vancouver

**Door:** Members \$10.00  
Guests \$10.00

**Topic:** "Comparing Wines of the Old and New Worlds."

**Speaker:** Pam Cohen, Certified Sommelier

## THE NUMBERS GAME – Not This Meeting

Toasting wine supplied by **Charles Plant** and the evening's toast will be given by **Larry McIntyre**

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## Technical Forum

None this meeting.

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## CHRISTMAS MEETING

Dec 8, 2005

The Christmas meeting this year will feature a presentation by Pam Cohen on New World and Old World wines.

In order to ensure that sufficient wine is available, we need an accurate count of those likely to attend. If you wish to attend the Christmas meeting, please check that you are included in the sign-up sheet on the VAWA website at

<http://www.vawa.net/xmasmeeting.html>.

## BOTTLE EXCHANGE

This Christmas meeting will include an optional Bottle Exchange. For those wishing to participate, please wrap up one of your best wines and ensure that your bottle is labeled with (at least) the name of the winemaker and the type of wine.

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## New Winemakers! We have mentors!

Club members have volunteered to be mentors for new winemakers.

E-mail them with any questions you may have.

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| Duncan Ainslie | <a href="mailto:dainslie@shaw.ca">dainslie@shaw.ca</a>                                     |
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## Highlights of the November Meeting

- **Toast :Paul Arcand** toasted, "Remembrance Day: remembering the Canadians who fought and were lost in War"
- **Toasting Wine: Don Lyster** provided a 2003 Syrah from Kiona Vineyards , Washington.
- **Elections:** The 2006 Executive were elected as follows:
 

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|-------------------|--|
| President:        | Paul Arcand  |
| Vice President:   | Jacquelin George                                   |
| Treasurer:        | Dale Vick  |
| Wine Steward:     | Pepe Kubon   |
| Members at Large: | Eric Urquhart<br>John McMaster<br>Deborah McIntyre |

## WHO WANTS TO BE A VINIONAIRE ?

*Not available for this meeting*

- **Draws**  
Door: **Pierre Augereau**  
Mini- tasting **Jacquelin George**
- **Roger Phillippe** announced that he has scanned the 2005 Scott Labs Fermentation Handbook on to disc , a copy of which may be obtained from him.
- **Dale Vick** circulated a sign-up sheet for food trays to be brought to the December meeting.
- **Mini-Tasting:** After Dinner Wines  
Winner: **Larry McIntyre**
- **Program: Axel Kroitzsch speaking on , "Wine Faults"**  
Axel started by stating that the most common reason for faults in wine is the lack of cleanliness by the winemaker, in equipment and procedures. He then discussed several common problems and illustrated them where possible with aroma samples from the Guild of Wine Judges, plus samples of faulty wines.

## MINI -TASTING OFFICIALS

| DATE   | JUDGE         | STEWARD         |
|--------|---------------|-----------------|
| Jan 12 | Bob Boehm     | Carole Berger   |
| Feb 09 | Joan Collings | Bob Boutin      |
| Mar 09 | Bill Collings | Kevin Brown     |
| Apr 13 | Norm Brodie   | Ron Coutts      |
| May 11 | Fred Dennert  | Roger Dahlquist |
| June 8 | Tom Handley   | Bonita Douglas  |

The above members are reminded that if they find they will not be able to attend, then it is THEIR responsibility to provide someone to take their place.

Morris Rychliwski—Wine Steward

## WEBSITE NEWS

- The Gallery page (<http://www.vawa.net/Gallery.html>) contains photos from the recent Club Crush.
- There are a couple of new additions to the Questions & Answers page (<http://www.vawa.net/winemaking-faq.html>).
- The Classifieds page (<http://www.vawa.net/classifieds.html>) contains a lot of equipment for sale.

Website: [www.vawa.net](http://www.vawa.net)

## Ken's Wine Quotations

"I'm like old wine. They don't bring me out very often, but I'm well preserved."

-- **Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy (b. 1890)**  
**Family matriarch**



## DRINKING AND DRIVING

**VAWA applauds those who consume responsibly**  
**Complimentary taxi available at events sponsored by VAWA.**