

## Vancouver Amateur Winemakers Association

### Notice of Meeting for February 2014

February 13, 2014 from 8:00 to 10:00  
Scottish Cultural Center, 8886 Hudson  
Street, Vancouver  
Door Fees: Members \$10.00; Guests  
15.00

Evening Toast - Toaster is Steve Blaschek.  
Wine provided by Eric Urquhart.

Evening Program: "Making Fruit Wines  
and Red Wines." presented by Ron Taylor.  
Ron is the Consulting Winemaker at  
[Sanduz Winery](#) and will also be sharing  
some humorous and embarrassing tales  
from VAWA's past.

Mini Competition: [New World Wines](#)  
Judge - TBA  
Steward - TBA

### Special Notices

Banquet Tickets: Have your guest lists,  
payment and menu selections ready to  
present Mike Erhardt this Thursday!!

Do you have items for the Silent Auction?  
Please contact John Read.

Name Badges: All members must wear  
their name badge in order to be eligible for  
the door prize.

### Upcoming Events.

VAWA Annual Competition and Banquet -  
Saturday March 1, 2014 @ [St. Helen's  
Parish Hall](#)  
3894 Triumph St  
Burnaby, BC  
Canada  
Registration Opens February 8, 2014.  
Deadline February 23, 2014

### VAWA Executive Committee

President: Roger Phillippe  
Vice President: Duncan Ainslie  
Secretary: Kevin Brown  
Treasurer: TBD  
Steward: John Read  
Members at Large: Ljubomir Cvjetan,  
Leslie Matheson, Miroslav Ristic

## December Meeting Highlights

- The meeting was called to order by Roger Phillippe (Chair)
- The evening toast was given by Paul Arcand ‘..to resolutions; to better winemaking this year’. The wine was provided by David Wong. A very nice Napa Merlot from 2000.
- Our mini competition was won by Duncan Ainslie with a score of 16.5 for his Zinfandel.
- Al Lewis’ presentation on Yeast Assimilable Nitrogen, its effects on fruit development and fermentation was highly informative and generated a good amount of discussion among the membership. Notes from this excellent talk are available on [VAWA.NET](http://VAWA.NET)

## Next Meeting

March 13, 2014  
Toasting wine provided TBD.  
Toast by TBD

## Executive Update

The club requires an interim Treasurer our current treasurer has taken leave.

The club needs you! Do you have expertise or interest in any area of winemaking? Please think about being a presenter at our monthly meetings.

BCAWA update: The Provincial Competition is May 3. Registration opens March 10 through April 18.

## New Winemakers!

We have mentors!  
Club members have volunteered to be mentors for new winemakers.  
Email them with any questions you may have.

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