

June 2024 Newsletter



UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Sunday 9 June
12:00pm**
Mid winter Xmas
Blind Tasting
Moxie's Hinemoa St

9 July 7:00pm
Tohu Wines
Moxie's Hinemoa St

13 August 7:00pm
Paritua Wines
Moxie's Hinemoa St

**10 September
7:00pm** Fistonich
Family Vineyards
Moxie's Hinemoa St

8 October 7:00pm
Otu Wines
Moxie's Hinemoa St

12 November 7:00pm
Swift Wines
Moxie's Hinemoa St

Sunday 1 December
Xmas Event
Moxie's Hinemoa St

Your Committee: May Minutes Only 3 days to go !!

We're looking forward to seeing everyone on Sunday at our mid winter Xmas blind tasting. Moxie's will again be stimulating our tastebuds with lovely plated meals! Is it wrong to ask for the sticky date pudding to be served first? See you there and **make sure you bring your wine glasses!**



We had a great turnout of 39 members and friends for May's event. We obviously enjoyed the Wet Jacket wines buying just under \$6,000 worth of their lovely product! A result that thrilled the Wet Jacket team. It all helps us get access to great vineyards for the future.

You may have noticed we only had 2 tasting bottles of each wine from Wet Jacket. This was because when we finalised the event with them only 28 people were confirmed attending. For the Tohu event on 9 July we are going to bring the RSVP date forward to the Tuesday before the month's tasting (on 2 July). This will to ensure we have enough tasting wine for everyone's enjoyment. It's wonderful to see everyone but your early confirmation helps everyone—the winery, the restaurant and our esteemed cellar master and treasurer.



Our May Event:

Presenter: *First Mate:*
Ali Caird



WET JACKET



WORK LIKE A CAPTAIN, PLAY LIKE A PIRATE

We create seriously good wine, we are serious about New Zealand, we are serious about working with like minded people... but we aren't serious!

The theme that shone through during Ali's presentation of Wet Jacket wines was a true sense that "we're like a family. We take care of each other, but importantly we have fun". And fun it certainly was. This month Ali's presentation took us through a feast of wines from their Wet Jacket and Putangi labels.

Ali shared the story of Wet Jacket's winemaker Greg Hay. He is certainly a central Otago legend. Many of the now established vineyards having been planted, planned or just received advice from Greg over the years. From the now Chard Farm Winery, Peregrine Wines and a love of conservation and birdlife we learnt much about Wet Jacket's strong connection ensure the survival of Aotearoa's most endangered native and endemic birds.

Retelling the story of Richard Henry, often referred to as the "grandfather of conservation in New Zealand" we learnt about his regular travels to and from Resolution Island in a small rowing boat with Lassie, his dog, at his side. Over 5 years he transported 500 kakapo to safety, pioneering wildlife translocation.

If you're in Queenstown Wet Jacket's new tasting room is conveniently located on the pier. So no excuses not to pop in a see Ali and the team to stock up.

Thanks ALI & WET JACKET!



the truth isn't in this bottle the truth is probably in the next bottle



I googled my symptoms...
It turns out I need a bottle or three of wine

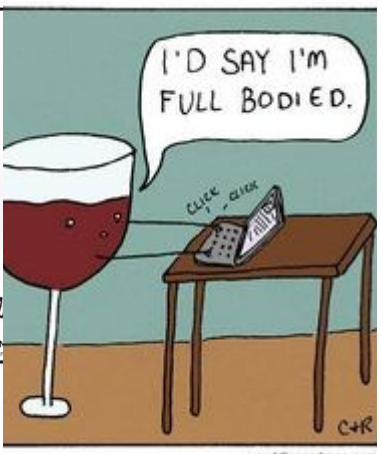
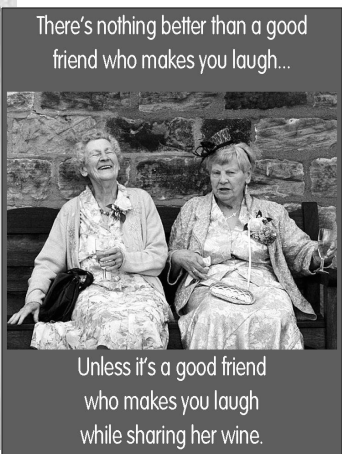


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“Age is just a number. It’s totally irrelevant unless, of course, you happen to be a bottle of wine.” – Joan Collins



“I COOK WITH WINE, SOMETIMES I EVEN ADD IT TO THE FOOD.” – W.C. FIELDS



Upcoming July Event: Tohu Wines

Tuesday 9 July @ Moxies.

We'll prepare a fuller story after the mid winter Xmas but in preparation.....

Tohu wines is the world's first Maori owned wine company. Since 1998, Tohu has focused on creating internationally acclaimed wines from New Zealand's premier grape-growing regions. Tohu is acknowledged as He matamua taketake - the original, the first Maori-owned and operated wine label.

Tohu Wines is part of Kono a whanau-owned company based in Te Taihū, the top of the South Island. With approximately 4000 owners, who descend from the customary Maori land-owners, the whanau and hapu of the Whakatu, Motueka and Mohua rohe. Tohu's purpose is to preserve and enhance our taonga for present and future generations.

Tohu has many translations; it can mean a sign, a symbol, distinguishing feature, signature. It is a symbol of intent for Tohu—a people committed to excellence, set on delivering the very best we can for our land and the people we serve.

We will send out a reminder to all to book in early—as we would like to confirm numbers by 2 July.



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