

## **Appendix 7**

### **Minutes of General Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> August 2002**

NEPEAN HAWKESBURY WINE & GRAPE GROWERS  
ASSOCIATION INC.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING  
HELD ON THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2002  
AT UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY - HAWKESBURY

Meeting started at 6:30 pm. Chaired by Peter Auld.

PRESENT

Barry Wall – Mountain Devil  
Chris Niccol – Vicary's Winery  
Geoff Skurray – University of Western Sydney  
Ken Thorn – Possum Gully  
Kerry Small  
Jonathan Auld – Tizzana Winery  
Jonathan Darraugh – UWS (Student)  
Peter Auld – Tizzana Winery  
Steven Clare – UWS (Student)

APOLOGIES

Bruno Carmagnola – Evans Wine Co.  
David Moss – Talai Estate  
Greg Symons – Thornham Park  
Tan Nair – University of Western Sydney

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS

Minutes of previous meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2002 were distributed and passed around.

Moved: Jonathan Auld

Seconded: Peter Auld

Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Graeme Ellis's suggestion about meetings at the University was taken onboard, hence the change in venue for this meeting. Thanks to Geoff Skurray for organising a room.

## CORRESPONDANCE

## IN

12/07/02	Richard & Patricia Mason	Membership form and cheque for \$110 - full membership
15/07/02	Peter Auld - Tizzana Winery	Membership form and cheque for \$110 - full membership
17/07/02	Geoff O'Brien - Bradcorp Nangarin Estate Vineyard	Membership form and cheque for \$110 - full membership
27/07/02	Ernie Sullivan - Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation	Email - details of Sydney being dropped unless application is forthcoming. Attachments include application form, guidelines and a copy of Shoalhaven Coast G.I. Application
9/08/02	Garry McCully (General Manager) - Hawkesbury City Council	Letter of Support
12/08/02	Kerry Bartlett M.P. - Federal Minister for Macquarie	Letter of Support
12/08/02	Kevin Rozzoli M.P. - Member for Hawkesbury	Letter of Support
15/08/02	Ernie Sullivan - Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation	Email - clarification on questions raised
16/08/02	David Mason - Hawkesbury Harvest	Email - Letter of Support
21/08/02	Greg Symons - Thornham Park Pty Limited	Membership form and cheque for \$50 - associate membership
21/08/02	Ernie Sullivan - Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation	Email - preliminary comments on application and a list of additional items needed.
24/08/02	Karina Groth (Tourism Manager) - Tourism Hawkesbury Inc.	Letter of Support
26/08/02	Denis Power (Director) - The Evans Wine Company	Letter of Support
29/08/02	Ken Thorn - Possum Gully	Membership form and cheque for \$110 - full membership

## OUT

1/07/02	Mailout to 52 listed on mailing list	2002/2003 Membership Forms
27/07/02	Ernie Sullivan - Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation	Email - asking for additional information for the G.I. Submission
2/08/02	Alan Cadman M.P.	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Baulkham Hills Shire Council	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Camden Council	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Campbelltown Council	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Dept of Agriculture / Hawkesbury Harvest	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Hawkesbury City Council	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Hawkesbury Harvest	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	International Wine Academy	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Kerry Bartlett M.P.	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.

2/08/02	Kevin Rozzoli M.P.	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Office of Western Sydney	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Penrith City Council	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	Tourism Hawkesbury	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
2/08/02	University of Western Sydney	Email letter requesting letter of support for application of Sydney G.I.
15/08/02	Hunter Valley Vineyard Association Inc	Email request for vintage data
15/08/02	Mudgee Wine Grape Growers Association	Email request for vintage data
15/08/02	Shoalhaven Grapegrowers & Winemakers Assoc	Email request for vintage data
15/08/02	Ernie Sullivan - Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation	Email for clarification of association approval needed
18/08/02	Ernie Sullivan - Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation	Email preliminary application for checking prior to formal submission

NOTES:

Various phone calls and emails were made on behalf of the association from 28/07/02 to 19/08/02 in order to compile a survey of vineyard area/tonnage, varieties grown, harvest dates.

Additional to the letters of support that have already been received, Hills Hornsby Tourist Association, Baulkham Hills Shire Council and Campbelltown City Council have all indicated that a letter will be forthcoming.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hawkesbury Harvest have given us an honorary membership in exchange for them being honorary members of the NHWGGA. This will enable each association to keep informed and will provide links to each other on each associations website. This has already benefited our association in that we have been able to feed through dates and events of the Bud Burst Festival which are being promoted on the Hawkesbury Harvest website and on their 2BL radio segment.

I would like to formally nominate that Hawkesbury Harvest be granted honorary associate membership of the NHWGGA.

Moved: Jonathan Auld

Seconded: Geoff Skurray

Carried

As part of the G.I. application a copy of the Association's Certificate of Incorporation is required. Unfortunately was unable to locate the certificate in any of the paperwork or in the possession of any of the current members – hence sort approval from the committee to obtain a duplicate copy from the Department of Fair Trading. Copy was obtained on 14/08/02 and cost the Association \$13.00. Receipt tabled for which reimbursement has already been made.

With the submission for G.I. the application must be accompanied by two sets of maps – one set must have the G.I. boundary marked and the other must be unmarked. Even though this represents some 60 odd maps and the application has described the boundary in detail, it is a requirement of submission.

Move that the secretary be given authority to go ahead and purchase the required maps for the purposes of submission on behalf of the association.

Moved: Ken Thorn

Seconded: Geoff Skurray

Carried

#### TREASURERS REPORT

No Treasurers report tabled.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

##### *2002 Bud Burst Festival*

Peter Auld gave a quick overview of the 2002 Bud Burst Festival – last years single day event has been extended to a two week period (14<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September).

Focus is on the main day at Vicary's Winery on the 15<sup>th</sup> with most of the cellar door wineries attending and showcasing their wines. Event will be run from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm with a luncheon (including regional wines) being held at 1:00 pm.

Camden is also holding a Food & Wine Festival over the same time period in conjunction with the Bud Burst Festival. Also included in this is Jazz in the Vineyard at Kirkham Estate.

Tizzana Winery is having several events – Art Burst in the Vineyard (an art show in the cellars) that is running the length of the festival. Also holding a Jazz day on the 29<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Hawkesbury Jazz Club.

Vicary's Winery will also be hosting the National Petanque Championship's on the 29<sup>th</sup>. It is hoped that this will become an annual event as part of the festival.

The Independent will be running an article on the festival in its upcoming issue. Release date is the first week of September.

##### *Regional Mixed Dozen*

Geoff Skurray asked about the regional mixed dozen. Still looking at the licensing issues as it appears that only Tizzana Winery and Vicary's Winery may be the only outlets that could sell the dozen packs. All of the remaining cellar doors have Vignerons Licenses that only allow for the sale of estate made wines. Further clarification is needed.

*Regional Status*

The application for regional status was tabled at the meeting. Some sections need some minor reworking to meet the requirements, but the document tabled is effectively the application that will be submitted.

Geoff Skurray congratulated Jonathan Auld on behalf of the group for all of the work put into the application to date.

Moved that the regional application as tabled be approved in principle by the association in order to be submitted to the Geographical Indications Committee at the Australian Wine & Brandy Corporation for regional status.

Moved: Jonathan Auld

Seconded: Ken Thorn

Carried

Meeting closed 7:40 pm

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