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Karl Stockhausen Trophy

Best White Wine of Show

Colvin Wines Pty Limited 2009 De Beyers Vineyard
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Dr Ray Healey Trophy

Best Red Wine of Show

Thomas Wines 2018 Kiss Shiraz

Most Successful Boutique Exhibitor Trophy

Presented to

Thomas Wines

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Class 02

Section B - 2023 Shiraz - 200 litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A delicious bracket. A testament to the quality of the 2023 vintage.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Aeon wines	Aeon wines 2023 Vertosol Shiraz	89	Bronze
2	Vales Wines	Vales 2023 Old Flat Vineyard Shiraz	90	Silver
3	Mercer Wines - NSW	Mercer Wines 2023 Limited Release Shiraz	93	Silver
4	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2023 Juju Red Shiraz	95	Gold
5	TAFE NSW Kurri Kurri Campus	Intuition 2023 Shiraz	88	Bronze
6	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 Kiss Shiraz	91	Silver
7	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2023 Stockhausen Signature Shiraz	93	Silver
8	keith tulloch wine	keith tulloch wine 2023 Kester Shiraz	84	
9	Carillion Wines - NSW	Carillion Origins 2023 Heart Block Shiraz	85	Bronze
10	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2023 BPD Shiraz	85	Bronze
11	Unruly Wines	Unruly Wines 2023 "Complexity" Shiraz	84	
12	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 Elenay Shiraz	86	Bronze
13	Horner Wines - NSW	Horner Wines 2023 'The Rogue' Shiraz	90	Silver
14	Mercer Wines - NSW	Mercer Wines 2023 Shiraz Nouveau	88	Bronze
15	Comyns & Co.	Comyns & Co. 2023 Shiraz	88	Bronze
16	keith tulloch wine	keith tulloch wine 2023 Tawarri Shiraz	90	Silver
17	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2023 Shiraz	90	Silver
18	Cael's Gate Wines	Handpicked 2023 Shiraz	84	
19	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 Sweetwater Ridge Shiraz	85	Bronze
20	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2023 The Gatherer Single Vineyard Shiraz	96	Top Gold
21	Tranquil Vale	Tranquil Vale 2023 Shiraz	85	Bronze
22	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine Organic Wines 2023 Reserve Hunter Valley Syrah	84	
23	Krinklewood Estate - NSW	Krinklewood 2023 Rouge Aux Lèvres Shiraz	84	

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Class 03

Section B - 2023 Bordeaux Varieties and Bordeaux Blends - 200 litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Small bracket. Wine was easy to drink ,soft just lacked freshness.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2023 PMR Merlot	84	

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Class 04

Section B - 2023 Dry Red Other Varieties or Blends - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A superb bracket to judge, the better wines were rich, intense, well balanced and youthful.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Comyns & Co.	Comyns & Co. 2023 Shiraz Cabernet	95	Gold
2	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 DJV Shiraz, Pinot Noir	96	Top Gold
3	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2023 Red Vines Shiraz, Tempranillo, Touriga	83	
4	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2023 Tempranillo	88	Bronze
5	Whispering Brook	Whispering Brook 2023 Basket Pressed Touriga Nacional	93	Silver
6	Aeon wines	Aeon 2023 Alluvium Syrah, Touriga Nacional	86	Bronze
7	Ziliotto Wines	Ziliotto Wines 2023 Merlot, Shiraz	84	
8	Tranquil Vale	Tranquil Vale 2023 Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon	85	Bronze
9	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Anomaly 2023 Sangiovese	86	Bronze
10	Comyns & Co.	Comyns&Co 2023 Mr Red Shiraz, Viognier	88	Bronze
11	David Hook Wines	david hook 2023 Barbera	87	Bronze

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Class 05

Section C - 2022 Shiraz - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Variable class from a challenging year, top example were a pleasure to try.
Bright youthful, tight and balanced examples were rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2022 Steep Hill Shiraz	89	Bronze
2	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2022 White Label Shiraz	83	
3	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2022 Alessandro Reserve Hunter Valley Shiraz	84	
4	Vales Wines	Vales 2022 Old Flat Vineyard Shiraz	91	Silver
5	Carillion Wines - NSW	Carillion Expressions 2022 Shiraz Nouveau	81	
6	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2022 Kiss Shiraz	95	Gold
7	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2022 Saddler's Shiraz	84	
8	Sobels Winery	Sobels 2022 Shiraz	92	Silver
9	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2022 Ryan's Reserve Shiraz	83	
10	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2022 U&I Shiraz	87	Bronze
11	Whispering Brook	Whispering Brook 2022 Single Vineyard Shiraz	83	
12	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2022 Cellarhands Shiraz	82	
13	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2022 Elenay Shiraz	96	Top Gold
14	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2022 Ginger Rose Shiraz	84	
15	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2022 Sweetwater Ridge Shiraz	87	Bronze
16	Cael's Gate Wines	Cael's Gate Wines 2022 Shiraz	83	

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Class 06

Section C - 2022 Bordeaux Varieties and Bordeaux Blends - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: To forward

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Peter Drayton Wines	Ironbark Hill 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	81	

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Class 07

Section C - 2022 Dry Red Other Varieties or Blends - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Small solid bracket - showing the potential of other red varieties.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Anomaly 2022 Shiraz, Touriga Nacional	90	Silver
2	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2022 Primera Reserve Tempranillo	83	
3	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Anomaly 2022 Barbera	95	Top Gold
4	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Anomaly 2022 Montepulciano	91	Silver

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Class 08

Section D - Open Vintage Shiraz 2021 and older - 125 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Many prematurely aged wines, lacking freshness and balance. With one or two exceptions.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2021 Primera Reserve Shiraz	84	
2	Comyns & Co.	Comyns&Co 2021 Reserve Shiraz	84	
3	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2019 U&I Shiraz	83	
4	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2021 Kiss Shiraz	95	Top Gold
5	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2017 Alessandro Reserve HV Shiraz Shiraz	82	
6	Savannah Estate	Savannah Estate 2020 Premium Shiraz	82	
7	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2021 Shiraz	85	Bronze
8	Thomas Wines	Kiss Shiraz 2019 Shiraz	84	
9	Lambs Valley Wines - NSW	Lambs Valley Wines 2021 Three Brothers Shiraz	84	
10	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2021 Elenay Shiraz	90	Silver

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Class 10

Section D - Open Vintage Dry Red Other Varieties or Blends 2021 and older - 125 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Solid well made.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Ziliotto Wines	Ziliotto Wines 2021 Syrah, Viognier	84	

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Class 11

Section E - Museum Dry Red Varietal or Blend 5 years and older - 45 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Variable class, bright lingering balance, fresher wine came to the top.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2019 Elenay Shiraz	88	Bronze
2	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton 2014 Premium Release Shiraz	82	
3	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2018 Elenay Shiraz	95	Gold
4	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton 2011 Premium Release Shiraz	82	
5	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2018 Kiss Shiraz	96	Top Gold
6	Savannah Estate	Savannah Estate 2018 Premium Shiraz	84	
7	Carillion Wines - NSW	Carillion Origins 2017 Fenestella Hunter Valley Shiraz	83	
8	Peter Drayton Wines	Ironbark Hill 2010 Shiraz	82	
9	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2018 Shiraz	93	Silver
10	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2017 Cellarhands Tempranillo	84	

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Class 12

Section F - 2024 Semillon - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Young Hunter Sem is always a challenging class to judge and in 2024 we saw a variety of ripeness and a fight to manage green phenolics. Best examples as always showed balance purity and seamless flow while still holding on to fruit.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Carillion Wines - NSW	Carillion Origins 2024 Old Grafts Semillon	95	Gold
2	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 Stockhausen Signature Semillon	87	Bronze
3	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine Organic Wines 2024 Reserve Hunter Valley Semillon	82	
4	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2024 Saddler's Semillon	80	
5	Sobels Winery	Sobels Wines 2024 Semillon	87	Bronze
6	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2024 Fordwich Hill Semillon	92	Silver
7	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2024 Primera Semillon	88	Bronze
8	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 Dairy Hill Single Vineyard Semillon	83	
9	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2024 Braemore Semillon	84	
10	Krinklewood Estate - NSW	Krinklewood 2024 Wild Semillon	92	Silver
11	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2024 Synergy Semillon	88	Bronze
12	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2024 School Block Semillon	87	Bronze
13	TAFE NSW Kurri Kurri Campus	Intuition 2024 Semillon	81	
14	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2024 Elliott Semillon	84	
15	Comyns & Co.	Comyns & Co. 2024 Semillon	86	Bronze
16	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2024 Alesssandro Reserve Semillon Semillon	88	Bronze
17	Krinklewood Estate - NSW	Krinklewood 2024 Semillon	96	Top Gold
18	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 'J K D' Single Vineyard Semillon	87	Bronze

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Class 13

Section F - 2024 Chardonnay - 200 litres



Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Well made, oak and ferment choices held these back.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 Ampelus Double Puncheon Chardonnay	85	Bronze
2	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2024 Primera Chardonnay	84	

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Class 14

Section F - 2024 Verdelho - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: A very solid year for Verdelho shown by the medals, best wine were varietal fresh and balanced - phenolics and rs the biggest issues.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Stomp Wines	Stomp 2024 Verdelho	85	Bronze
2	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2024 Verdelho	88	Bronze
3	Cael's Gate Wines	Single Vineyard 2024 Verdelho	78	
4	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2024 Hunter Valley Verdelho	90	Silver
5	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine Organic Wines 2024 Reserve Hunter Valley Verdelho	84	
6	Saddler's Creek Wines	Withdrawn - Out of Class		
7	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2024 Lucerne Paddock Verdelho	84	
8	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 The Dam Verdelho	91	Silver
9	Krinklewood Estate - NSW	Krinklewood 2024 Verdelho	92	Silver
10	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Wildstreak 2024 Verdelho	85	Bronze

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Class 15

Section F - 2024 Dry White Other Varieties or Blends - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Very strong class except for some a few faulty wines, great to see the variety of styles and quality on offer in this class. Best examples having exceptional purity and balance.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	The Little Wine Company	The Little Wine Company 2024 Albarino	85	Bronze
2	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 Limited Release Albarino	90	Silver
3	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2024 White Label Fiano	88	Bronze
4	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge 2024 Limited Release Fiano	85	Bronze
5	Stomp Wines	Stomp 2024 Limited Release Fiano	90	Silver
6	Gunpowder Wines	Gunpowder Wines 2024 Fiano	86	Bronze
7	Cael's Gate Wines	Withdrawn		
8	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2024 Vat 32 Semillon, Chardonnay	87	Bronze
9	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2024 White Label White Vines	87	Bronze
10	The Little Wine Company	The Little Wine Company 2024 Pecorino	86	Bronze
11	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2024 Pecorino	86	Bronze
12	The Little Wine Company	The Little Wine Company 2024 Little Gem Pecorino	83	
13	Comyns & Co.	Comyns & Co. 2024 Vermentino	88	Bronze
14	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2024 Maggie White Vermentino	95	Top Gold
15	Carillion Wines - NSW	Agitate 2024 Semillon Vermentino	84	
16	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2024 White Label Vermentino	88	Bronze
17	Mercer Wines - NSW	Mercer Wines 2024 Vermentino	87	Bronze
18	Comyns & Co.	Comyns & Co. 2024 Gruner Veltliner	84	
19	Horner Wines - NSW	Horner Wines 2024 'ASH' Marsanne	84	
20	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2024 Viognier	85	Bronze
21	Horner Wines - NSW	Withdrawn		

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Class 15

Section F - 2024 Dry White Other Varieties or Blends - 200 litres



22	Sobels Winery	Sobels Winery 2024 Muscat	85	Bronze
24	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2024 Pinot Grigio	83	

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Class 16

Section G - 2023 Semillon - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A tough class, the better wines displayed fresh fruit, freshness and acidity.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 The OC Semillon	95	Top Gold
2	Mercer Wines Pty Ltd	Mercer Wines 2023 Semillon	91	Silver
3	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Alessandro Reserve Semillon	84	
4	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2023 Black Label Elliott Semillon	84	
5	Mercer Wines - NSW	Mercer Wines 2023 Limited Release Semillon	88	Bronze
6	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Primera Hunter Valley Semillon	84	
7	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 Braemore Semillon	87	Bronze
8	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Saddler's Semillon	85	Bronze
9	Ziliotto Wines	Ziliotto Wines 2023 Semillon	84	

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Class 17

Section G - 2023 Chardonnay - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Another fantastic class. Chardonnay is a true Hunter hero. The better wines displayed oak balance with characteristic Chardonnay varietals. Keep up the good work

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Carillion Wines - NSW	Carillion Origins 2023 Saddle Block Chardonnay	83	
2	Mercer Wines	Mercer Wines 2023 Chardonnay	83	
3	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Alessandro Reserve Chardonnay	86	Bronze
4	Gunpowder Wines	Gunpowder Wines 2023 Chardonnay	95	Gold
5	Comyns & Co.	Comyns&Co 2023 Reserve Chardonnay	85	Bronze
6	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2023 Chardonnay	84	
7	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Wildstreak 2023 Chardonnay	85	Bronze
8	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Winemaker's Craft II Franko Chardonnay	86	Bronze
9	TAFE NSW Kurri Kurri Campus	Intuition 2023 Chardonnay	88	Bronze
10	Keith Tulloch Wine	Keith Tulloch Wine 2023 Celest Chardonnay	93	Silver
11	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Primera Chardonnay	83	
12	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine Organic Wines 2023 Reserve Hunter Valley Chardonnay	83	
13	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2023 Sisters Chardonnay	83	
14	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Winemaker's Craft Chardonnay	84	
15	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2023 Poppys Chardonnay	96	Top Gold
16	Lambs Valley Wines - NSW	Lambs Valley Wines 2023 Single Vineyard - Charleroi Chardonnay	85	Bronze
17	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Saddler's Chardonnay	85	Bronze

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Class 18

Section G - 2023 Verdelho - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Under whelming class. Wines lacked freshness and vibrancy.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Hunter Valley Verdelho	85	Bronze
2	Savannah Estate	Savannah Estate 2023 Verdelho	84	
3	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2023 Saddler's Verdelho	83	

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Class 19

Section G - 2023 Dry White Other Varieties or Blends - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Unexpectedly great class, the better wines displayed fresh fruit and vibrancy.
Viognier, Fiano and Vermentino the shining lights

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Horner Wines - NSW	Horner Wines 2023 ASH Marsanne	85	Bronze
2	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Portero Chardonnay Semillon	84	
3	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2023 Vat 32 Semillon, Chardonnay	86	Bronze
4	Savannah Estate	Savannah Estate 2023 Viognier	96	Top Gold
5	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Anomaly 2023 Viognier	84	
6	Horner Wines - NSW	Horner Wines 2023 Reserve Viognier	86	Bronze
7	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2023 White Label Vermentino	85	Bronze
8	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Anomaly 2023 Vermentino	95	Gold
9	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2023 Maggie White	84	
10	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Jump Up 2023 VV Verdelho, Vermentino, Viognier	85	Bronze
11	Horner Wines - NSW	Horner Wines 2023 'The Rogue' M.V.P	84	

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Class 20

Section H - Open Vintage Semillon 2022 and older - 125 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Always a pleasure tasting older vintage Semillon, it truly is a gift to the world.
The better wines displayed freshness and vibrancy, balance, flow and energy.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Mercer Wines - NSW	Mercer Wines 2022 Limited Release Semillon	83	
2	Sobels Winery	Sobels 2021 Semillon	90	Silver
3	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2019 Reserve Semillon	95	Gold
4	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2022 Cellar Reserve Braemore Semillon	84	
5	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Cellarhands 2022 Oakey Creek vineyard Semillon	85	Bronze
6	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2022 School Block Semillon	84	
7	keith tulloch wine	keith tulloch wine 2017 Field of Mars Semillon	90	Silver
8	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2019 Alessandro Reserve Semillon	83	
9	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2018 Cellar Reserve Braemore Semillon	80	
10	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2017 Reserve Semillon	96	Top Gold
11	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2022 Ryan's Reserve Semillon	83	

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Class 21

Section H - Open Vintage Chardonnay 2022 and older - 125 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A delicious, broad range of styles. Oak still dominated many wines, the better wine had balanced artefact, oak and fruit .

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Savannah Estate	Savannah Estate 2021 Denman Chardonnay	84	
2	David Hook Wines	David Hook 2022 Chardonnay	96	Top Gold
3	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2022 Poppys Chardonnay	90	Silver
4	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2022 Sisters Chardonnay	85	Bronze
5	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2022 Primera Chardonnay	95	Gold
6	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2022 Hill Chardonnay	82	
7	Savannah Estate	Savannah Estate 2022 Denman Chardonnay	83	
8	Stomp Wines	Stomp 2022 Chardonnay	90	Silver
9	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton TJD 2022 Chardonnay	84	

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Class 22

Section H - Open Vintage Verdelho 2022 and older - 125 Litres



Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Disappointing class, forward and developed.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine Organic Wines 2021 Reserve Hunter Valley Verdelho	83	

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Class 24

Section I - Museum Dry White Varietal or Blend 5 years of age or older - 45 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Always a pleasure to judge this iconic regional style. Lots of robust discussions on aged characters etc. purity line and carry winning through.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Wines 2015 Premium Release Semillon	89	Bronze
2	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2017 Cellar Reserve Braemore Semillon	85	Bronze
3	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Premium Release 2013 Semillon	95	Gold
4	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2013 Cellar Reserve Braemore Semillon	95	Gold
5	Carillion Wines - NSW	Carillion 2014 Tallavera Grove Semillon	90	Silver
6	Thomas Wines	Thomas Wines 2014 Cellar Reserve Braemore Semillon	96	Top Gold

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Class 25

Section J - Open Vintage Sparkling Wine - All Styles, All Production Methods - 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: A pleasantly good bracket of sparkling, lots of medal worthy styles of very drinkable wines. Best examples had purity line and length.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Rojo Brillanté Sparkling Red	85	Bronze
2	Tranquil Vale	Tranquil Vale 2021 Pukka	84	
3	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2024 Scott Semillon	86	Bronze
4	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Blanc de blanc Sparkling Chardonnay	95	Top Gold
5	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2022 Chloë Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay	90	Silver
6	Lambs Valley Wines - NSW	Lambs Valley Wines 2019 Single Vineyard Blanc de Blanc Chardonnay	90	Silver
7	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2024 Blanc de Blanc Sparkling Chardonnay	84	

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Class 26

Section K - Open Vintage Rosé Style - 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Small well made class very importantly salable styles.
Best wine is on point, balanced pretty wine full of vibrant tension.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Glandore Estate Wines - NSW	Glandore 2024 White Label Rosé Merlot	88	Bronze
2	John Wallace Wines	John Wallace Wines 2024 Tilba Rose	95	Top Gold
3	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon Rosé	83	
4	Stomp Wines	Stomp 2024 Rose Merlot	87	Bronze

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Class 27

Section L - Open Vintage Sweet White Table Wine Greater Than 1 Be - 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Very solid commercially on point mixed styles, just lack some purity and concentration to medal higher.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Tranquil Vale	Tranquil Vale 2014 Semillon Chardonnay	84	
2	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines 2024 Off Dry Gewürztraminer	88	Bronze
3	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2023 Sweet Semillon Verdelho	84	
4	Iron Gate Estate - NSW	Iron Gate Estate 2024 Sweet Semillon Verdelho	86	Bronze

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Class 28

Section M - Open Vintage Fortified Wines - 125 Litres



Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A very broad range of styles. Many had hot spiritous alcohols, dried out fruit and confused aromatics. More attention needs to be paid to integration and further aging to enhance balance between fruit acid, spirit and oak.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Tinklers Wines	Tinklers Wines NV UG Muscat	86	Bronze
2	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton NV Liqueur Muscat	83	
3	David Hook Wines	David Hook NV Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
4	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton Liqueur Tyrian NV Tyrian	83	
5	Krinklewood Estate - NSW	Krinklewood 2007 Fortified Verdelho	86	Bronze
6	Peter Drayton Wines	Peter Drayton NV Liqueur Verdelho	91	Silver

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Class 32

Section O - 2023 Shiraz - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A delicious bracket a testament to the quality of the 2023 vintage. The better wines displayed fresh fruit, balanced oak and structured .

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinden Wines	Vinden Wines 2023 Shiraz	84	
2	Ernest Hill Wines	Ernest Hill 2023 Shareholders Shiraz	85	Bronze
3	Wombat Crossing Vineyard	Wombat Crossing Vineyard 2023 Hermit's Block Shiraz	85	Bronze
4	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2023 Reserve Shiraz	92	Silver
5	Vinden Wines	Vinden Wines 2023 Shiraz 2	84	
6	McCaffrey's Estate	McCaffrey's Estate 2023 'The Whistler' Shiraz	86	Bronze
7	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2023 Impressions Shiraz	87	Bronze
8	Gartelmann Wines - NSW	Gartelmann Wines 2023 Wilhelm Shiraz	88	Bronze

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Class 33

Section O - 2023 Bordeaux Varieties and Bordeaux Blends - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Wines lacking definition and exhibiting unripe fruit.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Ernest Hill Wines	Ernest Hill 2023 CEO Cabernet Sauvignon	84	
2	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2023 James Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot	84	
3	McCaffrey's Estate	McCaffrey's Estate 2023 'The Lost Key' Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
4	Greenway Wines	Greenway Wines 2023 Merlot	85	Bronze
5	Talits Estate - NSW	Talits Estate 2023 Merlot	86	Bronze
6	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2023 Justine Merlot	89	Bronze

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Class 34

Section O - 2023 Dry Red Other Varieties or Blends - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A reasonable bracket with a diverse range of style. Would have liked to have seen wines were that were fresher.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Wandin Estate	Wandin Estate 2023 Shiraz, Malbec	86	Bronze
2	Unruly Wines	Unruly Wines 2023 Gully Row Chambourcin	85	Bronze
3	Ernest Hill Wines	Ernest Hill 2023 Andrew Watson Tempranillo	86	Bronze

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Class 35

Section P - 2022 Shiraz - 200 Litres



Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Solid wines from a challenging year no stars, all solid

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2022 Reserve Shiraz	84	
2	Mount Eyre Vineyards - NSW	Honeytree 2022 Shiraz	90	Silver
3	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2022 Impressions Shiraz	88	Bronze

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Class 36

Section P - 2022 Bordeaux Varieties and Bordeaux Blends - 200 litres



Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Tired forward wines for two years of age.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Saddler's Creek Wines	Saddler's Creek Wines 2022 Winemaker's Craft Cabernet Sauvignon	83	
2	Lucy's Run Wines Pty Limited	Lucy's Run 2022 2 Horsepower Merlot	83	

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Class 38

Section Q - Open Vintage Shiraz 2021 and older - 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: All wine show varying levels of oxidation, their drinking window is fast approaching or pass by.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Wirral Grange Vineyard	Wirral Grange Vineyard 2019 Shiraz	83	
2	Pokolbin Brothers Wines	Pokolbin Brothers Wines 2018 Single Vineyard Grandvin Estate Shiraz	81	
3	Wandin Estate	Wandin Estate 2017 ICON Shiraz	84	
4	DeCapel Pty Ltd	de Capel Wines 2021 Gabriela Shiraz	84	
5	Bonvilla Estate - NSW	Bonvilla Estate 2019 First Release Shiraz	82	
6	Colvin Wines, De Beyers Vineyard	Colvin Wines 2018 Shiraz	87	Bronze
7	Bonvilla Estate - NSW	Bonvilla Estate 2021 Single Vineyard Shiraz	83	
8	Greenway Wines	Greenway Wines 2018 Shiraz	84	
9	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2018 Impressions Shiraz	88	Bronze
10	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2021 Patriarch Syrah Shiraz	85	Bronze
11	Latitude 32 Wines	Latitude 32 2019 The Dux Shiraz	84	
12	Mount Broke Wines	Mount Broke Wines 2018 Shiraz	85	Bronze
13	Mount Eyre Vineyards - NSW	Honeytree 2021 Shiraz	83	

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Class 39

Section Q - Open Vintage Bordeaux Varieties and Bordeaux Blends 2021 and older- 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Well crafted wines in general all from good Hunter red years tannin and oak managed well.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot	86	Bronze
2	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2018 Merlot	87	Bronze
3	McLeish Estate Wines	McLeish Estate 2019 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	85	Bronze
4	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon	83	

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Class 40

Section Q - Open Vintage Dry Red Other Varieties or Blends 2021 and older - 125 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Mixed bag of varietals and years nothing outstanding but solid.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Boydell's	Boydell's 2021 Reserve Shiraz, Pinot Noir	85	Bronze
2	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2018 Chambourcin	81	
3	Colvin Wines, De Beyers Vineyard	Colvin Wines 2018 Sangiovese	84	
4	Mount Broke Wines	Mount Broke Wines 2021 Barbera	86	Bronze

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Class 41

Section R - Museum Dry Red Varietal or Blend 5 years of age and older - 45 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2013 Impressions Shiraz	84	
2	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2017 Impressions Shiraz	92	Silver

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Class 42

Section S - 2024 Semillon - 200 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: A small bracket of well crafted wine from a challenging Semillon year, best wine again showed purity length and balance.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	McLeish Estate Wines	McLeish Estate 2024 Reserve Semillon	92	Silver
2	Two Rivers Denman	Two Rivers 2024 Reserve Stone's Throw Semillon	93	Silver
3	Sabine wines	Sabine Wines 2024 Hunter Semillon	84	
4	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2024 Impressions Semillon	83	
5	Gartelmann Wines - NSW	Gartelmann Wines 2024 Benjamin Semillon	95	Top Gold

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Class 44

Section S - 2024 Verdelho - 200 Litres



Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Well made example of style best wine has restrained fruit power

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	McLeish Estate Wines	McLeish Estate 2024 Verdelho	84	
2	Two Rivers Denman	Two Rivers 2024 Reserve Hidden Hive Verdelho	89	Bronze
3	Gartelmann Wines - NSW	Gartelmann Wines 2024 Jessica Verdelho	95	Top Gold
4	Unruly Wines	Unruly Wines 2024 'High Ground' Verdelho	86	Bronze

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Class 45

Section S - 2024 Dry White Other Varieties or Blends - 200 litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Solid well crafted fuller styles due to the vintage conditons.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Lucy's Run Wines Pty Limited	Lucy's Run 2024 Thelma The Boss Verdelho, Semillon	85	Bronze
2	McLeish Estate Wines	Withdrawn - Out of Class		
3	Lucy's Run Wines Pty Limited	Lucy's Run 2024 Laid-back Louise Verdelho, Semillon	84	
4	Beckels Vineyard	Beckels Vineyard 2024 Fiano	85	Bronze

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Class 46

Section T - 2023 Semillon - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: The long cooler vintage of 2023, was evident in this class, a few green under ripe examples. The top wine displayed fruit freshness, lovely balance and length.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinden Wines	Vinden Wines 2023 Semillon	82	
2	Wandin Estate	Wandin Estate 2023 Reserve Semillon	84	
3	Whispering Brook	Whispering Brook 2023 Single Vineyard Semillon	95	Top Gold
4	Bonvilla Estate - NSW	Bonvilla Estate 2023 Arcachon Semillon	90	Silver
5	Hollydene Estate Wines - NSW	Hollydene Estate Wines 2023 Estate Semillon	84	
6	Gartelmann Wines - NSW	Gartelmann Wines 2023 Benjamin Semillon	88	Bronze
7	Latitude 32 Wines	Latitude 32 Wines 2023 Casuarina Semillon Semillon	88	Bronze
8	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2023 Angus Semillon	87	Bronze
9	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2023 Impressions Semillon	83	

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Class 47

Section T - 2023 Chardonnay - 200 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Fantastic class, The better wines displayed deft use of oak, which respected the fruit, balance and freshness won through

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Talits Estate - NSW	Talits Estate 2023 Estate Chardonnay	86	Bronze
2	McLeish Estate Wines	McLeish Estate 2023 Victoria Chardonnay	83	
3	Two Rivers Denman	Two Rivers 2023 Reserve Chardonnay	95	Gold
4	Winmark Wines	Winmark 2023 Single Vineyard Reserve Chardonnay	88	Bronze
5	Hollydene Estate Wines - NSW	Hollydene Estate Wines 2023 Show Reserve Chardonnay	83	
6	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2023 Pebble Brief Chardonnay	84	
7	Bonvilla Estate - NSW	Bonvilla Estate 2023 Alexandra Chardonnay	88	Bronze
8	Boydell's	Boydell's 2023 Reserve Chardonnay	95	Gold
9	Vinden Wines	Vinden Wines 2023 Chardonnay	81	
10	Winmark Wines	Winmark 2023 Icon 7 2 Chardonnay	86	Bronze
11	Unruly Wines	Unruly Wines 2023 "Wild" Chardonnay	85	Bronze
12	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2023 Impressions Chardonnay	90	Silver
13	Winmark Wines	Winmark 2023 Rusty's Run Chardonnay	85	Bronze
14	DeCapel Pty Ltd	de Capel Wines 2023 Henry Chardonnay	86	Bronze
15	Latitude 32 Wines	Latitude 32 Wines 2023 The Sis Chardonnay	84	
16	Ernest Hill Wines	Ernest Hill 2023 Chicken Shed Chardonnay	96	Top Gold
17	Gartelmann Wines - NSW	Gartelmann Wines 2023 Lisa Reserve Chardonnay	90	Silver
18	Beckels Vineyard	Beckels Vineyard 2023 Chardonnay	85	Bronze

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Class 48

Section T - 2023 Verdelho - 200 Litres



Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: One year old Verdelho class, lacks freshness and vibrancy.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Ernest Hill Wines	Ernest Hill 2023 Rosalie Joan Verdelho	85	Bronze
2	Boydell's	Boydell's 2023 Verdelho	84	
3	Wirral Grange Vineyard	Wirral Grange 2023 Verdelho	90	Silver
4	Hollydene Estate Wines - NSW	Hollydene Estate Wines 2023 Verdelho	84	

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Class 49

Section T - 2023 Dry White Other Varieties or Blends - 200 Litres



Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Disappointing class, dried out and a sign of the long cool, protracted vintage..

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Mount Broke Wines	Mount Broke Wines 2023 Albarino, Pecorino	85	Bronze
2	Whispering Brook	Whispering Brook 2023 Arinto, Semillon	88	Bronze
3	Greenway Wines	Greenway Wines 2023 Fiano	84	
4	Vinden Wines	Vinden Wines 2023 Chenin Blanc	83	

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Class 50

Section U - Open Vintage Semillon 2022 or older - 125 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: Always a pleasure tasting older vintage Semillon, it truly is a gift to the world. The better wines displayed freshness and vibrancy, balance, flow and energy. Delicious!

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	RidgeView Wines - QLD	RidgeView 2019 Impressions Semillon	85	Bronze
2	Colvin Wines, De Beyers Vineyard	Colvin Wines 2018 Semillon	83	
3	Sabine wines	Sabine Wines 2019 Hunter Semillon	95	Gold
4	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2019 Angus Semillon	84	
5	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2015 Impressions Semillon	88	Bronze
6	McLeish Estate Wines	McLeish Estate 2021 Reserve Semillon	85	Bronze
7	DeCapel Pty Ltd	de Capel Wines 2021 Josephine Semillon	83	
8	Tintilla Estate Wines	Tintilla Estate 2018 Angus Semillon	83	
9	Mount Eyre Vineyards - NSW	Mount Eyre Vineyards 2022 Grosser Semillon 2022 Semillon	84	
10	Sabine wines	Sabine Wines 2022 Hunter Semillon	85	Bronze
11	RidgeView Wines - QLD	RidgeView 2013 Impressions Semillon	96	Top Gold
12	Two Rivers Denman	Two Rivers 2017 Stones Throw Semillon	85	Bronze
13	Wombat Crossing Vineyard	Wombat Crossing Vineyard 2016 The Creek Flat Semillon	82	

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Class 51

Section U - Open Vintage Chardonnay 2022 or older - 125 Litres

Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments: A broad range of styles, oak dominates and fruit is disappearing in many.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2019 Impressions Chardonnay	85	Bronze
2	Winmark Wines	Winmark 2022 Icon 72 Chardonnay	90	Silver
3	IDGAF Holdings Pty Ltd	Thirsty Palette Wine 2022 White Label Chardonnay Chardonnay	80	
4	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2021 Impressions Chardonnay	83	
5	Wombat Crossing Vineyard	Wombat Crossing Vineyard 2018 Malloch's Block Single Vineyard Chardonnay	84	
6	Winmark Wines	Winmark 2022 Single Vineyard Reserve Chardonnay	84	
7	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2017 Impressions Chardonnay	85	Bronze
8	Pokolbin Brothers Wines	Pokolbin Brothers Wines 2022 Single Vineyard Grandvin Estate Chardonnay	82	
9	Winmark Wines	Winmark 2022 Expressions Chardonnay	83	
10	Beckels Vineyard	Beckels Vineyard 2022 Chardonnay	84	

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Class 52

Section U - Open Vintage Verdelho 2022 or older - 125 Litres



Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Bonvilla Estate - NSW	Bonvilla Estate 2022 Single Vineyard Verdelho	84	
2	Mount Broke Wines	Mount Broke Wines 2022 Verdelho	85	Bronze

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Class 53

Section U - Open Vintage Other Varieties or Blends 2022 or older - 125 Litres



Judges: Rauri Donkin, Nicole Gow, Brett Woodward, Jane Hoppe

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2022 Little Gully Pinot Gris	83	
2	Mount Broke Wines	Mount Broke Wines 2022 Albarino	84	
3	Greenway Wines	Greenway Wines 2022 Pinot Grigio	82	

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Class 54

Section V - Museum Dry White Varietal or Blend 5 years of age and older - 45 Litres



Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Mature HV whites are the best, a variety on display here best examples were seamless long and pure.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Pokolbin Brothers Wines	Pokolbin Brothers Wines 2014 Single Vineyard Grandvin Estate Chardonnay	83	
2	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2009 Impressions Semillon	90	Silver
3	Ernest Hill Wines	Ernest Hill Wines 2018 'Cyril' Semillon	84	
4	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2017 Impressions Semillon	95	Gold
5	Colvin Wines, De Beyers Vineyard	Colvin Wines 2009 Semillon	96	Top Gold
6	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2010 Impressions Semillon	85	Bronze

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Class 55

Section W - Open Vintage Sparkling Wines - all Styles, All Techniques - 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: No real highlight or faults solid commercial bubbles lacking the freshness purity and complexity to be mark higher.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Latitude 32 Wines	Latitude 32 Wines NV Methode Traditionelle Chardonnay, Pinot Noir	85	Bronze
2	Talits Estate - NSW	Talits Estate 2022 Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay	83	
3	Wombat Crossing Vineyard	Wombat Crossing Vineyard 2018 Reserve Sparkling Shiraz	83	
4	Wandin Estate	Wandin Estate 2016 Blanc De Blancs Chardonnay	83	
5	Beckels Vineyard	Beckels Vineyard 2022 Sparkling Chardonnay	84	

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Class 56

Section X - Open Vintage Rosé Style - 125 Litres

Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments: Solid well made on the whole, best example fresh balanced and very drinkable.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	DeCapel Pty Ltd	de Capel Wines 2023 Little Dairy Rosé	83	
2	IDGAF Holdings Pty Ltd	Thirsty Palette Wine 2024 Rose Shiraz, Merlot	83	
3	Gartelmann Wines - NSW	Gartelmann Wines 2024 Veronica Rose Shiraz	84	
4	McLeish Estate Wines	McLeish Estate 2024 Dwyer Merlot	92	Silver

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Class 57

Section Y - Open Vintage Sweet Table Wine greater than 1 Be - 125 Litres



Judges: Mark Richardson, Will Figueira, Constance Griffiths, Jade Hafey

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2018 Tipple's Gold Late Harvest Viognier	95	Gold
2	Lucy's Run Wines Pty Limited	Lucy's Run 2024 Sweet Sophie Verdelho, Semillon	84	
3	RidgeView Wines	RidgeView 2006 Tipple's Gold Botrytis Semillon	96	Top Gold

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