

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MARCH 7, 2023 AT GASPEREAU BAPTIST
CHURCH, 2838 GREENFIELD RD**

Members in Attendance:

Stephen & Roseline Cochrane, Gary & Pat Constantine, Donna & Richard Paisley, Steve & Karen Ells, Peter Jackson, Andre d'Entremont, Dave Green and Peter Jucker.

Opening & Welcome:

Our VP Roseline, opened the meeting at 7:05 pm and welcomed all.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Peter Jackson to approve the February 7, 2023 Minutes as written. Seconded by Pat.

Wine Doctor:

When racking some wine earlier in the day, Peter Jucker ended up with a surplus bottle of 2021 Triomphe/Leon blend. As there was no other candidate, he offered it for a tasting to gain some insight and comments. These were generally rather positive, so it's time to bottle this batch.

Correspondence:

Brian did report that Alex has agreed to be Cellar Master and Alban has signed on as a Steward for the upcoming Provincial Competition.

Business Arising:

1. Gary has heard from Allen Jost who has offered to share the Jotform program with AVV. The cost of \$90. per year will be split 50/50. This is good news and Gary will go ahead and prepare the various pages required for the competition. He is aiming to get these done by April 1. We discussed entry fees and they will be: \$7.50 for members and \$10.00 for non-members (including all 'members' that still have not paid).
2. Donna reported that to date we have 18 members in good standing.
3. Gary will speak with Lily about helping with the competition on June 3.

New Business:

Peter Jackson introduced Dave Green as a new club member. Dave has been working in a number of vineyards and also has 3 rows of grapevines. Welcome to AVV Dave.

Adjourn Business Meeting.

Moved by Peter Jackson, seconded by Donna.

Technical Session:

Today's tasting was all about Pinot Noir – 6 of them in total, all hidden in their bags.

While the tasting progressed, Roseline explained that 1 was Old World, 2 were New World, 1 Commercial NS and 2 from AVV members.

We then had a round table discussion about each of the 6 wines before they were revealed one by one, causing a few surprises and/or confirmation. As we all know, tastes can be different.

Bread & Butter	California
Ellslea Vineyards	AVV
Fat Bastard	France
Cono Sur	Chile
Peter Jackson	AVV
Domain de Grand Pre	Nova Scotia

The commercial wines ranged in price from \$14.30 to \$38.00

Non Technical Session: Donna & Richard. Thank you very much.

Next Meeting: April 4, 2023

Minutes prepared by Peter and Frances