

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON SEPT. 11th, 2019
AT ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, 164 MAIN ST., WOLFVILLE**

Members in Attendance:

Brian McKibbin, Peter Jackson, Alan Baker, Jim Ferguson, Bob MacDiarmid, Karen & Steve Ells, Donna Paisley, Andre d'Entremont, Harry Beach, Gary & Pat Constantine, Brian Boutilier, Steve & Roseline Cochrane, Peter Gnemmi, and Peter Jucker. Also new members, Hector & Hestor Gibson, Deb Moreau & Jeff Franklin.

Guest: Frances Jucker

Opening & Welcome:

Brian McKibbin opened the meeting at 7:06 pm and welcomed all members and our guest.

Next, he carefully unravelled a heavy looking object and set it on the table for all to see. The Ivan Herbert Hummingbird trophy.

He asked the secretary to make the introduction. It took a long time but is now here and looking great. Peter recounted the process, his idea of designing something special for the very special person Ivan was. He pointed out how helpful and accommodating the people that built the trophy were, in particular Paul Crandall at Auto Trim and Darrell Drover, Saltwood Designs, who crafted the beautiful American walnut base.

The first recipient of the trophy will be known after this years AWC Competition.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

The Minutes of the May 8th 2019 meeting were approved as submitted.

Wine Doctor:

Peter Jackson brought a 2018 White Field Blend. It had developed an unexplained off aroma. It contained Vidal which had gone to malolactic fermentation. Could this be the reason?

Correspondence:

Included the incident of 2 bottles broken in transit to the AWC competition in BC.

A reminder to appoint one member from both NS Clubs to sit on the Board of AWNS.

Business Arising: None.

New Business:

A notice of contemplated subjects for the New Season will be posted shortly on the AVV website.

Bob MacDiarmid reminded all interested that Luigi's lists have been circulated and there was still time to place orders, contact Susan Wilson.

Alan Baker reported on the state of AWNS funds, approx. \$350. This is sufficient to cover the cost of the Hummingbird trophy, but both Clubs, AVV and HDWC need to make a regular contribution to maintain some cash balance.

Alan motioned that our President, Brian McKibbin, will represent AVV on the Board of the AWNS. Seconded by Peter Jucker. All in favour!

An idea has surfaced that we may want to consider the creation of a trophy to be awarded to the best non-grape winemaker. Alan motioned to call for volunteers to form a committee to study this idea. Seconded by Gary.

Adjourn Business Meeting:

Motioned by Steve Ells, seconded by Rosaline Cochrane.

Technical Session:

John Fletcher was unable to attend. He will be talking about yeasts another evening.

Brian introduced Neslihan Ivit, Wine Quality Specialist with Perennia.

Nesli and Amy Savoury have worked out a 3 Part Wine Education Seminar which they will be offering to our Club. This course looks very interesting and all members were encouraged to participate. Contact Gary to book.

Non-Technical Session: Bob MacDiarmid. Thank you very much.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 9th, 2019.

Minutes prepared by Peter and Frances