



LODI AMATEUR VINTNERS ASSOCIATION

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April 2010

2010 LAVA Officers and Committee Chairs

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Taste of Lodi	Marilyn & Del Burns	333-1630
Historian	Anu Rai	408-406-5698
Barbeque	Dennis & Linda Sattler	334-5519
SO ₂ TA Testing	Don Norman	368-6735



LAVA Meeting Minutes of April 15th, 2010

St. Jorge Winery

Approval of Minutes (Don Norman): Don called the meeting to order. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes from the March 18th meeting. (Minutes are available on LAVA's webpage)

Treasurer's Report: It was reported that our balance through March, 2010 was \$5666.70.

Winemaking Calendar (Don Norman and Ted Lauchland)

- In the Cellar: Racking and check SO₂ level (\$1/test) Call Don Norman to schedule tests. Bottle now for SJ County and State Fair Competition. Scout for grapes.
- In the Vineyard: Frost can still be a problem. As vines start to grow, thin for air/sunlight. Pre-prune for next year's growth pattern.

Introductions: (Marwedell Norman) Marwedell welcomed new members and visitors.

- LAVA welcomes these new members:
Nick Bokides, Mia Brown, Lee Laughlin, Joe & Annette Peixoto

Old Business:

- Club Banquet (Anu Rai) Banquet was an exceptional event. LAVA incurred the cost of renting the hall.
- SJ County Fair Amateur Wine Competition - June 4th. (Don Norman) Submit wines 5/3-5/22. New members get one free entry, paid by LAVA.
- California State Fair Amateur Wine Competition (Aaron Kidder) June 16th. Submit entries 4/26-5/27. Download forms and info from LAVA webpage, forms were emailed to members and volunteers, also.
- Bocci League (Kevin Baysinger) Lodi Winery Bocci League is forming. Committee will meet soon. LAVA Tuesday evening games may start soon.
- Label Printer (Jerry Manzel) Frank Haversack and Jerry will investigate to determine the best equipment that could potentially be purchased by the club. Members would design their labels with their own software. Frank Haversack volunteered to help members individually design labels. Call Frank 209-662-2055. Labels can be entered in upcoming wine competitions.
- Club shirts (Linda Kidder) 20 shirts are on order. Linda is asking for a volunteer to take over the shirt ordering.
- Neocorks (Don Norman) Don will have some "test" corks available soon.
Neocork charges \$100 setup for printing.
We are looking for alternative sources for corks.
- Zinfest (Lynette Desa) May 15th. Need 16 more volunteers. Volunteers will meet in Lodi for shirt distribution prior to the event. The shirt is your ticket to enter.

New Business:

- Cleaning barrels (Jerry Manzel) Go to watercannon.com for turbo sprayer to clean barrels economically.
- 79 Gallon SS Fermenters (Aaron Kidder) Aaron will order April 16th.
- Foil Spinners and Plastic bottle tops (Don Norman) Don asked for a volunteer to look into cost and availability.

Announcements, Upcoming Events:

- Don Norman selling 15.5 gallon beer keg for \$25.00
- Macchia Spring Release - May 1-2
- Zinfest - May 15
- Heritage Oak - Riedel Glass Tasting - May 27
- d'Art hosting a "Bottle 'Yer Own" May 29-31
- Dancing Fox - Specials for Club Members

Program: Craig Rous opened the annual LAVA Member Wine Analysis by asserting that LAVA member wines have improved remarkably over the years. Craig then introduced Mike Borboa, who presented the lab figures and his own tasting results.

Next Meeting: May 20th - M2 Winery - Presentation on Oak Alternatives.