



Meeting Minutes of March 15th, 2007 (KIDDER Barn)

1. **Call to order/Introductions (Susan Tipton):** Members arrived at the KIDDER barn at around 6:45pm, and the meeting began around 7:00pm. Susan Tipton introduced guests (and almost new members) Ed & Mary- Jean Odron. WELCOME!
2. **Approval of minutes (Aaron Kidder):** The minutes of our February 15th, 2006 Executive Board meeting (published on our WEB page) were moved for approval, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.
3. **Treasurer's Report (Rich Rostomily):** Rich Rostomily presented the fact that our current balance (as of March 10th, 2007) is \$6,681.49. The full Treasurer's report is now posted on our WEB page). The report was moved for approval, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote:
4. **Winemaking Calendar:**
Continue racking, barreling, bottling, and barrel topping. Be sure and check SO2 levels.
Vineyard: (Tom Hoffman). Condition your soil, and mow your rows short.
5. **Calendar Update (Don Norman):** Don Norman gave a preview of upcoming events.
Don Norman started his discussion by reciting the following quote:
"When asked whether he ever confused a Bordeaux with a Burgundy in a blind tasting, British wine legend Harry Waugh replied: 'Not since lunch'".
6. **Unfinished Business:**
 - *Additional Equipment Committee, Excess Funds and Usage Rules (Aaron Kidder):* Jerry Manzel offered to chair the committee to determine how best to utilize the club's excess funds for equipment purchases. Aaron reminded the club that the club will plan an annual training class for the use of this equipment, and new members must either participate in this class, or get board member approval to use the club equipment.
 - *Annual Banquet Wrap-up (Aaron & Linda Kidder):* A fantastic time was had by all, including a great time dancing! With the help of our Raffle, we were able to generate \$246!
 - *Club Project – Joint Crush (Aaron Kidder):* Our first annual joint crush is schedule for sometime in August (based on when harvest occurs, and what we decide to crush). It should be a BLAST!
 - *ZinFest-2007 (Kevin Baysinger):* Meetings with LW&VC ZinFest committed haven't occurred yet, but Kevin has begin taking volunteer names. Contact him if you're interested.
 - *Annual BBQ:* Susan and Rod Tipton have graciously agreed to both host this years BBQ, and chair the event. Thank you both for your generosity.
 - *SJF Fair Competition:* Jim Schweickardt has agreed to chair this event, and is looking for volunteers. It will be held at Woodbridge Winery on June 1st this year (Friday).
 - *Wine Aroma Kit vs. Pooch seminar (Aaron Kidder):* The club decided to work toward bringing Pooch in for a seminar, and then review the possibility of purchasing a kit down the road. Brian Price has offered to chair this event. (Thanks Brian).
7. **New Business:**
 - *CalState Fair Competition-July 18th (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron is looking for plenty of volunteers again for this years event, so please contact him if you're interested!



8. **Announcements & Upcoming Events:**

- LAVA Shirts for sale – **NOW: \$12.00 each** – contact Linda Kidder.
- April 21st and 22nd: Macchia Spring Release Party
- May 19th - ZinFest
- June 1st – San Joaquin County Fair Amateur competition (Woodbridge Winery)
- July 18th – California State Fair Amateur competition (Wine & Roses)
- September 13th – 16th: Grape Festival & Harvest Fair

9. **Program: Annual Craig Rous member wine analysis.**

As with the last 4 years, Craig's analysis and insights were greatly appreciated. Thanks Craig!

10. **Next meeting:** Our next meeting will be April 19th, 2007; 7:00pm; (Venue to be determined). This will be the Darrell Corti member wine evaluations, so DON'T MISS IT!