



Meeting Minutes of June 21st, 2007 (Winery Visitation / Vino Con Brio)

1. **Call to order/Introductions:** Members arrived at the Amorosa (at the new Vino Con Brio Winery facility) at around 7:00pm, and the meeting began around 7:00pm. Susan Tipton introduced new members – Ron & Kathie Mettler, and Dick Vargo's guest – Jim Unruh (2nd time as a guest) WELCOME!
2. **Approval of minutes (Aaron Kidder):** The minutes of our May, 2007 meeting (published on our WEB page) were moved for approval, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report (Aaron Kidder): In Rich Rostomily's absence, Aaron reminded the membership that the Treasurer's report is now being published on the WEB page. It was moved for approval, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.

4. **Winemaking Calendar:**
Scout for Grapes. Check you SO2 levels (making additions if necessary)
Vineyard: (Ted Lauchland). Sulfur as necessary (every 10-14 days until veraison).
5. **Calendar Update (Don Norman):** Don Norman started his discussion by reciting his monthly quote. He then reminded the membership that Aaron has published all upcoming events on our WEB page. Don't forget the California State Fair! (July 18th) The July meeting will feature Don Norman (with help from Dave Dart and Frank Haversack) on the "Art of Labels".
6. **Unfinished Business:**
 - *ZinFest-2007 (Kevin Baysinger):* Kevin gave a recap. The event made our club around \$300. There was some discussion as to whether or not the club will continue to assist given the new rules (limited tickets, and fixed revenue to the club). The club decided to table the discussion until February of 2007.
 - *SJF Fair Competition (Jim Schweickardt):* Jim gave a brief recap of this year's competition. This year we received 148 entries, and it was another great club success. Thank you Jim for all your hard work.
 - *Annual BBQ (Rod & Sue Tipton):* Susan recapped the status, and mentioned that Linda and Marwedell and their husbands will be assisting her in setup and tear.
 - *Additional Equipment Committee (Jerry Manzel):* In Jerry's absence, the club voted to table this topic until the July meeting.
 - *Pooch Seminar (Brian Price):* Brian was not in attendance, so this will be discussed further at the July meeting.
 - *Taste of Lodi (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron asked the club for a volunteer to chair this year's event, and Kevin Baysinger offered! Thanks Kevin!
 - *Woodchips for Sale (Roger Nicholas):* For those interested, Roger has broken down several pounds of Oak Chips, Pellets, and Dust. Contact him directly if you're interested in purchasing some!
 - *CalState Fair Competition-July 18th (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron reviewed that status. We're up to nearly 50 volunteers (between our club, and Amador) – and shooting for 60. Aaron asked anyone else interested to please contact him!



7. **New Business:**

- *Equipment usage training. (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron asked the club who might be interested in chairing the 1st annual equipment training session, and Kevin Baysinger (with Ted Lauchland's help) took on the challenge (thanks Kevin). We also asked Sandi (Lodi Lab) to join us, and give a brief presentation on cleanliness!
- *August Food & Wine Pairing (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron asked for those interested who might want to participate in this year's Food/Wine pairing. Jim Schweickardt, Don Norman, Dave Ingram, and Dennis Sattler all raised their hands. Thanks guys (and wives).
- *Joint Crush (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron asked again for those interested in participating in the first annual "Club Crush". Those who showed interest include: Don Norman, Dave Ingram, David Prochnow, and Ron Mettler. Thanks guys!

8. **Announcements & Upcoming Events:**

- LAVA Shirts for sale – **NOW: \$12.00 each** – contact Linda Kidder.
- Morning Glory Fermentation is selling Bottles for \$7.50/case. Contact them at: (530) 622-9660
- Be sure to check out our LIBRARY (now listed online at our WEB site). Contact Dave Ingram.
- July 18th (Wednesday) – California State Fair Amateur competition (Wine & Roses)
- July 21st (Tentative) – Equipment Training & Winery Sanitation
- July 28th – Annual LAVA BBQ
- September 13th – 16th: Grape Festival & Harvest Fair

9. **Program: Winery Visitation – Vino Con Brio**

Another GREAT time! Thanks Mike Matson!

10. **Next meeting:** Our next meeting will be July 19th, 2007; 7:00pm; Wine & Visitors Center (Tentative). This meeting will feature Don Norman (with help from Dave Dart, and Frank Haversack) on the "Art of Wine" **DON'T MISS IT!**