

Quaffing



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May 2010

As our season comes to a close we sign off with a tasting of Fine Wine with David Dickinson. This will be a fantastic opportunity to taste some really great wines. July sees our second annual Hog Roast - an event that was much enjoyed by all who attended last year. Once again it will be hosted by our Treasurer and his wife in Droxford.

Membership is now due for renewal - please complete and return the enclosed forms as quickly as possible. It is also important to let the Secretary know if you are not renewing! Please ensure we have your correct email address - in future we intend to use email as main method of distributing this newsletter. Hard copy will be sent to members without email or to those who specifically request it.

There may be an opportunity for a visit to Wickham Vineyard in August - if I can confirm this soon, I will be mailing relevant details. Please also look out for emails or keep an eye on the website.

Bob Hawthorne

Forthcoming Events

All tastings are held at the Mountbatten Centre, Portsmouth at 7pm unless otherwise stated.

Tuesday 1 st June	Fine Wines with David Dickinson
Friday 9 th July	Hog Roast
Tuesday 7 th September	TBC
Tuesday 5 th October	Wines of Portugal - Trevor Elliott
Tuesday 2 nd November	South Africa - Keith Grainger

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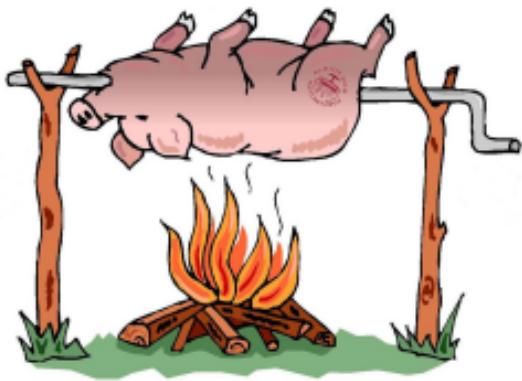
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PWS Summer Hog Roast



Following last year's resounding success, this event will be once again be held at the home of our Treasurer in Droxford. We are most grateful to Roger and his wife Denise for allowing us to stage the event in their beautiful grounds. If the weather should be inclement, we will be accommodated indoors.

The cost of the event covers the Hog Roast or a fish alternative (pre-booked only). with salad accompaniments Members should bring their own chairs, wine and cutlery. Glasses and plates will be provided.

The evening will run from 6.30pm until 9.30pm with food being served at around 7.15pm. A firework finale will mark the close.

Parking will not be a problem but we are encouraging members to share taxis or other transport to minimise the environmental impact. The Society is also obliged to remind members to drink responsibly. Hopefully the evening will prove to be equally enjoyable for anyone not drinking.

Directions to Mylor House are shown on the reverse of the enclosed flyer. Guests are very welcome. Please try to book early so that we can be sure of numbers.

Fine Wines - David Dickinson

David is a retired accountant, who over the years developed an interest in wine for its own sake and as an attractive investment vehicle.

He pursued this logically, by taking qualifying wine courses at South Downs College as a student, gaining the WSET Intermediate and Advanced Certificates culminating in The Diploma. He now lectures at the College on Wine Courses and Innkeepers qualifications. He also has responsibility to Students for outplacements. David recently lunched aboard the Queen Victoria after examining 24 of their front of house staff for the WSET advanced certificate.

He is a member of The Wine Society and served on the committee of The Wine Society Dining Club. One benefit of being a lecturer at South Downs was access to Catering Courses, so David has moved on from rather dodgy, beans on toast to Gourmet meals at home in three years. It's worth cultivating his friendship, if only for the pastry. He is an enthusiastic, accomplished wine taster, following much practice and is willing to share his views with all.

He plays a full part in Christian groups; both Anglican and Roman Catholic and one shouldn't be surprised to find a bishop munching away at his house. Marathon running must have given a thirst.

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Friday 9th July 2010 Droxford 6.30 - 9.30pm

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I/We would like to attend the Hog Roast. Guests are welcome.

Please reserve places at **£12.50** per head **Total enclosed £.....**

Please provide fish alternatives to Hog Roast (available pre-booked only)

Name:.....Telephone:.....

Send cheques payable to “**Portsmouth Wine Society**” to:

Roger Foster, Mylor House, Swanmore Road,

Droxford, Hampshire SO32 3PT

By Friday 25th June 2010

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June Tasting - Book Now!

Tuesday 1st June 2010 Mountbatten Centre 7.00pm

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I/We would like to attend the Fine Wine tasting. Guests are welcome.

Please reserve member's places at **£18** per head **Total enclosed £.....**

Please reserve Guest places at **£20** per head

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