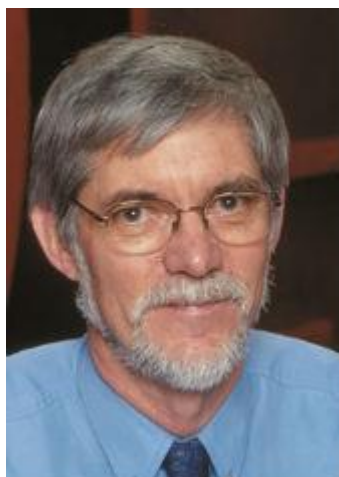


## Patron's Message



Although a quarter of the year has passed, I wish everyone all the very best for 2021. And I welcome the new students in the wine business and viticulture and oenology degrees to the North Terrace and Waite Campuses of The University of Adelaide.

I welcome Professor Peter Høj AC to the position of Vice Chancellor of the University of Adelaide. Many of you will know Peter from his time as the inaugural Professor of Viticulture at The University of Adelaide and as the Director of the Australian Wine Research Institute. I worked with Peter in the Viticulture group at the Waite for several years. He is a brilliant scientist and it was an exciting time at the Waite under Peter's leadership. Peter's knowledge and experience in viticulture, wine and in leadership and management of large corporations will be an asset for the wine courses at the University. We hope to see him at the Waite Campus regularly.

I also welcome Associate Professor in Wine Business, Armando Corsi, to The Adelaide Business School of The University of Adelaide. Armando's research career spans many wine related areas, particularly consumer studies. His reputation, nationally and internationally, is of the highest standing and this is a great appointment for the wine business area. One of the goals of the Wine Alumni Network is to strengthen the links between the winemaking and viticulture and wine business students. Armando is very keen to help make this happen and has joined the Wine Alumni Network Group.

An important focus of this newsletter is to promote the Roseworthy Wine Reunion. The University of Adelaide has organised a reunion for graduates of wine related courses from Roseworthy Agricultural College. The reunion dinner will be at The National Wine Centre, Adelaide on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2021. Details are in this newsletter.

The reunion had to be postponed last year due to Covid 19. We realise that concerns about travel restrictions may prevent some people from overseas and interstate from attending, but hopefully by July the situation will be more favourable for travel and at least some of interstate graduates will be able to join the celebration. We are attempting to get many past Roseworthy students and staff and current University of Adelaide staff to the dinner. It promises to be a great night to catch up with people and remember and celebrate the Roseworthy days.

I congratulate Pam Dunsford OAM on receiving an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Adelaide. Pam was awarded a Degree of Doctor of Science (honoris causa) in recognition of her pioneering work in Australian winemaking, blazing a trail for women winemakers and championing the South Australian wine industry in a career spanning more than 40 years. Pam was the first female student to attend and graduate from the wine course at Roseworthy.

And, I congratulate Professor Kerry Wilkinson of the Department of Wine and Food for being awarded STEMM Educator of the year in the South Australian Science Excellence and Innovative Awards for her outstanding scientific contribution in life changing research in wine education.

On a sad note, Andrew Ewart, passed away recently. Andrew was a lecturer at Roseworthy Agricultural College and many alumni will remember him thorough his teaching of the Wine Technology and Sensory Evaluation subjects and his research at The Pilot Winery. Andrew was very well respected by both students and staff. He contributed significantly to the development of the wine department and the winemaking programme at a time when Roseworthy was moving from an Agricultural College to a College of Advanced Education and then to the amalgamation with the University of Adelaide. After Roseworthy, Andrew went on to build a successful career as a winemaker and a consultant. He will be remembered for the wines that he made at Mountadam winery during its early days, particularly Mountadam Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon. On person note, I learnt much from Andrew during my Roseworthy days when I was beginning

my lecturing and research career. He had a 'practical outcome' focussed approach to both his teaching and research. Andrew was one of the authors of our technical books. We thank him sincerely for his contribution to our book writing endeavours. Andrew fought a long battle with cancer and other issues with positiveness and strength. Over the years Judith and I became close friends of Andrew and Helen. In recent years our friendship strengthened, perhaps through shared memories of Roseworthy while building our careers and working together on the technical books. Judith and I, Roseworthy staff and students and the winemaking community will miss Andrew's presence and contribution to our lives. We pass on our condolences to Helen, James, Simon and Mary.

Judith and I hope 2021 is a positive and rewarding year for alumni. And, for those that can attend the reunion dinner, we hope to see you in July.

Best regards

Patrick

Patrick Iland OAM

Patron, The University of Adelaide Wine Alumni

### **Vintage Conversations**

Vintage Conversations in the Wine Science Laboratory were welcomed back in May after a compulsory break in 2020 because of COVID-19 restrictions.

We couldn't have been more delighted to re-launch the event series with one of Australia's finest, and possibly most humble winemakers from the Adelaide Hills, the inimitable Stephen George. With an enviable resume of more than 30 vintages between his brand Ashton Hills and the iconic Wendouree, the conversation was engaging and continued into the evening on the cellar floor. Stephen shared his simple, enduring approach to winemaking across two diverse brands and offered his perspective on winemaking in the future for students.

We will look forward to hosting more Vintage Conversation in 2021 – if you are interested in participating please contact Jill Bauer on [jill.bauer@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:jill.bauer@adelaide.edu.au).

### **Winery Instagram**



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