



West Suffolk Fine Wine Society

Newsletter January 2023

Dear Members,

Happy New Year!

Firstly, a gentle reminder to those of you who are yet to renew your membership. I am attaching the renewal form for ease of reference. Thinking about renewals, it occurred to me that some of you may not have access to a printer. If this is the case, please email me and I will put the renewal form in the post for you.

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Secondly, a reminder of the events planned for the first quarter of the year.

Dates for your diary 2023

- **January 16th**-We still have spaces for the tasting on the 16th with Martin Higginson from the Suffolk Wine Academy. Martin is an approved WSET educator who regularly contributes to Bury and West Suffolk magazine. His particular speciality is wines from Spain and he is an official educator for wines from Rioja. Martin's presentation is titled "Rioja Old and New" and I'm certain he will have some special wines for you to taste or even purchase.

As Martin is a new presenter to WSFWS we would like to invite you to bring your friends for £9.50 and not the usual £12.50

Should you wish to come, please email Wynn at wynn.rees@btinternet.com by January 9th, with cheques to Hazel as usual

- **February 20th**. Former Professor of Surgery, Michael Rhodes, will be telling us the story of his Thurston vineyard, and guiding us through a tasting of his wines, two of which have recently won prestigious awards. Alongside the five wines he is bringing, there will be a selection of nibbles - local charcuterie and cheeses - making this a celebration of Suffolk produce

This is the event previously planned for last November

Please confirm your attendance at this event to Hazel by February 4th at the latest

March 20th-Preet Sahota from “Edgmond Wines” will be presenting on “Premium wines from South Africa” Edgmond wines was established in 2013 by Preet whose interest in wine started as a hobby and became an obsession. The company works with a small number of exciting winemakers and boutique family wineries from across South Africa.

Please confirm your attendance at this event to Hazel by February 28th at the latest

- June 12th Tasting to be advised and other events are being planned

Please note that the first 3 tastings planned for next year are on the third Monday in the month. This is due to the availability of our presenters. All tastings start at 7.30pm at Great Barton village hall

Please don't forget your glasses

Should you wish to attend any of these tastings please send your cheque for £9.50 for members (12.50 for guests) per tasting to Hazel

Hazel Denton
3, Abbeyfields
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NB. Should you wish to send just one cheque to cover more than one event please detail each event that you are paying for on the back of the cheque.

Kind regards
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