Newsletter July 2023

Dear Members,

I hope you are all enjoying the sunshine. I am delighted to say that the new payment system is working well with only the occasional (understandable) glitch. Thank you all for your cooperation.

! Forthcoming events-September 11th - Wines from Argentina

Our first tasting after the summer break will be run by Mark Bradbury from Ruta 40, a company which has specialised for over 10 years in finding the very best boutique wines from Argentina. They import from small wineries whose wines won't be found in big stores and supermarkets, and offer a great range which incorporates sparkling, whites, roses and reds. This promises to be a highly enjoyable and interesting tasting - a great chance to learn more about Argentina's best wines.

£9.50 Payment code WA. Deadline for payment is Friday 25th August. It is not necessary to inform Wynn numbers are not limited on this occasion

! October 9th - Fine Wine Tasting

October brings our annual opportunity to live up to our club's name and taste some wines that are well above the price of the bottles that most of us routinely open. This year we are visiting Adnams in Bury St Edmunds to taste some wines from the upper end of their range. The event will be presented by Ally, a well qualified and experienced wine adviser, and will cover a good range of interesting wines.

The price for this tasting is £25 per person (held at the same price as the last few years) of which every penny will be spent on the wines, as Adnams are not charging for use of the venue.

Only 25 places are available for the Fine Wine Tasting (this ensures that decent tasting amounts are available!) and places tend to be taken quite quickly, so if you are interested in coming please email Wynn (wynn.rees@btinternet.com) to book your place before making any payment. Payment code FW

Please note that this event will start at the earlier than usual time of 7pm and will finish at around 9pm. An added bonus for members is that if any of the wines particularly appeal you will be able to buy bottles (with your usual 10% discount) either straight after the tasting or at a later date.

! November 13th AGM and in house tasting

DIRECTORY OF MEMBERS' BENEFITS-please ensure you have your membership card with you at the time (repeated from last month for your ease of reference)

<u>The Three Kings Fornham St Martin</u>, Hengrave Rd, Fornham All Saints, Bury St Edmunds IP28 6LA. Tel. 01284 658866

10% discount off the final bill (food and drink) subject to availability and the following terms and conditions: Offer agreed by Chris Lee (Owner)

- A booking must be made in advance, mentioning your membership number of the WSFWS
- At least two courses of food from the restaurant's main or classics menu must be ordered
- o Not available on special days such as Mother's Day, Valentine's Day, Easter Sunday etc. Please check availability if in doubt.
- There may occasionally be other special offers/events available to members (information will be in the monthly newsletter)
- The offer will apply to all members in a group as long as one diner is a WSFWS member

Adnams, Bury St Edmunds

10% off any purchase. Offer agreed by Tom Crittenden (Manager)

The Wine Cellar, Bury St Edmunds

10% off any purchase . Offer agreed by Bradley Dorrington (Owner)

The Angel Hotel, Bury St Edmunds

20% off any bottle of wine when purchased with at least two courses from the à la carte menu. Offer agreed by Ines Pastoriza (Front of House Manager)

Please support our partner businesses and take advantage of the discounts but report any difficulty you have redeeming the discounts

And finally

I am sorry to have to inform you of the death of Mary Payne on June 23rd. Mary, alongside her husband David, has been a long time member of our society and will be sadly missed. Our thoughts are with David and his family at this time.

Mary's funeral will take place at St Martin's Church, Fornham St Martin on July 18th at 1pm and all members are welcome to attend. A brief committal service will follow for family members only, in the St Edmunds Chapel of the West Suffolk Cemetery & Crematorium.

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Secretary, WSFWS