



West Suffolk Fine Wine Society

Newsletter March 2024

Dear Members,

Forthcoming Events

- **March 11th Preet Sahota - Monday 11th Great Barton Village Hall 7.30pm**

Preet has sent through a paragraph to inform the agenda for his presentation

"I'm really looking forward to returning this year with a Southern Hemisphere tasting like no other, with a range of mature wines from New Zealand, Australia and South Africa. And so the question will be answered - do New World wines from the southern hemisphere age gracefully?

The past year I have managed to secure exclusive allocations of some of the most highly sought-after wines from these three wine regions.

Want to taste a wine from a site that has been dubbed 'one of the greatest in the world' by several Masters of Wine (MWs) and one where over 200 winemakers are on the waiting list to buy grapes?

How about a mature New Zealand Syrah from their most revered region?

And as a special one-off, members will taste a mature Shiraz from one of Australia's most renowned regions - Margaret River."

Please reserve your place online or by cheque **Cost £11 per person, Code PS.** or by emailing Wynn (wynn.rees@btinternet.com).

Deadline for booking March 6th

- **April 17th Annual Dinner at the college (please note this is a Wednesday)-**

We are still waiting for information about the menu and prices for this event. As soon as we receive this we will send an email to you all and request that members respond rapidly to book places.

- **May 13th.**

Bradley Dorrington, the owner of The Wine Cellar in Bury St Edmunds, will present 8 wines based around a theme reflecting his life in the wine and hospitality industry. Expect a great choice of wines along with some real insight into the ups and downs of his trade, and the choices he has to make.

Cost and code will be announced in a future newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS-

All who have joined or rejoined have been allocated a new 4-digit number starting with 24. Previous membership numbers starting 23 are now no longer valid for booking or obtaining discounts. Please use the new number when paying for events and present this year's card when requesting discounts from our partner businesses.

Your new number can be obtained from Hazel and cards are issued at meetings or can be obtained by sending Hazel a stamped addressed envelope.

Hazel Denton 3, Abbeyfields, Haughley IP14 3TA

FINANCE AND PAYMENT

Wynn has prepared a revised guidance for booking and paying of events online. Please kindly read and digest! I attach this as a separate document. Please address any queries to Wynn (wynn.rees@btinternet.com)

DIRECTORY OF MEMBERS' BENEFITS-please ensure you have your membership card with you at the time.

The Three Kings Fornham St Martin, 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*
- *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.

We look forward to seeing you at forthcoming events.

Kind regards

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