

British Columbia Amateur Winemakers Association

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING - JANUARY 5, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. at the home of Jack Ziebart. Present were Tony Pearson, Jack Ziebart, Jock and Margaret Fairholm, Tom Robinson and Flory Bosa.

The minutes of the last executive meeting of August 19th were approved as moved by Tom and seconded by Tony. CARRIED.

1. Correspondence -- None
2. Treasurer's Report -- None
3. Stewart's Report

Letter from Sal attached. Executive formulated answers to her questions.

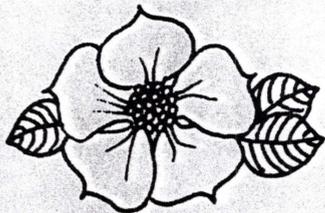
- a. Jock will find out
- b. Flory to write to Wine Art.
- c. No additional report other than those in earlier minutes.
- d. Jock to look into.
- e. Subsidy of \$110.00 any extra to be approved at council meeting.
- f. Will get Jerry to send.
- g. 500 as per our budget basis
- h. Penticton Club to be removed.

4. Other Reports

a. Tony reported that the training session at next council meeting will be on port and sherry. The speaker is Wayne Meadows.

b. The Strategic Planning Committee had recommended that a luncheon of all club presidents and B.C.A.W.A. past presidents be held at some time. The idea was discussed but a meeting date was not achieved and the executive chose to discuss the proposal at a later date.

c. A motion to give a \$200.00 advance to the handbook committee was carried at a previous council meeting. The





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money was never advanced and Sal has accumulated some further expenses (see Sal's letter). Motioned by Jack and seconded by Tony, that a \$300.00 cheque be issued to Sal and that she refund any difference to B.C.A.W.A. MOTION CARRIED

5. Lunch break

6. Calendar of events:

Council meeting	
February 3, 1991	I.O.F. Winemakers
May 5, 1991	Guild of Wine Judges
October 20, 1991	Host required

Executive meeting	
March ?? 1991	Host required
September 15, 1991	Host required

7. Old business

1. Restatement of policy re: reimbursement for expenses to host a council meeting by clubs. Our position remains that the club are to present bills.

2. Jock is following the recommendations put forward by Ted Underhill and the Strategic Planning Committee to keep clubs informed on a more personal basis. Jock wrote two letters to all club presidents. One regarding his trip to Washington grape areas and the second was a Chrismass letter.

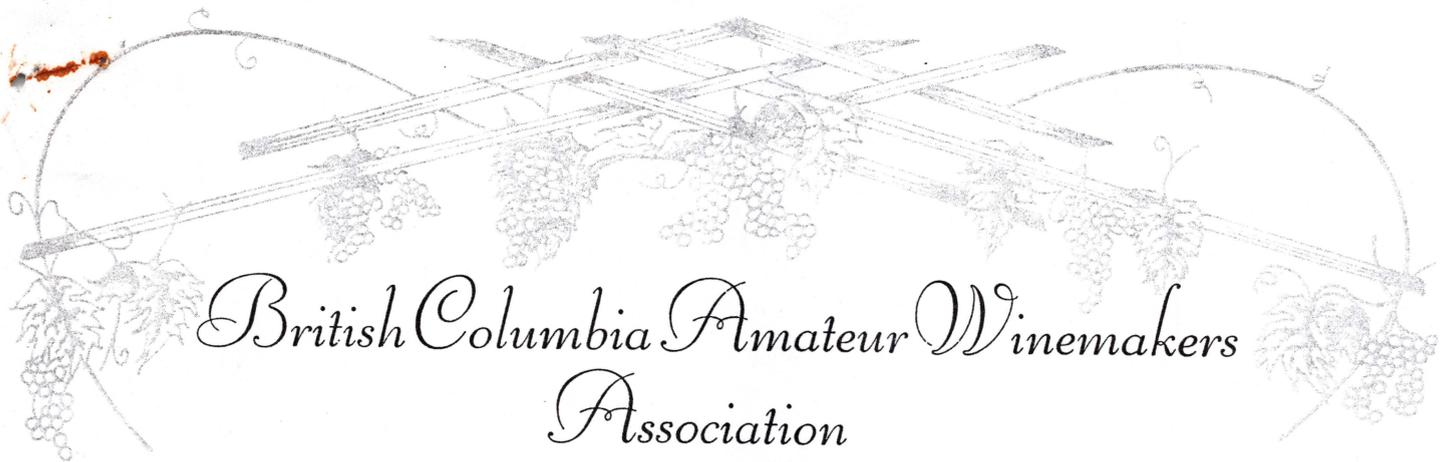
3. Jack Ziebart reported that the Zin-In competition is in danger of extinction and as such an additional parallel competition will be sponsored by his group, likely a Cab-in. More information to come as it becomes available.

8. New business

Nominating Committee has been put in motion again. Tony Pearson is in charge.



There being no further business the meeting adjourned. We thank the Ziebart for their hospitality and the lovely lunch we enjoyed.



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MINUTES OF B.C.A.W.A. COUNCIL MEETING
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 3, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 at the Bowen Park Complex in Nanaimo. Jock welcomed all.

ROLL CALL: Clubs represented:

Bacchus Alumni	B.C. Guild of Wine Judges
Chilliwack Zymurgy Club	Glenmore Wine Circle
I.O.F. Winemakers	V.A.W.A.
Saanich Sommeliers	Vintners of Coquitlam
Victoria Winemakers Guild	Vinovan

TOAST: Marie Poirier from the I.O.F. Winemakers gave the toast "Welcome to everyone, despite the weather".

MINUTES: Jock Fairholm entertained a motion by the executive to amend the minutes of the last council meeting to include the fee increase passed but omitted from the minutes. Jack Kouwenhoven 2nd. MOTION CARRIED

A motion to accept the minutes as amended was moved by Margret Kerry, Murray Mackie 2nd. MOTION CARRIED

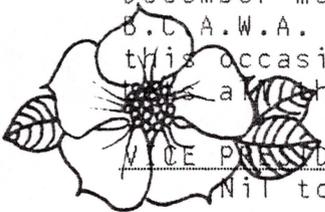
CORRESPONDENCE: None

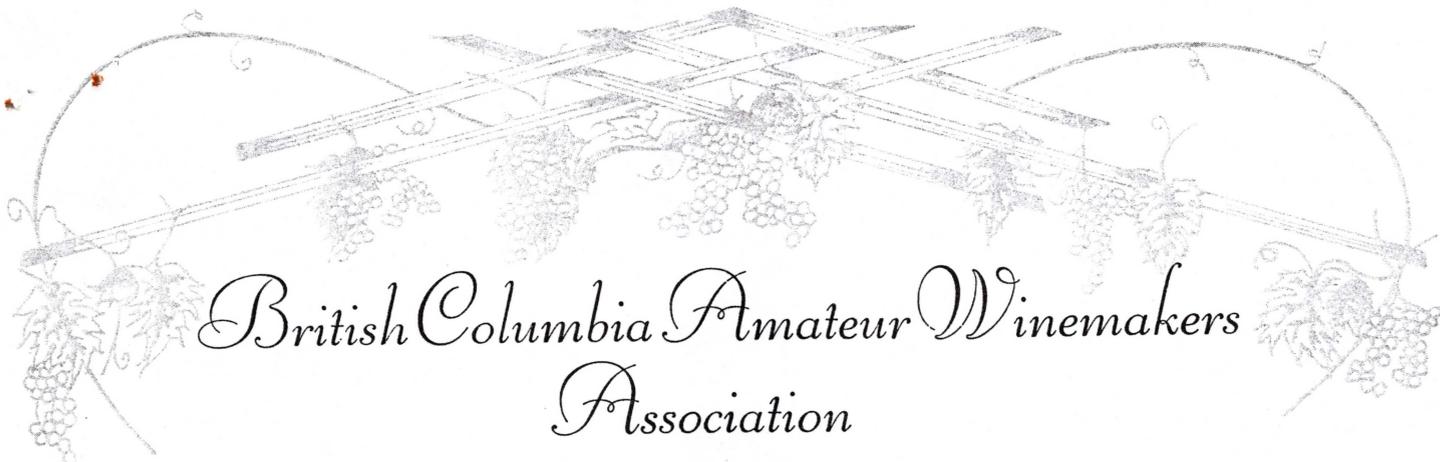
PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Appart from the regular executive duties in October, Marg and I visited the Saanich Sommeliers club to speak on B.C. Grapes. We had a good time with interested winemakers. In November we drove to Kamloops accompanied by Ted Underhill from The Victoria Club to judge in their competition. The competition was very good. The weather was terrible with the worst driving conditions I have seen in a long time. I am sure this winter has also been the worst for most of us in many years. I sent the clubs a Christmas letter which should have arrived for their December meeting. 1992 will be the 20th anniversary for B.C.A.W.A. If the member clubs would like to comemorate this occasion a committee could be set up at the next AGM. I will think about it. Thank you

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Nil to report.





TREASURER'S REPORT: attached. Moved by Jerry Yip, seconded by Keith Kerry. MOTION CARRIED.

STEWARD'S REPORT: attached.

DIRECTORS AT LARGE REPORT:
Nil to report.

ARCHIVIST:
Nil to report.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
Nil to report.

CLUB REPORT:

Bacchus Alumni - Margaret. Keeping up. 6 new members.

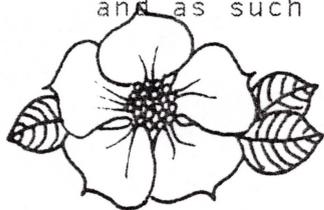
Vintners of Coquitlam - Gordon. The New Year's party was successful. 2 - 3 new members.

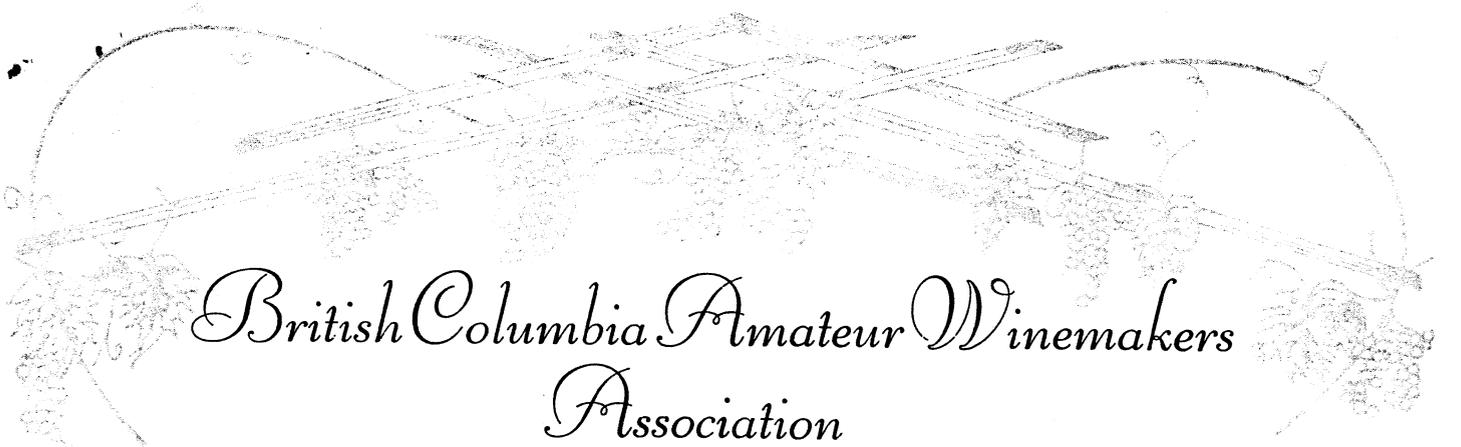
Chilliwack Zymurgy - Jack. February 23rd is their competition, same banquet, same music and same location. Murray Mackie has the tickets. A new couple joined their club. Janine Yip will serve as a drop off point for people on the island. The entries will then be couriered by Loomis for the competition.

Glenmore Wine Circle - Murray. Keeping up to their regular tastings. Trying to get their judging results in line to the medal judging ones. A Christmas guild tasting on country wines was held with poor turnout.

I.O.F. Nanaimo - Leo. Meetings still on the second tuesday of every month. 4 new members. The wine continues to improve.

B.C. Guild of Wine Judges - Wayne. The interest in the guild is "0". The executive no longer wants to serve and as such the club will likely be turned over to the





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island. It appears that the guild has outlived its usefulness. Everyone is too busy. Everything is under control. Janine stated that some Guild members on the island will carry on the interest in the guild until the mainland becomes interested again.

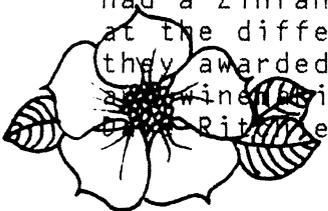
Saanich Sommeliers - Janine said their club has grown to 51 members. Their constitution only allows 50. They are going back to the basics of making wine using the experts within their group. Their competition suffered from fewer entries due to the ferry incident.

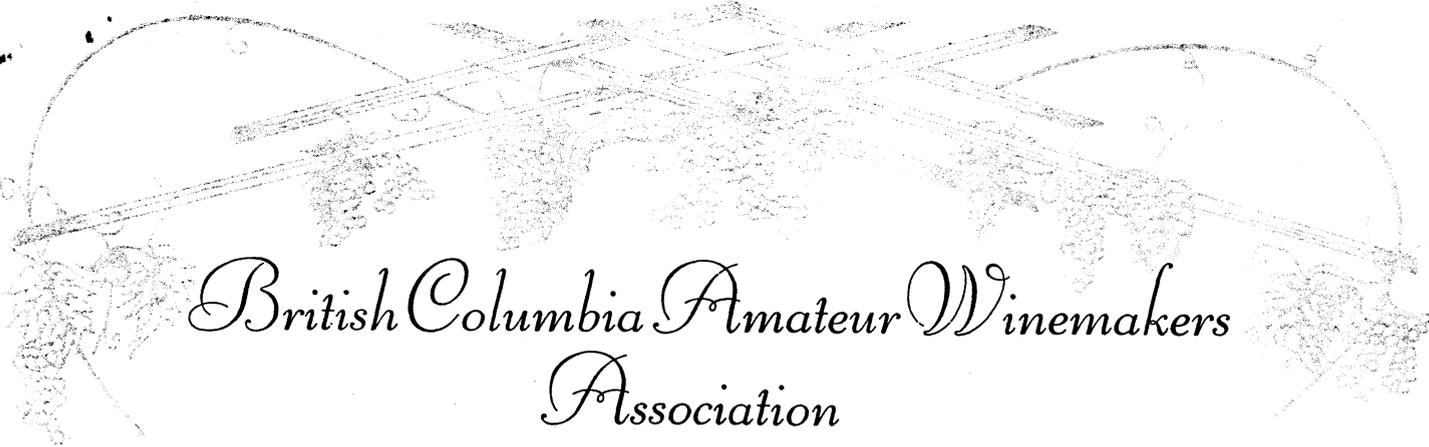
NB. The BC Ferry Corp. does not allow freight to be transported as luggage ie. wine boxes, as such clubs should consider making arrangements with Loomis for transportation of wine for competitions. As a provincial organization we will have to look at the issue of transportation further.

V.A.W.A. - Flory. We had an enjoyable Christmas program which consisted of a tasting of sparkling wines and an appetizer and dessert buffet. The upcoming competition is on March 17th. Robin Wiltshire is in charge of the tickets for the banquet. Gary Armanini and Dave Hopgood are in charge of the competition. The competition and the banquet will be held at the usual place ie. the Grad center at UBC. We will have a giant silent auction with many award winning wines available for your bidding.

Victoria Winemakers Guild - Jerry. Club membership is down but we are healthy and are seeking new members. Social Events: A delightful Christmas party was held at the residence of our club president, Don Mason. In March 1991, the club will entertain another wine festival, featuring the wines of Australia. The Victoria Club is in good financial position.

Vinovan - The AGM was held in conjunction with the Christmas party/pot luck dinner. The same executive was elected except for the new secretary, Adrian Tulip. They had a Zinfandel tasting of their club crush and were amazed at the differences. At their November wine club meeting they awarded two golden corks to people who helped the club with wine making. The two recipients were Angelo Rizzato and Rita Rizzato.





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NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Tony Pearson is in charge of this committee. He has a few more positions to fill.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Tony stated that Wayne Meadows will be making a presentation on sheries and ports after our council meeting. Suggestions for future meetings always welcomed. A likely future one will be a beer presentation.

A meeting of past BCAWA and current presidents of member clubs was suggested in the recommendations of the strategic planning committee. Always something to consider when the time is right.

LCB REGULATIONS

Jack Kouwenhoven was asked to make a report on the new LCB regulations requiring that a person taking out a liquor licence undertake a course. Apparently the course costs \$48.00 and takes approximately 3 weeks to process. It is under the guidance of the municipal authorities and is subject to change depending on your area.

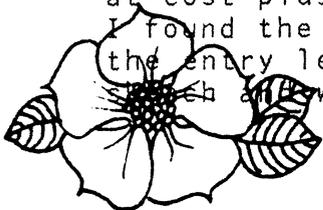
It seems that "included with meal" is the key phrase and as such a private party or wedding may be excluded from this ruling. The intent is that one person does all the serving. Still many grey areas on this issue.

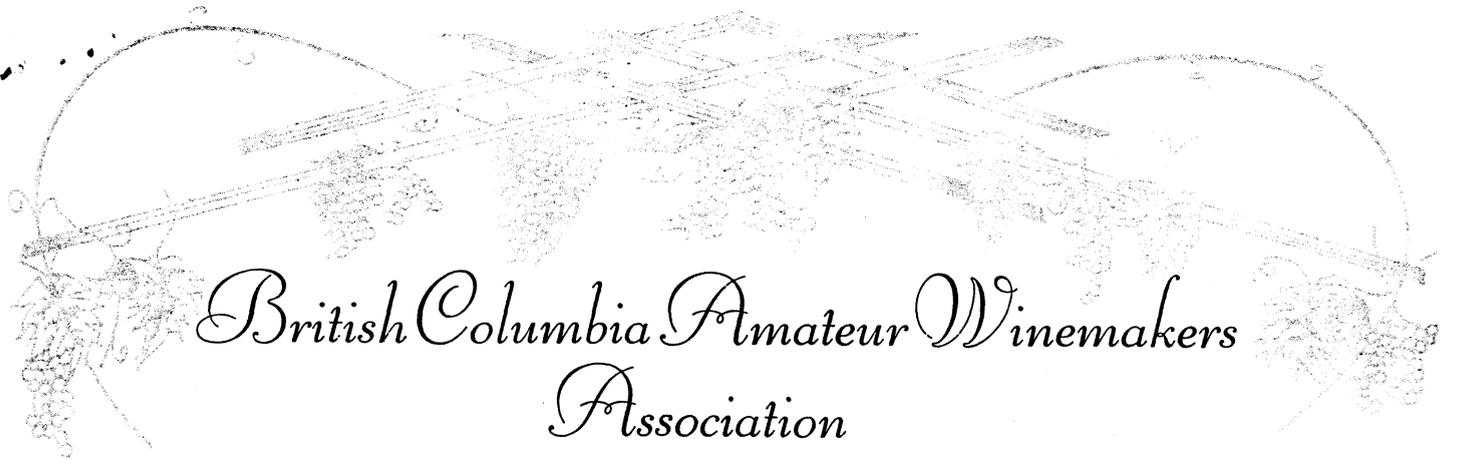
HANDBOOK COMMITTEE:

Final report of the Handbook Committee for the 1990 edition.

One hundred copies of the Handbook have been duplicated at a total cost of \$327.81. I suggest the Handbooks be sold at cost plus postage where necessary, so \$3.30 per copy.

I found the first error myself, where I left the sketch of the entry level off of Page 22. I have duplicated the sketch and will distribute it with the copies.





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The B.C. Guild of Wine Judges has purchased 42 copies for its members and trainees. The Secretary-Treasurer will submit a cheque as soon as the price is decided. I have retained the two "official" Guild copies.

Charles Plant will keep the remaining Handbooks and distribute them as required.

Suggestions, comments and errors should be brought to the attention of Charles or me.

My cost was \$327.81 (receipts given); I received an advance of \$300.00 so I need the difference of \$27.81.

Sal Motioned to sell the handbooks for \$3.30 plus postage. Angelo seconded. MOTION CARRIED

PROVINCIAL COMPETITION

Sonia needs a post dated cheque in the amount of \$55.00 before April 1st to reserve a room at the hotel. If we do not book 30 rooms or more before that date the room cost will jump to \$75.00.

There will be a sit down dinner for \$30.00 per person. A choice of salmon or beef will be available. The tables will be round sitting 8 to 10 people. Please send a post dated cheque for your meal with a note advising of your meal preference and your seating arrangements.

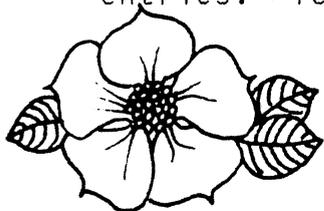
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

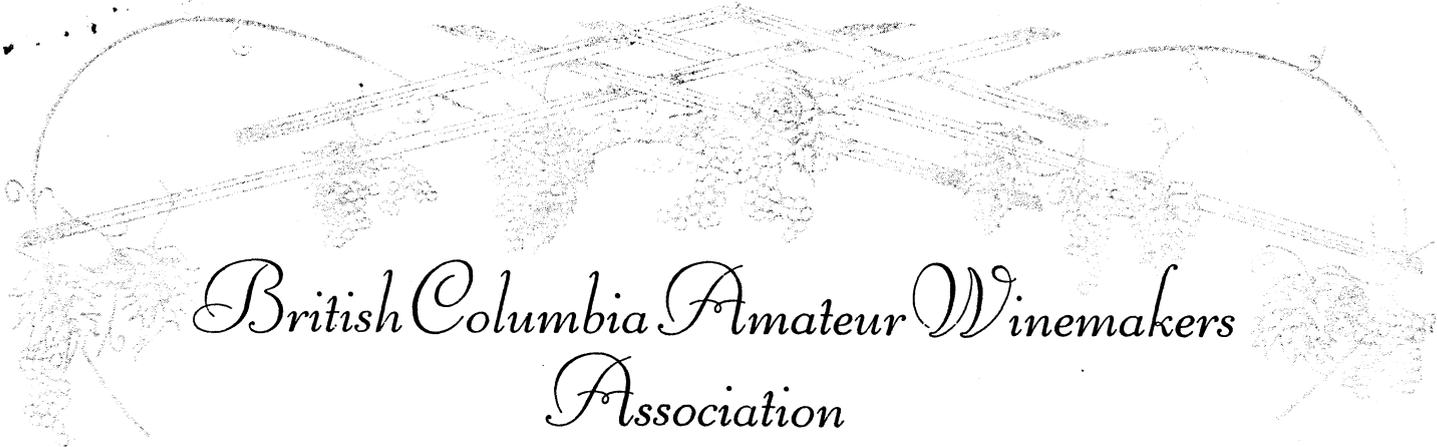
Club competitions:

Chilliwack February 23rd
\$19/person, Yip's or Angelo for late entries.

V.A.W.A. March 16th
BCAWA Annual Competition May 4 & 5, 1991
April 13 a guild function will be held

in Victoria. This will serve as a drop off point for entries. Ted Ayde in charge.





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IOF - ZinIN/CabIN --The 2 categories will not compete against one another. The date for the competition is still undecided.

Council meetings:

Executive meeting - Sonia's on March 17th at 11:30

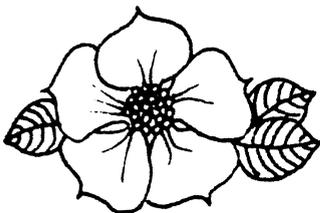
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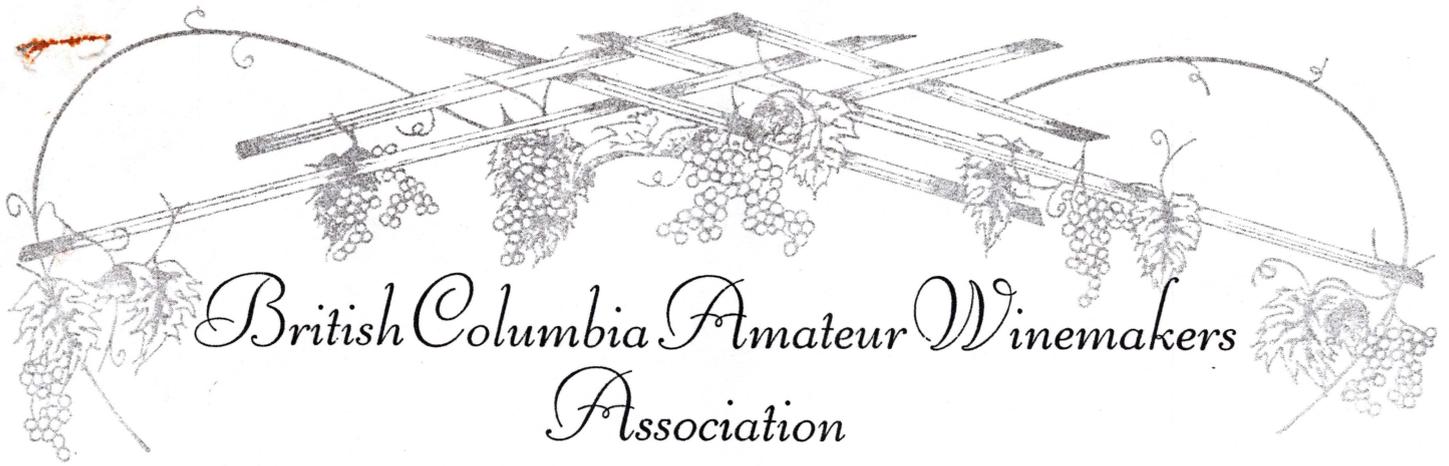
A decrease in interest in the guild and in individual club competition is a poor sign. A message needs to be taken to the individuals in the clubs that all members of clubs need to participate or else the BCAWA organization will die.

Sonia thanked the host club, IOF of Nanaimo, for the lunch, the space for the meeting and for picking us up from the ferry.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30. Motioned by Keith and seconded by Jack. MOTION CARRIED

WE ARE SORRY TO SAY THAT DAVE RITCHIE PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10TH, 1991. HIS MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS HELD ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 14TH. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE WIN, DAUGHTER SHEILA, SON JAMES, THEIR SPOUSES AND THE GRANDCHILDREN.





MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING - MARCH 17, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. at the home of Sonia Garlinge. Present were Tony Pearson, Jock and Margaret Fairholm, Jerry Yip, Sal Robinson, Tom Robinson, Sonia Garlinge and Flory Bosa.

The minutes of the last executive meeting of January 5th were approved as moved by Tom and seconded by Sal. CARRIED.

1. Correspondence

a. Cup and Key

b. Revelstoke Winemakers Guild

They would like to have Margaret give a program on country wines. Tom suggested visiting the Kamloops club as well. Jock felt logistic problems existed. It was felt that visiting the clubs was in the spirit of Ted Underhill suggestions and it would make the interior clubs more interested in BCAWA. BCAWA will pay for the gas. Jock will reply to the clubs.

2. Treasurer's Report -- Attached

\$474.25 collected from 14 clubs
definition of "members" for purpose of calculating
dues needs to be clarified.

3. Stewarts Report

Volunteers from a few clubs.

Possible difficulty with the room rate, only 15 out of
30 rooms booked.

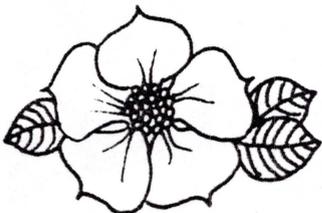
Committee expanded - Frank Clark to deal with trophies.

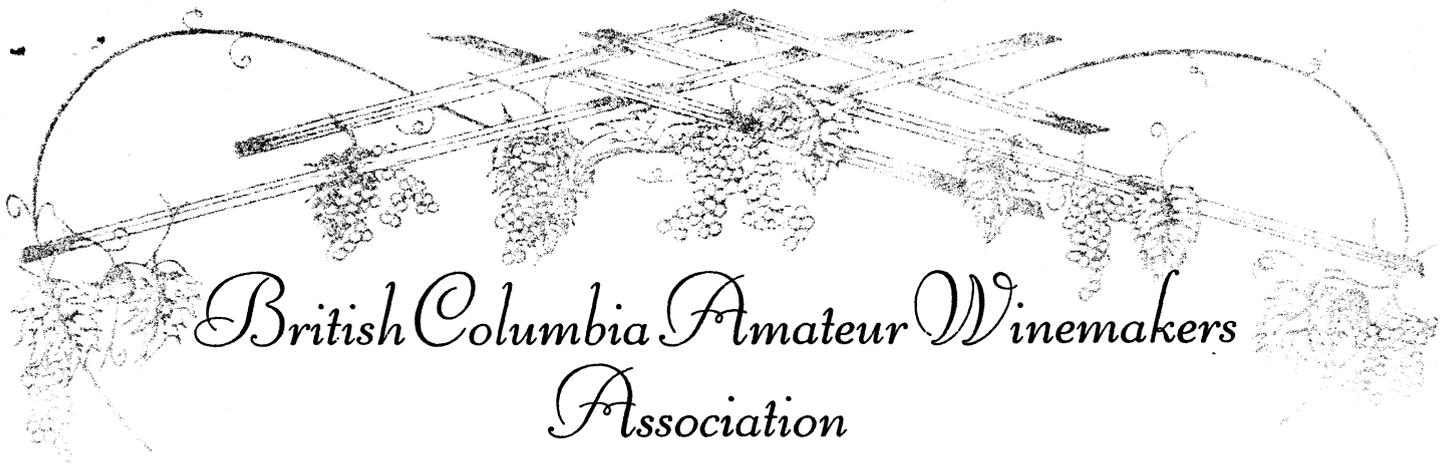
4. Other Reports

a. Handbook Committee

Another run of 50 manuals will be ready soon.

BCAWA will pay for the printing and the proceeds
of the sale will repay the loan.





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b. Education Committee

The education programs after the council meetings have been popular and the comments have been excellent. They have not achieved their objective which was to increase the attendance to the council meetings. The special education seminar reached more new people. Discussion.

- Host club members should attend the council meeting.
- Articles in the Grapevine to promote B.C.A.W.A.
- Set specific time after the council meeting for the education session.
- Continue to hold educational seminar in conjunction with council meeting
- Vice President, Sonia, will visit the various clubs and explain "B.C.A.W.A."
- No educational meeting at annual general meeting

c. National Director

Wine Art Sponsorship

Bill Spiers will phone Wine Art to check on the competition.

Ottawa hosts Nationals in August 1991

Calgary hosts Nationals in August 1992

Kamloops hosts Nationals in August 1993

d. Past President meeting suggestion was abeyanced.

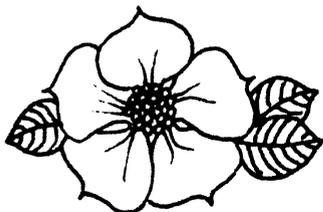
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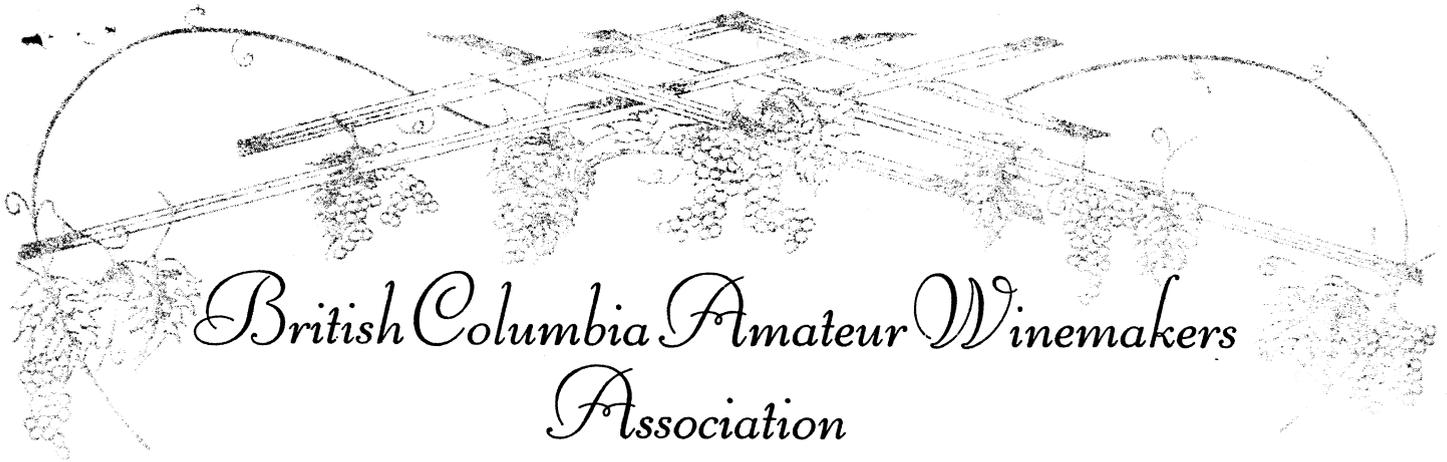
Council meeting
May 5, 1991 AGM
October 20, 1991

Cup and Key
Host required

Executive meeting
September 15, 1991

Jock Fairholm





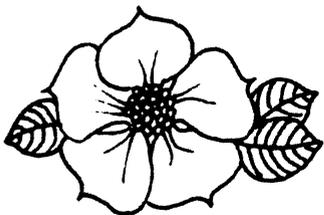
1992 Provincial competition in Penticton. May 24th long weekend. Attempt to have the original BCAWA executive run the competition. Slide show of past 20 years wine events. Broaden guest list to include non active past members.

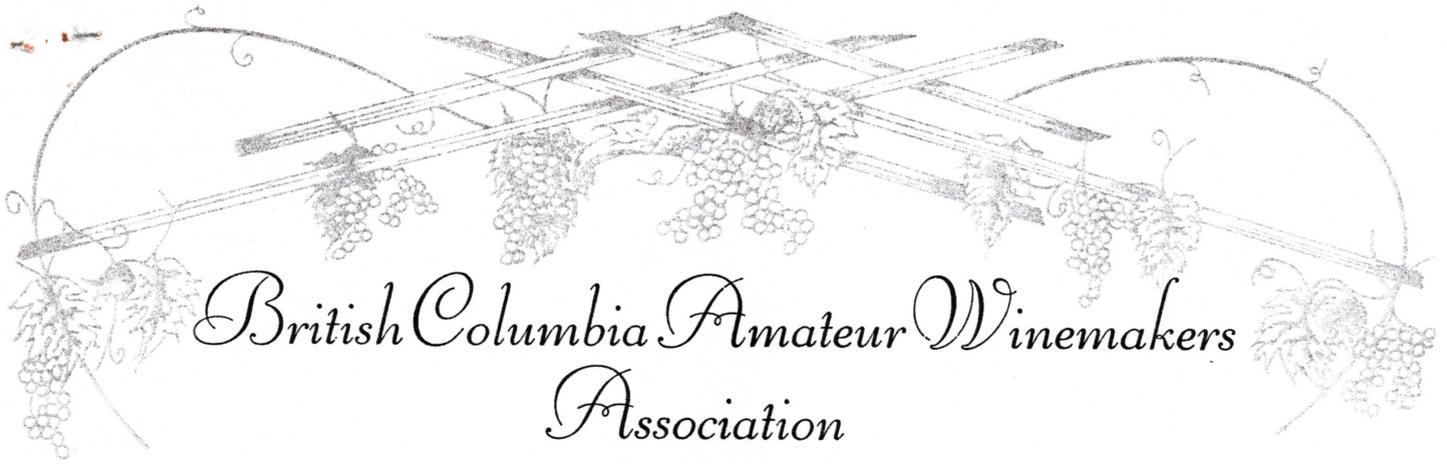
6. Old business

Nominating Committee - secretary position outstanding

7. New business None

There being no further business the meeting adjourned. We thank the Garlinge's for their hospitality and the lovely lunch we enjoyed.





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B.C.A.W.A.
TREASURER'S REPORT
March 17, 1991

CASH POSITION

Cash Balance, Feb 3, 1991 \$1002.86

Revenues:

a. Club Dues

B.C. Guild of Wine Judges	34.50
Chilliwach Zymurgy	28.50
Glenmore Wine Circle	15.00
Langley Fermenters	16.50
Vinovan	40.50
	\$135.00

b. Handbook sale 172.30

c. Interest income to Feb. 91 7.91

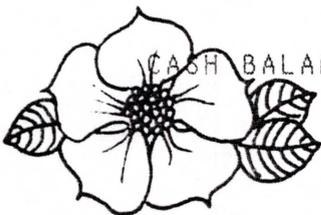
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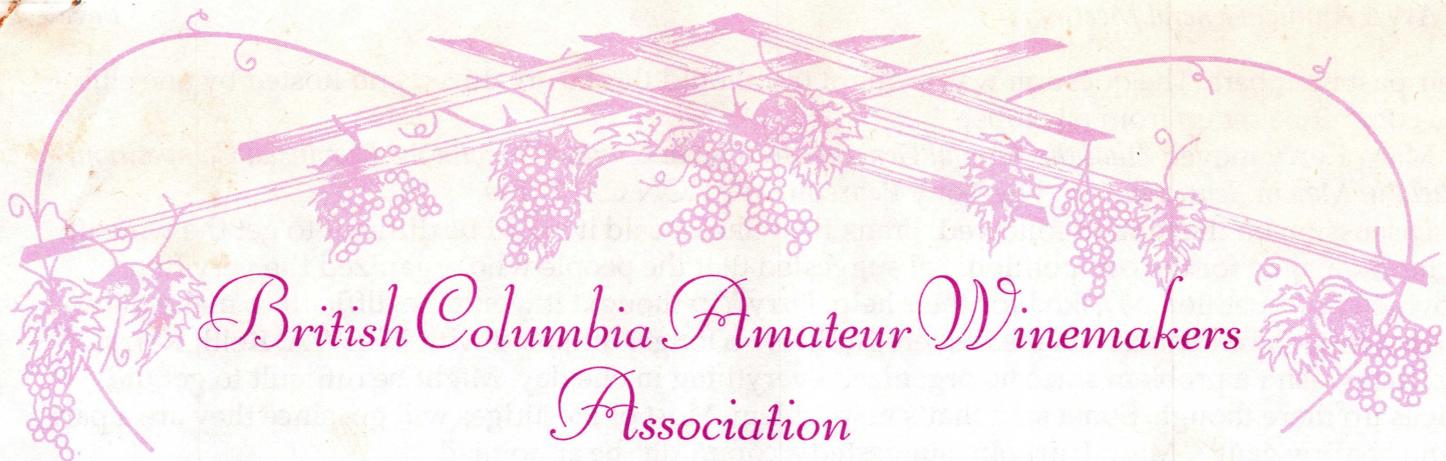
PROJECTED EXPENSES

Secretarial expenses	78.52
Travel expenses	31.50
Council meeting Nanaimo	56.82
Advance to BC Guild of wine judges	200.00
B.C.A.W.A. handbook expense	27.81

Total Expenses \$394.65

CASH BALANCE, MARCH 17, 1991 \$923.42





**MINUTES OF B.C.A.W.A. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY, MAY 5, 1991**

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 p.m. at Beecher Place, Crescent Beach, White Rock. The president welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Bacchus Alumni
B.C. Guild of Wine Judges
Capilano Winemakers
Chilliwack Zymurgy
Cup and Key
Glenmore Wine Circle
I.O.F. Nanaimo

Langley Fermenters
Saanich Sommeliers
V.A.W.A.
Victoria Wine Makers Guild
Vinovan
Vintners of Coquitlam

TOAST

Stan Edworthy of the host club, Cup & Key

"We are very pleased to host this AGM and we hope that you have a successful year. Here's to the next years".

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as circulated. Moved by Murray Mackie, 2nd by Marg Kerry. MOTION CARRIED

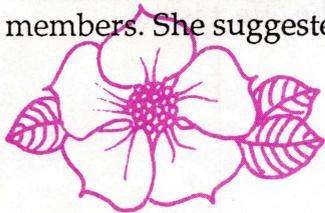
BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

BCAWA 20th Anniversary in 1992.

Jock asked the members whether or not they wanted to do something special for the BCAWA's 20th Anniversary in 1992.

Keith Kerry made the motion "to bring the subject to the table for discussion". 2nd by Tony Pearson. MOTION CARRIED.

Jock said there was nothing in the constitution that said the Annual General Meeting and Provincial Competition had to be held together. Marg Kerry suggested the Provincials be held in Penticton in September, since Penticton had been where it all had started and it brought back such fond memories. Sal Robinson said September was a particularly busy time for most winemakers and suggested the May long weekend instead. She also suggested that members could tour some mini wineries and do some other wine touring. Sonia asked if this was going to be open to past BCAWA members. She suggested that if it was, that each of the clubs should be responsible for contacting



their past members. The question was brought up, should this be organized and hosted by one club or a committee set up from all clubs?

Marg Kerry moved "that the Annual General Meeting, in conjunction with the Provincial Competition, be held in May in Penticton." 2nd by Tony Pearson. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion on the motion followed. Franz Brunnhofer said it might be difficult to get the wine up to the Okanagan for the competition. Sal suggested that the people who organized the very first provincial competition be asked for their help. Jerry Yip thought it would be difficult to make the arrangements, since Penticton Wine Makers Guild is no longer affiliated with BCAWA. Keith Kerry said that wasn't a problem since he organized everything in one day. Might be difficult to get the judges up there though. Sonia said that's no problem. Most of the judges will go, since they are a part of the "happy gang". Marg Fairholm suggested a committee be appointed.

It was overwhelming passed that a committee consisting of members from different clubs of BCAWA be formed to organize this event. The new executive will approach people in this regard and this committee will report at the next quarterly meeting in the fall.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Revelstoke Winemakers Guild, Moira Jaattenmaki, Secretary (attached). They want someone to give their club a seminar on making Country Wines. Marg Fairholm will go and BCAWA will pay the gas and Revelstoke club will billet.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (attached)

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Sonia Garlinge

Sonia said she intends to visit each club to promote the AGM in Penticton and also to explain what BCAWA does. She'll be contacting the Presidents of each club to arrange this in the near future.

TREASURER'S REPORT (attached)

Jerry said that the BCAWA had modest success this year, but didn't overextend themselves. There are still 4 clubs that haven't paid their dues. He is unsure if they have dropped out altogether, but he has sent them all reminders. Sal said they should have to return their medals if they don't pay up. Jerry moved "the acceptance of the report". 2nd by Keith Kerry. MOTION CARRIED

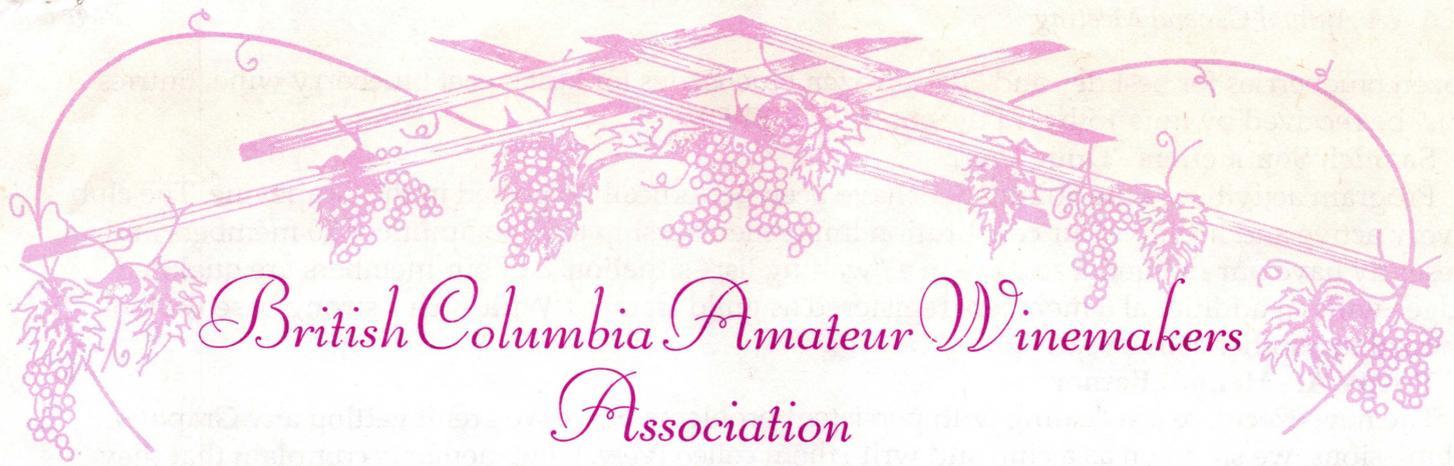
DIRECTORS AT LARGE REPORTS (attached)

STEWARDS REPORT - Sal Robinson

Sal reported that everything went well at the Provincials. There were 58 medals awarded to 66 different people from 11 clubs out the 291 entries. There were a good combination of volunteers, coming from as far away as Langley, North Saanich, and Port Coquitlam. Sal didn't have any recommendations for next year at this time.

ARCHIVIST REPORT - Charles Plant

Charles was unable to attend the meeting, but Jock read his written report. There have been no recent requests for information from the files and he said that he would be happy to continue the job of maintaining the archives for another year. The BCAWA Handbooks are \$3.30 each if picked up at the next meeting but if they have to be mailed, they go up to \$6.35 each. Charles is a member of the AWC Handbook Revision Committee and pointed out two items which affect the BCAWA immediately. They are the ACW Aperitif classes are no longer Sweet and Dry. They are Aperitif Sherry and Aperitif. (Some documents refer to them as non-herbed and herbed respectively—the effect is the



same.) The top four from each of the BCAWA classes go to the National. Secondly, each Province is now entitled for four (it used to be 3) entries per class.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Tom Robinson (attached)

CLUB REPORTS

Bacchus Alumni - Marg Fairholm

We are enjoying education and social events at our meetings, as well as realizing good vintage.

B.C. Guild of Wine Judges - Tony Pearson

At the AGM last month, the new executive was elected. Most of the members are now from the Island, instead of the mainland. We look forward to carrying on their past good work.

Capilano Winemakers - Franz Brunnhofer

No report.

Chilliwack Zymurgy - Jack Kouwenhoven

We are discontinuing our post office box number. The cost is prohibitive and all we got was junk mail. Our new mailing address as of July is c/o M & S Mackie, 41385 South Sumas Road, Sardis, B.C. V2R 1A9 or alternatively, c/o J & G Webb, 6007 Blackburn Road, Sardis, B.C. V2R 1B3. Jack reported their membership was down to 16 from 26, but they had some new members at their last meeting.

Cup and Key - Stan Edworthy

We have had a successful year and our membership is the same. We have been relatively inactive in the BCAWA and want to participate more. Stan was glad to here Sonia would be coming out to visit their club. All correspondence should be addressed to Stan Edworthy, 3128 O'Hara Lane, White Rock, B.C. V4A 3E7.

Glenmore Wine Circle - Murray Mackie

We are more a tasting group, our membership being small but stable. We taste commercial wines and meet fairly regularly five to six times a year.

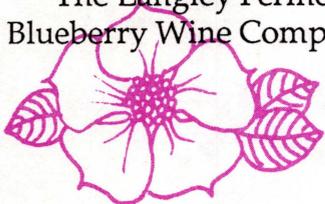
I.O.F. Nanaimo - Maryalice Pearson

Our membership is constant, however we have a few members drop out due to illness. Our group likes competitions. We have one every other month with group judging. We feel this provides more education for the lesser experienced members. We hold an annual social called the "Bathtub Weekend". We were disappointed in the number of entries to the Zin-In last year. This year it will be held on the last Sunday in October. We'll billet any participants and even meet you at the ferry!

Langley Fermenters - Dawn Engman

We have been having wine tastings and judging of our own wines at each monthly meeting using the 20 point judging sheet.

The Langley Fermenters Club and the B.C. Blueberry Growers Association are holding an Open Blueberry Wine Competition on June 22nd. There will be two separate prizes awarded. 30 lbs of



frozen blueberries for best dry and 30 lbs frozen blueberries for best sweet blueberry wine. Entries must be received by June 15th and the entry fee is \$1.50.

Saanich Sommeliers - Doug Weir

Program activities of the Sommeliers have been periodically reported in the Grapevine. The club is very active and healthy. Our constitution limits membership to a maximum of 50 members and we presently have our full quota and are in a "waiting list" situation. 8 of our members are qualified judges with an additional 6 members registered as guild trainees. With such a strong base we look forward to another active year.

V.A.W.A. - Helmut Berner

The new executive are dealing with persistent problems. Since we aren't getting any Grapevine submissions, we sit down as a club and write them collectively. New members complain that they don't get help. We tried the "buddy system" but that didn't work. Now we approach them, bring them to the member's house for demonstrations, tastings, etc. Seems to work better. We are looking at getting liability insurance. This is a grey area in law since we are not registered under the Society's Act, but we are getting some legal information from some of our members. Our competition in March was a great success with 50 medals awarded. Our entry numbers were good however our attendance to the banquet was down.

Kamloops - Chuck Douglass (letter)

50 members in KWA in 1991. Attendance at meetings is about 30 members. Program highlights include the AGM Dinner at the Peppermill Restaurant, a tasting of Ports, a Port making competition in groups of 6 members, grape purchase from Washington State and gourmet dinner at Cariboo College. KWA competition to be held October 26, 1991. This year's President is Richard Hill, Vice-President is Ron Gray and Chief Steward is Stu Bates.

Victoria Winemakers Guild - Ted Adye

Our club is healthy with approximately 6 new members. We continue meeting on a monthly basis with discussions of wine making and wine tasting.

We had a successful Wine Festival this year, featuring a tasting of Australian wines and a superb Australian dinner, catered by Jean Howe and her catering company.

Vinovan - Marg Kerry

We have 6 new members this year, a healthy treasury and an enthusiastic executive. We are holding a garage sale on June 1st of wine making equipment and general miscellaneous items to raise money from events. Our competition will be held on Saturday, November 3, at St. Martin's Church Hall, as usual. We have struck a mix of meeting topics: education, social, and money-raising events.

Vintners of Coquitlam - Gordon Garlinge

We're still active, despite a drop in membership. However, at our last meeting we had 3 new prospective members. We have an In-Club Competition this month and are holding a Bar-B-Que in June. We are looking forward to next year's vintage.

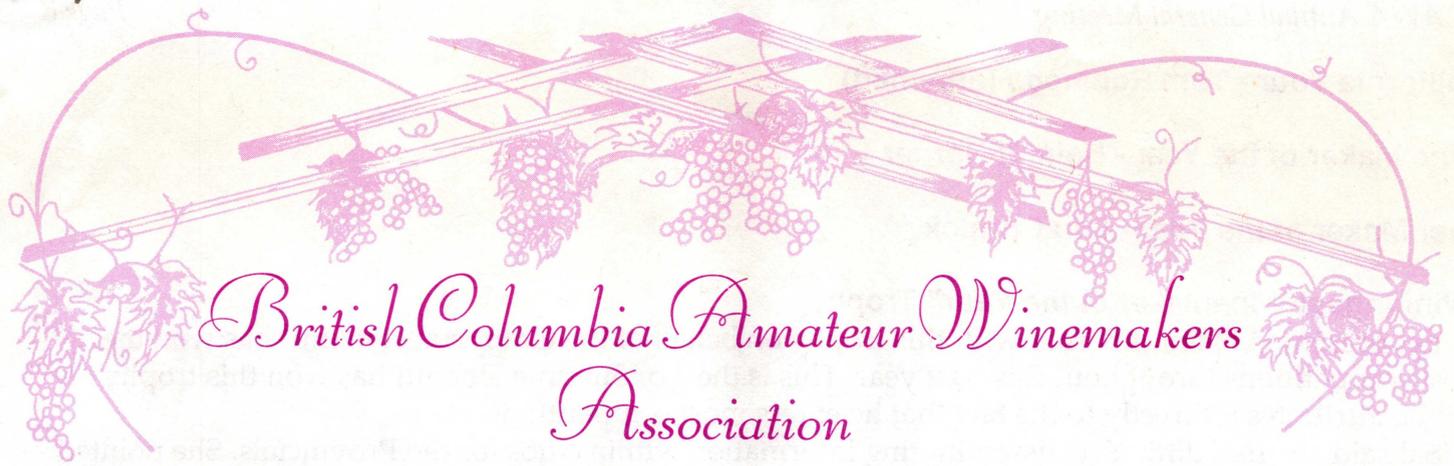
SPECIAL REPORTS

Education Committee - Tony Pearson

Following all council meetings, we had an educational seminar. One especially good session was when Ted Underhill came up for a visit. Unfortunately, there is a time constraint for people having to leave to catch ferries.

Handbook Committee - Sal Robinson

From the 2nd run, there are 40 books left. Either send the money to Charles or ask him to bring them to the next meeting (\$3.30 compared to \$6.35 if mailed). We are working on revisions and also on the beer judging system.



Licensing

Jack Kouwenhoven said the Grapevine was misleading on the new program on Licensing. It is only a municipal thing if it is a wedding or private function. Jock asked Jack to investigate this and write a report for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

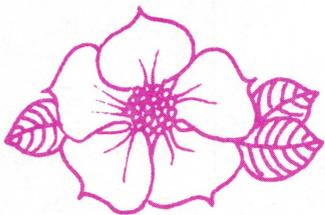
Calendar of Events

Zin In	Sunday, October 27, 1991
Kamloops	Saturday, October 26, 1991
Vinovan	Sunday, November 3, 1991
Saanich	End of January (classes in revision)
Chilliwack	Saturday, February 29, 1992
V.A.W.A.	No date set, looking for alternate locations, will know by fall meeting.
Provincial Competition	May 1992
Fall Quarterly Meeting	October 20th, 1991.
Spring Quarterly Meeting	Dawn will approach Langley Club to host. To be decided. Jock suggested sometime at the end of February. Sal suggested a January council meeting. If left to February, there is not enough time to disseminate information for the AGM.

Categories

This year there were 54 entries in the red wine category and 30 in the country wines. This is too many for 2 judges to handle. Sal said they considered this but rejected the idea of setting up varietal categories since the rest of the competition isn't set up that way. By defining classes, there would always be some wines that wouldn't fit. She suggested splitting the red wine bottles in half and having another 2 judges. There is no need to put the winners together. In medal judging that shouldn't matter. Keith Kerry noted also that people make different wines every year so if there were different varieties, some would be well entered and others would only have a few bottles. Jock said the new executive should ask the Guild of Judges to look into and report back to new judges. Jerry said the Victoria Club tried to this, but as Competition Chairman, he's going to suggest to drop it. He feels it is more work, time and money.

Gordon Garlinge moved that *"the new executive give consideration to increasing the classes in the Provincial Competition"*. 2nd by Jack Kouwenhoven. MOTION CARRIED



California Tour - Tom Robinson (attached)

Wine Maker of the Year - Helmut Berner

Beer Maker of the Year - Lou Curnick

“Winningest Winemaker of the Year” Trophy

Sal presented Helmut Berner with this trophy on behalf of the Grapevine. Helmut has won the most competitions throughout this past year. This is the 4 or 5th time Helmut has won this trophy and he attributes it directly to the fact that he enters most competitions.

Sal said she had difficulty disseminating information within clubs for the Provincials. She pointed out that handbooks were sent to two addresses to each club and since none were returned to her, she assumes that they were received. The Grapevine is happy to hear from the clubs and wants more club input. It has a circulation of 300-400 BC Amateur wine makers and Sal feels it should be the center of information for the BCAWA.

An official thank you to the Cup and Key was given by Sonia Garlinge for a delicious lunch and a beautiful location.

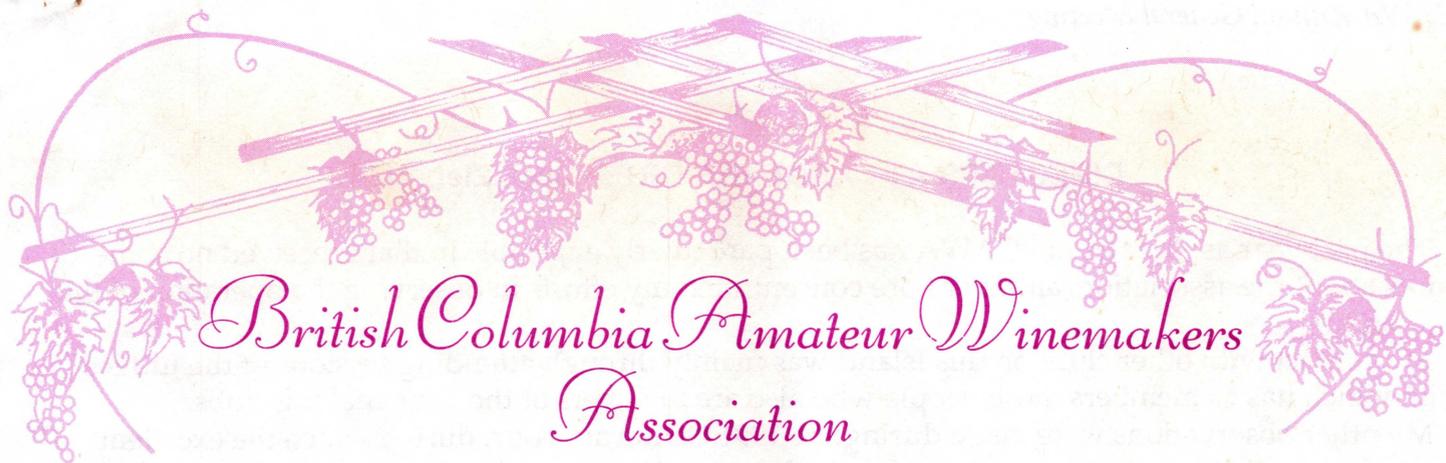
ELECTIONS - Tony Pearson

President	Jock Fairholm
Vice President	Sonia Garlinge
Treasurer	Jerry Yip
Secretary	Linda Renault
Director at Large	Jack Ziebart
Director at Large	Chuck Douglass

MESSAGE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

Thank you. It takes a year to find out what you are supposed to do. I'll work hard this year and thank you for electing me once again.

Keith Kerry moved *“to have the meeting adjourned.”* 2nd by Margaret Fairholm. MOTION CARRIED



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

During 1990-91 your organization has continued to progress with new programs like the seminars held in conjunction with the quarterly meetings.

The new BCAWA Conference Handbook has already gone into a second printing. It is very valuable to those either entering or running competitions. I'm sure we all appreciate the work done by Sal and Charles Plant.

Our Provincial Competition is again a success. The location was excellent and we thank Sal and her committee for a job well done. One of the reasons for the success of the Provincial Competition is that all plans are finalized before the spring quarterly meeting. I believe this practise should apply to the AGM. This is in no way a criticism of our hosts, who have done a very excellent job in a short period of time. In future I recommend that:

1. When AGM is held in conjunction with the Provincial Competition, that both be held in the same complex.
2. That all meetings start by 10:30 a.m. to enable travellers to make an early start home.
3. That the person responsible for the AGM be made an X officio member of the executive.
4. That more publicity regarding AGM be put out as it was years ago when it was separate from the Provincial Competition.

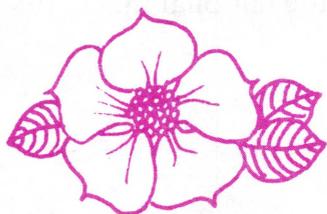
In August I went to eastern Washington to check on availability of grapes and sent information to the clubs. During this year, Margaret and I visited 6 clubs either as part of their program or two judge at their competitions.

We were all saddened by the passing of Dave Ritchie in February. He will be fondly remembered.

I congratulate all winners of the Provincial Competition. For those who did not win, better luck next time.

I thank all the members of the executive for their support and many kindnesses during the year.

In closing, your executive and I wish you all a good vintage in 1991.



DIRECTORS AT LARGE REPORTS - Jack Ziebart

The past year as director of BCAWA has been particularly enjoyable in that I received no complaints about the association, and therefore concentrated my efforts in observing the operation of this association.

My contact with other clubs on this Island was mainly through attending sessions of the Judges Guild which has as members those people who also are members of the wine making clubs.

My other observations were made during the 1991 California Tour, during which the excellent camaraderie of winemakers, regardless of their club association, was obvious.

My conclusions are that amateur winemaking clubs are healthy but suffering somewhat in growth in membership—especially in younger members. Therefore, in order to encourage new members, perhaps they should be encouraged to call the more experienced for guidance in wine making. That is not to say "call someone or anyone in this Club". But "call me—this is my phone number" and then call that winemaker before your next meeting and tell them you will pick them up at whatever time and bring them as guests to your meeting.

The California Tour 1991 was particularly enjoyable this year because of the weather co-operating, but more so because of the very sociable group of people who took the opportunity to talk some time and associate with other winemakers—both amateur and professional—to further their knowledge of wines. I find that we can learn a great deal just sitting on the bus with another winemaker and enjoying a glass of wine.

We are most fortunate to have within BCAWA people such as Bert Demonte and Tom Robinson who take their valuable time to conduct the tours and I commend them for giving the Winemakers of BCAWA the unique opportunity to visit these wineries. I believe that the California tours are a major contributor to keeping BCAWA a very active association within the CAWA.

I also believe that organizations such as the Judges Guild, with its membership drawn from a cross section of clubs within BCAWA, makes us a very cohesive organization.

Recommendations. Geographical problems of having our association on the Island and mainland contributes to a time consuming travel times for people attending meetings and the AGM. Therefore times should be taken into consideration when meetings are called. For example, if the AGM was held as a breakfast meeting following the BCAWA Competition, it would allow those people who must travel 2 to 3 hours to attend the meeting time to return home by early afternoon instead of late evening.

We should take into consideration that some members do not work only Monday to Friday. Therefore, since the President of BCAWA will get the flak from those who would like to attend a Sunday afternoon meeting but cannot, the President should be the final approving authority for any BCAWA meeting time.

In conclusion I feel very honoured to have had the opportunity to have served on the council of BCAWA and I will continue to support this association.

Chuck Douglass

BCAWA seems to be going well in 1990/91. Regretfully I could only attend one meeting in Coquitlam in 1990/91. We were glad to hear the host club of meetings put on training sessions at at least one meeting. KWA is in good shape and we received some entries from Revelstoke in our K.W.A. Competition. We are having a good time in the interior and are looking forward to the national in 1993. I will be Chief Steward and Art Hooper will help organize the competition.

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REPORT OF THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR TO THE BCWA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, MAY 5, 1991

The Amateur Winemakers Of Canada has been a particularly quiet organization over the past year. Aside from the National which the Vancouver Amateur Winemakers Association hosted in August, I have really nothing else to report.

I'll refresh your memory about last year's national.

The Competition was won by B.C. with 58.43 points. Second place Ontario had 30.18 . Ontario reversed this in the beer categories. They won with a total of 13.485 points to B.C.'s 9.496 Ontario also won the cider class. B.C. had a 3rd and a 4th and a 5th place in cider.

The Grand Champion Winemakers were Charles Plant and Angelo Rizzato, the first tie in the AWC's history.

The best wine in show was Charles Plant's dry sherry and the best brew in show was made by Vic Boutin.

Helmut Berner was the Chief Steward and also the man responsible for practically everything else that made for a successful National .

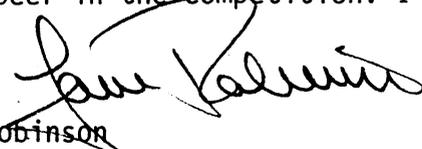
Aside from the Competition, we had a vineyard tour on the Saturday, a gourmet Chinese dinner in the evening. On the Sunday, the competition started in the morning and stretched well into the afternoon. The day ended with a salmon berbecue at Tom Robinson's home where the awards were presented to the competition winners.

B.C. will again host the National in Kamloops in 1993 on the occasion of that city's centenary..

I have received no information about the 1991 National other than what I have read in the quarterly of the Amateur Winemakers of Ontario. I have phoned their National Director, Paul Dunseath, in Ottawa, the site of the National and have found out from him that it's likely to be on September 7th. I have not been asked for any agenda items for the National AGM nor for any nominations for the executive.

Incidentally, in this year's National we will not be faced with the old bugbear of trying to fit our aperitif winners into the national format of sweet and dry aperitif. The B.C. system has been adopted nationally.

This year for the first time, all brew entrants in the National must submit two bottles so that the stewards will be able to open fresh bottles to ascertain the best beer in the competition. I have stubbornly resisted this but I was voted down.


Tom Robinson



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CALTOUR 91 REPORT

From March 29 to April 7 BCAWA staged its 9th tour to the wine country of California since the first tour in 1975.

There were 43 representatives of 8 clubs from the Island, Lower Mainland, the Valley and Kamloops. 35 of these people had been on previous tours.

It was beautiful travelling down the Oregon Coast and through the Redwoods, and it was shirtsleeve weather in California

We visited 12 wineries in the Napa Valley, Sonoma, Mendocino County, Lake County, Alameda County and Madera. Only 3 of these had we visited before. A stop at the Wine Lab in Napa was a highlight for many who were able to purchase what they wanted in large quantities.

Another non-winery stop was at Innerstave in Sonoma where they have a system of lining a used barrel with slats of oak wood to add the flavoring of oak to its contents.

Parducci and Konocti traditionally are our final day's stops. The other repeat being the Hanns Kornell Champagne Cellars where Michael Kornell gave us samples of the cuvee from which he would be making the next release, also a good taste of champagne after a welcome with coffee and muffins.

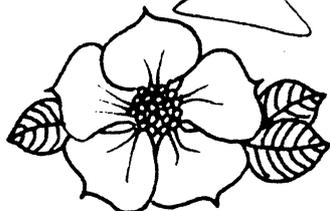
The next day we saw the contrast in the new state of the art Gloria Ferrer Champagne Cellars.

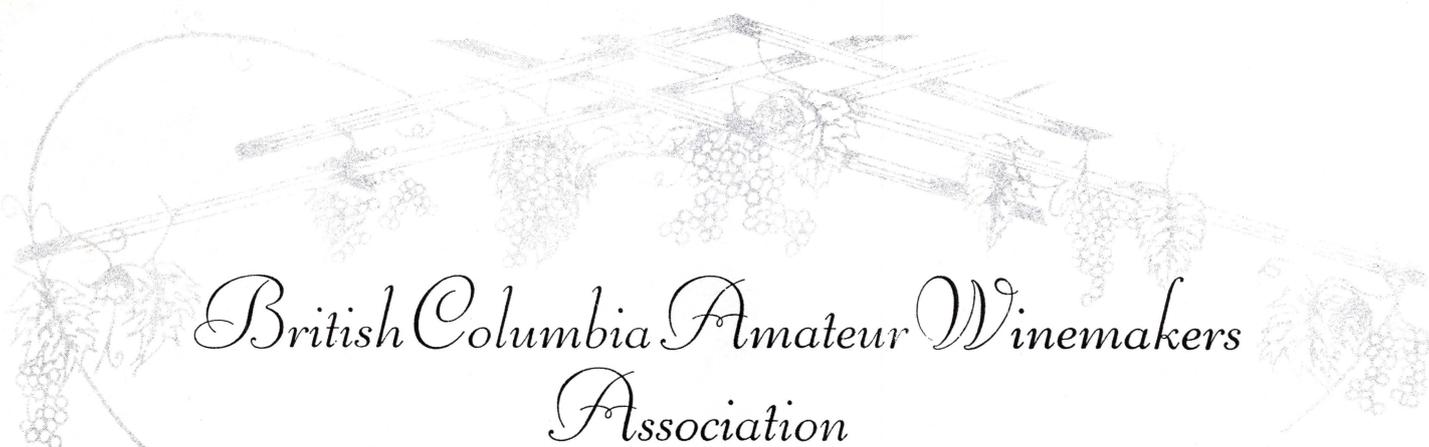
Weibel is a bulk producer, and Quady specializes in Ports and Orange Muscats but all the rest of our stops were at boutique or premium wineries....Viansa, Chateau Montelena, Chateau Beaucanon, Groth, Robert Sinsky.

Everyone appeared to enjoy all aspects of the tour. I'll quote from a letter I received from Art Hooper of the Kamloops Winemakers Association...." Just a real quickie to tell you again how much June and I appreciated the efforts you and Bert did in running the most interesting and informative trip to California. We felt relaxed and seldom rushed. We both came back appreciating our luck in having a connection to the BCAWA, and in particular, your steadfast efforts on our behalf."

Tom Robinson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.





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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING - SEPTEMBER 15, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Jock Fairholm. Present were Sonia Garlinge, Jerry Yip, Linda Renault, Marg & Keith Kerry, Tom Robinson and Jack Ziebart.

The minutes of the last executive meeting of March 17th were approved as moved by Jock, 2nd by Jerry. CARRIED.

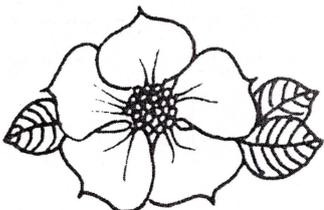
1. Business Arising Out of Minutes

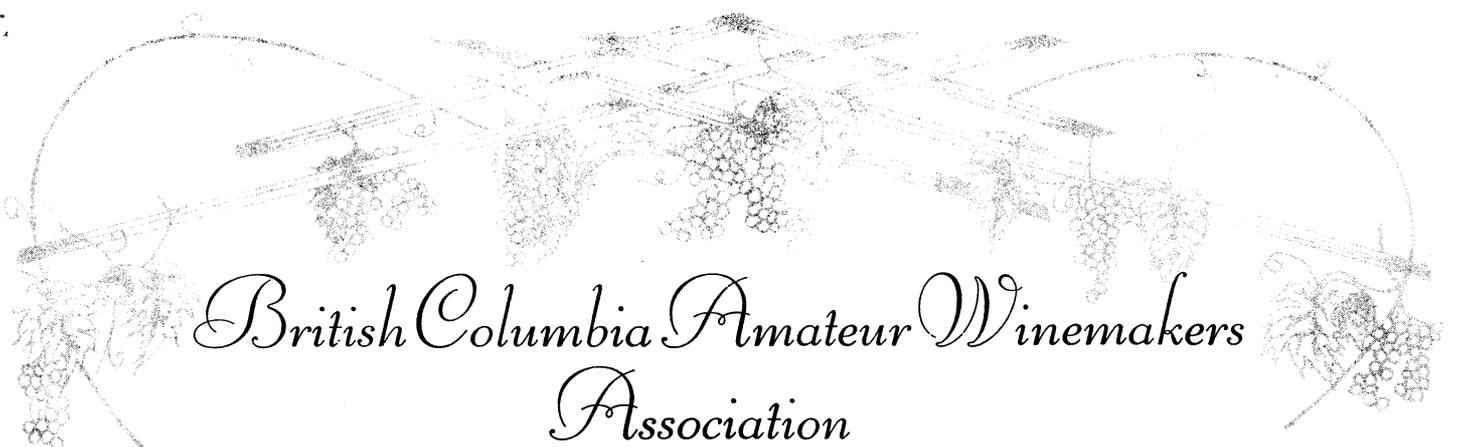
After the last council meeting, Jock appointed Keith and Marg Kerry to organize the 1992 BCAWA 20th Anniversary celebrations to be held in Penticton on May 8, 9 and 10th. They are to be responsible for the planning of the social arrangements and the Annual General Meeting. The rest of the executive agreed to the appointment. Marg suggested that the competition costs be kept separate from the AGM and social arrangements and the executive agreed that everything should be in place by February at the latest. They had done some preliminary investigation of venues, rates, accommodations, etc. The two possible locations are the Pilgrim House and the Penticton Convention Centre (with the Riverside Inn for accommodation). Tom pointed out that the Pilgrim House was the venue for the very first BCAWA meeting. He will investigate the availability of glasses at the site.

Sonia volunteered to act as Chief Steward. The biggest problem would be getting the wine up to the Okanagan. The executive also agreed to ask the clubs to welcome back past members and make them "honorary members". In this way, they would be eligible to enter their wines into the competition, however only those attending may enter their wine.

2. Fall Quarterly Meeting

The Fall Quarterly meeting will be held at the West Country Inn, 20222 - 56 Avenue in Langley City from 11:00 - 4:00 p.m. **Attendees are asked to bring a bag lunch** or for those who prefer, there is also a coffee shop in the hotel itself. A light snack of cheese, crackers and beverages will be provided by the host club. Jock will contact Tony Pearson to find out if there will be an educational program. **Also would all competitors for the Zin-In send their entries with the delegates to this meeting.**





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3. Correspondence

a. Letter from Lou Curnick

Lou had two concerns to bring to the attention of the executive. The first was that there is no keeper trophy for the "Beermaker of the Year". This was an oversight on the part of the executive. Sonia moved that "we have a keeper trophy for the Beermaker of the Year". 2nd by Tom. CARRIED.

Secondly, Lou felt that the "best in class" should get the trophy provided that it merits the trophy. Tom said this would mean a change in the judges handbook, not only for beer but for all classes of wine as well. He suggested that the executive approach the Handbook Committee and have them address Lou's concerns at the next council meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report

Jerry reported that Salmon Arm and the Italian Canadian Winemakers haven't paid their dues yet. Linda will send reminders to both clubs. They will need to order more bronze medals and Jock will inquire into this matter. The bank balance as of May 5, 1991 was \$591.96. Jerry will have a budget prepared for the next council meeting.

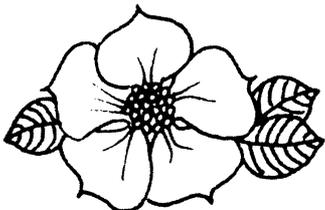
Executive discussed different fund-raising alternatives, including selling commemorative glasses for the 25th Anniversary celebrations to all the clubs. Jock and Keith will look into this.

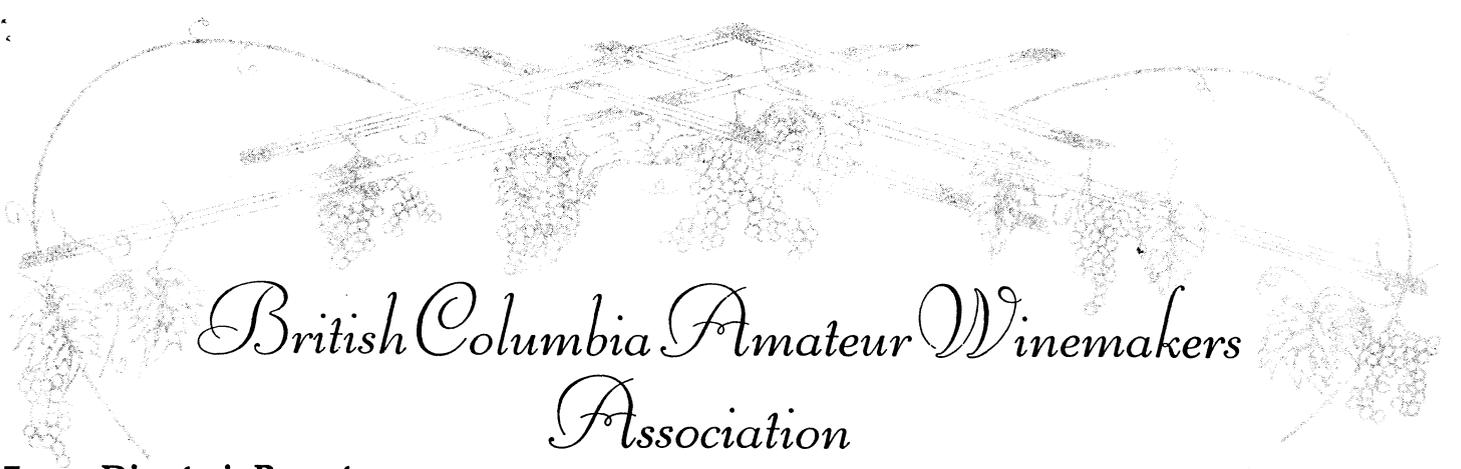
5. Steward's Report

Sal was sick. Jock and Margaret had travelled to Revelstoke to present a program on country wines. They found a strong and active club. Revelstoke club goes on a camping trip in May and Jock was pleased to report that Penticton celebration date was one week before, so it didn't conflict with this annual event. He felt this might increase the chances of participation from that club.

6. Vice President's Report

Sonia had no report other than she wanted some feedback from the other executive members as to what she should communicate to the clubs when she visited them. Some suggestions were to stress the importance of the Grapevine and to encourage them to send in reports. Tom stressed the importance of participating in club competitions so that the quality of wines they were making would improve.





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7. Director's Report

Jack Ziebart reported that he, along with other Guild of Judges, were judging wines in local fall fairs on the Island. He feels this is time well spent in that it allows BCAWA to educate local wine makers and to recruit new members.

He also reported that former member and wine maker, Earl Robinson of Nanaimo, passed away last Friday. Linda will send a letter of condolence on behalf of BCAWA to his wife Agnes.

8. National Director's Report

Tom reported that he sent 60 out of a possible 68 entries from B.C. to the Nationals. He heard that BC "cleaned up" in the competition but is having difficulty getting the official results back from Ontario.

Tom reported that he will be judging at the Harvest & Grape Fiesta in the Okanagan Falls this year as well.

9. Calendar of Events

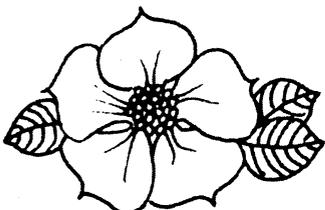
Next Executive Meeting, December 8th, 1991 at Sonia Garlinge's home.

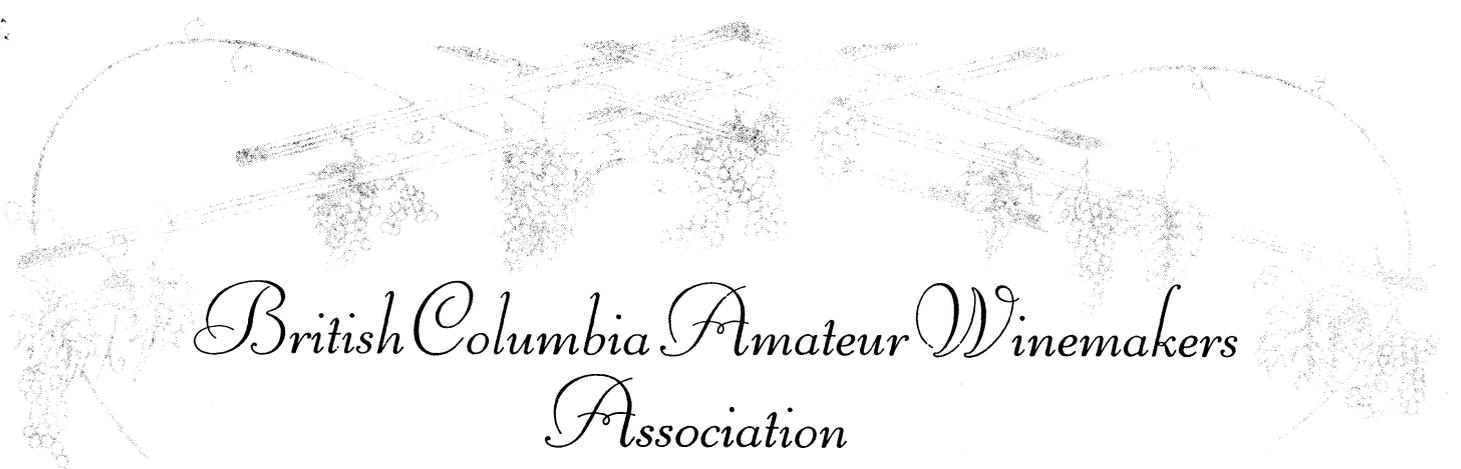
Spring Quarterly Meeting, January 12, 1992. The host club will be determined at the Fall Quarterly meeting.

Jerry reported that the Saanich Competition will be sometime after the Super Bowl weekend.

10. New Business

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. We thank the Fairholm's for their hospitality and the lovely lunch and afternoon we enjoyed.





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B.C.A.W.A. TREASURER'S REPORT September 15, 1991

CASH POSITION

Cash/Bank Balance, May 5, 1991 \$ 591.96

Revenue received to date:

Club Dues	72.00	
Return of Advance - 1991 Prov.	200.00	
Medals for 1991 Provincial	226.20	
Bank Interest	8.90	507.10

SUBTOTAL \$ 1099.06

Expenses:

Secretary - to May 5, 1991	87.74	
Treasurers Report	11.24	
AGM - 1991	100.00	198.98

CASH POSITION, SEPTEMBER 15, 1991 \$ 900.08

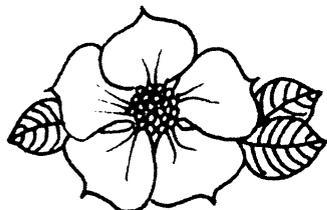
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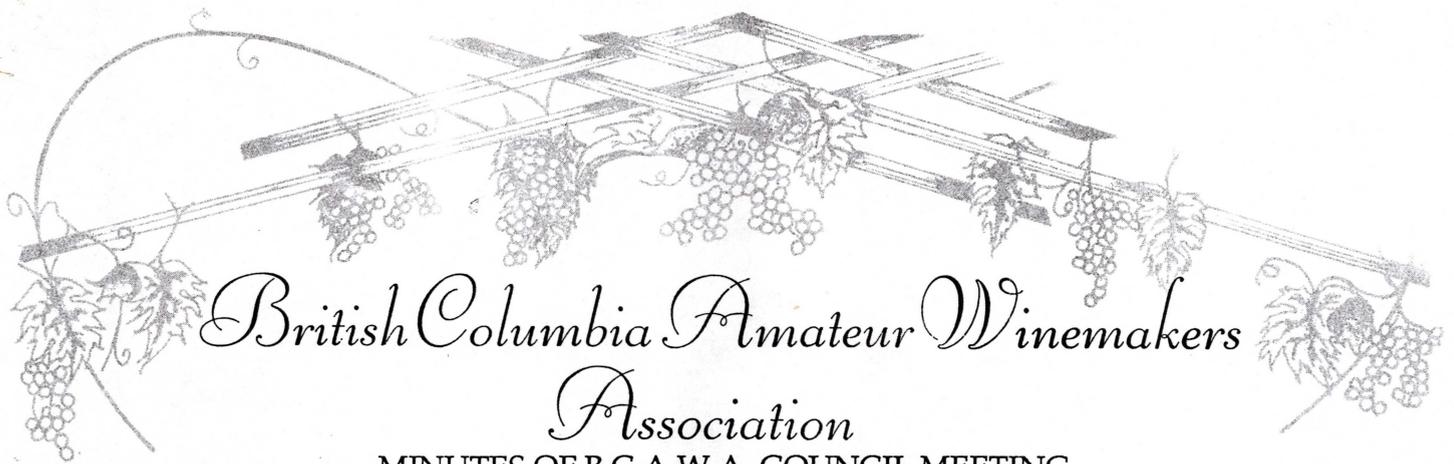
Balance, May 4, 1991	527.28	
Less: Medal used - 1991 Provincial	226.20	

MEDAL INVENTORY, SEPT. 15, 1991 \$ 301.08

Required:

- a) Linda to remind clubs in arrear of Club membership dues at \$1.50 per member. (Salmon Arm Wine Guild and Italian Canadian Winemakers.)
- b) To purchase bronze medals for 1992 Provincial.





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MINUTES OF B.C.A.W.A. COUNCIL MEETING
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. at the West Country Hotel in Langley. Jock welcomed all.

ROLL CALL: Clubs represented:

Bacchus Alumni	Saanich Sommeliers
Capilano Winemakers	VAWA
Chilliwack Zymurgy	Victoria Wine Makers Guild
Glenmore Wine Circle	Vinovan
Italian Cdn Winemakers	Vintners of Coquitlam
Langley Fermenters	

TOAST: Wayne Card from Langley Fermenters gave the toast, "Welcome to Langley and here is to the 1991 Vintage."

MINUTES: The minutes of the last council meeting were addressed and accepted as circulated.

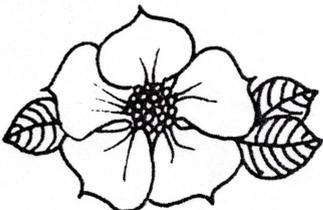
BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: After the last council meeting, Jock appointed Keith and Marg Kerry to organize the 1992 BCAWA 20th Anniversary celebrations to be held in Penticton on May 8, 9 and 10th. They are to be responsible for the planning of the social arrangements and the Annual General Meeting. The appointment was approved by the executive meeting on September 15th. Sonia volunteered to act as Chief Steward.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1) Letter from Lou Curnick (dated August 8/91)

Lou outlined two concerns. The first was that there is no keeper trophy for the "Beermaker of the Year". The executive has agreed that this is an oversight on their part and will rectify this for future competitions.

Secondly, Lou cited Page 19, paragraph 2 of the Competition Handbook and was interested to know "what points below 14 (bronze medal) is required to be awarded the trophy?" He won the Dark Class in Beer with 13.5 points but his comment sheet said "Best In Class". His question was "Why no trophy awarded?"





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2) Reply from Sal Robinson for the Handbook Committee (dated October 1/91)

Regarding a keeper trophy for the Grand Champion Beermaker, Sal enclosed a proposed amendment to page 19 of the Handbook. It reads as follows: *A medal beer stein is awarded to the Provincial Grand Champion Beermaker, engraved as follows:*

B.C.A.W.A. Grand Champion Year

On the second point, Sal quoted a relevant section of an Executive motion passed at the February 4, 1990 Council Meeting regarding the instance where the trophy is not awarded. She also quoted Section 2 of PRIZES, BADGES (p. 19) of the Competition Handbook.

She stated she "perceived no inconsistencies, either between what was accepted by the Council in 1990 and the Handbook version, or between the two quoted sections of the Handbook." Sal felt that perhaps the wording in the NOTES TO JUDGES is not clear enough, since they wrote on Lou's entry "Best in Class", but the trophy wasn't awarded. Sal asks "Does the NOTES TO JUDGES section need improvement?"

3) Letter from Lou Curnick (dated October 14/91)

After reading the response from the Handbook Committee, Lou had the following comments:

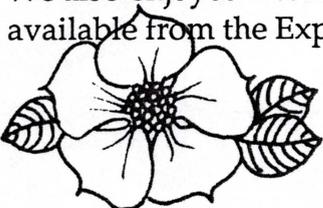
a) The phrase "clearly better than the rest" is bothering me. What is "clearly best?" and by how much? He suggests to simplify the whole thing that if judges score the "Best" or "First" in class 13 points or less, taking this entry below the "Good" rating, then the trophy will not be awarded. The shield should read "NOT AWARDED" and the year.

b) Lou doesn't like the idea of a metal beer stein for the keeper trophy as proposed by the Handbook Committee. Also he has concerns about passing the trophies from one person to another. He feels that it is complicated, potentially costly and hard to police.

Discussion on all the above followed. Gordon Garlinge moved "that the matter of Best in Class and when should trophies be awarded be referred back to the Executive for further discussion". 2nd Roger Lemaire. CARRIED.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Jock Fairholm

Margaret and I visited the Revelstoke Club in June where Marg provided the program on Country Wines. The club is very active, interested and friendly. They make both Grape and Country Wines. We also enjoyed a tour of the Revelstoke Dam. I send a letter to all clubs with information on grapes available from the Experimental Station at Summerland. I know Bacchus took advantage of this offer





and if other clubs did I hope they will also give us a report on them. Fraser Valley grapes (except Sigerebe) were destroyed by extreme weather conditions, mildew, wasps and birds this year. Next week Marg and I will be going to Kamloops to take part in their competition. Outside of regular duties this is all have to report.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Sonia Garlinge

Sonia reported that she had visited the Italian Canadian Winemakers and the Cup & Key clubs. She had plans to meet with Chilliwack and Vinovan shortly. Sonia is also going to act as a judge in the upcoming competition in Kamloops. As Chief Steward, she is actively working with Marg and Keith Kerry on the Provincials in May.

Important notice to all clubs - please invite all your former club members to enter in this year's Provincial Competition. By making them honorary members, they are eligible to enter, however they must be attendance in Penticton to win.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jerry Yip

Jerry submitted his report and Budget for the upcoming year (attached). He moved that they be accepted as circulated, 2nd by Keith Kerry, CARRIED. Discussion followed regarding the cost of medals and how to raise badly needed revenue if BCAWA is to continue. Tom moved that "the executive should deal with fund-raising and report back at the next Council Meeting". 2nd Gordon Garlinge. CARRIED.

After a short break, more discussion followed regarding a suggestion to separate the Provincial Competition and the Annual General Meeting. Keith Kerry moved that "the executive consider separating the AGM and Provincial and to pole the clubs to see what their feeling would be on this matter". 2nd Murray Mackie. CARRIED.

STEWARD'S REPORT: Sal Robinson

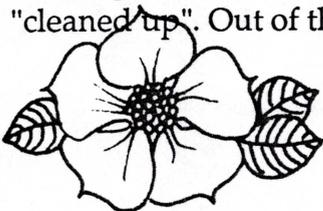
Sal was absent. Sonia will report on last year's Provincial Competition at the next council meeting.

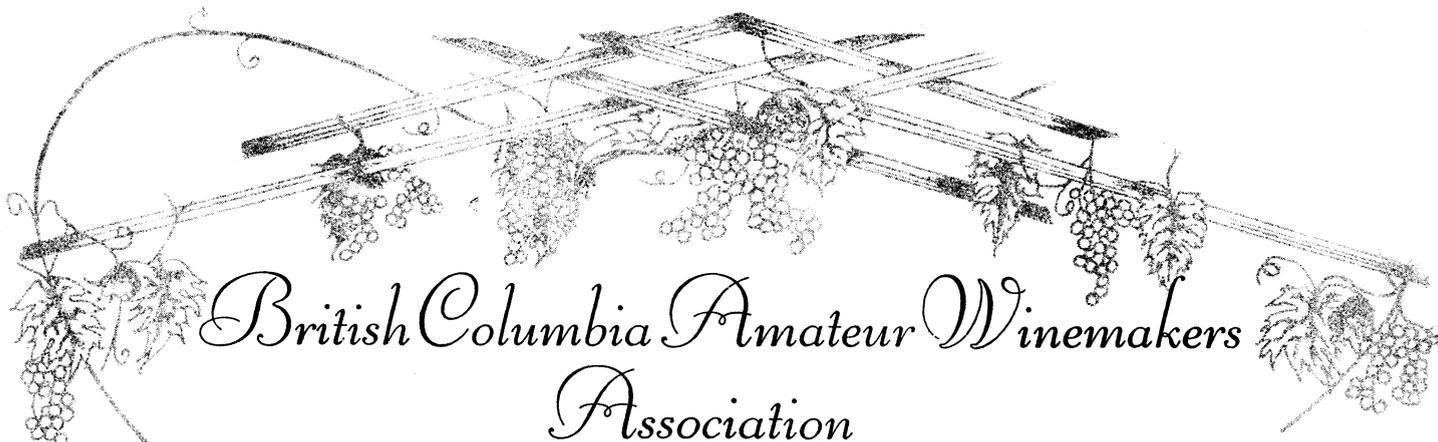
DIRECTORS AT LARGE REPORT: Nil to report.

ARCHIVIST: Nil to report

NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Tom Robinson

Tom reported that results from the Nationals were very slow in coming, but that BC entries really "cleaned up". Out of the 10 wine classes, BC won 6 1st, 5 2nds, 3 3rds and 3 4ths. Tony Pearson won





the Wine Art trip to San Francisco. In the beer classes BC had 2 1sts but did poorly in the cider category. Tom said he had a fabulous time judging at the Italian Canadian Wine Makers competition.

CLUB REPORTS:

Bacchus Alumni: Greetings! Well, we are starting off this season in a big way. We have four new members and had a new guest at the last meeting. We have been extremely busy with the grapes this year. We got 1 tonne of pinot noir from the Okanagan and 1 tonne of Gewurtztraminer from Summerland. A few of our members rigged up a motor on our crusher/destemmer, enabling us to process the grapes in record time! The stats were excellent on both grapes. A few members were able to get some Dechanauc and Chancillor(?) grapes as well. We were extremely successful again in our fund-raising efforts for Christmas Baked items, raising over \$800. Our program in October was a talk on Leaf Wines (yes, real wine made only from grape leaves) from John Webb. Very interesting.

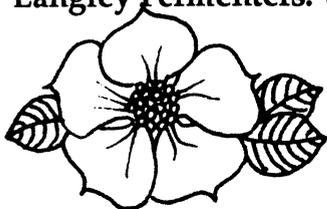
Capilano Winemakers: In September we had a wine tasting at Weatherstone Wineries. In October it was our club's 15th anniversary. November is our annual white wine competition and in December we are planning an Christmas party.

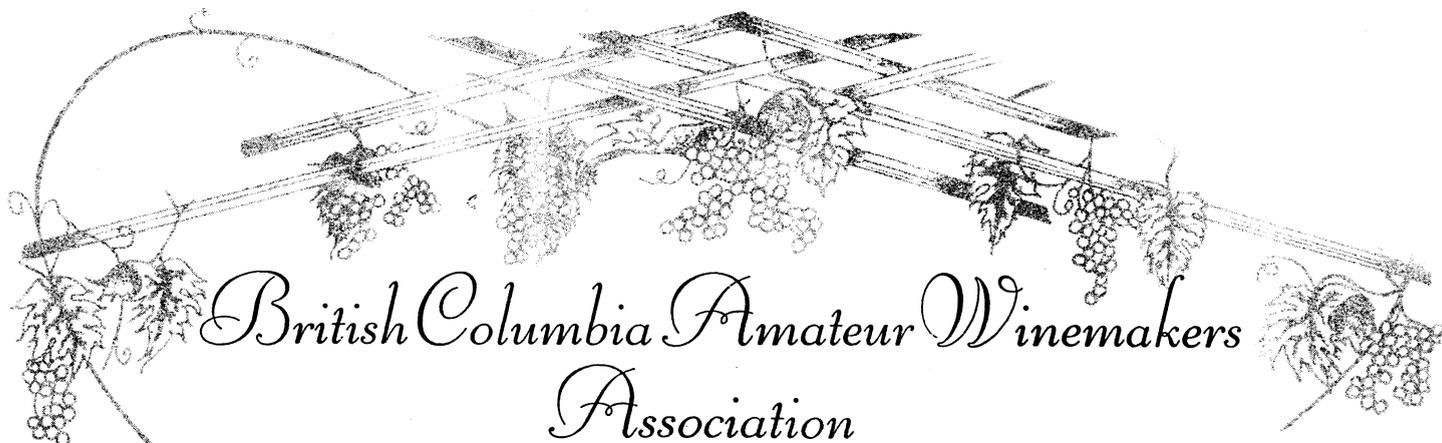
Chilliwack Zymurgy: Increased interest in our club since last council meeting. We lost 2 members, one of longstanding - Eileen Smith. However we gained 5 with net increase of 3 new members. We held a club crush of Okanagan Riesling. Please note: our competition date is February 29 (Sadie Hawkins Day) and not February 23 as reported in the Grapevine. Also our post office box (Box 1) has been discontinued last May so please do not send any more correspondence to the club to that address. Our new address is c/o M. & S. Mackie, 41385 South Sumas Road, Sardis V2R 1A9.

Glenmore Wine Circle: We have 10 members and we hold regular tastings of both homemade and bought wines. Recently we tasted 4 excellent New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc wines. Our club works a little different in that participants pay an attendance fee which covers the costs of the bottles purchased.

Italian Canadian Wine Makers: We hope to become a more active participant in the BCAWA. We recently held our major banquet and celebration, with 680 people in attendance. We are interested in hosting a Provincial Competition in the future. We meet at the Italian Cultural Centre on the first Friday of every month at 8:00 p.m. There is a \$5.00 admission fee which covers the cost of food at the meeting. All are welcome.

Langley Fermenters: We're having a good year. In March we will hold our annual competition.





Saanich Sommeliers: We have having some good programs presented by club members. Our Octoberfest was well attended. Our competition is on January 18th at Norway House (open class).

VAWA: We are continuing to investigate the liability issues through a lawyer (member) in the club. Our competition will be on April 7th at the Graduate Student Centre at UBC. Ticket prices will be \$30+.

Victoria Wine Makers Guild: Our meetings are held every second Monday of the month. Our Fees - Annual \$15/20, Monthly \$4/6. We hold regular monthly tastings of commercial wines. Special membership is under consideration this year for members who are no longer interested in continuing being regular club members. Club membership is stable with our Club in good financial standards.

Vinovan: Membership is growing and attendance at meetings are up. Reminder of Vinovan's Annual Competition, Banquet and Dance on Saturday, November 2nd, 1991. Ticket prices are \$22.50 per person.

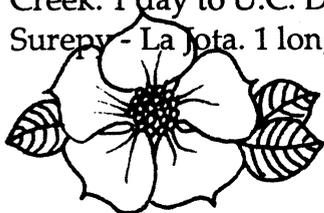
Vintners of Coquitlam: We had a very nice barbeque at Hatzic Lake in June hosted by Ed & June Tigiens. We made our annual trek to the Okanagan and picked up 3500 lbs of assorted grapes including Erenfelser(?), Pinot Noir, Gewurtztraminer, Kerner and Okanagan Riesling and the specs on these grapes were superb. This was followed by a crush and destem party hosted by Dan & Kathy Jones. We also enjoyed some good German food and some imported and homemade beers that was enjoyed by all, at our annual Oktoberfest. We have signed up 3 new members and have a few more prospective members.

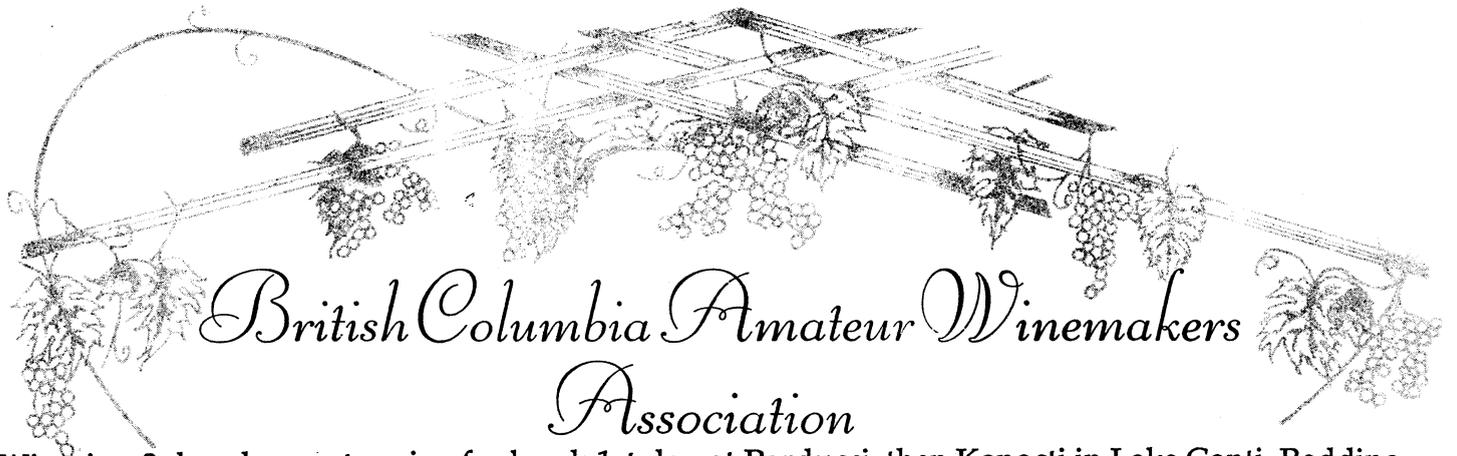
BCAWA 20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS:

Marg and Keith Kerry reported that plans for the 1992 Provincial Competition and AGM were shaping up. Although they investigated several locations, it looks like the Pilgrim House is the first choice as venue. It also happens to be the location of the first BCAWA meeting 20 years ago. Room prices and all the details will be forthcoming. Gordon Garlinge moved "that the 20th Anniversary Celebrations be held on the weekend of May 8/9/10." 2nd Murray Mackie. CARRIED. (Two opposed: Tom Robinson, Norm Cloutier)

NEW BUSINESS:

Cal Tour '92: Tom Robinson outlined the itinerary for the upcoming tour. It will run from March 14 - 22. 5 nights at the Hotel Californian in San Francisco. 1 day to Sonoma, Chateau de Baun (lunch), Dry Creek. 1 day to U.C. Davis for Lecture. 1 day to Napa - Crystal Mountain (location of Falconcrest) - St. Surepy - La Jota. 1 long day to Shenandoah Valley (Plymouth) in Sierra foothills - Karly/Santino





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Wineries. 3 days home stopping for lunch 1st day at Parducci, then Konocti in Lake Conti, Redding 1st night, Salem 2nd night. Home by 5:00 Sunday 22nd.

Anyone interested should send a \$100 deposit per person (can be post dated to December 10th) or call him immediately at 266-5860 to reserve your spot. Bus holds 40 people and is filling up fast. The total cost of \$600 includes hotel/transportation and two lunches.

Program: No program this meeting. Jack suggested a good program might be on Sugar & Wine or Advanced Beermaking. Shirley said the program should be announced as this would help to get other delegates from the clubs interested in attending these meetings.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

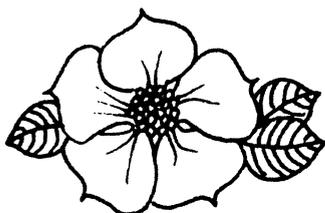
Executive Meeting: December 15th at Sonia Garlinge's home at 11:00 a.m.

Spring Quarterly Council Meeting: January 12, 1992 at Harrington Galleries, 100 - 1455 West Georgia Street (near the Bayshore) in Vancouver from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Vinovan will be hosting the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m. We thank the Langley Fermenters for the food they provided.

PLEASE NOTE: I have attached a revised mailing list for all clubs at the end of these minutes. If there is any additions or corrections, please let me know immediately. Thank you.

Linda - 854-8388 (work), 859-7226 (home).



TREASURER's REPORT
20 October 1991

Cash Position

Balance, 05 May 1991 \$591.96

Revenues received to date:

Proceeds from handbooks	33.00	
Club Dues	72.00	
Return of Advance - 1991 Prov.	200.00	
Medals for 1991 Prov. Competition	<u>10.89</u>	
Sub-total		<u>542.09</u>
		\$1,134.05

Cheques Issued:

Secretarial	118.66	
Treasurer Report	11.24	
AGM - 1991	100.00	
National Competition	101.12	
Advance for 1992 Provincial	100.00	
Travel	96.00	
President's Expenses	<u>97.50</u>	
Cash Position, 20 October 1991		<u>624.52</u>
		<u>\$ 509.53</u>

Medal Inventory at cost \$ 301.08

Club dues in arrears @ \$1.50 per member:

- Salmon Arm Wine Guild
- Italian Canadian Winemakers

1991 - 1992 BUDGET

Projected Revenues:

Club dues (note 1)	\$700.00	
Profit from 1991 Competition (Note 1)	Nil	
Handbook sales	33.00 (received)	
Return of Advance - 1991 Provincial Competition	200.00 (received)	
Medals from 1991 Competition	226.00 (received)	
Bank Interest	<u>20.00</u>	
Total projected revenues		\$1,179.00

Projected Expenditures:

Council Meetings including 1991 AGM	\$300.00	
Secretarial	250.00	
Travel	400.00	
AWC dues	30.00	
Complimentary Grapevine	27.00	
National Competition (1991)	101.00	
President's Expenses	200.00	
Purchase of Medals (Note 2)	400.00	
Education	<u>100.00</u>	
Projected Deficit (note 1)		<u>1,808.00</u>
		<u>(\$ 629.00)</u>



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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING - DECEMBER 15, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. at the home of Sonia and Gordon Garlinge. Present were Jock Fairholm, Jerry Yip, Linda Renault, Marg and Keith Kerry, Tom Robinson, Jack Ziebart, Shirley and Bob Mackie.

The minutes of the last executive meeting of September 15th were approved as circulated. Moved by Marg, 2nd by Sonia. CARRIED.

1. Business Arising Out of Minutes

a) Correspondence by Lou Curnick.

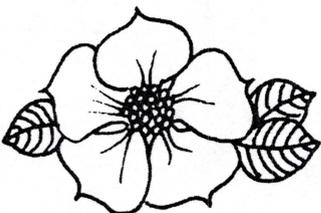
Sonia has purchased a Pewter Beer Mug as the Keeper trophy for "Beermaker of the Year". After more discussion it was agreed that a letter be sent to Lou acknowledging the inconsistencies between what was written on the judges card and what was told verbally to the Chief Steward at the last Provincial Competition. This inconsistency will be rectified in all future competitions.

b) AGM and 20th Anniversary Celebrations

Marg and Keith reported that much progress had been made. Most of the arrangements at the Pilgrim House have been confirmed verbally although they are still waiting for written confirmation. Musician will be booked once they give him a \$50.00 deposit. Harry Waters of Sumas Ridge Wineries has agreed to talk on the "Vintage Quality Alliance (VQA)". He might choose to speak either at Sumas Ridge or the Experimental Station. Marg and Keith are finalizing a Registration Kit for all participants. This will include material (brochures, maps, etc. of Penticton and area) provided by "Tourist Information Centre". Timetable to be discussed and finalized.

c) Fund-Raising for BCAWA

A variety of fund-raising ideas were raised by the executive including silent auctions, raffle tickets, etc. Jack Ziebart will report on the raffling off of a case of wine, both homemade and bought. If the idea is approved at the next council meeting, he will head the fund-raising committee.



d) AGM and Provincial Competition

There was a motion at the last council meeting regarding separating these two events. Executive decided to pole all the clubs after the next council meeting in January and have the results ready for the AGM in Penticton so a decision can be made.

2. Correspondence

Letter from Salmon Arm Wine Guild. They have decided not to renew their membership in BCAWA. Jock will contact by phone.

3. President's Report - Jock had nothing further to report since the last council meeting.

4. Vice - President's Report

Sonia said she had visited both the Chilliwack and Vinovan clubs. She acted as a judge in Kamloops Competition and she'll be visiting Bacchus and VAWA next.

5. Treasurer's Report - Jerry Yip (attached)

6. Chief Steward's Report

Sonia has arranged for some professional winemakers from Okanagan wineries to act as judges at the Provincial Competition. They will be matched with judges from BCAWA. Tom suggested she try to get the OK Springs Brewmaster to judge the beer. She has arranged for Sherwood Trophy Shop in Penticton to do all the engraving for 10 cents/letter. Trophies will be dropped off to his shop on Friday and results will be phoned in all day. All judging should be finished by 2:00 pm and he assures Sonia he'd have all trophies finished and delivered by 5:00 pm. Wine glasses for the competition have all been arranged. Sonia suggested April 24th as the entry deadline for all wines. She'll need help in transporting wines down to the Okanagan.

7. Director's Report - Jack had nothing to report since the last meeting.

8. National Director's Report

Tom reported all the results were finally in. Everyone got their certificates quite promptly and they were printed nicely. He was disappointed that they did not pick Best Beer in Show or Best Wine in Show. He sent four cases to Ontario this year and his entry list by separate mail. This way if something goes missing, as was the case for the Alberta entry, the people in Ontario would be aware of it immediately. He says he fought against the rule of having to send more than 3 bottles for each class and in the Brew class, 2 bottles for each entry.

9. Calendar of Events

Spring Quarterly Meeting, January 12, 1992. The host club will be Vinovan.

B.C.A.W.A. TREASURER'S REPORT
DECEMBER 15, 1991

CASH POSITION Cash/Bank Balance, October 20, 1991		\$ 509.53
Revenues received to date:		
Club Dues	45.00	
Share of Profit - 1991 Prov.	36.82	
Proceeds from Handbooks	33.00	
Bank Interest 1.22	116.04	
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SUBTOTAL		\$ 625.57
Cheques Issued:		
Secretarial - 34.69		
Travel: re-council meeting	48.00	
-Executive meeting	48.00	
Share of Council Mtg. Expense Oct.20/91 Langley	100.00	230.69
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CASH ON HAND, DECEMBER 15, 1991		\$ 394.88