

Coming up

DIARY DATES

JULY 2017

Sat 8th ~ Mansfield Tasting Day @ St John's Church, Mansfield 12 ~ 3pm

AUGUST 2017

Fri 14th ~ DWS Trade Day @ Taxi Fed Square Melbourne
Sat 26th ~ Mansfield Farmers Market

SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun 3rd ~ Winter Wine Lunch with Megan Knapp @The Kitchen Door
Sat 9th ~ New Release Tastings @Mr Price's Food Store, North Melbourne 12 ~ 3pm
Sat 23rd ~ Mansfield Farmers Market

OCTOBER 2017

Sat 14th ~ Jamieson Wine & Cheese Night @Jamieson Memorial Hall
Thur 12th ~ Annual Ros Ritchie Spring Dinner @The Metropolitan Melbourne
Sun 15th ~ New Release Tastings @St John's Church Mansfield 12 ~ 3pm
Sat 28th ~ Mansfield Farmers Market

NOVEMBER 2016

CUP WEEKEND
Sat 4th ~ Mansfield Bush Market
Sun 5th ~ RRW & Barwite Bush Picnic

Sat 18th ~ Mansfield A&P Show
Sun 26th ~ Mansfield Winemakers Long Lunch 12pm
Sat 25th ~ Mansfield Farmers Market
Mansfield High Country Festival ~ www.highcountryfestival.com.au

DECEMBER 2016

Sat 16th ~ Mansfield Farmers Market

Ros Ritchie is proud to be available at over 260 on and off premise retail stockists nationally. We also have a wonderful partnership with Domaine Wine Shippers distribution who manage our wholesale sales. Like us, DWS is an Australian, family-owned wine business and Ros has had a long and happy relationship with the family. Find or become a stockist today! Visit www.rosritchiwines.com for more information...



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We hope you have enjoyed this snapshot of our year so far. We look forward to catching up with you at one of our upcoming events over the next 6 months (Diary Dates).



Ros Ritchie

WINEMAKER



Ros Ritchie Wines



What a wonderful year we have had! The last 12 months have seen great weather through great winter rains, and the perfect amount of rain in spring to promote excellent even flowering and fruit set. There was then good rain in Jan and early February resulting in excellent veraison (the onset of ripening). Classic autumn weather followed, with long warm days and cold nights. Starting the 2017 vintage in the fourth week of March with the Pinot Gris, Gewürztraminer, and an excellent crop of Tempranillo; we finished on the 1st May with pressing off some powerful and brilliantly coloured reds, the Merlot, Nebbiolo and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Vintage 17

Events

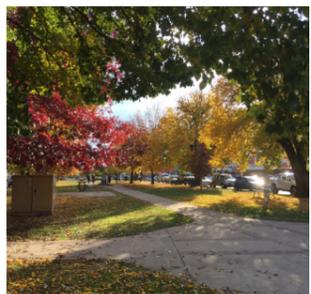
As usual, the first part of the year has been tremendously busy, and not just with vintage. Aside from the regular Mansfield Farmer's Markets, we have been a part of many exciting events in and around Mansfield...

JAZZ & LOCAL ART

In March, the Mansfield Art Gallery hosted the Harvey Club, a wonderful group of jazz musos. We were invited to provide some wines for the day... a wonderful, happy afternoon! We were also very pleased to sponsor the opening of MAGIC (Mansfield Art Glass incorporating Ceramics); it was amazing to see the absolutely stunning creations of the Australian fraternity of talented artists.

PICNIC IN THE PARK

The annual Picnic in the Park was again a delightful and very successful day under the shade of the beautiful oaks and elms at Mirimbah Park at the base of Mt Buller, with over 1000 people eating delicious local produce and sampling wines, beer and cider and listening to music, provided by both local and visiting artists.



COUNTRY RACING, MANSFIELD'S BUSHMARKET & THE ANNUAL DAY ON HIGH

Three weekends in April were taken up with events, the first being the inaugural Mansfield Racing Club Graze on the Green, incorporating the Equine Art Exhibition. Easter closely followed with the successful Bush Market on a perfect Autumn Day. The following weekend we showcased our wines at the regional Vintage Celebrations 'Day on High' hosted in Mansfield. The culmination of all the local winemakers' yearly efforts were on show, the delicious food and wine offerings were consumed with great enthusiasm, with a highlight being the wonderful strains of Fem Belling and her band, as well as the ever popular Lex Pistols.



THE INAUGURAL AMAZING RACE CAR RALLY!

This year for the May High Country Harvest, RRW together with Mansfield High Country Maze and the Mansfield Regional Produce Store, ran our inaugural fun Car Rally, called the Amazing Race! This was hugely popular with so many participants clamouring for the rally to be a permanent event - stay tuned!



Wedding

In early January this year our family came together for the wedding of our son to his beautiful bride in Melbourne. It was a wonderful day's celebration of love, commitment, and family. The sumptuous fare, culminating in a magnificent wedding 'cake' of a tower of cheeses and fruits, was accompanied by a selection of delicious RRW wines, of course!

Food Matches supplied by the High Country Food Co. ~ www.highcountryfoodco.com.au



2015 Merlot

~ Timbertop Vineyard ~

A supple and opulent wine, with a rich purple colour and lush flavours of ripe mulberry and plums; the fruit was grown at Timbertop vineyard, a cool and high site on the north western slopes of Mt Timbertop. In 2015 the vines produced a wine with great concentration of flavour and velvety tannins, which was given increased structure and complexity by 12 months maturation in French oak puncheons (30% new and 70% 3-year old).

Production: 170 cases

Alc 14.0% pH 3.55 TA 5.4g/l

FOOD MATCHES

Beetroot Gnocchi
with Braised Chicken
& Wild Mushroom Sauce

Double Baked
Smoked Cheddar Souffle
& Candied Walnut Salad

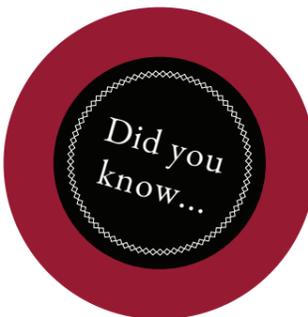
Merlot & Boysenberry
Pandowdy Pie with
vanilla bean ice cream

Merlot is the third most grown variety in the world and the most planted variety in France.

The name "merlot" is said to come from the French word "merle", and means little blackbird.

The first reference to Merlot dates back to 1784 in Bordeaux, as "one of the better Libournais varieties".

Jancis Robinson, one of the world's most respected wine writers, has said "... connoisseurs who go weak at the knees at the very whisper of Pétrus would not dream of choosing a wine based on Merlot if a Cabernet alternative was offered....". Jancis, however, decries this attitude (as do I!) saying that the variety has "brazen lushness compared with the more austere charms of Cabernet Sauvignon".



What people are saying about our Merlot...

"Your 2015 Merlot is absolutely stunning!" Sybil, QLD

"...and the Merlot is lovely, the depth and complexity of the wine ... served it with a slow cooked wild rabbit casserole... absolutely perfect match!" Ian, QLD

We have had many responses and new memberships of the RRW Wine Club! Limited by our production, the Club will be open to the first 80 members only. Complete and detach this form or visit our website to sign up today to enjoy great savings and VIP offers!...

Club Membership

- No Joining Fee
- Enjoy two (2) shipments per year, selected by Ros, in autumn (April) and spring (October)
- Choose either a Winemakers White Dozen, Red Dozen or Mixed Dozen per shipment
- White Doz capped at \$245 / Red Doz capped at \$290 / Mixed Doz capped at \$275 (15% discount off cellar door prices)
- All deliveries include free shipping (additional costs for NT & WA)
- Membership is for a minimum of two shipments with automatic renewal.
- Membership may be cancelled after the first two shipments, in writing.

VIP Benefits

- Free shipping: on additional case orders
- 15% discount on all wine re-orders within 30 days of each Club release
- Priority access to museum vintages and limited releases, and when available, large format bottles
- VIP winery tours (by appointment) and complimentary tastings at member's only days
- Exclusive discounts and offers including invitations to Ros Ritchie wine club events and member's only functions plus notifications of special pricing and deals

Selection WHITE DOZ \$245.00 cap RED DOZ \$290.00 cap MIXED DOZ \$275.00 cap

Member Details ~ 3 ways to join:

1. Complete the online membership form at www.rosritchiewines.com
2. Complete this form, scan & return to us at rosritchie@bigpond.com
3. Complete this form and post to PO Box 210, Mansfield VIC 3724

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