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Tastings coming up:

John Kemble Kemblefield & Kawarau Estate

Date: Thursday 24th June

Cost: \$15.00

Fantastic line-up of wines. Many of you will have met the exuberant character of John Kemble, owner and winemaker of this Hawkes Bay winery. John will show his stunning Reserve Zinfandels from 2000 and 2002, plus his Reserve Malbec/Merlot, reserve Cabernet and the Distinction Merlot 2000 & 2002.

These will be topped off by the fantastic Kawarau pinots 2001 & 2003. We have raved about these wines for years, so will be interesting to compare the 2 vintages.

Clair Mulholland Orlando Wyndham & Framingham

Date: Thursday July 1st

Cost: \$15.00

Framingham has done so well internationally and locally with their superb Marlborough Rieslings and Savvy's. These will contrast well with the Australian reds that Clair will present from the excellent Orlando Wyndham range to warm the night up. After all it is past the shortest day and with this time cold weather. On the good side spring is just around the corner. These wines will be good to consider for your cellar.

Mark Borrie Central Otago and other choices

Date: Thursday 15th July

Cost: \$15.00

Mark is one of the regular decanter Club wine tasters and has taken wine up with a passion. He and his partner have planted some grapes in the Alexandra region and so has an excellent working knowledge of wines from the area. he's unsure as to which wines he will be tasting, but I'm sure this will be a very good and he will be able to give you an excellent insight into the foibles of setting up a vineyard!!

Sue Henderson Grant Burge Wines

Date: Thursday 28th July

Cost: \$15.00

This has got to be one of the premium wineries in South Australia, with totally awesome wines from their lower label Shiraz through to their star wines. They consistently get 5 stars for their wines. They are mostly hefty big reds with high alcohol, so please reconsider bringing your car to the tasting.

All wine tastings commence at 6 pm and finish between 7.30-8 pm and are held in the tasting room above the store. Please book ahead of time to ensure your seat. If you have booked and are unable to attend please let us know, as we sometimes have a waiting list and this will enable others to attend.

Wines recently tasted

Babich Winemakers Reserve Gewurztraminer 2002 25.15

From the infamous Gimblett gravels, this dry style gewurt is firmly balanced. Rose petals on the nose followed by deep flavours of turkish delight on the palate and a crisp dry finish. This rich gewurt shows what the Gimblett gravels can do!

Beresford Beacon Hill Cabernet 10.15

Beresford Beacon Hill Shiraz 10.15

I must mention these two wines again as they are THE BEST red wine buys available anywhere. Many reds under \$15 are quite simple and light in weight, but these are both big, grunty wines and chock full of spicy fruit. I drink more of these than anything else. Fabulous stuff!

Brookfields Bergman Chardonnay 2003 17.05

Hand picked, whole bunch pressed and fermented in oak. Full bodied, soft and rounded with generous grapefruit and peach flavours, mealy complexity and buttery malo characteristics. Lovely now.

Brookfields Ohiti Cabernet Sauvignon '03 17.05

Firm, full flavoured wine packed with ripe blackcurrant and plum flavours. Deeply coloured, this is vibrant and smooth. 12 months in French oak, this is drinking well now.

Coto de Hayas Crianza 2000 SUPER SPECIAL Was \$14.95 now 11.65

Picked as Joelle Thompson's 'Best buy under \$15.00'. Very classy Spanish red, packed with intense fruit flavours and a very long finish. Try it blind on your friends and they may pick it as French over \$25.00. SUPER DEAL BUY A CASE, GET A FREE MAGNUM.

Herons Flight Sangiovese 2002 45.85

From Warkworth, north of Auckland, this is an experience. To my knowledge the only commercially grown Sangiovese in NZ. Fermented in stainless steel vats, hand plunged 4-5 times a day and then matured in 100% new French barriques for 12-14 months. The same

clone as Italian Brunello, this is hugely complex and powerful wine. Crammed with rich cedary plummy fruit, it has great body and length with chocolate and liquorice flavours with a hint of mushrooms. Fabulous drop, a real treat! Cellar for 5-8 years or delicious now with pasta.

Jim Barry 'The Coves Drive' Cabernet Sauvignon 2002 17.95

The shot on cricket is the most elegant and this cabernet is exactly the same! Very rich, while the French oak makes this soft and succulent. Hints of Coonawarra eucalypt. Named after the area where the wine comes from...an old cricket ground replanted by Jim Barry.

Lake Challis Release Sauvignon Blanc 2004 15.25

Fresh and vibrant, this new savvy shows all the characteristics that a new savvy should; lychees, freshly cut grass, tropical fruit. Not only is that, but the up-front acid that many don't like in new savvys is NOT there at all. A great classic sauvignon blanc that's not to be missed.

Lindemans Brut Cuvee 8.05

Great value, with some real flavour and a touch of development. Good broad flavours with a nice hint of yeast and a touch of sweetness. Great chilled with oysters!

Millton Te Aria Chenin Blanc 2003 21.55

NZ's top Chenin Blanc. Intensely varietal with concentrated vibrant nectarine fruit flavours. Half barrel-fermented in large French oak casks. This is the same grape variety used in Vouvray and will cellar.

Morton Riverside Chardonnay 2000 22.45

This was the top wine at the International Wine Challenge in London. Big, bold and beautiful, this is very well priced for the quality.

Mount Riley Sauvignon Blanc '04 15.25

Up front and in your face!! This new sav blanc holds nothing back. It's a ggressive with its acid, aggressive with its fruit and aggressive

with its bouquet. In short a brand spanking new Marlborough sauvignon blanc. If you like them young, fresh and aggressive, this is a must.

Peter Lehmann GSM 2002 17.05

The grenache shiraz, mouvedre combination of fruit has produced a wine richly flavoured, with hints of spice and pepper. This outstanding vintage is softly textured. An excellent partner to a hearty winter casserole or spicy lamb sausages.

Richmond Grove Limited Release Shiraz 2001 17.95

This is an excellent wine, the colour is deep. Elegant on the palate, with luscious rich berry flavours and lovely hints of white pepper. Great now, but will cellar for a few years.

Riverside Chardonnay 2000 17.95

Gold medal. Mouthfilling and ripe, this is a no holds barred style. It is fermented and matured in oak with rich peach and citrusy flavours, toasty balanced oak with great complexity and length. Was \$30.

Saddleback Pinot Noir 2002 23.35

This Pinot is another outstanding wine produced by Peregrine. It exudes aromas of leathery violets and spicy velvet, all combined with a vibrant palate of black fruits and cherries. A real steal at

this price.

Silene Cellar Selection Merlot Cabernet Franc 2002 19.95

Was 22.95. shows the classic red berryfruit and plum flavours of Hawkes Bay. Sweet ripe fruit combine with soft tannins in a drink now style or will cellar for 2-4 years.

Vidal Riesling 2003 16.15

We tried this at wine club and it went down a treat. Weighty and richly flavoured Marlborough wine. Fresh and lively with crisp ripe citrus flavours and a very long finish.

Vidal Soler Syrah 2002 28.75

Trophy winner, this is a great drop. Big, dark and flavour-rich, the palate is supple, yet firm with rich plum and spice flavours and a hint of dark chocolate and excellent warm and intensity. Drink or cellar for 3 years.

Yalumba 'Y' Series Barossa Shiraz 2001 TBA

Liquorice, plums and hints of cherry. Splashed with Viognier (5%) that adds a slightly floral fragrance. Aged in both French and American oak. This Barossa Shiraz has a great long finish thanks to the soft smooth tannins. Great for the up-coming winter

Where the Road takes you....

Felton Road Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2003 39.95

This wine is rich and concentrated, but with an emphasis on minerality and complexity rather than tropical fruit. Oak is pleasingly absent as a flavour component to the intricacy of the wines structure. This wine should have superb cellaring potential

Felton Road Pinot Noir 2003 48.55

Yes the 2003 Felton Road pinots are out. Ripe cherry with hallmark central Otago spiciness integrates to form an elegant and refined wine. Good depth and length will allow the wine to age gracefully for up to 5-7 years.

Felton Road 'Block 3' Pinot Noir 2003 68.35

The Block 3 is even more complex, with dark fruits, spice and some forest-floor notes leading onto the palate which is rich, meaty and structured. This wine will continue to improve for at least the next 5 years. Be in quick as we only have 6 bottles available.

Chris Scott

Decanter Club Special offer	Decanter Club Special offer	Decanter Club Special offer
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Last month Philip Nunn from the distribution agency 'One from the Cellar' presented a selection of his wines to us. These included the Konrad & Co Sauvignon Blanc, Omihi Hills Chardonnay, Omihi Hills Pinot Gris, Konrad & Co Pinot Noir, Kirrihill Champions Shiraz, Kirrihill Estates Clare Valley Shiraz, Kirrihill Estates Langhorne Creek Shiraz, and the Konrad & Co Noble Riesling.

We are aware that many of you will not have had the opportunity to try any (or many) of these wines. Philip has offered us a fantastic deal on these wines, giving us the ability to dramatically reduce the price we can offer them to you at. We highly recommend this range of wines, which represent excellent value for money. Below is a brief description of each wine, followed by an order form. These prices are only available to Decanter Club Members, so make the most of this opportunity.

This really was a great line-up of wines. We are disappointed more of you couldn't attend.

Konrad & Co 2003 Sauvignon Blanc – this wine is made by Brent Marris of Wither Hills. Stainless steel tank fermented, 3% French oak barrel fermentation to add complexity and palate weight. Cellaring potential 2 to 3 years, will develop well over the next two years. There's not doubt this wine is from Marlborough, however, it appeared to have that extra bit of fruit sweetness that made it more rounded and approachable, making it well received by all who were present. A couple of non-sauvignon blanc drinkers said they enjoyed this particular savvy style, yet a couple of others who are savvy drinkers thought it lacked some of the Marlborough zippiness. Try it and decide for yourself!!!

Omihi Road Pinot Gris 2003

Was \$21.95 Now \$17.95

This is a wine that we have had in the shop for some time now, and has really started to develop a following. It is an off-dry to medium style with plenty of fruit. This wine has added complexity through some of the ferment being undertaken in oak barrels. This is a great value for money Pinot Gris and was very well received on the night. Buy and enjoy.

Kirrihill Companions Shiraz 2001

Was \$18.95 Now \$15.25

According to Winestate Magazine, Kirrihill Wines only use the very best suited varieties from each region to produce an exceptional array of premium quality wines equal to any in the world. These Kirrihills wines have received a number of high accolades. While this is their entry level wine, it still drinks

wonderfully. This shiraz is a blend from a number of regions and displays fresh, clean berry fruit dominates the palate, which is soft and smooth. The fruit concentration integrates seamlessly with the spicy oak, and a lovely peppery note lingers in the mouth. Will continue to soften and gain complexity in the bottle over the next 2-3 years. 13.8% alcohol.

Kirrihill Estates Clare Valley Shiraz 2002
Was \$27.95 Now \$23.95

This wine was a little more closed than the Langhorne Creek which has had the benefit of another year of bottle age. It is already showing its potential, and while drinking very well now, will certainly benefit from a bit more bottle age.

Kirrihill Estates Langhorne Creek Shiraz 2001
Was \$25.95 Now \$22.45

Spicy berry and plum notes on the nose, with chocolate, mocha and smoky oak also present. The soft and generous palate is loaded with ripe, fleshy fruits, rich dark chocolate, and obvious but balanced cedary oak. Fine emery-like tannins add structure and length.. Drinking superbly now, but will reward further cellaring also. A whopping 14.4 percent alcohol wine!

Konrad & Co Sigrun Noble Riesling 2002
Was \$25.95 Now \$21.55

This wine went Blue-Gold at the 2004 Sydney International wine show. What more do we need to say. Judging by the orders we have received already, I am sure everyone who tried this wine was suitably impressed! 8.5 percent alcohol.

A couple of the judges from the 2004 Sydney Show commented as follows:
 'A pleasant, late harvest mix of honey, nuts, dried flowers and a little bit of a sweet corn, silky quality that sometimes shows up in wines like this. It's very nice on the palate. Elegant, rich, balanced and very easy to like. This is a very nice

wine.'
 AND.....
 Restrained marmalade and caramel. Palate: Big, fresh orange marmalade with a clean finish. With the Crème Brûlée, excellent weight, texture and flavour match. Very good.

Please place your order by phone fax or email. Please ensure email orders are directed to wine@munslovs.co.nz

Cheers,
 Peter, Alistair, Martijn and the crew at Munslow's

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NEWSLETTER ORDER FORM
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WINE	Normal price	Newsletter price	No. of bottles	TOTAL
Babich Winemakers Reserve Gewürztraminer '02	27.95	25.15		
Beresford Beacon Hill Cabernet Sauvignon	11.95	10.75		
Beresford Beacon Hill Shiraz	11.95	10.75		
Brookfields Bergman Chardonnay 2003	18.95	17.05		
Brookfields Ohiti Cabernet Sauvignon	19.95	17.95		
Coto de Hayas Crianza 2000	14.95	11.65		
Hérons Flight Sangiovese 2002	50.95	45.85		
Jim Barry 'The Coves Drive' Cab Sauvignon '02	19.95	17.95		
Lake Challis Release Sauvignon Blanc 2004	16.95	15.25		
Lindemans Brut Cuvee	8.95	8.05		
Millton Te Aria Chenin Blanc 2003	23.95	21.55		
Morton Riverside Chardonnay 2000	24.95	22.45		
Mount Riley Sauvignon Blanc	16.95	15.25		
Peter Lehmann GSM 2002	18.95	17.05		
Richmond Grove Limited Release Shiraz 2001	19.95	17.95		
Riverside Chardonnay 2000	19.95	17.95		
Saddleback Pinot Noir 2002	25.95	23.35		
Sileni Cellar Select Merlot Cabernet Franc 2002	21.55	19.95		
Vidal Riesling 2003	17.95	16.15		
Vidal Soler Syrah 2002	31.95	28.75		
Yalumba 'Y' Series Barossa Shiraz 2001	TBA			
Felton Road				
Felton Road Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2003	43.95	39.95		
Felton Road Pinot Noir 2003	53.95	48.55		
Felton Road 'Block 3' Pinot Noir 2003	75.95	68.35		
Special offer				
Konrad & Co Sauvignon Blanc 2003	21.95	17.95		

Omihi Road Pinot Gris 2003	21.95	17.95		
Kirrihill Companions Shiraz 2001	18.95	15.25		
Kirrihill Estates Clare Valley Shiraz 2002	27.95	23.95		
Kirrihill Estate Langhorne Creek Shiraz 2001	26.95	22.45		
Konrad & Co Sigrun Noble Riesling 2002	25.95	21.55		
Bravo Coffee	9.95	9.95		
TOTAL				

- Please note that these special prices are applicable with this newsletter and form only
- Yes we do deliver throughout Dunedin/Mosgiel and our courier rates are very reasonable throughout New Zealand

YOUR DETAILS

Name.....
 Delivery Address.....

 Tel. (bus)..... Tel. (a.h).....

PAYMENT OPTIONS (tick one)

Please charge my Munslow's Account

(Account Name).....

Cheque attached

Please charge my Credit Card (Tick one)

Visa Mastercard Diners AMEX

Credit Card Number

Cardholder Name

Expiry Date Signature.....

Cash: Please present this form at Munslow's Fine Wines

COLLECTION / DELIVERY OPTION (TICK ONE)

I will **collect** from Munslow's

Please **deliver** (Please ensure delivery details are provided above)

- Free delivery in Dunedin/Mosgiel metropolitan area
- Freight charges (minimal) will be advised for deliveries outside Dunedin

Any special delivery instructions

Thank you for your order.