

ALLANDALE

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BILL'S WINTER REPORT

We have been busy over the last couple of months finishing off the wines from what was a terrific 2017 vintage. It is looking like a really good year from all the regions we have sourced grapes. The Hunter Valley Chardonnay is particularly exciting, which is in a similar style to the very successful 2014 wine.

Also of note from the 2017 vintage and included in the Winter Club Pack is our first ever classic dry

Rosé. This is a wine made very much in the Southern Rhône style, predominantly made with Grenache and also Shiraz. What is particularly pleasing to me personally however is that it is made entirely from my son's vineyard in the Hilltops region near Young, NSW. In fact this wine is truly a family affair with the grapes grown by Will, wine made by me (with a lot of help from the guys here at the winery) and the label design by my wife Sally and my daughter Anna. And the wine is not bad either!

Apart from filtering and racking the new 2017 wines in the winery, we have also had some opportunities in the past month to travel to China for wine promotions and public tastings. I have just returned from Beijing and Alex has just been up to another wine exhibition and wine dinner in Shenzhen, in Southern China.

There are still more tasting events coming up this year at Balmoral, Rosehill Racecourse and Wahroonga Park. Please call by to say hello if you find yourself at any of these events.

Alternatively, we hope to see you at the cellar door if you are up in the Hunter. Winter really can be a nice time to visit. A fire at night with a nice glass of red!

Thanks as always for your support.

Best wishes,

B. Sneddon

Bill Sneddon



General Manager/Chief Winemaker

Diary Dates

OCTOBER 8 Hunter Valley Uncorked
Balmoral Balmoral Beach

OCTOBER 14 & 15 Sydney Wine Festival
Grand Pavilion at Rosehill Racecourse

OCTOBER 29 Wahroonga Food & Wine
Festival Wahroonga Park

Allandale visits China

Winemakers Bill and Alex have recently returned from exhibiting at two Interwine International Wine Shows in China; one in Beijing, the other in Guangzhou. Allandale wines were well received, our distributor in the region receiving orders for wine before the show concluded!

In addition to the exhibitions, Allandale was invited to host a wine dinner at the Four Seasons Hotel in Shenzhen, organised by the Epicurean Society. Food prepared by award winning Chef Jason Kang was matched with a selection of Allandale wines, the evening being a great success.



Ernest & Alex at Interwine, Guangzhou



Allandale dinner with the Epicurean Society

Wine Trivia

QUESTION 1 Generally how long are oak trees left to grow/mature before harvesting?

QUESTION 2 Where in the world did the grape variety 'Grenache' originate?

QUESTION 3 How many litres does a hogshead wine barrel hold?

QUESTION 4 The year on the a wine bottle indicates (a) The year the fruit was picked (b) The year the wine was released (c) The year the wine was bottled

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LONG LUNCH

This year's Lovedale Long Lunch was another great success! Allandale saw the lunch as an opportunity to showcase a range of new release 2017 wines including Semillon, Pinot Gris, Sauvignon Blanc and Sparkling Gewürztraminer. Long-lunchers were also some of the first to try Allandale's first ever classic Rosé. The fine wines were complemented by the exceptional gourmet food produced by the Cellar Restaurant. This year's event marked the 10th successful year of The Cellar and Allandale teaming up for the Lovedale Long Lunch.

We would like to thank those of you who came along and made the 2017 event a memorable one.

We hope you are looking forward to next year's event as much as we are!

The 2018 Lovedale Long Lunch will be held on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th May.



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To redeem your club member discount for online orders enter this code upon checkout.

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Winter Warmers

Winter has well and truly arrived, which means cozy nights by the fireplace with a comforting glass of red wine. We've carefully selected two new release wines to include in this month's pack, that we think will help cure your winter blues. Both are rich, complex, heavily-oaked styles that are slightly higher in alcohol for that extra layer of warmth.

2015 McLaren Vale Shiraz

2015 Winemaker's Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Pair either of these wines with slow cooked lamb shanks and potato mash.

TRIVIA ANSWERS: ANSWER 1 Around 100 years. ANSWER 2 The northern region of Spain, known as Aragon. ANSWER 3 300L. ANSWER 4 A. The year the fruit was picked

July 2017 Club Pack

2017 SEMILLON HUNTER VALLEY

Fruit was sourced from two Lovedale vineyards. Lemon/lime characters dominate the nose following through onto the palate, underscored by a citrus acidity resulting in a clean, fresh finish.

RRP \$22 per bottle/ \$225 per dozen

CLUB MEMBERS \$18.70 per bottle/ \$191.25 per dozen

Serve with fresh oysters and lemon.

2017 PINOT GRIS GOULBURN VALLEY

Subtle aromas of pear and honeysuckle balanced with a zesty citrus palate. This is a flavoursome and textural wine with a crisp summery feel.

RRP \$22 per bottle/ \$225 per dozen

CLUB MEMBERS \$18.70 per bottle/ \$191.25 per dozen

Salt and pepper squid with a spicy noodle salad.

2017 SAUVIGNON BLANC ORANGE

Kiwifruit and subtle lychee aromas on the nose follow through onto the palate with a clean, refreshing citrus finish.

RRP \$22 per bottle/ \$225 per dozen

CLUB MEMBERS \$18.70 per bottle/ \$191.25 per dozen

Serve with a Vietnamese chicken noodle salad.

2017 ROSÉ HILLTOPS

An elegant wine made in the Provence style from South East France. Strawberries and cream dominate the nose with fresh red fruit on the palate, finishing in a dryer style.

RRP \$25 per bottle/ \$255 per dozen

CLUB MEMBERS \$21.25 per bottle/ \$216.75 per dozen

Serve with a smoked salmon and crème fraîche blini.

2015 SHIRAZ MCLAREN VALE

This wine is rich and complex showing ripe berry fruit flavours complemented with coffee and spice overtones. New French and American oak adds to the palate weight and complexity. The finish has fine tannins and lingering flavours.

RRP \$30 per bottle/ \$305 per dozen

CLUB MEMBERS \$25.50 per bottle/ \$259.25 per dozen

Serve alongside a rich tomato braised beef cheek stew.

2015 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON MUDGEES

Fruit was sourced from a single 'old vine' vineyard in Mudgee. Herbaceous characters are complemented by dark fruit flavours underpinned by firm tannins, so indicative of this variety.

RRP \$60 per bottle/ \$605 per dozen/ \$320 per six-pack

CLUB MEMBERS \$51 per bottle/ \$514.25 per dozen/ \$272 per six-pack

Serve with a slow roasted lamb shoulder, lamb jus and crispy potatoes.



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WINE CLUB

Allandale Wine Club is free to join and offers members a range of benefits ...

- Allandale Wine Club Packs are delivered three times per year in the first week of April, July and October.
- Club packs are just \$99 each for six packs or \$180 each for dozen packs.
- Custom packs are available at no extra charge.
- Free delivery of the packs anywhere in Australia.
- Club Members receive 15% off any additional wine purchases (*excl. specials*)
- Club Members receive exclusive invitations to wine tastings & other events.
- Club Members and their guests enjoy private tastings and winery tours by appointment.

To join, fill in the form overleaf and return to us either by e-mail, fax or post.



Follow us on Facebook if you would like a heads-up on club pack deliveries and other news!

PRIVATE TASTINGS

Wine Club

Members have the opportunity to book their own intimate winery tour and private tasting. Choose to have your experience either inside the winery in the barrel room or outside on the sunny terrace whilst enjoying the panoramic view over the vineyard to the Brokenback Mountain Range.

Call today to organise your own customised tasting experience with one of our winemaking staff. For Allandale Wine Club Members and their guests there is no charge for a private tasting.



ORDER FORM

WINES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE	RRP per bottle	RRP per dozen	QTY btl	QTY doz	Club Member per bottle	Club Member per dozen	QTY btl	QTY doz	TOTAL
SPARKLING									
2016 'William' Sparkling Hunter Valley Limited Stock	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2017 Sparkling Gewürztraminer Goulburn Valley	\$22	\$225			\$18.70	\$191.25			
WHITE									
2017 Semillon Hunter Valley	\$22	\$225			\$18.70	\$191.25			
2013 Aged Semillon Hunter Valley	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2011 Aged Semillon Hunter Valley	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2016 Chardonnay Orange	\$20	\$205			\$17.00	\$174.25			
2011 Epitome - White Blend	\$17	\$175			\$14.45	\$100.00			
2017 Sauvignon Blanc Orange	\$22	\$225			\$18.70	\$191.25			
2017 Pinot Gris Goulburn Valley	\$22	\$225			\$18.70	\$191.25			
2015 Verdelho Rylstone	\$20	\$205			\$17.00	\$174.25			
2016 Verdelho Hunter Valley/Rylstone	\$20	\$205			\$17.00	\$174.25			
RED									
2017 Rosé Hilltops	\$25	\$255			\$21.25	\$216.75			
NV Lombardo	\$20	\$205			\$17.00	\$174.25			
2015 'Tail Wags Dog' McLaren Vale	\$17	\$175			\$14.45	\$100.00			
2015 Pinot Noir Tumbarumba	\$38	\$385			\$32.30	\$327.25			
2015 Tempranillo Hilltops	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Hilltops	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Mudgee	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2014 Matthew Shiraz Hunter Valley Limited Stock	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2015 Shiraz Hilltops	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2014 Shiraz Barossa Valley	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2015 Shiraz McLaren Vale	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
WINEMAKER'S RESERVE									
2014 Winemaker's Reserve Semillon Hunter Valley	\$50	\$505			\$42.50	\$429.25			
2011 Winemaker's Reserve Semillon Hunter Valley	\$50	\$505			\$42.50	\$429.25			
2010 Winemaker's Reserve Semillon Hunter Valley	\$50	\$505			\$42.50	\$429.25			
2015 Winemaker's Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon Mudgee	\$60	\$605			\$51.00	\$514.25			
2015 Winemaker's Reserve Shiraz Wrattenbully	\$60	\$605			\$51.00	\$514.25			
2014 Winemaker's Reserve Shiraz Barossa Valley	\$60	\$605			\$51.00	\$514.25			
2014 Winemaker's Reserve Shiraz Barossa Magnum 1.5L	\$120	n/a			\$102.00	n/a			
DESSERT									
2012 'Anna' Dessert Semillon 500mL	\$30	\$305			\$25.50	\$259.25			
2013 Botrytis Viognier 375mL	\$35	\$355			\$29.75	\$301.75			
1 YEAR ALLANDALE WINE CLUB SUBSCRIPTION	Prices vary	Prices vary			3 x 6 pk \$297	3 x doz pk \$540			
JULY 2017 CLUB PACK	6pk \$181	doz \$362			6pk \$99	doz \$180			
GIFT CERTIFICATE (minimum \$20 value)									

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Tick your choice ☐ Receive a 6 pack 3 times per year for \$99 each ☐ Receive a dozen pack 3 times per year for \$180 each

Thank you for your order

Special wine requests*

* Whilst every effort will be made to meet special wine requests, some wines may run out of stock and be substituted for new vintages or similar styles without notice.

Agreement: I hereby wish to join Allandale Wine Club. I understand that I will receive one tasting pack in the first week of April, July and October each year. The cost of these tasting packs will be automatically debited from my nominated credit card. If I wish to cancel my membership I can contact the winery directly. Notification of cancellation must be received at least two weeks prior to the mail out dates.

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Office of Liquor, Gaming & Racing - Liquor Act 2007 states that it is an offence to sell or supply, or to obtain supply of liquor on behalf of a person under the age of 18 years.

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