

# ALLANDALE



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## BILL'S SPRING REPORT

Welcome to the October Club Pack. As I alluded to in the previous newsletter this pack will introduce you to the 2017 Matthew Shiraz, made with fruit from an old single vineyard at the foothills of the Brokenback Ranges, the central feature of Allandale's panoramic view.

We have not had a Hunter red for a number of years as both the 2015 and 2016 vintages were not conducive to making great reds,

however 2017 was a standout year in the Hunter and this Shiraz has been made in an aging style, making it a perfect addition to your cellar for 5-7 years for the best results.

The selection in this pack truly represents what we are trying to do with varieties and styles from a range of viticultural regions. We have included Gewürztraminer from central Victoria, Sauvignon Blanc from Orange, Verdelho blended from Rylstone and Hunter fruit, Shiraz from Hilltops and the Hunter, and Cabernet Sauvignon from Mudgee.

Covering the coming months perfectly, our reds will carry you through the remaining cooler evenings of Spring, while lighter whites can be enjoyed as the weather warms up.

Hope to see you at the winery for our 40 Year Celebration on November 24th!

Best wishes,

Bill Sneddon - General Manager/Chief Winemaker

## Diary Dates

**OCTOBER 28 Wahroonga Food and Wine Festival** @ Wahroonga Park

**NOVEMBER 2, 3 & 4 Wine Island**  
@ Clark Island

**NOVEMBER 3 & 4 Taste of the Bay**  
@ Nelson Bay CBD and Apex Park

**NOVEMBER 24 Allandale Winery 40 Year Celebration!** @ Allandale Winery

## Wine Trivia

**QUESTION 1:** What's the name of Coonawarra's famous strip of soil?

**QUESTION 2:** In what year did the first grape vine cuttings arrive in Australia?

**QUESTION 3:** What percentage of the globe's Rosé production does France contribute?

**QUESTION 4:** Approximately how many litres per year does the Australian wine industry contribute to the international export market?



## Alex's Featured Wine

**2017 Matthew Shiraz HUNTER VALLEY**

The Matthew Shiraz has gained a strong reputation as a favourite amongst our club members, so it is with great pleasure that we release the 2017 Matthew Shiraz to you in this pack. Made from an outstanding vintage, the fruit for this wine was sourced from an old single vineyard at the foothills of the Brokenback Ranges, with the volcanic terroir delivering complexity and finesse that is traditional of a great Hunter Shiraz.

Hand plunging in open fermenters and 12 months in new French and American oak hogsheads gives this wine subtle vanillin flavours, enhancing the soft, berry, plum palate while still maintaining its medium bodied savoury Hunter style. Enjoy!

**Pairing tip:** Perfect with a sharp aged cheddar.

*Cheers, Alex Woods Winemaker*



# Allandale's 40 Year Celebration

We warmly invite you to a celebration to mark Allandale's 40th year of winemaking. Indulge in four delightful courses prepared by local chef Ros Baldwin matched with plenty of Allandale's finest, then kick off your shoes later in the night with an array of musical talent that's sure to fire up the dance floor. Seats are limited and bookings are essential.

**Date & Time:** Saturday November 24th 2018 from 6pm to 11pm

**Tickets:** \$185 per person

**RSVP:** November 9th to [wines@allandalewinery.com.au](mailto:wines@allandalewinery.com.au) or 02 4990 4526

**Dress Code:** Lounge Suit

We hope to see you there!

## MEMBER'S EXPERIENCE

In our April issue we invited you to send us a recount of your favourite Allandale experience to go in the running to receive a twin pack of our latest premium releases: 2015 'Grandfathers' Hilltops Shiraz and 2017 Winemaker's Reserve Hunter Valley Chardonnay (RRP \$100). The winning entry was sent by Brian Burns, who is proud to be Allandale Wine Club member number 3! We leave you here a small extract from Brian's words about one of our famous 'Strings' events, 22 years ago:

*"What a wonderful evening we had with the classical music presented by Paul Goodchild and his orchestra. We attended about 15 of the subsequent 20 annual Strings which unfortunately concluded a couple of years ago."*

Congratulations to Brian and a big thank you for sharing your story!



## Private Member Tasting Offer

As a club member, you can book your own intimate wine tasting with us, including a complimentary Binnorie cheese platter. Choose to have your experience either inside the winery in the barrel room or outside on the sunny terrace whilst enjoying the panoramic views of the vineyard and Brokenback Mountain Range.

For bookings call 02 4990 4526 or email [wines@allandalewinery.com.au](mailto:wines@allandalewinery.com.au)

## Gorgeous Lovedale Accommodation

If you're looking for a peaceful and relaxing stay, Lillians on Lovedale is the ideal get-away.

Lillians is a country house on 25 acres in the Hunter Valley, perfect for 2 or 4 people. Built essentially to resemble the original 100-year-old farmhouse that was on the old Lovedale dairy farm, it's spacious open-plan kitchen/dining/living area, two bedrooms and two bathrooms are all furnished in a fresh, simple country style.

It's the perfect place - to completely relax and rejuvenate in total privacy in a stylish country home. Or, if you want to venture out, the famous Hunter Valley wineries restaurants, cafés and golf courses are as close as five minutes away.

More information or bookings can be found on the website [www.lillians.com.au](http://www.lillians.com.au) or call us on 02 4990 6958.



Lillians  
ON LOVEDALE

... the perfect, relaxing escape

# October 2018 Club Pack



## 2018 SPARKLING GEWÜRZTRAMINER GOULBURN VALLEY

A perfumed aroma of rose petal and orange blossom while the palate delivers the refreshing flavours of pineapple and melon. An 'off-dry' style that is aromatic, zesty and fresh.

*Contrast the bubbles with a delicate creamy brie and dried apricots.*

**RRP \$22 bottle/ \$225 doz**  
**CLUB MEMBERS \$18.70 bottle/ \$191.25 doz**



## 2018 SAUVIGNON BLANC ORANGE

With bright natural acidity and a floral bouquet, the palate is filled with flavours of lychee, passionfruit and fresh herbs. These flavours persist in the mouth before finishing with lemon zest and crisp balanced minerality.

*Pair with a fig, rocket and goat cheese salad.*

**RRP \$22 bottle/ \$225 doz**  
**CLUB MEMBERS \$18.70 bottle/ \$191.25 doz**

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To redeem your club member discount for online orders enter this code upon checkout.  
**AWClub18**



## 2016 VERDELHO HUNTER VALLEY/RYLSTONE

Cold fermented in stainless steel using specially selected yeast, tropical fruit salad characters on the nose follow onto the palate balanced with a clean fresh finish.

*For a perfect combination, drink with a Thai-style pineapple and prawn red curry.*

**RRP \$20 bottle/ \$205 doz**  
**CLUB MEMBERS \$17 bottle/ \$174.25 doz**



## 2015 SHIRAZ HILLTOPS

Ripe dark fruit characters and spice on the nose follow through onto the palate. French and American oak tannins balance off the richness of this full bodied Shiraz.

*Enjoy with dark chocolate truffles and pomegranate ganache.*

**RRP \$30 bottle/ \$305 doz**  
**CLUB MEMBERS \$25.50 bottle/ \$259.25 doz**



## 2017 MATTHEW SHIRAZ HUNTER VALLEY

New French and American oak give this wine subtle vanillin flavours, enhancing the soft, berry, plum palate while still maintaining its medium bodied savoury Hunter style.

*Pair this wine with slow-cooked lamb shanks in a tomato and rosemary sauce.*

**RRP \$40 bottle/ \$405 doz**  
**CLUB MEMBERS \$34 bottle/ \$344.25 doz**



## 2015 WINEMAKER'S RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON MUDGEE

Herbaceous characters are complemented by dark fruit flavours underpinned by firm tannins, so indicative of this variety.

*Serve alongside grilled beef and a rocket, beetroot, walnut and feta salad.*

**RRP \$60 bottle/ \$325 6 pack/ \$605 doz**  
**CLUB MEMBERS \$51 bottle/ \$276.25 6 pack/ \$514.25 doz**

# OCTOBER ORDER FORM

WINES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE	RRP	RRP	RRP	bottle	QUANTITY		\$ TOTAL
	per bottle	per dozen	per magnum		dozen	magnum	
<b>SPARKLING</b>							
2018 Sparkling Gewürztraminer Goulburn Valley	\$22	\$225					
<b>WHITE</b>							
2017 Semillon Hunter Valley	\$22	\$225					
2012 Aged Semillon Hunter Valley	\$30	\$305					
2017 Chardonnay Hunter Valley	\$25	\$255					
2012 Epitome White Blend*	\$17	\$100					
2017 Sauvignon Blanc Orange	\$22	\$225					
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2017 Pinot Gris Goulburn Valley	\$22	\$225					
2016 Verdelho Hunter Valley/Rylstone	\$20	\$205					
<b>RED</b>							
2017 Rosé Hilltops	\$25	\$255					
2017 Lombardo Hilltops	\$20	\$205					
2017 'Tail Wags Dog' Hilltops*	\$17	\$100					
2015 Pinot Noir Tumberumba	\$38	\$385					
2016 Tempranillo Hilltops	\$30	\$305					
2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Mudgee	\$30	\$305					
2015 Shiraz Hilltops	\$30	\$305					
2015 Shiraz McLaren Vale	\$30	\$305					
2017 Matthew Shiraz Hunter Valley	\$40	\$405					
<b>WINEMAKER'S RESERVE</b>							
2014 Winemaker's Reserve Semillon Hunter Valley	\$50	\$505					
2010 Winemaker's Reserve Semillon Hunter Valley	\$50	\$505					
2017 Winemaker's Reserve Chardonnay Hunter Valley	\$50	\$505	\$100				
2015 Grandfathers Reserve Shiraz Hilltops	\$50	\$505	\$100				
2015 Winemaker's Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon Mudgee	\$60	\$605	\$120				
2015 Winemaker's Reserve Shiraz Wrattontully	\$60	\$605	\$120				
<b>DESSERT</b>							
2012 'Anna' Dessert Aged Semillon 500mL Hunter Valley	\$30	\$305					
<b>SPECIAL OFFERS</b>							
<b>6 PACK 2010 WINEMAKER'S RESERVE SEMILLON</b>	1 x 6 pack \$275			<b>6 PK QTY:</b>			
<b>6 PACK 2015 WINEMAKER'S RESERVE WRATTONTULLY SHIRAZ</b>	1 x 6 pack \$320			<b>6 PK QTY:</b>			
<b>2 DOZEN 2012 EPITOME*</b>	2 x dozen \$150			<b>OFFER QTY:</b>			
<b>1 YEAR ALLANDALE WINE CLUB SUBSCRIPTION*</b>	3 x 6 pack \$297			<b>OFFER QTY:</b>			
<b>GIFT CERTIFICATE</b> (minimum \$20 value)*							

\* No further discount applies.

**ROAD FREIGHT RATES PER DOZEN** Newcastle & Sydney \$9 • Elsewhere in Australia \$12  
**Order 3 or more dozen to receive FREIGHT FREE Australia-wide.**

Sub Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Less Wine Club 15% Discount \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plus Road freight (see left) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## YOUR DETAILS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*DOB \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## DELIVERY ADDRESS (if different from above)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

## SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

At front door  On the front porch  Any safe place on my premises  By the side gate  
 Signature Required (leave card if not home)  Under carport/veranda  Other \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your order*

## PAYMENT

VISA  MASTERCARD  AMEX Card Holder Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ CWV \_\_\_\_\_

## JOIN THE ALLANDALE WINE CLUB

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**  
 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.

\*\* In compliance with the Office of Liquor, Gaming & Racing, I declare that I am over 18 years, and no other person will take delivery.

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.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_