

# Central Coast Home Vintners' Association

*June 2022*



## *President's Message*

Greetings CCHVA,

Just like the grapevines, our club is budding with new activity. We have had several recent events and more planned for July and August so please read through our newsletter to hear about all that is happening. If you haven't been to our website at CCHVA.org in a while, please check it out as there are many photos of member events as well as the results from the recent California Mid-State Fair (Paso Robles) and Santa Barbara County fair home winemaking competitions.

Upcoming, we have a jazz and wine event complete with dancing planned for July 9<sup>th</sup>. On August 13<sup>th</sup>, we will hold our annual summer picnic at Los Alamos Park. More details may be found in the newsletter and on the attached RSVP form due August 8<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in volunteering to help on the picnic committee, please let me know.

Some members of our club recently attended a film screening of "Tiny Vineyards." We are looking for an opportunity to have another CCHVA viewing so please standby for information in follow up newsletter or e-blast.

If you would like to become more involved in the CCHVA, we are always seeking volunteers to help organize and assist with our many events. Please feel free to contact me if you would like additional information on how you may help.

***Join our journey,***

Jennifer Jeffries  
CCHVA President

## ***Wine Judging Results***

June 10th marked the first time wines were judged for the Santa Barbara County Fair since COVID shut it down 2 years ago. 84 wines were evaluated by CCHVA judges while stewards, secretaries, and others helped out. Thanks to all of you who gave up your Saturday to make this event happen. The results (in excel spread sheet) have been attached but the medal count came out as follows:

Gold Medals: 13  
Silver Medals: 29  
Bronze Medals: 31  
Hon. Mention: 9



Best Red Wine was awarded to Jim Ford for his 2018 Grenache/Syrah Blend. Best White Wine was awarded to Art George for his 2021 Chardonnay. And Best Rose'/Best of Show was awarded to Fred Carbone for his 2021 Syrah Rose'. Congratulation to these and all CCHVA winners. Results are also posted on the website under member tab: Home Winemaking Competitions.

## *Tips from the Pros and Tasting with Sonja Magdevski*

We had a good turnout for this lovely event set among the beautiful Sta. Rita Hills wine country. Sonja inspired the group with her passionate discussion about soils, trellising, vines and wines at three different vineyard sites with three separate Grenache tastings. First, we visited Robert Ray vineyard off Santa Rosa Road where Sonja sources Grenache, Mourvèdre, and Syrah. Next, we visited Speer vineyard off Hwy 246, which showcased a very sandy soil in contrast to Robert Ray's more rocky dirt soil. We sampled a wine blend of 50% grapes from Robert Ray and 50% grapes of Speer for her Sta. Rita Hills Grenache blend. Our final vineyard tour was to Christine Wise off Hwy 246 just before the roundabout leading into Lompoc. This is where Sonja sources her Spanish Granacha clone grapes for her West End Grenache. This site featured low lying head-trained vines. Sonja capped off her educational vineyard tours by asking attendees what they learned. We wrapped up the amazing Tips from Pros experience with on-site chef-prepared Dimsung plates paired with sparkling Cider, Grenache Blanc and Rosé at the Casa Dumetz tasting room in Los Alamos. Please review the photos in this newsletter to see the fun had by all in attendance.

## ***JAZZ and Wine Event***

In our Spirit of trying some new activities, a BBQ and dance party will be held at the Cardinal's house this year on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, from 11am-3pm. This event will be free for wine club members and a \$10 donation for your guests. Smoked chicken, potatoes and bread will be provided, along with cutlery and plates. We are asking people to bring a bottle of wine to share, plus an appetizer, salad or a desert. Please bring your own wine glasses unless you prefer to drink out of plastic.

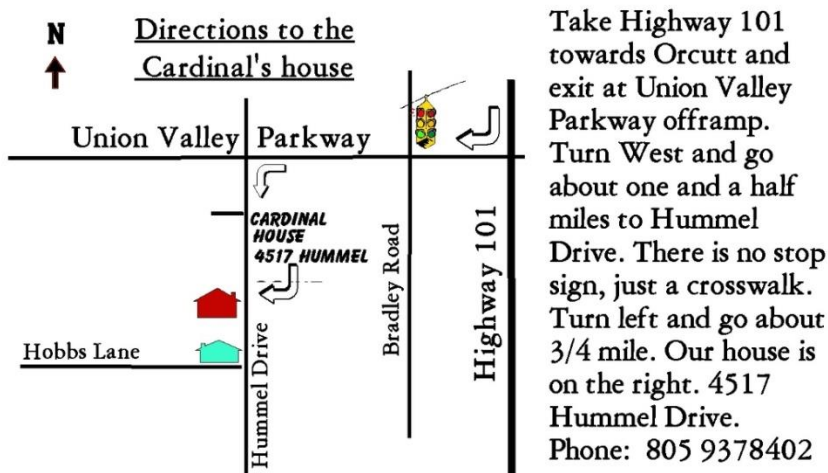
We will have live music that day, provide by "The Amigos"-Swing and Jazz Band. A sampling of their music can be found here:

<https://www.amigosswingband.com/>

The dance floor will be set up. Plenty of folding chairs will be available, but if you prefer, you can bring your favorite comfy chair. This is an excellent chance to get your friends interested in the wine club, so please bring some guests, but let us know how many! Guests can donate

their \$10 at the door. Please RSVP to Rhonda Cardinal at 805 937-8402 or by e-mail at [jwcardinal@msn.com](mailto:jwcardinal@msn.com) .

Some parking will be available on the property. Additional parking should be on Hobbs Lane or the other surrounding side streets. You cannot park on the street directly in front of the house. Please plan to make it to this great event. Map and directions to the Cardinal house are below.



Timeline (subject to change):

11:00 start arriving and uncorking the wine

12:00 to 1:00 Amigos Play plus dancing

1:00 to 2:00 Lunch is served and eaten

2:00 to 3:00 Amigos Play plus dancing

## *Summer Picnic August 13th*

Every August CCHVA members and guests get together for a fun afternoon of barbeque, friendship and wine. This event is always well attended by both members, family, and friends. The raffle we hold each year is always lots of fun and there will even be a mini wine contest where you will get to be the judge!

We will gather this year at Los Alamos Park, Section A from noon to 4pm. On the menu is New York Strip Steak, Beans, Salad and Bread. All this food for only \$20 per person. Members will bring either an appetizer or desert to share depending upon the first letter of their last name (see the registration form). You'll bring wine for the share table, wine for your dinner table, and, if you wish, a bottle of your best Wine(s) to enter into the "You Be the Judge" contest. Members and Guests will then vote for their favorites. We will be awarding Medals in 2 categories: Best Red/Red Blend and Best White/Rose' wines.

We could use some help this year on the BBQ. So please contact Jennifer [Jshutz96@yahoo.com](mailto:Jshutz96@yahoo.com) if you want to donate your Grill Master skills to your wine club.

Don't forget to bring your wine glasses, dishes, silverware, and steak knives, and maybe a lawn chair to enjoy the sun and shade in Los Alamos Park! We're starting to take reservations now and will close reservations on August 8th. The registration form is attached in the email.

## Website

Our Member Photo Gallery is continuing to grow. You can now see pictures from our most recent events in the members section of our website. <http://www.cchva.org/photo-gallery.html>

Please submit jpg files and include a caption for each image to: [mmoseley327@gmail.com](mailto:mmoseley327@gmail.com).

## Coming Events at a Glance!

Mark your calendars for the following events. As of this date, here is what we're working on.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
July 9 <sup>th</sup> , 11AM	Jazz & Wine, Cardinal Musical Pavilion, Santa Maria
August 13 <sup>th</sup> , Noon	Summer picnic, Los Alamos Park
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	All Grape Co-op orders must be turned in and paid
September/October	Grapes are coming in, no events planned.

## Your Club Board and Committee Chair persons for 2022!

*Want to volunteer? Give Jennifer a call!*

### Contacts

\* = Board Member *(Save this information as it will not be posted on the website)*

**We are an all-volunteer organization. Join us and have some fun!**

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# CCHVA Membership Application

## New Members and Renewals with Information Changes

### Member 1

Name:

Phone:

E-mail address:

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Updated Contact Information? YES NO *(Please circle)*

### Member 2 (Same Household as Member 1)

Name:

Phone:

E-mail address (required):

Updated Contact Information? YES NO *(Please circle)*

Amount Enclosed:

Comments:

### \*Important Notes:

- E-mail address is **REQUIRED** as all CCHVA communication is via e-mail only
- Annual membership dues are \$40.00 (California residents) and \$20.00 (out-of-state) for one year membership that includes two people from the same household
- Membership year is February 1<sup>st</sup> – January 31<sup>st</sup>
- Members who have not paid dues by February 28<sup>th</sup> will be dropped from the membership list and **WILL NOT** receive future newsletters or club communications

### Mail the completed form with annual membership dues to:

Central Coast Home Vintners' Association  
P.O. Box 271  
Santa Maria, CA 93456



*Spring Picnic  
May 2022*







# Fair Judging June 2022



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*Tips from the Pros, June 2022  
With Sonja Magdevski  
Vineyard Tours, Lunch and Tasting*

