

ASVO



2024 Annual Report

Acknowledgement of Country

ASVO acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of this nation and the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work. We recognise their continuing connection to culture, land, water and community. We pay our respects to Elders past and present. We acknowledge the strength of family connection and kinship within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and their ongoing dedication to educating and caring for children. Sovereignty of these lands was never ceded



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Our Mission

To provide our member community with knowledge, connection, and ongoing professional development

Our Purpose

To connect and develop people, ideas and research.

Our Values

Integrity, Knowledge, Innovation, Connection

Our Value Proposition

ASVO is your pathway to industry excellence.

Whether you are new to the industry or a seasoned professional, we have you covered. From best practice, and credible scientific knowledge, to valuable networking or ongoing professional development, we are the only organisation that has it all in one place. We represent a community of passionate members who show us every day it's not only what you know, but whom you connect with, which matters.

Our Future Vision

People of all backgrounds and levels in the wine industry will join and retain membership in ASVO because they will highly value the content and engagement.



President's Report

As a member organisation, the ASVO is constantly striving to serve the needs of its people. Following feedback from members, we have implemented a new strategic plan, focused on fostering community, personal development and knowledge exchange. We recognise that the ASVO community has a diverse range of roles, locations and perspectives within the sector, and we actively seek to engage with, support and learn from each other. How this occurs may have shifted, with more online content, however we are actively working on ways to build community engagement across the members. We acknowledge that the ability and appetite of many to travel has diminished in recent years, so online forums and hybrid regional hubs have become a new normal of engagement, while regional tours provide an opportunity to those who wish to spread their wings further.

I am pleased that we can now put our association with Hindawi behind us and move on to building the success of the Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research (AJGWR) as an open access Journal with Wiley. Our new Chief Editor Stefano Poni has brought energy and a global perspective to the role and has been actively working with Wiley to ensure the publishing and editing processes and experiences are greatly improved. The ASVO greatly values the AJGWR and its place in the global research community, and thanks Professor Poni for his efforts to date.

The Australian Wine sector continues to be challenged on multiple fronts, and during these periods a feeling of community is vital to share some relief and comfort. The ASVO are grateful for the continued support of the member community who value what the ASVO can provide. The awards, events, venues and materials would not happen without the support of an army of ASVO volunteers who contribute to the functioning of the organisation. To those who have assisted over the past 12 months, the board wishes to thank you. We also wish to thank our Executive Officer, Chris Waters, who co-ordinates this army of volunteers, and ensures the benefits of the members are front of mind with any decision.

Personally, I would like to thank my fellow board members, for their support, dedication and efforts over the past year. The board looks forward to continuing to evolve and deliver more impactful offerings to the ASVO community over the next 12 months enabling a more capable, connected and knowledgeable sector.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Clarke'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Andy Clarke



Executive Officer Report

As I write to you this year, I'm hoping that you are seeing a subtle shift in our focus. We haven't shifted from our fundamental purpose of disseminating knowledge but the channels we use and the ways we are engaging with members are certainly changing.

Community and connection now form a central part of our strategic plan. One of the main reasons people join membership organisations is to connect with others who share their interests, to share their knowledge and expertise. This is crucial to attracting and retaining members. We are increasing our presence and investing in states outside South Australia visiting and supporting regions, Charles Sturt during residency week, Coonawarra Cabernet Symposium with ten students and hosting a face-to-face seminar and field visit in Orange. Each of these activities cost the ASVO but the return in goodwill will help build and maintain a thriving membership community.

There are challenges in providing professional development. With less attendance at face-to-face events and increased options for sourcing professional education the competition for members' time is high. Many providers have far greater resources in terms of access to funding and people than the ASVO driving us to innovate. To reduce cost and risk ASVO has sought to provide more online access to trusted content. We are continuing to look at ways to provide high-quality, affordable and accessible professional development for members.

A good example of this is our podcast series. We have had an extraordinary 5000 downloads from our growing portfolio of podcasts. All our seminar and webinar presentations are also freely available to members, in total they represent over 200 hours of professional development content, best practices and credible scientific knowledge. If you haven't yet subscribed to the podcasts or viewed the recordings perhaps it's time you joined those that are seeing the benefit.

Reshaping ASVO for tomorrow

Listening to our members and the broader industry has been crucial in shaping our strategic plan. We've been looking ahead, identifying the best ways to bridge the gap between our current position and our goals. Though we haven't yet achieved all our aspirations, we've made strides toward our goals and will continue to invest in our members.

Our recent member survey revealed that 74% of long-term professional members are satisfied with ASVO and our direction. However, we recognise that we've fallen short in serving some segments of our members, as evidenced by a decline in full members. While difficult to hear, these insights are essential for our growth.

Happily, our efforts to engage with the next generation are bearing fruit with our student and early career cohort increasing by almost 300%. Our challenge is to continue to provide value to these new members so we can retain them long-term.

We are also currently reevaluating ASVO's governance, exploring how to better support our diverse membership, and seeking ways to enhance our interactions with members and the wider industry.

Reaching new audiences

This year we continued to grow our presence on social and digital channels. We focused on tailoring content across our social platforms. You will have noticed a massive increase in ASVO's digital presence. This is due to the work of Ruth Harris our Public Relations & Social Media contractor.

Ruth has steadily built our social media presence, which is crucial for connecting with members, providing an opportunity to showcase ASVO and cultivate a community around the Society

Membership

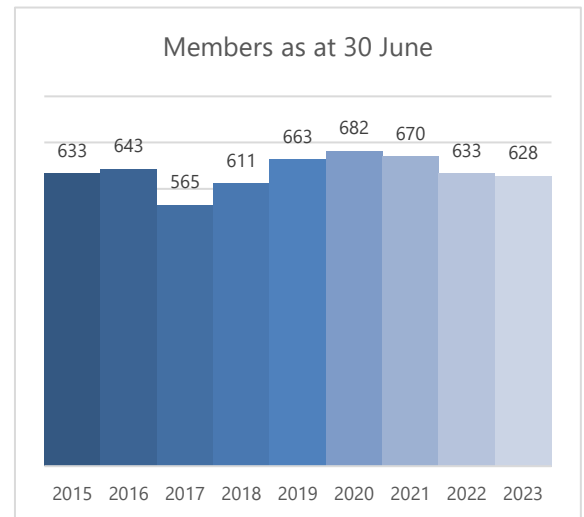
A strong membership base is key to the success of the ASVO.

As of 30 June 2023, membership numbers were 628 compared to 633 at the end of the previous financial year.

Our student and early career membership base continues to expand however the full fee-paying member segment is declining.

There are multiple reasons for this shift. Current trading conditions have increased financial uncertainty for many. The decision to continue being a member is primarily financial, with factors of both membership cost and the lack of perceived benefits returned, highly impacting their decision. Unfortunately for some, the benefits do not outweigh the cost of the membership.

Shifts in values and communication preferences have also altered the way members engage with ASVO and the experiences they wish to get out of their membership.



Acknowledgments

With such a huge number of people contributing to the success of the ASVO, it is impossible to list everyone however some deserve a special mention. I want to thank our Chief Editor Stefano Poni, and our Academic Editors without them we simply would not have the 'Yellow' Journal.

Many thanks to Dr Patrick Iland and co-authors David Bruer, Nick Bruer, Sue Caloghiris, Greg Edwards, Andrew Ewart Chris Ford, Andrew Markidis, John Sitters & Eric Wilkes, who have donated their royalty share of technical books to ASVO.

Members who have hosted venues, or chaired sessions; Mark O'Callaghan, Katie Dunne, Nicole Esdaile, Jennie Fischer, Monica Gray, Mike Hayes, Jim Hayward, Brooke Howell, Daniel Jackson & Lorrae St Vincent.

Angie McGee, who oversees the accounting, checks my bookkeeping and provides sage advice.

Ruth Harris keeps our social media presence humming and has expanded our digital reach exponentially.

I also want to express my gratitude to the Board for their hard work in driving change within ASVO and repositioning the ASVO for the future.

Lastly, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to our long-standing members, many of whom have been with us for over a decade. Your commitment to ASVO's vision for industry excellence is invaluable.

Chris Waters
Executive Officer

Strategic Plan

2023–2028

The core themes in our strategy are the need and benefits of a community of peers' continuous professional development and education; best practice professional standards and lifting the profile of the value of research. In terms of community, we look to strengthen the membership by creating a highly connected network of peers. Our members can engage in this community through our events, webinars and seasonal reviews, as well as through our committees and advisory groups.

In professional development and education, we focus on helping members to become more effective professionals by keeping abreast of the latest research and best practice. We also help them keep their finger on the pulse of trends in technological changes affecting the industry. By bringing consistency to practice we help lift standards across the wine industry and remove pain points for our members.

Community

- We are focused on members' needs.
- We are accessible and useful at every career stage.
- We will invest more in cultivating relationships, partnerships, and collaborations.
- We strive for strong long-term relationships with the industry.
- We will optimize our members' experience on our website, social media, and other key platforms.

Knowledge

- We will develop a deep understanding of the content needs and preferences of members and potential members of all interests and levels.
- We will expand and improve the breadth, quality, and timeliness of content which members find interesting and relevant.

Professional Development

- We will design, develop, and implement a training curriculum and a mentoring plan.
- We will recruit ambassadors to share knowledge.

Community

Member Forums

Growing Season Review

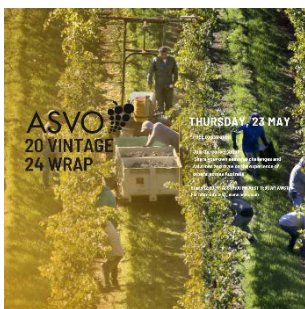


This open forum enabled growers to share their successes and challenges of the growing season with a focus on the learnings gained.

Panel

Nick Dry – Chair	Lee Haselgrove
James Hook	Matt Patridge
David Hansen	Liz Riley

Annual Vintage Review



Annual vintage review. An open discussion on the success and challenges across all winegrowing regions in Australia.

Panel

Sam Connew	Lee Haselgrove
Lucy Ethridge	John Lazarou
Steve Flamsteed	Gwynn Olson
Dylan Grigg	Kate Sturgess

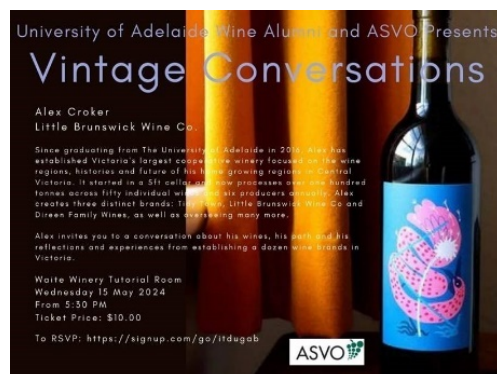
Student Forums

Vintage Conversations

Vintage conversations are supported by The University of Adelaide Alumni and the ASVO. The events are designed to connect students with thought leaders and provide them with a glimpse into business topics and careers. It provides contact with industry people for placement which could also lead to a permanent job.

Registration Subsidies

The ASVO offers financial support to assist students to attend ASVO events. The student subsidies aim to provide opportunities for engagement with other students and to connect with the wine sector. A total bursary of \$2,000 is available to student delegates.



Recipients

Blake Fanning
Zack Nicholl Faulkner
Jordan McAnaney
Robert Jackson
Jaehyun Park
Zena Hudnott

2023 CRUSH Symposium



The ASVO supports CRUSH by sponsoring prizes for the “Best Innovation and Science” award and the “Best Industry Impact” award.

CRUSH reflected the breadth and diversity of grape and wine research undertaken around Australia and New Zealand with presentations from researchers, technical staff, academics and students. Dr Eveline Bartowsky presented the awards at the Adelaide Convention Centre on Wednesday, 14 June 2023

Dr Harley Smith, CSIRO was awarded Best Industry Impact and Miss Yianina Giordano, The University of Adelaide, was awarded Best Innovation and Science.

Student Field Trip - Australian Cabernet Sauvignon Symposium



ASVO sponsored ten students to attend the Australian Cabernet Symposium.

This was a fantastic opportunity for students to connect with industry and build relationships that will be valuable for future career opportunities, mentorship, and collaboration.

ASVO funding support allowed students to participate in workshops, masterclasses, and activities that they otherwise might not be able to afford.

The investment in this project helped foster a sense of community, creating opportunities for collaboration, and social interaction contributing to a long-term positive view of the ASVO.

A background image for a testimonial. It shows a woman sitting on a wooden bench in front of a building with a large sign that says "COONAWARRA". The woman is wearing a light blue shirt and jeans. The building has a corrugated metal roof and a sign that says "COONAWARRA" in large white letters. The scene is outdoors with a clear blue sky and some greenery in the background.

I joined ASVO as a member in 2020. I attended the Australian Cabernet Sauvignon symposium through ASVO sponsorship. It was an amazing experience for me. This symposium explored and showcased the latest global developments in Cabernet in the fields of wine research, viticulture, and winemaking. I am so impressed by the current research we have done, which gives me new ideas about Cabernet winemaking. In the presentations, we heard from industry pioneers, and scientists and learned about the clones and rootstocks and the most recent research. In the field trip, we have been shown the most advanced technologies utilized in the vineyards. Meanwhile, it also provides a great chance for us to make connections and communicate with Cabernet's expertise. I learned and know more about Coonawarra and the amazing Cabernets there. Hopefully, these technologies will be shown in my coming Cabernet wines. I enjoyed the symposium and of course, the local food and wines! Thanks again to ASVO, the hosts, and all the sponsors there. I felt very welcomed and I look forward to attending more events/webinars with ASVO!

Michelle Li

2023 Awards for Excellence

The esteemed recipients of the 2023 ASVO Awards for Excellence were revealed at a ceremony at the National Wine on 14 November 2023

2023 Viticulturist of the Year

Catherine Kidman is a champion in her field as a Technical Viticulturist who is respected and recognised nationally. She is a fantastic role model and mentor to up-and-coming viticulturists, supports PhD students as a supervisor, and is an active advocate for Women in Wine.

Applying a science-based yet practical approach, Cath is generous in sharing her expertise and cutting-edge trial work at Wynns Coonawarra (including on epigenetic vine responses, infrared thermal imaging, and virus elimination) to the wider Australian wine growing community to enhance a sustainable future for all vineyard owners.



2023 Winemaker of the Year

Mark O'Callaghan, based in Healesville, Victoria, was the unanimous choice by judges for Winemaker of the Year.

Beyond his work at Wine Network Consulting, Mark is an exceptional communicator and educator. He has actively shared his extensive knowledge with industry members by writing articles for the Wine and Viticulture Journal and presenting at seminars and webinars at AWITC and for the AWRI and ASVO.

Among his core themes are winery modernisation encouraging improvements in energy, water, labour and general input costs plus safety, disaster resilience, customer engagement and wine quality.



2023 Wine Science & Technology Award

Professor Andrew Clark was awarded the ASVO Wine Science and Technology Award for his development of innovative analytical practices at the Gulbali Institute and Charles Sturt University.

Andrew has developed novel methodologies for the measurement of different metal forms in wine. His work has created new knowledge, analysis techniques and wine production approaches relevant to the role of metal ions (especially copper) in the stability and ageing of wine.

Given his long academic career at Charles Sturt University, Professor Clark has taught wine chemistry to a significant portion of Australia's bachelor graduates in oenology.



2023 Dr. Peter May award



The Dr Peter May Award was introduced in 2018 to honour the late Dr. Peter May who was the foundational editor of the Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research (AJGWR). The award is presented to the authors of the most cited original research paper published in the Journal over the previous five years. The author of the most cited Australian Journal for Grape and Wine Research paper published in the previous five years is Dr Ignacio Buesa from Instituto Valenciano de Investigaciones Agrarias (IVIA), Sustainable Agriculture Center in Valencia, Spain.

2023 Viticulture Paper of the Year



The 2023 Viticulture Paper of the Year was awarded to Dr Cristina Lazcano of the University of California in Davis USA, for her work on "Assessing the Short-Term Effects of No-Till on Crop Yield, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, and Soil C and N Pools in a Cover-Cropped, Biodynamic Mediterranean Vineyard."

The paper was published as a special issue for the 18th Australian Wine Industry Technical Conference, at which Dr Lazcano presented. Dr Lazcano's paper shows that using a no-tillage regime in vineyards is feasible for climate mitigation. The paper is important because it improves understanding of the soil ecological interactions responsible for carbon sequestration as well as nutrient availability and nutrient retention in agroecosystems. The judges said, "This is such an important topic globally, and this paper was a standout."

2023 Oenology Paper of the Year



Recognition for the 2023 Oenology Paper of the Year was to Maddy Jiang for "The Effect of Pre-Veraison Smoke Exposure of Grapes on Phenolic Compounds and Smoky Flavour in Wine."

While previous papers have explored the impact of smoke post-veraison, this paper focuses on the impacts pre-veraison.

According to the judges, "Before this work, grape growers thought that grapes were not susceptible to smoke taint in early stages of development, but this is now shown not to be the case, so any exposure at all needs to be assessed for the risk of smoke taint. It is not the news that grape growers wanted, but it arms them with real information on which to base decisions about testing and further investment in the crop."

This paper has immediate benefit to the wine industry in Australia and internationally. It is highly topical with the latest prediction of a hot dry summer in south-eastern Australia and will allow better decisions to be made after any smoke-tainting incident.

Award Advisory Committees

2023 Winemaker of the Year

Advisory Committee

Alex Cassegrain *Chair*
Jill Bauer
Sarah Crowe
Melanie Chester
Teresa Heuzenroeder
Andrew Mariani
Tom Wallace

2023 ASVO Viticulturist of the

Year Advisory Committee

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Andrew Pirie
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2023 Fellows

Advisory Committee

Andy Clark *Chair*
Gary Baldwin AM
Fellow of the Society (2019)
Nick Bulleid MW
Fellow of the Society (2020)
Sue Hodder
Fellow of the Society (2021)
Dr Wendy Cameron MW
Fellow of the Society (2020)

Fellows of the Society

2023	Dr Paul Petrie	2019	Dr Richard Hamilton	2013	Dr Malcolm Allen
2023	Steve Guy	2019	Tony Jordan OAM	2012	Dr Peter Dry AM
2022	Russel Johnston	2018	Dr Robert (Bob) Dambergs	2007	Dr Bryan Coombe AM
2022	Prue Henschke	2018	Dr Richard Smart	2007	Dr Peter May AM
2021	Peter Clingeffer	2017	Louisa Rose	2007	Richard Haselgrove AM
2021	Sue Hodder	2016	Brian Croser AO	2007	Dr Patrick Iland OAM
2020	Nick Bulleid MW	2016	Di Davidson AM	2007	Dr Terry Lee OAM
2020	Wendy Cameron MW	2015	Peter Hayes AM	2007	Dr Pat Williams AM
2019	Gary Baldwin AM	2014	Dr Paul Henschke		

2023 Fellows

Each year the ASVO Board considers nominations for members who have made an outstanding and meritorious contribution to the grape and wine sector. This year two members were invited to become a Fellow of the Society. Dr Paul Petrie and Mr Steve Guy join an illustrious group of twenty-four Fellows selected since 2007. All have made a major contribution to the grape and wine sector through their industry, scientific, educational or ASVO roles and have been long-term members of the Society.



Stephen Guy

Mr Steve Guy has been instrumental in improving the business and market access landscape for Australian wine exporters, representing the interests of our sector within world wine trade and regulatory fora and in reforming and championing the domestic regulatory process.

Steve has always been generous with his time and his expertise with Australian wine businesses. He has shared insights into market access and regulation through articles for wine publications such as the *Wine and Viticulture Journal* and in presentations to the sector and students of viticulture and oenology.

He has presented at industry seminars and conferences; in 2014 ASVO Oenology Seminar on "Beyond Manganese – how winemaking inputs can prevent market access", in 2004 at the 12th AWITC "New technology, old prejudice", in 2016 at the 16th AWITC on "Traceable, tested and trusted: ensuring the safety, quality and authenticity of Australian Wine", and in 2013 at the 15th AWITC a workshop on "Recent developments in wine regulation"



Paul Petrie

Dr Paul Petrie is a highly accomplished scientist, with over fifty scientific publications in viticulture and a wide range of aspects of vine physiology.

For six years he contributed strongly on the Board of Directors for ASVO, as Vice President in 2010 and 2011, President from 2012 to 2014, and Secretary in 2015. He also served on numerous viticulture and oenology seminar organising committees, including the AWITC Conference Planning Committee and the Journal Advisory Sub-Committee of the 'Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research.'

Today, Paul is the Principal Scientist – Viticulture and Program Leader of the Irrigated Crops group at the South Australian Research and Development Institute. He also holds affiliate roles at The University of Adelaide, Flinders University and UNSW.

Paul leads an important viticultural research program aiming to improve the resilience of Australian vineyards, improving their productivity and ability to adapt to climate change.

Knowledge

The Journal

Forward a year from the last AGM and much has changed with the Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research (AJGWR) and with the landscape in which research publishers operate. As a direct result of the poor performance of Hindawi the ASVO Board negotiated to have the management of the Journal returned to the Wiley portfolio.

Through 2023 there was increasing awareness of academic fraud and integrity issues stemming from systematic manipulation of the publishing process resulting in Clarivate delisting 50+ journals across the industry.

In December 2023 Wiley announced it would stop using the Hindawi brand altogether. No doubt that as AI becomes more widely adopted the scale of manipulation and fabrication of content problems will also increase.

The Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research has been and will remain ASVO's prime showcase of knowledge for the Australian Wine industry. The AJGWR is now a fully open-access journal. This means all papers published in the Journal are free to read online without a subscription. All articles accepted for publication are published under a Creative Commons license and are subject to an Article Processing Charge (APC). Wiley has a growing number of Read and Publish agreements with institutions and consortia that provide funding for open-access publishing. This means the APC is covered for authors from participating institutions. The Board is seeking to find a solution for those institutions not covered by the agreements.

The Journal's 2023 Impact Factor is 2.5. It ranks 9/38 (Q1) in the Horticulture category, and 93/173 (Q3) in the Food Science & Technology subject area. In 2023, the journal had 86 submissions.

Changes to the Editorial Board

Under the new management of Chief Editor Professor Stefano Poni, the Editorial Board has been reshaped. We welcome 11 new distinguished members—including 7 from outside Australia—to the editorial board. We also bid a fond farewell to 7 editors who have served the journal with great loyalty and distinction over many years.

Retiring Editors

Dr Veronique Cheynier, IPV-ISVMM-INRA, Montpellier, France

Dr Christopher Davies, CSIRO Agriculture and Food

Prof. Serge Delrot, University of Bordeaux, France

Dr Leigh Francis, The Australian Wine Research Institute

Affiliate Prof. Paul Henschke, The Australian Wine Research Institute

Dr Diego Intrigliolo, Spanish National Research Council (CSIC)

Prof. Javier Tardaguila, Universidad de La Rioja, Spain

Commencing Editors

Kym Anderson AC, The Australian National University, Australia

Michela Centinari, Penn State University, USA

Armando Corsi, University of Adelaide, Australia

Marianna Fasoli, University of Verona, Italy

Megan Hall, Academic and Science Editing Freelance, USA

Yishai Netzer, Ariel University, Israel

Vinay Pagay, University of Adelaide, Australia

Hayley Ridgway, PFR New Zealand, New Zealand

Leigh Schmidtke, Charles Sturt University, Australia

Paolo Sabbatini, University of Turin, Italy

Marie Thiollet-Scholtus, INRAE, France

Ji-Cheng Zhan, China Agricultural University, China

Chief Editor

Stefano Poni, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy

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Kym Anderson, The Australian National University, Australia
Eveline Bartowsky, Lallemand, Australia
Keren Bindon, The Australian Wine Research Institute, Australia
Rob Bramley, CSIRO Agriculture and Food, Australia
Michela Centinari, Penn State University, USA
Armando Corsi, University of Adelaide, Australia
Gregory Dunn, Plumpton College, United Kingdom
Katherine Evans, University of Tasmania, Australia
Marianna Fasoli, University of Verona, Italy
Paul R. Grbin, University of Adelaide, Australia
Andrew Hall, Charles Sturt University, Australia
Megan Hall, Academic and Science Editing Freelancer
James Harbertson, Washington State University, USA
Paul Kilmartin, University of Auckland, New Zealand
Yishai Netzer, Ariel University, Israel
Vinay Pagay, University of Adelaide, Australia
Anne Pellegrino, Institut Agro Montpellier, France
Paul Petrie, South Australian Research and Development Institute, Australia
Hayley Ridgway, PFR New Zealand
Renata Ristic, University of Adelaide South Australia, Australia
Paolo Sabbatini, University of Turin, Italy
Anthony Saliba, Charles Sturt University, Australia
Leigh Schmidtke, Charles Sturt University, Australia
Mark Sosnowski, South Australian Research and Development Institute, Australia
Chris Steel, Charles Sturt University, Australia
Marie Thiollet-Scholtus, INRAE, France
Bin Tian, Lincoln University, New Zealand
Steve Tyerman, University of Adelaide, Australia
Justine Vanden Heuvel, Cornell University, USA
Rob Walker, CSIRO Agriculture and Food, Australia
Liz Waters, Wine Australia, Australia
Kerry Wilkinson, University of Adelaide, Australia
Ji-Cheng Zhan, China Agricultural University, China

Journal Advisory Committee

Chair - Katie Dunne
Andrew Clark, Charles Sturt University
Sigfredo Feuntes, University of Melbourne
Chris Ford, University of Adelaide
Anne Rae, CSIRO
Tim Sutton, South Australian Research and Development Institute

Author country	Published manuscripts (2023)
Australia	16
China	2
Germany	3
Greece	2
Italy	4
New Zealand	1
Spain	1
Switzerland	1
United States	1
Total	31

Country (2023)	Downloads
USA	33,289
Australia	25,245
China	26,132
Italy	16,561
France	11,394
Spain	9,829
New Zealand	9,522
UK	9,503
India	8,512
Germany	5,881

Top submitting countries - 2023

Australia
United States
China
Spain
India
Italy
Ethiopia
Chile New Zealand
Slovenia

Professional Development

Wine Industry Mentor Program

The Wine Industry Mentor Program is a collaborative program between Wine Communicators of Australia, The University of Adelaide, Wine Australia and the ASVO. The program aims to help attract and retain top-calibre professionals by assisting ambitious people in building their careers. In addition, mentoring can be a highly effective strategy to support the many women in the industry who are keen to develop their careers and take on senior positions within an organisation.

The program is a whole-sector initiative, aiming to support and inspire future generations of wine industry professionals by tapping into the experiences and insights of the best in their field. The program covers all areas of the wine industry, including wine business, wine marketing, media, photography, wine education, winemaking, viticulture and oenology.



The program boasts Australia's most highly respected and experienced wine sector leaders, who are passionate about wine and the future of the Australian wine industry. These individuals give their time willingly and voluntarily to support and foster the growth of the Australian wine sector.

The program aims to boost both personal and professional development in future generations of wine industry professionals.

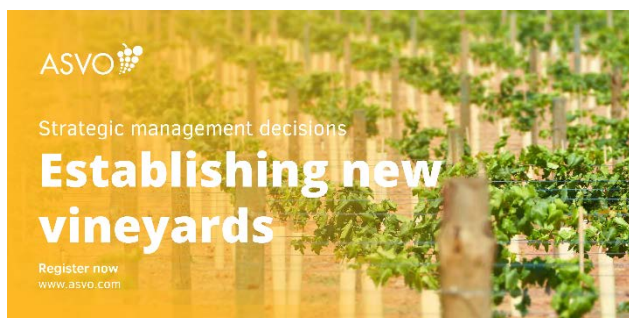
Fifty-six early career professionals were chosen from 150 quality and diverse applicants, who represented early career professionals across the wine sector including wine marketers, winemakers, viticulturists, researchers, wine students, wine retailers and sommeliers.

Mentees accepted into the 2023 program.

Adele Agars	Michelle Harris	Karoline Morgan	Krys Smith
Lara Barmettler	Marissa Harvey	Kurt Nilon	Marco Sollazzo
Bea Checkley	Ryan Haynes	Melissa Olson	Evie Sullivan
Greta Codyre	Martin Heys	Curt Oppegaard	Samantha Sutherland
Clio Collar	Carlin Jackson	Tom Overman	Tracy Taylor
Lauren Conneely	Ben Kite	Sid Pachare	Brittany Thompson
Kim Cudbertson	Sarah Lavelle	Ariane Pemberton	Ashley Tolerton
Brooke Edson	Mark Leake	Josie Penfold	Jenna Vaughan
Carolyn Etherington	Michelle Li	Monique Pienaar	Emma Weir
Will Gilbert	Lachlan Mackenzie	Alexandra Quinton	Lewis White
Maddie Gold	Kate Mansfield	Victoria Rae	Matthew Wilkie
Nicholas Goss	Jack Manson	Melanie Ross	Tim Wilson
Christine Gosse	Emily May	Lyndall Rowe	Monica Zhang
Kiki Han	Georgina Mcalpin	Ashleigh Seymour	Daisy Zhang

Viticulture Seminars

These seminars covered both strategic and tactical decisions for vineyards that have reached maturity and consideration of the factors that growers need to weigh up when deciding whether to rip or rejuvenate their vines. The focus of these seminars was very relevant to the many growers who are facing decisions about ageing vineyards that are showing a decline in yield and quality and are considering the options of maintaining or rejuvenating the vineyard or considering grafting to different varieties or replanting.



Maintaining established vineyards.

Colin Hinze	Vine age & economic viability - viticulturist perspective
Sarah Crowe	Vine age & economic viability - winemaking perspective
Dylan Grigg	Comparing vine age performance
Mark Sosnowski	Grapevine trunk disease management
Nigel Blieschke	Pruning for vineyard longevity
Tony Hoare	Grafting benefits and pitfalls of field grafting winegrapes
Mark Skewes	Irrigation infrastructure
Mike Hayes	Whole vineyard system change. Height and canopy management

Establishing new vineyards

Steve Flamsteed	Establishing new vineyards: What to plant?
Nick Dry	Key considerations for selecting and sourcing planting material.
Anthony Borneman	Getting what you paid for: Grapevine testing clonal identity testing.
Hans Loder	Data friendly vineyard design
Colin Hinze	Vineyard design -soil constraints and frost risk
Jason Smith	Water management considerations for new vines
Marcel Essling	Best management for young vine pest control - little pests' big problems

Region	Attendance	Region	Attendance	Region	Attendance
Griffith	3	Yarra Valley	11	Online	83
Heathcote	4	Barossa	13	Total	170
Hunter Valley	10	McLaren Vale	17		
Canberra	11	Margaret River	18		

Oenology Webinar

The Oenology seminar was broadcast from Charles Sturt University, Wagga, Wagga on 20 June 2024. Speakers shared wide-ranging industry experience and some new thinking on topics including building mouthfeel; vegan fining agents; label compliance; and the latest on copper chemistry. With practical step-by-step advice on getting wines ready for bottling and market.



Achieving clarity and getting wines into bottle

Damian Espinase Nandorfy	Evidence-based approach to blending: How to target flavour and mouthfeel using proline and other measures
Dr Sami Yammine	Clarification with Bio-sourced Fining Agents & Alternatives to PVPP
Kate Hardy	Getting label content right
Andrew Clark	Managing copper in the lead up to bottling: Cu fractions and other things you should know
Geoff Cowey	Wine Heat and Cold Stability
Jeremy Dineen	Getting Wines Ready for Bottling

Region	Attendance	Venue	Host
Online	51	Broadcast from Charles Sturt University, Wagga, Wagga	Vanessa Stockdale

Podcasts



- **Towards more accurate detection and monitoring of grey mould**
Professor Chris Steel
- **Control of scale and mealy bugs**
Dr Linda Thomson & Jenny Venus
- **Accessing long term climate information with My Climate View**
Ian Thomas
- **Becoming carbon neutral**
Ross Hill



These podcasts were supported by Wine Australia, with levies from Australia’s grapegrowers and winemakers and matching funds from the Australian Government.

Governance



Andy Clarke

Regional Director – Victoria
President 2021 – 2024

Term: Elected 2018, 2020, 2022

Qualifications: B. Ag. Science (viticulture), Nuffield Scholar 2015

Other appointments: Board member of Vinehealth Australia, member of the Yarra Valley Winegrowers Technical Subcommittee and member of the Victorian Government WineMAC and Victorian Viticultural Biosecurity Committee.
AWITC Executive Committee



Dr Eveline Bartowsky

General Director
Public Officer & Secretary 2019 – 2022
Vice President 2024

Term: Elected 2019, 2021, 2023

Qualifications: BSc (Hons) majoring in Microbiology; PhD

Other appointments: Associate Editor Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research 2014 - 2024.
Adjunct Associate Professor, the University of Adelaide



Dr Alana Seabrook

Regional Director – South Australia
Treasurer 2024

Term: Elected 2020, 2022

Qualifications: BSc Hons (Viticulture and Oenology) PhD

Other appointments: Director WineChek, AWITC Executive Committee



Nick Dry

General Director

Term: Elected 2021, 2023

Qualifications: BAgSci (VitSci)

Other Appointments: National Grapevine Collection coordinator, Wine Australia. 2019 Gourmet Traveller WINE Viticulturist of the year, 2022 ASVO Viticulturist of the year.



Monica Gray

Regional Director – NSW

Term: Co-opted 2023

Qualifications: BSc, M.C

Other appointments: Secretary Orange Region Vignerons' Association



Dr Samantha Scarratt

General Director

Term: Elected 2023

Qualifications: PhD (Ecology/ Entomology), BSc First Class Honours

Other appointments: AWITC Executive Committee
Served on the Research Advisory Committee (AGW) for 4.5 years
Served on Research Advisory Committee (NZW) for 7 years

Board of Directors



Dr Vanessa Stockdale

General Director
Secretary & Public Officer 2023

Term: Elected 2021, 2023

Qualifications: BAgSci (VitSci), MVit, PhD

Other Appointments: Director Australian Vignerons (2013-2019), Director Australian Grape and Wine Inc., member AWITC planning committee (2016 and 2019), member Limestone Coast Grape and Wine Council Technical subcommittee (2013-present). Previously, member of Wine Grape Council of South Australia, Limestone Coast Grape and Wine Council and WFA WINEC (2012-2015)



Dr Katie Dunne

General Director
Chair, Journal Advisory Committee - 2023

Term: Elected 2021, 2023

Qualifications: BAppSc (Viticulture), BAppSc (Viticulture) (Honours), PhD

Other appointments: Chair - Journal Advisory Committee



Jeremy Dineen

Regional Director - Western Australia, Tasmania, & Queensland

Term: Elected 2022

Qualifications: Bachelor of Science (viticulture and oenology)

Other appointments: Past terms as Director of Wine Tasmania, Chairman of Vineyards Association of Tasmania Technical Committee, member, organising committee International Cool Climate Wine Symposium, member of both organising and program committees for the Australian Wine Industry Technical Conference and founder of the Effervescence Sparkling Wine Festival.

Subcommittees

Executive

2023

Andy Clarke (Chair)
Eveline Bartowsky
Alana Seabrook
Vanessa Stockdale

2022

Andy Clarke (Chair)
Brooke Howell
Nadja Wallington

Journal

2023

Eveline Bartowsky (Chair)
Katie Dunne

2022

Eveline Bartowsky (Chair)
Tony Robinson

Finance Risk & Audit

2023

Alana Seabrook (Chair)
Jeremy Dineen
Katie Dunne

2022

Nadja Wallington (Chair)
Andy Clarke
Brooke Howell

Constitution Review

2023

Katie Dunne (Chair)
Andy Clark

TREASURER'S REPORT

I am pleased to report that the Australian Society of Viticulture & Oenology (ASVO) continues to maintain a strong financial position. For the year, ASVO recorded a net profit of \$36,082, reinforcing its solid financial health.



Our financial performance reflects effective management of recurring revenue streams, including membership fees, publishing royalties, and event sponsorships. The Society's net assets have grown to \$446,823, up from \$408,889 in 2023, further strengthening ASVO's balance sheet. This robust financial standing, coupled with a significant cash reserve, positions ASVO to reinvest in its services, facilities, and technology, enhancing benefits for both members and students.

Membership:

Revenue from members declined in 2023. Recognizing the challenges faced by the wine sector, we made a conscious decision to limit fee increases. Additionally, we continue to invest in future generations by offering free membership to student members, ensuring they can benefit from ASVO membership during their studies. While total membership numbers remain stable the proportion of full fee-paying members is reducing.

Sponsorship Income:

The ASVO maintained its long-term partnerships with existing sponsors while welcoming several new sponsors. These collaborations not only support our members and the broader wine industry but also contribute to annual sponsorship revenue. To reflect actual sponsorship revenue more accurately, sponsorship packages—some of which include event registrations—have been allocated to events. As a result, sponsorship income decreased to \$18,329, down from \$31,909 in 2023.

Interest and Investment Income:

Interest income rose significantly to \$13,277 in 2024, compared to \$5,105 in 2023, while investment income increased to \$8,851 from \$6,259. These increases reflect stronger returns from cash reserves and investment portfolios, contributing positively to ASVO's financial results.

Project Funding:

The previous three-year agreement with Wine Australia concluded at the end of the financial year, with unspent funds rolled over into a new agreement. The new funding primarily supports the continuation and expansion of the Rootling's Program in New South Wales. While this is an exciting development for ASVO, the reduction in funding for extension and adoption activities may limit the Society's ability to host larger events in the future.

Event Operating Expenses:

A notable reduction in event-related costs was achieved in 2024. For example, audio/video production costs dropped from \$7,229 to \$1,050, catering costs decreased to \$16,960 from \$33,208, and venue hire costs fell to \$2,972 from \$14,808. This is primarily due to the smaller scale of events held this year, compared to larger in-person events such as the Sustainability Conference (CO23) in 2023, which inherently carried higher costs and risks.

Reserves:

The ASVO has adopted the strategy documented in its investment policy of retaining a target band of uncommitted reserves sufficient to fund between 12 and 18 months of expected internal non-deferrable cash expenditure. This figure is to be averaged over a three-year cycle to reflect the variability associated with AWITC years. The current reserves are in line with this policy.

Alana Seabrook
Treasurer

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AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY
INCORPORATED

ABN 42 404 438 575

For the year ended 30 June 2024

Profit and Loss

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY INCORPORATED For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Trading Income		
Grants (AWITC)	-	11,425
Interest Income	13,277	5,105
Membership Fee	99,821	101,022
Merchandise	9,191	205
Posters	409	455
Proceedings	107	141
Publishing Royalties	17,837	6,965
Registrations	28,708	32,913
Sponsorship-Events	18,329	31,909
Total Trading Income	187,679	190,140
Gross Profit	187,679	190,140
Other Income		
Investment Income	8,851	6,259
Project funding	42,150	77,595
Royalties	3,432	29,939
Total Other Income	54,432	113,793
Operating Expenses		
Accommodation	4,936	2,055
Administration Services	-	86
Advertising	156	-
Audio / Video Production	1,050	7,229
Audit Fees	2,250	2,150
Awards	1,724	2,238
Bank Charges	169	118
Beverage & Corkage fees	6,691	6,420
Board Election Expense	950	-
Board Meetings/AGM Expenses	263	501
Board Training	3,550	-
Bookkeeping Services	715	908
Consultancy	-	4,500
Contract Services	18,750	6,364
Depreciation	441	465
Domain Hosting	160	-
Editorial Services	-	16,240
Event - Audio-Visual	3,288	16,258
Event Catering	16,960	33,208
Event Photographer	830	511
Event Printing & Stationery	336	345
Event- Hire	261	522

	2024	2023
Event- promotion & marketing	-	1,715
Exchange Hosting	141	566
Freight	-	18
Goods for Sale	8,036	163
Insurance	2,677	3,129
Internet/Telephone	1,275	754
Leave Provision Expense	4,384	1,775
Membership fees	727	-
Merchant Fees	1,376	1,488
Other Employer Expenses	576	526
Postage	192	273
Printing & stationary	354	61
Publishing	-	13,805
Rent	3,600	3,600
Repairs & Maintenance	30	181
Salaries	85,009	79,191
Scholarship	4,900	8,909
Software Licences	2,820	2,996
Sponsorship	5,013	175
Stripe Fees	55	-
Subscriptions	2,045	-
Superannuation Fund Expense	9,351	8,315
Travel - Committee	2,306	1,880
Travel - EO/Staff	825	11
Travel - Speakers & Others	566	6,030
Typesetting / Post production	-	945
Venue Hire	2,972	14,808
Website Hosting & Maintenance	3,316	3,562
Total Operating Expenses	206,030	254,991
Net Profit	36,082	48,941

Balance Sheet

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY INCORPORATED

As at 30 June 2024

	30 JUNE 2024	30 JUNE 2023	30 JUNE 2022
Assets			
Bank			
CBA Cheque Account	166,628	166,753	249,311
Term Deposit 50586530	-	-	100,839
Cash Deposit Account	258,745	203,634	-
Total Bank	425,373	370,388	350,149
Current Assets			
Accrued Interest	4,563	1,991	342
Deposits Paid	-	-	3,000
Trade Debtors	638	-	-
Equities Portfolio	144,638	142,785	141,360
Sundry Debtors	-	-	12,324
Total Current Assets	149,838	144,776	157,025
Fixed Assets			
Office Equipment Accum Dep'n	(7,040)	(6,599)	(6,134)
Office Equipment at Cost	7,040	7,040	7,040
Total Fixed Assets	-	441	906
Total Assets	575,211	515,605	508,081
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accrued Expenses	2,250	7,930	17,924
GST	5,936	3,179	6,619
Membership paid in advance	58,205	70,593	85,155
Trade Creditors	2,595	1,368	5,205
Provision for leave	17,895	13,511	11,736
Mastercard - Commonwealth Bank	-	976	748
Total Current Liabilities	86,881	97,558	127,386
Non-current Liabilities			
PAYG Withholding Payable	4,953	4,368	4,979
Prepaid registrations	9,216	2,736	-
Sponsorship paid in advance	-	-	1,500
Super Payable	2,338	2,054	2,254
Deferred Income	25,000	-	13,440
Total Non-current Liabilities	41,507	9,158	22,173
Total Liabilities	128,388	106,716	149,558
Net Assets	446,823	408,889	358,522
Equity			
Current Year Earnings	36,082	48,941	12,814
Retained Earnings	410,171	361,230	348,416
Investment revaluation reserve	570	(1,283)	(2,708)
Total Equity	446,823	408,889	358,522

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australian Society of Viticulture & Oenology Inc. (the Association), which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2024, Movements in Equity and an Income & Expenditure Statement for the year then ended 30th June 2024.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the accounting policies used and described in note 1 to the financial report and the Association Incorporation Act (SA) and presents fairly, the financial position of the Entity as at 30 June 2024 and its financial performance for the year then ended.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report section of my report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibility of management and those charged with governance

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

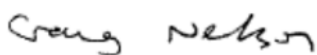
In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the village's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

D W Johns & Co



CRAIG NELSON

Director

20th day of September 2024

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY INC
ABN 42 404 438 575

30th August 2024

DW Johns & Co
206 Greenhill Road
EASTWOOD SA 5063

Dear Sir/Madam,

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial report of AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF VITICULTURE & OENOLOGY Inc for the year ended 30 June 2024 for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial report gives a true and fair view in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*.

We confirm that to the best of our knowledge and belief, having made such enquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves:

Financial Report

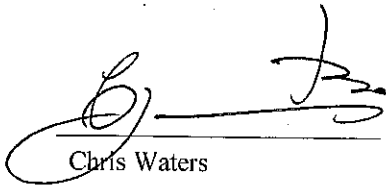
- We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement, for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*; in particular the financial report gives a true and fair view in accordance therewith.
- The methods, the data, and the significant assumptions used in making accounting estimates, and their related disclosures are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement or disclosure that is reasonable in the context of the applicable financial reporting framework.
- Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standards.
- All events subsequent to the date of the financial report and for which Australian Accounting Standards require adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
- The effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial report as a whole.

Information Provided

- We have provided you with:
 - Access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial report such as records, documentation and other matters;
 - Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit; and
 - Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial report.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of

internal control to prevent and detect fraud.

- We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial report may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
- We have disclosed to you all information in relation to fraud or suspected fraud that we are aware of and that affects the entity and involves:
 - Management;
 - Employees who have significant roles in internal control; or
 - Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial report.
 - We have disclosed to you all information in relation to allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the entity's financial report communicated by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.
 - We have disclosed to you all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial report.
 - We have disclosed to you all known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial report.
 - We have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.



Chris Waters

NOTE 1 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Executive Board of the Association has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity. Accordingly, this financial report is a special purpose financial report which has been prepared solely to meet the reporting obligations of the Executive Board, the limited information needs of the Association's members and to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985*. The Association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

In the current year, the Association adopted all of the new and revised Standards and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are relevant to its operations and effective for the current reporting period. The adoption of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations has not resulted in any material changes to the Association's accounting policies.

(a) The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985 and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

- AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*
- AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*
- AASB 110 *Events after the Balance Sheet Date*
- AASB 1048 *Interpretation of Standards*
- AASB 1053 *Application of tiers of Australian Accounting Standards*
- AASB 1054 *Australian Additional Disclosures*
- AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities*
- AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts*

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

(b) The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, unless otherwise stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies adopted in preparing this financial report are consistent with those of the previous years.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

a) **Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)**

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

b) **Impairment of Assets**

At the end of each reporting period, the entity reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

c) **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

d) Revenue and Other Income

The Association recognises revenue under AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 1058) or AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB 15) when appropriate.

In cases where there is an 'enforceable' contract with a customer with 'sufficient specific' performance obligations, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15 where income is recognised when (or as) the performance obligations are satisfied.

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Association expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer.

In other cases, AASB 1058 applies when a not-for-profit (NFP) entity enters into a transaction where the consideration to acquire the asset is significantly less than the fair value of the asset principally to enable the entity to further its objectives. The excess of the asset recognised (at fair value) over any 'related amounts' is recognised as income immediately, except in the case where a financial asset that has been received to enable the Association to acquire or construct a recognisable non-financial asset that is to be controlled by the Association. In this case, the Association recognises the excess as a liability that is recognised over time in profit and loss when (or as) the Association satisfies its obligations under the transfer.

e) ASVO operations

- i. Event registrations are recognised at the time the event occurs.
- ii. Membership revenues are recognised in the year to which it relates.
- iii. sponsorship revenue is recognised in the year to which it relates.
- iv. Interest revenue is recognised on an accrual basis.
- v. Grant revenue is recognised based on contract periods and when amounts fall due under the terms of the contract.

Point of sale

The Society does not accept cash as payment for invoices or point of sale transactions.

E-commerce payment system

The Society accepts payments through Integrapay our secure payment processing platform and Commonwealth Bank act as our merchant.

Accepted methods of payment

- Credit/Debit Card- Visa, Mastercard, and Amex
- Electronic funds transfer

Not accepted

- Cash
- Bpay
- After pay

Petty cash

The Society does not operate a petty cash account.

f) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the assets and liabilities statement are shown inclusive of GST.

g) Leave entitlements

In accordance with ASVO accounting policy provision for leave does not include super or workcover as the employee benefits are expected to be settled wholly before twelve months after the end of the annual reporting period.

long service leave

In accordance with ASVO accounting policy ASVO does not recognise any long service leave liability until there has been 5 continuous years of service (6.5 weeks) as at this point it is likely the employee will stay until they reach their 7 years of continuous employment.

Superannuation

The liability for superannuation recognised as at 30 June 2023 represents outstanding contributions for the final pay month of the year.

h) WorkCover

The Society is registered with ReturntoWorkSA. The current certificate of registration is valid until 30 June 2024

i) Events After the Reporting Period

The Executive Board are not aware of any events occurring after the reporting period that require any consideration for the adjustment to, or additional disclosures in the financial report.

j) Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

There were no Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets to be reported.

k) Comparative Information

During the financial year, the Association has reviewed the allocation and classification of some transactions which has been updated in comparative information presented. Changes in classifications has resulted in no change to the previously reported financial performance and position of the Association.

l) Governance

Officer of Consumer Business Services (OCBS) reporting

The Society has gross receipts less than \$500,000 and is not required to lodge the accounts with the Corporate Affairs Commission - section 35 Associations Incorporation Act 1985 and Associations Incorporation Regulations 2008.

Tax exempt status

The ASVO Board have conducted a self-assessment of the Society's income tax status and agree that the ASVO fits within the description of an exempt entity.

The ASVO

- i) Has a physical presence in Australia
- ii) Complies with all the substantive requirements in its governing rules
- iii) Applies its income and assets solely for the purpose it was established for.

m) Association Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Association is:

National Wine Centre
Cnr Botanic and Hackney
ADELAIDE SA 5000

Partners & sponsors

ASVO believes in building and maintaining long term strategic partnerships with key partners. By having these relationships, we are able to offer more member services. We thank our valued partners and sponsors for continuing to support ASVO and our activities.

Wine Australia

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