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August Newsletter 2024

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday 6th August - Tim Syrah - South America

From Kirsten

In August, the topic will be South America and there will be wines from Chile, Argentina and Uruguay.

Thanks to its extraordinary topography, Chile has an incredible range of terroir and microclimates that allows a wide diversity of styles to be produced.

In Argentina we will explore Salta and Cafayate to the north as well as areas around Mendoza

Uruguayan wines may be less familiar but there is some terrific quality emanating from this tiny nation and it is not just Tannat!

Tim Syrah will be rejoining us to present these exciting wines. Tim has been working in the wine trade since 1991, and holds his WSET Diploma in wine and is a member of the Association of Wine Educators.

We will be in safe hands with Tim, he runs monthly tastings and has taken 110 groups of people on wine tours!

Website Booking

From Alex:

I just wanted to remind everyone about the online booking system and our policy for bringing guests and for refunds.

• **Booking:** All booking must be done via the website in order to secure your place. The number of tables (and therefore the number of tickets available on sale) will be reduced depending on the number of bookings on the Sunday just before the event - so please book early to ensure you secure your places. This is to prevent



purchasing too much food for the night. There will be some residual places available and these will be on sale right until the evening itself for any last minute bookings. If the event is sold out, please do check back nearer the time as we will release tickets back for sale in the event someone is unable to attend.

• **Guests:** In the final week before an event, members can book additional places to bring guests (subject to there being spaces remaining!). Please do not book for guests before this time as earlier bookings are for members only – any guests booked before this time will be removed from the booking.

Driving? Please use the spittoons provided and ask the pourers for less. For the facts, please go to **www.drinkaware.co.uk**

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• **Refunds:** Refunds/credit notes can be issued if members (or their guests) become unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances. This applies right up to the evening itself. As issuing refunds to cards costs the club money, we kindly ask that if possible, a credit note is issued in preference to a full refund.

Using the website to take bookings in advance greatly reduces the amount of waste food should an evening not sell out, and enables us to be more efficient in terms of getting the best value for money for our members.

If there are any problems accessing the website or completing a booking, please email me at <u>webmaster@chalfamwineclub.org.uk</u> and I will do everything I can to assist.

Whisky Bible from Jim

From Robert:



We now have signed copies of Jim Murray's new 2024 Whisky Bible available to purchase from the club's website. Copies are priced at £16.99 each.

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