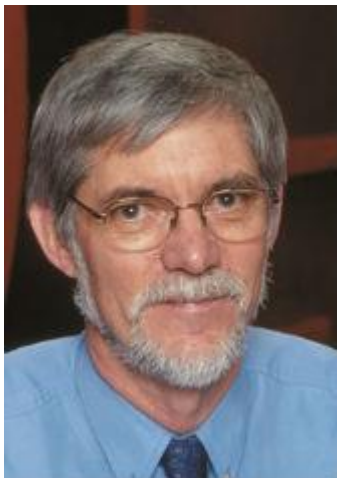


Patron's Message



2019 has certainly gone quickly. The Wine Industry Technical Conference was a highlight of the year. Many alumni attended the conference. Several alumni gave formal presentations and others organised and participated in the workshop programme. It is great to see alumni giving back to the industry in this way. There was a positive vibe amongst the attendees for the future of the wine industry. The scientific presentations reminded us of the importance of research to keep the industry at the forefront of technical developments. Judith and I had a stand with our books at the Trade Show and it was great to catch up with many alumni who came to say hello.

A highlight of the Conference for the University of Adelaide Wine Alumni was the Alumni breakfast. It was attended by about 80 people and there was a good mix of the older generation and recent graduates. It was well attended by current and past staff, some going back to the Roseworthy days. The breakfast was organised by The Wine Alumni Network. I thank all the members of the Network group and the team from the Alumni Relations Office at North Terrace Campus, and particularly Carolyn McLean, for all the work they do to make these events so successful.

We had planned a reunion this year, however decided to postpone the event due to the difficulty of finding contacts for people. We decided to have one larger reunion in 2020 for all those alumni who graduated from Roseworthy Agricultural College. We will start planning this early next year. We will need the help of alumni to follow up contacts so we can let as many people as possible know about the reunion.

Our alumni continue to receive awards and recognition. I will probably miss some awards so if you know of an alumnus who has been recognised let me know and I can include it in the next newsletter.

Peter Dry received An Order of Australia AM Award for his significant contribution to the Australian Wine Industry. Peter has contributed to many aspects of the industry and particularly in the teaching and research sector. Many alumni will have benefited from his knowledge and guidance. And Nick Dry, Peter's son, was awarded the Perpetual Viticulturists of the Year 2019 in The Gourmet Traveller Wine Awards.

Vanya Cullen (Winemaker of the year 2019) and Inca Lee (Researcher/Innovator of the year 2019) received awards at the 2019 Australian Women in Wine Awards. Pam Dunsford became the South Australian Wine Communicators of Australia Legend of the Vine for 2019. Pam was the first women to be admitted and to graduate from the Roseworthy Agricultural College wine studies programme. She played a very significant role in various winemaking positions over her 40 years career in the industry. I cannot mention all the winemakers who win trophies/medals at the various wine shows, but there are many alumni who are performing extremely well in the show circuit. I will mention Paul Hotker, Senior Winemaker of Bleasdale Wines who took home the Jimmy Watson Trophy this year.

Congratulations to all above for their achievements.

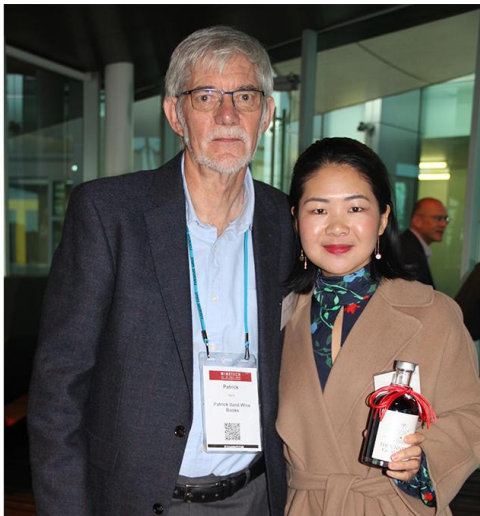
Best regards

Patrick Iland, Patron, The University of Adelaide Wine Alumni

New Head of Agriculture, Food and Wine

Internationally recognised food scientist and leader of research organisations in Australia and United States Professor Martin Cole has been appointed the new Head of the University's School of Agriculture, Food and Wine.

Described as an “influential, inspirational and visionary leader”, Professor Cole has been in leadership positions with the Commonwealth Scientific and Industry Research Organisation (CSIRO) for the past 10 years, and is currently Deputy Director of CSIRO Agriculture and Food. [Read more](#)



Wine Alumni Network events

This year we held two events for wine alumni.

We had a lovely time catching up at the Wine Alumni Network Breakfast which was held on Tuesday 23 July during the 17th Australian Wine Industry Technical Conference. [Photos from the event are now available](#)

In addition, the Network hosted a celebratory dinner for students who will graduate in 2020 on Monday 25 November. [Photos from the event are available here](#).

2020 Wine Reunions

In 2020, the University is organising two wine alumni reunions:

- **Roseworthy Wine Reunion** for all Roseworthy wine alumni who graduated before and in 1994, including the last intake at Roseworthy Agricultural College
- **1995-1999 Wine Reunion** for all wine alumni who graduated between 1995-1999 (inclusive).

Formal reunion invitations will be sent out early next year. If you would like to be involved with organising the event, please contact Carolyn McLean, Alumni Relations Officer (Sciences) at carolyn.mclean@adelaide.edu.au.



Wine Alumni Network Facebook group

The Network now has a Facebook group dedicated to reconnecting wine alumni and mentoring current students. This group brings together alumni from Roseworthy Agricultural College and the University of Adelaide from viticulture, oenology, wine business and wine marketing.

This is a space to share your stories, seek advice and advertise employment opportunities to fellow alumni and students. If you are not already a member and would like to become one please [join the group](#).