

'WINE' I (MORE)

The unofficial organ of the Andover District
Winemakers' Circle.

First (and probably last) edition.

MEMORANDUM.

1956. The Circle has had a very successful year we had to say farewell to several of our old members but their places have been filled by new members and we have maintained our strength. This year saw a change in our meeting place, the Red Cross room was not large enough and thanks to the Committee of Wolverdene Club a room was put at our disposal (no 'corkage' either) and some good meetings have been held there.

Highlights of the year have been a talk by Farrow & Jacksons' representative (when we were able to get the inside information on 'Chemical Ageing'), Mr. Iodidees on the Vintage of Portugal and his very acceptable samples (followed by the search in the chimney for the cat), neither must the visit to Cheltenham be omitted and the success in the competitive show. Major Dawes' "Beer Ceiling Spray" also featured in another evening but we should emphasise the legal aspect of Beer making as detailed in Mrs Trittons' latest publication. Messrs Parker & Watkins put in a lot of work in producing the demonstration 'ageing' equipment. Our concluding effort of the year was the now established annual Cocktail party which was attended by some 60 members and friends and a party of 30 from the Cheltenham Society. This event went with a swing and was voted a 'roaring' success. (not literally) Finally congratulations to Mrs Davey for her success in the National Show at Olympia.

Gas Locks, Corks, Filter Media etc.
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The Circle Treasurer

Mr Greathead.

1957.

Our first meeting came a week after Christmas, about 20 members attended. Mr E. Hunt. was welcomed as a new member and becomes the first 'Bobby' in our membership but I know that at least three more local F.C.s. are keen Brewers, maybe we shall soon have a 'uniformed branch.' There was little business to transact and the meeting soon got down to the more serious work of the evening. I would comment however that our meetings are becoming 'drier' and I put this down to a preponderance of new members who have not yet been able to get a stock in hand, perhaps the old stalwarts will bring a little extra. Mr Trowbridges' "wheat" was adjudged the wine of the month and the recipe to be recorded but no Seal was awarded.

Next Meeting:-

February Meeting is the Annual Meeting and The Officers are reappointed. please let Mr. Parker have your nominations for these well paid offices as early as possible.

Recommend Reading:-

'COUNTRY WINES'

by Mary Aylatt.

Odhams Press Ltd., 8/6.

A chatty type book with a number of unusual recipes, including some tips on distilling. (The latter is illegal).

Recipe.

Welsh Nectar.

Here is a quickly maturing drink (not really a wine)

1lb Raisins

1lb Sugar

2 Lemons

2 Oranges

to 1 gallon boiling water.

Chop up fruit and add sugar and water, soak for 5 days stirring daily, strain and bottle, will gas in three days, ready in about 10 days, don't cork too tightly.

Ideas for 1957.

Mr Flemington submits to following idea for a 1957 meeting. He asks: Can we have an evening talk on basic wine making, perhaps by an experienced member who can pass on tips gained by his experiences ?.

Advert. (not yet paid for)

'Wine Ageing Equipment.'

made up to members requirements.

Apply :

Parker & Watkins Unlimited,

Humberstone Road,

Andover.

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