

Next Club Meeting: Sunday, 17th November from 12:00pm  
Meeting Location: Naval Association Hall, Graham St, West Footscray

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## **Next club meeting events**

- Club Comp: Strong Lager
- BYO BBQ
- Guess the Beer
- Raffle
- Fresh Pliny



## **Calendar of Events**

### **November 22nd**

Mountain Goat and Royston Hotel (Drinks & Dinner). 5pm

### **December 7th**

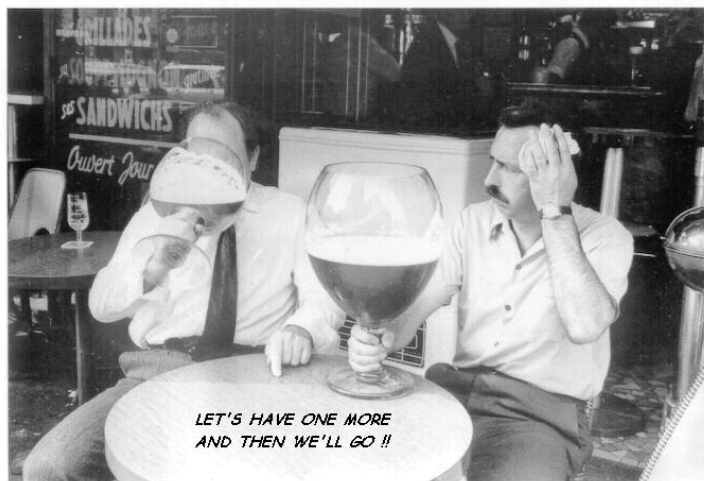
Club Xmas party @ Naval Association Hall.

### **December**

No club meeting.

### **March 2014**

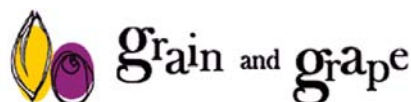
Westgate 21st birthday bash.



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# The Secretaries Report

Dear Westgaters,

Congratulations!!!! Again....

Before we start on the AABC, firstly, we must congratulate Grant Morley on a third at Bayside's Oktoberfest! Grant is a new member to the club, but he has wasted no time in stamping his credentials on his brewing ability. Grant brews with a Braumeister (and a dodgy back) and as we all know, anyone can make wort, but its fermentation, yeast and ability that makes quality beer! Well done mate...seems this month's competition with the strong larger is going to be well fought! (Remembering that Westgate placed 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th at Vicbrew!)



Steven Bradbury. Remember him? He got gold at the Winter Olympics, when his competition, fell over. I had a conversation with a Westgater who said "I've done a Steven Bradbury!" Who was that???

Darko, who placed 4th (on count back) at Vicbrew, got a Guernsey to the AABC because 3rd had no more Beer. He, managed to score a massive 127 out of 150...Third, in Best in Show and...the Best Berlin-erwiess in, Australia...with a massive 127/150...and a third for another beer (which I can't remember). He joins President John as our only Westgaters to place at the AABC. John, as usual, got a first for his Strong Scotch Ale... Well done to Darko and John...Westgate Represent..and then some...Let's give a massive shout out to Tabby, Michael Bowron, John Kingston, Mark Stamford, Rob Selwood for their efforts at the Australian Amateur Beer Championships. They were mentioned in dispatches, for their efforts in judging and stewarding. Canberra brewers specifically mentioned Westgate in their thank-you's. As a side note, they wore the club shirt with pride. Maybe next year, in Canberra, you can wear your shirt with pride, at the ANHC...yes...it's in Canberra...ANHC 4

This Sunday is our last club meeting before Christmas. It's a competition. It starts at 1.15. The comp that is..The BBQ is firing from midday...

Christmas. Its a party. We need BEER. If you have a keg, bring it. We WILL be having a vote for Beer of the day. Please RSVP to wesgtaebrewers@yahoo.com.au with your name and any dietary requirements. Otherwise, you will get meat, baked ham, veg and salad to eat. OH and beer. Could be worse....

Friday, 22nd of November is the club night out. Mtn. Goat. They are a sponsor. Every year at Stout Extravaganza, they support us. 5pm. Wear your club shirt. Wear neat casual otherwise. Beer and Pizza is the order of the day. After we have imbibed enough, we are going to the Royston. Be There...and if you have not...please RSVP to westgatebrewers@yahoo.com.au

There will be no new shirt orders, until the New Year...

Anyway, that's all...See you Sunday

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## Brewer of the Year Ladder & Schedule



### 2014 BREWER OF THE YEAR LADDER

	AUG'13	OCT'13	NOV'13	JAN'14	MAY'14	JUN'14	PTS
1. FERGUS MCGREGOR	3						3
1. MICHAEL BOWRON	-	3					3
2. JOHN KINGSTON	2						2
2. GRANT MORLEY	-	2					2
3. ROBIN SELWOOD	1						1
3. DARKO BLATNIK	-	1					1

Meeting Date	Category	Styles
August 2013	7. American Pale Ale	7.1 American Pale Ale
October 2013	16. Wheat & Rye Beer	16.1 American Wheat & Rye Beer 16.2 Weizen/weissebeer (Wheat) 16.3 Dunkle Weizen 16.4 Weizenbock 16.5 Roggenbier (Rye)
November 2013	5. Strong Lager (Over 6%)	5.1 Strong Pale Lager 5.2 Maibock/Hellesbock 5.3 Traditional Bock 5.4 Doppelbock 5.5 Eisbock
January 2014	Fixed Recipe	17.1 Witbier (White) Fixed grain, fixed yeast, you choose the spices.
May 2014	10. Porter	10.1 Brown Porter 10.2 Robust Porter 10.3 Baltic Porter
June 2014	18. Specialty Beer	18.1 Fruit Beer 18.2 Spice/Herb/Vegetable Beer 18.3 Christmas/Winter Specialty Spiced Beer 18.4 Classic Rauchbier (Smoked Marzen) 18.5 Belgian Specialty Beer 18.6 Wood-aged Beer 18.7 Other Specialty



## January 2014 Comp Fixed Recipe

### Fixed Recipe Witbier January 2014 Competition

Maximum OG: 1.050  
Approximate SRM: 3.1  
Maximum IBU: 20.0

Grain %                      Name

40.0 Weyermann Pilsner  
40.0 Weyermann Flaked Wheat  
20.0 Weyermann Pale Wheat  
You MUST use the above percentages in the grain bill.

Hops

You may add any hops you desire. The only restriction is a maximum bitterness level of 20 IBU.

Extras

This is the fun part! Add whatever you think will make an outstanding Witbier. Just remember, it will be judged against the 2012 AABC Style guidelines.

Yeast

DCL Yeast T-58 SafBrew Specialty Ale  
This is my normal yeast for this style. Very easy to use and produces a low spicy phenolic profile.

Regards  
Michael Bowron  
Westgate Brewers





## Westgate Coach Trip Photos

Photos courtesy of Nicholas Cleave & Mark Stanford



**Mr President getting things kick started!**



**Please sir, can we have some more?**



**Beer and shiny stainless @ Mornington Peninsula Brewery**



## Bayside Oktoberfest Photos

Photos courtesy of Nicholas Cleave & Mark Stanford



Happy Westgaters with family and friends!

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## AABC 2013 Westgate Results



### Australian Amateur Brewing Championship 2013 Full Results



AABC 2013 was held at the Canberra Club, Canberra on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of November  
288 entries from 160 brewers, evaluated by 32 judges

#### **Champion Beer of Show (Sponsor: Cryer Malt)**

**IMANTS VITOLINS (VIC) 129 points California Common**

Runner-up: Kevin Hingston (ACT), 128 points, Weizen/Weissbier

#### **Champion Brewer (Sponsor: Grain & Grape)**

(Awarded 3 points for a First, 2 points for a Second, 1 point for a Third in each Category)

**ADAM BEAUCHAMP (SA) 11 points (2 firsts, 2 seconds, 1 third)**

Runner-up: Brad Bown (SA), 6 points, (1 first, 1 second, 1 third)

#### **Champion State (Sponsor: Mashematics)**

(Awarded 3 points for a First, 2 points for a Second, 1 point for a Third in each Category)

**Winner: Queensland 23 points**

2nd New South Wales 19 points

=2nd South Australia 19 points

4th Australian Capital Territory 17 points

5th Victoria 16 points

6th Western Australia 13 points

7th Tasmania 1 point

#### **2. PALE LAGER (Sponsor: Beerbelly Equipment) 16 entries**

Judges: Michael Bowron, Kevin Hingston, Sam Haldane

<b>Brewer</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Style</b>
1. Ernie Butler, QLD	112.5	Australian Lager
2. Michael Gardner, NSW	109	Australian Premium Lager
3. Barry Cranston, NSW	108.5	Munich Helles
4. Adam Beauchamp, SA	108	Dortmunder
5. Darren Guiney, WA	106	Australian Lager
6. Greg Hooper, QLD	103.5	Dortmunder
7. Martin Rudge, QLD	102	Dortmunder
8. Michael Glasswell, ACT	95	Australian Premium Lager
9. Jonathan Finney, VIC	95	Pale Continental Lager
10. Matt Garven, ACT	92	Australian Lager
11. Gary Drury, WA	89	Dortmunder
12. James McLean, SA	86	Dortmunder
13. Neal Kavanagh, VIC	82.5	Munich Helles
14. David Tetley, NSW	57.5	Dortmunder
16. John Kingston, VIC	54	Pale Continental Lager



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### 3. PILSNER (Sponsor: Blackrock) 15 entries

Judges: Brendan Abbott, Mark Hibberd, Martin Budden

Brewer	Score	Style
1. Adam Beauchamp, SA	116.5	Bohemian Pilsener
2. Phil Brandenburg, WA	109	German Pilsner
3. Darko Blatnik, VIC	108	German Pilsner
4. Yosu Plaza, VIC	105	Bohemian Pilsner
5. Michael Wallace, NSW	104	German Pilsner
6. James McLean, SA	98.5	German Pilsner
7. Brett Norman, NSW	97	German Pilsner
8. Kevin Hingston, ACT	94.5	Classic Amercian Pilsner
9. Craig Tabb, VIC	94	German Pilsner
10. David Colville, QLD	86*	Bohemian Pilsner
11. Colin Wright, QLD	86*	Bohemian Pilsner
12. Ernie Butler, QLD	78	German Pilsner
13. Barry Cranston, NSW	70	Bohemian Pilsner
14. Joel Baines, ACT	63.5	German Pilsner
15. Andrew Lewis, ACT	63	Bohemian Pilsner

\*Count-back used to split ties

### 5. STRONG LAGER (Sponsor: Danstar) 15 entries

Judges: David Gilks, Mark Davies, Paul Haesler

Brewer	Score	Style
1. Barry Cranston, NSW	123	Doppelbock
2. Brad Bown, SA	120	Eisbock
3. Phil Brandenburg, WA	114	Strong Pale Lager
4. Mark Overton, ACT	113	Maibock
5. Gary Drury, WA	112.5	Maibock
6. Tom Dixon, ACT	111	Traditional Bock
7. Russell Carpenter, QLD	110	Maibock
8. Mikko Pludra, VIC	109.5	Doppelbock
9. Brad Bown, SA	106	Traditional Bock
10. Jethro McCulloch, VIC	106	Eisbock
11. Kris Domagala, QLD	104	Traditional Bock
12. Rodney Lock, QLD	101	Traditional Bock
13. Sunny Browning, NSW	100.5	Traditional Bock
14. Steve Hogarth, ACT	99	Eisbock
15. Mark Stanford, VIC	90	Traditional Bock

### 12. STRONG STOUT (Sponsor: Mashematics) 16 entries

Judges: Barry Cranston, Mark Davies, Martin Budden

Brewer	Score	Style
1. Michael Wallace, NSW	120	Russian Imperial Stout
2. Tony Brown, QLD	119	Australian Stout
3. Chris de la Rue, ACT	110*	Russian Imperial Stout
4. Rob Gardener, SA	110*	Russian Imperial Stout
5. Anthony Henderson, QLD	106	Russian Imperial Stout
6. Ben Johnson, SA	105*	American Stout
7. Barry Roberts, VIC	105*	Russian Imperial Stout
8. Alex Mesker, NSW	103	American Stout
9. Michael Day, ACT	102	Russian Imperial Stout
10. Jeremy Sambrooks, WA	100*	Russian Imperial Stout
11. Dean Tummers, QLD	100*	American Stout
12. Mark Bilbrough, ACT	99.5	Russian Imperial Stout
13. Matt Marinch, WA	98	American Stout
14. Fergus McGregor, VIC	97*	Russian Imperial Stout
15. Braden Hammond, VIC	97*	American Stout
16. Gary Waters, SA	87	Russian Imperial Stout

\*Count-back used to split ties





## AABC 2013 Westgate Results & Photos

### 14. STRONG ALE (Sponsor: Canberra Brewers) 17 entries

Judges: Garry Mansfield, Richard Fitzpatrick, Mark Stanford

Brewer	Score	Style
1. John Kingston, VIC	122	Strong Scotch Ale
2. Jonathan Finney, VIC	120.5	Strong Scotch Ale
3. Brad Bown, SA	116	American Barley Wine
4. Phil Farrant, SA	115	American Barley Wine
5. John Kingston, VIC	114	English Barley Wine
6. Brendan Abbott, NSW	112	English Barley Wine
7. Phil Brandenburg, WA	110	Old Ale (English Strong Ale)
8. Mark Overton, ACT	107	American Barley Wine
9. Stephen Staples, QLD	101*	English Barley Wine
10. Jeff McGrath, WA	101*	American Barley Wine
11. Geoff Hughes, NSW	100.5	English Barley Wine

### 17. FARMHOUSE ALE & WILD BEER (Sponsor: Five Star Chemicals) 18 entries

Judges: Joe Valente, Stephen Neilsen, Kevin Hingston

Brewer	Score	Style
1. Darko Blatnik, VIC	127	Berliner Weisse
2. Adam Beauchamp, SA	115.5	Fruit Lambic: Kriek
3. Steve Hogarth, ACT	115*	Fruit Lambic: Framboise
4. Asher Mitchell, WA	115*	Straight Lambic
5. Owen Andrews, ACT	114*	Saison
6. Steve Hogarth, ACT	114*	Straight Lambic
7. Ryan Falstead, QLD	109	Saison
8. John Kingston, VIC	106	Saison
9. Russell Carpenter, QLD	105	Straight Lambic
10. Peter Davis, NSW	104.5*	Fruit Lambic: Blackberries & Raspberries
11. Steve Kirby, NSW	104.5*	Saison
12. Pete Ross, NSW	99	Saison
13. Nathan Semmens, QLD	96	Witbier
14. Jeff McGrath, WA	92.5	Witbier
15. Kevin McNeill, VIC	91	Fruit Lambic: Peach
16. Mark Rivers, WA	82	Witbier
17. Brad Bown, SA	69	Witbier
18. Brad Bown, SA	66	Biere de Garde

\*Count-back used to split ties





## AABC 2013 Photos



Great clarity on this one!



Here ya go Tabby, you try it first



Cheers





## Tribute to Neil Kay

by Michael Bowron

With the passing of Neil Kay, it is a great loss to the amateur brewing community in Victoria. Neil was a long time member of Worthogs and a friendly participant in many brewing endeavours. Neil was also active as Vicbrew treasurer, and has been instrumental in the running of the annual Vicbrew competition.

While I was unable to attend the funeral, I hear it was a very colourful affair with lots of Ford, Mambo and Brewclub shirts present. The wake at A.D. Ryan's was also well attended, with a few beers dedicated to Neil.

It makes me think that life may be too short and you never know what is in the future, so enjoy life while you can.