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Judges' Awards

Gold medal - 55.5 points and over
Silver medal - 51 to 55 points
Bronze medal - 46.5 to 50.5 points

Trophy Winners

Multi-Color Global Label Solutions Trophy

Best Riesling

Won by: Moppity Vineyards – 2016 Riesling (1:19)

Plonk Beer & Wine Store Trophy

Best Canberra District Riesling

Won by: Capital Wines – 2015 Whip Riesling (2:6)

Royal National Capital Agricultural Society Trophy

Best Chardonnay

Won by: McWilliams Wines – 2014 842 Chardonnay Tumbarumba (6:21)

OPC IT Trophy

Best Dry White Other Varieties and/or Blends

Won by: Capital Wines – 2016 Swinger Sauvignon Blanc (3:15)

National Mailing & Marketing

Best Dry White of Show

Won by: McWilliams Wines – 2014 842 Chardonnay Tumbarumba (6:21)

Capital Insurance Brokers Trophy

Best Shiraz

Won by: Ravensworth Wines – 2015 Shiraz Viognier (12:26)

Dr Edgar Riek Trophy

Sponsored by All Type Battery Solutions

Best Canberra District Shiraz

Won by: Ravensworth Wines – 2015 Shiraz Viognier (12:26)

Royal National Capital Agricultural Society Trophy

Best Cabernet Sauvignon or Cabernet Sauvignon Blend

Won by: Moppity Vineyards – 2015 Lock & Key Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon (14:4)

Ainslie Cellars Trophy

Best Dry Red Other Varieties and/or Blends

Won by: Mount Majura Vineyard – 2015 Tempranillo (16:13)

RSN - Riedel Trophy

Best Dry Red of Show

Won by: Ravensworth Wines – 2015 Shiraz Viognier (12:26)

Capital Hotel Group Trophy

Best Sparkling of Show

Not awarded

Canberra District Vignerons' Association Trophy

The Chairman's Trophy

Open Classes

Won by: Clonakilla Wines – 2015 Ceoltoiri (18:3)

ActewAGL Trophy

Most Successful Exhibitor of Show

Won by: McWilliams Wines

The Tradies Trophy

Wine of Provenance

Won by: Collector Wines – Marked Tree Red Shiraz (2015, 2009 2005)

Dan Murphy's Trophy

Champion Wine of Show

Won by: Ravensworth Wines – 2015 Shiraz Viognier (12:26)

Roll of Honour

Champion Wine of Show 1997 – 2016

1997	Canobolas-Smith 1995 Chardonnay
1998	Kyeema Estate 1996 Shiraz
1999	Not awarded
2000	Doonkuna Estate 1998 Shiraz
2001	Lark Hill Winery 1999 Shiraz
2002	Gallagher Wines 2001 Shiraz
2003	Bidgeebong Wines Australia Limited 2002 Gundagai Shiraz
2004	Ravensworth 2003 Shiraz
2005	Kamberra Wine Company 2004 Shiraz
2006	Kamberra Wine Company 2005 Meeting Place Shiraz
2007	Lerida Estate 2006 Lake George Shiraz
2008	Chalkers Crossing Pty Ltd 2005 Hilltops Shiraz
2009	Joint winners - Helm Wines 2008 Premium Riesling Eden Road Wines 2008 The Long Rd Hilltops Shiraz
2010	Clonakilla Wines 2009 Hilltops Shiraz
2011	Ravensworth Wines 2009 Shiraz Viognier
2012	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2010 Halfmoon Riesling
2013	Ravensworth Wines 2013 Riesling
2014	Capital Wines 2014 Gundaroo Vineyard Riesling
2015	Clonakilla Wines 2015 Riesling
2016	Ravensworth Wines 2015 Shiraz Viognier

Roll of Honour

Wine of Provenance 2014 – 2016

2014	Helm Wines - Premium Riesling
2015	Mount Majura - Vineyard Riesling
2016	Collector Wines - Marked Tree Red Shiraz

OPEN CLASSES*Dry White Wines***Class 1 Riesling, 2016 Vintage**

1	Dionysus Winery 2016 Riesling	52.5	Silver
2	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2016 Riesling	46.5	Bronze
3	Brokenwood Wines 2016 Four Winds Riesling Canberra District	55.5	Gold
4	Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines 2016 Riesling	46.5	Bronze
5	Clonakilla Wines 2016 Riesling	51	Silver
6	Capital Wines 2016 Gundaroo Vineyard Riesling	47.5	Bronze
7	Nick O'Leary Wines 2016 White Rocks Riesling	44	
8	Murrora Estate 2016 Riesling	41	
9	Barton Estate 2016 Riley's Riesling	47	Bronze
10	Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 2016 Riesling	41	
11	Ravensworth Wines 2016 Riesling	43.5	
12	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2016 Riesling	47.5	Bronze
13	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Riesling Road Block 116	52.5	Silver
14	Brindabella Hills 2016 Riesling	47	Bronze
15	Sapling Yard 2016 Ironbark Riesling	46.5	Bronze
16	Yarrh Wines 2016 Riesling	52.5	Silver
17	Nick O'Leary Wines 2016 Tumbarumba Riesling	48	Bronze
18	Four Winds Vineyard 2016 Riesling	51	Silver
<i>Top</i> 19	Moppity Vineyards 2016 Riesling	56	Gold
20	Murrumbateman Winery 2016 Riesling	45	
21	McKellar Ridge Wines 2016 Riesling	51	Silver
22	Capital Wines 2016 Whip Riesling	55.5	Gold

23	Artemis Wines 2016 Artemis Riesling	51	Silver
24	Helm Wines 2016 Classic Dry Riesling	49.5	Bronze
25	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2016 Winemakers Selection Riesling	43	
26	Moppity Vineyards 2016 Twelve Signs Riesling	48.5	Bronze
27	Nick O'Leary Wines 2016 Riesling	44.5	
28	The Vintner's Daughter 2016 Riesling	45	
29	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Reserve Riesling 925	51	Silver
30	Collector Wines Pty Ltd 2016 City West Riesling	44.5	
31	Gallagher Wines 2016 Riesling	45	
32	Summerhill Road 2016 Riesling	51	Silver
33	Mount Majura Vineyard 2016 Riesling	49.5	Bronze
34	Fallows Run 2016 Lidia Riesling	41	

Judge's Comment: Always a very interesting class. Best had balance, power, intensity. Some lacked depth and purity. Some fantastic wines at all levels; reason why so many medals were awarded.

Class 2 Riesling, 2015 and Older

1	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2015 Riesling	55.5	Gold
2	Artemis Wines 2015 Riesling	46.5	Bronze
3	Wallaroo Wines 2015 Riesling	51	Silver
4	Jirra Wines at Jeir Station 2015 Fresco Riesling	47	Bronze
5	Chalkers Crossing Wines 2015 Riesling	45.5	

Top

6	Capital Wines 2015 Whip Riesling	56	Gold
7	Nick O'Leary Wines 2015 White Rocks Riesling	55.5	Gold
8	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2013 Riesling	51	Silver
9	Barton Estate 2015 Riley's Riesling	46.5	Bronze

10	Tertini Wines 2015 Riesling	44.5	
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Judge's Comment: Vintage conditions shone through with great examples of various styles.

Class 3 Sauvignon Blanc and Blends thereof – 2016

1	Clonakilla Wines 2016 Sauvignon Blanc Semillon	46.5	Bronze
2	Murrumbateman Winery 2016 'Mollies Block' Sauvignon Blanc	42.5	
3	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	44	
4	Yarrh Wines 2016 Sauvignon Blanc		
5	Barton Estate 2016 Sauvignon Blanc Semillon	51	Silver
6	Dionysus Winery 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	48.5	Bronze
7	Murrora Estate 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	43	
8	Gallagher Wines 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	45	
9	Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	41.5	
10	Sholto Wines 2016 Fume Blanc	48	Bronze
11	Joadja Wines 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	44.5	
12	Summerhill Road 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	45	
13	Wily Trout 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	48	Bronze
14	McKellar Ridge Wines 2016 Sauvignon Blanc	55.5	Gold

<i>Top</i>	15	Capital Wines 2016 Swinger Sauvignon Blanc	56	Gold
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Judge's Comment: A strong year, best wines show balance and flavour; styles have been evolving in a good way.

Class 4 Sauvignon Blanc and blends thereof - 2015 and Older

1	Kingsdale Wines 2015 Sauvignon Blanc	44.5	
2	Chalkers Crossing Wines 2014 Sauvignon Blanc Tumbarumba	45.5	
3	Capital Wines 2015 Swinger Sauvignon Blanc	48	Bronze

Judge's Comment: Well made wines, some lacking a touch of freshness.

Class 5 Chardonnay - 2016

1	Bit O Heaven Wines 2016 Think Outside The Circle Chardonnay	43
2	Gallagher Wines 2016 Chardonnay	44
3	Dionysus Winery 2016 Chardonnay	43

Judge's Comment: Very forward styles that lacked definition and dimension.

Class 6 Chardonnay - 2015 and Older

1	Chalkers Crossing Wines 2014 Chardonnay Tumbarumba	47	Bronze
2	Coolhand 2014 Chardonnay	42.5	
3	Kingsdale Wines 2015 Chardonnay	41	
4	McWilliam's Wines 2013 Single Vineyard Chardonnay Tumbarumba	48.5	Bronze
5	Eden Road Wines 2014 'Tumbarumba' Chardonnay	55.5	Gold
6	McWilliam's Wines 2015 Single Vineyard Chardonnay Tumbarumba	47.5	Bronze
7	Chalkers Crossing Wines 2014 CC2 Chardonnay	42	
8	Coolhand 2013 Chardonnay	44	
9	McWilliam's Wines 2014 Single Vineyard Chardonnay Tumbarumba	51	Silver
10	Eden Road Wines 2015 'Courabyra' Chardonnay	47.5	Bronze
11	Coolhand 2015 Chardonnay	37	
12	McWilliam's Wines 2015 842 Chardonnay Tumbarumba	55.5	Gold
13	Coe & Co Wines 2013 Leaning Cow Chardonnay	41	
14	Centennial Vineyards 2013 Chardonnay Winery Block	44.5	
15	Lerida Estate 2015 Chardonnay	43	
16	Eden Road Wines 2015 'Maragle' Chardonnay	46.5	Bronze
17	Clonakilla Wines 2015 Chardonnay Tumbarumba	44	
18	McWilliam's Wines 2015 Appellation Chardonnay Tumbarumba	55.5	Gold

19	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Chardonnay Tumbarumba	50	Bronze
20	R. Paulazzo 2015 M-2305 Tumbarumba Chardonnay	46.5	Bronze
<i>Top</i> 21	McWilliam's Wines 2014 842 Chardonnay Tumbarumba	56	Gold
22	Wily Trout 2014 Chardonnay	43	
23	Wimbaliri 2014 35th Parallel Chardonnay	40	
24	McWilliam's Wines 2013 842 Chardonnay Tumbarumba	55.5	Gold
25	Pankhurst Wines 2015 Chardonnay	44.5	
26	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Coppabella Crest Chardonnay	49	Bronze
27	Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 2015 Chardonnay	44.5	
28	Wily Trout 2015 Chardonnay	47.5	Bronze
29	Sapling Yard 2015 Tantulean Chardonnay	42.5	
30	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Chardonnay	55.5	Gold
31	Tertini Wines 2015 Chardonnay	42.5	
32	Capital Wines 2015 Senator Chardonnay	47	Bronze
33	Allegiance Wines 2014 The Matron Tumbarumba Chardonnay	41	
34	Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines 2015 Chardonnay	42	
35	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2015 Chardonnay	41	

Judge's Comment: Dynamic and exciting class of wines; diversity of styles in some well handled oak. Touch of oxidisation and sweetness let a few wines down.

Class 7 Other Varieties and/or Blends 2016

1	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2016 Wollstonecraft Semillon	44.5
2	Sholto Wines 2016 Semillon	44
3	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2016 Semillon	45.5

4	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2016 Savagnin	47.5	Bronze
5	The Vintner's Daughter 2016 Gewurztraminer	44	
6	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Gewurztraminer House Block	45	
7	Lerida Estate 2016 Pinot Grigio	48	Bronze
8	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Pinot Grigio Winery Block	46.5	Bronze
9	Tertini Wines 2016 Pinot Gris	44.5	
10	Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd 2016 Pinot Gris	47	Bronze
11	Fallows Run 2016 Pinot Gris	42	
12	Mount Majura Vineyard 2016 Pinot Gris	47	Bronze
13	Ravensworth Wines 2016 Pinot Gris	48	Bronze
14	Quarry Hill Wines 2016 Two Places Pinot Gris	42	
15	Lerida Estate 2016 Amara	43.5	
16	Dionysus Winery 2016 Viognier	44	
17	Clonakilla Wines 2016 Viognier Nouveau	49.5	Bronze
18	Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 2016 ViChaRo	52.5	Silver

Judge's Comment: Sugar was an issue for some wines. Best wines had good winemaker input. Some fun and interesting styles.

Class 8 Other Varieties and/or Blends 2015 And Older

1	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2009 Semillon	52	Silver
2	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2005 Semillon	44.5	
3	Kingsdale Wines 2015 Semillon	43	
4	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2015 Semillon	43	
5	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2009 Wollstonecraft Semillon	52.5	Silver

6	Tertini Wines 2015 Arneis	46.5	Bronze
7	Clonakilla Wines 2015 Viognier	53	Silver
8	Artemis Wines 2015 Artemis Pinot Grigio	48	Bronze
9	McWilliam's Wines 2015 High Altitude Pinot Grigio Tumbarumba	41	

Judge's Comment: A diverse class with some impressive aged wines and some quality in the alternative varieties.

Dry Red Wines

Class 9 Rosé - Any Vintage

1	Yarrh Wines 2016 Cab Sauv		Withdrawn
2	Murrora Estate 2016 Rose	44	
3	Wily Trout 2016 Rose	44.5	
4	Sapling Yard 2016 Pinot Noir Rose	43	
5	Kingsdale Wines 2015 Shiraz Rose	44	
6	McKellar Ridge Wines 2016 Rose	46.5	Bronze
7	Fallows Run 2016 Rose	47	Bronze
8	Ballinaclash 2016 Two hearts make a diamond Rose	43.5	
9	Barton Estate 2016 Blue Rose	46.5	Bronze
10	Capital Wines 2016 Abstainer Rose	43	
11	Lerida Estate 2016 Pinot Noir Rose	51.5	Silver

Judge's Comment: Sweetness let a few wines down. The best were bright, clean and fresh in acid.

Class 10 Pinot Noir – 2015 & 2016

1	McWilliam's Wines 2015 Appellation Pinot Noir Tumbarumba	44.5	
2	Lerida Estate 2015 Lake George Pinot Noir	55.5	Gold
3	Artemis Wines 2015 Pinot Noir	41	
4	Wily Trout 2015 Pinot Noir	46.5	Bronze
5	Lerida Estate 2015 Cullerin Pinot Noir	51	Silver
6	Single Vineyards 2015 Pinot Noir	41	
7	Allegiance Wines 2015 The Artist Tumbarumba Pinot Noir	45	
8	McKellar Ridge Wines 2015 Pinot Noir	51	Silver
9	Coolhand 2015 Pinot Noir	44	
10	The Vintner's Daughter 2015 Pinot Noir Tumbarumba	42	
<i>Top</i> 11	Hatherleigh Vineyard 2015 Pinot Noir	56	Gold
12	R. Paulazzo 2015 K-1707 Tumbarumba Pinot Noir	51	Silver
13	Yarrh Wines 2015 Pinot Noir		Withdrawn
14	Pankhurst Wines 2015 Pinot Noir	51	Silver
15	Eden Road Wines 2015 'Courabyra' Pinot Noir	52	Silver
16	Tertini Wines 2015 Pinot Noir	46.5	Bronze

Judge's Comment: Great class to judge. Winemaking is heading in a very good direction with this vintage. Best wines were bright, complex and balanced.

Class 11 Pinot Noir – 2014 and Older

	1	Hatherleigh Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir	49	Bronze
<i>Top</i>	2	Lerida Estate 2014 Josephine Pinot Noir	55.5	Gold
	3	Maipenrai Vineyard 2014 Rogha Crois Vineyard	38.5	
	4	Artemis Wines 2014 Close Vine Pinot Noir	44	

Judge's Comment: Top was outstanding, whole bunch work and brave winemaking has shown out.

Class 12 Shiraz including Shiraz/Viognier – 2015 & 2016

	1	Nick O'Leary Wines 2015 Bolaro Shiraz	56	Gold
	2	The Vintner's Daughter 2015 Shiraz Viognier	46.5	Bronze
	3	Lerida Estate 2015 Shiraz	45	
	4	Collector Wines Pty Ltd 2015 Marked Tree Red Shiraz	47	Bronze
	5	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Lock & Key Reserve Shiraz	52.5	Silver
	6	Clonakilla Wines 2015 O'Riada Shiraz	56	Gold
	7	McWilliam's Wines 2015 1877 Shiraz Canberra	44	
	8	Barton Estate 2015 Georgia Shiraz	41	
	9	Brokenwood Wines 2015 Four Winds Shiraz Canberra District	52.5	Silver
	10	Gallagher Wines 2015 Shiraz	44	
	11	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Shiraz	55.5	Gold
	12	Sapling Yard 2015 Shiraz Viognier	52.5	Silver
	13	The Vintner's Daughter 2015 Shiraz	45	
	14	Nick O'Leary Wines 2015 Shiraz	56	Gold
	15	Clonakilla Wines 2015 Shiraz	55.5	Gold
	16	McWilliam's Wines 2015 Single Vineyard Shiraz Hilltops	45	
	17	Collector Wines Pty Ltd 2015 Reserve Shiraz	44	

18	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Escallier Shiraz	45	
19	Eden Road Wines 2015 'Estate' Syrah Shiraz		Withdrawn
20	Bit O Heaven Wines 2015 Think Outside The Circle Shiraz	55.5	Gold
21	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Reserve Shiraz	51	Silver
22	Grove Estate 2015 The Cellar Block Shiraz Viognier	51	Silver
23	McWilliam's Wines 2015 Appellation Syrah Canberra	55.5	Gold
24	Jirra Wines at Jeir Station 2015 Shiraz	42.5	
25	Brindabella Hills 2015 Shiraz	41	
<i>Top</i> 26	Ravensworth Wines 2015 Ravensworth Shiraz Viognier	56.5	Gold
27	Paterson's Gundagai Vineyard 2015 Shiraz	43.5	
28	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Shiraz	46.5	Bronze
29	Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 2015 Shiraz	51	Silver
30	Wily Trout 2015 The Royal Coachman Shiraz	55.5	Gold
31	Coolhand 2015 Syrah Shiraz	45.5	
32	Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines 2015 Shiraz Viognier	51	Silver
33	Quarry Hill Wines 2015 Shiraz	43	
34	Single Vineyards 2015 Shiraz	47.5	Bronze
35	McKellar Ridge Wines 2015 Shiraz Viognier	51	Silver
36	Dionysus Winery 2015 Shiraz	42.5	
37	Lerida Estate 2015 Shiraz Viognier	51	Silver
38	Four Winds Vineyard 2015 Shiraz	55.5	Gold
39	Murrumbateman Winery 2015 'Leela' Shiraz	44.5	
40	Molesworth & Blacket 2015 Fox Hustler Shiraz	40.5	

Judge's Comment: An outstanding class of wines reflecting a great vintage and a variety well suited to the region. Some wines still struggled getting ripeness and oak use right. The best were medium to full bodied, aromatic and delicious.

Class 13 Shiraz including Shiraz/Viognier – 2014 and older

	1	Capital Wines 2014 Kyeema Vineyard Reserve Shiraz	52.5	Silver
<i>Top</i>	2	Nick O'Leary Wines 2013 Bolaro Shiraz	56	Gold
	3	Coe & Co Wines 2014 Leaning Cow Shiraz	45	
	4	Moppity Vineyards 2014 Lock & Key Shiraz	45	
	5	Wily Trout 2014 The Royal Coachman Shiraz	47.5	Bronze
	6	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2014 Reserve Merriman Shiraz	46.5	Bronze
	7	Artemis Wines 2013 Artemis Shiraz	45	
	8	Kingsdale Wines 2013 Emma Shiraz	41	
	9	Nick O'Leary Wines 2013 Shiraz	55.5	Gold
	10	R. Paulazzo 2014 G-0501 Hilltops Shiraz	46.5	Bronze
	11	Wimbaliri 2014 Shiraz Viognier	52	Silver
	12	Lerida Estate 2014 Shiraz Viognier	52.5	Silver
	13	Brokenwood Wines 2014 Four Winds Shiraz Canberra District	43.5	
	14	Capital Wines 2014 Frontbencher Shiraz	50.5	Bronze
	15	Eden Road Wines 2014 'Estate' Syrah	44	
	16	McWilliam's Wines 2014 Appellation Shiraz Hilltops	52.5	Silver
	17	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2014 Shiraz	46.5	Bronze
	18	Yarrh Wines 2013 Shiraz	46.5	Bronze
	19	Moppity Vineyards 2014 Escallier Shiraz	45	
	20	McWilliam's Wines 2014 High Altitude Shiraz Hilltops	51	Silver

21	Chalkers Crossing Wines 2014 Shiraz	43.5	
22	Ballinaclash 2014 Sub Tuum Shiraz	55.5	Gold
23	Tumblong Estates P/L 2013 Tumblong Hills B-Block Syrah	44.5	
24	Tumblong Estates P/L 2013 Tumblong Hill J-Block Cuvee Syrah	44.5	
25	McWilliam's Wines 2014 Single Vineyard Shiraz Hilltops	55.5	Gold
26	McWilliam's Wines 2014 1877 Shiraz Hilltops	51	Silver
27	Capital Wines 2014 Kyeema Vineyard Reserve Shiraz Voignier	40	
28	Tumblong Estates P/L 2013 Tumblong Hills Premiere Cuvee Syrah	43.5	
29	Moppity Vineyards 2014 Reserve Shiraz	51	Silver
30	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2014 Winemakers Selection Shiraz	46.5	Bronze
31	Coe & Co Wines 2013 Leaning Cow Reserve Shiraz	42.5	
32	Wily Trout 2013 The Royal Coachman Shiraz	51	Silver

Judge's Comment: Good diversity of style. Some lacked freshness and had a heavy handed approach. Overall a very strong class with some good use of whole bunch and that were closer to medium bodied. Pure fruit and less oak was important in quality.

Class 14 Cabernet Sauvignon & Cabernet Sauvignon Blends – 2015 & 2016

	1	Pankhurst Wines 2015 Dorothy May Cabernet Sauvignon	48.5	Bronze
	2	Ballinaclash 2015 Joseph Cabernet Sauvignon	49	Bronze
	3	Murrumbateman Winery 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	42	
<i>Top</i>	4	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Lock & Key Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	55.5	Gold
	5	Murrora Estate 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	49	Bronze
	6	Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 2015 Cabernets	44.5	
	7	Pankhurst Wines 2015 Cabernet Merlot	44.5	

Judge's Comment: Balance and brightness shown in the top wines. Blends can work well where suited.

Class 15 Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Sauvignon Blends – 2014 and Older

1	Wimbaliri 2012 First Vines Merlot-Cabernet	45	
2	McKellar Ridge Wines 2013 Trio	42	
3	Wimbaliri 2012 First Vines Cabernet-Merlot	45	
4	McWilliam's Wines 2013 Appellation Cabernet Sauvignon Hilltops	44	
5	Moppity Vineyards 2014 Lock & Key Cabernet Sauvignon	52.5	Silver
6	Tumblong Estates P/L 2013 Tumblong Hills J-Block Cuvee Cabernet Sauvignon	44	
7	Oakvale Wines 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon	49.5	Bronze
8	Moppity Vineyards 2014 Lock & Key Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	48	Bronze
9	McWilliam's Wines 2014 Appellation Cabernet Sauvignon Hilltops	48.5	Bronze
10	Yarrh Wines 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon	42	
11	Chalkers Crossing Wines 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon	47	Bronze
12	Wallaroo Wines 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon	45	
13	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon	49.5	Bronze
14	Moppity Vineyards 2014 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	44.5	

Judge's Comment: Overall good clean characters in all wines; few issues in underripe characters and tannin management.

Class 16 Tempranillo – Any Vintage

1	Nick O'Leary Wines 2013 Seven Gates Tempranillo	45	
2	Houlaghans Valley Wines 2013 Tempranillo	47	Bronze
3	Nick O'Leary Wines 2014 Seven Gates Tempranillo	43	
4	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Lock & Key Reserve Tempranillo	49	Bronze
5	Capital Wines 2015 Ambassador Tempranillo	42	

6	Dionysus Winery 2015 Tempranillo	41	
7	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Dry Spur	51	Silver
8	McKellar Ridge Wines 2016 Basket Pressed Tempranillo	49	Bronze
9	Pankhurst Wines 2015 Tempranillo	48	Bronze
10	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Little Dam	51	Silver
11	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Rock Block	48	Bronze
12	Centennial Vineyards 2015 Tempranillo Winery Block	44.5	
<i>Top</i>	13 Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Tempranillo	55.5	Gold
	14 Quarry Hill Wines 2015 Lost Acre Tempranillo	45.5	

Judge's Comment: Evolution in understanding tempranillo continues. The top wine captures the brightness of fruit along with savoury tannins.

Class 17 Sangiovese – Any Vintage

1	Pankhurst Wines 2015 Sangiovese	47.5	Bronze
2	Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines 2016 Sangiovese	48	Bronze
3	Jirra Wines at Jeir Station 2015 Sangiovese	45.5	
4	Collector Wines Pty Ltd 2015 Rose Red City Sangiovese	47.5	Bronze
5	Yarrh Wines 2015 Sangiovese	45	
6	Jirra Wines at Jeir Station 2008 Sangiovese	42.5	
7	Four Winds Vineyard 2015 Sangiovese	51.5	Silver
8	Capital Wines 2015 Foreign Minister Sangiovese	48	Bronze

Judge's Comment: A fantastic class with a lot of quality wines, showing the strength of the variety in the region. The lower scoring wines have too much oak and extract. Very good.

Class 18 Other Varieties and/or Blends – 2015 and 2016

	1	Dionysus Winery 2016 Gamay	45	
	2	Ravenworth Wines 2016 Ravensworth Charlie - Foxtrot Gamay Noir	46	
<i>Top</i>	3	Clonakilla Wines 2015 Ceoltoiri	56	Gold
	4	Wily Trout 2016 Nanima Block	55.5	Gold
	5	Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines 2015 Scuro Shiraz Sangiovese	46.5	Bronze
	6	Moppity Vineyards 2015 Twelve Signs Merlot	42	
	7	Gallagher Wines 2015 Merlot	47	Bronze
	8	Murrumbateman Winery 2015 Malbec	42	
	9	Summerhill Road 2015 Pepper & Ace Red	42	
	10	Lerida Estate 2015 Merlot Cabernet Franc	47	Bronze
	11	McKellar Ridge Wines 2015 Merlot Cabernet Franc	51	Silver
	12	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Dinny's Block	46.5	Bronze
	13	Lerida Estate 2015 Georgianus	44	
	14	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Graciano	51	Silver
	15	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 TSG Tempranillo Shiraz Graciano	55.5	Gold
	16	Eden Road Wines 2015 'Hilltops' Nebbiolo	45	
	17	Grove Estate 2015 Sommita Nebbiolo	55.5	Gold
	18	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Touriga	51	Silver

Judge's Comment: A very diverse group of wines, some real standouts were awarded accordingly. A great class to judge highlighting exciting new wine styles of the region.

Class 19 Other Varieties and/or Blends – 2014 and Older

1	Capital Wines 2014 Backbencher Merlot	44	
2	Shaw Vineyard Estate 2014 Merlot	48.5	Bronze
3	Jirra Wines at Jeir Station 2013 Merlot	44.5	
4	Capital Wines 2014 Kyeema Vineyard Reserve Merlot	44	
5	Kingsdale Wines 2013 Merlot Malbec	43.5	
6	Capital Wines 2014 Kyeema Vineyard Tempranillo Shiraz	48	Bronze
7	Coolangatta Estate Wines 2014 Tannat	47	Bronze

Judge's Comment: A large diversity of styles; some were over developed; others with too much extraction and oak. Best found balance in a good use of fruits.

Sparkling Wines

Class 20 Vintage or Non Vintage Sparkling White, Pink or Red

1	Gallagher Wines NV Sparkling Duet	44.5	
2	Lerida Estate 2006 Brut Reserve	51	Silver
3	Centennial Vineyards NV Pinot Chardonnay	46.5	Bronze
4	Wily Trout 2013 Pinot Chardonnay Methode Traditionnelle	50	Bronze
5	Centennial Vineyards NV Blanc De Blancs	45.5	
6	Gallagher Wines 2011 Blanc de Blanc	52.5	Silver
7	Centennial Vineyards NV Brut Rose	47.5	Bronze
8	Artemis Wines 2015 Sparkling Riesling	46.5	Bronze
9	Wily Trout 2016 Pet' Nat	52.5	Silver
10	Gallagher Wines 2014 Sparkling Shiraz	43.5	

Judge's Comment: Diverse selection, some clean and pure; other richer and complex. Both did well, some impressive nose too. Touch too much sweetness on some.

Medium or Sweet White Wines

Class 21 Any Vintage

	1	Lerida Estate 2015 Botrytis Pinot Gris	48	Bronze
<i>Top</i>	2	Mount Majura Vineyard 2015 Noble Pinot Gris	55.5	Gold
	3	Summerhill Road 2016 Wild White	44	
	4	Centennial Vineyards 2013 Finale Late Autumn Chardonnay	47.5	Bronze

Judge's Comment: Some good efforts, best had balance of sugar and acid. Others lacked intensity and complexity.

SPECIAL CLASSES

Wine of Provenance

Class 24 Dry White any Variety and/or Blend – Vintage spread must be 10 or more years

- 1 Coolangatta Estate Wines
2016 2009 2006 Semillon
- 2 Helm Wines
2015 2010 2004 Classic Dry Riesling

Top

- 3 Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines
2016 2011 2003 Riesling
- 4 Mount Majura Vineyard
2015 2009 2005 Chardonnay
- 5 Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines
2015 2011 2005 Chardonnay

Judge's Comment: Some standout wines all showing great feeling of place and style. Was beautiful to see wines aging so gracefully.

Class 25 Dry Red any Variety and/or Blend – Vintage spread must be 10 or more years

- 1 Mount Majura Vineyard
2015 2011 2004 Shiraz

Winner

- 2 Collector Wines Pty Ltd
2015 2009 2005 Marked Tree Red Shiraz
- 3 Nick O'Leary Wines
2015 2009 2006 Shiraz
- 4 Mount Majura Vineyard
2015 2011 2004 Dinny's Block

Judge's Comment: Best flights showed harmony and grace with age; others tired early and lacked consistency across vintages.

Exhibitors

Allegiance Wines 8 Scenic Court ALSTONVILLE NSW 2477	(6, 10)
Artemis Wines 46 Sir Charles Moses Lane, Old Hume Highway, Mittagong, NSW	(1, 2, 8, 10, 11, 13, 20)
Ballinaclash PO Box 355 YOUNG NSW 2594 YOUNG NSW 2594	(9, 13, 14)
Barton Estate 2307 Barton Highway MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 2, 3, 9, 12)
Bit O Heaven Wines PO Box 915 YOUNG NSW 2594	(5, 12)
Brindabella Hills 156 Woodgrove Close VIA HALL ACT 2618	(1, 12)
Brokenwood Wines 401- 427 McDonald's Road POKOLBIN NSW 2321	(1, 12, 13)
Capital Wines 2918 Barton Highway MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 13, 16, 17, 19)
Centennial Vineyards PO Box 2076 BOWRAL NSW 2576	(1, 6, 7, 16, 20, 21)
Chalkers Crossing Wines PO Box 161 YOUNG NSW 2594	(2, 4, 6, 13, 15)
Clonakilla Wines 3 Crisps Lane MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 12, 18)
Coe & Co Wines RMB 429 Gundasat Road COOBA NSW 2722	(6, 13)
Collector Wines Pty Ltd 291 Bush's lane MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 12, 17, 25)
Coolangatta Estate Wines 1335 Bolong Road SHOALHAVEN HEADS NSW 2535	(7, 8, 19, 24)
Coolhand 125 The Vineyards Road LAKE GEORGE NSW 2581	(6, 10, 12)
Dionysus Winery 1 Patemans Lane MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 3, 5, 7, 12, 16, 18)
Eden Road Wines 3182 Barton Highway MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(6, 10, 12, 13, 18)
Fallows Run 618 Covan Creek Road LAKE BATHURST NSW 2580	(1, 7, 9)
Four Winds Vineyard 9 Patemans Lane MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 12, 17)
Gallagher Wines 2770 Dog Trap Road MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 3, 5, 12, 18, 20)
Grove Estate PO Box 915 YOUNG NSW 2594	(12, 18)
Halfmoon Wines Pty Ltd PO Box 116 BRAIDWOOD NSW 2622	(1, 2, 3, 6, 7)
Hatherleigh Vineyard 35 Redground Heights Road, Laggan, NSW 2583	(10, 11)
Helm Wines 19 Butts Road MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 24)
Houlaghans Valley Wines 242 Summer Hill Road, Temora, NSW 2666	(16)
Jirra Wines at Jeir Station 2443 Barton Hwy YASS NSW 2582	(2, 12, 17, 19)
Joadja Wines 110 Joadja Road BERRIMA NSW 2575	(3)
Kingsdale Wines 745 Crookwell Road KINGSDALE NSW 2580	(4, 6, 8, 9, 13, 19)
Lark Hill Biodynamic Wines PO Box 4185 MANUKA ACT 2603	(1, 6, 12, 17, 18, 24)
Lerida Estate Federal Highway LAKE GEORGE NSW 2581	(6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 20, 21)
Maipenrai Vineyard 1516 Sutton Road SUTTON NSW 2620	(11)
McKellar Ridge Wines 2 Euroka Avenue MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 3, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 18)
McWilliam's Wines Jack McWilliams Road HANWOOD NSW 2680	(6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15)
Molesworth & Blacket 76 Blacket Street DOWNER ACT 2602	(12)

Moppity Vineyards Moppity Road YOUNG NSW 2594	(1, 6, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18)
Mount Majura Vineyard 88 Lime Kiln Road MAJURA ACT 2609	(1, 6, 7, 12, 16, 18, 21, 24, 25)
Murrora Estate 124 Gooromon Ponds WALLAROO NSW 2618	(1, 3, 9, 14)
Murrumbateman Winery 131 McIntosh Circuit MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 3, 12, 14, 18)
Nick O'Leary Wines 129 Donnelly Lane BUNGENDORE NSW 2621	(1, 2, 12, 13, 16, 25)
Oakvale Wines 1596 Broke Road POKOLBIN NSW 2320	(15)
Pankhurst Wines 56 Woodgrove CI WALLAROO NSW 2618	(6, 10, 14, 16, 17)
Paterson's Gundagai Vineyard 747 Old Hume Highway TUMBLONG NSW 2729	(12)
Quarry Hill Wines 24 Rosedale Road GORDON NSW 2072 GORDON NSW 2072	(7, 12, 16)
R. Paulazzo 852 Oaks Road YOOGALI NSW 2680	(6, 10, 13)
Ravensworth Wines 312 Patemans Lane MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 7, 12, 18)
Sapling Yard 1449 Charleys Forest Road BRAIDWOOD NSW 2622	(1, 6, 9, 12)
Shaw Vineyard Estate 1 Barwang Road YOUNG NSW 2594	(1, 13, 15, 19)
Sholto Wines 1 Prevost Place MACGREGOR ACT2615	(3, 7)
Single Vineyards PO Box 26, MITCHELL ACT 2911	(10, 12)
Summerhill Road PO Box 207 WALLAROO VIA HALL NSW 2618	(1, 3, 18, 21)
Surveyor's Hill Vineyards 215 Brooklands Road WALLAROO NSW 2618	(1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 14)
Tertini Wines 134 Kells Creek Road MITTAGONG NSW 2575	(2, 6, 7, 8, 10)
The Vintner's Daughter 5 Crisps Lane MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 7, 10, 12)
Tumblong Estates P/L PO Box 38 GUNDAGAI NSW 2722	(13, 15)
Wallaroo Wines 196 Brooklands Road HALL NSW 2618	(2, 15)
Wily Trout PO Box 243 HALL NSW 2618	(3, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 18, 20)
Wimbaliri PO Box 7246 KALEEN NSW 2617	(6, 13, 15)
Yarrh Wines 440 Greenwood Road MURRUMBATEMAN NSW 2582	(1, 3, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17)