

ANNUAL WINE COMPETITION RULES 2022

1. The exhibitor identified on the entry form must personally make all the entries and all wines entered must be made on a **non-commercial basis**. That is, they must not be made **specifically** for profit or gain. Wines not fitting this criterion may be entered **FOR ASSESSMENT ONLY** at the discretion of the Show Director and shall not be eligible for any prize.
2. Entry forms and payment **must be received by 15 July 2022**.
3. **Late entries will not be accepted.**
4. All entries are to be in appropriate 750ml **screw cap** wine bottles (clear bottles for Country wines), except for fortified or liqueurs which may be submitted in 250 - 375ml bottles. Sparkling wines must be exhibited in standard champagne bottles, clear or coloured, preferably with plastic type stoppers and wires or crown seals.
5. The only label to be placed on the bottle is the official label provided to the entrant. No other attachment or marking is permitted.
6. 2022 vintage red wines will only be accepted in the barrel sample category and will only be eligible for the one prize category.
7. Seeded (yeast added) grape juice obtained from a commercial supplier and / or Kit wine will only be eligible for entry for **ASSESSMENT ONLY**
8. Fortified wines must be wholly or partially fermented.
9. Liqueurs must be made with a neutral base spirit and must **not** be made from proprietary essence or flavouring. Liqueurs will not be eligible for WOTY (Winemaker Of The Year) scoring.
10. Wine entries remain the property of Frankston Amateur Winemakers Guild (FAWG) and will **NOT** be available for collection until after 2.30pm on show day, or at the sole discretion of the Chief Steward. Wines not collected will be disposed of at the discretion of FAWG. Any faulty wines **may** be kept and used for study purposes at the next Guild meeting.
11. FAWG will take all care but will not be responsible for any loss or damage to any exhibit. Exhibits are shown at the sole risk of the exhibitor and FAWG and its members do not accept any liability arising from the exhibit.
12. FAWG will not knowingly share or pass on any personal information provided by exhibitors in the course of this competition to any other person or persons.
13. FAWG reserves the right to alter the entry class of any wine entered into the competition in order to ensure it is judged relevant to the major proportional elements of the wine.
14. In the event of a low number of entries in a particular class FAWG may, at its discretion, include those entries in the nearest appropriate class or amalgamated class.
15. Winemaker of the Year (WOTY) - To be eligible entrants must be a member of the Frankston Amateur Winemakers Guild and have entered a minimum of ten (10) wines in the annual competition. The award is calculated by adding all the points for each individual's entries in the show and dividing that value by the number of entries submitted by the individual, thus providing an average score.
16. Gold medal award winners **may** be contacted following the judging to provide an additional bottle, if available, for the public tasting.
17. Awards: Gold, Silver, Bronze awards will be awarded in all presented classes. A wine must achieve a minimum of Bronze standard to be eligible for any prize. In keeping with Guild philosophy, wines will only be eligible for one prize. Wines will be judged on points as follows, using the international 20-point wine judging system. The judges' decision will be final.

20 point wine judging system	
Colour	3
Bouquet	7
Palate	10

Awards	
Gold	18.5 points & over
Silver	17.0 – 18.4 points
Bronze	15.5 – 16.9 points
Highly Commended (HC)	14.0 – 15.4 points