



Special Occasion Sparklings

Special occasions such as weddings, anniversaries, farewells and parties mean that at some point, anyone may be called upon to raise a glass and offer a few words to friends, colleagues and loved ones. These days a toast is normally performed with a glass of bubbly.

The tradition of toasting or drinking to someone's health dates back to the time of the ancient Greeks, who used it as a tactic to gain the trust of political visitors by proving the offered drinks weren't laced with poison.

Yellowglen has a selection of sparkling wines at a variety of prices which are exceptional quality within their price brackets. At the lower end of their range is *Yellow*, a wine that has had great success in the market since being launched in 1996. *Cuvee Victoria* is the flagship of the Yellowglen range - a premium quality wine that won the trophy for the Best Sparkling Wine at the 1997 Sydney Wine Show. This is a prestigious wine for those very special moments. A new wine in the range is *Y Sparkling Burgundy*. This wine is predominantly shiraz and cabernet sauvignon.

Pol Roger NV Brut is a style which is versatile, suited to every champagne occasion and is drawn from different vineyards, grape varieties and vintage years.

Orlando Trilogy Cuvee Brut, an elegant bottle fermented award winning sparkling wine. The complex palate and

crisp refreshing finish makes *Trilogy* the ideal aperitif.

Blue Pyrenees, owned by the French company **Remy Martin** produces an Australian sparkling in the French style, made from estate-grown grapes in the Pyrenees region. Their flagship is *Midnight Cuvee*, which is made from grapes hand-picked at night. Produced in small quantities, *Midnight Cuvee* is an exceptional quality wine.

Another French connection in Victoria is **Domaine Chandon**. A subsidiary of **Moet Chandon**. One of their wines is the *Vintage Brut Rosé*, made from a blend of 60% pinot noir and 40% chardonnay. The wine has a lovely salmon pink colour and an aroma of rich pinot noir fruit characters.

Australia's best known sparkling wine label is **Seaview**. Now exported around the world, *Seaview Brut* was earlier this year included in Wine Spectator's list of top ten sparkling wines under \$10 in the US. *Seaview Brut* is the largest selling sparkling wine in Australia. The 1990 *Seaview Pinot Noir Chardonnay* won 10 gold medals and six trophies. The recently released 1994 vintage is following in its steps. The winemaker attributes the wine's success to the diversity of cool climate regions from which the premium fruit is drawn. A wine that can be enjoyed on any occasion.

The Yellowglen Yellow, Yellowglen Y and Yellowglen Y Sparkling Burgundy are this month's members' specials.

Society for Advanced Legal Studies

The Society for Advanced Legal Studies is a learned society consisting of scholars, practitioners and members of the judiciary from the UK and around the world.

Its objective is to promote and facilitate legal research. It intends to do this through providing a vehicle for academics and practitioners to work together across a broad spectrum of activities.

The Society is keen to strengthen its base by retaining a significant membership of practising lawyers from overseas and, although it currently has over 200 overseas members, it is keen to attract more.

As well as organising workshops, conferences and public lectures the Society will promote the dissemination of information and legal material.

Its new journal *Amicus Curiae* will be published 10 times yearly by CCH and is provided to members and law schools free of charge. Members will also receive discounts on a number of publications, including eight journals, from the Institute of Legal Research at the University of London.

Membership as an Associate Fellow is open to all those who hold a post-graduate degree in law or who are entitled to practice law in the UK and elsewhere. Those who distinguish themselves as scholars or practitioners may seek election as a Fellow and those of exceptional distinction may be invited to accept an Honorary Fellowship.

Membership of the Society costs £35 per year and includes 10 issues of *Amicus Curiae*.

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