

# JUNE, 2013

### VINTAGE SELECT BUYERS' CLUB NEWSLETTER WWW.MCCARTHYANDSCHIERING.COM

### Visits at the shops Produttori Del Barbaresco Aldo Vacca

Aldo Vacca, director of the 56-member Produttori del Barbaresco, will be at the shops on Saturday, June 8th to showcase their wines. Don't miss the chance to have Aldo sign bottles.

### 2011 Produttori Del Barbaresco Nebbiolo

2011 I Touniton Del Dalouresto	110001010			
Langhe	24.00	19.92VS		
2008 Produttori Del Barbaresco	Barbaresco			
'Torre'	35.00	29.05VS		
2008 Produttori Del Barbaresco	Barbaresco I	Riserva		
'Pajé'	54.95	net		
2007 Produttori Del Barbaresco	Barbaresco I	Riserva		
'Pajé'	54.95	net		
2008 Produttori Del Barbaresco Barbaresco Riserva				
'Muncagotta'	54.95	net		
2007 Produttori Del Barbaresco	Barbaresco I	Riserva		
'Muncagotta'	54.95	net		
Taste a selection of these wines on Saturday,				
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and at the Queen Anne shop fr	om 2:30PM-51	PM		

# ÀMAURICE CELLARS

The new wines from à Maurice Cellars caught our attention. Come and taste these wines with winery representative Bryan Hill on Saturday, June 15th at both shops.

### 2011 àMaurice Chardonnay

Columbia Valley	28.00	23.24VS			
2010 à Maurice Red Morris Grav	ves'				
Columbia Valley	35.00	29.05VS			
2010 à Maurice Malbec 'Gamache	Vineyard'				
Columbia Valley	35.00	29.05VS			
2009 àMaurice Syrah 'Fred'					
Walla Walla Valley	47.00	39.01VS			
2010 à Maurice Estate Red Night Owl'					
Walla Walla Valley	47.00	39.01VS			
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# VISITS AT THE SHOPS TRANCHE CELLARS

Three new wines from Tranche Cellars have just been released. The 2011 Tranche Cellars Dolcetto has a very Piemontese aroma and flavor, resembling the style of the originals. The 2008 Tranche Cellars Estate Barbera is another excellent vintage of this spicy, berry-scented red. The 2009 Tranche Cellars Cabernet Franc shows tobacco leaf and red cherry fruit. Come in and sample these wines with Rob Griswold on Saturday, June 22nd at both shops.

2011 Tranche Cellars Dolcetto				
Columbia Valley	25.00	20.75VS		
2008 Tranche Cellars Estate Barbe	era			
Columbia Valley	25.00	20.75VS		
2009 Tranche Cellars Cabernet Fr	anc			
Walla Walla Valley	30.00	24.90VS		
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# MARK RYAN

The bright, zesty, and citrusy 2012 Mark Ryan Viognier is a stunning wine. Aging in 70% neutral French oak barrels gives the wine its luxurious texture, and the fragrant elements give it a summery feel. The 2011 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Wild Eyed' is 100% Syrah all from Red Mountain sources. The aroma shows plums and violets with underlying notes of bacon and black pepper. On the palate, hints of mocha and vanilla give the wine a sexy taste but there is good acidity to keep it fresh and easy to drink early. The 2011 Mark Ryan Mourvèdre 'Crazy Mary' has an exotic aroma. Their website describes it as 'saddle leather, red meat, tar, hot stones, and crushed black pepper...wrapped in layers of black currants, dark plums, sweet herbs, and licorice."That's a lot to comprehend, but these elements all seem to be there in this complex and intriguing wine.

### 2012 Mark Ryan Viognier

Columbia Valley	30.00	24.90VS
2011 Mark Ryan Syrah Wild Eyed	•	
Red Mountain	48.00	39.84VS
2011 Mark Ryan Mourvèdre 'Craz	y Mary'	
Red Mountain	48.00	39.84VS

The two prices reflected in this newsletter are the regular retail and the Vintage Select discount price. The Vintage Select Club is a buyer's club which saves you 17% on wine purchases (paid by cash or check) whether you buy them by the case or by the bottle. In addition, you are mailed this monthly newsletter which details the new releases, special prices and gives you advance notice of the arrival of bot new wines.

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# 2011 Wolfberger Pinot Blanc

Wolfberger is a huge cooperative with more than 450 members, founded in 1902 in Eguisheim. With more than 3,000 acres under vine, winemaker Bertrand Praz has lots to select from for the raw material. Pinot Blanc has been known in Alsace since the 16th Century, and today it covers 22% of the vineyards, and is the second most important variety after Riesling. The 2011 Wolberger Pinot Blanc is a steal of a deal at \$15. It has a crisp, clean style, is fully dry, and pairs well with Northwest seafoods.

### **2011 Wolfberger Pinot Blanc** Eguisheim

15.00 12.45VS

# Featured Wines: Summertime Whites

We hope the weather will begin to warm up enough such that folks will be able to sip wine on their decks. We have put together a selection of interesting new whites to savor while relaxing.

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2012 Mongravet Blanc					
Côtes de Gascogne	9.00	7.47VS			
2010 Olivier Jarochette Bourgogne	Chardon	nay			
	12.00	9.96VS			
2012 Le Jade Picpoul					
Picpoul de Pinet	12.00	9.96VS			
2012 Vignerons de Buxy Bourgogn	e Chardon	nay			
'Buissonnier'	13.00	10.79VS			
2010 Giustiniana Gavi 'Lugarara'	,				
Comune di Gavi	14.00	11.62VS			
2012 Castellari Bergaglio Gavi					
'Salluvii'	17.00	14.11VS			
2011 Tenuta Le Calcinaie Vernaccia					
San Gimignano	18.00	14.94VS			
2012 Henri Bourgeois Sancerre					
'Les Baronnes'	20.00	16.60VS			
2012 Vieux Clocher Vacqueyras Bla	nc				
'Classic'	20.00	16.60VS			
2012 Walter Scott Pinot Blanc					
Willamette Valley	20.00	16.60VS			
2010 François Pinon Vouvray					
'Les Trois Argiles'	22.00	18.26VS			
2011 Pio Cesare Chardonnay 'L'Altro'					
Piemonte	22.00	18.26VS			
2011 Pazo Senorans Albariño					
'Rías Baixas	25.00	20.75VS			

# EIGHT BELLS

Eight Bells has produced a succession of excellent wines and these new releases are no exception. The 2012 Eight Bells Pinot Gris shows the ripe fruit of the vintage, but it has vibrant acidity to keep it refreshing. The 2011 Eight Bells Sangiovese shows beautiful cherry fruit and just a touch of wood. The 2011 Eight Bells Syrah '8 Clones' is remarkable. The complexity offered by so many different clones intrigues the palate. The 2010 Eight Bells Cabernet Sauvignon 'David's Block' is named for David Lake, the former winemaker of Columbia Winery who arranged to have the block planted with a variety of clones and grapes. It will take time to show all its character, and is a worthy candidate for the cellar.

### 2012 Eight Bells Pinot Gris

Öregon	18.00	14.94VS		
2011 Eight Bells Sangiovese Red V	Willow Vin	neyard'		
Yakima Valley	20.00	16.60VS		
2011 Eight Bells Syrah '8 Clones'				
Yakima Valley	32.00	26.56VS		
2010 Eight Bells Cabernet Sauvignon 'David's Block'				
Yakima Valley	35.00	29.05VS		

# LULLABY

Virginie Bourgue makes a series of wines under her 'de Virginie' label. Her 2012 Blanc de Virginie is a crisp, delicious Sauvignon Blanc that is perfect for Northwest shellfish dishes. The 2012 Rosé de Virginie is made with 100% Grenache and is crisp, lively, and Provençal-ish. Her Rouge de Virginie is a blend of 53% Cabernet Sauvignon and 47% Merlot. It is powerful, yet round on the palate.

2012 Lullaby Blanc de Virginie		
Columbia Valley (Limited)	27.00	22.41VS
2012 Lullaby Rosé de Virginie		
Columbia Valley	20.00	16.60VS
Lullaby Rouge de Virginie NV		
Columbia Valley	30.00	24.90VS

# **2012 Syncline Whites**

Two new 2012 Syncline Whites are great for shellfish. Their Grüner Veltliner from Underwood Mountain is citrusy and crisp. Their Picpoul from Boushey Vineyard shows classic, bright acidity.

### 2012 Syncline Grüner Veltliner 'Underwood Mountain'

Columbia Gorge	20.00	16.60VS
2012 Syncline Picpoul Boushey V	'ineyard'	
Yakima Valley	20.00	16.60VS

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# 2010 Fèlsina Chianti Classico

We began selling Fèlsina Chianti Classico with the 1983 vintage and each subsequent vintage has met with our tastes. We have happily introduced clients to this exceptional Chianti Classico ever since. Located in the commune of Castelnuovo Berardenga, northeast of Siena and in the southern end of the Chianti Classico zone, Fèlsina Chianti Classico is made with 100% Sangiovese. Its pure fruit flavor is dramatically obvious in the 2010 vintage. An aroma of red fruits, cherry blossoms, dry spices, and anise immediately pleases the senses. The palate continues with these flavors, and the finish lingers with cherry flavor.

#### 2010 Fèlsina Chianti Classico

27.00 22.41VS Castelnuovo Berardenga

# 2011 CHÂTEAU COUJAN ROUGE

One of the real finds of the month is the 2011 Château Coujan Saint Chinian Rouge. It is a bowl full of cherries and raspberries disguised as a wine. Few wines in this price range deliver as much pleasure as it does. A blend of 40% Grenache, 25% Mourvèdre, 25% Syrah, and 10% Cinsault, this is a great backyard red for summer quaffing.

2011 Château Coujan Saint Chinian Rouge 'Tradition' 12.00 9.96VS

# 2011 FINCA RESALSO

The 2011 Finca Resalso is 100% Tinto Fino aged for four months in French oak. It is named for the family vineyard of the same name, and it consists of wine from younger vines. The aroma is bold with hints of mulberry and blueberry. On the palate, the wine offers velvety texture-a taste for which you would expect to pay twice the price.

#### 2011 Emilio Moro Finca Resalso Ribera del Duero 18.00 14.94VS

# 2011 FINCA DOMINGO MALBEC

The 2011 Finca Domingo Malbec has an opulent fruit profile, showing lots of blackberry and cassis flavors. This isn't common in Argentine Malbecs and it is a refreshing change. The grapes come from the Valle de Cafayette of Salta, with vineyards being at 1700 meters above sea level. We asked ourselves how the price could be so attractive for such a complex and tasty wine. Research showed that the winery has a production capacity of six million liters a year-make it up in volume!

### 2011 Finca Domingo

Valle de Cafayette Salta

13.00 10.79VS

# CAPRILI - MONTALCINO

The Caprili estate extends over an area of 58 hectares, southwest of Montalcino. The 15.5 hectare of vineyards are located on hillsides that slope down towards the Orcia and Ombrone Rivers. The Caprili are made with 100% Sangiovese Grosso. The wines are aged in Slavonia oak barrels.

2010 Caprili Rosso		
Montalcino	21.00	17.43VS
2004 Caprili Brunello		
Montalcino	45.00	37.35VS
2006 Caprili Brunello		
Montalcino (Limited)	45.00	37.35VS
2006 Caprili Brunello Riserva		
Montalcino	60.00	49.80VS

# **2011 CLOS CHANTEDUC**

Clos Chanteducis a hilltop vineyard in Vaison-la-Romaine, owned by Walter and Patricia Wells. The wine is made by Yves Gras, the winemaker of Santa Duc in Gigondas. The vines range from 30 to 60 years in age, and the 2011 is a blend of 65% Grenache and 35% Syrah. It has a striking aroma of the Provençal herb garrigue, combined with raspberry and licorice. It is a full-bodied red that is perfect for serving with grilled chicken.

2011 Clos Chanteduc Côtes du Rhône

17.00 14.11VS

# **A TASTE OF CORSICA**

In the center of the island of Corsica, Domaine Vico is a 202 acre estate that overlooks the Golo Valley. Established by Jean Vico in 1902, this vineyard comprises 62 acres of Nielluciu, 25 acres of Sciacarellu (used for the rosés), and 25 acres each of Grenache and Syrah. They also grow Vermentinu for their whites. The Clos Venturi is a single parcel with a unique terroir, located even higher in the hills. These wines are fun to sample and have vibrant flavors across the range of wines.

2012 Domaine Vico Rosé

Corse	15.00	12.45VS			
2012 Domaine Vico Rosé 'Clos V	enturi'				
Corse	25.00	20.75VS			
2012 Domaine Vico Bianco 'Clos Venturi'					
Corse	35.00	29.05VS			
2011 Domaine Vico Rouge					
Corse	15.00	12.45VS			

**Queen Anne Hours Tuesday-Friday 11-7** Saturday 10-6 Closed Sunday & Monday

**Ravenna Hours** Tuesday-Friday 10:30-6:30 Saturday 10-6 Closed Sunday & Monday





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### **Order Form** Ravenna FAX 524-0310 Queen Anne FAX 284-2498 Just complete this order form and mail it in with your check or credit card #.

We will call or e-mail you when the wines arrive.

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# **TASTINGS AT BOTH SHOPS**

Saturday June 8th 11AM-5PM free Produttori del Barbaresco Aldo Vacca will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM

### Saturday June 15th 11AM-5PM free àMaurice Cellars

Bryan Hill will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM

#### **Saturday June 22nd** 11AM–5PM free Tranche Cellars

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# VERY LIMITED QUANTITIES

2011 Domaine Serene Pinot Noir Blanc					
'Coeur Blanc'	90.00	74.70VS			
2010 Tenuta dell'Ornellaia					
Bolgheri	184.95	net			
2009 Rasa Vineyards 'QED'					
Columbia Valley	49.00	40.67VS			
2010 Sang des Caillou Vacqueyras					
'Cuvée Floureto'	35.00	29.05VS			
2012 La Bastide Blanche Rosé					
Bandol	20.00	16.60VS			
2010 Comtes Lafon & Roty Burgundies					
are available – please inquire					