

# 2018 Australian Highlands Wine Show



## **The 2018 Wine Show**

The Australian Highlands Wine Show is open to all Australian wines made from grapes sourced from vineyards above 500 metres in altitude. Over 140 entries were received with particular comments from judges highlighting the exceptional standard of wines entered this year.

The 2018 show included wines from the regions of Southern Highlands NSW, Orange NSW, Mudgee NSW, New England NSW, Tumbarumba NSW, Hilltops NSW, Canberra District NSW, Adelaide Hills SA, Clare Valley SA and Granite Belt QLD



### **Chief Judge**

Toni Paterson MW

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# **2018 Australian Highlands Wine Show Trophies**

**SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS FOOD AND WINE ASSOCIATION  
TROPHY FOR THE BEST WINE IN SHOW  
Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon**

**HARRIGAN MOTORS  
TROPHY FOR BEST RED WINE IN SHOW  
Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon**

**BRADMAN TRUST  
TROPHY FOR BEST WHITE WINE IN SHOW  
Robert Stein 2018 Dry Riesling**

**DESTINATION SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS  
TROPHY FOR BEST DESSERT WINE IN SHOW  
Tertini Hilltops 2017 Noble Chardonnay Sauvignon Blanc**

**TROPHY FOR BEST CHARDONNAY OF SHOW  
Stockmans Ridge Wines Outlaw 2016 Chardonnay**

**LESLIE FRITZ TROPHY FOR BEST RIESLING OF SHOW  
Robert Stein 2018 Dry Riesling**

**TROPHY FOR BEST PINOT GRIS/GRIGIO OF SHOW  
Tertini 2018 Southern Highlands Pinot Gris**

**TROPHY FOR BEST OTHER SINGLE WHITE VARIETY OF SHOW  
Tertini Private Cellar Collection 2017 Arneis**

**TROPHY FOR BEST CABERNET SAUVIGNON OF SHOW  
Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon**

**TROPHY FOR BEST MERLOT OF SHOW  
Sallys Corner Wines 2016 Merlot**

**TROPHY FOR BEST SHIRAZ OF SHOW  
Corang Estate Hilltops 2017 Shiraz**

**TROPHY FOR BEST OTHER SINGLE RED VARIETAL OF SHOW  
Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Malbec**

## Class 01

### Chardonnay current vintages 2018/17

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 12

**Class comments:** Overall the class was disappointing with many wines lacking balance. The two top wines differed in style – one being generous and flavoursome, the other being fine and long.

Judged: 12

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
01	1	Iconique Barrique 2016 Chardonnay	86	Bronze
01	2	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Chardonnay	82	
01	3	Cumulus 2017 Chardonnay	84	
01	4	See Saw 2017 Chardonnay	83	
01	5	Cooks Lot 2016 Allotment 3 Handpicked Chardonnay	95	Gold
01	6	Corang Estate 2017 Tumbarumba Chardonnay	91	Silver
01	7	Oldbury Reserve 2017 Chardonnay	82	
01	8	See Saw Fulcra 2017 Chardonnay	87	Bronze
01	9	Stockman's Ridge Wines Outlaw 2017 Chardonnay	78	
01	10	Colmar Estate 2017 Chardonnay	93	Silver
01	11	Centennial Winery Block 2017 Chardonnay	87	Bronze
01	12	Davally Estate 2017 Unwooded Chardonnay	88	Bronze

## Class 02

### Chardonnay other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 11

**Class comments:** Overall the quality was disappointing – some wines had aged prematurely. Others were plagued by underripe nuances. But the top wine was excellent and had tightness, line, freshness and complexity.

Judged: 11

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
02	1	Bendooley Estate 2016 Chardonnay	86	Bronze
02	2	Cherry Tree Hill Wines 2015 Chardonnay	87	Bronze
02	3	Davally Estate 2016 Unwooded Chardonnay	80	
02	4	Tamburlaine Single Vineyard 2016 Chardonnay	92	Silver
02	5	Cherry Tree Hill 2016 Reserve, "Diana" Chardonnay	87	Bronze
02	6	Stockman's Ridge Wines Outlaw 2016 Chardonnay	95	Gold
02	7	Sallys Corner Wines 2015 Chardonnay	82	
02	8	Clydesdale 2015 Chardonnay	82	
02	9	Sallys Corner Wines Pty Ltd 2016 Chardonnay	83	
02	10	Centennial Road Block 2016 Chardonnay	90	Silver
02	11	Clydesdale 2014 Chardonnay	79	

## Class 03

### Riesling current vintages 2018/17

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 9

**Class comments:** Some lovely wines. The best wines had perfume, flavour and acid line. The top wine was awarded gold due to its impeccable balance. Regrettably there were also a few faulty wines.

Judged: 9

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
03	1	Cherry Tree Hill 2018 Riesling	80	
03	2	Robert Stein Dry 2018 Riesling	95	Gold
03	3	Cherry Tree Hill 2018 Off Dry Riesling	84	
03	4	Robert Stein Reserve 2018 Riesling	89	Bronze
03	5	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2018 Riesling	88	Bronze
03	6	Tertini 2018 Yaraandoo Riesling	83	
03	7	Colmar Estate 2018 Block 6 Riesling	87	Bronze
03	8	Centennial Riesling 1012 2018 Riesling	91	Silver
03	9	Colmar Estate 2018 Block 5 Riesling	93	Silver

## Class 04

### Riesling other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 3

**Class comments:** Three wines with lovely balance. The top wine showed remarkable freshness for its age, as well as being very complex and satisfying – all top food wines!

Judged: 3

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
04	1	Tertini Wines 2016 Riesling	90	Silver
04	2	Cherry Tree Hill 2009 Riesling	95	Gold
04	3	Tertini 2016 PCC Riesling	88	Bronze

## Class 05

### Sauvignon Blanc current vintages 2018/17

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 7

**Class comments:** It was good to see lemony aromatics and flavours supported by bright acidity. Unfortunately sulphide levels were too prominent in some wines. It would be good to see greater fruit flavour intensity to negate the need for obvious sweetness.

Judged: 7

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
05	1	Cherry Tree Hill 2018 Sauvignon Blanc	85	Bronze
05	2	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve Fume Blanc 2018	89	Bronze
05	3	Tamburlaine On The Grapevine 2018 Sauvignon Blanc	89	Bronze
05	4	Corang Estate 2018 Tumbarumba Sauvignon Blanc	86	Bronze
05	5	SHW Sauvignon Blanc 2018	83	
05	6	See Saw 2017 Sauvignon Blanc	83	
05	7	Rotherwood Estates 2018 Sauvignon Blanc	85	Bronze

## Class 07

### Pinot Gris current vintages 2018/17

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 12

**Class comments:** Fresh fruit, texture and flavour played a role in the best wines. Sweetness is no substitute for fruit intensity. Dirty sulphides were a problem in some wines.

Judged: 12

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
07	1	Cooks Lot Allotment 666 Pinot Gris 2018	88	Bronze
07	2	Tamburlaine On The Grapevine 2018 Pinot Gris	85	Bronze
07	3	Climbing 2017 Pinot Gris	84	
07	4	Far Ago Hill Wines 2018 Canyonleigh Reserve Pinot Gris	88	Bronze
07	5	MountAshby Estate 2018 Pinot Gris	80	
07	6	Oldbury 2018 Pinot Gris	93	Silver
07	7	See Saw 2017 Pinot Gris	86	Bronze
07	8	Tertini 2018 Southern Highlands Pinot Gris	95	Gold
07	9	Rotherwood Estates 2018 Pinot Gris	80	
07	10	Colmar Estate 2017 Pinot Gris	84	
07	11	Centennial 2018 Pinot Gris	82	
07	12	Artemis 2017 Pinot Grigio	87	Bronze

## Class 09

### Other single white wine varieties current vintages 2018/17

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 5

**Class comments:** A fabulous class - wines with energy, freshness, clarity and balance. The top wine, an Arneis, was delicious. We would have liked to see more wines!

Judged: 5

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
09	1	Tertini 2017 PCC Arneis	95	Gold
09	2	Centennial Single Vineyard Reserve 2018 Gruner Veltliner	90	Silver
09	3	See Saw 2017 Gewürztraminer	84	
09	4	Colmar Estate 2018 Gewürztraminer	92	Silver
09	5	Centennial 2018 Gewürztraminer	93	Silver

## Class 13

### White sparkling wines any vintage

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 8

**Class comments:** Many fresh, bright wines. The top wine had layers of flavour and aromatic complexity.

Judged: 8

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
13	1	Tamburlaine Au Naturel Preservative Free Sparkling NV Chardonnay	87	Bronze
13	2	See Saw 2018 Chardonnay	82	
13	3	Artemis Sparkling Covee NV Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Meunier	83	
13	4	Stockman's Ridge Wines Storm Sparkling 2011 Chardonnay Pinot Meunier	90	Silver
13	5	Colmar Estate 2015 Chardonnay Pinot Noir	86	Bronze
13	6	Centennial Brut NV Late Disgorged	87	Bronze
13	7	Artemis Sparkling 2017 Riesling	82	
13	8	See Saw 2018 Prosecco	84	

## Class 15

### Dessert style wines

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 5

**Class comments:** A lovely set of wines. The top wine was flavoursome and luscious.

Judged: 4

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
15	1	Withdrawn		
15	2	Artemis Last Leaf 2018 Riesling	86	Bronze
15	3	Tertini 2017 Noble Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc	95	Gold
15	4	Tamburlaine Noble Reserve 2017 Riesling	85	Bronze
15	5	Tractorless Vineyard Noble NV Pinot Gris	84	

## Class 16

### Rose wines current vintages 2018/17

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 8

**Class comments:** Texture is just as important as perfume, brightness and freshness. The best wine showed all of these characters.

Judged: 8

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
16	1	Tamburlaine On The Grapevine 2018 Grenache, Shiraz, Malbec, Durif, Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese, Sauvignon Blanc, Gewürztraminer, Muscat	92	Silver
16	2	Rotherwood Estates 2018 Rose	83	
16	3	SHW Vineyards Reserve 2016 Pinots	82	
16	4	Centennial Vineyards 2018 Pinot Rose	85	Bronze
16	5	See Saw 2018 Pinot Noir	86	Bronze
16	6	Sallys Corner Wines Bella's 2017 Rose	81	
16	7	Centennial Vineyards 2018 Reserve Rose Corvina, Rondinella	86	Bronze
16	8	Davally Estate 2017 Rose	85	Bronze

## Class 17

### Rose wines other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 1

**Class comments:** Unfortunately the vegetal notes in this wine were overriding.

Judged: 1

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
17	1	Kingsdale Wines 2015 Shiraz Rosé	84	

**Class 18****Pinot Noir current vintages 2017/16****Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 14

Judged: 14

**Class comments:** A disappointing class with many wines lacking harmony. The two best wines were contrasting in style. One was an intense whole bunch style – the other had pure, intense red cherry fruit. When using whole bunch, care must be taken to ensure that there is enough fruit weight to balance. Oak needs to be used with care. A few faulty wines.

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
18	1	Artemis 2017 Pinot Noir	84	
18	2	Colmar Estate 2017 Pinot Noir	84	
18	3	Tertini 2017 Pinot Noir	87	Bronze
18	4	Tamburlaine Single Vineyard 2017 Pinot Noir, Shiraz	89	Bronze
18	5	Bendooley Estate 2016 Pinot Noir	84	
18	6	Cooks Lot 2016 Allotment 9 Handpicked Pinot Noir	85	Bronze
18	7	Iconique Barrique 2016 Cooks Lot Iconique Barrique Pinot Noir	93	Silver
18	8	Tertini Wines 2016 Pinot Noir	83	
18	9	Cherry Tree Hill 2016 "Hayden" Reserve Pinot Noir	83	
18	10	Stockman's Ridge Wines Outlaw 2016 Pinot Noir	84	
18	11	Tertini Wines 2016 PCC Pinot Noir	85	Bronze
18	12	Rotherwood Estate 2016 Pinot Noir	84	
18	13	Colmar Estate 2016 Block 1 Pinot Noir	83	
18	14	Tractorless Vineyard 2016 Pinot Noir	94	Silver

## Class 19

### Pinot Noir other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 4

**Class comments:** A few good wines but in general the class lacked highlights.

Judged: 4

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
19	1	SHW Oldburry Reserve 2015 Pinot Noir	84	
19	2	Tertini NV 2015 Single Clone Pinot Noir	87	Bronze
19	3	Artemis Close Vine 2015 Pinot Noir	86	Bronze
19	4	Sutton Forest Estate Private Bin 21 2015 Pinot Noir	84	

## Class 20

### Merlot current vintages 2017/16

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 5

**Class comments:** Lovely fruit in the wines that medalled. The top wine was fragrant and perfumed with great expression and elegance.

Judged: 5

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
20	1	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Merlot	92	Silver
20	2	Cherry Tree Hill 2016 "Halle" Special Vintage Merlot	82	
20	3	MountAshby Estate 2016 Premium Reserve Merlot	84	
20	4	Sallys Corner Wines 2016 Merlot	95	Gold
20	5	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Reserve Merlot	86	Bronze

## Class 22

### Shiraz current vintages 2017/16

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 15

**Class comments:** Many highlights amongst a broad range of styles. Great fruit clarity in the top wines.

Judged: 15

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
22	1	Cooks Lot allotment 1010 2017 Shiraz	95	Gold
22	2	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Syrah	91	Silver
22	3	Artemis 2017 Shiraz	93	Silver
22	4	Centennial Reserve Murrumbateman 2017 Shiraz	83	
22	5	Tamburlaine On The Grapevine 2017 Shiraz	90	Silver
22	6	Corang Estate 2017 Hilltops Shiraz	96	Top Gold
22	7	Cumulus Wines 2016 Climbing Shiraz	95	Gold
22	8	Centennial Reserve Shiraz 2016	94	Silver
22	9	Far Ago Hill Wines 2016 Cool Climate Shiraz	83	
22	10	See Saw 2017 Shiraz	95	Gold
22	11	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Shiraz	86	Bronze
22	12	The Creators Shiraz 2015 Shiraz	83	
22	13	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Limited Release Shiraz	85	Bronze
22	14	Cooks Lot 2016 allotment 8 Handpicked Shiraz	84	
22	15	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Reserve Shiraz Viognier	87	Bronze

## Class 23

### Shiraz other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 1

**Class comments:** A complex wine which divided the judges.

Judged: 1

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
23	1	Stockman's Ridge Wines Outlaw 2015 Shiraz	89	Bronze

## Class 24

### Cabernet Sauvignon current vintages 2017/16

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 9

**Class comments:** A good class with the best wines showing varietal clarity, balanced acidity and tannin. The judges were looking for fine, rather than clunky/ blocky tannin. Structure is very important in cabernet, along with flavour intensity.

Judged: 9

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
24	1	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon	96	Top Gold
24	2	Iconique Barrique 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon	85	Bronze
24	3	Tamburlaine On The Grapevine 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon	95	Gold
24	4	Cherry Tree Hill 2016 "The Wedding" Special Vintage	84	
24	5	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon	90	Silver
24	6	Cumulus Wines 2016 Climbing Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
24	7	SHW Oldbury 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon	83	
24	8	Centennial Vineyards Limited Release Bridge Creek Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	91	Silver
24	9	Cumulus 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon	87	Bronze

## Class 25

### Cabernet Sauvignon other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 1

**Class comments:** Herbaceous characters dominated in this wine – unfortunately the fruit had dropped away.

Judged: 1

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
25	1	Tractorless Vineyard The Creators 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	84	

## Class 26

### Other single red wine varieties current vintages 2017/16

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 5

**Class comments:** The top wine showed excellent varietal clarity and balance. A good class.

Judged: 5

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
26	1	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve 2017 Malbec	95	Gold
26	2	Herrington Estate Wines 2016 Tempranillo	83	
26	3	Centennial Vineyards 2016 Reserve Rondinella Corvina	86	Bronze
26	4	Tamburlaine Single Vineyard 2017 Cabernet Franc	90	Silver
26	5	Centennial Reserve 2016 Tempranillo	86	Bronze

## Class 28

### Red wine blends current vintages 2017/16

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 4

**Class comments:** A class lacking highlights. The wines lacked fruit clarity.

Judged: 4

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
28	1	Cooks Lot Allotment 8989 Cabernet Merlot Orange 2017	87	Bronze
28	2	Cherry Tree Hill "Dave" Cabernet Special Vintage 2016	83	
28	3	Tamburlaine Preservative Free Organic 2018 Cabernet Merlot	83	
28	4	Artemis 2016 Cabernet, Merlot, Petit Verdot	86	Bronze

## Class 29

### Red wine blends other vintages

**Judges:** Toni Paterson, Andrew Duff, Rob Geddes, Will Figueira

Entered: 1

**Class comments:** A tired wine, lacking vibrancy.

Judged: 1

Class #	Entry #	Exhibit name	Score	Award
29	1	Stockman's Ridge Wines 2015 Rider Cabernet Franc Merlot	82	