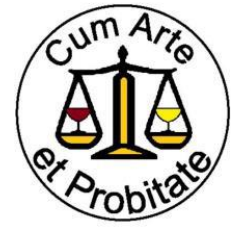


B.C. Guild of Wine Judges



Guild Master's Report

BC Guild of Wine Judges AGM: 07 June 2026

Welcome all and thank you for attending. Thank you to the Victoria Chapter for hosting and for preparing an excellent tasting.

It has been a year of stabilization for the Chapters as the Chapter Steward report will show. While this is excellent for the BC Guild of Wine Judges, it is not the case for the BCABA Chapters. Saanich Sommeliers and Vinovan were the only clubs to hold competitions and Nanaimo Winemakers is hosting the Provincial Competition. Langley is active but has never held an open competition. VAWA is struggling and did not hold a competition this year and has declined to participate in the BCABA Club Crush grape purchase.

The existential question before us this year, as it has been since Covid knocked out so many volunteer organizations, is how do we redefine our purpose? I see opportunities in wine education as a couple of new members are joining the Mainland Chapter to further their wine education alongside their WSET. Hopefully others have ideas as well. This is a dialogue I hope we can have in our Chapters during the upcoming tasting year and we can set a direction that will keep this incredible community of wine enthusiasts going for many years.

Bill Huva
Guild Master June 2020 – June 2026