



## June 2025 Newsletter

**To:** Members and friends of the Carroll County, MD Chapter of the American Wine Society  
**From:** Becky Wilson, former Chair, and Dean Wilson, Webmaster.

Summer at last!

No more jackets, scarves, layering socks nonsense. I'm so happy to get the pool prepped and warmed up! Soon I'll be floating in a slow rotation and staring into the sky at birds and planes and clouds and... cicadas! Ok, it's not perfect.

## May Recap

Becky and I couldn't make the May meeting, but Dan Reppe did, and offers this report on the Pipers' Puglia, Italy themed tasting:

*"I can tell you from my perspective, there was not a bad wine in the bunch. For me...this was the highest I ever rated wines. The San Marzano Edda Bianco scored a 19 for me and the Cosimo Tourine Rosso Riserva an 18.5. Seldom do I get over 16. Dottie and Dale did an amazing job picking these. This is just my personal point of view so not gospel. Lol"*

- Dan Reppe

Thanks for that, Dan, it sounds like we missed a great one! Thanks also to the Pipers for coming through again! If you haven't been, Dottie's and Dale's lovely home is a great venue for a tasting! Here are the wines and results (*and thanks Michelle!*):

Wine	Retail Price	Wine Votes
San Marzano Tramari Rose, Primitivo 2024	\$14	4
Alberto Longo Le Fossette Falanghina 2022	\$28	3
San Marzano Edda Bianco 2022	\$22	9 White/Rose <b>Winner</b>
Masserie Dugento, Primitivo 2022	\$16	1
Casa Marrone Vino Passito 2022	\$19	10 Red <b>Winner</b>
Cosimo Tourine Rosso Riserva 2012	\$22	3
"F" Negroamaro di Salento, 2021	\$35	3

## AWS News

Again, a reminder that the 2025 National Conference will be held in *Chantilly, Virginia* in November! Registration is not open yet, but the Westfields Marriott hotel is booking now.

[For more info click here.](#)

## June Preview

Yours truly, Dean Wilson, will be presenting June's wine tasting at Lynn and Joe Breeding's fine country home on:

**Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM**

This month's presentation is:

### ***The AWS National Tasting Project: Australia***

This is a national AWS coordinated tasting, held annually. The Society chooses a topic, typically a country or region, and provides presentation materials and a recommended list of wines, from which local chapters select those readily available. All wines are scored by all members and registered AWS judges, and the collective information is sent to the AWS. They will publish results from across the nation later this year.

So, ***every member will be scoring***, using the AWS tasting sheets distributed at the meeting, *which will be collected at the meeting*.

Becky and I have selected six wines, whites and reds, plus a starter. Wines will be poured blind, then revealed and discussed after scoring each.

For more information on the AWS National Tasting Project, visit them [here](#).

Thanks again to all the recent volunteers who have recently stepped up to host! We are still looking to fill much of the 2025 and all of the 2026 schedule, so see if you can fill any openings!

**If you can attend, please RSVP** via the website, [ccaws.net](http://ccaws.net) or RSVP as soon as you are able to or **Reply All** to this email with how many are attending.

Also, remember to please bring a food dish for the shared table after the tasting.

## Chapter and AWS Dues

Chapter dues are only \$10 per household, payable to CCAWS. You can pay John Landon in person at the tasting or mail it to him at: [the address found on the [Membership Brochure at ccaws.net](#)].

National AWS dues are as follows:

For one person - \$59 (for 1 year); \$159 (for 3 years)

For two people at the same address - \$89 (for 1 year); \$239 (for 3 years).

Other options are available, too.

To pay national AWS dues online, go to <http://americanwinesociety.org/join-now/> to join or renew your membership.

Reminder for the AWS National Wine Conference 2025

November 6-8, 2025 | At Westfields Marriott Washington Dulles, Chantilly, VA.

**Please keep in mind AWS requires that everyone who participates in AWS activities, which includes local chapter tastings, must be AWS members. Non-members and guests can only attend two times per year.**

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## Member Wine Discount

The following establishments offer discounts to AWS members (don't forget to show your card):

- College Square Liquors, Westminster
- Cranberry Liquors, Westminster
- Jeannie Bird Baking Company, Westminster
- Main Street Liquors, Hampstead
- The Wine Post, Glyndon
- Total Discount Liquors, Eldersburg

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## Find Us!

Our Facebook page: [Carroll County Chapter of the American Wine Society](#)



Our website: [CCAWS.net](http://CCAWS.net)

## Call for HOSTS!

Summer 2025 is HERE! We need hosts desperately! Please contact **Bill Sadler** at [the **Chairperson** link on [ccaws.net](http://ccaws.net)] to volunteer to House host or Wine host in the coming months. See the 2025 schedule below. If a Sunday doesn't work for you, let Bill know, and some changes are possible.

## Something Different!

Dan Reppe has an “extracurricular” proposal for a wine tasting/dinner, mentioned at the last meeting, which sounds intriguing. I’ll let Dan spell it out:

*“...we did have a discussion during the event about me hosting a weekend evening and doing a wine tasting/dinner, a little more \$ involved than normal club events. Maybe having a private chef come in and cook for us. I am thinking of doing this one weekend in July. I polled the audience when everyone was here to see if there was an appetite for that kind of thing and several people raised their hand as being interested. If this is not okay for a club event, it could just be Dan having some wino friends over for dinner and wine. for those who are interested in hearing more to please email me so as it comes together with a date and a cost so I can get a head count? We would need to limit this to 16 people should we have a private chef come in or they bring a second chef and the cost sky rockets. I am guessing based on the wines we choose, and dinner choice we want, this event would come in around \$150-\$200 per head and I just want to make sure there is enough interest. It will be an amazing evening, with amazing wine. We could always go pot luck and bring the cost way down...the private Chef is more than half of the cost. The theme of the first evening would be ‘Pinot around the World’.”*

## Tasting Schedule

We are always looking for future events. If you are interested in serving as a house or wine host, please reach out to Bill at [the **Chairperson** link on [ccaws.net](http://ccaws.net)] and we can set that up!

Month	House Host	Wine Host	Theme
		<b>2025</b>	
January 1/19/2025	SNOWED OUT	SNOWED OUT	SNOWED OUT
February 2/16/2025	Tammy Mangan	Nan Slick and Guest Speaker: Russ Lorber	Italy vs. France
March 3/16/2025	Hampton	Hampton	AI in the Vineyard
April 4/27/2025	Piper	Sadler	South Africa
May 5/18/2025	Reppe	Pipers	Wines of Puglia, Italy
June 6/15/2025	Breeding	D. Wilson	National Tasting Project: Australia
July 7/20/2025	Grillon	BYOB	PICNIC
August 8/17/2025	Sadler	Loew Vineyards	Loew’s Maryland Wines
September 9/21/2025	Reppe	Stewart	?
October 10/19/2025	Horrocks	?	?
November 11/16/2025	?	?	?
December 12/21/2025	Corynne Courpas	?	Sparkling Wine Gala

