

Past Tastings and Dinners (2010 - 2014)

12 December 2014 - ChristmasTasting of Gevrey-Chambertin 2006 from The Wine Society

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and consisted of a horizontal tasting of 6 examples from Denis Mortet, Domaine Maume, Domaine Alain Burguet and Denis Bachelet after starters of white Burgundy purchased en primeur from The Wine Society – Rully from François d'Allaines and Saint Veran from a member's cellar.

22 October 2014 - AGM

This was held in St Peter's Parish hall and was followed by a Walkround tasting of wines from members own cellars.

10 July 2014 - Summer Dinner

This was held at Bacco Restaurant & Wine Bar in Holborn and a typical and tasty Italian meal was helped down with Prosecco, Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi from Le Marche, Vermentino Calasole from Tuscany, Primativo Salento from Puglia and Bardolino Classico from Veneto.

30 May 2014 - Pinot Noir World View Tasting

This tasting was based on Pinots from New Zealand, South Africa, United States, Chile and Australia supplied by The Wine Society after commencing with en primeur Wine Society purchases of Premier Cru Saint Aubin and a Burgundy example from Nicolas Potel.

21 March 2014 - Malbec & Viognier Tasting by Majestic Wines

The manager of the Mayfair branch came to St Peter's and presented his selection of Viognier from Southern France, Argentina, South Africa and Northern Rhone and Malbec from Cahors, Languedoc and Argentina.

22 January 2014 - Tasting of items from The Wine Library, Tower Hill

This was another return visit after a break of several years and many who were present had not previously experienced the excellent stock held and the most enjoyable genuine high quality French cheese and pate buffet.

29 November 2013 - Christmas Tasting of wines from Château Batailley

This was held in St Peter's and consisted of a vertical tasting of vintages from 1995 – 2003 from our own stocks and examples from Domaine de Chevalier Graves and Sarget de Gruard La Rose St Julien for comparison. Presentation duties were shared between our past President Charles Gibson and our current Chairman Richard Andrews.

18 October 2013 - AGM

This was held in St Peter's Parish hall.

18 September 2013 - German Tasting by Charles Taylor Wines Ltd

This was a return visit to this distinguished merchant in Westminster. There were Riesling wines from Max Ferdinand Richter from Mosel, Schloss Saarstein from Saar, Weingut Karthäuserhof from Ruwer and A Christmann from Pfalz. The tasting was presented by Charles Taylor.

12 July 2013 - Summer Dinner RSJ Restaurant, Coin Street, SW1

This was a welcome return to a popular venue for a "food with wine" evening. Part tasting of the RSJ's Loire specialities and part eating a very good quality meal the evening commenced with a Regis Neau Crémant. Touraine Sauvignon, Anjou Blanc and Muscadet were followed by a Chinon and an Anjou Village before a Coteaux du Layon with dessert. It was ably presented by Tom King.

13 June 2013 - Tuscan Tasting

This was the first UK Tasting of the full range of wines from Azienda Agricola Le Buche, a family owned vineyard in Sarteano just south of Montepulciano. It was held in St Peter's Church Hall and consisted of whites and rosé as well as 5 reds ranging from a Chianti Superiore up to an IGT Pugnitello, an ancient Tuscan varietal. The latter are already winning international Decanter awards.

17 May 2013 - Champagne & Sparkling wine Tasting

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and consisted of NV champagnes as well as sparkling wines from Herbert Hall, Kent and Pelorus, New Zealand chosen by committee members. The event was arranged to celebrate the publication of Charles Gibson's book The Winetasters The History of a sociable Wine Club.

22 March 2013 - Tasting of Lesser Known wines of Spain

This was led by Simon Smith Wine Consultant to Rules Restaurant WC2. It was held in St Peter's Church Hall and consisted of wines not generally known from mainland Spain as well as examples from Malaga and Mallorca.

23 January 2013 - A Tour de France Tasting

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and was led by Sophie Sèze, an oenology graduate from Bordeaux, whose family own Château Trigant in Pessac-Léognan. The tasting covered her choice of interesting wines from all areas of France.

7 December 2012 - Tasting of Wines from Mas de Daumas Gassac

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and led by Freddy Price.

21 September 2012 - Petits Châteaux Re-visited

This was held in Peter's Church Hall and led by John Barker. It comprised another sampling of high quality Bordeaux wines which fell just outside the 1855 classification that he has tasted over the past 20 years or so.

22 June 2012 - Tasting of Wines from Schloss Proschwitz of Saxony

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and led by Freddy Price

16 May 2012 - Diamond Jubilee English Wine Tasting

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and led by Dominique Hopgood of The Wine Pantry, Borough Market, Southwark SE1

24 April 2012 - Organic, Bio-dynamic and Natural good value Wines Tasting

This was held in St Peter's Church Hall and was led by Julia Michael of The Wine Tasting Shop, Balham SW12

14 February 2012 - Tasting of Plaimont wines

This was led by Fanny Sucré UK Sales Manager of Plaimont Producteurs, one of the visits during The Winetasters Tour of Gascony in 2011 It was held in St Peter's Church Hall

25 November 2011 - Vertical Tasting of Chateaux D'Angludet 1989 - 2002 from Winetasters Stock

This was held at St Peter's Church Hall and led by Freddy Price.

30 September 2011 - New Zealand Tasting

This was held at St Peter's Church Hall as a Walkround Tasting of Sauvignon and Pinot Noir wines on special offer from Maiestic.

29 July 2011 - Summer Dinner

This was held at Shampers Wine Bar, Kingly Street in Soho.

6 May 2011 - Champagne & Sparkling Wine Tasting

This was led by Christos Ioannou of Criterion Wines in St Peter's Church Hall, Eaton Square.

23 March 2011 - Chilean Tasting

This was led by Robert Boutflower of Tanners Wines Ltd of Shrewsbury. It was subtitled Chile Today and was a comprehensive review of the variety and quality of wines now coming out of Chile. It included impressive examples of Gewurtztraminer, Pinot Noir and Syrah as well as the more well known Cabernets, Sauvignons and Chardonnays.

25 February 2011 - Beaujolais Tasting

This was led by Hilary Gibbs of Domaine Direct and consisted of 8 examples of Crus Beaujolais from the splendid 2009 vintage.

8 December 2010 - Langoa Barton Vertical Tasting

This was led by Freddy Price and consisted of vintages from 2003 back to 1989, drawn from Winetasters own stocks.

5 Nov 2010 - Great Wineries of Argentina

This tasting, principally of the wines of Trapiche and Fabre Montmayou, was led by Freddy Price. It included local grape varieties as well as French based.

16 June 2010 - Bordeaux Petits Chateaux

This tasting consisted of wines of significant merit from lesser known Bordeaux Chateaux, selected and purchased by John Barker who made the presentation.

Great Wines from Northern Italy

A tasting of wines from Northern Italy was presented by Freddy Price drawing on his many visits to growers over the years. Some were visited by The Winetasters on their last tour of Italy. Wines from Alto Adige, Piemonte, Tuscany and Veneto were to the fore.

12 March 2010 - Australian Tasting

A tasting of cool wines from Australian was presented by Lance Foyster MW of Clark Foyster Specialist Wine Importers. The tasting concentrated on the sophisticated European terroir style qualities of wines from Mac Forbes of Yarra Valley, Victoria and from Fraser Gallop Estate of Margaret River, Western Australia. Both growers added to their rapidly growing reputations in this country as a result of this tasting.

15 January 2010 - Walkround Tasting

A Walkround tasting of members' own wines were presented from France, Italy, Portugal and Spain