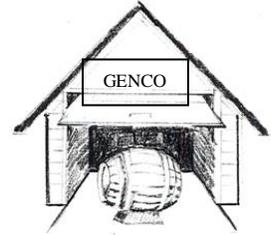




## Garage Enologists of North County

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**Next Meeting:** July 22, 2014 - Tuesday  
**Place:** Good Shepherd, Healdsburg  
**Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Glasses:** 2



### ***JUNE MEETING – EVALUATING GRAPES AND WINE IN PROCESS – THE LAB WINE MEASUREMENT, MODIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT***

Bruce Hagen and Gary Alvey discussed the importance of lab analysis and what to do with your wine based on evaluation of the numbers. They talked about alcohol, acidity and SO<sub>2</sub> management; they talked about, ageability, susceptibility to spoilage, oxidation, and much more. The turnout was relatively small due to vacations, Tuesday at the Healdsburg plaza, and other commitments, but we who were there picked up some valuable pointers. We also got a look at one of the Vinmetrica units for lab work. Gary also brought a couple carboy washers to try out for purchase at a group rate. At the end of the meeting we tasted a few member wines that didn't meet the winemakers' satisfaction and there was input from the members that hopefully will be useful.

### ***JULY MEETING – PRE-HARVEST ACTIVITIES – THE VINEYARD AND THE WINERY ROB DAVIS, WINEMAKER, JORDAN VINEYARD & WINERY***

Rob Davis is the only Winemaker Jordan Winery has ever had. They only make Chardonnay and Cab Sauvignon, but in my opinion nobody does it better. Jordan makes wines in the European style with finesse, balanced and with relatively low alcohol. Rob will focus on what to look for in the vineyard this time of year, and also will discuss winery activities pre-harvest. This will include ensuring good balance, SO<sub>2</sub> management, bottling and aging, plus much more. With his 35 years experience creating the fine wines of Jordan, he will surely branch off into many valuable subject areas and will respond to your searching questions. Rob will also bring one or two Jordan wines for tasting and discussion. Don't miss this great opportunity to benefit from the renowned winemaker's significant knowledge that started with an Enology degree from U C Davis and apprenticeship at Jordan from the renowned Andre Tchelistcheff.

**ACTIVITIES** – Look forward to a Harvest Party, probably October 11, and we hope to have a Genco wine experience in Anderson Valley and nearby Redwood Valley in late October or early November.

**CORK PURCHASE** –Corks have been picked up and for those who did not get their order in, sorry but none are left over.

**COMPETITIONS** – Only 3 GENCO members entered the Napa County Fair competition but each got one or more Golds! We made our mark in behalf of Sonoma County amateur winemakers. Congratulations to Gary Alvey, Bob Bennett and Peter Goyton who each were awarded more in prize money than the cost of their entry fee. Harvest Fair, the Big One, coming in August. Get ready to get on the band wagon.

**GENCO BARREL** –There are a few spots left for the 2014 group barrel of Merlot. The barrel will be produced at Bennett Ridge, all work will be done by the participants under the guidance of Bob. It is a learning experience and you will take home about 3 ½ cases of nice wine at a very reasonable cost!! Sign up right away.

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