

DEROUE T JAMESON MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

A CALL MY WINE BLUFF EVENING

HELD AT VINTNERS' HALL

5th February 2018

The trustees of the Derouet Jameson Memorial Foundation were delighted to once again put on an evening event, by kind permission of the Master and Wardens of the Vintners' Company, in Vintners' Hall in order to raise money for the Foundation.

We were very lucky that Jan Pethick a recent supporter of the DJMF kindly provided the Champagne for the reception in the Drawing Room before the fun and games began in the Hall. This was a very generous donation and got the evening off to a fine start.

We were delighted that we had 10 teams taking part in the event all competing for various prizes, kindly donated by generous friends of the Foundation.

The Teams were named appropriately for the evening and were as follows:

Dulwich Drinkers
Freemans' Social Committee
Just a Glass or Two
Keep Calm and Carignan
Reisling to the Challenge
The Friston, Essex, Knowitalls
The Old Vintages
The Premier Krew
War on Terroir
You Name It

The idea of the evening was as follows.

In all there were 4 wines presented throughout the event and each wine was tasted individually. Whilst tasting each wine, we had organised for 3 people, identified as a 'Bluffer' to each give their description of the wine being tasted. The object was for the TABLE to come up with the correct description.

Our Bluffers were carefully selected and

Bluffer A was our very own Hon Secretary and Master of Wine, Alastair Peebles.

Bluffer B, The son of Geoffrey Jameson a self-confessed ignoramus on wine (not true!) Jonathan Jameson. He played this part for the first two wines and then the baton was passed to the general manager of the Vintners' Company, Steve Marcham. He was very entertaining and played his part superbly at relatively short notice.

Bluffer C, David Wrigley MW a Director of the Wine and Spirit Education Trust and a member of the Executive committee of the DJMF

There were other questions that needed answering by each table and they were asked to identify the vintage and the Retail selling price. The latter caused a few interesting responses!

After we had completed the second wine, there was a slight break when the MC for the evening, Edward Demery, organised a Heads or Tails game. This raised good money and the winner took home a Vintners' Decanter, generously donated by the Vintners' Company.

Throughout the evening, the most delicious nibbles were beautifully presented in order to ensure all remained sober and they were prepared by Grania Gregson and Nella Jameson, and our thanks go to them for all their hard work.

It was a hard-fought contest with the Bluffers excelling themselves in laying false trails and traps to fall into. In the end there was a clear winner and very suitably the Freeman of the Vintners' Company took the winners podium.

The Final results were as follows:

FINAL TABLE

Team	Points	Rank
Freemans' Social Committee	49	1
Just a Glass or Two	45	2
Keep Calm and Carignan	45	2
The Friston, Essex, Knowitalls	38	4
War on Terroir	36	5
Dulwich Drinkers	34	6
The Old Vintages	31	7
You Name It	30	8
Reisling to the Challenge	23	9
The Premier Krew	17	10

The Prizes were awarded to the first and second teams. Here a tie breaker was employed to determine the second team, won by Just a Glass or Two. The team who came in 5th place and in last place also won prizes.

In addition, we were extremely fortunate that Justerini and Brooks kindly donated all the tasting wines for the evening and they were as follows:

White Wine

**No. 1: Bluffer B
Sancerre, Cuvee Flores, Vincent Pinard, 2015
@£18.20 per bottle inc VAT**

**No. 2: Bluffer A
Vire Clesse, Les Heritiers du Comte Lafon, 2015 @
£19.60 per bottle inc VAT**

Red Wine

**No. 3: Bluffer .B
St. Joseph, Andre Perret, 2013 @ £17.10
per bottle inc VAT**

**No. 4: Bluffer C
Barolo, Azelia, 2012 @ £25.10 per bottle inc VAT**

It was a great evening and we received some very good feed back from many of those attending, BUT it would not have been possible without the enormous generosity of those who kindly donated wine and prizes for this Call My Wine Bluff evening. We acknowledge them below:

We are very grateful to the Master and Wardens of the Worshipful Company of Vintners for allowing us to use this Hall for this evening's entertainment.

We would also like to thank our generous donors for the wines and prizes this evening as follows:

Jan Pethick for the delicious Champagne supplied for the reception

Justerini and Brooks for the wines donated for the blind tasting

The Vintners' Company for the Decanter given to the winner of the Heads or Tails game

James Simpson of Pol Roger UK for the prizes for the winning teams

David Fison, our Hon Accountant, for the Booby Prize

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