



GROWING THE OKLAHOMA WINE INDUSTRY FROM THE GROUND UP!

OKLAHOMA GRAPE & WINE INDUSTRY NEWS

May 14, 2019

The April & May showers have been heavier than normal at our house just north of Jones, some with large hail (so we're getting a new roof) but the pond is full and the vineyard is loving it especially the new vines that were planted this year. The vines are in full bloom so fruit set is just around the corner. Let me hear from you if you're planting new vines and give me a report on how they're progressing.

There were two new winery licenses issued last month: Belle Starr Winery in Porum and Cotton Blossom Winery in Marlow; a big welcome to Ryan & Meagan Bell owners of Cotton Blossom Winery who have already joined OGIC!

If you haven't heard SB813 "Complementary Beverages License" was signed by Governor Stitt on Apr 26th and SB336 "Satellite Tasting Room/Small Farm Winery License" just passed the Senate 41-4 and is waiting to be signed by the Governor. Can I hear a big Hip Hip Horray!!

*A link to last months meeting minutes are below for your review.
April Minutes
Cheers!*



OGIC Membership

Our annual membership dues are used to support the work to modernizing our states wine laws, cover the cost of publicizing a monthly newsletter to keep you up to date on grants and other important opportunities that pertain to the industry and also covers expenses associated with keeping our website up to date.

If you haven't renewed your membership please do so as soon as possible. Make your check out to OGIC and mail to the address below. Thanks!

OGIC
c/o Norm Foster
4608 Windsong Way
OKC, OK 73120

OGIC is a non-profit volunteer run organization that depends on membership dues to maintain this support for the industry. If you'd like to join use the link below to submit your application.

JOIN OGIC



Captain Greg Bynum, the new Lead of the ABLE Commission Trade Practices Unit attended our April meeting at Blue River Valley Winery and answered numerous questions from the wineries that were there. if you have questions about the ABLE rules concerning your winery and events, contact Captain Bynum by email at

Jon.bynum@able.ok.gov or call him at (405) 521-6927

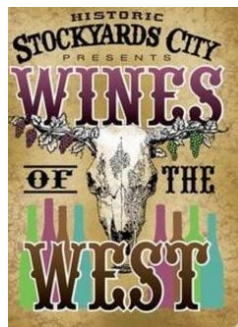
Lt. Pedro Zardenetta is also working in the Trade Practices unit and is currently assigned the area east of Shawnee and his contact information is pedro.zardeneta@able.ok.gov (405) 837-9736

Changes in the alcohol laws that were effective last October 1st created new opportunities for wineries to sell in grocery and convenience stores, ship directly to Oklahoma consumers, sell beer in the winery, etc. Some of the new privileges came with new reporting requirements.

1. **Schedule of Events:** *All licensed wineries* must submit this report by the 1st of each month listing each event you expect to attend throughout the month, If no off site events are scheduled the report must still be submitted with "None scheduled" on the first line. The report can be amended anytime during the month if your schedule changes. ABE has the authority to issue fines if this report is not submitted. [Event Schedule](#)
2. **Out of State Shipping:** Wineries that ship wine out of state must submit this report by the 10th of each month. The report is still required even if no shipments are made. [Shipping Report](#)
3. **Direct to Consumer Shipping:** Wineries that have a Direct to Consumer Permit must submit this report annually no later than February 15th. [DTC Shipping Report](#)

All reports can be emailed to tradepractices@able.ok.gov

JUNE WINE FESTIVALS



8 June 2019
11:00am to 5:00pm

Wineries Signed Up
Oke Ozark Winery
Fish Tales Winery
Coal Creek Winery
Clauren Ridge Winery
Wild Horse Canyon

**Wines of the West
Application**



22 June 2019
11:00am to 10:00pm

Wineries Signed Up:
Entwined Vines Wine
Pecan Creek Winery
Diamond Head Wine
Vernost Wine Co.
Canadian River
Tidewater Winery

**Shawnee Vendor
Application**



29 June 2019
11:00am to 5:00pm

Wineries Signed Up:
Turner Me On Wines
Pecan Creek Winery
Clauren Ridge
Coal Creek Winery
Vernost Wine Co.

**Lucky Star Casino
Application**

If your winery is not on the list but you've submitted your application please contact us at OGICOKLA@GMAIL.COM

Vineyard Consultation

The Viticulture & Enology Fund grant application for Vineyard site visits and 2hr consultation with a well know vineyard specialist was approved for \$30,530 We're anticipating funds will be received this month so watch for the email and send in the application form.



Winemaker Consultation's

The Viticulture & Enology Fund grant application for Winemaker consultations with a well known enology expert was approved for \$24,852. We're anticipating funds will be received this month so watch for the email and send in the application form.

OGIC MARKET PLACE

Oklahoma Vineyards should be starting to post their anticipated harvest available for purchase this season on the OGIC Market Place.

Also, we currently have excess equipment



for sale from several area businesses
(Wineries/Vineyards)

So, check it out, someone might be selling
just what you need.

Marketplace

We Need Your Data!

Please complete your survey!! If you received a survey from OGIC about your vineyard or winery please take the 10 to 15 minutes to complete and submit it. The information is critical to our ability to properly represent the industry and show the economic impact to the state. If you have never received the survey please email us and let us know so we can correct your contact information and get you the link to provide the information. [Email OGIC](#)



JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING



The next OGIC meeting is being held at

*Waters Edge Winery
110 N Broadway Ext
OKC
Sunday 19nd of May
3:00-6:00PM.*

And as always bring a bottle of Oklahoma manufactured wine to share with the group and our host will provide the hors d'oeuvres.

Send In Your Comments

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