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Thank you for entering in this Sydney Royal Competition and congratulations to those who were successful in winning a prestigious Sydney Royal award.

Our Sydney Royal competitions showcase excellence in rural produce and the passion of so many talented producers across NSW and interstate each year.

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There are many people involved in making our Competitions the world-class events they are and we take this opportunity to thank our stewards and judges for their time, expertise and energy. Their wisdom and integrity ensure Sydney Royal awards are presented only to the best of the best. We also extend our gratitude to our generous Competition partners along with our Committees and supporters.

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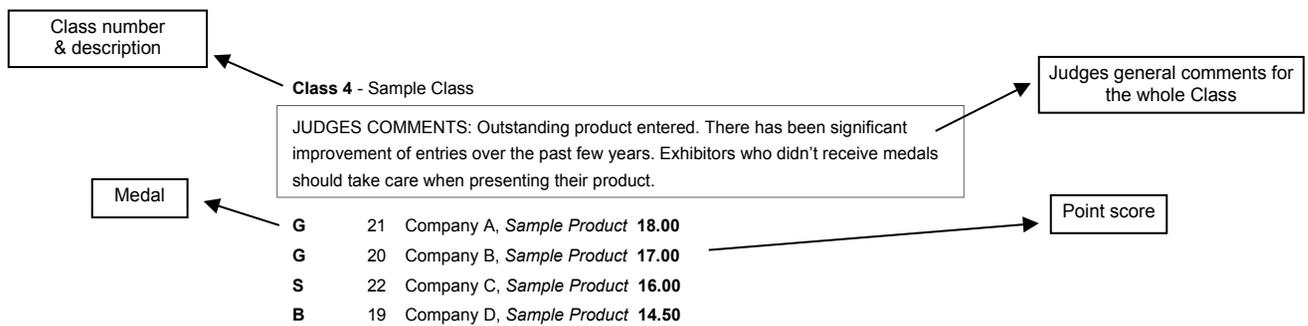
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- (b) Silver medal for Exhibits gaining 15.6 pts but less than 16.9 pts;
- (c) Bronze medal for Exhibits gaining 14.0 pts but less than 15.5 pts.

HOW TO READ THE RESULTS CATALOGUE



LEGEND

- G** Gold Medal winner
- S** Silver Medal winner
- B** Bronze Medal winner

CHAMPIONSHIPS & ANNUAL PRIZES

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CHAMPION PACKAGED BEER (Eligible Classes: 1 - 16)

Pirate Life Brewing, Produced by Pirate Life Brewing

Pirate Life Mosaic IPA

Class No. 8 / Cat No. 66

CHAMPION DRAUGHT BEER (Eligible Classes: 17 - 32)

Lord Nelson Brewery, Produced by Lord Nelson Brewery

Nelspresso Brown Ale

Class No. 26 / Cat No. 180

CHAMPION EXPERIMENTAL OR SPECIALTY BEER (Eligible Classes 15 & 31)

Hope Brewhouse, Produced by Hope Brewhouse

Barrel Aged Extra Stout

Class No. 31 / Cat No. 195

BEST NSW BEER (Eligible Classes 1 - 32)

Australian Brewery, Produced by Australian Brewery

Seis Hermanos

Class No. 19 / Cat No. 138

CIDER & PERRY

CHAMPION CIDER (Eligible Classes 33 - 36)

Flying Brick Cider Co, Produced by Flying Brick Cider Co

Original Cider

Class No. 35 / Cat No. 221

CHAMPION PERRY (Eligible Classes 37 - 40)

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CHAMPION BOTTLE CONDITIONED/ METHODE CHAMPENOISE PERRY OR CIDER (Eligible Classes 36 & 40)

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BOTTLED OR CANNED BEER (PACKAGED)

Class 1 - Golden Lagers - Pilsner Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Some good examples here, however clear signs of oxidation in samples are holding these beers from being great. Thank you.

- S** 4 Sydney Brewery, *Surry Hills Pils* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **16.00**
- B** 3 Australian Brewery, *New World Pilsner* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **15.17**
- B** 2 Dad & Dave's Brewing, *#3 Dads Pils* (Produced by Brew Pack) **14.50**
- B** 6 Vok Beverages, *Vale Knee Slapper* (Produced by Vale Brewing) **14.50**
- 1 Tumut River Brewing Co, *J.W. Pilsner Czech Pilsner* (Produced by Tumut River Brewing Co) **12.83**

Class 2 - Golden Lagers - Australian Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: A diverse group of Australian lagers with good display of style characteristics.

- S** 9 Pinnacle Drinks, *Steersman Blonde* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Company) **16.00**
- S** 11 Lion, *Tooheys New* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **16.00**
- B** 10 Lion, *Swan Draught* (Produced by Lion) **15.00**
- B** 7 Pinnacle Drinks, *Steersman Ultra Dry* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Company) **14.67**

Class 3 - Golden Lagers - International Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Good Class overall. Some well-brewed lager styles. A high proportion of medals.

- G** 15 Australian Brewery, *Seis Hermanos* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **17.00**
- G** 19 Sydney Brewery, *Lovedale Lager* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **17.00**
- S** 13 Lion, *XXXX Summer Bright* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **16.00**
- S** 20 Newstead Brewing Co., *The Mayne Thing* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co) **15.67**
- B** 16 Lion, *Hahn Super Dry* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **15.00**
- B** 14 Lion, *Tooheys Extra Dry* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **14.50**
- 17 Hairyman Brewery, *Follets Fable Pacific Lager* (Produced by Hairyman Brewery) **12.83**
- 21 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life Pilsner* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **12.00**

Class 4 - Golden Lagers - Other Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: A mixed Class with a great example to style, and another with major faults. Please pay attention to the samples submitted. Thank you.

- G** 23 Carlton & United Breweries, *Pure Blonde Ultra Low Carb Lager* (Produced by Carlton & United Breweries) **17.00**
- B** 25 Australian Brewery, *Scharer's Lager* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **15.33**
- B** 24 Vok Beverages, *Vale Lager* (Produced by Vale Brewing) **14.83**
- 26 Vok Beverages, *Fox Hat Lusty Lager* (Produced by Fox Hat Brewing) **11.67**

Class 5 - Dark Lagers

JUDGES COMMENTS: Some diversity across the style. A complex style where the depth of malt character and structure were lacking.

- S** 27 Vok Beverages, *Vale Amber* (Produced by Vale Brewing) **15.83**
- B** 29 Sydney Brewery, *Darlo Dark* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.00**
- 28 Bucket Brewery, *Bucket Black* (Produced by Bucket Brewery) **12.33**
- 30 Tumut River Brewing Co, *Harald's Helper Oktoberfest Dunkel* (Produced by Tumut River Brewing Co) **12.17**

Class 6 - Pale Ales - Australian Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: A solid Class of beers Some examples were not as fresh as the Judges would have liked.

- B** 36 Endeavour Brewing Co, *Growers Pale Ale* (Produced by Brewpack) **15.50**
- B** 37 Dad & Dave's Brewing, *#1 Pale Ale* (Produced by Brew Pack) **14.50**
- B** 35 Lion, *James Squire 150 Lashes Pale Ale* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **14.33**
- B** 38 Woolshed Brewery, *Amazon Ale* (Produced by Woolshed Brewery) **14.33**
- B** 31 Australian Brewery, *Australian Pale Ale* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **14.17**
- 33 Pinnacle Drinks, *John Boston Summer Ale* (Produced by Australian Beer Company) **13.83**
- 34 Tumut River Brewing Co, *Hitchhikers Guide To Galaxy Pale Ale* (Produced by Tumut River Brewing Co) **13.33**
- 32 Carlton & United Breweries, *Wild Yak Pacific Ale* (Produced by Carlton & United Breweries) **12.00**
- 39 East Sydney Brewing Co., *East Sydney Brewing Pale Ale* (Produced by Hairman Brewing For East Sydney Brewing Co. (Own Recipe)) **10.83**

Class 7 - Pale Ales - American Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: A big Class with a variety of entries. Please pay attention to detail in hop characters and balance, closely watching style guidelines. Thank you.

- S 48 Modus Operandi Brewing, *Modus Pale* (Produced by Modus Operandi Brewing) **16.50**
- S 49 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life Pale Ale* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **16.50**
- S 51 Hairyman Brewery, *Gutsy Pale Ale* (Produced by Hairyman Brewery) **16.50**
- S 43 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Atomic Pale Ale* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **16.17**
- S 42 Woolshed Brewery, *Summer Ale* (Produced by Woolshed Brewery) **16.00**
- S 47 Newstead Brewing Co., *Out And A Bout* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **16.00**
- S 40 Carlton & United Breweries, *Goose Midway Session IPA* (Produced by Goose Island Beer Co) **15.83**
- B 45 Sydney Brewery, *Paddo Pale Ale* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.33**
- B 50 Modus Operandi Brewing, *Sonic Prayer* (Produced by Modus Operandi Brewing) **15.33**
- B 46 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Pale Ale* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **15.00**
- B 41 Vok Beverages, *The Independent APA* (Produced by Hobo Brewing) **14.83**
- 44 Bridge Road Brewers, *Beechworth Pale Ale* (Produced by Bridge Road Brewers) **13.67**

Class 8 - Pale Ales - India Pale Ale

JUDGES COMMENTS: A very strong Class demonstrating a high degree of variety. Again, citrus and pine is largely absent with savoury, onion and garlic flavours dominating. These flavours have the risk of being divisive with the general public and are largely the result of the hops that are available to brewers. Some separation within the category based on this flavour divide may help guide the consumer.

- G 66 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life Mosaic IPA* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **17.33**
- G 52 Modus Operandi Brewing, *Modus Session* (Produced by Modus Operandi Brewing) **17.00**
- S 58 Fixation Brewing Company, *Fixation IPA* (Produced by Fixation Brewing Company) **16.33**
- S 62 Australian Brewery, *If You Like Pina Colada* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **16.33**
- S 54 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Sleeping Giant IPA* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **15.67**
- B 53 Australian Brewery, *All Star Session IPA* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **15.00**
- B 64 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life IPA* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **15.00**
- B 55 Vok Beverages, *Vale IPA* (Produced by Vale Brewing) **14.33**
- B 68 Australian Brewery, *Revenge of Pith* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **14.33**
- B 61 Stockade Brew Co, *8BiT IPA* (Produced by Stockade Brew Co) **14.00**
- B 65 Vok Beverages, *Fox Hat Metric IPA* (Produced by Fox Hat Brewing) **14.00**
- 56 Bridge Road Brewers, *Bling IPA* (Produced by Bridge Road Brewers) **13.67**
- 63 Welder's Dog Brewing, *IPA* (Produced by Welder's Dog Brewing) **13.00**
- 57 Carlton & United Breweries, *Goose Island IPA* (Produced by Goose Island Beer Co) **12.67**
- 59 Newstead Brewing Co., *Two To The Valley* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **12.33**

- 60 Sydney Brewery, *Pyrmont Rye IPA* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **12.33**
- 67 Brewboys, *Hoppapotamus* (Produced by Brewboys) **9.33**

Class 9 - Pale Ales - Other Styles

JUDGES COMMENTS: A large Class in all. Pleasing to see no major faults as such. However, attention to detail in composition and ingredient selection goes a very long way. Thank you.

- G 76 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Single Fin Summer Ale* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **17.17**
- S 71 Vok Beverages, *The Expedition Pale Ale* (Produced by Hobo Brewing) **16.33**
- S 70 Lion, *James Squire The Swindler Tropical Ale* (Produced by Lion) **16.17**
- S 74 Vok Beverages, *Vale Ale* (Produced by Vale Brewing) **16.17**
- S 75 Endeavour Brewing Co, *Growers Golden Ale* (Produced by Brewpack) **16.17**
- S 78 Sydney Brewery, *Glamarama Summer Ale* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.83**
- S 79 Woolshed Brewery, *Cherax Destructor* (Produced by Woolshed Brewery) **15.83**
- S 82 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life IIPA* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **15.83**
- S 77 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Kolsch* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **15.67**
- B 72 Pinnacle Drinks, *John Boston Pale Ale* (Produced by Australian Beer Company) **15.50**
- B 73 Stockade Brew Co, *Hop Splicer XPA* (Produced by Stockade Brew Co) **14.50**
- B 178 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life IIPA* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **14.50**
- B 80 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Little Dove* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **14.33**
- 8 Pinnacle Drinks, *John Boston Golden Ale* (Produced by Australian Beer Company) **13.33**
- 69 Pinnacle Drinks, *John Boston Session IPA* (Produced by Australian Beer Company) **13.33**
- 81 Tumut River Brewing Co, *Bad Mother**ker IPA* (Produced by Tumut River Brewing Co) **13.17**

Class 10 - Amber and Dark Ales

JUDGES COMMENTS: A well-represented Class. Good use of crystal malts and some refined hop notes. Balance overall was good.

- G 83 Carlton & United Breweries, *Carlton Black Dark Ale* (Produced by Carlton & United Breweries) **17.33**
- G 92 Modus Operandi Brewing, *Former Tenant* (Produced by Modus Operandi Brewing) **17.00**
- S 87 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Amber Ale* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **16.00**
- S 89 Newstead Brewing Co., *Liquidambar* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **16.00**
- B 94 Tumut River Brewing Co, *Deliverance Red-IPA* (Produced by Tumut River Brewing Co) **15.33**
- B 93 Vok Beverages, *Fox Hat Red Pelt* (Produced by Fox Hat Brewing) **15.17**
- B 90 Woolshed Brewery, *AAAM BER* (Produced by Woolshed Brewery) **15.00**
- B 91 Sydney Brewery, *Pittwater Bitter* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **14.50**
- B 85 Hairyman Brewery, *Corys Claim Dark Ale* (Produced by Hairyman Brewery) **14.33**
- B 84 Lion, *Tooheys Old Dark Ale* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **14.00**

- 86 Brewboys, *Maiden Ale* (Produced by Brewboys) **13.67**
- 88 Endeavour Brewing Co, *Reserve Amber Ale* (Produced by Brewpack) **12.17**

Class 11 - Stouts and Porters

JUDGES COMMENTS: A great example of entries, well done. A high standard, with a good show of control and balance of flavours. A pleasure to judge! Thank you!

- G** 98 Brewboys, *Ace of Spades* (Produced by Brewboys) **17.83**
- G** 101 Stockade Brew Co, *Old Money* (Produced by Stockade Brew Co) **17.50**
- S** 100 Vok Beverages, *Fox Hat Full Mongrel* (Produced by Fox Hat Brewing) **16.83**
- S** 96 Bridge Road Brewers, *Robust Porter* (Produced by Bridge Road Brewers) **16.00**
- S** 99 Vok Beverages, *Fox Hat Phat Mongrel* (Produced by Fox Hat Brewing) **15.83**
- B** 97 Newstead Brewing Co., *21 Feet 7 Inches* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **15.00**

Class 12 - Wheat Beers. Minimum wheat content 30%

JUDGES COMMENTS: A fair presentation of style with some yeast handling issues that pulled the mark down slightly.

- B** 103 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Hefeweizen* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **15.33**

**Class 13 - Strong Beers - Belgian. Minimum alcohol content 6%
No Entries****Class 14 - Strong Beers - English, Scottish, American or Other. Minimum alcohol content 6%**

JUDGES COMMENTS: No medals in Class. Too many fermentation issues with stressed yeast characteristics which displayed flavour flaws that detracted from the overall experience and did not make for an enjoyable drink.

- 105 Dad & Dave's Brewing, *#0 Oak & Whiskey Porter* (Produced by Dad & Dave's Brewing) **13.67**
- 107 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Gage Roads II PA* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **13.67**
- 106 Endeavour Brewing Co, *Argyle Ale 2017* (Produced by Endeavour Brewing Co) **12.33**
- 104 Brewboys, *Seeing Double* (Produced by Brewboys) **11.67**

Class 15 - Experimental & Specialty Beers. Minimum grain content 30%

JUDGES COMMENTS: Some good examples of a diverse style that can exhibit different characteristics. Good experimentation and integration of flavours.

- G** 110 Woolshed Brewery, *Judas The Dark* (Produced by Woolshed Brewery) **17.25**
- G** 115 Stockade Brew Co, *The Mountie* (Produced by Stockade Brew Co) **17.00**
- S** 112 Stockade Brew Co, *Rockafella Bourbon Barrel Aged Dark Ale* (Produced by Stockade Brew Co) **16.17**
- S** 114 Woolshed Brewery, *Firehouse Coffee Stout* (Produced by Woolshed Brewery) **15.67**
- 111 Dad & Dave's Brewing, *#2 Belgian IPA* (Produced by Brew Pack) **13.97**
- 113 Dad & Dave's Brewing, *Oat Saison* (Produced by Dad & Dave's Brewing) **13.17**

Class 16 - Reduced Alcohol Beer (Alcohol content not less than 1.15% and not greater than 3.5% v/v)

JUDGES COMMENTS: Solid Class as a whole with great diversity of style. Judges noted reduced alcohol doesn't need to result in reduced flavour and complexity.

- S** 118 Newstead Brewing Co., *3 Quarter Time* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **16.33**
- S** 125 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Pils 3.5* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **16.33**
- S** 126 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life Throwback IPA* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **16.17**
- B** 132 Vok Beverages, *The Overlander Mid-IPA* (Produced by Hobo Brewing) **15.50**
- B** 133 Lion, *Iron Jack Crisp Australian Lager* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **15.50**
- B** 119 Newstead Brewing Co., *The Ballymore* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **15.17**
- B** 130 Lion, *Hahn Super Dry 3.5* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **15.17**
- B** 122 Stockade Brew Co, *Sesh Mid Strength Pale Ale* (Produced by Stockade Brew Co) **15.03**
- B** 127 Woolshed Brewery, *River Time Session Pale* (Produced by Hope Estate For Woolshed Brewery) **14.87**
- B** 116 Lion, *Hahn Premium Light* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **14.67**
- B** 124 Hairyman Brewery, *Murphys Mutiny Mid Strength* (Produced by Hairyman Brewery) **14.50**
- 120 Bridge Road Brewers, *Little Bling Session IPA* (Produced by Bridge Road Brewers) **13.83**
- 121 Vok Beverages, *Vale Mid Coast* (Produced by Vale Brewing) **13.83**
- 128 Lion, *XXXX Gold* (Produced by Tooheys Brewery) **13.50**
- 131 Carlton & United Breweries, *Great Northern Brewing Co Super Crisp* (Produced by Carlton & United Breweries) **13.33**
- 123 Carlton & United Breweries, *Lazy Yak Session Ale* (Produced by Carlton & United Breweries) **12.17**

DRAUGHT BEER**Class 17 - Golden Lagers - Pilsner Style**

JUDGES COMMENTS: Fair representation overall with some minor technical faults.

- S** 135 Sydney Brewery, *Surry Hills Pils* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.67**
- B** 5 Malt Shovel Brewery, *James Squire Four Wives Pilsener* (Produced by Malt Shovel Brewery) **14.00**
- 134 The Craft & Co, *The Craft & Co Pilsner* (Produced by The Craft & Co) **13.33**

Class 18 - Golden Lagers - Australian Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Single entry is a good representation of style.

- S** 137 Hope Brewhouse, *Hope Draught* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **16.00**

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Class 19 - Golden Lagers - International Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Good examples of well crafted beers that are technically well-presented.

- G** 138 Australian Brewery, *Seis Hermanos* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **17.67**
- G** 140 Sydney Brewery, *Lovedale Lager* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **17.07**
- B** 139 Hope Brewhouse, *Munich Lager* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **14.67**
- 141 Australian Brewery, *New World Pilsner* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **13.00**

Class 20 - Golden Lagers - Other Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Both entries presented with technical faults and lacked clear expression of flavour.

- 144 Australian Brewery, *Scharer's Lager* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **12.33**
- 143 Sydney Brewery, *Sydney Session Lager* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **12.00**

Class 21 - Dark Lagers

JUDGES COMMENTS: Good example of style.

- S** 145 Sydney Brewery, *Darlo Dark* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.83**

Class 22 - Pale Ales - Australian Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Solid Class with great Australian hop characteristics on display.

- G** 147 Hope Brewhouse, *Pale Ale* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **17.00**
- S** 146 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Indian Summer Ale* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **16.00**
- B** 148 Australian Brewery, *Australian Pale Ale* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **14.33**
- 129 Malt Shovel Brewery, *James Squire Mid River Pale Ale* (Produced by Malt Shovel Brewery) **13.33**

Class 23 - Pale Ales - American Style

JUDGES COMMENTS: Solid Class with no major brewing faults. Brewers should examine hop choice along with malt and hop bitterness balance. Brewers may be let down by the American hops available to Australian brewers with citrus, pine and resinous character absent.

- S** 151 Sydney Brewery, *Paddo Pale Ale* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **16.67**
- B** 152 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Pale Ale* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **15.33**
- B** 153 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life Pale Ale* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **14.67**
- B** 154 The Craft & Co, *The Craft & Co Pale Ale* (Produced by The Craft & Co) **14.67**
- 150 Lord Nelson Brewery, *Three Sheets* (Produced by Lord Nelson Brewery) **13.33**
- 149 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Atomic Pale Ale* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **12.67**

Class 24 - Pale Ales - India Pale Ale

JUDGES COMMENTS: A good group of beers, with some nice use of different hop varieties across the Class. Judges would have liked better malt presence to balance the brews.

- S** 162 Fixation Brewing Company, *Fixation IPA* (Produced by Fixation Brewing Company) **16.33**
- S** 159 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines In Season IPA #6* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **16.00**
- S** 168 Hope Brewhouse, *Super Juicy Neipa* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **15.83**
- S** 158 Hope Brewhouse, *IPA* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **15.67**
- B** 164 Sydney Brewery, *Pymont Rye IPA* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.33**
- B** 155 Australian Brewery, *All Star Session IPA* (Produced by Australian Brewery) **14.83**
- B** 156 Fixation Brewing Company, *Obsession Session IPA* (Produced by Fixation Brewing Company) **14.67**
- B** 165 Pirate Life Brewing, *Pirate Life IPA* (Produced by Pirate Life Brewing) **14.67**
- 163 The Craft & Co, *The Craft & Co VIPA* (Produced by The Craft & Co) **13.17**
- 157 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Sleeping Giant IPA* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **12.83**
- 166 Sydney Brewery, *East Coast IPA* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **12.83**
- 161 Endeavour Brewing Co, *Stacked IPA* (Produced by Endeavour Brewing Co) **12.50**

Class 25 - Pale Ales - Other Styles

JUDGES COMMENTS: Well-represented Class with good diversity in style example. Overall the quality was good.

- G** 171 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Single Fin Summer Ale* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **17.17**
- G** 174 Hope Brewhouse, *XPA* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **17.17**
- S** 169 Hunter Beer Co., *Hunter Mid* (Produced by Hunter Beer Co.) **16.67**
- S** 173 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Kolsch* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **16.33**
- B** 177 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Little Dove* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **15.50**
- B** 176 Sydney Brewery, *Pittwater Bitter* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.33**
- B** 172 Sydney Brewery, *Glamarama Summer Ale* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.00**
- 175 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines ESB* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **13.67**
- 170 The Craft & Co, *The Craft & Co Bangholme Bitter* (Produced by The Craft & Co) **13.00**

Class 26 - Amber and Dark Ales

JUDGES COMMENTS: High standard of tasty dark beers that were hard to fault.

- G** 180 Lord Nelson Brewery, *Nelspresso Brown Ale* (Produced by Lord Nelson Brewery) **17.00**
- S** 179 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Amber Ale* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **16.67**

Class 27 - Stouts and Porters

JUDGES COMMENTS: Some lovely dark ales. Good use of roast grains and overall some great balance. The Gold medal winner is a cracking beer!

- G** 186 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Sea Devil Imperial Stout* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **17.00**
- S** 184 Modus Operandi Brewing, *Silent Knight* (Produced by Modus Operandi Brewing) **16.33**
- S** 95 Malt Shovel Brewery, *James Squire Jack of Spades Porter* (Produced by Malt Shovel Brewery) **16.00**
- S** 182 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Stout* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **15.67**
- B** 183 Sydney Brewery, *Potts Point Porter* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **15.17**
- B** 181 Lord Nelson Brewery, *Anilieation* (Produced by Lord Nelson Brewery) **14.50**
- 185 The Craft & Co, *The Craft & Co Imperial Porter* (Produced by The Craft & Co) **10.50**

Class 28 - Wheat Beers. Minimum wheat content 30%

JUDGES COMMENTS: Hefe - some technical yeast handling issues. Berliner - A touch more acidity would raise the score.

- B** 187 Hunter Beer Co., *Fine And Dandy Sour Candy Blackberry Sour* (Produced by Hunter Beer Co.) **15.00**
- 188 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Hefeweizen* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **13.33**

Class 29 - Strong Beers - Belgian. Minimum alcohol content 6%

JUDGES COMMENTS: Sole entry. Some sourness exhibited that detracted from overall experience but a decent effort without major faults.

- B** 189 Frenchies, *Tripel Verhaegen* (Produced by Frenchies Bistro And Brewery) **14.33**

Class 30 - Strong Beers - English, Scottish, American or Other. Minimum alcohol content 6%

JUDGES COMMENTS: A very strong Class that shows great skill in fermenting high alcohol beers.

- G** 191 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Gage Roads IIPA* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **17.00**
- S** 190 Endeavour Brewing Co, *Argyle Ale 2018* (Produced by Endeavour Brewing Co) **15.67**

Class 31 - Experimental & Specialty Beers. Minimum grain content 30%

JUDGES COMMENTS: Good experimental Class, great innovation and some lovely beers.

- G** 195 Hope Brewhouse, *Barrel Aged Extra Stout* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **17.00**
- S** 192 The Craft & Co, *The Craft & Co Lemon Drop Sour* (Produced by The Craft & Co) **16.33**
- S** 196 Hope Brewhouse, *Barrel Aged Imperial Stout* (Produced by Hope Brewhouse) **16.17**
- S** 193 Hunter Beer Co., *Slaked Magpie* (Produced by Hunter Beer Co.) **15.83**
- B** 194 Frenchies, *Frenchies Kolsch* (Produced by Frenchies Bistro And Brewery) **15.17**

Class 32 - Reduced Alcohol Beer (Alcohol content not less than 1.15% and not greater than 3.5% v/v)

JUDGES COMMENTS: Good overall. Some attention to palate weight and final gravity required. Some yeast issues and hop balance need to be addressed.

- B** 197 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Single Fin Summer Ale Special Edition 3.5%* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **15.33**
- B** 201 4 Pines Brewing Co., *4 Pines Pacific Ale* (Produced by 4 Pines Brewing Co) **14.67**
- 199 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Pils 3.5* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **12.33**
- 198 Gage Roads Brewing Co, *Narrow Neck Session Ale* (Produced by Gage Roads Brewing Co) **11.33**

CIDER

Class 33 - Dry Cider. Specific gravity up to 1005

JUDGES COMMENTS: Two different and interesting dry ciders that the judges appreciated; it has always been a difficult style and these show merit.

- B** 204 Small Acres Cyder, *Small Acres Cyder 2016 Somerset Still* (Produced by Small Acres Cyder) **15.50**
- B** 203 Suttons Juice Factory & Cidery, *Sutton's Apple Cider* (Produced by Sutton's Juice Factory & Cidery) **14.50**

Class 34 - Medium Cider. Specific gravity between 1005 and 1012

JUDGES COMMENTS: Interesting Class with diverse ciders. Fair number of medals. Something good to drink for many tastes. General standard overall was pleasingly good.

- S** 210 Appellation Cider, *Appellation Apple Cider* (Produced by Appellation Cider) **15.67**
- B** 216 The Barossa Valley Cider Co, *Squashed Apple Cider* (Produced by The Barossa Valley Cider Company) **15.33**
- B** 205 Carlton & United Breweries, *Bonamy's Apple Cider* (Produced by Carlton & United Breweries) **15.17**
- B** 208 Napoleone Cider, *Napoleone Apple Cider* (Produced by Napoleone) **15.17**
- B** 212 Black Devil Cider, *Black Devil* (Produced by Black Devil Cider) **15.17**
- B** 206 Lion, *Kirin Fuji Apple Cider* (Produced by Lion) **15.00**
- B** 209 Lion, *James Squire Orchard Crush Apple Cider* (Produced by Lion) **14.83**
- B** 214 Vok Beverages, *Three Oaks Crushed Apple Cider* (Produced by Three Oaks Cider) **14.67**
- B** 213 The Barossa Valley Cider Co, *Squashed Cloudy Cider* (Produced by The Barossa Valley Cider Company) **14.50**
- B** 219 Flying Brick Cider Co, *Draught Cider* (Produced by Flying Brick Cider Co) **14.50**
- B** 220 Sunshine Coast Cider, *Sunshine Cider* (Produced by Sunshine Coast Cider) **14.50**
- 218 Franklin Cider Company, *Frank's Autumn Apple Reserve* (Produced by Franklin Cider Company) **13.83**
- 211 Sidewood Estate, *Sidewood Apple Cider Bottle* (Produced by Sidewood Estate) **13.17**
- 215 Sidewood Estate, *Sidewood Apple Cider Can* (Produced by Sidewood Estate) **12.83**
- 202 Polo Investment Holdings Pty Ltd Trading As Custard & Co, *Custard & Co Cider Vintage Dry* (Produced by Custard & Co Cider) **12.67**
- 217 Newstead Brewing Co., *Johnno* (Produced by Newstead Brewing Co.) **12.00**
- 207 Darkes Cider, *Darkes Cider* (Produced by Darkes Cider) **11.67**

Class 35 - Sweet Cider. Specific gravity 1012 and above

JUDGES COMMENTS: Some good ciders showing excellent balance with delicacy leading the pack, other commendable examples.

- G** 221 Flying Brick Cider Co, *Original Cider* (Produced by Flying Brick Cider Co) **17.17**
- S** 227 Franklin Cider Company, *Frank's Summer Apple Cider* (Produced by Franklin Cider Company) **15.67**

- B** 222 Sydney Brewery, *Sydney Cider* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **14.67**
- B** 224 Sydney Brewery, *Sydney Cider* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **14.00**
- 225 Polo Investment Holdings Pty Ltd Trading As Custard & Co, *Custard & Co Cider Original* (Produced by Custard & Co Cider) **11.50**

Class 36 - Bottle Conditioned / Méthode Champenoise Cider

JUDGES COMMENTS: Some interesting ciders. If there was a theme it was fruit weight lacking.

- S** 228 Lion, *White Rabbit Pierre Le Popielino Blanc 2015* (Produced by White Rabbit) **16.33**
- B** 230 Small Acres Cyder, *Small Acres Cyder 2015 Sparkling* (Produced by Small Acres Cyder) **15.00**
- B** 231 Flying Brick Cider Co, *MC Cider* (Produced by Flying Brick Cider Co) **15.00**
- 229 Sunshine Coast Cider, *Brut Cider - Méthode Traditionnelle* (Produced by Sunshine Coast Cider) **12.00**

PERRY

Class 37 - Dry Perry. Specific gravity up to 1005

JUDGES COMMENTS: A good example.

- S** 232 Flying Brick Cider Co, *Pear Cider* (Produced by Flying Brick Cider Co) **15.67**

Class 38 - Medium Perry. Specific gravity between 1005 and 1012

JUDGES COMMENTS: Two solid commercial perries of quite different styles.

- B** 233 Napoleone Cider, *Napoleone Pear Cider* (Produced by Napoleone) **15.00**
- B** 234 The Barossa Valley Cider Co, *Squashed Pear Cider* (Produced by The Barossa Valley Cider Company) **15.00**

Class 39 - Sweet Perry. Specific gravity 1012 and above

JUDGES COMMENTS: Two good examples showed attractive pear and good balance; it is encouraging to see.

- S** 236 Sydney Brewery, *Manly Perry Draught* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **16.00**
- B** 235 Sydney Brewery, *Manly Perry Bottle* (Produced by Sydney Brewery) **14.83**
- 237 Sidewood Estate, *Sidewood Pear Cider Bottle* (Produced by Sidewood Estate) **11.83**

Class 40 - Bottle Conditioned / Méthode Champenoise Perry

JUDGES COMMENTS: Interesting subtle pear ciders, perhaps lacking slightly in fruit character.

- B** 239 Small Acres Cyder, *Small Acres Cyder 2016 Sparkling Perry* (Produced by Small Acres Cyder) **15.00**
- B** 238 Franklin Cider Company, *Frank's Methode Traditionnelle Perry* (Produced by Franklin Cider Company) **14.83**



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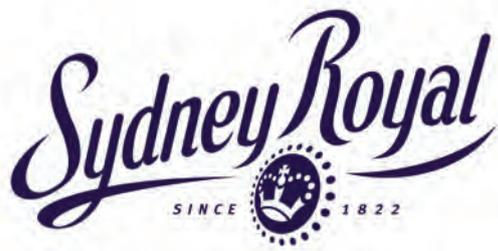
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