

Champagne Jayne Taste N Talk Report

Wine Guild Victoria members and guests were treated to a very special Taste N Talk at St. Michael's Church Hall on Tuesday April 19, featuring an energetic and enthusiastic Champagne Jayne. She certainly lived up to her reputation and entertained and enthralled all who attended.

Participants were greeted on arrival with a glass of the Tasmanian produced Jansz Premium Cuvée, definitely not champagne, but a great bubbly nevertheless – and a perfect 'warm-up' for what was to come.

The hall was filled to capacity and the audience included quite a few new members and potential new members. The table settings gave each person three tasting glasses, a map showing the wine appellations of France and another map of the Champagne region itself. Each table was served with finger food throughout the evening.

Champagne Jayne took us on a fascinating journey through the technical aspects of champagne including regional and varietal differences, the signature styles of the different champagne houses and an exploration of their culture and history, with an emphasis on their often overlooked female icons.

The tasting list, in order, was quite impressive:

- Pierre Gimonnet & Fils Cuis 1er Cru NV
- Paul Bara Grand Rose de Bouzy NV
- Moët & Chandon Imperial
- Bollinger Brut Special Cuvee
- Veuve Clicquot 2004 Ponsardin

Each serving of finger food was matched with the appropriate champagne.

To make the night even more special, the event was attended by a producer and cameraman from the Ten Network's 'The Project', filming for a segment about Champagne Jayne and her Federal Court battle with the Comité Interprofessionnel du Vin de Champagne (CICV). The segment was aired on the following Friday, April 22 and included quite a few of Wine Guild Victoria members and friends.

The episode of The Project featuring Champagne Jayne can be viewed online at <http://tenplay.com.au/channel-ten/the-project/2016/4/22-4857237643001> until mid-July.

Unfortunately you can't avoid the first five advertisements, but you should then be able to find the beginning of the Champagne Jayne segment about 16 and a half minutes into the program.

Further information about the champagnes tasted can be found by clicking on the following links.

[Pierre Gimonnet](#)

[Paul Bara](#)

[Moët & Chandon](#)

[Bollinger](#)

[Veuve Clicquot](#)