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The Hunter Valley – Australia’s oldest wine producing region, has scooped an amazing near 50% of the award winning NSW #topwines at this years NSW Wine Awards

148 wines were judged to be of Silver and Gold medal standard, which is unprecedented in the history of the NSW Wine Awards, which have been running since 1996. This is testament to the top quality wines being produced across the state, however the Hunter Valley is celebrating much more than the success of the state as a whole. Seventy one of the NSW #topwines hail from the Hunter Valley, which is just under half of the wines given Silver and Gold Medals. It is an incredible achievement for the region which continues to prove its status as a premium winemaking region.

The 71 #topwines from the Hunter Valley stand alongside other wines produced by 68 of the State’s best wineries – quite an outstanding line up which represents an incredible cross section from NSW’s wine regions.

Consumers have two fantastic opportunities to taste these award winning #topwines from the Hunter Valley at two upcoming events in October and November; Outstanding on the Pier and Hunter Valley Uncorked Balmoral.

The world class consumer event “Outstanding on the Pier” accompanies the NSW Wine Awards, and is held on Thursday October 30th at Pier 2, Walsh Bay, Sydney. Showcasing all 71 Hunter Valley #topwines, and offering an opportunity to meet, and discuss the wines with the winemakers themselves this event gives Hunter Valley wine lovers the chance to celebrate our successes with us!

Then, on Sunday November 2nd the Hunter Valley graces the shores of Balmoral Beach at the annual Hunter Valley Uncorked Balmoral food and wine event (11am – 5pm). Family and friends alike can delight in the award winning #topwines from the Hunter Valley with a picnic in the spring sunshine – let’s celebrate the 71 #topwines and start the silly season a little early!

What an incredible achievement for the Hunter Valley – we invite you to celebrate with us at Outstanding on the Pier and Hunter Valley Uncorked Balmoral.

The #topwines for 2014 from the Hunter Valley have been confirmed as follows (in alphabetical order):-

Allandale Semillon 2014

Angullong Fossil Hill Sangiovese 2013

Audrey Wilkinson "The Lake" Shiraz 2011

Audrey Wilkinson "Winemakers" Semillon 2014

Audrey Wilkinson Reserve Chardonnay 2013

Audrey Wilkinson Winemakers Shiraz 2013

Ballabourneen Majors Lane Semillon 2011

Bimbadgen Estate Semillon 2013

Bimbadgen Estate Viognier 2014

Bimbadgen Estate Vermentino 2014

Bimbadgen Estate MCA Fume Blanc 2014

Bimbadgen Estate Signature Semillon 2013

Bimbadgen Estate Signature Semillon 2011

Bimbadgen Regions Cabernet Merlot 2012

Brokenwood Forest Edge Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc 2014

Brokenwood ILR Reserve Semillon 2007

Brokenwood Latara Vineyard Semillon 2009

De Iuliis LDR Single Vineyard Shiraz Touriga 2013

De Iuliis Limited Release Shiraz 2011

De Iuliis Shiraz 2013

De Iuliis Verdelho 2014

Drayton's 'Susanne' Semillon 2010

First Creek Vermentino 2014

First Creek Winemakers Reserve Chardonnay 2013

First Creek Winemakers Reserve Semillon 2014

First Creek Winemakers Reserve Semillon 2011

Glandore 'Elliott' Semillon 2006

Gundog Estate Poacher's Semillon 2014

Hungerford Hill Dalliance Sparkling 2010

McGuigan Bin 6000 Verdelho 2014

McGuigan Bin 9000 Semillon 2013

McGuigan Bin 9000 Semillon 2014

McGuigan Bin 9000 Semillon 2007

McGuigan Personal Reserve Blackberry Vineyard Chardonnay 2013

McGuigan Personal Reserve Hunter Ridge Chardonnay 2013

McGuigan Shortlist Semillon 2013

McGuigan Vineyard Select Semillon 2005

McLeish Estate Chardonnay 2013

McLeish Estate Reserve Semillon 2007

Meerea Park Alexander Munro Semillon 2005

Mistletoe Noble Viognier 2013

Mistletoe Reserve Chardonnay 2012

Mount Pleasant Estate Lovedale Semillon 2003

Mount Pleasant Estate Old Hill 1880 Vines Shiraz 2013

Pepper Tree Wines 'Venus Block' Single Vineyard Orange Chardonnay 2013

Pokolbin Estate Shiraz 2011

Pokolbin Estate Shiraz 2009

Pooles Rock Shiraz 2011

RidgeView "Impressions" Shiraz 2011

Saddlers Creek Classic Semillon 2009

Saddlers Creek Reserve Semillon 2007

Silkman Semillon 2014

Silkman Semillon 2013

Silkman Shiraz 2013

Silkman Blackberry Semillon 2014

Tamburlaine Sauvignon Blanc 2014

Tempus Two Copper Zenith Semillon 2004

Tempus Two Copper Zenith Semillon 2010

Tempus Two Varietal Verdelho 2013

Thomas Wines Braemore Semillon 2014

Thomas Wines Elenay Shiraz 2011

Thomas Wines The OC Semillon 2014

Tinklers Old Vines Shiraz 2013

Tinklers Vineyards School Block Semillon 2013

Tinklers Viognier 2014

Two Rivers Stones Throw Semillon 2014

Two Rivers Stones Throw Semillon 2013

Tyrrell's Belford Chardonnay 2012

Tyrrell's Belford Semillon 2014

Tyrrell's HVD Semillon 2014

Tyrrell's Stevens Shiraz 2011

Tyrrell's Vat 8 Shiraz 2011

Wyndham Estate Black Cluster Hunter Valley Shiraz 2009

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