

May Newsletter 2026

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday 5th May: 8:00pm Village Hall: Wines of Brazil

From David

Welcome members to the first event of the CAWC 26/27 calendar, where newly appointed meetings secretary Robert Stein has already secured an engaging range of speakers which will be announced more widely in the coming months.

During her committee tenure, Kirsten Tolfree-Dart secured the return of Nicholas Corfe from Go Brazil wines for the first time since September 2019.

Nicholas is the founder and Managing Director of Go Brazil Wines & Spirits, the UK's only specialist importer and distributor focused exclusively on Brazilian wine.

Since 2010 Go Brazil has been importing exclusively Brazilian wines – the only company in the UK to do so. Despite a history of modern winemaking dating back to 1875, Brazil's wines are less visible than those of its South American neighbours; however, as Nicholas points out, the country has won some 3000 international awards in the last 25 years. At our tasting on 5th May we can look forward to a high quality selection, covering a broad spectrum of producers and regions. Indeed, Nicholas is promising us at least one brand new label from his portfolio, originating in an area where a 'winter harvest' is practised.

Finding these wines in traditional UK retailers is somewhat unlikely, which directly highlights a founding principle of our club, to sample wine styles from places you wouldn't normally expect.

Please join us on Tuesday 5th of May, remembering that this is the day after the bank holiday.



Website Booking

All booking must be done via the website in order to secure your place. The number of tables (and therefore the number of tickets available on sale) will be reduced depending on the number of bookings on the Sunday just before the event - so please book early to ensure you secure your places. This is to prevent purchasing too much food for the night. There will be some residual places available and these will be on sale right until the evening itself for any last minute bookings. **If the event is sold out, please send an email to webmaster@chalfamwineclub.org.uk to be placed on the waiting list.**



If you have a credit note from a previous cancellation, please do remember to use this on your next booking!

Guests:

In the final week before an event, members can book additional places to bring guests (subject to there being spaces remaining!). Please do not book for guests before this time as earlier bookings are for members only – any guests booked before this time will be removed from the booking.

Refunds:

Refunds/credit notes can be issued if members (or their guests) become unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances. This applies up to 24 hours before the evening (8pm on the Monday). Refunds/credit notes are not possible after this point unless there is another member on the waiting list who is able to take the place – **so please do let us know if you are unable to attend even at very short notice** as this may enable another member from the waiting list to come in your place. This is because the club will have finalised the orders for the evening. As issuing refunds to cards costs the club money, we kindly ask that if possible, a credit note is issued in preference to a full refund.

If there are any problems accessing the website or completing a booking, please email me at webmaster@chalfamwineclub.org.uk and I will do everything I can to assist.