

## SPRING 2017

Dear Pfriends of Pfeiffers,

We have a significant Birthday for one of our family very soon, you know, the ones that end in a zero. So I decided to plough back through the photos to get a snapshot of her life in photo form. Now, if all the photos that had ever been taken and printed onto that lovely Kodak paper, had been put into photo albums, it may have been a bit easier, but, you see, for the last 33 years, I have been too busy to be that organised, so all the packets and packets of photographs, have been kept in boxes. Then the digital age came...I am not even going there...well not yet anyway.

So, I pulled out the boxes, started with the smallest box and several hours later, I had photos of our daughter Melissa, strewn across the dining room table, trying to get them into some sort of chronological order. What a pleasurable task this has turned out to be.

In amongst the many, many photos of family, beautiful locations visited, sunrises and sunsets, Christmases shared, puffy cheeks blowing out Birthday candles, there were the occasional photos of the winery, the vineyard, the bridge (our Sunday Creek Bridge), and I sat back and said to myself, **"WOW"! When one lives where one does and sees the same surrounding scenery every day, one doesn't notice the changes. Well I haven't and yet the photographs have given me a huge sense of pride for what we have achieved in the last 33 years of what things were like and where they were, compared to now.** I guess our now "pfamous" Sunday Creek Bridge was the hugest job we ever had to do, and do quickly, when we renovated the original bridge. Both Chris and I nearly fainted when the quote came in, but we knew the works had to be done and completed before our "pfamous" Pfeiffer Pfrolic on the Bridge, that year, in 2004. Despite the bridge being the access across the waters of Sunday Creek to our original vineyard, the bridge had become a huge tourist attraction and drawcard to our winery over the years.

Back in 1985, Mrs Mouse who established Mrs Mouse's Tea House in Wahgunyah, came up with the idea of picnic baskets to be enjoyed on our bridge. Naturally, she provided the food in the baskets and we would provide the wine. That continued up until 2000 when Mrs Mouses's restaurant closed. **By that stage, the concept was entrenched as being part of a visit to Pfeiffer Wines and so to this day, we still provide you with that uniquely special opportunity to picnic on a bridge, our Sunday Creek Bridge...and not get run over!**

Inside this newsletter, there is the information you need to book one of our "pfabulous" picnic hampers. The food is now "pfreshly" prepared by Pickled Sisters, and we need 24 hours notice to prepare (or longer if you are in a larger group), to ensure we can look after you in true Pfeiffer style. The ingredients are seasonal so won't always be exactly as written within our newsletter. There is nothing more relaxing than enjoying the peaceful calm of our naturally beautiful Australian bush setting while you munch on yummy food and drink delicious wine.

There are lots of other reasons to come back to visit us at Pfeiffer Wines too. Check out the **What's On** section inside the newsletter. **Maree Castles** is our **Artist in Residence** in **September** with her graceful limestone sculptures of



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the female form. September also sees us welcome back the talented musicians from **Violinopedia** to our seasonal **Spring Farmers Market**. The ACT/NSW Long Weekend (the last day of September and the first day of October....and the AFL Grand Final weekend) also sees the return of our **Scarecrows, Sausages and Shiraz festival**. The winery will be ablaze with lots of quirky, "pfun" loving scarecrows and the very talented **Richard Perso** will be performing all weekend. Much loved **Melida Lempio** will be our **Artist in Residence in October** with her huge variety of subjects in her paintings. I love Melida's bird paintings and have a Robin Redbreast painting of Melida's in my bedroom.

**November** heralds our most "pfamous" event for the year with the release of our newest vintage of Gamay at the annual **Pfeiffer Pfrolic On The Bridge**. We also enjoy lots of other wines and by the end of the Pfrolic, everyone joins in with my Gamay song and dance routine!!!!

Never ready to rest on our laurels, this **December** we have an exciting new event at the winery. We are hosting our first ever **Artisan Christmas Market** where our very talented and skilled artists and artisans are showcasing their specialties at the winery. This will be your opportunity to purchase unique Christmas gifts from the maker. We will also have beautiful Christmas carols and music performed live and **Phat Wood-Fired Pizzas** and lots of other yummy food on site as well. **Did I forget to mention wine? Yes, yummy wine too, of course.**

It is hard to believe that we are already talking about Christmas. **For those of you who like to utilise our wonderful UK Christmas gift service**, please look on our website, [pfeifferwines.com.au](http://pfeifferwines.com.au) and then click on the SHOP tab and find the UK gift service under UK Wine Packs or ring the winery on 02 6033 2805 and talk to one of my "pfantastic" staff members who will be able to talk you through the process.

**And "pfinally" within our newsletter you can read the brief note about each one of our "pfantastic" wines made by Jen and Chris and their team of merry workers 'out the back'.** We have new vintages available and some other wines that this will be your last chance to get before they are sold out, so check this out too. **James Halliday certainly liked checking out our wines and gave us a red 5 star rating again for consistent quality of our wines. Thanks James.** The individual scores and other accolades are mentioned with each wine. **Thanks Jen and your team for delivering such "pfantastic" wines to us all, year in year out. We love your work.**

And I love my work too, or rather my current job of getting more photos sorted before the big 40. I keep asking myself, how did those years slip by so quickly, where did they go? I am about to have more lovely memories to remind me. Thank goodness for our photographs...printed and digital...yes, I still have that part to sort through too!!!

Till next time, thank you again for your support of our winery, you true "pfans" of Pfeiffer Wines.

Kind regards,



Robyn Pfeiffer