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Gold Medallists Announced in 31st Annual Qantas Wine Show of Western Australia

- 2008 Trophy Winners to be Announced at Gala Awards Dinner -

Wineries from around the state gathered in Mount Barker last week for the announcement of the gold, silver and bronze medallists in the 31st Annual Qantas Wine Show of Western Australia.

Winemakers mingled with judges including high profile Chief Judge, James Halliday, as the medallists for the 2008 show were announced, following the completion of the judging which had taken place over the preceding three days.

Nearly 1200 wines were entered and all gold medallists will now go on to become finalists for the 17 prestigious and highly sought after trophies, with winners to be announced at the gala 2008 Awards Dinner in the Hyatt Grand Ballroom on Tuesday, October 21st.

The Great Southern and Margaret River regions both featured prominently in the gold medals awarded, while the Geographe, Blackwood, Pemberton and Perth Hills regions also attracted gold medals.

Winner of the 2007 Qantas Award for Best Wine of Show, the Houghton Wine Company's 2004 Jack Mann Cabernet Sauvignon, again received a gold medal and will go into the 2008 Awards Dinner a strong contender for the prestigious top award once again.

Houghton, which has dominated the trophies over the last few years, again showed strongly with five gold medals. The other larger wineries continued to do well also, with Sandalford receiving four gold medals while Cape Mentelle, Goundrey and Evans & Tate all took three.

The gold medals also saw a strong showing from a broad range of smaller and boutique producers, with the Porongorups' Castle Rock Estate and Harris River Estate in Geographe each picking up two gold medals and a host of new entrants into the gold medallists' circle.

The 2008 Awards Dinner, where trophy winners will be announced, promises to be a gala affair attracting winemakers, wine marketers and media from throughout the state in a celebration of the Western Australian wine industry.

Keynote speaker, Vanya Cullen will offer insights into the judging of the 2008 entries, as well as discussing the emergence of the Western Australian wine industry over the past 30 years to become a major player in producing some of the best wines in the world.

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Tickets for the 2008 Awards Dinner, where wine enthusiasts and collectors will have the opportunity to rub shoulders with some of the state's finest winemakers and see the trophy winners announced, are still available from the bookings office on 9381 4200, by emailing bookings@wineshowwa.com.au or via the website at www.wineshowwa.com.au.

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Images Available.

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MOUNT BARKER
2008**

GOLD MEDALS

Region: No Region Specified

3.	Moondah Brook	Moondah Brook Verdelho	Verdelho	2008
6.	Karri Grove Estate	Karri Grove Estate	Sauvignon Blanc/ Semillon	2008
17.	Across the Lake	Across the Lake	Shiraz	2007
34.	Xanadu Wines Ltd	Dragon Xanadu Cabernet Merlot	Cabernet Sauvignon/ Merlot	2005
40.	Sandalford Wines	Sandalora	Pedro Ximenes	

Region: Blackwood Valley

34.	Rosenthal Wines	Rosenthal Cabernet Shiraz	Cabernet Sauvignon/ Shiraz	2005
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Region: Geographe

12.	Harris River Estate	Harris River Estate	Chardonnay	2007
14.	Harris River Estate	Harris River Estate	Verdelho	2007

Region: Great Southern

1.	Howard Park Wine	Howard Park Sauvignon Blanc	Sauvignon Blanc	2008
6.	Goundrey Wines	Goundrey Reserve Riesling	Riesling	2008
5.	Lamont's Winery	Lamont's Riesling	Riesling	2008
5.	Howard Park Wine	Howard Park Riesling	Riesling	2008
5.	Castle Rock Estate	Castle Rock Riesling	Riesling	2008
11.	Poacher's Ridge Vineyard	Poachers Ridge Louis' Block Ries	Riesling	2007
11.	Harewood Estate	Riesling	Riesling	2007
11.	Three Drops	3 Drops Riesling	Riesling	2007
16.	Old Kent River	Old Kent River	Pinot Noir	2007
18.	Xabregas	Xabregas Show Reserve Cabern	Cabernet Sauvignon	2007
19.	Ferngrove Vineyard	Ferngrove King	Malbec	2007
21.	3 Oceans Wine Compan	Palandri	Riesling	2006
22.	Forest Hill Vineyard	Estate Chardonnay	Chardonnay	2006
26.	Forest Hill Vineyard	Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	Cabernet Sauvignon	2006
29.	Oranje Tractor Wine	Oranje Tractor Albany Riesling	Riesling	2003
29.	Trevelen Farm	Riesling	Riesling	2002
29.	Castle Rock Estate	Castle Rock Riesling	Riesling	2002
32.	Houghton Wine Compan	Wisdom Shiraz	Shiraz	2005
32.	Shepherd's Hut	Shepherd's Hut Shiraz	Shiraz	2005
33.	Goundrey Wines	Goundrey Reserve Cabernet Sau	Cabernet Sauvignon	2005
34.	Harewood Estate	Shiraz Cabernet	Shiraz/ Cabernet Sauvignon	2005

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35.	Houghton Wine Compan	Houghton Gladstones Frankland	Shiraz	2002
35.	Goundrey Wines	Goundrey G Star	Shiraz	2003
36.	Houghton Wine Compan	Jack Mann	Cabernet Sauvignon	2004

Region: Margaret River

1.	Were Estate	Were Estate Sauvignon Blanc	Sauvignon Blanc	2008
4.	Cowaramup Wines	Clown Fish 2008 Chardonnay	Chardonnay	2008
6.	Lanton Brae Wines	Lanton Brae Semillon Sauvignon	Semillon/ Sauvignon Blanc	2008
6.	Evans & Tate	Evans and Tate M River Classic	Semillon/ Sauvignon Blanc	2008
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6.	Vasse Felix	Vasse Felix Sauvignon Blanc Se	Sauvignon Blanc/ Semillon	2008
6.	Bharose Estate	Bharose Estate Sauvignon Blanc	Sauvignon Blanc/ Semillon	2008
12.	Cape Mentelle Vineyards	Cape Mentelle	Chardonnay	2007
12.	Prevall Wines	Prevall Wines	Chardonnay	2007
12.	Devil's Lair Winery	Devil's Lair Chardonnay	Chardonnay	2007
17.	Windance Estate	Windance Shiraz	Shiraz	2007
17.	Windance Estate	Windance Reserve Shiraz	Shiraz	2007
18.	Fermoy Estate	Chimes Estate Cabernet	Cabernet Sauvignon	2007
18.	Sittella Wines	Berne Reserve	Cabernet Sauvignon	2007
20.	Flametree Wines	Flametree Margaret River Cabern	Cabernet Sauvignon/ Merlot	2007
23.	Cape Mentelle Vineyards	Cape Mentelle 'Wallcliffe'	Sauvignon Blanc/ Semillon	2006
26.	Cape Mentelle Vineyards	Cape Mentelle	Cabernet Sauvignon	2006
30.	Evans & Tate	Evans and Tate Stellar Ridge Ch	Chardonnay	2006
32.	Amberley Estate	Amberley First Selection Shiraz	Shiraz	2005
32.	Rebilly Vineyard	Shiraz	Shiraz	2005
33.	Houghton Wine Compan	Wisdom Cabernet Sauvignon	Cabernet Sauvignon	2005
33.	Sandalford Wines	Estate Reserve Cabernet	Cabernet Sauvignon	2005
33.	Sandalford Wines	Prendiville Reserve	Cabernet Sauvignon	2005
34.	Knotting Hill Estate Viney	Knotting Hill Cabernet Merlot	Cabernet Sauvignon/ Merlot	2005
34.	Driftwood Estate	Driftwood Shiraz Cabernet Sauvig	Shiraz/ Cabernet Sauvignon	2005
35.	Woody Nook Wines	Woody Nook Shiraz	Shiraz	2004
35.	Sandalford Wines	Estate Reserve Shiraz	Shiraz	2004
36.	Evans & Tate	Evans and Tate The Reserve Ca	Cabernet Sauvignon	2004

Region: Mixed

6.00	Karribindi	Karribindi	Semillon/ Sauvignon Blanc	2008
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Region: Pemberton

12.	Houghton Wine Compan	Wisdom Chardonnay	Chardonnay	2007
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Region: Perth Hills

30.00	Cosham Wines	Cosham Chardonnay	Chardonnay	2004
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