

## Three Main Grapes

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

### Fine Wine Event - The Benson Cup

This year's Benson Cup returns to the same format as last year, but by popular request all wines will come from France. It should prove a good fun challenge in identifying very fine wines from traditional grape varieties whilst at the same time representing the educational experience that several have requested. Moreover this is an exceptional chance to taste some fine and rare wines.

There will be three main red grape varieties - Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah. The wines will be served in three flights of three wines; one Cabernet Sauvignon, one Merlot and one Syrah. Your challenge will be to identify which wine is which. Sounds easy doesn't it? Last year's winners Jackie Saville and Michael Daiches, will be defending their title and hope to retain the magnificent cup donated by Jeffrey Benson -our new Chairman- for this event.

The wines chosen are all representative of their grape varieties and are all top range classic wines in very good years but the vintages will only be revealed to participants on the night. Our wines are as follows:

#### Syrah

Côte Rôtie, Clusel Roch

Hermitage La Chapelle, Jaboulet Aîné

Cornas Les Chaillots, Domaine Thierry Allemand

#### Cabernet Sauvignon:

Château Langoa Barton

Château Duhart-Milon

Le Petit Mouton de Mouton Rothschild

#### Merlot

Château Gazin

Château Tertre Roteboeuf

Château Magdelaine

After the blind tasting, all will be revealed and Jeffrey will take us through the wines whilst we quench our thirst with a glass of wine, though sadly not as extravagant as the tasting wines!

Venue:	The Lansdowne Club, 9 Fitzmaurice Place	
Nearest Tube:	Green Park	Mobility Rating - 1 Lift access
Time:	7.00pm	
Dress:	Jacket and Tie for gentlemen; smart for ladies	
Price p/person:	£70.00 Members and Joint Members <b>Guests £73.00 but only if room</b>	
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