

33rd Annual Gulf Coast Winegrowers Watson Field Day

Jan, 31, 2025 - *Cat Spring Agricultural Society Hall*



13035 Hall Rd. Cat Spring, TX 79833



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EXTENSION

7:30 - 9:00	REGISTRATION	
8:00 - 9:00	Prospective Winegrowers Workshop - Daniel Hillin, Texas A&M AgriLife Viticulture Program Specialist <i>Sponsored by Producers Supply (1 CEU)</i>	
9:00 - 9:10	Announcements - Stacie Villarreal, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent – ANR Austin County Welcome – Jim Brooks, President, Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association <i>Presenting Sponsor - Denise McBride, Capital Farm Credit</i>	
9:10 - 9:40	History of Grapes in Texas – Dr. George Ray McEachern, Professor and Extension Horticulturist Emeritus	
9:40 - 10:00	NETWORKING BREAK - <i>Exhibitor Time</i>	
10:00 - 10:50	Vineyard Canopy Management – Dr. Patrick O'Brien, Texas A&M AgriLife Viticulture Assistant Professor <i>Sponsored by Darst Ranch Vineyards (1 CEU)</i>	& Extension Specialist
10:50 - 11:20	NETWORKING BREAK – <i>Exhibitor Time</i>	
11:20 - 12:00	Canopy Rebuilding – John Dale, Gulf Coast Winegrower	
10:00 - 10:50	Why Open a Winery – Mike Gamble, Blue Mule Winery, Gulf Coast Winemaker	
10:50 - 11:20	NETWORKING BREAK – <i>Exhibitor Time</i>	
11:20 – 12:00	Wine Additives – Dr. Andreea Botezatu, Texas A&M AgriLife Enology Associate Professor <i>Sponsored By Sommelier Logistics</i>	& Extension Specialist
12:00 – 1:00	LUNCH - <i>Exhibitor Time</i> <i>Sponsored By WC Tractor</i>	

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12:00 – 1:00	LUNCH - Exhibitor Time Sponsored By WC Tractor	
1:00 - 1:40	Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association Members Meeting (Updates, Elections) Jim Brooks, President, Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association	
1:40 - 2:30	Pesticide Laws & Regs - Updates – Greg Baker, Texas A&M AgriLife Ext Agent – ANR Matagorda Cty (1CEU)	
2:30 - 3:00	NETWORKING BREAK – Exhibitor Time	
3:00 - 3:45	Harvest Labor Panel – Darst, Fleming, Morgan, Watson, Aschenbeck (Gulf Coast Winegrowers)	
3:45 - 4:00	Update on PD Resistant Varieties - Fran Pontasch, Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Viticulturalist Emeritus	
4:00 - 4:30	Camminare Noir Grower Panel – Bowden, Klenke, Jeter, Wuensche (Gulf Coast Winegrowers) Sponsored by Threshold Vineyards	
4:30 – 4:45	Aging Wine on Post Oak – Ken Wuenche, Jimmy Cormier, Gulf Coast Winegrowers	
4:30 – 5:00	Camminare Noir Tasting – Jeter, Klenke (Gulf Coast Winemakers) Sponsored By Threshold Vineyards	
5:00 – 7:00	WINE SOCIAL - Sponsored by Texas Tech University Plant & Soil Science Department	



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GCWA 2025 Annual Meeting

31 Jan 2025



AGENDA

Call to Order/Update

Old Business: 2024 Activities

Treasurer Report: \$26,055.78

Officer Elections Secretary, Treasurer and 4ea Directors, nominations and votes.

New Business: TWGGA President, Future events: Agrilife Symposiums, Enology Webinars, Qtrly Tailgates, Chem Buys, Non-Commercial Wine Show, TWGGA Conference, Grape Camp...

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Certificates of Appreciation: Fleming, Kasperek, Aschenbeck, Darst, Eskins

Adjournment: Thank You to: Sponsors, Event Planners, Volunteers BBGC, Attendees

GCWA OFFICERS & DIRECTORS									
POSITION	NAME		ELECTED	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
President	Jim	Brooks	2024					Yes	
VP	Virginia	Rodriguez	2022					Yes	
Secretary									
Treasurer	James	Kasperek	2021						
Director	David	Fleming	2021						
Director	Dawn	Aschenbeck	2021						
Director	Paul	Darst	2021						
Director	David	Eskins	2021						
Director	Mike	Gamble	2022					Yes	
Director	Art	Delgato	2021					Yes	
Director	Greg	Cargle	2022					Yes	
Director	Larry	Cress	2023					Yes	
Director	Joe	Klenke	2023					YES	

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2024			
START of fiscal year Balance (2/1/2024)			\$ 25,490.00
Expenses:		Expenses	
This includes a partial, 1 time \$2700, development fee	Website	\$ 3,874.15	
	Mail Box	\$ 72.00	
	Field Day	\$ 2,161.97	
	Wine Show	\$ 294.63	
	Tax Prep	\$ 500.00	
	Office	\$ 11.82	
Income:		Income	
	Sponsorships	\$ 1,047.60	
	Renewals/New Members	\$ 3,115.89	
Contains entry, Renewals and Sponsorships	Field Day	\$ 3,316.86	
Sub Totals:		\$ 6,914.57	\$ 7,480.35
END of fiscal year Balance (1/31/2025)			\$ 26,055.78



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