

RIVERINA WINE GRAPES MARKETING BOARD

For the City of Griffith and the local government areas of
Leeton, Carrathool and Murrumbidgee



MEDIA RELEASE

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BOARD ELECTION RESULTS AND RECENT APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD

The Wine Grapes Marketing Board recently held election of members saw the election of a new member to the Board from Leeton. Frank Alampi was elected by growers following an average response to the poll by regional growers. As a result of the election a casual vacancy on the Board was created that has since been filled by Dominic Schirripa from Hanwood.

Representatives standing for election (in accordance with the order they appeared on the ballot paper) where, Frank Alampi, Bruno Brombal, Anthony Baggio, Bruno Altin, Rod Gribble and Robert Bellato. Out of 323 ballot sheets posted to growers only 77 were returned to the NSW Electoral Commission for counting. Of these 77 only 69 were accepted and 3 of these upon inspection were classed as informal votes and not counted.

The election results were as follows:

Candidate	1 st preference votes	Total Votes	Result
Frank Alampi	9	13	4 th elected
Bruno Brombal	34	34	1 st elected
Anthony Baggio	5	16	2 nd elected
Bruno Altin	6	12	5 th elected
Rod Gribble	3	5	
Robert Bellato	9	15	3 rd elected

The 5 elected members will now stand on the Board until their terms of office expire on 31 March 2019.

Rod Gribble from Yenda was not elected to a second term and the Chairman of the Board thanked him for his efforts over the past three years. Lou Dal Nevo from Hanwood also ceased being a Board representative after serving since 1999 on the Board. Lou was not eligible to stand for this current term of office.

As a result of Bruno Altin from Nericon successfully being elected to the Board his current position on the Board as an appointed member ceased, creating a casual vacancy which the Board advertised recently in the local media. The Board received a solid response from interested persons and after some deliberation the Board appointed Dominic Schirripa from Hanwood to fill the casual vacancy that will run until February 2017.

Following the election the Board reappointed both Bruno Brombal as its Chair and Robert Bellato as Deputy Chair of the organisation to serve for the next 12 months.

The Board meets monthly, generally on the second Monday. If members wish to raise matters at Board meetings they can contact the Chief Executive Officer Brian Simpson to assist.

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For images of Messers Alampi and Schrippa please contact the Board..

ENQUIRIES:

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