

# RANGER'S REPORT

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## SARAH KATHLEEN SILENT RANGE ESTATE'S SUPER SPARKLING SHIRAZ

### From the Ranger

Those of you who have been following us for a few years now, know we have been filling you in on Silent Range happenings in our Ranger's Report. We have recently launched a new website [www.silentrangeestate.com.au](http://www.silentrangeestate.com.au) that we are very excited about.

You don't have to wait for our newsletter anymore as we are posting regular updates on what is happening with our wines, in the vineyard, festivals and events, and there is even a fabulous garden blog by The Green Ranger!



*Kale from the garden*

You can also find out what's happening on our Facebook page or follow us on Twitter (silent\_rangr). Leave a comment to let us know what you think!

For those who like to grow tomatoes check out our Facebook Tomato Competition!

Keep up to date with what is happening up here in the Warby Range, sign-up for our RSS feeds on the web, like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter. Chat soon!

*The Ranger*

A uniquely Australian invention, Sparkling Shiraz – the French were probably appalled at the idea – is a delicious wine, perfect for the summer season. A bit of a contradiction, blending a full-bodied red wine with the lightness of a sparkling bubble, and a touch of sweetness, but when chilled, and matched with turkey and cranberries or a chocolately pudding with raspberry coulis, you couldn't find a more suitable quaff!

We constantly work on the balance of sweetness with the bubble production, a trade off in the dosage process (adding back a little wine at the end of the process after removal of the yeast lees). A lick of sweetness, not so much bubble, but a well-balanced wine.

The 2008 vintage (our currently release) is going through a purple patch (excuse the pun) with it recently being awarded a Silver medal at the 2011 Victorian Wines Show, and earlier this year claiming the Best of the Best in the WineState Magazine's Annual 2010-2011 Sparkling Shiraz tasting, after scoring the Best in the North East!

If you haven't tried it yet, you can purchase online. Visit the website [www.silentrangeestate.com.au/wines/](http://www.silentrangeestate.com.au/wines/)



## Winemakers Weekend

The Glenrowan Winemaker's Weekend was a brilliant success! A beautiful spring weekend in the Glenrowan Wine Region (Oct 1-2) was a hugely successful showcase of our pocket rocket wine region.



Beginning with an outstanding booked-out Dinner held at the historic Bailey's of Glenrowan. Our **Slow Food from the Producers' Paddock Dinner** on Saturday was a fantastic evening with the swinging sounds of **Liam Blunt's Jazz Quintet** and delicious slow-prepared five-course dinner by chef **Adam Pizzini**, matched with the famous wines of the Glenrowan Region.

The stayers backed it all up on Sunday for some **Glenrowan Grazing!** The Gourmet winemaker's breakfast at Auldstones Cellars, kicked off the day and then off to the participating wineries for tasting plates with Australian themed culinary delights.

If you missed out this time, keep your eye on our news for details of next year's **Glenrowan Winemakers Weekend**.

## Spring Seasonal Menu at Silent Range Estate

Starting this month, come and enjoy your weekend lunch from our **Spring Seasonal Menu**, when you book with your group of up to 16 friends. For a fantastic value lunch at \$26 per head including two courses and a glass of wine, while away the afternoon with spectacular views of the Victorian Alps, enjoying good food, good wine and good company.

For larger groups, please contact us to review your requirements on 03 5725 3292.

The menu showcasing the **Wangandary Walk** tasting experience (our local area) with the finest produce including berries, fresh produce, olive oil and hand made products sourced from the Warby Range.

Your menu choices include; Beef & Shiraz pies with salad & relish, Vine pruner's staple of Pork Terrine served with Warby Range produce and house made sourdough bread,



Savoury Macadamia tarts filled with locally grown seasonal vegetables with an olive, orange and goat's cheese salad (See our posts for the recipe).

Sweet treats include Panacotta

made with Warby Range free range eggs, topped with Wangandary cherry sauce, Maureen's lemon syrup cake with cream, Soused Chocolate Cake with Warby Range grown cherries and prunes.



## Now for the Silent Rangers special offers for club members

Our November shipment for club members is soon to go out, so you have some delicious wines for Christmas. Select any of the Silent Range Estate products at your great value member prices - Ranger members 10% savings and Ultra members 20% savings. Not a member yet? Go to [www.silentrangeestate.com.au](http://www.silentrangeestate.com.au) to join.

Not sure what to order? Our special pack offers for this delivery include;

**Summer Chill Pack** - A summer special, with our new release Sweet Georgia Rose ( your summer picnic perfect wine a pretty pink colour too) and the favoured Sauvignon Blanc, a delicious crisp drink for summer seafood indulgences.

**3 x 2011 Sweet Georgia Rose, 3 x 2010 Sauvignon Blanc.**  
Regular Price \$123.30.  
Members: Ranger \$110.97,  
Ultra \$98.64

### Summer Dinner Party Pack

- Summer Dinner Parties or BBQs cry out for some easy drinking red (Silent Range Estate Merlot) for your spicy crusted lamb backstraps, some crisp dry white (Silent Range Estate Sauvignon Blanc) for your seared scallop entrée and Silent Range Estate Sarah Kathleen Sparkling Shiraz for your Chocolate Pudding and raspberry coulis dessert!

**2 x Sauvignon Blanc, 2 x Merlot, 2 x Sparkling Shiraz.**  
Regular Price \$156.90  
Members: Ranger \$141.21,  
Ultra \$125.52

### Pure Gold Red Wine Lovers Pack

- We couldn't help but reward those who love our past vintage wines! This is a dozen pack including 8 bottles of our award winning 2005 Merlot - multi Gold Medal, Best in Show Winner at a VERY special price of \$22 (then take off your member savings) AND 4 bottles of our Sweet Georgia Rose for FREE!!!! Yes Crazy.....A delicious wine for summer picnic drinking AND your favourite award winner together at almost half price.

**8 x 2005 Silent Range Estate Merlot, 4 x Sweet Georgia Rose.**  
Regular Full Price \$298  
Members: Ranger \$158.40,  
Ultra \$140.80

## Wangaratta Festival of Jazz

What a wonderful 22nd Festival of Jazz in Wangaratta on the weekend of Oct 28th - Oct 31st. Cool and overcast on Saturday with the threat of showers, put a dampener on our spirits, but by 10 am the clouds cleared and we were treated to fantastic weather and an enjoyable couple of days.

The weekend included standout artists - Paul Grabowsky's duo with saxophonist Sandy Evans, Katie Noonan and her trio Elixir, US trombonist Josh Roseman, Young bassist and bandleader Linda Oh and Fabian Almazan, gifted Cuban-

born pianist, to name a few. Thank you to all the locals who dropped in to our Reid St stall and tasted our new release wines, and welcome to the club all the visitors from elsewhere who joined us for fun and fine music over the weekend.

**Special Congratulations to our lucky Ranger Members Ann & Lyn Kahlefeldt who won our Jazz Festival Pass winning their way to a brilliant weekend of Jazz.**

Read more [www.wangarattajazz.com](http://www.wangarattajazz.com)

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