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From the President



The Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS) is mission-purposed to foster the prosperous and sustainable future of Australian agriculture. The original 1822 Prospectus of the Agricultural Society of NSW acknowledged that a nation flourishes best when the “a public spirit of agricultural improvement shall be implanted within the breast of all”. This is the mission we proudly continue in order to ensure thriving sustainability for generations of Australians to come.

Our mission is accomplished primarily through the time-tested approach of competitions because the very nature of competition drives innovation and excellence. Sydney Royal competitions establish industry benchmarks by which success can be measured year-on-year. Our Committees carefully design competition categories and establish judging panels to ensure the most effective impact on industry and relevant markets.

We know from 200 years of experience that our competitions raise not only the quality of produce but also the calibre of producers. This year was no different, the excellence of every exhibitor across the board is what continues to keep our competitions so highly anticipated and so well regarded. Thank you to every one of our exhibitors, we value your participation greatly.

Thank you also to our Judges, Officials, Stewards and volunteers who give so generously of their time and expertise. To our valued sponsors and supporters, thank you for your continued investment in what we do. It is because of all of you that Sydney Royal competitions continue to drive excellence in Australian produce, and to ensure the sustainability of agricultural practices.

I am delighted to work closely with our RAS Councillors and Committee Chairs and all RAS Staff involved in the Wine, Beer & Cider, Distilled Spirits, Cheese & Dairy Produce, and Fine Food sections.

On behalf of us all, I trust that you enjoyed your Sydney Royal experience and I encourage you to join in the tradition of entering every year. Together we can celebrate and propel Australian agricultural excellence.

I look forward to seeing you again next year.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'John C. Bennett'.

John C. Bennett, OAM
President, Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

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Distilled spirits from across regional Australia dominate at inaugural Sydney Royal Distilled Spirit Show.

TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2024

The Royal Agricultural Society of NSW has tonight announced the recipients of its inaugural Sydney Royal Distilled Spirit Show, with fourteen champions from across Australia crowned in categories ranging from Champion Traditional Gin to Champion Single Malt Whisky and Champion Ready to Drink.

Out of the fourteen champions announced there was a notable representation from winners across regional Australia with gins from Lord Howe Island, Yamba and the Central Coast all taking home champion prizes while the Central Coast was also named the home of single malt whisky.

Taking the top award, however, was St Agnes Distillery which won the inaugural Best Distilled Spirit of Show thanks to the St Agnes XO Grand Reserve, with the 40-year-old world-class brandy earning an impressive 98 points out of 100.

Sydney Royal Chair of Judges, Stuart Gregor said “The inaugural Sydney Royal Distilled Spirits Show was, I think, a great success with the competition receiving more than 270 entries and delivering a wonderfully varied range of winners, with a strong emphasis on regional NSW,” Gregor said.

“If you had told me that a rum from Canberra and a gin from Yamba would be category champions, I might have raised some eyebrows, but both are absolute belters, world class examples of their respective styles and worthy gold medal winners in any competition in the world.

“The highest pointed entrant in the entire show was the St Agnes XO Grand Reserve 40-year-old brandy and quite honestly nothing really came close. The final aggregated score for it was 98/100 and to be perfectly truthful I’m a bit surprised it didn’t end up as 99 or 100.

“This is a truly incredible brandy, as good, and frankly probably better than many of the most expensive and prestigious French Cognacs. It has an almost impossibly rich and unctuous palate and length that seems to go forever. Sure, its expensive (\$1000 a bottle or thereabouts) but if drinking the greatest spirits in the world is your thing, then you simply MUST taste this St Agnes.”

Across the competition 14% of entries received a gold medal, followed by 32.6% claiming silver and 41.7% bronze. This resulted in 88% of all entries receiving a medal which proved that despite the challenges the industry is currently facing, the quality Australian distillers are producing has never been better.

The Central Coast’s Amber Lane Distillery is a perfect example of this, with the relatively young distillery taking home Champion Single Malt Whisky with their Alchemical Series: Water and putting the Central Coast on the map.

“The winner of the whisky class was a brilliant effort from Amber Lane Distillery. Their Alchemical Series: Water was a really strong winner and continues a run of wins for this Central Coast based distillery. An outstanding whisky from a producer who will very soon surely be much better known,” Gregor said.

For the coffee lovers out there the inaugural Champion Ready to Drink went to Curatif’s Espresso Martini, which impressed the judges with its complex flavours while Champion Liqueur went to The Canberra Distillery for its Coffee Liqueur. The Canberra Distillery also struck gold with the Old George Reserve Rum winning The Chair of Judges Annual Prize.

“The inaugural winner of the competitive Ready to Drink class was a truly delicious, and perfect for early afternoon judging, Espresso Martini from Curatif. This was as good as anything you would expect to be served in the best bars around town, it retained a lovely crema on top and balanced coffee and sweetness perfectly,” Gregor said.

MEDIA RELEASE

In the competition's highest entered category 'gin', three standouts stole the show and that was Yamba Distilling Co which won Champion Traditional Gin thanks to its Duke - Dry Gin, the Central Coast's Pants off Distillery which claimed Champion Contemporary Gin with its Pants Off Antz Pants Gin and Lord Howe Island Distilling Co which took home Champion Other Gin courtesy of its Wolfe Rock Gin.

"The wildest named winner was the Pants Off – Pants Off Antz Pants gin which collected the trophy in the largest and most competitive class in the show – Contemporary Gin. It is a lovely modern style showcasing some great pepper characteristics and a soft, well balanced palate."

Putting Australian agave spirits in the spotlight thanks to their one-of-a-kind creations, Top Shelf International has not only led the way for the variety in Australia but can now add Champion Alternative Spirit to their accolades with Act of Treason Reposado taking the top prize.

"Australia is now growing a few thousand Hectares of Agave, the succulent that makes the famous Tequila and Mezcal spirits of Mexico and our inaugural winner, the Act of Treason – reposado (meaning rested in barrel for several months) was as good an example as most highly regarded commercial Tequilas. The agave for this is grown near Airlie Beach in Northern Queensland and is a product to watch for sure."

Also recognised was Manly Spirits Co's Grape & Grain Vodka which won Champion Vodka and Champion NSW Distilled Spirit, Fleurieu Distillery's Country to Coast #5 which was crowned Champion Grain or Blend Whisky and Lord Byron Distillery's Pure Single Rum – Ex Red Wine. 2023 release Cask #8 which scored Champion Cane Spirit or Rum.

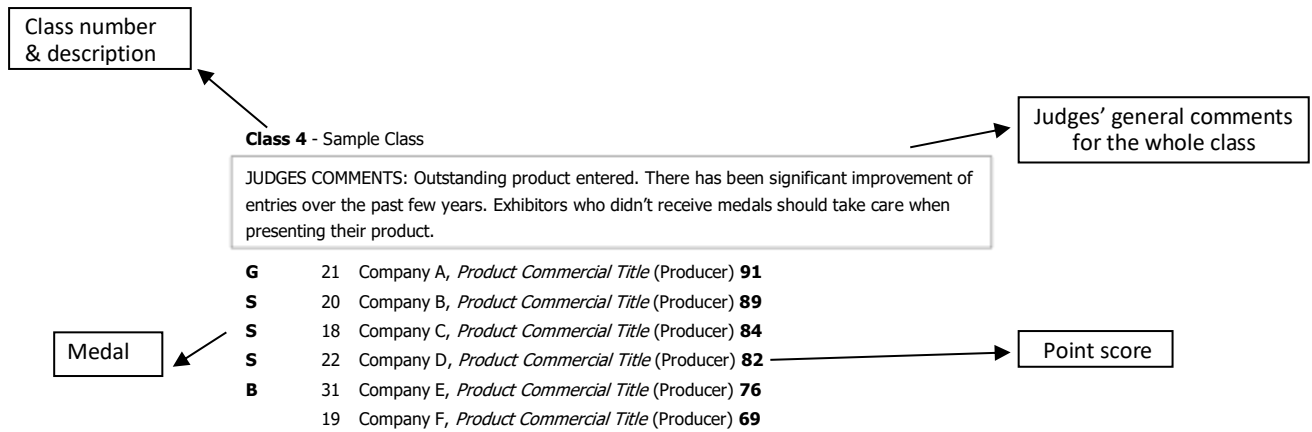
To view all of this year's champion and medal winners, please visit: www.rasnsw.com.au

This year's Sydney Royal Distilled Spirit Show Awards was also held in conjunction with the 2024 Sydney Royal Beer & Cider Show with champion results also available via the website.

History of the RAS and Distilled Spirits:

While 2024 might mark the inaugural standalone Sydney Royal Distilled Spirits Show, the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW has a long history of judging Australian spirits with the 202-year-old company's records stating that at the 1870 Sydney Royal Easter Show 3 bottles of gin were entered into the 'Spirits, from Grape, Cane, Grain, Roots &c'. The RAS last judged Australian spirits in 1981.

HOW TO READ THE RESULTS CATALOGUE



LEGEND

- G** Gold Medal winner
- S** Silver Medal winner
- B** Bronze Medal winner

MEDAL AWARDS

Medal Awards are determined by the Judges on the following scale of points:

All Classes Total 100 points

- (a) Gold medal for outstanding Exhibits gaining 90pts and over;
- (b) Silver medal for excellent Exhibits gaining 82pts but fewer than 90pts;
- (c) Bronze medal for quality Exhibits gaining 74pts but fewer than 82pts.

CHAMPIONSHIPS, TROPHIES AND SPECIAL PRIZES

Champion Traditional Gin

Eligible Class: 1

2024 Winner:

Duke – Dry Gin
Yamba Distilling Co
Class No. 1 / Cat No. 14

Champion Contemporary Gin

Eligible Class: 2

2024 Winner:

Pants Off Antz Pants Gin
Pants Off Distillery
Class No. 2 / Cat No. 45

Champion Other Gin

Eligible Classes: 3 – 7

2024 Winner:

Wolfe Rock Gin
Lord Howe Island Distilling Co.
Class No. 4 / Cat No. 77

Champion Vodka

Eligible Classes: 8 – 11

2024 Winner:

Grape & Grain Vodka
Manly Spirits Co.
Class No. 8 / Cat No. 109

Champion Single Malt Whisky

Eligible Classes: 12

2024 Winner:

Alchemical Series: Water
Amber Lane Distillery
Class No. 12 / Cat No. 147

Champion Grain or Blend Whisky

Eligible Classes: 13 – 16

2024 Winner:

Country to Coast #5
Fleurieu Distillery
Class No. 13 / Cat No. 168

Champion Cane Spirit or Rum

Eligible Classes: 17 – 22

2024 Winner:

Pure Single Rum – Ex-Red Wine. 2023 Release Cask #8
Lord Byron Distillery
Class No. 20 / Cat No. 189

The JJ McWilliam Memorial Perpetual Trophy for Best Brandy

Eligible Class: 23

2024 Winner:

St Agnes XO Grand Reserve
St Agnes Distillery
Class No. 23 / Cat No. 203

Champion Liqueur

Eligible Classes: 24 – 30

2024 Winner:

Coffee Liqueur
The Canberra Distillery
Class No. 26 / Cat No. 223

Champion Alternative Spirit

Eligible Class: 31

2024 Winner:

Act of Treason Reposado
Top Shelf International
Class No. 31 / Cat No. 249

Champion Ready to Drink

Eligible Classes: 32 – 39

2024 Winner:

Curatif Espresso Martini
Curatif
Class No. 33 / Cat No. 264

Champion Non-Alcoholic Spirit

Eligible Class: 40

2024 Winner:

Not awarded

The Chair of Judges Annual Prize

This Annual Prize is supported by the RAS of NSW. Awarded to the Exhibit that impressed the Chair of Judges the most that did not get an award elsewhere.

2024 Winner:

Old George Reserve Rum
The Canberra Distillery
Class No. 21 / Cat No. 193

Best NSW Distilled Spirit

Eligible Class: 1-39

2024 Winner:

Grape & Grain Vodka
Manly Spirits Co.
Class No. 8 / Cat No. 109

Best Distilled Spirit of Show

Winners of the following Champions and Trophies are eligible: Traditional Gin, Contemporary Gin, Other Gin, Vodka, Single Malt Whisky, Grain or Blend Whisky, Cane Spirit or Rum, The JJ McWilliam Memorial Perpetual Trophy for Best Brandy, Liqueur, Alternative Spirit, Ready to Drink.

2024 Winner:

St Agnes XO Grand Reserve
St Agnes Distillery
Class No. 23 / Cat No. 203



The best of the best

18TH ANNUAL RAS OF NSW PRESIDENT'S MEDAL



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The President's Medal is unique in that the Medal is not awarded solely on taste; it recognises a product's overall financial, social and environmental integrity through the entire production cycle from gate to plate.

It draws from Sydney Royal Champions from throughout the year, examines, and celebrates truly inspirational, innovative agricultural food and beverage achievers.

To find out more www.rasnw.com.au/presidentsmedal



Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

GIN

CLASS 1 - Gin - Classic

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Strong class of juniper forward classic dry gins. Great variety with a broad range of botanicals across the class. Elevated samples had wonderful integration of spirit that were supported by intensity of botanicals. High number of medals and high proportion of golds supports the high technical standards across the class.

- G 14** YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Duke - Dry Gin* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **94**
- G 20** SAWMILL GIN, *Mr Wriggles Clare Valley Gin* (Produced by Sawmill Gin) **90**
- G 21** ARCHIE ROSE DISTILLING CO., *Bone Dry Gin* (Produced by Archie Rose Distilling Co.) **90**
- G 25** NEVER NEVER DISTILLING, *Southern Strength Gin* (Produced by Never Never Distilling Co.) **90**
- S 11** BUNKER DISTILLERY, *Traditional Dry Gin* (Produced by Bunker Distillery) **87**
- S 13** TWO CATS DISTILLERY PTY LTD, *The Distiller's Cat Signature Gin* (Produced by Two Cats Distillery Pty Ltd) **87**
- S 7** BLUE MOUNTAINS GIN COMPANY, *Mountain Devil Classic Gin* (Produced by Blue Mountains Gin Company) **86**
- S 5** BLACKWATTLE DISTILLING CO., *Dry Sydney Gin* (Produced by Blackwattle Distilling Co.) **85**
- S 2** MERRIGANGS DISTILLERY, *Southern Dry Gin* (Produced by Merrigangs Distillery) **83**
- S 16** OLD SALT DISTILLERY, *Classic Gin* (Produced by Old Salt Distillery) **83**
- S 18** HANG 10 DISTILLERY, *Surfer's Signature Gin* (Produced by Hang 10 Distillery) **83**
- S 1** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO, *Classic Dry Gin* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co.) **82**
- B 9** SOUTH COAST DISTILLERY, *London Dry Gin* (Produced by South Coast Distillery) **81**
- B 15** ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *Blind Tiger Organic Rare Dry Gin* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **81**
- B 26** BLACKWATTLE DISTILLING CO., *OP Sydney Gin* (Produced by Blackwattle Distilling Co.) **81**
- B 22** NEVER NEVER DISTILLING, *Triple Juniper Export Strength Gin* (Produced by Never Never Distilling Co.) **78**
- B 8** WHITE LIGHT BEVERAGES, *Triple G Gin* (Produced by White Light Beverages) **76**
- B 17** TARA DISTILLERY, *Pot Still Gin* (Produced by Tara Distillery) **76**
- B 19** BATTERY POINT DISTILLERY, *House of Lenna Dry Gin Blend No. 1* (Produced by Battery Point Distillery) **76**
- B 6** NINE CIRCLES DISTILLERY, *Dulcies Cottage Batch* (Produced by Nine Circles Distillery) **75**
- B 24** LILY FIELDS DISTILLING CO, *Juniper Dry Gin* (Produced by Lily Fields Distilling Co) **75**
- B 23** BLACKWATTLE DISTILLING CO., *Imperial Dry Gin* (Produced by Blackwattle Distilling Co.) **74**
- 3** THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Gin* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **73**
- 10** NEVER NEVER DISTILLING, *Oyster Shell Gin* (Produced by Never Never Distilling Co) **70**

- 4** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Australia Dry Gin* (Produced by Bathurst Grange Distillery) **69**
- 12** COPPERTOP DISTILLERY, *Signature Dry Gin* (Produced by Coppertop Distillery) **67**

CLASS 2 - Gin – Contemporary

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A strong category of entries, some great examples of what makes contemporary gin so vibrant.

- G 45** PANTS OFF DISTILLERY, *Pants Off Antz Pants Gin* (Produced by Pants Off Distillery) **94**
- G 65** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Signature gin* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **93**
- G 30** SOUTH COAST DISTILLERY, *Sublime Gin* (Produced by South Coast Distillery) **91**
- S 41** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Bronte Baths Gin - Rockpool Series* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **88**
- S 73** SAWMILL GIN, *Gypsy - The Traveller's Gin* (Produced by Sawmill Gin) **87**
- S 39** SAWMILL GIN, *Sebastopol Old World Gin* (Produced by Sawmill Gin) **85**
- S 63** COPPERTOP DISTILLERY, *Lemon Myrtle Gin* (Produced by Coppertop Distillery) **85**
- S 51** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Rare Dry Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **84**
- S 74** BIG RIVER DISTILLING CO, *Mandarin Gin* (Produced by Big River Distilling Co) **84**
- S 33** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Gin with West Australian Citrus & Karri Bark Smoke* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery & Rockpool Bar and Grill) **83**
- S 71** OLD SALT DISTILLERY, *Citrus Gin* (Produced by Old Salt Distillery) **83**
- S 49** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Fresh Yuzu Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **82**
- S 58** ITINERANT SPIRITS, *Gallivanter Gin* (Produced by Itinerant Spirits) **82**
- S 62** BURLY DISTILLERY PTY LTD, *Burly Citrus Gin* (Produced by Burly Distillery) **82**
- S 70** GOODRADIGBEE DISTILLERS, *Freshwater Gin* (Produced by Goodradigbee Distillers) **82**
- B 27** BASS AND FLINDERS DISTILLERY, *Orient Gin* (Produced by Bass and Flinders Distillery) **81**
- B 66** ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *Blind Tiger Organic Mandarin Gin* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **81**
- B 50** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Sticky Carpet Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **80**
- B 59** BUNKER DISTILLERY, *Rosie Fox Gin* (Produced by Bunker Distillery) **80**
- B 67** PAPA SALT, *PAPA SALT COASTAL GIN* (Produced by PAPA SALT DISTILLERY) **80**
- B 68** NINE CIRCLES DISTILLERY, *Signature Gin* (Produced by Nine Circles Distillery) **80**
- B 28** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO, *Chilli and Fingerlime Gin* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co) **79**
- B 53** ARCHIE ROSE DISTILLING CO., *Signature Dry Gin* (Produced by Archie Rose Distilling Co.) **79**
- B 60** PENNANT DISTILLERY, *Pennant Gin* (Produced by Pennant Distillery) **79**
- B 72** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Olive Leaf Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **79**

- B 43** MERRIGANGS DISTILLERY, *Highlands Gin* (Produced by Merrigangs Distillery) **78**
- B 47** SOHI SPIRITS, *Garden Envy Gin* (Produced by SoHi Spirits) **78**
- B 48** LILY FIELDS DISTILLING CO., *Sydney Dry Gin* (Produced by Lily Fields Distilling Co.) **78**
- B 52** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Spice Negroni Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **78**
- B 34** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Rose Garden Gin* (Produced by Bathurst Grange Distillery) **77**
- B 44** LORD HOWE ISLAND DISTILLING CO., *Wild Lemon & Hibiscus* (Produced by Lord Howe Island Distilling Co.) **77**
- B 56** BURLY DISTILLERY PTY LTD, *Burly Cucumber Gin* (Produced by Burly Distillery) **77**
- B 40** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO., *Signature Gin* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co.) **76**
- B 57** BLACK COCKATOO DISTILLERY, *Black Cockatoo Signature Gin* (Produced by Black Cockatoo Distillery) **76**
- B 64** JERVIS BAY DISTILLING CO., *Jervis Bay Distilling Australian Dry Gin* (Produced by Jervis Bay Distilling) **76**
- B 55** NINE CIRCLES DISTILLERY, *Australian Dry Gin* (Produced by Nine Circles Distillery) **74**
- 29** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO., *Citrus Shift Gin* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co) **73**
- 31** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Fairy Bower Gin - Rockpool Series* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **73**
- 32** BLUE MOUNTAINS GIN COMPANY, *Mountain Devil Black Label* (Produced by Blue Mountains Gin Company) **73**
- 35** LORD HOWE ISLAND DISTILLING CO., *Mountain Rose Gin* (Produced by Lord Howe Island Distilling Co) **73**
- 36** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Blue Mountain Gin* (Produced by Bathurst Grange Distillery) **73**
- 38** BLUE MOUNTAINS GIN COMPANY, *Mountain Devil Magic Gin* (Produced by Blue Mountains Gin Company) **73**
- 42** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Gin with Australian Rain & Scarlet Bottlebrush* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery) **73**
- 46** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Gin infused with Karri Smoked Fortified* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery) **73**
- 54** PENNANT DISTILLERY, *Autumn Gin* (Produced by Pennant Distillery) **72**
- 69** HANG 10 DISTILLERY, *Classic Summer Gin* (Produced by Hang 10 Distillery) **72**
- 37** AMBROSIA DISTILLERY, *Rose Gin* (Produced by Ambrosia Distillery) **70**
- 61** BURLY DISTILLERY PTY LTD, *Burly Berry Gin* (Produced by Burly Distillery) **67**

CLASS 3 - Gin – Old Tom

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Single exhibit in class which had a nice aroma but the finish was slightly too-heated.

- B 75** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Pink Gin* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **77**

CLASS 4 - Gin – Navy

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Interesting class with a couple of standouts that displayed good balance and finish.

- G 77** LORD HOWE ISLAND DISTILLING CO., *Wolfe Rock Gin* (Produced by Lord Howe Island Distilling Co.) **92**
- G 80** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Four Pillars Navy Strength Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **90**
- B 76** PANTS OFF DISTILLERY, *Pants Off Pants On Fire* (Produced by Pants Off Distillery) **81**
- B 79** TWO CATS DISTILLERY PTY LTD, *Cat O' Nine Tails navy Strength Gin* (Produced by Two Cats Distillery Pty Ltd) **80**
- B 78** YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Sailor King Gin* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **79**
- B 81** ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *Blind Tiger Organic Navy Strength Gin* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **75**
- 82** PENNANT DISTILLERY, *The Navy Gin* (Produced by Pennant Distillery) **73**

CLASS 5 - Gin – Barrel Aged

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Varied use of oak and styles with one standout gin.

- G 87** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Barrel aged gin* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **90**
- S 83** JERVIS BAY DISTILLING CO., *Jervis Bay Distilling Co. Shiraz Barrel Aged Gin* (Produced by Jervis Bay Distilling Co.) **83**
- B 84** COPPERTOP DISTILLERY, *Barrel Aged Gin* (Produced by Coppertop Distillery) **75**
- B 86** SAWMILL GIN, *The Spirited Gypsy* (Produced by Sawmill Gin) **74**

CLASS 6 - Gin – Fruit

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Interesting class with great examples of grape gins coming out on top.

- G 98** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Bloody Shiraz Gin* (Produced by Four Pillars) **91**
- G 100** BIG RIVER DISTILLING CO, *Syrah Gin* (Produced by Big River Distilling Co) **91**
- S 99** BASS AND FLINDERS DISTILLERY, *Heartbreak 'Pinot Noir' Gin* (Produced by Bass and Flinders Distillery) **89**
- S 88** YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Fig Gin* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **83**
- S 89** TARA DISTILLERY, *Blooming Gin* (Produced by Tara Distillery) **82**
- B 91** NINE CIRCLES DISTILLERY, *Tilba Distilling Co. Rhubarb Gin* (Produced by Nine Circles Distillery) **81**
- B 92** BLUE MOUNTAINS GIN COMPANY, *Nelly's Blush Gin* (Produced by Blue Mountains Gin Company) **81**
- B 93** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Gin infused with Southern Forest Cherries* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery) **78**
- B 97** BUNKER DISTILLERY, *Zesty Bear Gin* (Produced by Bunker Distillery) **77**
- B 96** YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Mandy* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **75**
- B 90** NINE CIRCLES DISTILLERY, *Pink Gin* (Produced by Nine Circles Distillery) **74**

- B 95** JERVIS BAY DISTILLING CO., *Jervis Bay Distilling - Citrus Gin* (Produced by Jervis Bay Distilling) **74**
- 94** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Gin infused with Pinot Noir & Strawberries* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery) **73**
- 101** COPPERTOP DISTILLERY, *Shiraz Gin* (Produced by Coppertop Distillery) **57**

CLASS 7 - Gin – Other

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Spice forward gin with hints of vanilla.

- B 102** PANTS OFF DISTILLERY, *Pants Off Hot Pants Gin* (Produced by Pants Off Distillery) **74**

VODKA**CLASS 8 - Vodka – Classic**

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Incredibly interesting and strong class of quality classic vodkas.

- G 109** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Grape & Grain Vodka* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **95**
- G 118** BLACKWATTLE DISTILLING CO., *Five Score Vodka* (Produced by Blackwattle Distilling Co.) **92**
- G 117** BLUE MOUNTAINS GIN COMPANY, *Wild Dog Vodka* (Produced by Blue Mountains Gin Company) **90**
- S 116** CRAFT WORKS DISTILLERY, *The Capertee Vodka* (Produced by Craft Works Distillery) **88**
- S 104** WHITE LIGHT BEVERAGES, *White Light Vodka Original* (Produced by White Light Beverages) **87**
- S 113** TARA DISTILLERY, *Five Mile Chase Vodka* (Produced by Tara Distillery) **87**
- S 110** BLACKWATTLE DISTILLING CO., *Australian Grain Vodka* (Produced by Blackwattle Distilling Co.) **85**
- S 105** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *BX Vodka* (Produced by Bathurst Grange Distillery) **83**
- S 106** MERRIGANGS DISTILLERY, *Highland Vodka* (Produced by Merrigangs Distillery) **83**
- S 107** HANG 10 DISTILLERY, *Ocean Crest Vodka* (Produced by Hang 10 Distillery) **83**
- B 111** TOP SHELF INTERNATIONAL, *Grainshaker Corn Vodka* (Produced by Grainshaker Australian Vodka) **81**
- B 114** JERVIS BAY DISTILLING CO., *Jervis Bay Distilling Co. White Sands Vodka* (Produced by Jervis Bay Distilling Co.) **80**
- B 108** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO, *Wheat Vodka* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co.) **77**
- B 103** NINE CIRCLES DISTILLERY, *Vodka* (Produced by Nine Circles Distillery) **76**
- B 115** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Vodka* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **76**
- B 112** JANCE DISTILLERY, *Premium Vodka* (Produced by Jance Distillery) **75**

CLASS 9 - Vodka – Flavour Distilled

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Mixed class of flavours and results. Vodkas could see improvement to palate and finish.

- S 123** SOHI SPIRITS, *Potato Crisp Vodka* (Produced by SoHi Spirits) **88**
- S 119** BIG RIVER DISTILLING CO, *3 Grains Vodka* (Produced by Big River Distilling Co) **87**
- S 120** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Oyster Pearl Vodka* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **85**
- B 121** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Vodka infused with Karri Honey Roasted Macadamias* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery) **79**
- 122** RAINFALL DISTILLERY, *Vodka infused with Heirloom Citrus and Botanicals* (Produced by Rainfall Distillery) **72**

CLASS 10 - Vodka – Flavour Infused

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A very diverse group of flavoured vodkas with interesting and pleasing nose. Variance in sugar levels across the class.

- S 131** COPPERTOP DISTILLERY, *Chilli & Lime Vodka* (Produced by Coppertop Distillery) **86**
- S 125** GOODRADIGBEE DISTILLERS, *Grey Gum Vodka* (Produced by Goodradigbee Distillers) **83**
- S 129** SOHI SPIRITS, *Extra Virgin Vodka* (Produced by SoHi Spirits) **83**
- B 130** COPPERTOP DISTILLERY, *Salted Caramel Vodka* (Produced by Coppertop Distillery) **81**
- B 128** AMBROSIA DISTILLERY, *Toffee Vodka* (Produced by Ambrosia Distillery) **77**
- B 126** AMBROSIA DISTILLERY, *Lychee Vodka* (Produced by Ambrosia Distillery) **76**
- B 124** JERVIS BAY DISTILLING CO., *Jervis Bay Distilling Honey Vodka* (Produced by Jervis Bay Distilling) **75**
- B 127** AMBROSIA DISTILLERY, *Passionfruit Vodka* (Produced by Ambrosia Distillery) **75**

CLASS 11 - Vodka – Other

JUDGES' COMMENTS: The sole vodka had good texture and weight through the palate, but a little hot on the finish.

- B 132** ITINERANT SPIRITS, *Vansetter Vodka* (Produced by Itinerant Spirits) **80**

WHISKY**CLASS 12 - Whisky – Single Malt**

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Great to see the evolution of Australian whisky. The best example shows clean and bright spirit with balanced oak. Innovative cask selections that leads to convincing flavours. The integration of oak and spirit showed restraint with some really on the full flavour end.

- G 147** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Alchemical Series: Water* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **93**
- G 137** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Equinox Batch 2* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **92**
- G 156** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Alchemical Series: Quintessence* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **92**
- G 162** MCLAREN VALE DISTILLERY, *MR RIGGS (MUSCAT FINISH)* (Produced by MCLAREN VALE DISTILLERY) **92**

- G 165** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Pineau 350* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **92**
- G 153** FLEURIEU DISTILLERY, *The Bird* (Produced by Fleurieu Distillery) **91**
- G 142** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone Nor'easter Single Malt* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **90**
- S 158** GIPPSLAND DISTILLING COMPANY, *Westernport Single Malt Whisky Sherry Cask* (Produced by Gippsland Distilling Company) **88**
- S 135** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Solstice* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **87**
- S 152** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone - Sou'wester Sherry Cask* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **87**
- S 138** ARCHIE ROSE DISTILLING CO., *Heritage Red Gum Cask Single Malt Whisky* (Produced by Archie Rose Distilling Co.) **86**
- S 160** TWO DOCTORS WHISKEY, *Two Doctors Whiskey* (Produced by Two Doctors Whiskey) **86**
- S 136** FLEURIEU DISTILLERY, *Tapestry* (Produced by Fleurieu Distillery) **85**
- S 144** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Bourbon Cask Single Malt Whisky* (Produced by Grange Distillery) **85**
- S 161** GIPPSLAND DISTILLING COMPANY, *Westernport Single Malt Whisky Muscat Cask* (Produced by Gippsland Distilling Company) **85**
- S 163** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Alchemical Series: Air* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **84**
- S 150** ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *Camborne Single Malt Brandy Cask* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **83**
- S 154** ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *Camborne Single Malt Bourbon Cask* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **83**
- S 159** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone Ginger Beer Cask* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **83**
- S 141** ARCHIE ROSE DISTILLING CO., *Single Malt Whisky* (Produced by Archie Rose Distilling Co.) **82**
- S 149** FLEURIEU DISTILLERY, *Never A Dull Moment* (Produced by Fleurieu Distillery) **82**
- S 151** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Liquid Amber Batch 2* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **82**
- B 133** COROWA DISTILLING CO, *Corowa Distilling Co. The Ben Buckler* (Produced by Corowa Distilling Co.) **81**
- B 134** MCLAREN VALE DISTILLERY, *AUSTRALIAN WINE CASK SINGLE MALT* (Produced by MCLAREN VALE DISTILLERY) **81**
- B 148** GOODRADIGBEE DISTILLERS, *Ironbark Red Australian Hardwood Single Malt Whisk* (Produced by Goodradigbee Distillers) **81**
- B 143** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Classic Cask Single Malt Whisky* (Produced by Grange Distillery) **80**
- B 145** BATTERY POINT DISTILLERY, *Triple Cask #3* (Produced by Battery Point Distillery) **80**
- B 164** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Alchemical Series: Earth* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **80**
- B 166** CRAFT WORKS DISTILLERY, *I AM...* (Produced by Craft Works Distillery) **80**
- B 139** WINDING ROAD DISTILLING CO., *Hinterland Single Malt Whiskey* (Produced by Winding Road Distilling Co.) **79**
- B 157** GIPPSLAND DISTILLING COMPANY, *Westernport Single Malt Whisky Port Cask* (Produced by Gippsland Distilling Company) **79**
- B 155** ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *Camborne Single Malt Apera Cask* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **78**
- B 140** COROWA DISTILLING CO, *Corowa Distilling Co. Bosque Verde* (Produced by Corowa Distilling Co.) **74**
- 146** CRAFT WORKS DISTILLERY, *The Capertee Whisky Batch No 8* (Produced by Craft Works Distillery) **73**

CLASS 13 - Whisky – Blended

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Some great submissions, representing very diverse styles. A really promising class.

- G 168** FLEURIEU DISTILLERY, *Country to Coast #5* (Produced by Fleurieu Distillery & Black Gate Distillery) **93**
- S 167** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone - Xplore Double Grain Whisky* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **82**

CLASS 14 - Whisky – Cask Strength

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Really fantastic class, fundamentals are rock solid, base spirit is really well made and a promising class with a bright future.

- G 175** BATTERY POINT DISTILLERY, *Islay Cask #2* (Produced by Battery Point Distillery) **92**
- G 173** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone Southerly Buster* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **90**
- S 171** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Alchemical Series: Fire* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **87**
- S 172** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Apera 086* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **85**
- S 170** AMBER LANE DISTILLERY, *Apera 100* (Produced by Amber Lane Distillery) **82**
- S 174** CRAFT WORKS DISTILLERY, *Smoke Juice* (Produced by Craft Works Distillery) **82**
- B 169** MCLAREN VALE DISTILLERY, *PENNY'S HILL (MUSCAT FINISH)* (Produced by MCLAREN VALE DISTILLERY) **81**

CLASS 15 - Whisky – Grain

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Lots of complexities and character in this category, looking forward to seeing more submissions and this category grow and mature.

- G 180** TOP SHELF INTERNATIONAL, *NED Grand Reward* (Produced by NED Australian Whisky) **90**
- S 177** TOP SHELF INTERNATIONAL, *NED Green Sash Reserve* (Produced by NED Australian Whisky) **86**
- S 178** ARCHIE ROSE DISTILLING CO., *Rye Malt Whisky* (Produced by Archie Rose Distilling Co.) **84**
- B 176** TOP SHELF INTERNATIONAL, *NED Australian Sour Mash Whisky* (Produced by NED Australian Whisky) **74**

CLASS 16 - Whisky – Other

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Really interesting representation of the category, seeing well executed innovative whiskies with interesting exploration of higher abv, character and great texture.

- S 183 MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone Salvaged Ale - Covid 19* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **84**
- S 184 DUSTY BARREL DISTILLERY, *Rice Whiskey* (Produced by Dusty Barrel Distillery) **83**
- B 181 GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Wild Nectar Whisky* (Produced by Grange Distillery) **81**
- B 182 THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Old George Reserve Whisky* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **80**

CANE SPIRIT**CLASS 17 - Cane Spirit**

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Some strong contenders, a great spread of modern representations of the category.

- S 188 BANKS & SOLANDER DISTILLERY, *WHITE* (Produced by Solander Rum Co) **85**
- B 185 WINDING ROAD DISTILLING CO., *Coastal Cane Fresh* (Produced by Winding Road Distilling Co.) **80**
- B 187 BRIX DISTILLERS, *Brix Australian Cane Spirit* (Produced by Brix Distillers) **76**
- B 186 YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Yamba Distilling Co - Cane Spirit* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **75**

**CLASS 18 - Cane Spirit – Spiced
No Entries****RUM****CLASS 19 - Rum – White
No Entries****CLASS 20 - Rum – Overproof**

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A strong showing across various styles. Barrel impact varied in quality.

- G 189 LORD BYRON DISTILLERY, *Pure Single Rum - Ex-Red Wine 2023 Release Cask #8* (Produced by Lord Byron Distillery) **91**
- S 190 LORD BYRON DISTILLERY, *Pure Single Rum* (Produced by Lord Byron Distillery) **82**

CLASS 21 - Rum – Underproof

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A great class with best showing depth and complexity.

- G 193 THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Old George Reserve Rum* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **91**
- S 195 BRIX DISTILLERS, *Brix Select Cask 'Brokenwood Graveyard Shiraz Cask'* (Produced by Brix Distillers) **85**
- B 191 BRIX DISTILLERS, *Brix Australian Rum* (Produced by Brix Distillers) **78**
- B 196 BANKS & SOLANDER DISTILLERY, *Aged Rum - Distillers Strength - 47% abv* (Produced by Solander Rum Company) **77**

- B 192 BRIX DISTILLERS, *Brix Select Cask 'Ginger Beer Finish'* (Produced by Brix Distillers) **76**
- B 194 WINDING ROAD DISTILLING CO., *Coastal Cane Pure Single Rum* (Produced by Winding Road Distilling Co.) **75**

CLASS 22 - Rum – Spiced

JUDGES' COMMENTS: The sole entry had strong aromatics with good complexity, with a good use of sugar and spice.

- S 197 THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Spiced Rum* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **83**

BRANDY**CLASS 23 - Brandy**

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Strong submissions, three golds from seven products is a fantastic result. Some interesting modern styles, golds showed diversity of styles for the category and top gold was a great representation of the category and a beautiful drink. Younger fresher styles were not overlooked.

- G 203 ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *St Agnes XO Grand Reserve* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **98**
- G 199 BASS AND FLINDERS DISTILLERY, *Noble Stranger Brandy* (Produced by Bass and Flinders Distillery) **91**
- G 202 ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *St Agnes XO Imperial* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **90**
- S 201 ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *St Agnes XO* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **87**
- S 204 ST AGNES DISTILLERY, *St Agnes Bartenders Cut* (Produced by St Agnes Distillery) **83**
- B 200 BASS AND FLINDERS DISTILLERY, *Ochre Fine Brandy* (Produced by Bass and Flinders Distillery) **80**
- B 198 TUCKER SEABROOK, *Chateau Tanunda Brandy* (Produced by Tucker Seabrook (Aust) Pty Ltd) **78**

LIQUEUR**CLASS 24 - Liqueur – Fruit**

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A really great example of some great Australian produces here. A range of flavours, the best entries integrated the alcohol well and intensity on the palate.

- G 209 CAP & BELLS PTY LTD (MARIONETTE), *Dry Cassis* (Produced by Marionette Liqueur) **90**
- G 208 CAP & BELLS PTY LTD (MARIONETTE), *Apricot* (Produced by Marionette Liqueur) **90**
- S 207 OLD SALT DISTILLERY, *Marionberry* (Produced by Old Salt Distillery) **85**
- S 206 SMALL ACRES CYDER, *Small Acres Cyder Pommeau 2021* (Produced by Small Acres Cyder) **84**
- S 212 STACHE HOUSE BEVERAGE CO., *Stache House Yuzu Liqueur* (Produced by Stache House) **83**
- S 219 YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Mandarella* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **83**
- S 217 BANKS & SOLANDER DISTILLERY, *Limecello* (Produced by Banks & Solander Distillery) **82**
- B 205 CAP & BELLS PTY LTD (MARIONETTE), *Amaretto* (Produced by Marionette Liqueur) **80**

- B 210** OLD SALT DISTILLERY, *Strawberry* (Produced by Old Salt Distillery) **80**
- B 213** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Zesty Limoncello* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **80**
- B 214** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Limoncello* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **79**
- B 216** BANKS & SOLANDER DISTILLERY, *Limoncello* (Produced by Banks & Solander Distillery) **79**
- B 218** CAP & BELLS PTY LTD (MARIONETTE), *Orange Curaçao* (Produced by Marionette Liqueur) **79**
- B 215** GOODRADIGBEE DISTILLERS, *Finger Lime Cello* (Produced by Goodradigbee Distillers) **74**
- 211** CAP & BELLS PTY LTD (MARIONETTE), *Pineapple* (Produced by Marionette Liqueur) **71**

CLASS 25 - Liqueur – Cream
No Entries

CLASS 26 - Liqueur – Coffee

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A well-produced category, with a couple of standouts - the best examples pulled out a rich cast of flavours from the coffee.

- G 221** WORKSMITH, *Grada Coffee + Spirit* (Produced by Grada) **90**
- G 223** THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Coffee Liqueur* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **90**
- S 226** YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Dark Horse* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **84**
- S 220** STACHE HOUSE BEVERAGE CO., *Stache House Cold Brew Coffee Liqueur* (Produced by Stache House) **83**
- B 222** STACHE HOUSE BEVERAGE CO., *Stache House Coffee & Cacao Liqueur* (Produced by Stache House) **81**
- B 225** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO, *Coffee Liqueur* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co.) **78**
- B 227** BANKS & SOLANDER DISTILLERY, *Noir* (Produced by Banks & Solander Distillery) **78**
- B 228** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Caffe* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **78**
- B 224** HAIVER SPIRITS, *Haiver Spirits Coffee Liqueur* (Produced by Haiver Spirits) **76**

CLASS 27 - Liqueur – Rum
No Entries

CLASS 28 - Liqueur – Gin

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Small class with quality entries, which had great aromas and balance.

- S 230** THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *2023 Release Sloe Gin* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **85**
- S 229** WOLF & WOMAN DISTILLERY, *Gincello* (Produced by Wolf and Woman Distillery) **83**

CLASS 29 - Liqueur – Whisky

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Small class. Room for improvement with regards to articulation of flavours. Sweetness and whisky balanced well.

- S 231** GRANGE DISTILLERY, *Sugar & Spice Whisky Liqueur* (Produced by Bathurst Grange Distillery) **83**
- B 232** THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Whisky Liqueur* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **75**

CLASS 30 - Liqueur – Other

JUDGES' COMMENTS: What a ride. The amaro were well done. Could do with more Australian botanicals because that is the idea of amaros. Balance is great. Liqueur were great obvious flavours and well-integrated.

- G 237** CAP & BELLS PTY LTD (MARIONETTE), *Bitter Curaçao* (Produced by Marionette Liqueur) **92**
- G 241** THE CANBERRA DISTILLERY, *Cacao Liqueur* (Produced by The Canberra Distillery) **90**
- S 239** SOHI SPIRITS, *Highbrow Cacao Liqueur* (Produced by SoHi Spirits) **86**
- S 238** JANCE DISTILLERY, *Honey Liqueur* (Produced by Jance Distillery) **82**
- B 233** AUTONOMY DISTILLERS, *Davo Plum Aperitivo Bitters* (Produced by Autonomy Distillers) **79**
- B 235** JERVIS BAY DISTILLING CO., *Jervis Bay Distilling Bay Amaro* (Produced by Jervis Bay Distilling) **76**
- 236** AUTONOMY DISTILLERS, *Amber Bitter Aperitivo* (Produced by Autonomy Distillers) **73**
- 234** BIG RIVER DISTILLING CO, *Junos* (Produced by Big River Distilling Co) **70**
- 240** BIG RIVER DISTILLING CO, *Chocolate Liqueur* (Produced by Big River Distilling Co) **65**

ALTERNATIVE SPIRIT

CLASS 31 - Alternative Spirit

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Some interesting contenders, great to see some innovative, modern, Australian interpretations of traditional styles.

- G 249** TOP SHELF INTERNATIONAL, *Act Of Treason Reposado* (Produced by Act Of Treason) **92**
- S 242** SPIRITS LIFTED PTY LTD, *TANICA Australian Aperitif* (Produced by Spirits Lifted Pty Ltd) **88**
- S 253** CENTRAL COAST DISTILLING CO, *Coastal Anise Spirit* (Produced by Central Coast Distilling Co.) **88**
- S 248** YAMBA DISTILLING CO, *Adorno Grappa* (Produced by Yamba Distilling Co) **85**
- S 244** DNA DISTILLERY, *Classic Rakija* (Produced by DNA Distillery) **82**
- S 247** TOP SHELF INTERNATIONAL, *Act Of Treason Blanco* (Produced by Act of Treason) **82**
- S 252** MACEDON DISTILLERY, *Mastiha* (Produced by Macedon Distillery) **82**
- B 255** THE BLUE MOUNTAINS LIQUOR COMPANY, *1885 Absinthe* (Produced by The Blue Mountains Liquor Company) **81**
- B 254** MACEDON DISTILLERY, *Anison* (Produced by Macedon Distillery) **80**
- B 245** DNA DISTILLERY, *Pear Rakija* (Produced by DNA Distillery) **78**
- B 243** DNA DISTILLERY, *Gold Rakija* (Produced by DNA Distillery) **77**
- B 250** BUNKER DISTILLERY, *Barrel Rested Agave Spirit (Reposado)* (Produced by Bunker Distillery) **76**
- B 251** JANCE DISTILLERY, *Aged Honey Spirit* (Produced by Jance Distillery) **76**
- 246** BUNKER DISTILLERY, *Blue Agave Spirit* (Produced by Bunker Distillery) **68**

READY TO DRINK (RTD)

CLASS 32 - Ready to Drink – Gin

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Interesting exhibits. With a smashability which was great. Some outstanding products. Hard to balance the sweetness with the gin.

- S 260** BUNKER DISTILLERY, *Zesty Bear Gin, Strawberry and Yuzu Smash* (Produced by Bunker Distillery) **88**
- S 261** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Lilly Pilly Pink G&T* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **82**
- B 259** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Fresh Yuzu Gin and Soda* (Produced by Four Pillars) **80**
- B 258** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Navy Strength Gin and Ginger* (Produced by Four Pillars) **79**
- B 262** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Bloody Shiraz Gin and Tonic* (Produced by Four Pillars) **79**
- B 256** FOUR PILLARS DISTILLERY, *Rare Dry Gin and Tonic* (Produced by Four Pillars) **77**
- B 263** CURATIF, *Curatif Sunshine State Gimlet* (Produced by Curatif) **76**
- 257** LORD HOWE ISLAND DISTILLING CO., *Gin & Tonic with Hibiscus* (Produced by Lord Howe Island Distilling Co.) **73**

CLASS 33 - Ready to Drink – Vodka

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A great example of crowd pleasing RTD.

- G 264** CURATIF, *Curatif Espresso Martini* (Produced by Curatif) **92**

CLASS 34 - Ready to Drink – Whisky

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Some great promise in this category, with flavour front of mind.

- S 266** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone Whisky & Dry* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **87**
- S 265** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Coastal Stone Whisky & Cola* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **85**

CLASS 35 - Ready to Drink – Cane Spirit

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Solid, drinkable stuff in this category.

- S 267** BRIX DISTILLERS, *Brix Spiced Ginger Beer & Native Finger Lime* (Produced by Brix Distillers) **85**

CLASS 36 - Ready to Drink – Rum

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Given Australia's affinity for rum, this is a dependable class with lots of promise for the future.

- B 268** CURATIF, *Curatif Piña Colada* (Produced by Curatif) **81**

CLASS 37 - Ready to Drink – Brandy

No Entries

CLASS 38 - Ready to Drink – Liqueur

JUDGES' COMMENTS: A mixed bag of entries here, would love to see how this category develops.

- 270** CURATIF, *Curatif Amaretto Sour* (Produced by Curatif) **68**
- 269** MANLY SPIRITS CO., *Limoncello Spritz* (Produced by Manly Spirits Co. Distillery) **66**

CLASS 39 - Ready to Drink – Other

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Fresh and bright takes on premixed burgeoning category.

- B 275** HANG 10 DISTILLERY, *Negroni Mix* (Produced by Hang 10 Distillery) **81**
- B 271** CHEEKY GOAT CO, *Cheeky Goat Co, Boozy Booch, Pina Colada* (Produced by United Beverage Co-Packers Pty Ltd) **79**
- B 272** CHEEKY GOAT CO, *Cheeky Goat Co Raspberry Ginger Fizz, Boozy Booch* (Produced by United Beverage Co-Packers Pty Ltd) **76**
- B 274** SOHI SPIRITS, *Red Pony Negroni* (Produced by SoHi Spirits) **76**
- B 273** OLD SALT DISTILLERY, *Blood Orange and Passionfruit* (Produced by Old Salt Distillery) **74**

NON-ALCOHOLIC SPIRIT

CLASS 40 - Non-Alcoholic Spirit

JUDGES' COMMENTS: Some promising flavour coming from this category, but work still needs doing when it comes to texture and palate weight in the non-alcoholic world.

- 278** SEADRIFT DISTILLERY, *Seadrift Coast Non-Alcoholic Spirit* (Produced by Seadrift Distillery) **68**
- 276** SEADRIFT DISTILLERY, *Seadrift Wild Hibiscus Non Alcoholic Spirit* (Produced by Seadrift Distillery) **63**
- 277** SEADRIFT DISTILLERY, *Seadrift Marine Non-Alcoholic Spirit* (Produced by Seadrift Distillery) **61**

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<https://haiverspirits.com.au/>

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<https://mvdistillery.com.au/>

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<https://www.merrigangs.com.au/>

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<https://neverneverdistilling.com.au/>

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<https://www.ninecircles.com.au/>

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<https://oldsaltdistillery.au/>

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<https://thecanberradistillery.com.au/>

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