



**WINE
MARLBOROUGH**
NEW ZEALAND

Marlborough Winegrowers Association Annual Election 2018

GROWER CANDIDATES FORM

Wine Marlborough plays a key role in standing up for what makes Marlborough wine unique to the rest of the world. I want to ensure brand Marlborough has a sustainable future where all stakeholders continue to benefit from its success. My background in finance, business management and grape growing brings a unique outlook to the board table. I have been involved as a member of the Marlborough Winegrowers association Board for three years and have chaired the finance committee for the last 2 years. Labour and resource management are two areas I see as the biggest challenges currently facing the industry. I will continue to work in the best interests of grape growers in these areas with the current initiatives the Board has underway.

Background: Ben is a co-owner and director of Tyntesfield Estate, a farming and vineyard operation in the Waihopai Valley, he is also a director of a textile manufacturing business involved in the tourism sector. He has over 20 years of involvement in the grape growing industry as well as 8 years in commercial finance.



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TYNTESFIELD ESTATE

My name is Callum Linklater from Windrush Vineyard Ltd. I am involved with my family owned business growing certified organic grapes near Renwick. I have spent the previous three years on the Marlborough Winegrowers Association Board as a grower representative. I have really enjoyed my time on the Board and I would like to re-stand because I feel I'm only just getting my feet under the table.

During the previous three years, I have been involved with the Wine and Food Festival and assisted in recruiting for the Advocacy Manager role. Over the past few months, Wine Marlborough and the Board have undertaken a strategic review taking a view of the future, we are now beginning a phase where we can start to implement our new strategy and direction. I would appreciate the opportunity to see this through, I am genuinely excited and enthusiastic about the direction Wine Marlborough is heading. Current Board members have encouraged me to re-stand because I'm not afraid to speak my mind and cut to the chase on issues. As a grower, I am very hands-on day to day and I feel I represent grassroots issues well at the board table, I would appreciate your support to continue to represent growers in this way.



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I would be delighted to serve on the Board of Marlborough Winegrowers. As co-owner of a vineyard in the Southern Valleys, I have keenly observed the workings of the Board and their representation of and advocacy for our region both locally and nationally and I am keen to play my part in continuing to strengthen this dialogue.

I am an experienced Independent Director and believe that these skills will be put to good use within the Board. My career has been spent in strategic communications and I remain an adviser to companies throughout New Zealand and overseas.

I have recently been involved in setting up a mentoring programme within NZ Wine, and am an active member of Women in Wine.

I am a passionate Marlburnian of choice having relocated in 2015 following a 14 year detour to Auckland. Marlborough was always going to be home and we are proud to be here.

I live with my husband and assorted animals on our little bit of paradise.

I thoroughly enjoy the Marlborough community and its people and would welcome your support in allowing me to help best represent your interests



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