



**WINE
MARLBOROUGH**
NEW ZEALAND

Marlborough Winegrowers Association
Annual Election 2018

WINERY CANDIDATES FORM

From my very first sip of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc at an impressionable young age, I knew I wanted to be a winemaker. Studying Biotechnology at Auckland University and Bachelor of Wine Science at EIT led to various roles in the wine industry throughout New Zealand, America, Australia, France and the UK. From this, I have experience in all aspects of the industry, and a good understanding of the challenges faced by up and coming winemakers. Since joining Babich Wines in 2014, I have settled and fully committed myself to making wine in beautiful Marlborough. I'm enthusiastic about sustainable winemaking and encouraging and supporting those considering winemaking as a career.

My goal, if selected onto the Board, is to represent the next generation of winemakers by focusing on our most valuable resources: our people and the environment. I will bring fresh ideas to address labour market issues, and promote increased sustainability in order to future-proof the success of the Marlborough wine industry. With my passion for sustainable winemaking, relatability to younger members of our community, and my commitment to the future of Marlborough wine, I believe I'd be an excellent candidate for the Marlborough Winegrowers Association Board.



ABIGAIL MAXWELL
BABICH WINES

I come from a smaller family owned and operated winery here in Marlborough, Forrest Wines, where I currently operate as our General Manager. I studied a BSc at the University of Otago before completing my Masters in Oenology at the University of Adelaide. I am the second generation at Forrest wines and I have a passion for making great wines and sustaining the land in which we do this.

I have a true belief that the Marlborough wine industry could be world-leading but we need to learn how we sustainably grow our industry and protect our premium reputation so that everybody benefits and is still here to tell our story through to the next generation. I would like to join the Marlborough Winegrowers Association Board to enthuse and enhance our regional partnerships so that Marlborough wine maintains its status on the global stage.



BETH FORREST
FORREST WINES

I entered the wine industry in 1990 fresh out of University, joining Montana as a trainee Winemaker. I spent a couple of years in Marlborough, followed by twelve years in Auckland at our winery and bottling facility, then returning to Marlborough to start up a family. Now with twenty-nine vintages behind me, I hold the position of Pernod Ricard Regional Winemaker, looking after wines sourced throughout the South Island, as well the position of Chief Winemaker for Stoneleigh. Throughout this time, I have witnessed an industry that has shown unprecedented growth, in both volume and value. With my experiences in winemaking, understanding of our global markets, and a personal passion for the industry, I want to ensure that Marlborough grows in a sustainable way, ensuring our winemaking community is supported and well informed.



JAMIE MARFELL
PERNOD RICARD



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Nick Entwistle is Red Winemaker and Winery Operations Manager at Wairau River Wines. He holds a BSc in Biochemistry and a GradDip in Viticulture and Oenology from Lincoln University, a DipWSET and has worked in the USA, Canada, France and Denmark.

His passion for the Marlborough wine industry extends well beyond the cellar. Nick has been co-chair of the Winemakers Association of Marlborough, was heavily involved with Winter Wine Options and was instrumental in the establishment of the Tonnellerie de Mercurey Young Winemaker competition, for which he was chair for the past three years.

Nick has been a member of the Marlborough Winegrowers Association Board since 2015 and has been active in the establishment of several exciting events and initiatives.

His goals as a Board member are; to protect and grow Marlborough's premium reputation through quality initiatives, drive profitability and representation for members across the industry, continue to protect and promote the success of Marlborough wines internationally and continue to progress the development of initiatives that recognise emerging industry leaders.

Nick is capable and driven, his technical and governance experience combined with his enthusiasm for the Marlborough industry makes him an ideal candidate for re-election to the Marlborough Winegrowers board.



NICK ENTWISTLE
WAIRAU RIVER WINES

I am the Managing Director of Framingham Wines and current Marlborough Winegrowers Association Board Chair. Having completed my first term on the Board, I feel we are just getting started. The ink on the five-year strategic plan hasn't dried and I want to get re-elected to drive the successful implementation of this exciting plan. There's a lot to be done at Wine Marlborough, I feel the industry is changing rapidly and I have something more to offer. In short, there's still plenty to do.



TOM TROLOVE
FRAMINGHAM WINES

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