## **Austin County Fair Non-Commercial Wine Show**

Austin County Fair Convention and Exposition Center, Bellville, TX Sunday, October 15, 2017
Coordinated by Austin County Grape Growers Committee

Please note the new date for the Austin County Fair Wine Show is Sunday, October 15, 2017, which is during the Austin County Fair. The new location for the show will be at the Bellville American Legion Hall located on the Hwy 529 entrance gate.

## Section I.....General Rules

- 1. A person may enter one or multiple entries in the wine divisions. Within a class, a person may enter as many times as desired with different batches. Wine batches that are eligible to enter can be made in 2017 or earlier years. Any non-commercial or amateur wine maker may submit entries in the show. Judges and commercial wine producers will be excluded.
- 2. There is no entry fee and the number of samples is unlimited. Entry forms may be obtained the day of the show.
- 3. All wine entered MUST be in a minimum of two bottles, no more than 1 liter in size or equivalent US measure (1 quart) and no less than 750 ml (1½ pints).
- 4. Each bottle must be labeled with the participants name, grape variety or fruit and the classification to be entered.
- 5. All entries must be checked in from 12:30 1:30 p.m. on the day of the show Sunday, October 15, 2017.
- 6. If a wine has been mis-classified, the judges have the prerogative to place it in the proper classification.
- 7. Judging begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. Once judging begins, no one is allowed in the judging area except personnel authorized by the Show Officials.
- 8. Competent and non-partial judges will be provided.
- 9. First, second, and third places will be awarded in each classification. A Best-of-Show and Runner-Up and Best Austin County will also be awarded.
- 10. After judging is completed, both entrants and the public will be invited to a tasting and awards ceremony. Entrants may choose to stand by their entries and serve their wine to the public for limited tasting. All entries should be picked up by the entrant or their designee at the conclusion of the tasting. Failure to pick up the entry will result in the sample becoming the property of the Austin County Grape Growers Committee and the Austin County Fair Board.

## Section II .....Classifications

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1 - Red Wine - Dry

2 - Red Wine - Sweet

3 - White Wine - Dry

4 - White Wine - Sweet

5 - Fruit/Berry

6 - Dessert/Port Style

7 - Kit Wine/Non-TX Grapes - Dry

8 - Kit Wine/Non-TX Grapes - Sweet

9 - Native/Mustang Grape

10 - Blush