

# PEOPLE



Lucy Smelter and Amanda Lugg.



Jennifer Kloesters and author Kerry Greenwood.

## Heyer fans in regency toast

GEORGETTE Heyer fans gathered at Barwon Books in James St, Geelong, for the launch of a biography of a best-selling literary recluse.

Written by Newtown academic Dr Jennifer Kloester, *Georgette Heyer: Biography Of A Bestseller* provides an intimate look at the prolific Heyer who was largely responsible for creating the genre of regency romances.

"Of the 56 books she had published, 51 of those have been in continuous print," Dr Kloester said. "She doesn't tend to be an author who is read once and never again."

Crime writer Kerry Greenwood, herself a Heyer fan, launched the book.

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Lee O'Hara and Anne Downie.



Ann Holden.



Roy and Frances Hay.



Jenny Blossfelds, Judy and Jack Cook, and Carolyn Herrick.



with REG RYAN & CAMERON BEST

### Tempting Wines

**Lady of the Lake, Pinot Gris 2010 Mount Gambier \$19.95**



Very pale in colour. The first taste is crisp with a dry, fruity aftertaste of lime and lychees. Grown in Mount Gambier its flavours benefit from a cool climate and longer growing season as well as the crystal waters from the famous Blue Lake. This wine ages well and can be cellared for up to five years but its vibrant taste means few will want to wait that long. A perfect drop to serve with fresh fish and seasonal salads.

- Reg Ryan

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### Angove

**McLaren Vale Shiraz 2010 Vineyard Select \$18**



There are certain labels on the market where you can be almost assured of the quality before you even take it off the shelf. Angove is one such label. Deep crimson in colour, its inviting aroma of cherry gives way to a lovely coffee and chocolate affair finished with velvety tannins. Angove is proud of this vintage, calling it the pick of the past decade. And for a quality winemaker like Angove, that's saying something.

- Cam Best

7.5

Each week, members of our jury who enjoy a drop or two also share their verdict

### Logan

**2010 Pinot Noir, Orange \$30**



Pinot Noir grows best in cool climates and this one hails from high on Mt Conobolas near Orange, NSW. The wine is the colour of fresh raspberries and smells of rich earth and summer berries with a hint of spice. The array of flavours includes cinnamon, strawberries and that rich earthiness. The spiciness lingers long after this beautiful silky smooth drop disappears down the hatch. Nice. Use a big glass and try it with wild mushroom and chicken risotto.

- Nick Wade

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### De Bortoli

**Yarra Valley Pinot Noir Rose 2001 \$22**



As a recent convert to rose, this bottle was something new. The wine appeared paler than I expected, more salmon than rosy. It was also savoury in flavour and dry on the palate. Confused, I gave up all pretext of trying to "taste" it and just shared it with a friend. And the result was good, an unassuming, delicate drop that should be shared on a sunny day.

- Julie Hobbs

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#### RATINGS OUT OF 10

5 Basic, but acceptable  
7 Pleasing with good character  
9 Simply outstanding

6 Easy quaffing style  
8 Discernibly above average  
10 Sublime



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