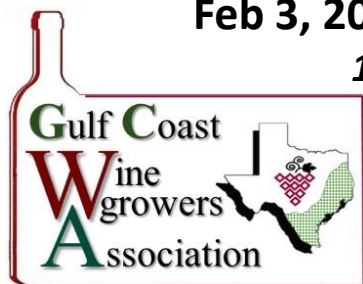


31st Annual Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association Watson Field Day

Feb 3, 2023 - Cat Spring Agriculture Society Hall
13035 Hall Rd, Cat Spring, TX 78933



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	<u>AGENDA</u>
7:30	Registration begins
8:00 - 9:00	<i>Prospective New Winegrowers</i> - Fran Pontasch, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension (Educ Bldg) <i>Sponsored by Sommelier Logistics</i>
8:30 - 9:00	<i>New GCWA Website Update & Functionality</i> , Virginia Rodriguez, GCWA Vice President
9:00 - 9:15	<i>Welcome</i> - Stacie Villarreal, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension - Austin County ANR
	<i>Announcements</i> - Kimbrough Jeter, GCWA President
	<i>Presenting Sponsor</i> - Denise McBride, Capital Farm Credit
9:15 - 9:45	<i>Gulf Coast Viticulture Regional Updates</i> Fran Pontasch, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Viticulture
9:45 - 10:15	<i>Challenges & Requirements to Establishing AVAs for the Gulf Coast</i> Dr. Justin Scheiner, Texas A&M Professor & Extension Viticulture Specialist
10:15 - 10:30	BREAK
10:30 - 11:15	<i>Potential of Biochar for Soil Improvement</i> – Dr. Amit Dhingra, Professor and Dept of Horticulture Head, TAMU
11:15 - 12:00	<i>Potential Benefits of Verjus in Making Wine from High pH/High Yield Wine Varieties</i> – Andrew Lyne, TAMU Enology Graduate Student. Includes blind tasting for audience input
12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH & EXHIBITOR TIME , <i>Sponsored by SensorInsight</i>
1:00 - 2:00	<i>Status of Walker Varieties Grown in Texas</i> - Texas Grower/Winemaker Discussion Panel, Dawn Aschenbeck (Cummins Creek Vineyard), Joe Klenke (4K Wines), Wes Jensen (Sages Vintage), Jacob Muras (TAMU Viticulture Graduate Student) <i>Sponsored by Producers Supply</i>
2:00 - 2:15	BREAK & Wine set up
2:15 - 3:15	<i>Research Update of Virus Impact on Blanc Du Bois</i> – Dr. Olufemi Alabi, Dr. David Appel, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Pathologists. Includes blind tasting for audience input. <i>Sponsored by Double A Vineyards</i>
3:15 - 4:00	<i>Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association Annual Meeting</i>
4:00	GCWA Networking Wine Social (BYOW) - <i>Sponsored by Texas Tech Plant & Soil Sciences</i>

Registration at the Door: GCWA Members \$50, Non-Members \$60
Cash, Check Credit Card – Includes Lunch & Networking Social

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