# INTERNATIONAL CLUB of LAUSANNE (ICL) Monthly Club Information October 2019

Thursday, October 17 at 16h30 "Lesser known wines"

Wine estate visit and wine tasting (in French)



For years ICL has not been to a wine tasting. So we thought we may once again discover the wines of the Romandie and stay local by choosing an estate near Morges. Gamay and Pinot Noir, the majority of the reds in our area, we all know. Instead we will discover some of the lesser known, but among the connoisseurs much recognized wines with names such as Viognier, Servagnin, Diolinoir or Galotta. The maison Bolle has graciously accepted to host ICL despite the difficulty this implies for them during the days of harvesting. All participants will receive a small souvenir.

Learn more about this event on the next page.

<u>How to get there</u>: The domain Les Plessis can be reached easily by train. From the train stop Vufflens-le-Château it is a five minute walk through the vineyards to reach the estate. There is a parking about 300 m farther up the road on the left but often places are already taken. We recommend that you park on the road under the château. For this, 100m after you pass the 50km "Vufflens-le-Château" street sign, make a hair-pin turn to the right at the intersection. Park on the street where it gets wider, beside the wall. Do not got to the Cave-Domaine de la Balle ! Walk back to the intersection, the entrance to Bolle is 100 m farther up on the left of the main street.

Location :MAPDeadline :Tuesday, 15 October. Participation limited to 15.Contact :ilausanneclub@gmail.com or Chris Wegelin 021 802 22 77 (leave message)Cost :15.- There will be crackers, small cubes of cheese and bread for the wine tasting.

November ICL Event: To be announced. Check our website www.icl-club.ch ES&ASC of Lausanne: Sunday 20th October 12h30 - Lunch at restaurant Molino, rue du Simplon 45, Vevey

followed by a visit of the Musée de la Confrérie des Vignerons, rue du Château 2, Vevey. Theme : 'An updated history of the Fête des Vignerons'. Call Cynthia latest by Thursday 17 at 021 558 83 74. More at **ES&ASC** 

## Membership

All of you have paid your membership for the coming year. Many thanks from our treasurer.



**Latest photos :** At our website icl-club.ch you can view the photos taken at the last event, the Welcome Back at the Hermitage in Lausanne. Click <u>HERE</u>

# Wine from lesser known wine varieties

Fall is the season when the green of the vineyards take on the beautiful autumn colors of red, yellow and purple. We invite you to come along to visit a very well-known wine grower of the Morges region. We will have the opportunity to visit their cellar and taste some of their wines. As October is the season for harvesting and pressing the grapes the activity at the estate will be very busy and not as tidy as on normal days.

# La maison Bolle

#### History



The long history of Bolle begins in 1865 when Alphonse Bolle founded the house BOLLE & Cie in Morges. Famous areas such as the Vufflens-le-Château, the Domaine of Sarraux-Dessous or the Domaine du Plessis at Vufflens, are part of the prestigious heritage of Bolle. The founders passion for uncompromising quality has been passed down through the generations, to make BOLLE a reference today for Vaudois wines . With a vineyard spread over forty-four hectares, the team of enthusiastic wine-growers and oenologues keeps alive the know-how and tradition of quality that have always characterized the wines bearing the name of BOLLE. (See awards below)

#### Awards

The list of awards is long and witnesses the excellence of wine making at Bolle. Only for 2019 they received over forty distinctions at exhibits and wine competitions such as the 'Mondial des Pinots' (410 producers from 29 countries and Grand Prix du Vin Suisse at Sierre. We will have the opportunity to taste some of these distinguished wines. Awards in 2019 LINK

## The visit

Wine making is an art and a science. In the Romandie wine making has achieved a very high level of quality throughout the country, unequaled in our neighboring France. The institute in Prangins assures the formation and is a leading institution in the science of winemaking. Researching the origins, the evolution and migrations of some varieties can be passionate. An example of this is the study on the chasselas which is traced back into the 14<sup>th</sup> century. You can consult the research article HERE

Mr Crausaz, maître oenologue, in charge of wine making at Bolle, will explain the secrets of the science and art of wine making. He can answer all questions you may have most professionally.

#### Wine tasting is not equal to wine drinking !

When professionals taste wines at competitions they sometimes taste over one hundred different wines and at the end of the day they will drive home without problem. What is the secret ? The tasting bucket ! Maybe not the most attractive piece of furniture in front of us on the degustation table, but a guarantee to get home without trouble for those who drive <sup>(C)</sup> We will be tasting about ten different wines ! No obligation for winetasting, tasting fresh grapes only, is also possible !

#### Program

16:30 Meet in the court of the Domain Le Plessis, Vufflens-le-Château. See first page on how to get to the domain 16:45 Beginning of the visit of wine cellar or possibly the wine pressing area

18:30 or before, the visit will end.

AND, before you leave you will receive a little domain souvenir ©

