

# IN THE NEWS

## Victoria Bailliage Launches l'Ordre Mondial!



(left to right) Jack Littlepage, Chargé de Missions; Larry Arnold; and David Tetrault, Bailli Délégué du Canada.

The beautiful and historic The Fairmont Empress hotel was the site for the intronization of four members of the Victoria Bailliage's newly formed l'Ordre Mondial (OM). Titled as a "Festive Gala and Seasonal Dinner," the Bailliage's annual induction ceremony celebrated the launch l'Ordre Mondial as part of its ceremonies.



Victoria Bailli Régional Ian Batey studies a vintage.

Recent interest in forming a local chapter of the l'Ordre Mondial has been brewing in Victoria with three trial events through 2016. More casual than a typical Chaîne event, these were organized in response to feedback from members requesting a wider range of venues and experiences at a more affordable price point. One of the takeaways from the experience is the less formal/more casual the event, the greater the emphasis on the role of tasting and pairing and the greater the requirement for experience and industry knowledge required to do this effectively.

These needs were met in the Bailliage through first rebranding of the approach into l'Ordre Mondial and second through the promotion of Larry Arnold to the position Vice-Echanson, providing that critical expertise and knowledge.



(left to right) Colin Mantell, Gail Gabel, Larry Arnold, Spencer Massie, Allan Tyson, Grahame Cooke, Gail Cooke, Sara Burchnall, Jane Ruddick, Bailli Provincial de la Colombie-Britannique, David Tetrault, Jack Littlepage and Ian Batey.

## International Jeunes Sommeliers Competition to be Held In Budapest, Hungary



The International Jeunes Sommeliers Competition 2017 will be held in Budapest, September 29 - 30 2017 in conjunction with the Grand Chapitre of Hungary (September 28 – October 1). Awards and the induction ceremony will all be at the same time as the gala dinner.

A founding principle of the Chaîne is to promote the enjoyment, knowledge and understanding of fine wines and crafted beverages for the professional and amateur

enthusiast. At the same time, a clear goal is to provide help, encouragement and support for the young professionals who will be the best sommeliers of the future. The International Jeunes Sommeliers Competition, open to candidates selected by the National Bailliages, promotes the expertise of the young wine and spirit professional, encouraging mastery of wine and spirit knowledge. It also offers young sommeliers an opportunity to present their skills and "savoir faire" under highly competitive, intense and grueling testing conditions.

