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# WELCOME

## **Welcome to the New Zealand Fruit Wine and Cider Awards 2022.**

We are back in Nelson after a break to the Hawke's Bay last year. It is great to be able to host a full event again after Covid restrictions resulted in a scaled-back event last year.

The past year saw our industry lose a true pioneer in the New Zealand and international cider world. Alex Peckham sadly passed away very suddenly. The Peckham's family story and truly remarkable performance at these awards over the years have led to world acclaim and inspired many craft cidemakers. We wanted Alex and his achievements to always be remembered. Therefore, we have decided to rename the traditional cider trophy which is most associated with Alex, to the Alex Peckham Memorial Trophy.

We have equalled last year's record number of entries with 138 again. Six new producers have entered, some utilising the evaluation class before full entry next year, which is great to see.

We are excited to announce the entries have achieved 47 bronze medals, 49 silver medals, 15 gold medals and 16 trophies. The numbers are slightly down on last year, but still reflect the quality of New Zealand fruit wine and cider, and we wholeheartedly congratulate all the winners on these achievements.

We were very excited to take inspiration for international cider competitions and introduce an international cider judge this year. This is a great opportunity to expand the experience and breadth of our judging team. Warwick Billings was brought over to add to the team.

Warwick is the cidemaker and director of LOBO Cider in the Adelaide Hills, along with being the current president of Cider Australia. This also provides an extra level of depth to feedback given to the entrants. We shall look to continue this new initiative to build on the great cider knowledge within New Zealand.

Judging once again took place over two days in Nelson. The judges and the experienced team worked extremely hard behind the scenes to select the medal-winning ciders and fruit wines.

Some special thanks are required for all the work that goes into the awards:

To our sponsors who make the whole event possible:

- Premium sponsors - Hally Labels
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To:

- Nelson Venues, who once again helped organise the awards and the annual Cider Festival
- The producers, who enter the awards. We could not do it without our producers supporting the industry in this way
- The stewards, who give up their time to manage not just the judging day itself, but all the preparation and evolving categories that fruit wine and cider produce
- The judges, who provide expertise and their time to evaluate the entries, and provide constructive feedback to our members
- Thanks to River Kitchen for hosting both the AGM and awards.

Once again, congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who participated.

Jody Scott  
Chairman



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# CHAMPION TROPHY WINNERS

## NZ CHAMPION CIDER

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### CIDER

Slack Ma Girdle

### PRODUCER

Zeffer Cider Co.



## NZ CHAMPION FRUIT WINE & MEAD

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### FRUIT WINE

Lothlorien Medium  
Sparkling Apple &  
Feijoa Fruit Wine  
750 ml

### PRODUCER

Lothlorien Winery Ltd



### JUDGES

Merophy Hyslop  
Justin Oliver  
Warwick Billings (Cider Australia)  
Dylan Jauslin  
Annika Naschitzki  
Sam Wilson  
Elliot McClymont (Associate)

### STEWARDS

David Sax  
Carmen Gray  
Heather Farmer  
Cynthia Oliver



# CIDER RESULTS

## MODERN CIDER

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Cider **PRODUCER** Morningcider

#### MODERN CIDER - DRY

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Cider	Morningcider
Bronze	GOLD Craft Apple Cider	InCider Trading Ltd
Bronze	Zeden Birdsong Apple Cider	Brand Evolution

#### MODERN CIDER - MEDIUM

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Scrumpy Apple Cider	Harvest Cidery
Silver	Orchard Thieves Lower Sugar Cider	Redwood Cider Co.
Bronze	Harvest Crisp Apple Cider	Harvest Cidery

#### MODERN CIDER - SWEET

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Bronze	Orchard Thieves Apple Cider	Redwood Cider Co.

# CIDER RESULTS

## TRADITIONAL CIDER

### TRADITIONAL CIDER - ALEX PECKHAM MEMORIAL TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Slack Ma Girdle **PRODUCER** Zeffer Cider Co.

#### TRADITIONAL CIDER - DRY

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Gold	Slack Ma Girdle	Zeffer Cider Co.
Silver	Bad Habit Sinful Cider	Scoundrels and Rogues
Silver	Kingston Black	Remutaka Cidery
Bronze	The Mongrel	Peat Cider Co.
Bronze	Oikimoke Road Traditional Cider	The Cider Factorie
Bronze	Original Cyn	Bohemian Cider
Bronze	West Cider – Go Wild 2021	West Cider

#### TRADITIONAL CIDER - MEDIUM

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Pleasantly Corrupted Apple Cider 2019	Scoundrels and Rogues
Silver	Pleasantly Corrupted Apple Cider 2020	Scoundrels and Rogues
Silver	Orchard House	Remutaka Cidery
Silver	Kingston Cider	Hawke's Bay Brewing Co.
Silver	La Frenchie	The Cider Factorie
Silver	Cidermaker's Reserve	The Cider Factorie
Bronze	Bulmer Original Cider	Harvest Cidery

# CIDER RESULTS

## PEAR CIDER / PERRY

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Morally Bankrupt Pear Cider 2021

**PRODUCER** Scoundrels and Rogues

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Morally Bankrupt Pear Cider 2021	Scoundrels and Rogues
Silver	Sparkling Perry Cider	Hawke's Bay Brewing Co
Bronze	Pear Drop 2022	Elemental Cider

## CIDER WITH BERRY FRUIT

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Old Mout Boysencider **PRODUCER** Redwood Cider Co.

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Gold	Strawberry Rosé	Morningcider
Gold	Old Mout Boysencider	Redwood Cider Co.
Silver	Berry Haze	Good George Brewing
Silver	Blueberry & Apple	Good George Brewing
Bronze	Orchard Thieves Cider with Berry	Redwood Cider Co.
Bronze	Scrumpy Cider with Raspberry	Harvest Cidery
Bronze	Mata Merry Berry Cider	Aotearoa Breweries NZ Ltd
Bronze	Rose Cider	Good George Brewing

# CIDER RESULTS

## CIDER WITH NON-BERRY FRUITS

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Mata Feijoa Cider **PRODUCER** Aotearoa Breweries NZ Ltd

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Gold	Mata Feijoa Cider	Aotearoa Breweries NZ Ltd
Gold	Mata Golden Kiwi Cider	Aotearoa Breweries NZ Ltd
Gold	Old Mout Cider & Feijoa	Redwood Cider Co.
Gold	Feijoa with Apple	The Cider Factorie
Silver	Passionfruit Cider	Good George Brewing
Silver	Hazy Passionfruit Cider	Zeffer Cider Co.
Silver	Scrumpy Cider with Lemon	Harvest Cidery
Silver	Thomas and Rose Apple Cider with Nashi Pear & Passionfruit	Harvest Cidery
Silver	Plum Tart	Peat Cider Co.
Silver	Acid Drop	Bohemian Cider
Bronze	GOLD Cherry & Plum Cider	InCider Trading Ltd
Bronze	Mango & Lime Cider	Sprig & Fern Brewery
Bronze	Thomas and Rose Apple Cider with Strawberry & Lime	Harvest Cidery
Bronze	Doris Plum Cider	Good George Brewing
Bronze	Low Sugar Doris Plum	Good George Brewing
Bronze	Mango Haze	Good George Brewing
Bronze	Red Kiwifruit & Apple	The Cider Factorie
Bronze	Lemony Pickett	The Cider Factorie

# CIDER RESULTS

## CIDER WITH HOPS, SPICES, BOTANICALS OR HONEY

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Hot X Buns **PRODUCER** Morningcider

#### CIDER WITH SPICES OR BOTANICALS

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Silver	Peace o Pie	Morningcider
Silver	Cherry Bomb	Morningcider
Silver	Hot X Buns	Morningcider
Silver	Passionfruit Pavlova	Peat Cider Co.
Silver	Apple Crumble Cider	Zeffer Cider Co.

Bronze	Lucky Taco	Morningcider
Bronze	The GC	Morningcider
Bronze	Scrumpy Cider with Ginger	Harvest Cidery
Bronze	Thomas and Rose Apple Cider with Ginger	Harvest Cidery
Bronze	Oatmeal Cookie	Bohemian Cider

#### CIDER WITH HOPS

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Silver	Tamarillo Amarillo	Bohemian Cider
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## ICE CIDER

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Sparkling Ice Cider **PRODUCER** The Cider Factorie

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Gold	Sparkling Ice Cider	The Cider Factorie
Silver	Cold Shoulder Ice Cider 2019	Scoundrels and Rogues
Silver	Cold Shoulder Ice Cider 2020	Scoundrels and Rogues

# CIDER RESULTS

## BOTTLE FERMENTED

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Silver	Orchard Fall 2022	Elemental Cider
Bronze	Dry As 2022	Elemental Cider
Bronze	Resident Hawk	The Cider Factorie

## BARREL-FERMENTED OR BARREL AGED

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Silver	Totally Oaked 2022	Elemental Cider
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## LOW/ZERO ALCOHOL CIDER

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### TROPHY WINNER

**CIDER** Old Mill 0.5% Cider with Boysenberry  
**PRODUCER** Old Mill Cider

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Gold	Old Mill 0.5% Cider with Boysenberry	Old Mill Cider
Silver	Old Mill 0.5% Crisp Apple	Old Mill Cider
Silver	Zeffer Zero Cider	Zeffer Cider Co.
Silver	Zeffer Zero Passionfruit Cider	Zeffer Cider Co.
Bronze	Doris Plum Non Alcoholic Cider	Good George Brewing

## FORTIFIED CIDER

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
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Silver	Evil Genius Imperial Cider 2020	Scoundrels and Rogues
Bronze	Evil Genius Imperial Cider 2019	Scoundrels and Rogues

# FRUIT WINE RESULTS

## SELTZER & SPRITZER STYLE

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### TROPHY WINNER

**FRUIT WINE** Rekorderlig Ultra – Berry

**PRODUCER** Redwood Cider Co.

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Rekorderlig Ultra – Berry	Redwood Cider Co.

## FRUIT WINE

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### TROPHY WINNER

**TABLE WINE** Lothlorien Medium Sparkling Apple & Feijoa  
Fruit Wine 750ml

**PRODUCER** Lothlorien Winery Ltd

#### TABLE WINE - STILL

MEDAL	WINE	PRODUCER
Silver	Lothlorien Still Apple & Feijoa Fruit Wine 750ml	Lothlorien Winery Ltd

#### TABLE WINE - SPARKLING

MEDAL	WINE	PRODUCER
Gold	Lothlorien Medium Sparkling Apple & Feijoa Fruit Wine 750ml	Lothlorien Winery Ltd
Silver	Lothlorien Dry Sparkling Apple & Feijoa Fruit Wine 750ml	Lothlorien Winery Ltd
Silver	Lothlorien Reserve Sparkling Apple & Feijoa Fruit Wine 750ml	Lothlorien Winery Ltd
Bronze	Lothlorien Medium Sparkling Apple & Feijoa Fruit Wine 200ml	Lothlorien Winery Ltd

# FRUIT WINE RESULTS

## FORTIFIED FRUIT WINE / FRUIT LIQUEUR

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### TROPHY WINNER

**FRUIT WINE** Lothlorien Liqueur Feijoa & Manuka Honey 500 ml

**PRODUCER** Lothlorien Winery Ltd

#### FORTIFIED FRUIT WINE

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Lothlorien Liqueur Feijoa & Manuka Honey 500ml	Lothlorien Winery Ltd
Silver	Frisky Fellow	Ruahine Ports
Silver	Randy Rabbit	Ruahine Ports
Silver	Sweet Something	Ruahine Ports
Bronze	Plump Pheasant Plum port	Ruahine Ports
Bronze	Roaring Red Boysenberry Port	Ruahine Ports
Bronze	Golden Trout	Ruahine Ports
Bronze	Grumpy Goose	Ruahine Ports
Bronze	Witches Brew	Ruahine Ports
Bronze	Gimpy Goat	Ruahine Ports

#### FRUIT LIQUEUR

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Windermere Raspberry Liquor	Wildfern NZ Ltd

# MEAD RESULTS

## MEAD

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### TROPHY WINNER

**MEAD** Fever Dream **PRODUCER** Beehave Craft Meadery

#### HONEY MEAD

MEDAL	WINE	PRODUCER
Gold	Lone Bee Sparkling Clover & Manuka Honey Mead	Lone Bee
Bronze	Simply Mead	Buzz Club

#### MEAD WITH SPICES/HERBS (METHEGLIN)

MEDAL	WINE	PRODUCER
Gold	Fever Dream	Beehave Craft Meadery
Silver	Suckerpunch	Beehave Craft Meadery

#### MEAD WITH FRUITS (MELOMEL)

MEDAL	WINE	PRODUCER
Gold	Quattro	Beehave Craft Meadery
Gold	Brambled	Beehave Craft Meadery
Silver	Rhapsody	Beehave Craft Meadery
Bronze	Kāmahi Blossom & Lemon	Buzz Club
Bronze	Rātā Blossom & Feijoa	Buzz Club
Bronze	Pōhutukawa Blossom & Strawberry	Buzz Club
Bronze	Hopped Buzz	Buzz Club

## FORTIFIED MEAD & MEAD LIQUEUR

MEDAL	WINE	PRODUCER
Bronze	Kiwi Bush	Ruahine Ports

# RESULTS

## ALCOHOLIC GINGER BEER/LEMONADE

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### TROPHY WINNER

**WINNING PRODUCT** Ginger Beer **PRODUCER** Zeffer Cider Co.

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Gold	Ginger Beer	Zeffer Cider Co.
Silver	Hazy Alcoholic Lemonade	Zeffer Cider Co.
Bronze	Ranga Alcoholic Gingerbeer	Brand Evolution

## ALCOHOLIC KOMBUCHA/HARD TEA

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### TROPHY WINNER

**WINNING PRODUCT** Herbal Tea – Hibiscus, Rosehip & Apple

**PRODUCER** Alice Hard Brewed Tea

MEDAL	CIDER	PRODUCER
Silver	Herbal Tea – Hibiscus, Rosehip & Apple	Alice Hard Brewed Tea
Bronze	Black Tea – Strawberry & Vanilla	Alice Hard Brewed Tea
Bronze	Rooibos Tea – Orange & Lemon Peel	Alice Hard Brewed Tea





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