



Yarra Valley Brewers Belgian Beerfest 2025

18th May 2025 at Hard Road Brewery, 31 Holloway Drive, Bayswater

Champion Beer of Show - Sponsored by Hard Road Brewery

Richard Brown Yarra Valley Brewers Belgian Pale Ale 87 points

Champion Brewer - Sponsored by The Full Brew

Michael Bowron Westgate Brewers 7.points

Best Novice Brewer - Sponsored by Vicbrew

Ellie MacCauley Merri Mashers Flanders Red Ale 85 points

Best Club Award

Merri Mashers 18 points

Yarra Valley Brewers 9 points

Westgate Brewers 7 points

Bayside Brewers 2 points

Cat 1 Light Coloured Ales**Sponsor: The Full Brew**Judges: *Andrew Bullman (BJCP), Michael Grant*

SubStyle	Entry No.	Entrant	Club	Score
1.1 Trappist Single	33	Richard Brown	yarra valley brewers	86
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	2	Sean Dawson	merri mashers	80
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	27	Brian Murray	merri mashers	79
1.4 Tripel	12	John Sheehan	Bayside	75
1.4 Tripel	39	tom kurka	yarra valley brewers	74
1.3 Belgian Strong Golden Ale	52	Haig Jason	Melb Brewers	73
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	32	Sharif Slamet	merri mashers	70.5
1.1 Trappist Single	5	Brian Murray	merri mashers	69
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	19	Brett Tyrell	Bayside	68
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	18	Mark Hibberd	Bayside	66
1.1 Trappist Single	11	Ellie MacCauley	merri mashers	62
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	35	Neil Milne	merri mashers	61.5
1.4 Tripel	57	chris holmes	Melb Brewers	60
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	59	paul kerwin	Melb Brewers	58.5
1.3 Belgian Strong Golden Ale	46	John Kingston	NO CLUB	52
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	21	Robert Krause	yarra valley brewers	49
1.1 Trappist Single	53	chris holmes	Melb Brewers	48.5
1.2 Belgian Blonde Ale	31	Mark Chapman	yarra valley brewers	39

Cat 2 Dark Coloured Ales**Sponsor: Bintani****Judges:** Mark Chapman, Mark Hibberd (BJCP)

SubStyle	Entry No.	Entrant	Club	Score
2.3 Belgian Strong Dark Ale	23	Brian Murray	merri mashers	79
2.2 Biere De Garde	44	Michael Bowron	Westgate	78
2.3 Belgian Strong Dark Ale	45	Michael Bowron	Westgate	73
2.1 Dubbel	34	Tom Kurka	Yarra Valley Brewers	70
2.3 Belgian Strong Dark Ale	54	craig bates	melb brewers	68
2.1 Dubbel	4	Brian Murray	merri mashers	67
2.1 Dubbel	13	John Sheehan	Bayside	65
2.1 Dubbel	10	Daniel Fulford	Yarra Valley Brewers	54
2.3 Belgian Strong Dark Ale	58	chris holmes	Melb Brewers	50



Judges: Daniel Heiss (BJCP), Tom Griffin (BJCP)

SubStyle	Entry No.	Entrant	Club	Score
3.2 Belgian pale ale	20	Richard Brown	yarra valley brewers	87
3.2 Belgian pale ale	37	Mark Chapman	yarra valley brewers	86
3.1 Witbier	40	tom kurka	yarra valley brewers	83
3.3 Belgian IPA	17	Chris Schwinghamer	merri mashers	77
3.2 Belgian pale ale	50	Michael Bowron	Westgate	75
3.1 Witbier	1	Chris Schwinghamer	merri mashers	72
3.1 Witbier	41	Ellie MacCauley	merri mashers	70
3.1 Witbier	49	Michael Bowron	Westgate	70
3.1 Witbier	55	Andries Ellis	INDEPENDENT	65
3.1 Witbier	8	Brian Murray	merri mashers	64
3.1 Witbier	7	Neil Milne	Bayside	59
3.2 Belgian pale ale	64	John Kingston	NO CLUB	55
3.3 Belgian IPA	56	chris holmes	Melb Brewers	49
3.3 Belgian IPA	67	Eric Beck	merri mashers	49
3.1 Witbier	38	steve ross	yarra valley brewers	37

Cat 4 Saison

Sponsor: Bintani



Judges: *Mark Chapman, Mark Hibberd (BJCP)*

SubStyle	Entry No.	Entrant	Club	Score
4.1 Saison	30	Sharif Slamet	merri mashers	77
4.1 Saison	16	Sean Dawson	merri mashers	71
4.1 Saison	65	Michael Bowron	Westgate	70
4.1 Saison	68	Eric Beck	merri mashers	67
4.1 Saison	51	Andrew Farrell	merri mashers	52

Cat 5 Wild beers**Sponsor: Hard Road Brewery****Judges:** Kristian Domagala (BJCP), Matt Fitch

SubStyle	Entry No.	Entrant	Club	Score
5.4 Flanders Red Ale	36	Ellie MacCauley	merri mashers	85
5.5 Fruit Lambic	22	Brett Tyrell	Bayside	82
5.2 Flanders Brown/Oud Bruin	9	Sean Dawson	merri mashers	*80
5.1 Lambic	14	Sean Dawson	merri mashers	*80
5.4 Flanders Red Ale	61	Eric Beck	merri mashers	76
5.5 Fruit Lambic	69	John Kingston	NO CLUB	75
5.2 Flanders Brown/Oud Bruin	28	Ellie MacCauley	merri mashers	71
5.1 Lambic	48	Andrew Farrell	merri mashers	66
5.4 Flanders Red Ale	24	Brian Murray	merri mashers	62
5.5 Fruit Lambic	15	Sean Dawson	merri mashers	59
5.1 Lambic	62	Eric Beck	merri mashers	56
5.4 Flanders Red Ale	60	Dan Horridge	merri mashers	54
5.2 Flanders Brown/Oud Bruin	66	Eric Beck	merri mashers	51
5.5 Fruit Lambic	71	Eric Beck	merri mashers	49

* = countback rules applied



Judges: Charles Johnston (BJCP), Chris Holmes

SubStyle	Entry No.	Entrant	Club	Score	Description
6.1 Belgian Specialty	47	Michael Bowron	Westgate	81	standard strength saison fermented in a bootleg biology brett blend
6.1 Belgian Specialty	70	Eric Beck	merri mashers	80	mixed fermentation saison
6.1 Belgian Specialty	3	Sean Dawson	merri mashers	77	Orval clone, highly carbonated dry belg pale ale with Brett and dry hopping
6.1 Belgian Specialty	29	Sharif Slamet	merri mashers	73	Rosette Shiraz Grisette. Grisette fermented on shiraz pomace. Standard strngth
6.1 Belgian Specialty	43	Andrew Farrell	merri mashers	72	mixed fermentation saison with honey and jasmine flowers
6.1 Belgian Specialty	63	Dan Horridge	merri mashers	71	standard strength saison fermented with shiraz grapes
6.1 Belgian Specialty	25	Jason Ayres	bayside brewers	65	
6.1 Belgian Specialty	42	Ellie MacCauley	merri mashers	63.5	dark strong belgian ale fermented with honey
6.1 Belgian Specialty	26	Brian Murray	merri mashers	60	sour dry beer with orange juice. 6% sweet and sour beer
6.1 Belgian Specialty	6	Chris Schwinghamer	merri mashers	56	Belgian witbier aged on shiraz grapes