# Tasting Summary

**Date:** 5/20/2019  
**Session No.:** 210  
**Open**: ☒  
**Blind**: ☐  
**Theme:** Wines from the State of Washington  
**No. of Participants:** 18  
**Forms Returned:** 14

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<th>Wines</th>
<th>Price</th>
<th>Mediocre</th>
<th>Acceptable</th>
<th>Good</th>
<th>Very good</th>
<th>Excellent</th>
<th>Exceptional</th>
<th>Best Buy</th>
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<td>2017 Chateau Ste Michelle. Riesling Dry, Columbia Valley</td>
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<td>Minervality, balanced, lacks acidity, exceptional for its price, pleasant bouquet, lacks aroma, bubbly at the start, not at the end</td>
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<td>2016 Chateau Ste. Michelle, Rhone’s Michel Gassier, The Pundit Syrah. Columbia Valley</td>
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<td>Great wine, structure and balance, strong body, needs three more years, nice and round, lacks pepper and spices, the best, velvety, full body tannins</td>
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<td>2013 Chateau Ste. Michelle, Canoe Ridge Estate Merlot, Horse Heaven Hill</td>
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<td>Vanilla, chocolate, black fruits, tannic first sip improves with time in the glass, good color, spicy and rough, soft tannins, long finish, alcohol, round</td>
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<td>2015 Canvasback, Cabernet Sauvignon, Red Mountain</td>
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<td>Velvety, more like merlot, long finish, good structure and aroma, not good color, fruits and balance, typical Cab, balance and complexity</td>
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**Overview:** The 2015 Canvasback was selected as the best wine with marks between very good to excellent. It is remarkable that the Group gave similar marks to this wine in February (tasting 207). At that time the Group gave Good 4, Very good 6 and Excellent 5. The range of marks went from good to excellent for the reds and from acceptable to excellent for the white. The concentration of marks is highlighted in purple.

There are selected comments under each wine taken from the evaluation forms.