



The General Wine Bar & Kitchen – PRESS RELEASE

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Mr. Riggs Wine Co and Zonte's Footstep are excited to announce the upcoming opening of their new home. This collaborative venture between the two, The General Wine Bar & Kitchen is set to become a McLaren Flat drawcard providing locals, visitors and wine lovers alike with an interesting food and wine experience that delivers on both wineries passion for 'being'.

It is the new generation of general store originally built around 1910 the building operated as The McLaren Flat Post office after opening in 1911. Changing shape and form over the years it eventually became a general store, the hub for McLaren Flat locals and in 2014 it became the site for the Home Grain Bakery which is also undergoing a major transformation. Customers and locals will soon be able to enjoy the newly expanded and upgraded bakery complete with sunny courtyard.

Co-owner Ben Riggs says *"For years Mr. Riggs have been seeking the ideal site for our home when we discovered this quaint corner site at the doorway to the picturesque McLaren Flat. And so it began, the creating, planning and building of a comfortable space, one built around the home kitchen and the fluid connection of the food and wine experience. Alongside the entrepreneurial duo Toff and Cara West (owners of Home Grain Bakeries), we are excited to be breathing life back into this beautiful old building and into this community"*

Brad Rey (Zonte's Footstep) says.. *"We are excited about creating a place to express our passions for all things vinous and culinary and to extend our welcome to the local community. It will be filled with our passion and soul, and we look forward to sharing with all who come for the experience. "*

The General will also welcome to their kitchen Chef Ben Sommariva, formerly at The Kitchen Door Restaurant and Fino's Willunga. His creative daily menu featuring house made products, along with free flowing, flexible, food & wine flights are sure to excite. As well as offering a broad range of wine varieties to suit all tastes and plenty of museum wines available by the glass, this dynamic team intend to offer the ultimate in wine & food experience. The first of its kind in McLaren Flat.

The General is due to open to the public by November 2016.

Opening hours:

7 days – Wine tastings

Wednesday through to Monday – Lunch

Friday till late – Dinner

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