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A beautiful new tasting venue

The meeting, theoretically hosted by Boon, was actually hosted at the beautiful lake side estate of Lauren and James “Friggin” Guests. The lake side made a beautiful setting for the contenders, both from California: the champion from Roederer Estate; the challenger from Domaine Carneros. The champion easily prevailed by a four to two vote with Boon, the pourer, abstaining. Perhaps the French will be ready for another try soon.



The contenders by the lake



The wine is poured

Judging by the enthusiasm shown by the tasters the lake is a great place to drink (our research has shown that this is a trait shared by many locations).



And nobody fell in



*Lauren F. Guest; Hia F. Watha
Cattle F. Kate*



Pancho and Kit (and cub)



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Antics

Products



Pancho making deliveries

Pancho keeps the products flowing, delivering an array of shirts and vests to the club members. Pancho also took the opportunity to make a statement by wearing the popular golf shirt in a color that could possibly wake the lion. If you look closely you can see that the color rattled Boon so much that he forgot to focus - perhaps a blessing.



Controversial new color

Potential Product

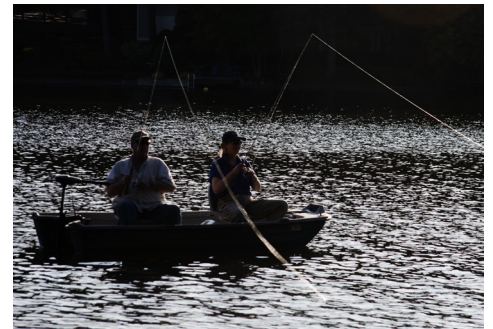
James F. Guest / Host showed up wearing a lake side shirt with a clever array of Champagne glass silhouettes cleverly printed on the front. He would not share how he accomplished this feat but the idea certainly has product potential.



Nice shirt?

Poachers

As the sun set the members were shocked when strangers appeared in a boat and attempted to snare bottles of Champagne with their fishing lines. They were finally repelled by illuminating Pancho's golf shirt.



From the shadows

Chow Time



Tasty



Generic

The food portion of the meeting was fairly typical although a variety of cupcakes were offered, rather than just chocolate. The traditional pizza was served but, due to technical difficulties, the picture is the pizza at the May meeting (close enough).