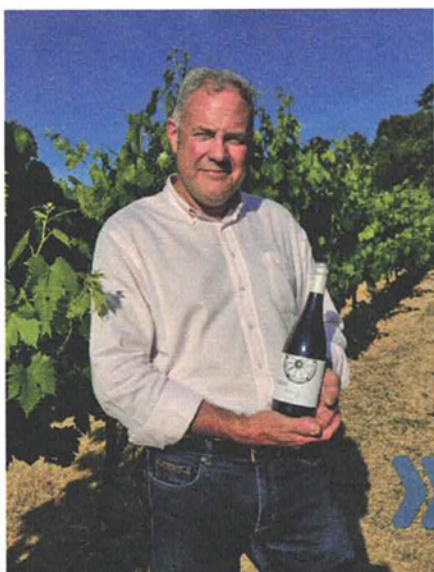


# 50 STARS

You have two choices. Sit around counting all the challenges we face as an industry. Or you can just get on with it and do great things and inspire the rest of us – like these 50 Stars of 2023. WBM has gone back through the inbox – and the stories – to see who stood up when there was every reason to just sit down. We'll have these 50 Stars on our team any day.

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## DAN TONON

### TONON VINEYARD & WINERY

Small producers make the wine world go round. Tonon Vineyard & Winery Perth Hills 2022 Sangiovese won the Dr Rod Bonfiglioli Best Wine of Show at the Australian Alternative Varieties Wine Show in Mildura – a first for a WA winery. It also won Best Red Wine and Best Red Italian Variety Wine. This small family winery is the brainchild of winemaker Dan Tonon. Judge Nina Throsby said, “Tonon Sangiovese is a true beacon of what the show endeavours to do – uncover great wines made by alternative varieties throughout Australia. A beautiful, ethereal ideation of the variety defined by its tension and poise.” Dan’s the man. Some good things happening in the Perth Hills.