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An excellent turnout of 21 members for today's meeting where David and Gerry presented their wines of choice. Their theme was 'American Wines' as they were originally due to present on July 4th!

We started with three whites:

Barefoot Pinot Grigio NV 12% RRP £7.89 we paid £6.99

Barefoot Sauvignon Blanc NV 13% RRP £7.89

Frei Brothers Sonoma Chardonnay 14% RRP £17.99 we paid £13.99

All of them were well received the first two being similar but very drinkable and the last was stronger and slightly less popular. Voting was 9, 8 and 4 which once again proves the point that price is not everything.



After we had sampled the three whites, we had an interesting slide presentation on 'Cork Closures' not the most block busting of titles but it seemed to grip everyone's attention.

Onto the reds:

Apothic Red Winemaker's Blend 13.5% RRP £9.99

667 Noble Vines Pinot Noir 14.5% RRP £16.99 we paid £11.99

Chateau Ste Michelle Merlot 13.7% RRP 13.99 we paid £10.99

The Apothic was very well received being a very smooth and drinkable wine; understandably, as it is one of David's and Gerry's favourite reds. The Pinot Noir was drier on the tongue whilst the Merlot was well received. Voting was 10,4,7 which is interesting as usually the more expensive reds fare better!