

# Transcriptions of U. of T. SLOWPOKE Bottle Notes

## **No. 1: Jordan Valley Canadian Champagne**

“Celebrating the initial startup and criticality of the SLOWPOKE reactor at 10:20 p.m. on Friday **June 4, 1971.**

John Hilborn  
Chalk River  
Ontario. “

## **No. 2: Andres Sparkling Chante**

“On Thursday **December 4, 1972** at approximately 11 a.m. the contents of this bottle were consumed to celebrate 10,000 kWh of SLOWPOKE operation at U. of T. Those present were R.E. Jervis, W. Ridge, J. Hewitt, L. Bennett, H.P. Chung and R. Hancock”

## **No. 3: Chateau Gai Dry Canadian Champagne**

“SLOWPOKE-2 (U. of T.) officially became critical at 15:28 on **March 10, 1976.** Those present were:

Mike Wise -AECL-CP, John Desprochers (?), George Burbridge, Steve Booth, Manfred Muller (?), Peter Garvey (?) -AECL (CRNL), Ron Kay (?), R.E. Jervis (U. of T.), Ron Hancock.”

## **No. 4: Henkell Trocken Champagne**

“**88/01/07** Big shim completed and reactor working. George Burbridge, Susan Aufreider (?), R.E. Jervis, Ron Hancock, Brian Townes, Rick Baldman (?), G.R. Anderson, Mike James (?).”

**Note:** This message was completed on SLOWPOKE Reactor Facility stationary.

## **No. 5: Hillebrand Estates Riesling**

**25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 1996 (June 4(?)) – Many signatures including (most deciphered with great difficulty):**

Joy Cunningham, Marc Grynpas, R.E. Jervis, Brain Cox, Don Anderson, Sunder Showe(?), Senema Gausfrier (?), Ron Farquar, Juliette Lay (?), Peter Stevens-Guille, Ron Ghile (?), Jeremy Edward, Bella Teifenbach, Jack Hedimcus (?), Hack Chung, J. David Tefford, Elgin Horton, Ed Punyun, Dan Meneley, Raphael Moya, Les Bennett, Susan Aufreiter, John Ingelson (?), Ron Hancock, Marti Latta, Don Kirk, Derek York, Manfred Meuller, George Burbridge, Michael Fila, Narwal Shakir, Rob Goble, SS Krishnan, Sue Bal.

**NOTE:** Signatures deciphered by Ron Hancock and Jim Ungrin. Ron reported ~55 attendees in total.

## **No. 6: Masi Amaroni (1995 vintage)**

This bottle did not contain a note or a label giving a consumption year. Was it a second bottle used by the huge crowd in 1996, or was there another event such as shutdown?

J. Ungrin  
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