Current Role

Chief Supply Officer – Global Wine Production for Treasury Wine Estates, managing all aspects of wine production for a range for brands globally.

History

- Grew up on family orchards in Goulburn Valley in Victoria.
- Bachelor Degree and PhD in Agriculture from the University of Melbourne.
- PhD thesis 'Developing economic damage thresholds for Integrated Pest Management'.
- Published a number of peer refereed papers in international journals.
- Research Scientist/Senior Research Scientist in Horticulture/Viticulture at the Dept for Primary Industries Victoria, Tatura 1987 – 1994.
- Presented at a number of international conferences and meetings.
- Participated in the inaugural Winemakers' Federation of Australia (WFA) Future Leaders
 Program in 2006.
- Member of the Executive of the South Australian Wine Industry Association (SAWIA) 2007 Sept 2014.
- Inaugural Chair Wine Innovation Cluster 2008-2010.
- President of the South Australian Wine Industry Association (SAWIA) 2009 2012.
- Board Member of the Winemakers' Federation of Australia (WFA).
- Chair of the WFA Large Wine Winemakers' Committee.
- Chairman of the WFA Innovation Policy Committee (IPC).
- Member of the South Australian Wine Industry Council (SAWIC) 2007 current.
- Has held various roles in Southcorp/Fosters Group Limited/Treasury Wine Estates, including:
 - Vineyard Manager/Grower Relations Manager Victoria
 - Regional Manager South East of South Australia
 - Executive General Manager Grape Resources Australia
 - Director Wine Production ANZ
 - Since May 2011, Chief Supply Officer Global Wine Production

Statement

I have a strong agricultural and management background and this has been important in my career development. I have also taken an active interest and participated in all aspects of industry leadership from State and Federal roles as well as leadership on several wine research and development groups.

In my various roles over the past 25 years I have been exposed to most aspects of the wine industry from grape growing and sourcing, wine production and wine logistics.

I have relevant Board experience on the Winemakers' Federation as well as the Executive of SAWIA. I have international wine production experience through managing/overviewing wine production in Australia, New Zealand, the United States and Italy.

I am a strong supporter of quality agricultural research development and extension and look forward to the opportunity to be on the Board of one of the most respected grape and wine research providers in the world.

Rob Glastonbury Operations Manager De Bortoli Wines

Rob graduated from Roseworthy College with a Degree in Oenology in 1982, later adding the Associate Diploma in Wine Marketing.

During the early eighties Rob had various roles in the wine industry managing including wine production and distillation, packaging and logistics in the South Australian Riverland and Upper Hunter.

Turning his hand to Brewing for Carlton and United Breweries in 1986.

While at CUB NSW, Rob was variously responsible for beer production, production scheduling, quality assurance, personnel and projects. On moving to Melbourne in 1991, Rob moved to a Project Management role, which included site auditing, process benchmarking and process optimisation with a particular focus on Filtration, Separation, Plant Engineering Design and Raw Material Optimisation across Australian and overseas breweries.

Rob then moved to operational management at CUB's Abbotsford Brewery, being responsible for plant capital expenditure, maintenance and reliability assurance, process optimisation and personnel management, having over-site of major projects including refurbishment of Filter Room and an upgrade of fermentation, storage and yeast handling facilities at Abbotsford.

Rob returned to his first love in 2002 as Wine Production Manager for Wolf Blass, working as software domain expert for their Wine Industry software development and winery process improvement both in Australia and the US.

In 2004, Rob moved to De Bortoli's in the Riverina, where as Operations Manager he is responsible for Wine Production, Packaging, Logistics, Warehousing, Distribution, Brewing, Engineering, Research and Development, Risk Management, Environmental and Quality Systems.

Since joining DeBortoli's Rob has also been an active participant on the Wine Maker's Federation Strategic Development Group and the Wine Industry's Environmental Committee.