

## **The Publican (UK) - Low alcohol wine becoming more fashionable**

Increasing numbers of drinkers believe low alcohol is fashionable, according to a new report.

<http://www.thepublican.com/story.asp?sectioncode=7&storycode=55483&c=1>

## **Stuff (Australia) - 13pc of Aussie kids in households with drugs, alcohol**

More than 230,000 Australian children are being raised by adults who abuse alcohol, cannabis or methamphetamines, a new study has found.

<http://www.stuff.co.nz/4067503a12.html>

## **Innovations Report (Russia) - Genetics and alcohol consumption**

Specialists from the Research Institute of Medical Genetics, Russian Academy of Medical Sciences (Tomsk), have found that some variants of the genes responsible for ethanol metabolism impact on blood pressure and lipidic exchange, and raise the risk of coronary atherosclerosis in studies of the Russian population of Western Siberia.

[http://www.innovations-report.de/html/berichte/medizin\\_gesundheit/bericht-84589.html](http://www.innovations-report.de/html/berichte/medizin_gesundheit/bericht-84589.html)

## **Newsire (News Zealand) - Mayors Call For Government Reviews Of Alcohol**

The country's mayors want an urgent review of the way alcohol is advertised and sold to young people and a look at how teenagers get hold of high performance cars.

<http://www.newsire.co.nz/main/viewstory.aspx?storyid=373988&catid=3008>

## **Dominican Today (Dominican Republic) - Dominican Government looks to lower taxes, mainly on alcohol**

Hacienda minister Vicente Bengoa said yesterday president Leonel Fernandez was already given the proposal to relax the application of taxes on some lines, mainly beers and rums, whose producers feel have influenced in their reduced sales.

<http://www.dominicantoday.com/app/article.aspx?id=23990>

## **Medical News Today - Tobacco And Alcohol Use Independently Increase Risk Of Head And Neck Cancer**

At least 75 percent of head and neck cancers are caused by a combination of cigarette smoking and drinking alcohol, but researchers have not known the individual contributions of these risk factors because people who smoke are more likely to drink than the general population and vice versa. In a new study, researchers sought to tease out the independent effect of each risk factor on head and neck cancer development.

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?newsid=71104>

### **About - Mailed Pamphlets Can Reduce Binge Drinking**

A Canadian study has found that mailing a simple information pamphlet to drinkers in the general public can reduce binge drinking as much as 10 percent.

<http://alcoholism.about.com/b/a/256407.htm>

### **New York Times (USA) - Ad Limits Seen as Way to Curb Youth Smoking and Drinking**

Price-cutting and other marketing strategies widely used by the tobacco and alcoholic beverage industries are highly effective in encouraging children and teenagers to smoke and drink, according to two new studies.

[http://www.nytimes.com/2007/05/22/health/22teen.html?\\_r=1&oref=slogin](http://www.nytimes.com/2007/05/22/health/22teen.html?_r=1&oref=slogin)

### **Guardian Unlimited (EU) - Europe-wide driving laws urged**

Senior police officers have called for drink-drive levels and speed limits to be standardised across Europe.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uklatest/story/0,-6651044,00.html>

### **Mangalorean (WHO) - Global campaign planned to target alcohol abuse**

The World Health Organization (WHO) Tuesday agreed to target alcohol and alcohol addiction worldwide with a campaign warning against the risks of abuse.

<http://mangalorean.com/news.php?newstype=local&newsid=44195>

### **BBJ (EU) - Wine imports may swamp Europe, EU commissioner warns**

Australian and Chilean wine could swamp Europe if no solution is found to the crisis in European winemaking, agriculture commissioner Mariann Fischer Boel warned Tuesday.

[http://www.bbj.hu/main/news\\_26699\\_wine+imports+may+swamp+europe+eu+commissioner+warns.html](http://www.bbj.hu/main/news_26699_wine+imports+may+swamp+europe+eu+commissioner+warns.html)

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<http://www.wines-info.com/html/2007-05/189/200752293644375.html>

### **Newsroom (Finland) - Five supermarkets banned from selling alcohol in Finland**

The western Finland state provincial office said Tuesday it had imposed a temporary alcohol sales ban on five supermarkets following a report by provincial paper Iikka.

<http://newsroom.finland.fi/stt/showarticle.asp?intNWSAID=15792&group=General>

## **TopCancerNews - Limit the amount of alcohol you drink to reduce the risk of breast cancer**

It only takes two bottles of wine consumed over the course of one weekend to more than double the risk of breast cancer, according to a Danish study of 17,647 women which breaks down like this: women who drank 22-27 drinks per week had twice the risk for the disease compared to those who drank only one to three drinks.

<http://www.topcancernews.com/news/879/1/Limit-the-amount-of-alcohol-you-drink-to-reduce-the-risk-of-breast-cancer>

### **Opinions:**

## **NewEurasia (Russia) - Prohibition: Drink or not to Drink**

According to new regulations, henceforth one can sell alcohol only in the specialized shops or in the separate sections (rooms) equipped with cash registers. And the main thing, the shops that sell alcoholic beverages should be not less than a half-kilometer away from educational, preschool and religious institutions.

<http://uzbekistan.neweurasia.net/2007/05/21/prohibition-drink-or-not-to-drink/>