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Wineapawlooza Raises \$1.4 Million To Aid Animal Rescue

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JARR supporters

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Animal-loving wine drinkers were out in full force last weekend at the fifth annual Wineapawlooza event in Napa. The gala fundraiser was put on by the wine country-based charity Jameson Animal Rescue Ranch (JARR), a state of the art animal rescue facility

that provides relief to animals harmed in disasters. The organization helped save many horses that were at risk during last fall's wildfires. In raising \$1.4 million for the cause, this year's event—which was held at **Gamble Family Vineyards**—exceeded expectations.



Bonnie-Jill Laflin speaking at the event

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“Now in its fifth year, the magic of Wineapawlooza never ceases to amaze me,” **Monica Stevens**, the co-founder of JARR said at the start of the evening. “The culmination of our wine community, spectacular wine, top chefs, animal lovers, staff and volunteers who all come together to support JARR’s mission and better the lives of all animals is truly wonderful.”



The beloved pot belly pig, Mr. Moo

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Sportscaster and television personality, **Bonnie-Jill Laflin**, served as the evening's emcee. She led a pet parade of dogs available for auction that started **Honey**, *Haute Living San Francisco's* former editor **Kelly E. Carter's** adopted chihuahua, and **Mr. Moo**, a 200-pound pot belly pig. The event consisted of a walk around tasting of some of the Valley's most sought-after wines followed by a thrilling live auction led by **Fritz Hatton**. The top selling lot was a barrel of wine made with fruit from the 100-point vineyard, Beckstoffer Dr. Crane, by winemakers **Russell Bevan** and **Philippe Melka**. The unique barrel went for \$200,000. Chef **Casey Thompson**, of *Top Chef* fame, provided delicious plant-based bites.



Chef Casey Thompson

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Notables in attendance included **Russell Bevan, Amanda Harlan, Tor Kenward, Julien Fayard, Juan Mercado, Andy Beckstoffer, Shannon Staglin, Will Phelps, Jasmine Hirsch, Larry Fairchild, Mark and Sherri Carter** and the host of the event, **Tom Gamble**—all of who are dedicated to the mission of JARR.