## second - generation Peninsula family businesses.



Rollo has taken-over the winemaking aspects of the business, including establishing a new wine-making facility at Patterson Lakes. During July, Rollo was selected as one of the top 'Young Guns' of winemaking; an Australia-wide selection process to determine 12 of the nation's most promising rising stars of the winemaking industry.

Daughter Zoe left her role as an educational psychologist to assist with the marketing and to help Margaret in running a suite of stylish lakeside villas on the property. She also found time to start the next generation of the Crittenden clan.

Margaret Crittenden's love of quality food & local produce still finds expression through her highly regarded home-made chutneys, relishes, jams and marmalades, which are available at cellar door.

## What's the secret to families working together?

Garry:" knowing when to let go and allowing the next generation to take responsibility"

Zoe: "Communication, a united passion, clear roles, and to remember that you are a family first and foremost"

Rollo: "Respecting the strengths of each individual and allowing each family member to have freedom within their defined role"

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## The Martlands

Mother and son team. Shiela and Edwin Martland (right), operate one of Australia's largest treasure-troves of antiques and collectables.

The Martland family bought the old Tyabb Apple Co-operative building in the early 1990s. It was the culmination of a lifetime's interest in antiques that spanned both sides of the world.

The English Midlands paediatric nurse, who later became governess at the Henri Mayer Vineyard in France, arrived with her husband Gerard and their children aboard the 'Fairstar' in 1969.

Shiela worked in occupational therapy at Mt Martha, followed by a stint in a Mt Eliza café and homewares shop, but it was a job assisting in a Somerville antiques store that kindled her involvement in the retail side of antiques.

The first venture was a restorers' antique business in Moorooduc (now The Bottom Drawer Antiques). Strong public response encouraged them to invest in the ramshackle former apple shed in Tyabb. Nearly 20 years later, the vastly expanded shed is now home to 35 dealers under the one roof, many of whom have been with the Martlands since opening day.

Gerard passed away some years ago, but they had been joined in 1997 by one of their four children, Edwin.

After 24 years in audio-visual work at Toorak College, Edwin was happy to say goodbye to video monitors. He'd started with reel-to-reel black and white editing and left just before the advent of the digital age, to help manage the maintenance role at The Packing Shed. He now also manages the adjoining Craft Village complex of artists and artisans.

Edwin describes The Packing House as the 'Sydney Harbour Bridge' of buildings; a neverending schedule of maintenance, but admits that he's happiest when operating behind the scenes.

" Dad used to answer the phone telling customers that he was the cleaner. I've elevated myself slightly by telling people that I'm just the maintenance man. Mum is the face of the business; she handles the dealers and the public". Edwin's wife, Mary, runs a large second hand book shop within the complex and his brother Richard is one of the dealers under the huge roof, who operates a furniture importing business.

What's the secret to families working together? Edwin: "Not working together...we have quite separate roles and the place is so large that it's easy to stay out of each other's way "!

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