



The Australian Bush Poets Association Inc. presents

Tamworth Golden Damper Awards 2019

To be held at

Southside Uniting Church,

440 Goonoo Goonoo Road Tamworth 2340

HEATS: Tuesday 22nd, Thursday 24th, January 2019 2—4pm

FINALS: Friday 25th January 2019. 1—3pm

There are two sections:

1. ORIGINAL: Contestants to perform their own original poem

2. ESTABLISHED: Contestants to perform modern or traditional poem

Contestants must not perform their own poem in the Established section and must advise the original author's name if it is not genuinely 'Anon'. Permission should be sought from the author to perform their poem.

PERFORMANCE TIME: MAXIMUM 8 MINUTES INCLUDING PREAMBLE

Finalists: On a daily basis the four highest placed contestants in the Original Section and the four highest placed contestants in the Established Section will be invited to participate in the Finals of the competition on Saturday 26th January 2019.

Certificates will be awarded to Daily Finalists and Overall Winners only.

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER SECTION (Conditions of Entry on Page 2).

To enter the Competition, fill in the Official Entry Form, attach your cheque or money order made out to ABPA, or pay by Bank direct deposit (details on entry form) and then forward notification to:

The ABPA Treasurer (Golden Damper Awards 2019)

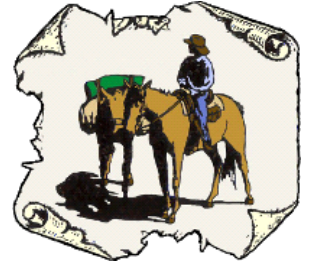
PO Box 644, Gladstone 4680

email: treasurer@abpa.org.au

ENTRIES CLOSE: When the 10 allotted spaces in each section on each day are filled.

Every effort will be made to enter you on the day selected. However, if you can come ANY day, please indicate same on page 3.

If you wish confirmation of your Entry and do not have an email address, please enclose a SSAE with your Official Entry form .



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1) All entries must be Australian Bush Poetry, i.e. Rhymed and Metred poetry about Australia past or present, Australian History past or present, Australians past or present and/or the Australian way of life past or present. The ABPA, in the strongest possible terms, discourages the inclusion, in content or in performance, of anything that could be considered offensive to any individual or group. If a competitor is doubtful about their material or performance being unsuitable, they should check with the organisers prior to commencement of the competition.
- 2) Entries will be restricted to the first 10 entries received in each section, 10 x Original and 10 x Established, for each daily heat. Entries on the day will be accepted if positions are available. Entries will be restricted to one entry per contestant per section.
- 3) Competitors are judged on entertainment value, presentation skills and selection of material.
- 4) Contestants must be aged 16 years or over.
- 5) The Time Limit for all performances will be restricted to a maximum of eight minutes including preamble. Two points per every 15 seconds or part there of will be deducted from each judge's score sheet for contestants exceeding this limit.
- 6) Poems must be performed from memory and not read.
- 7) In the Established (modern or traditional) section contestants will be required to provide the name and author of the poem on the attached Entry Form. 'Anon' can only be claimed with poems that are genuinely 'Anonymous'. Permission should be sought from the author to perform their poem prior to entry in the competition .
- 8) Competitors cannot perform the same poem in the Heats and the Finals in the same competition.
- 9) Poems that have won first place in a competition should not be performed by the same poet in future years, in the same competition.
- 10) The judges decisions on heats and finals will be absolutely final and without further discussion . All matters relating to the conduct of the competition remain with the organisers and their representatives. The organisers assume no responsibility for any claims concerning infringement of copyright.
- 11) The 2019 Tamworth Golden Damper Awards will be conducted under the ABPA "Guidelines for Australian Bush Poetry Competitions". Judging Sheets as described in these Guidelines will apply to this competition. This material is available on the ABPA Website, www.abpa.org.au . It is the responsibility of the contestant to familiarise themselves with this material.

TROPHIES ONLY WILL BE AWARDED TO THE WINNER IN EACH CATEGORY. Certificates only will be awarded to 2nd and 3rd placegetters.

The first four placegetters for each section each day go into the Finals.

Judging: The daily heats and finals will be judged by accredited members of the ABPA. Each panel will consist of 3 judges.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

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The ABPA Treasurer (Tamworth Golden Damper Awards 2019), PO Box 644 Gladstone 4680

Or pay by Bank direct deposit: **BSB 633 000. A/c no: 154842108. A/c name: ABPA.**

Reference: 'Your Name' followed by 'Golden Damper'. eg: 'Eva Perfect Golden Damper'.

Post or email your Entry Form with direct deposit receipt number written on it to above street address or treasurer@abpa.org.au. Please include SSAE if confirmation is required. Thanks.

Entry fee is \$10.00 each section. One entry per section.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____

Address: _____

State: _____ P/Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

I wish to enter the following sections: (please tick)

1) ORIGINAL : Poem written by the contestant. () \$10 per entry.

Poem Name: _____

2) ESTABLISHED: Modern or Traditional Poem. () \$10 per entry.

Contestants must not perform their own work. 'Anon' can only be claimed with poems that are genuinely 'Anonymous'. Permission should be sought from the author to perform their poem prior to entry in the competition.

Poem Name: _____

Author: _____

I would prefer to compete in both sections on the same day: (please tick)

Tuesday, January 22nd ()

Thursday, January 24th ()

I would prefer to compete in the Original section on (please tick)

Tuesday, January 22nd ()

Thursday, January 24th ()

I would prefer to compete in the Established section on (please tick)

Tuesday, January 22nd ()

Thursday, January 24th ()

Signature: _____

Date: _____