

THE VICTORIAN BUSH POETRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

October 20th and 21st 2007

Benalla Bowls Club

Arundel St. Benalla Vic

Poets Breakfasts (At the Bowls Club) Sat. and Sun. 8.00am - 10.00am

Men's Open Performance

Open Champion: \$300 & Trophy
Runner Up: \$150 & Medallion
Original Poem: \$150 & Medallion
Traditional Poem: \$150 & Medallion
Contemporary Poem: \$150 & Medallion

Women's Open Performance

Open Champion: \$300 & Trophy
Runner Up: \$150 & Medallion
Original Poem: \$150 & Medallion
Traditional Poem: \$150 & Medallion
Contemporary Poem: \$150 & Medallion

Highest placed Victorian in Men's and Women's Open \$150 & Trophy
(If the Open Champion is not a Victorian)

Intermediate \$50 & Medallion
Novice \$50 & Medallion

Junior Performance (16 & Under)

Junior Champion: \$75 & Trophy
Runner Up: \$30 & Medallion

Junior Written (16 & under)

Junior Champion: \$75 & Trophy
Runner Up: \$30 & Medallion

Open Written

Open Champion: \$300 & Trophy
Runner Up: \$150 & Medallion

MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Victorian Bush Poetry And Music Assoc. Inc.

Secretary, Col. Milligan 0400 569 448

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or send stamped self addressed envelope to:

Col Milligan 113 Clarke St Benalla Vic 3672

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Rules and Guidelines

- 1 The Judges' decision will be final.
- 2 Open category will be contestants over 16 years.
- 3 Open category will have Original, Traditional and Contemporary Sections.
- 4 Women and Men will compete in separate sections in the Open Competition. If less than 6 entries are received in the Men's or Women's Sections, no Victorian Champion will be awarded in that section. The winner will be deemed Competition Winner only.
- 5 Original — Australian bush poetry written by the performer.
- 6 Traditional — Australian bush poetry at least 50 years old, not written by the performer.
- 7 Contemporary — Australian bush poetry less than 50 years old not written by the performer.
- 8 Combined scores from Original, Traditional and Contemporary sections will decide the overall Champion/s.
- 9 Junior Category will be contestants 16 years and under. If 6 or less entries are received no Junior Champion will be awarded. The winner will be deemed Competition winner only.
- 10 Junior Category can be Original, Traditional or Contemporary read or performed.
- 11 Maximum time limit per person, 8 minutes including preamble.
- 12 If in the majority opinion of the Organisers Executive Committee a performance is offensive and/or objectionable, the score sheet may be deemed null and void.
- 13 Deducted Points: Points will be deducted for: offensive and/or objectionable material, over time limit, read material (open only).
- 14 A Written Competition will be conducted for Open and Junior Poets.
- 15 Intermediate – A poet who has won a novice award but no other award.
- 16 Novice – A poet who has not won an award in an open competition.

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PERFORMANCE ENTRY FORM

Name:

Address:.....

.....Postcode.....

Phone..... Email.....

Date of Birth (For entrants 16 years and under)/...../.....

- Category 1. Open Contemporary Women
- Category 2. Open Traditional Women
- Category 3. Open Original Women
- Category 4. Open Contemporary Men
- Category 5. Open Traditional Men
- Category 6. Open Original Men
- Category 7. Intermediate (No performance or entry fee required.)
- Category 8. Novice (No performance or entry fee required.)
- Category 9. Junior

Both men and women may compete in any relevant category but must compete in all three open sections to be eligible to win the overall Victorian Bush Poetry Championships.

TITLES OF ENTRIES

Contemporary

1st ChoiceAuthor.....

2nd ChoiceAuthor.....

Traditional

1st ChoiceAuthor.....

2nd ChoiceAuthor.....

Original

1st Choice

Junior

1st ChoiceAuthor.....

Cost: \$5 per category entered. (Except Cat. 7 & 8) A cheque/money order for \$.... Enclosed.
Cheques/money orders payable to Victorian Bush Poetry & Music Association Inc.

Entries close Friday 5th October 2007.

I have read the guidelines of this competition and agree to abide by them. I confirm that the Original Poem entered by me, in this competition was written by myself.

Signed:.....

Date:...../...../.....

Send entries to:
The Secretary
V.B.P.M.A. Inc.

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WRITTEN ENTRY FORM

Name:

Address:.....

.....Postcode.....

Phone..... Email.....

Date of Birth (For entrants 16 years and under)/...../.....

No. Of Entries.....

Category 8. Open Written

Category 9. Junior Written

TITLE OF ENTRIES

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Please Note:

1. The competition is for bush verse and each poem must have good rhyme and Rhythm and an Australian theme.
2. Each of the above poems must be on a separate sheet of paper, A4 size and typed if possible. Please make sure each page is titled and numbered.
3. Entrant's name must not appear on the above poems, only on the entry form.
4. Entrants are advised to keep copies of their poems as entries will not be returned.
5. If results are required please enclose a stamped self addressed envelope.
6. Entry fee **\$5 per poem (max. no of entries 4)** in both open and junior categories.
7. Cheque/money order payable to, Victorian Bush Poetry & Music Association Inc.
8. Submit entry form and appropriate fee to:
The Secretary.
V.B.P.M.A. Inc.

113 Clarke St. Benalla Vic 3672

9. Entries Close **22nd September 2007**

I declare that the enclosed poem(s) is/are entirely my own work and has/have not been placed first in a written competition prior to closing date 21/9/2007. I agree to the conditions of entry to this competition.

Amount Enclosed Signature.....

Date...../...../.....

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