

Victorian Bush Poetry Championships (16th-19th April 2026)

Man from Snowy River Recital Competition Round 1 Assessment Sheet

COMPETITOR:.....SECTION 3A: MFSR Recital Round 1 (Audio)

TITLE OF POEM: **'THE MAN FROM SNOWY RIVER'** AUTHOR: **A. B. (BANJO) PATERSON**

OVERVIEW: The performance of Bush Poetry is designed to bring alive the action, events, ideas and emotions the writer has captured in the respective poem. Through the medium of the spoken word with all its variations of tone, pitch, pace, volume, inflection, clarity and intonation and the relevant use of gesture and body language the performer takes the audience into the realm the writer has created and keeps them there until the poem concludes. Accurate, uninterrupted memorisation is necessary to ensure this realm of the imagination is not shattered.

ASSESSMENT DETAILS		Judge To Place A Tick In Respective Column						
		NEEDS ATTENTION	SATISFACTORY		VERY GOOD		EXCELLENT	
PREAMBLE	We have asked for no preamble *	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CLARITY	Diction is clear							
APPROPRIATE VOLUME & RANGES	Variations befitting the action and emotion of the poem being presented							
APPROPRIATE PACE & VARIATIONS	The pace reflects the action, ideas, humour and mood as the poem unravels							
INTONATION, PITCH EMPHASIS & INFLECTION	These need to be relevant to the ideas, action and emotions being expressed							
MEMORISATION and ACCURACY OF THE TEXT	The uninterrupted flow of the original words of the author. MFSR Poem on MFSR website & enclosed with judging package							
ORIGINALITY	Appropriate, inventive style / ideas Any new treatment of the piece?							
JUDGE'S PERSONAL OPINION	Overall, was there something you particularly liked in this version – or not so much?							
Judge to circle ONE overall score Half marks may be given to separate ties		0 to 50	51, 52 53, 54 55, 56 57, 58	59, 60 61, 62 63, 64 65	66, 67 68, 69 70, 71 72, 73 74, 75	76, 77 78, 79 80, 81 82, 83 84, 85	86, 87 88, 89 90, 91 92, 93	94, 95 96, 97 98, 99 100

RESULT:/100

Rank Order _____

JUDGE'S COMMENTS:

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JUDGE'S SIGNATURE: