

MILTON (NSW) SHOW SOCIETY

REPORT 2017 ANNUAL JUNIOR POETRY COMPETITIONS

The junior poetry performance competition was held on Saturday, 9 September with 20 children from two of the local public schools (Milton public and St Mary's Catholic School) performing on the stage. The standard of performances was very high with poems recited from iconic Australian poets such as Banjo Patterson, Henry Lawson, Will Ogilvie, and Dorothea MacKellar as well as several modern contemporary poets and some original poems written by the performers themselves.

After the performances and judging was completed prizes were awarded including prizes for the written competition which was judged about a week before the competition day.

Successful competitors were.

WRITTEN COMPETITION

1ST ZARA CLEGG with *Disco the Duck*

2ND GEORGA CLEGG with *The Wave*

3RD TARA LATAGHY & JORDAN MAGI with *Best Friends Forever*

ENCOURAGEMENT AWARDS went to TESS WILSON, HUGO PERRY-DICKENSON, OSCAR PERRY-DICKENSON, JORDAN RICHARDSON.

PERFORMANCE COMPETITION

1ST LUCAS MCDONALD

2ND TILLY GRAVENOR

3RD LILY MILFORD

The Jim Grahame trophy was won by Lucas McDonald and Lucas also won the showmanship award.

Every child who got on the stage and performed received a prize which this year was a poetry book by a very good modern humorous poet Bob Magor from South Australia.

The school team prize was taken out by St Mary's in a very closely contested event.

The competition was posted by St Mary's Catholic School who have actually hosted this competition in their wonderful auditorium for the past seven or eight years and I would like to particularly thank CHLOE FAUST for her enthusiasm and efforts.

John Davis