

**Results of ABPA National Championships
held in Bathurst held from the 6th – 9th November 2025**

ABPA National Championship

Champion: Debby Berryman
Runner-Up: John Peel

Traditional Section

First Place: Debby Berryman
Second Place: Liz Dorsett
Third Place: John Peel

Modern Section

First Place: Justin Geange
Second Place: Ken Tough
Third Place: Liz Dorsett

Serious

First Place: Debby Berryman
Second Place: John Peel
Third Place: Peter Frazer

Humorous

First Place: Debby Berryman
Second Place: Michael Darby
Third Place: Justin Geange

Yarnspinning

First Place: Gerry Mannion
Second Place: Dave Melville
Third Place: Howard Kennedy

Novice

First Place: Ashlyn Krause
Second Place: Morgan Gentle
Third Place: David Taylor

Junior Sections

Individual Senior School Student

First Place	Ashlyn Krause
Second Place	Estee' Benita

Individual Junior / Primary School Student

First Place	Cameron Lewis
Second Place	Paige Paterson
Third Place	Bell Scott

Group Junior / Primary School Students

First Place	Stage 3 Raglan Public Primary School
Second Place	Hannah and Lottie Bathurst West Primary School
Third Place	Layla and Group Bathurst West Primary School
Fourth Place	William and Group Trunky Creek Primary School

Results of Banjo's Boot Written Competition 2025 National Bush Poetry Championships

Position	Name	Poem Title
Open Section		
First Place	Shelley Hansen	The Trial of Henry Redford
Second Place	Terry Piggott	Where the Heart Lies
Third Place	Terry Piggott	The Mystery of the Lakes
Novice Section		
First Place	Howard Kennedy	Will Know This Country Yet
Second Place	Robert Davis	The Bulletin
Third Place	Robert Davis	Valerie on the Hop
Children – Junior and Senior Sections		
Senior (High School) Section		
First Place	Lynnett Stephen	We are the verses created by the poets
Second Place	Adrea Jamison	The Forest
Junior Rhyming Bush Verse		
First Place	Cameron Lewis	The Bush
Second Place	Oscar Jones	The Giraffe and the Pie
Third Place	Erica Langworthy	Australia
Fourth Place	Willow Quinley	Roaming Free
Junior Non-Rhyming Verse		
First Place	Ruby Longmore	Paper Planes
Second Place	Cleo Ryder	Garrall
Third Place	Ruby Longmore	Four Corners of the Same Sky

Best Funny Poem

Elysia Woo

Sausage Sizzle Upheaval

Best Haiku

Kanitha Sikarwar Me

Highly Commended Entries

Elene Cotterill

A Bump in the Nigh

Matilda Hughes

Red Rose

Addy Maskill

The Shape of Change

George Gilbert

The Outback Shearing Shed

Teddy Gowans

The Magpie's Cry

Ruby MacLennan

Why can't they see?

Ahroush Yaser

Home Sweet Home

Juliet Riepsamen

Gratitude

Kanitha Sikarwar

Butterflies