



**AUSTRALIAN BUSH POETS ASSOCIATION
2017 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Hosted by WA BUSH POETS AND
YARNSPINNERS ASSOCIATION
Friday 3rd November – Sunday 5th November 2017
in Toodyay WA

W.A. Bush Poets



Written Competition Entry Form

Entries close 6th October 2017

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Categories:

1. Open Serious
2. Open Humorous (The National Champion will be judged across categories 1 & 2)
3. Novice – only for poets who have never won a Bush Poetry Written Competition
4. Junior (5-12 years old)
5. Junior (13-17 years old)
6. Local – the best poem by a resident of the Avon Valley WA

Title(s) of Poem(s)	Category entered	Critique required	Entry fee
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$.....
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$.....
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$.....
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$.....
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$.....
Total:			\$.....

Entry fees: Adults \$10 per poem; Juniors free; \$5 per poem for judge’s critique if required.
Payment can be made by cheque or money order made out to “WA Bush Poets and Yarnspinners Assoc.” and posted to:

ABPA National Championship Entry
Rodger Kohn
16 Stoddart Way
BATEMAN WA 6150

OR Direct Bank Transfer:

BSB: 633000
A/c: 156989659
WA Bush Poets

Reference: (your name) 2017 NCP
then email treasurer@wabushpoets.asn.au informing of direct bank transfer.

Declaration: I agree to the conditions accompanying this application form (see following page):

Signature: Date:
(guardian if Junior entrant)

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Conditions of Entry – Written Competition

1. Entry fee per poem: Adults: \$10.00; Juniors: Free; No refunds if disqualified. If a detailed commentary from the judges is required, please add an extra \$5 per poem and include an A4 ssae with \$2 postage.
2. No limit to number of entries.
3. No line limit.
4. Entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not have been previously published for the profit of the author.
5. Previous first-prize winning poems in any open written competition category are not permitted. If a poem should win one competition prior to the closing date of another competition in which the same poem is entered, the onus is on the author to notify the second competition that his/her poem has become ineligible due to the contravention of entry conditions.
6. Entries must have very good rhyme and meter and have an Australian theme.
7. A poem which has previously won any written competition cannot be entered.
8. Poems, which in the opinion of the judge contain offensive material, will be disqualified.
9. Poems must be typed (or electronically printed) on white A4 size paper, with black printing in a plain font, size 10-12.
10. Four copies of each adult poem must be provided.
11. The entrant's name or any identifying information **MUST NOT** appear on the poem(s) – **ONLY** on this entry form.
12. The poem's name must appear on the top of the page. If more than one page, the poem's name must appear at the top of each page, and pages must be numbered and stapled.
13. The competition is conducted in accordance with ABPA guideline recommendations (refer to www.abpa.org.au/competitions).
14. Judging will be by judges approved by the ABPA.
15. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
16. Entries may be displayed at the National Championships at Toodyay (Friday 3rd November – Sunday 5th November 2017) and may be published in the WA Bush Poets monthly newsletter "The Bully Tin" and ABPA Magazine I hereby give my permission for such display and/or publication.
Note: to assist in facilitating such publication, entrants are requested to email their poem/s to Rodger Kohn at the following address: rodgershirley@bigpond.com.au

Prizes

Monetary prizes will be awarded for the best poem in each of the 6 categories. Each winner as well as those judged 'Highly Commended' or 'Commended' will receive a Certificate.