

FRANK DANIELS WALK UP AWARD



Winners in Frank Daniels Walk up Awards.

Caroline Maxfield (Taree NSW) 2nd, Bob "Pa" Kettle (Goodna Qld) Winner, Greg Dunn (Winston Hills NSW) 3rd

To see the board fill rapidly with names and the new venue (Southside Uniting Church) start to fill with audience, indicated to the Committee that this was a popular and necessary event in our Tamworth program. We saw a number of new faces and others that had been first timers last year coming back with honed performance skills and featuring in the awards this year. Our future is secure with this enthusiasm being displayed. The 6 minute time limit and encouragement of original work will make this event even more popular with writers/performers in the future.

TAMWORTH GOLDEN DAMPER 2019

The new title, new venue and new trophy for the Tamworth Golden Damper proved very acceptable to members, competitors, and audiences. The many problems surrounding this year's competition eventually sorted themselves out. The lack of entry in the gig guide (not our fault) proved that our audience found us regardless. Road signs and flyers around town compensated and we learnt which was the most cost effective advertising.

Last minute executive decisions had to be made due to a couple of reviews that were held by ABPA Committee during the year, some which didn't make it to the website (our webmaster took a well deserved holiday).

The committee had to be very conscious of time as some days our events were squeezed in between balladeer events (the GD Finals and the Poettes was a classic case here).

Good attendance for our first day events gave us cause to hope that the week may succeed despite our initial hassles and fears that change brings about. The new venue was very much appreciated by our audience with wonderful air conditioning and delicious food supplied by the parishioners of South Side Uniting Church. It is a very intimate and comfortable place, easy to find with ample parking and also on the bus route.

A big issue for the co-ordinator was the number of late entries. On arriving in Tamworth a decision almost needed to be made to cancel heats of Golden Damper and just have one session (heat/final) due to lack of entries (one Thursday event only had 3 entrants). Walk up participants were encouraged to enter the GD and we eventually found enough competitors to have a successful competition. Members are urged to consider putting entries in WELL IN ADVANCE so the co ordinator can have the event planned before the rush of Tamworth week. Entry forms were on the website some months before and participants need to know whether their preferred day for performance can be obtained.

Congratulations to our finalists and winners:

ORIGINAL Finalists - Bob Kettle (Goodna Qld), Tom McIlveen (Port Macquarie NSW), Jacqui Warnock (Narrabri NSW), Mick Martin (Clontarf Qld), David Stanley (Armidale NSW) and Max Pringle (Narrabri NSW)

ESTABLISHED Finalists - Marion Dreyer (Woy Woy NSW), Jacqui Warnock (Narrabri NSW), Bob Kettle (Goodna Qld), Tom McIlveen (Port Macquarie NSW), Joey Reedy (Wallabada NSW), Leo Huyghbaert (Gold Coast Qld)

WINNERS ORIGINAL— 1st Jacqui Warnock (The Garage Door)

2nd David Stanley (The Dog Fight)

3rd Max Pringle (You Useless)

WINNERS ESTABLISHED— 1st Joey Reedy (Coastal Complications—Jack Drake)

2nd Jacqui Warnock (141 Cream Cowrie Shells—Noel Stallard)

3rd Bob Kettle (Rain From Nowhere—Murray Hartin)



From left - Max Pringle, Joey Reedy, Bob Kettle, Jacqui Warnock, Leo Huyghbaert, David Stanley and Marion Dreyer

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The following Resolutions were passed at the Special General Meeting prior to APBA AGM on Wednesday 23rd January 2019:

The secretary must at least 21 days before the date fixed for the holding of any general meeting, give a notice to every member specifying the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business proposed to be transacted at the meeting.

The Committee is to consist of

President

Vice president

Treasurer

Secretary

3 ordinary members

1 representative from each State and Territory

A person applying for membership (of ABPA) must complete the appropriate membership Form and forward such form and the nominated Annual Membership Fee to the Treasurer. The Treasurer will refer the Application to the Committee at the next Committee Meeting where committee will approve or reject the application. As soon as practicable after the committee makes that determination, the Secretary must

- a) notify the applicant in writing, that the committee approved or rejected the application, and
- b) if the application was rejected, notify the Treasurer to refund the Annual Membership Fee or
- c) if the application is approved, notify the Treasurer to enter the applicants name and details in the register of members

Use of technology to be present at meetings

(1) The presence of a member at a meeting need not be by attendance in person but may be by that member and each other member at the meeting being simultaneously in contact by telephone or other means of instantaneous communication.

(2) A member who participates in a meeting as allowed under sub-rule (1) is taken to be present at the meeting and, if the member votes at the meeting, the member is taken to have voted in person.

ABPA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** the following people were elected to the ABPA Committee:

President (Vacant)

Vice President — Ray Essery — Moved Mick Martin, Manfred Vijars (elected)

Secretary — Meg Gordon — Moved Mick Martin, Bob Kettle (elected)

Treasurer — Janine Keating — Moved Bill Gordon, Bob Kettle (elected)

Committee — Bob Kettle — Moved Bill Gordon, Lyn Finedon (elected)

Manfred Vijars volunteered and was seconded by Jacqui Warnock (elected)

Neil McArthur — Moved Ray Essery, Gary Fogarty

Public Officer/Returning Officer — Greg North

As the position of President has not been filled, it now becomes a casual vacancy. Members are invited to put names forward to Committee by 20th February of potential candidates for the position when a vote will be taken at the next committee meeting.