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LAMBING FLAT REGIONAL WRITING COMPETITION

Celebrating 34 year at Young 1982 – 2016

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The Young Services Club and The Wombat Bush Poets

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 67TH NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL 2016

RESULT SHEET 2016

ADULT SHORT STORY SECTION

FIRST PLACE THE INVISIBLE WOMAN Gaven Austin Potts Point NSW SECOND PLACE: SURPRISE Bette Martin Park Orchards VIC

HIGHLY COMMENDED: KIDNAPPED Elizabeth Macintosh Coonabarabran NSW

A SPECIAL PRESENT Marnie Meecham West Wyalong NSW

COMMENDED: KEEPING TRACK Mei-Ling Venning Shelly Beach NSW

Number of entries 103.

Judges comments: Congratulations to the placegetters and thankyou for entering. However, a word of warning! Each entry should have an honest word count. Some entries not stating a word count were nearly 1000 words over the limit and were dismissed which is regrettable. With short stories you need a "hook" early and they need to **show** not tell the story. Check spelling, grammar, and thoroughly edit of your work before you enter it. Keep trying and endeavour to keep improving!

ADULT POETRY SECTION.

FIRST PLACE: CLANCY'S ANSWER John Davis Kings Point NSW

Powerful Australian poem that has originality of concept, technical control of language, meter and rhyme while preserving the genre and voice of the original character and his

time.

SECOND PLACE: TAKEOVER Jennifer Dickerson Cambewarra NSW

Original subject matter progressively revealed, good control of image, humour, language and expression. A personal discovery that 'mother' is at first subtle, then "overpowering' perhaps, taking over the image in the mirror as one finds one's self in the third age.

HIGHLY COMMENDED 'TRIPTYCH: In The Marine Light' Mark Miller Shoalhaven Heads

Images created with visual treasure and promise. Good control of language and a

sharp eye for detail.

MILLENNIUM DROUGHT Barry Collier Kareela NSW

This poem is a heart-felt last cry from a finished way of life

A TERRIBLE DREAM Tom McIlveen Port Macquarie NSW

The language is emotional but controlled, as are the technical features of the

presentation.

COMMENDED THE IMPORTANCE OF DYING David Terelinck Biggera Waters QLD

JEANNE CALMENT (Lady of France in Your 121st Year)

Max Merckenschlager Murray Bridge South Australia.

Number of entries 179

SCHOOLS SECTION

SECONDARY SCHOOL POETRY

FIRST PLACE: WITHOUT YOU Brittany Doolan Coonabarabran NSW

This flows rhythmically and lyrically with good metre from beginning to end. The Theme of each stanza is succinct and the images beautifully described, leading to a climactic finale.

<u>SECOND PLACE:</u> I'LL BE WAITING Summer Singh Coonabarabran NSW <u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u> THE DOOR George Mitton Grenfell NSW <u>COMMENDED</u> HOPE Alyssa Heenan Mount Nasura WA.

<u>JUDGES COMMENTS</u>: It was a difficult pleasure to choose the winning poems this year as every poem had its merits, be it the idea, the rhyme, the flow, the picture it painted, its beauty of language and thought or its outright enthusiasm and fun. Some hints for the entrants – read your poem aloud and listen to its flow and its rhythmic pattern. Ask yourself if there is a uniform theme, does your poem make sense, is there a thread, or does it exhibit a harmony of its parts? If you are a senior school entrant, search your work for any typographical errors

PRIMARY SCHOOL POETRY

FIRST PLACE: PAW PRINTS LEFT BY YOU Mackenzie Fliedner Young NSW

This is a poem which takes the reader on a lyrical journey through the grief of losing a

loved pet. The poem flows beautifully with good rhyming.

SECOND PLACE: ANGER KETTLE Emily Lamb Young NSW

I TRIED Jorja O'Brien Boorowa NSW

<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u> WOOLLY JUMPER. Ivy McGufficke Cooma NSW <u>COMMENDED:</u> ANGER Elizabeth Zhang Maribyrnong VIC

STOP THAT Isabella Grainger Young NSW

SECONDARY SCHOOL SHORT STORY

FIRST PLACE THE LAST GOODBYE Coonabarabran NSW Brittany Doolan THIS IS HOW I REMEMBER HER Cassie Boland SECOND PLACE: Young NSW HIGHLY COMMENDED: HOLIDAY FROM HELL Patrick Hislop Young NSW COMMENDED: A STORY OF ASYLUM Jessica Knapman Nubba **NSW** Grenfell NSW **BACK IN ACTION** Brendan Knight

JUDGES COMMENTS: In this section there were several stories that stood out. The winning story had good structure, storyline and kept the reader emotionally involved. The first and second place stories were very close in content and technical presentation and only the repetition of the title lost the flow of the second story. With a short story the writer only has a limited amount of words to get the complete creation, and must therefore have no unnecessary words and must have the theme flowing right from the beginning. Some stories failed to finish at all. Review by reading aloud and EDIT. Do not be afraid to cut out any waffling, Good writing for the future and thankyou all for entering.

PRIMARY SCHOOL SHORT STORY

FIRST PLACE: A TOUGH CHASE Harry Dymock Yr 3 St Josephs Boorowa NSW.

This story had good structure and showed good knowledge of his subject.

<u>SECOND PLACE:</u> HOW the THYLACINE GOT its' STRIPES Samuel Elphick Jugiong NSW <u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u> THE MYSTERIOUS TUNNEL Emerson Hall Young NSW.

ZOE and the ROCK Dixie Orford Yr1 Greenthorpe NSW

COMMENDED: A WILD JOURNEY Thomas Grainger Young NSW

YEAR SIX Dijana Sherman Yr 6 Boorowa NSW

JUDGES COMMENTS: This category covers a wide range of intellectual ability and grades, and this fact has to be taken into consideration. We have therefore awarded a section for Kindergarten students as they had a fairly good grasp of what a story should be.

KINDERGARTEN SHORT STORY:

FIRST PLACE ON THE WEEKEND Millie Kelly St Joseph's Boorowa NSW

SECOND PLACE LAMBMARKING Toby Corkhill St Joseph's Boorowa Boorowa NSW