



## THE 2021 GOLDEN WATTLE BUSH POETRY AWARDS AND QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONSHIP

### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

**Open for entries:** 30 April 2021. **Closing date:** 28 May 2021. **Results:** 4 July 2021

1. Email is the preferred method for submission of competition entries. All emailed entries must be sent care of [president@northpinebushpoets.com](mailto:president@northpinebushpoets.com). Postal entries will also be accepted (see entry form) but entrants must allow for possible slow delivery and mailed entries arriving after the closing date will not be considered.
2. Entry fee is to be paid by direct debit to **North Pine Bush Poets, Bendigo Bank, BSB 633000, Account No. 151023728** and must include your name as the deposit reference, or by cheque to accompany posted entry forms, for competitors to be eligible. Address for posted entries is: C/- Doc Bland, PO Box 263, Arana Hills, Qld, 4054.
3. Entries received after the closing date will not be considered for judging and any fees paid will be forfeited.
4. Poems must follow traditional Australian Bush Verse form ('rhyme and metre'). The ABPA assessment sheets will be used in the judging process (see <http://www.abpa.org.au/competitions.html> ).
5. Poems in the Open categories must not have previously won a First, Second or Third Prize in any written poetry competition prior to the announcement of the winners.
6. Entrants must agree to notify the President of North Pine Bush Poets by phone or email immediately if their entries become invalid due to rule 5 above prior to the announcement of the results on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
7. North Pine Bush Poets and the ABPA, in the strongest possible terms, discourage the inclusion, in content, of anything that could be considered offensive to any individual or group. Entries judged as offensive will be disqualified and entry fees will be forfeited.
8. Copies of poems submitted for Competition must not display the name of the author or be in any way identifiable as the work of the author.
9. One copy only of each poem entered is required. Pages must be numbered where necessary and the title of each poem must appear at the top of each page.
10. Each entry submitted for competition must be typed in 12pt clear font using 1.5 line spacing using MS Word or similar on A4 format.
11. The Winners will be notified, and trophies and certificates posted, as soon as possible after the announcement of results on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at the Moreton Bay Readers and Writers Festival at the Sunshine Coast University, Petrie campus.
12. Poems submitted for Competition will not be returned to the Entrant.

13. Copyright on all poems submitted for Competition remains with the Author.
14. It is a condition of entry that prize winning poems may be published on the NPBP website and circulated to newspapers, magazines, and the electronic media for the purpose of reporting on the competition and entrants, by entering the competition, consent to such publication.
15. Judges' decisions are final and no discussion will be entered into. No attempts must be made to identify or contact the Judges.
16. Critiques will be provided **only** to Novice Competitors (\$10 fee per poem) and Junior Competitors (free of charge) upon request. Any critiques will be emailed as soon as is reasonably practicable after the Winners and Placegetters have been officially announced.
17. Junior entrants must be no older than 18 years of age as at 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
18. Novice Poets are defined for the purpose of this competition, as being poets who have not previously been a placegetter in any bush poetry competition and have not previously gained a highly commended or commended award.
19. The Overall Champion will be determined from the winners of the Open Serious and Open Humorous categories.
20. Entries must be the author's own work and not previously published for monetary gain.

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