## BANJO PATERSON AUSTRALIAN POETRY FESTIVAL

## 11 to 20 February 2022

Planning is well underway for the 2022 Festival in Orange, NSW. This incorporates the National Bush Poetry Performance Championships on 17 and 18 February; a great way to celebrate the birth and early life of Andrew Barton Paterson in the Orange district. There will be a youth poetry recital competition of original poems, a poetry brawl (1-minute poems), plenty of opportunities for walk-up performances in Orange and in our surrounding villages, a yarnspinning competition, a twilight celebration of Banjo's birthday and, if COVID restrictions permit, we will be back to having our renowned food and wine night market.

Reserve the dates and spread the word. There is lots to see and do in the Central Tablelands of NSW with the Banjo Museum at Yeoval, other museums, art galleries, wineries, lakes, cafes and restaurants, as well as beautiful scenery in the lead into the magnificent Autumn colours of the region. Keep informed through the Orange360 website.

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