

REPORT MILTON SHOW POETRY EVENTS

The poetry events at the Milton show 2018 were extremely successful with a wonderful group of 10 children performing a variety of poems ranging through works by A B Paterson, C J Dennis, Roald Dahl and several original poems written by the performers. The quality of the performances was outstanding but this has become to be expected from the local children as there are some wonderful performers to be seen at our local schools.

The open competition was once again very successful with poets coming from many kilometres away to perform here at Milton. There were a total of 12 performers half doing works by recognised poets and half performing original works and once again as with the children the performances were outstanding to give some idea of how good the performances were I wish to point out that there were two champion performers competing here in this competition and only one of these performers made the prize list. Those champions were Sue Pearce from Tumut who is the current Australian women's performance champion and Anne Rogers who is five times winner of the South Australian open performance championships. The mere fact that only one minor prize was achieved by one of these two is an indication of the overall quality of the presentations.

Competitors came from as far away as Barmedman in the central west, Molong, Byrock, in the far west, Tumut, Wollongong, Sanctuary Point, St Georges Basin, Canberra and several local performers.

The day started at 8 AM with a poets breakfast and walk-up open mike performances. This was well attended and some people came just for the poets breakfast and walk-ups. The events terminated about 1.15 PM.

A big thank you is due to the following for their very valuable assistance. Judges – Phillippa Hollenkamp, Lurline Gainsford, Daniel Costello; Correlator Dee Carrington; MC Jonathon Travers who also organised the junior comp this year.

RESULTS MILTON SHOW POETRY COMPETITIONS

OPEN

1 st	Ken Potter	Wollongong
2 nd	Mark Thompson	Byrock NSW
3 rd	Peter Dawson	St Georges Basin
4 th	Colin Defries	St Georges Basin
5 th	Anne Rogers	Molong
6 th	Craig Green	Milton

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1 st	Lucas McDonald	Milton
2 nd	Emily Hendry	Mollymook
3 rd	Chari McDowell	Termeil
4 th	Kobi Silver	Milton
5 th	Brodie Tebbutt	Mollymook
6 th	Ivy Lawson duo with Leila Pepperel	Milton.