



2023 Man from Snowy River Poetry Competition Information Sheet 13th to 16th April

The 2023 pre-festival judging of initial entries (on sound file, MP3 or CD) for the 'Man from Snowy River' Recitation Competition will begin by the 10th Feb 2023 and will determine the 3 finalists who will battle it out for the big prize on the Fri night of the festival. (Men and ladies will be judged together). For the 2023 'Jack Riley Heritage Award', we're looking for the best original performed poem, yarn or song about Jack Riley, Corryong or *Banjo's Country* (men and women will be judged separately). In both these sections there is a limit of one entry, per person, per section with a \$10 entry fee. There will be no Adult or Junior Written sections or Junior Performance sections in 2023. However, our junior poets are welcome to perform at our Poet's Breakfasts or at any other walk-up session that may occur.

ENTRY FEES & INFORMATION

Please ensure that you read the Terms and Conditions of Entry carefully and retain a copy for your records.

Entry forms can be found here: www.bushfestival.com.au www.abpa.org.au **Online entries also accepted.**

Entries open: Monday 19th December 2022 **Entries close:** Friday 10th February 2023

Returning your entry: Post to **MFSR Poetry Entries, P.O. Box 655, West Ryde, NSW, 1685.** Performance entries are accepted in date order. **No late entries accepted**

Unsigned or unpaid entries will not be accepted. One entry, per person, per section (sections 1 & 2).

Entries accepted in order of date received (limit 15 each men and women for Jack Riley Heritage Award).

\$10.00 Entry Fee for sections 1 & 2. (We'll refund fees if limit is reached).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY / SECTION INFORMATION

Bush Poetry must have rhyme, rhythm and metre.

Yarn-spinning is not a connected line of jokes, nor does it rhyme.

***Note: Songs, poems and yarns which have won the Jack Riley Heritage Award and poems and yarns that have won an Open Category at any ABPA Victorian, State Championship or National Championship are ineligible to be performed in this competition.*

Parodies are ineligible for Open sections, but great for the Poets' Breakfasts and Campfire sessions.

Offensive material will not be tolerated and could lead to your removal from the competition section, (without refund of entry fee). All material performed must be family orientated.

SECTION 1: Banjo's MFSR Recital

Enter your recording on sound file, MP3 or CD & e-mail post to **P.O. Box 655 West Ryde NSW, 1685** by 10th Feb 2023. Finalists notified by approx. 10th March 2023. These 3 Finalists will perform at the festival (in this section) on Friday 14th April 2023 (approx. 6.30 pm). No name or pre-ambles on the file. Official version can be found at www.bushfestival.com.au

SECTION 2: Jack Riley Heritage Award

Awarded to the best original poem, yarn or song with the lowest Rank Total (from 3 judges) that depicts 'Banjo's Country' or reference to Jack Riley, Corryong and surrounding areas.

PERFORMANCE COMPETITION ASSESSMENT DETAILS

Three judges will be used for Performance sections No. 1 & 2. The time limit of 8 mins in the 'Jack Riley Heritage Award' is the upper limit including preamble.

Judging sheets for the 'Banjo's MFSR Recital'-Finals-& the 'Jack Riley Heritage Award' are available at:

<http://www.abpa.org.au/events.html>

AND FINALLY...

The Judges' assessment sheets will be posted to contestants after the conclusion of the competition.

Entrants should be prepared to provide a photo and details for publication if required.

All sections held Friday night, Saturday and Sunday are at Youth Hall/Banjo's Block.

A program for the 2023 MFSRBF can be purchased at the festival upon arrival, or visit the website for more information: www.bushfestival.com.au

VOLUNTEERING AT THE FESTIVAL

To volunteer at the MFSR Bush Poetry event you must complete a volunteer application form which can be done so via visiting the festival website: www.bushfestival.com.au .

IMPORTANT FESTIVAL INFORMATION

Poetry & Bush Music Enquiries: Assistant Poetry Events Co-ordinator: Graeme Johnson 0419415137

General Enquiries contact Festival Office: P O Box 144, Corryong VIC 3707 (02) 6076 1992

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