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**NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL WRITING COMPETITION FOR 2021  
RESULT SHEET 2021**

**ADULT SHORT STORY SECTION**

<b>FIRST PLACE:</b>	<b>SPECS O'MULLANE</b>	DAVID DODD	Sapphire Beach	NSW
<b>SECOND PLACE:</b>	<b>LAPSES</b>	HELEN NOURSE	Rivett	ACT
<b>THIRD PLACE:</b>	<b>THE BLUE PETER</b>	DAVID DODD	Sapphire Beach	NSW

**HIGHLY COMMENDED:**

<b>THE LOWER LEG AMPUTEE</b>	JAN SAMPSON SCOTT	Ormiston	QLD
<b>FLASHBACKS</b>	HERMIONE BROWNING	Wahroonga	NSW
<b>A FRIEND CALLED DUCKO</b>	TONI RISSON	Ipswich	QLD

**COMMENDED:**

<b>RED LAMP</b>	JANICE WILLIAMS	Stawell	VIC
<b>MEMORIES OF A YOUNG NURSE</b>	JUDITH NEVILLE	Little Bay	NSW
<b>CHARLIE'S BLIND DATE</b>	SHEILA DRAKELEY	Umina Beach	NSW
<b>IT WAS MY FIRST ROAST &amp; I'LL CRY IF I WANT TO</b>	VICKI LE PLASTRIER	Macleay Island	QLD

**ADULT POETRY SECTION**

<b>FIRST PLACE: SILVER SHOES ON SILVER SAND</b>	JANICE WILLIAMS	Stawell	VIC
<b>SECOND PLACE: COLLECTIVE MEMORY</b>	SHAINA MELROSE	Hawthorndene	SA
<b>THIRD PLACE: RURAL WIFE</b>	BRENDA JOY	Charters Towers	QLD

**HIGHLY COMMENDED:**

<b>THERME VALS, DAYBREAK</b>	DAVID TERELINCK	Biggera Waters	QLD
<b>REHEARSING YOUR EXIT</b>	COLIN CAMPBELL	Holt	ACT
<b>TOILERS</b>	ELIZABETH KEENAN	Keiraville	NSW

**COMMENDED:**

<b>MEMO FROM THE HILLS</b>	ROBYN SYKES	Binalong	NSW
<b>BEST LAID PLANS</b>	ROBYN SYKES	Binalong	NSW
<b>ONCE A SWAGGIE</b>	JIM KENT	Port Fairy	VIC

**JUDGE'S AWARD:**

<b>THE WAIT</b>	IAN EVANS	Niagara Park	NSW
<b>FLIGHT - BUTTERFLY</b>	LANCE ROBERT BOWDEN	Smiths Lake	NSW
<b>WHO ARE YOU</b>	ELENA BAIRD	Middle Cove	NSW

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## SCHOOL SECTION

### SECONDARY SCHOOL POETRY YR 10-11-12

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>TREE OF KNOWLEDGE</b>	LUCY LAMB	Young	NSW
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>ALONE</b>	ZITA BALDINI	Eugenana	TASMANIA

### SECONDARY SCHOOL SHORT STORY YR 10-11-12

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>LEMONADE AND ALPHABET BLOCKS</b>	LILY SHARROCK	Young	NSW
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>FIRESIDE CHAT</b>	ALANA DUCKSBURY	Harden	NSW
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>	<b>NOW</b>	MADDISON TEYS	Harden	NSW

### SECONDARY SCHOOL POETRY YR 7-8-9

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>FOREST</b>	KATE NICHOLAS EDGAR	Taralgon East	VIC
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>MY GREEN COUNTRY</b>	PHOEBE GATI	Bunyip	VIC
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>	<b>MYSTIC LAND</b>	DEVMIKA BOGAHAPITIYA	Cranbourne West	VIC

### SECONDARY SCHOOL SHORT STORY SECTION 7-8-9

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>WACKO WOMBAT</b>	ELENI CHAPMAN	Ascot	WA
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>GUARDIAN</b>	AVNI ANEEJ	Ashfield	NSW
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>	<b>BLOOD TIES</b>	NEMI DE SILVA	Lucia	QLD

### PRIMARY SCHOOL POETRY 4-5-6

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>LIFE THEN, LIFE NOW, LIFE TO COME</b>	TASHA HUANG	Travancore	VIC
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>CHRISTMAS</b>	SIANA STAGGS	Carindale	QLD
<u>COMMENDED:</u>	<b>DREAMING</b>	GWENDOLYN CORKERY	Young	NSW

### PRIMARY SCHOOL SHORT STORY 4-5-6

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>THE STORM SPIRIT</b>	JENNA DUNCAN	Fairfield	QLD
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>THE MAGIC SWAN</b>	LUCIA STEPHANS	Fyansford	VIC
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>	<b>TRUTHFUL HEIR</b>	SYON GURUPRASAD	Hughesdale	VIC
	<b>THE OP SHOP TREASURE</b>	RUBY HOLT	Young	NSW
	<b>THE BIG BUSH FIRE</b>	LANE SHOEMARK	Maimuru	NSW

#### COMMENDED:

<b>GUMTREES</b>	HARRIET PETERS KINGSHOTT	Scarborough	QLD
<b>THE SWEET LESSON</b>	VINUDI BOGAHAPITIYA	Cranbourne West	VIC
<b>NEW LIFE IN A NEW WORLD</b>	METHUKI BOGAHAPITIYA	Cranbourne West	VIC

### JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS SECTION - POETRY 1-2-3

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>MY BEST FRIEND</b>	LACHLAN HOLT	Young Public School	NSW
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>JAGUAR</b>	LUCAS HANSEN	Young Public School	NSW
<u>THIRD PLACE:</u>	<b>MY BUNNY BORIS</b>	CHELSEA DWYER	Wagga Wagga	NSW
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>	<b>BUNNIES</b>	CANDY LINDEMAN	Young Public School	NSW

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### JUNIOR PRIMARY SHORT STORY 1-2-3

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>CAMPFIRE</b>	MIRABELLE CORKERY	Young	NSW
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>HOW I TURNED INTO A GIRL</b>	MIKHAIL FEDOTOV	Mount Lawley	WA
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>				
<b>THE DROUGHT</b>	POPPY DOUGHERTY	Yamba	NSW	
<b>A STRANGE HUMAN</b>	THOMAS POWELL	Fannie Bay	NTHN TERRITORY	
<u>COMMENDED:</u>				
<b>KAYLA'S SECRET</b>	AMELIA ACTON	Castle Hill	NSW	
<b>COVID CHAOS</b>	RUBY LUCAS	Murrumburrah	NSW	

### SPECIAL SECTION FOR KINDERGARTEN AWARDS

<u>FIRST PLACE:</u>	<b>BABY SEAL</b>	GABRIEL CORKERY	Wombat Public School	NSW
<u>SECOND PLACE:</u>	<b>DAD'S HOUSE</b>	KOBIE STOCKTON	Wombat Public School	NSW
<u>HIGHLY COMMENDED:</u>	<b>SEAL</b>	RHAEGAR BLOOR	Wombat Public School	NSW

### **From the Judges...**

What is the purpose of writing? Essentially, it is to inform, entertain or persuade the reader. The element of 'entertainment' can be addressed with clever, macabre or tangled storylines, or as well-told, simple themes.

Be careful not to bore or dissuade the reader from continuing, by the use of cumbersome or ongoing use, of overly unnecessary complex text.

We all realise that the school year is very busy, and towards the end of the year, there isn't much time to spare, to enter a writing competition. Many of the entries seemed to be done as a class exercise, which we realise is the way stories and poems are created. However, the judges were sad to see quite a few were themes around old nursery tales or all on the same subject, which made judging repetitious and disappointing.

Where the students were given their freedom to create stories and poems, the results were very creative and entertaining. Children have very vast imaginations and some of the subjects that they covered led to funny and sometimes incisive results.

### **From the Co-ordinator ...**

We had imagined that interest might be down given the unexpected difficulties throughout the year and were surprised by the number of entries. We welcomed back old friends and were delighted at the number of new faces, many entering a competition for the first time. The standard was high and that supports our theory that writing is a "silent" hobby that brings pleasure to many people. Thank you for entrusting us with your work. We hope you enjoyed the experience.

We must also acknowledge the work by the teachers and parents who supported the junior writers. Thank you very much

The competition closed on the 15th Oct. The judges had a difficult time making their decision. As our venue at the National Cherry Festival was cancelled due to covid restrictions, we were not able to make our usual competition results announcements. However all prize winners have been contacted and a list of all the place getters in the various sections is attached to this email.

Although the annual short story and poetry competition is a huge task for our club we are proud that in some small way it helps to keep the creative juices flowing in the writing community. However it is only your support that makes it worthwhile. Thank you very much.

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Thank you to the teachers and parents who encouraged the students to enter. They came from distant parts and all states and territories of Australia, as did local schools who supported our competition. All told, we had 225 entries in the school section and the adult sections, there were 545 entries which broke last year's record.

We hope to see you all again next year, and as it will be our forty year celebration of Lambing Flat Fellowship of Australian Writers regional, we are planning a big year. Keep on writing and creating stories and poems. We provide a place to send them and we assure you, we love to see what you are creating.

To all the writers who made time to enter thank you so much for your support and enthusiasm.

Lambing Flat Regional Branch FAW members wish you and your loved ones a safe and Merry Christmas.

Lambing Flat FAW  
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