

## Conditions of Entry - Written Competition

1. Entry fee per poem: Adults: \$10.00; Juniors: Free; No refunds if disqualified.
2. No limit to number of entries and no line limit to poems
3. Poems must be the original work of the entrant and must not have been previously published for the profit of the author. **Author's name must NOT be stated on the poem page—on the Entry Form only.**
4. A poem which has come first in any open written competition category is not permitted. If a poem should win one competition prior to the closing date of another competition in which the same poem is entered, the onus is on the author to notify the second competition organisers that his/her poem has become ineligible due to the contravention of entry conditions.
5. Poems must have very good rhyme and meter/rhythm and be original with an Australian theme
6. A poem, which in the opinion of the judge contains offensive material, or is deemed to be AI orientated will be disqualified. Poems will be scanned to authenticate originality
7. The poem/s must be sent electronically, (unless the provisions in the Note below apply), with black printing in a plain font, size 10-12, with the name of the poem at the top of every page and each page numbered at either the top or foot of every page. .
8. All poems must be received by the due date
9. The competition is conducted in accordance with ABPA guideline recommendations (refer to [www.abpa.org.au/competitions](http://www.abpa.org.au/competitions))
10. Judging will be by judges approved by the ABPA
11. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Judges sheets will be forwarded to competitors after the event.
12. Entries may be displayed at the event in Pinjarra (Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2026) and may be published in the WA Bush Poets monthly newsletter “The Bully Tin” and the ABPA Magazine and I hereby give my permission for such display and/or publication

Note: If electronic delivery is not possible, the poem/s must be printed on A4 size pages, in compliance with the other matters in Condition 7 and Condition 8 and sent to the Secretary, Rodger Kohn at:

[rodgershirley@bigpond.com](mailto:rodgershirley@bigpond.com) 16 Stoddart Way, Bateman WA 6150

If you do not receive confirmation of receipt of your entry within a reasonable time, please phone Rodger on 0419 666 168.

### Prizes

Monetary prizes will be awarded for the best poem in each of the 4 categories, provided sufficient entries are received.

Each winner, as well as those judged 'Highly Commended' or 'Commended', will receive a Certificate.