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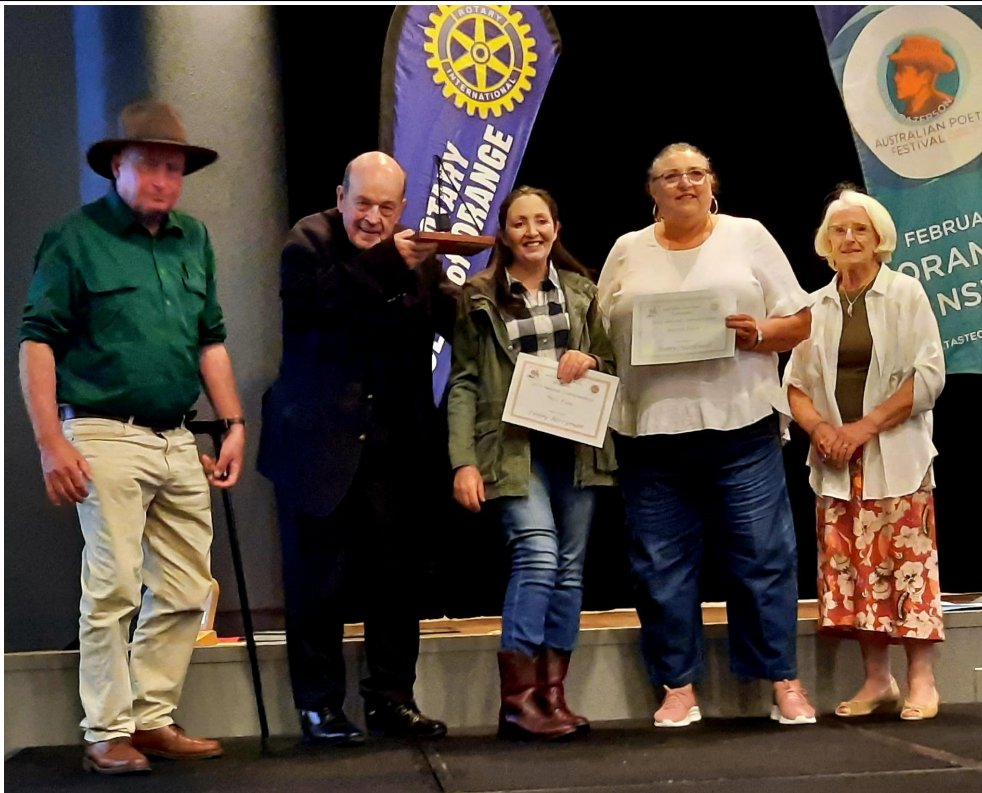


Next Muster- 3rd March 2023

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Reader from the Classics - Lorraine Broun

Writing Challenge 16 line poem: Falling asleep



2023 ABPA National Championships

Overall Champion

* Michael Darby

Runner-up

* Jenny Markwell Taggart

Third

• Debby Berryman

Photo above - R to L President ABPA Timothy Sheed, Michael, Debby, Jenny and Secretary Meg Gordon

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President's Preamble March 2023



What a month it has been for our poets what with Wireless Hill, Fringe Festival and then Boyup Brook all in the last few weeks. On top of that we have Downunder Country Music in Bridgetown coming up on 17 – 19th March as well as our regular gigs at Bentley Park, Bunbury and Greenbushes Acoustic.

Australia Day was the usual highlight with 150 patrons enjoying the mild (for Perth) weather. Poetry was up to the usual high standard with a good variety of pieces presented. Sadly though we missed the company of Arthur Leggett. Music this year was provided by Phil, Josh and Yvonne Gray who perform as “Warralackin”. They have a great repertoire of truly Australian songs. Phil’s band “Loaded Dog” were at Toodyay when we hosted the Australian Bush Poetry Championships back in 2017.

This year we had four shows on the Crystal Swan during Perth Fringe Festival. All shows were greatly appreciated by audiences. Unfortunately numbers were light for the first two shows but the later two were well attended and included people who were back on board for a second trip. With a different line-up of poets each evening patrons are guaranteed a new show every time. Being a “Fringe Artist” gives us the opportunity to see a lot of other Fringe shows including world class singers and musicians.

After two years of Covid restrictions, Boyup Brook Country Music Festival was back on the calendar. Poets had the usual breakfast shows to strut their stuff and all are to be commended on the standard of poetry presented. The benefit of competing at Toodyay really shows and, when I think of how we were in my early years of performing, any of today’s poets would hold their own in any company. Highlight among the local poets was undoubtedly Daniel Avery who had the audience spellbound with his personal poem about being a spastic boy.

The Three Randy Poets, Ray Essery, Peter Capp and Errol Gray were outstanding and their sell-out show in my shearing shed was the highpoint of the whole festival. Ray and Peter are two of the best comedy poets and yarn spinners in the country and Errol has a fantastic repertoire of comedy songs that anchors the Three Randy Poets show. They also gave us a very helpful workshop on writing and performing comedy poetry, not that any of us “mere mortals” could ever aspire to their mastery of the craft.

As I write this edition of the President’s Preamble I am in the air and heading for the Banjo Paterson Festival in Orange, NSW. Thus will end Cobber’s six year reign as Australian Bush Poetry Champion. From Orange Meg and I are heading to Tasmania for five weeks, touring with ABPA President Tim Sheed and Christine Middleton. We have several shows lined up already so will be promoting WA Bush Poets around the Apple Isle.

Bill Gordon. President

Special Note: Congratulations to **Michael Darby** on winning the 2023 **ABPA National Championships** held in Orange last weekend. In an outstanding performance Michael was a clear winner in the Traditional, Modern and Original Serious sections of the competition. Debby Berryman, who many will remember from Toodyay last year, was third behind Jenny Markwell. Congratulations also to **Dave Morrell**, the Broome vet who performed recently at Wireless Hill. Dave was in fine form and came second in the Original Humorous section with “Dave’s Lube” and was third in the Original Serious as well.

The competition was held as part of the Banjo Paterson Australian Poetry Festival, a ten day celebration the life of Banjo and poetry held at many venues throughout the Orange and surrounding districts. Functions were held at the Ironbark Inn in Stuart Town and the Banjo Paterson museum at Yeoval. Yeoval is the site of Buckinbah, Banjo’s home for his first seven years.

Judges for the competition are all well known in WA. The inimitable Greg North was there with his many hats plus Suzie Carcary and Melanie Hall entertained at many venues as well as officiating on the judiciary. A strong contingent of school students were competing and the judges performed at many schools in the district. It is very encouraging to see so much junior participation, something we sadly lack in WA.

Meg has had a hectic few days coordinating the competition, and along with ABPA president Tim Sheed, treasurer Christine Middleton and Orange Rotary Club president Len Banks, did a great job ensuring that the whole competition ran smoothly. We now look forward to a few days catching up with rellys before heading to Tasmania for a few weeks.

Bill Gordon, President

**WA BUSH POETS & YARNSPINNERS ASSOCIATION
FUTURE MEMBERSHIP**

This is a matter I have discussed briefly with President Bill, and I will be raising the matter with the Committee when he attends following is several weeks off.

It would come as no surprise to all that because of our current age demographic, there may well be a decline in numbers over the next 10 or so years. That statement is not intended to reflect negatively on the level of ability, creativity, or enthusiasm of all or any of our members, it is simply a matter of fact that in the natural course of events, the Association can expect that over a period of time it will experience a gradual loss in membership numbers.

While we always welcome new members, of any or all ages, it is apparent that there has been a minimal increase in numbers. Interestingly, judging by the gradual increase in the number of poetry writers in the Junior category of the annual Silver Quill competition, there are folk out there who may well boost our membership numbers in the future, but in the main, formal membership is not part of their current plans.

I believe that to encourage new members – of all ages – we need to be proactive and reach out to the public, to make them more aware of our existence, and to gain their interest in what we do, and where and when we do it. Our annual festivals quite obviously are attended by members of the general public, but even these do not result in significant (if any) new membership applications. So while these events show that we are, to a degree, ‘out there’ for all non-members to see and appreciate, there is a missing link which would take their interest to the next level – namely, joining up.

One suggestion has been to arrange for our poets to visit and perform in schools, noting that our craft involves various components of a school curriculum – English (language and grammar), history, positive social activities, and more. Obviously, we would need to approach the school/s to organise such inter-action. This is one way to attract new members, but I imagine there are more.

The purpose of this article is to get members, and other recipients of this Bully Tin, thinking of any form of activity or action which could be of assistance in increasing our membership numbers. Any suggestion, regardless of whether or not it is from ‘out of left field’ will be considered, for referral to the Committee.

If you have something to put forward, please email me at your earliest convenience:

rodgershirley@bigpond.com

Looking forward to your comments.

Rodger Kohn
Secretary

AUSTRALIA DAY AT WIRELESS HILL

Perfect weather was ordered for the WA Bush Poets & Yarnspinners Association annual Australia Day commemoration at Wireless Hill, Ardross WA.

About 150 people were entertained as they picnicked under the beautiful shady gums of the natural bush-land that is a popular recreation area.

WA Bush Poets member, Bev Shorland, was MC for the day and kept the 12 poets to time as they gave professional and enjoyable performances



Alan Aitken



Cobber Lethbridge



MC Bev Shorland



Dave Morrell



Rob Gunn



Christine Boulton



Peter Rudolf



Roger Cracknell



'Warralakin'—Yvonne, Phil and Josh Gray



Bill Gordon



Stinger Nettleton



Heather Denholm



Looking after merchandise
Sue Hill and Meg Gordon



Barry Higgins

Photos courtesy of Jane Cochrane

Boyup Brook write up by Heather Denholm

Well it's over again and now we look forward to next year

But Boy what a great weekend!

Our special guests known collectively as The 3 Randy Poets, surprised us in the way they bounced jokes of each other. Individually they were, Ray Essery, from northern NSW, Peter Capp from Lawrence NSW, Errol Gray also from NSW. As they live a distance apart they don't rehearse before leaving to come to WA,

Also present was Sam Lovell we had the pleasure of hearing him sing as well.

camped at Bill and Megs were about 18 to 20 vans and tents, the number varied over the week end.

Camped with us were also the Lansdell family Music members.

The weekend commenced for the Bush Poets on Thursday morning at the Tennis Club. The next feature was the 3 Randy Poets at the Northlands shearing shed on Thursday evening, this was very well attended.

Friday morning we gathered again at Harvey Dickson's Country Music Centre for 4 hours of bush ballads, poetry and humour, featuring the 3 visiting poet comedians, The Lansdell Family, Sam Lovell, Terry Bennetts, Ginger Cox and with the MC for the morning Bill Gordon.

Just a word from the reporter, if you want to step back in time go and do a tour of this venue.

Friday afternoon at the Boyup Brook Club we attended a very informative and funny class on presentation.

Saturday am, was the open mic program and the Poets Brawl

- the winner was Roger Cracknell "I accepted the conditions..."

Then Sunday commencing at 7 am was Western Australia's biggest Bush Poets Breakfast, which was very tasty and hit the spot, and it was accompanied by 3 hours, of very well presented poetry.

When the day finished at about 4pm we then had time to spend at Bill and Megs sharing together songs and poetry as we had done in any free time.

So in case you haven't realised it yet it was a great weekend and we hope to do it again next year.

Thanks Bill and Meg for being great hosts.

This was written in a hurry so ignore the rhyme and metre it's the sentiment that counts

Boyup Brook was great The music it was good

Both at the camp and at the park and Everyone enjoyed

The get-togethers the talking the sharing stories round and round

The meals around the bar b Que now the cleanest in the land.

We thank Bill and Meg for their hospitality

for sharing their yard with the likes of you and me

We hope we are invited back next year around this time

To come to the music festival and enjoy more music and rhyme.

So from all the bush poets, musicians, and hangers on as well

And even thanks we give from the dogs, who thought the ducks were swell

We'll see each other next week while Meg and Bill take a break

Safe traveling all where ever you go,

And God Bless those who've left or didn't make it.

(One of the bar b ques caught fire so it cleaned itself)

Heather Denholm



Another note about Boyup Brook from Maxine

.... I can say Bill Gordon is a great asset to WA Bush poets. It's through Bill, poets from all over Australia know how enjoyable Boyup Brook is; to me it was well organised at the farm in every way

Oh and the shearing shed concert such hilarious entertaining people!! Love you all gifted folks.

Maxine Richter

Winning Poem Poets Brawl Boyup Brook 2023

The line : I accepted the conditions...

I accepted the conditions so she told me of various positions
That would give me great enjoyment and really make my day.
I paid what she requested and did what she suggested.
I started grunting and perspiring in a most energetic way.
The manoeuvres and the wheezing,
The panting and the squeezing
And the pleasure that she gave me was way beyond compare.
I got the hang of how to do it.
She really put me through it.
I thought this must be heaven,
Tho' I've never been there
My feeling of elation, gave me cause for celebration
And at the age if eighty I'd achieved my final aim.
Ever since I was a nipper I'd wanted to be a male stripper.
Now I'll bump and grind me way to Glory and everlasting fame!

ROGER CRACKNELL.

Poets at
Boyup Brook
2023



Well how bad can it be

The house had been flooded then a fire went through
And that burnt the roof off what were we to do
The insurance company just knocked back the our claims
With, we've had way too many and most they are scams

A friend lent us her shed to live in a while,
The roof leaks a bit she said with a smile!
Then the kids all got measles just yesterday
Oh. Please don't let anything happen today !

A neighbour came over to offer condolence
She was known as misery but her real name was Prudence,
You could be worse off dear Well How bad can it be !
Lots, my mother in law is coming to tea. !
Heather Denholm

MOTHER LOVE

It's been said 'Some mothers do have them', and I believe it's true
Or else they would have gone extinct, still what's a mum to do?
Some faces only a mother could love, but most babies suffer that
Red, wrinkled and quite hairless, like Churchill without his hat
If they become a serial killer, it's the parents cop the blame
Still I think that I could live with that and dodge my share of shame
So I wish I could love it's silly face, but even more I'm wishing
Lord give me strength to bear the shame, if it's a politician

G Joass

17/02/2023

(Brawl entry – Line: 'I wish I could love it's silly face')

Blackened Billy Verse Competition

The 33rd Annual Blackened Billy Verse Competition Awards have been announced this afternoon [22nd February 2023].
Adjudicators for BB2023 were Veronica Weal, Glenny Palmer, Carol Heuchan.

RESULTS -

- [1st 'Freddy 'K' Tom Mcllveen](#)
- 2nd 'What more could we have done?' David Judge
- [3rd 'Where Angels Tread' Tom Mcllveen](#)

Highly Commended

- [Dawn on the Collie' Peter O'Shaughnessy](#)
- 'Among the Sharks' Sean Duffy
- ['The Captain and his Lady' Tom Mcllveen](#)
- 'Where the Men of Endurance Ride' Brenda Joy
- ['Gallipoli Now' Peter O'Shaughnessy](#)

Commended

- 'Silent the Night' Catherine Lee
- ['A Simple Epitaph' Tom Mcllveen](#)
- 'The Spirits of the Outback' David Judge
- ['Paradise Lost' Peter O'Shaughnessy](#)
- 'Webs the Weather Weaves' Robyn Sykes

Congratulations!

**Well done Tom & Peter,
WABP members**

Congratulations to all of this year's Award winners. Thank you is extended to all entrants and supporters. Special gratitude to Duntry league for hosting the ceremony as part of the 10th Annual Banjo Paterson Australian Poetry Festival

Boyup Brook 2023

By Pete (Stinger) Nettleton

I arrived at my country cottage at Boyup Brook about 1 pm on Saturday 11th February and managed to do some housework before my 2 girls turned up later that day for a 'Dad & Daughter Sleepover'. They cooked up a storm, helped me with some of the heavier chores around the yard (both being very fit young women) and left me with a full fridge on Sunday 12th.

I was relaxing on my verandah on Tuesday afternoon 14th, when who should pull into my driveway but Rob, Rhondah and Clancy with their newly-acquired camper trailer. We had a cuppa and yarn (not Clancy, but she did leave me a little reminder of her visit) before they headed off to join the growing throng at Northlands. I decided to accept a standing invitation to 5 pm drinks on Bill & Meg's verandah and was surprised to find that Roger & Jan, John & Anne, Bev & Jem, plus assorted other odd bods were already there and well into the spirit!

Wednesday afternoon 15th, Jane (our trusty photographer and my beloved valentine) arrived and not long afterwards, we were visited by Irma and Lee from Greenbushes, who had just come from inspecting the Boyup Brook hotel with its new owner and fellow muso, John Matthews. That was headline news when later, we again congregated at Northlands for a barbecue and 'meet & greet' with our interstate guests, Ray Essery, Erroll Gray and Peter Capp. We didn't overdo it that night though, because we had to be bright-eyed and bushy-tailed to give the locals a serve at the tennis club at 8 am on Thursday 16th.

All went well and got our festival off to a great start.

That evening, we all crowded in to Bill's shearing shed for a performance by the '3 Randy Poets', direct from the Longyard at Tamworth. Ray and Peter flipped the switch to 'panto' a couple of times, while Erroll maintained some musical sanity and a great night was had by all.

Friday 17th saw us gather at Harvey Dickson's Country Music Centre for a 'Bush Ballads and Poetry Concert' arranged by Terry Bennetts and featuring the Lansdell Family, as well as more humour from Messrs Capp and Essery. In my humble opinion though, Erroll blew them all off the stage and had us all rolling about with his very witty and satirical songs.

Saturday 18th, we were all up bright and early again for the Poets Brawl at the Boyup Brook Club at 8 am. We warmed up with bacon & egg burgers and taking turns at reciting, then those still standing took part in the 'Brawl' with original short poems using a previously allocated phrase. The winner was decided by audience acclaim and it was no surprise that Roger (Crackers) Cracknell took the kitty!

It was an even earlier start on Sunday morning 19th, when we kicked off at 7 am with the Big Bush Poets Breakfast on the mainstage at Music Park. Once again, we had a stellar line-up of performers, but we sadly missed John & Anne who had previously returned to Perth for health reasons, along with Sue & Tony. We did have Keith (Cobber) Lethbridge and Peter (Pedro) Blyth with us, although Pedro chose to sit it out for the time being.

We finished the day back at Northlands once more, this time really letting our hair down with heaps of food, drinks and songs. By then, Meg had made her escape and was on a plane to Sydney, however many hands were available to help Bill tidy up the debris before most of us hit the road back to the Big Smoke on Monday 20th. A wonderful festival and great memories for mine!

Cheers!

Coober Pedy Stew

When you're down upon your uppers and your rear drags near the ground
and your strength has drained to nothing, and reserves cannot be found.
For you've walked for twenty flamen miles, in rotten desert heat
and you wonder why you do it, cos you're well and truly beat.

As you stagger into camp there's only one thing left to do,
find a shady place, and then, thank God for Coober Pedy Stew.
This a tried and proven recipe for bachelors like you,
the ingredients are simple - any opener will do.

Get a can of Kraft Braised Steak and Onions, tip it in a pot,
then a can of top baked beans, with Heinz, the best one of the lot.
Finally, a can of fresh green peas are added to the bowl,
stirred and gently heated to a tee, that's tucker for the soul.



Careful not to burn it now and spoil this simple bushman's dish,
when it's heated to perfection it will fill your every wish.
Serve on Toast, and savour then a feast that's worthy of a king,
the aroma of this dish will make a bushman's heart soon sing.

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*** This recipe is now obsolete because the main ingredient,
(Kraft Braised Steak and Onions – old recipe) is no longer available.
And sadly, modern substitutes, just don't cut the mustard. ***

The Afternoon Sky

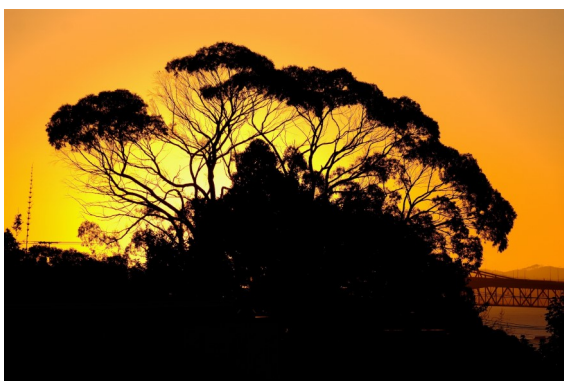
As sunset hues were settling 'cross distant paddock view,
I saw a dark form floating between a tree or two.
A mystery apparition or thing unleashed from earth?
Could it be sent to spy on us, are they watching Perth?

My mind flew into frenzy, what could this object be?
Its shape just kept on morphing, should we all start to flee?
Seemed larger than a bread box but smaller than a bus,
The press were now attending and making such a fuss.

With high power lenses focused they zoomed in for best shot
The scene was full of tension and thickened was the plot.
While waiting in the background I took my sunnies off
And noticed something moving, a mutant mass of fluff

The mystery floating what-not was just a trick of sight
My face grew very red then, so thought I'd best take flight.

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Poets Muster Write-up Friday 2 February 2023 Prepared by Bev. Shorland

President **Bill Gordon** Welcomed Visitors and Poets and expressed sincere condolences to **Colin Tyler** at the sad passing of his wife Wendy. Introduced **Ray Jackson as MC**, this was the first time Ray has MC'd. Bill also reminded us it was Banjo Patterson's birthday on 17th February.

Peter Nettleton: "The Last Parade" **Banjo Patterson,**

Written from the point of view of 'the last of the old campaigners', this poem laments the sad fate of the Australian war horses, shipped out to South Africa in the early 1900s, overworked and underfed and summarily disposed of once their services were no longer required.

Christine Boulton : " Myself, the Jacaranda and the Poinciana Tree" **Jack Sorensen**

"Six Brown Boxer Hats" **John O'Brien**

The Hawkers cart pulled up outside, we wanted balls and cricket bats; but mum bought 6 brown boxer hats. Taunted and teased by our friends, the hats ended up rather battered at the end of the school day.

Keith Lethbridge: "Clancy of the Overflow" **Banjo Patterson.**

Clancy's friend, an office worker, day dreams of what it would be like to swap jobs with Clancy. To experience life droving cattle, feel the breezes and the changing seasons instead of the life in a dinghy office in dusty dirty city.

John Hayes: "The Droving Days" **Banjo Patterson.**

Tells the story of an old drover who goes to a horse auction, he bids for the old horse. The old horse reminds him of droving days, and now grasses peacefully on the river flats.

Bill Gordon: "The Man from Ironbark" **Banjo Patterson.**

A country bloke enters a barbers shop wanting a beard trim and shave, the barber takes the opportunity to play a joke on the unsuspecting innocent. The man from Iron bark reacts rather strongly, it does not end well for the barber. Back up bush ,beards are all the rage in Ironbark.

Heather Denholm: "My Old Akubra "

It's the story of an Akubra hat that's still owned by Australia. I read it somewhere long ago that Akubra means Australia! That old Akubra hat you wear tells quite a lot about you, The people who wear them and why.

Rob Gunn: " How the Internet started" **A Yarn of unknown origin.**

Loosely based on the bible story of Abraham and Sarah known as Dorothy in this yarn. The story uses the modern computer jargon to tell how Abraham.com and his wife Amazon.dot com. Developed a system to send messages across vast distances. Next time you see Rob Gunn ask him to retell this yarn, its quite clever.

Lorraine Broun: " A night Exhibition" OR "The Bear Facts"

A young man after a night of parting and romance, Wakes in a strange bed, looking for the toilet, ends up in the lift, descending to the ground floor finds himself naked and in the flower garden. A palm frond for cover he is helped back to his ladies apartment. (This is based on a true story)

Bev Shorland "Song of the Wheat" **Banjo Patterson.**

A Story of the early Wheat farming in Australia. Describing how the land was cleared, ploughed and planted. Crops harvested, and wheat exported.

Supper

WA Bush Poets Muster Friday 2 February Prepared by Bev. Shorland'

Anne Hayes: **Reading from the Classics** - The story of the life of **Henry Lawson.**
"The Rose" **Henry Lawson** -

'We love the rose' a short poem about the love of the rose.

"The Good old Concertina" **Henry Lawson**

At a merry dance or by a campfire, things seem merrier and it gladdens the heart when we hear the good old concertina.

Peter Nettleton **"The Bush Barber"** **Dixie Solly**

A Nor-West gun shearer tries his hand at being a gents hairdresser in the city, only to find that his rough technique and execution leave a trail of destruction in Joes Hair Salon.

Ray Jackson **"The Old Bark Hut"** **Anon**

A lonely and frightened wife and son awaits her husband, the police are after him. He is hiding out in the hills. Thee young boy goes to warn his dad, he is ambushed by the police, manages to escape, finds his dad and dies in his fathers arms.

Keith Lethbridge **" Play it Again"**

Late at night, far out in the bush, a ghost insists that a camper keeps playing a tune on the mouth organ again and again.

Why? Is the tune a ghostly favourite? Fearing for his life, the camper plays on. Eventually, the truth is revealed.

John Hayes **"Do You Remember Old Friend"**

Twenty years after retiring from the farming life , two brothers discuss their best ever year, after struggling to grow payable crops all the years before.

Bill Gordon, **"Fifteen Bob"**

Young Robert, a city boy fancies life in the bush. After a series of disasters of his own making his workmates declare that he is "Fifteen Bob" because he is definitely not the full quid.

Bev Shorland **" The Black Balaclava"** **Peg Vickers**

Grandpa saves the day and ends up with two balaclavas.

Rob Gunn **"The Jumping Jack Mine"**

A buried jumping jack land mine is trodden on by a young soldier, he does not move and calls to all those around him to clear the area, but the field engineer takes over the situation and saves the young soldier.

"The Lamington Stamp" **Barry Humphries**

The "True" story of how the Lamington was created.

Christine Boulton **"The Rain man"** **Bob Magor**

There had been no rain for quite some time. Archie thought he could shake the clouds up a bit and get it to rain with a blast of dynamite, all did not go as he had hoped.

Bill Gordon Closed the evening, thanking Ray for doing a great job comparing for the first time.

Reminded everyone that Poetry on the Crystal Swan was on Sunday, next Thursday and the following Sunday.

The Boyup Brook Country Music Festival Starts for us on Thursday 17th February on that night at Bills Shearing Shed the Three Randy Poets will be performing.

The evening ended at 9.30

Next Muster: 7th April 2023

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Reminder: Could everyone who performs at Musters please have a synopsis available on the night or send one via email to shorland@iinet.net.au for the Muster write up.

Thanks in advance Bev

COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS AROUND AUSTRALIA

WRITTEN EVENTS are in PURPLE

For more details and entry forms please go to the ABPA website www.abpa.org.au and www.writingwa.org

MARCH 2023

4 March — Milton Show Bush Poetry, Milton NSW.
See 3 February Closing date.

APRIL 2023

30 March-2 April — Oracles of the Bush **written** and performance competitions, Tenterfield NSW.
See 17 March Closing Date.

13-16 April — Man from Snowy River Bush Poetry & Music Competition, Corryong, Victoria.
See 10 February Closing Date.

30 April — Closing Date — Under the Silver Tree Poetry Competition, Broken Hill NSW.

Some photos (courtesy of G Joass) taken on the Crystal Swan during the Fringe festival (12/02/2023).

They feature Barry Higgins, Paul Browning and Greg Joass. We had a crowd of around 30 people in the audience that night.

Why not check out Writing WA
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Always something interesting
going on for WA Writers



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Regular Events

WA Bush Poets:	1st Friday each month <i>MC details see front page</i> - 7pm Bentley Auditorium, Bentley Park WA	
Albany Bush Poetry group:	Last Tuesday each month - 7.30pm 1426 Lower Denmark Rd, Elleker	Ph. Peter Blyth - 9844 6606
Bunbury Bush Poets:	1st Monday every ‘even’ month - The Parade Hotel, 1 Austral Parade, East Bunbury.or Ian Farrell 0408 212 636	Ph. Alan Aitken - 0400 249 243
Goldfields Bush Poetry Group:	1st Wednesday each month. - 7.30pm 809 Kalgoorlie Country Club, 108 Egan St. Kalgoorlie	Ph. Ken Ball - 0419 94 3376

If you would like to be part of a forum—post your poetry, see what other contemporary bush poets are writing, keep up to date with poetry events throughout Australia—visit www.abpa.org.au or www.bushverse.com

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Members can contact the poets via the Assn. Secretary or visit website - Go to the “Performance Poets” page
Don’t forget our website www.wabushpoets.asn.au
Please contact the Webmaster, if you would like to see your poems featured in the Members Poetry section.