



VICTORIAN BUSH POETRY AND MUSIC Assoc. Inc. SONG CHAMPIONSHIP Information sheet

- **1. Best Original Song 1st \$50, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$15
- **2. Best Non-Original Song 1st \$50, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$15

3. Victorian Best Overall Song Award \$75 and trophy. Overall Runner-up \$50.

**1 & 2: + Man from Snowy River Bush Festival (2 – 5th April 2020) Double pass (\$300+)

Open to individuals, duos and groups

Conducted at the Bush Entertainment Muster

11 – 13th October 2019 Benalla Bowls Club, 25 Arundel St, Benalla Victoria

Song Competition held Saturday afternoon from 1.15pm



Competition Rules

ONE entry each section and must be family entertainment – no offensive material.

1. **Aim:** To value and encourage traditional Australian Bush culture through Song/Music.
2. **Entrants:** individuals, duos or groups; each person appearing on stage once per section.
3. **Songs and Instrumentals:** Traditional, modern, or original tune and lyric about Australia, Australians, or the Australian way of life. Failure to adhere to this criteria may result in your song/performance being deemed ineligible. Songs which previously received 1st place by the entrant in VBPMMA Championships are ineligible.
4. **Medleys** are acceptable but must be a continuous performance after the introduction/preamble.
5. **Time limit.** Six minutes including intro. Points will be deducted for going over this time limit.
6. **Deducted Points:** Points will be deducted for being over time
7. **Pre recorded backing music** not permitted. Accompaniment to be performed live on the day.
8. Combined rankings from song categories 1 & 2 will determine the best overall performer/s.
9. If in the majority opinion of the Judges a performance is offensive and/or objectionable, the score sheet could be deemed null and void and a zero score given.
10. Entrants should be a member of a bush verse club or the Australian Bush Poets' Association
11. **ENTRY FEE. \$10 for each section.** 11. The **Judges' decision** will be final

Judges: Jeff Mifsud, Jill Meehan and Geoffrey W Graham

BENALLA MUSTER PROGRAMME as at SEPTEMBER 17. (Hopefully there'll be no changes)

6pm Friday **Meet 'n' Greet Buy Dinner from Bistro.**

FRIDAY 7pm AUSSIE CONCERT Benalla Bowls Club – **incl Euroa Uke Group, Col Milligan**, VBPMMA members bush poetry & song **Cost \$10 if no Muster wristband Bookings** Jan 0422 848 707

SATURDAY

8am eat Breakfast at the club Bacon and egg rolls only + cuppas by donation till 11am.

8.30 – 10.30 am WALK UP POETS and MUSOS + NOVICE COMP (Novice entry forms from Jan)

10.30 am break

11am Sat Concert Bendigo Goldfields Bush Poets & Singers

12.n – 1pm Lunch old friends/ new friends! prepare Song Championships *Drinks and food from bistro.*

1.15pm sharp VIC. Song/Music CHAMPIONSHIPS Original song, then non Original song (max 10 ea)
Judges: *Jill Meehan, Geoffrey W Graham and Jeff Mifsud. ? on Sound.*

3.45 - 4.45pm Short Poems & Yarns (Bowls Club) Walk up. MC Mick Coventry and 'the bell'

5pm We need to move into Members room because of double booking

5.15pm Anzac tribute at 'Weary Dunlop' statue in Rose Garden incl **Group photo**

6pm – 7.30pm Dinner buy from Bistro

7.30 pm AUSSIE CONCERT Guests: **Song 2019 winner/s, Judges and Col Milligan.**

RIVER THEME SUNDAY

8am eat Breakfast at the club Bacon and egg rolls only + cuppas by donation till 11am.

8.30am – 10.30 am WALK UP POETS and MUSOS

10.30 am break

11.am – 12.30pm Participation River theme songs, poems and stories led by ?

12.30pm Lunch – buy from Bistro *lunchtime music?*

1.30 – 2.30pm CAROL REFFOLD HOUR incl **ONE MINUTE POEM COMP** hosted by ?

2.30 – 3.30pm MUSIC SESSION Jill Meehan leading (BYO instrument/voice) All join in

Pack up **?4pm VBPMMA AGM** then Special General Meeting. All welcome. (Join VBPMMA \$10 pa)

Weekend - wristband \$35 or \$30 concession, seniors, poetry club members or pay by session.



VBPMA SONG CHAMPIONSHIP

At Benalla Bush Entertainment Muster 11-13th Oct 2019

Concerts only: \$15/\$10 if no wristband

ENTRY FORM

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Name: Act name.....

Address:.....

Postcode..... Phone.....

Email.....

Section 1 - Original Song/Music (written by the performer, duo or group) **Please read rules**

Title of Entry.....
(maximum of 10 entrants, in order received)

Section 2 – Non-Original Australian Song/Music (written by anyone else) **Please read rules**
Individual, duo or group

Title: First Choice.....
(maximum of 10 entrants, in order received)

We will contact you asap if your first choice has already been entered.

Title: Second Choice.....

Song/Music sections held Saturday afternoon from 1.15pm
If attending the whole weekend you need a wristband

Entries preferred by Friday 27th Sept (max 10 entrants each section) LATE ENTRIES OK IF ROOM
This includes Saturday Night concert. **Winners are invited to perform Saturday night**

Entrant/Student/volunteer/poet-song club members \$30 (U18 \$0) WRISTBAND @ \$30 X..... = \$
Circle payment Method: cheque / money order / Direct Debit Song entries \$10 X 1 or \$20 X 2...= \$
(Fill out membership form at the Muster) I would like to be a member of VBPM (\$10 per annum) = \$
TOTAL \$.....

Cheque/money order payable to Victorian Bush Poetry & Music Association Inc.
Direct Debit - Bank: Bendigo Bank Acc name: VBPM Inc BSB 633000 Acc. No: 142764125 (your name)
We/I have read the rules of this competition and agree to abide by them.
We/I confirm that my Original Song in this competition was written by myself/duo/group
No item nominated by me/us has been performed by me/us & awarded 1st place in this annual competition.
We/I hereby give permission for the VBPM to use my/our work with the copyright retained by me/us.
Signed:..... Date:...../...../.....
Scan/email or Post to: Jan Lewis, Secretary VBPM Inc 275 B Cudgewa Valley Rd, Cudgewa 3705
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