

BUSH POETRY SCHEDULE



Ekka

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ROYAL QUEENSLAND SHOW

AUGUST 9-18

2019 COMPETITIONS



Welcome from the President



Our Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) competitions are the ultimate showcase of the best of the best. They reward and recognise our valued exhibitors for achieving excellence and promote agriculture and the critical role it plays in our everyday lives to Queenslanders.

In 2018, more than 4,125 exhibitors travelled to the Ekka for their chance to win a coveted blue ribbon and share in the \$530,000 prize pool, including 1,186 new competitors.

We received 21,000 entries across 11,000 classes in 48 competition sections, with an increase in entries across many categories including Canine, Cookery, Dairy Goats, Education on Show, Poultry and Farriers and Blacksmiths.

It was pleasing to see large crowds acknowledging the achievements of our exhibitors, with more than 414,000 people attending the 2018 show - our biggest Ekka since 2011.

Some of our competitions were even recognised at the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) Awards, which represents more than 1,100 fairs around the world. The Ekka won 24 international awards including 16 first places, with the Floristry, Race Around Ekka, Little Sprouts, Cookery and Student Made Cheese competitions all placing.

The RNA is also committed to providing exhibitors with world-class facilities to use, through our \$2.9 billion Brisbane Showgrounds Regeneration Project.

In 2019, our Canine Competition exhibitors will use the new Alexandria Park, offering an undercover area for benching and a grassed area for judging. Also this year, all four storeys of our world first animal pavilion will be in use for the very first time, housing many animals including beef and dairy cattle, poultry and sheep.

For 143 years the RNA has been dedicated to championing agriculture and is honoured to stage Queensland's largest event on behalf of the community each year.

Good luck and we look forward to seeing your entries at the 2019 Royal Queensland Show.

David Thomas
RNA President

Top 10 Competitions in 2018

	Competition	2018 Entries
1.	Canine	2,319
2.	Woodchop and Sawing	1,648
3.	Poultry	1,624
4.	Horse	1,578
5.	Stud Beef	1,232
6.	Photography	1,135
7.	Cookery	1,098
8.	Creative Art and Craft	1,014
9.	Painting and Drawing	974
10.	Education on Show	896



142ND ROYAL QUEENSLAND SHOW
FRIDAY 9 – SUNDAY 18 AUGUST 2019

BUSH POETRY COMPETITION

Council Steward
Ms Catherine Sinclair

Honorary Council Steward
Mrs Trisha Anderson

APPLICATIONS TO ENTER CLOSE Friday 26 July 2019 at 5.00pm

ENTRY FEES	Online	Non Online
Class 1 – 2	\$6.00	\$7.00
Class 3 – 4	\$3.00	\$4.00

DATE OF COMPETITION Class 1 – 2 Saturday 10 August 2019 from 9.30 am
Class 3 – 4 Saturday 10 August 2019 to follow Class 1 and 2

VENUE Bush Poetry Stage – Old Museum Precinct

SUPPORTED BY

The RNA wishes to thank the following supporters who have contributed towards prize money, prizes or conduct of the **BUSH POETRY** Competition

The Consultancy Bureau
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If you are interested in becoming a Supporter of the Bush Poetry Competition please contact
Competition Coordinator | E: entries@royalqueenslandshow.com.au | T: 07 3253 3936

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
PRIZES AND PRIZE MONEY SUBJECT TO CHANGE
NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER CLOSE OF ENTRIES

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Judging will be performed by a panel of Judges appointed by the Royal National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland.

The attention of Exhibitors is drawn to the fact that entries are accepted subject to the Royal National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland Act 1971, and to the Rules, By-Laws and Regulations of the Association, in addition to the Special Regulations which appear in this schedule. Copies of the Rules and By-Laws may be obtained upon application to the Competitions Department.

No refunds will be made after close of entry.

NOTICE TO INTENDING EXHIBITORS

Entries for EKKA can be made either on the Application to Enter Form enclosed with this schedule or online at our website: www.ekka.com.au. Entries submitted other than on the correct form or online will be returned to the Exhibitor and, unless all requirements are complied with and the forms returned to the office by 5.00pm on the Application to Enter closing date, as shown in the Schedule, they will not be considered.

As a condition for acceptance of my entry: Neither myself nor my family members will indulge in any social, professional or other interaction with an official or judge contracted or sub-contracted by the RNA before or during the Royal Queensland Show.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

You can be assured that the privacy of your personal information is of the utmost importance to us. The information provided by you in any application for membership or application to enter is used by the Royal National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland (RNA) to offer member services or to organise and conduct competitions at the Royal Queensland Show. By applying for membership or entering such competitions you consent to provide such details as your name, address and exhibit details. Competition information may be made available to the media and included in RNA publications.

Your information will not be disclosed without your consent for any other purpose unless required by the law. By providing your email address you are consenting to receive communications from us relating to the Royal Queensland Show. For full privacy details visit <https://www.rna.org.au/privacy-policy.aspx>

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

The RNA's ABN is 41 417 513 726

ENTRY FORMS

Exhibitors must complete "STATEMENT BY EXHIBITOR" section on the front page of the entry form advising their taxation status.

PRIZE MONEY

1. Prize Money stated in the Schedule excludes GST.
2. GST will be added to the Prize Money for Exhibitors who are registered for GST purposes. Prize money will be paid into your nominated bank account by 31 October following the Show.
3. The Association will provide a "Recipient Created Tax Invoice" to Exhibitors who are registered for GST purposes.
4. All cash prizes and trophies must be claimed within six months from the closing date of the Royal Queensland Show. Prizes not claimed and by that date will be considered to have lapsed, and the amount will become a donation to the Association. (RNA By-Laws)

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

1. The Brisbane Showgrounds are a designated Workplace within the meaning of the Workplace Health and Safety Act 2011 and exhibitors/competitors are required to ensure that they and all persons under their direction or control, including their contractors or sub-contractors, comply with all requirements of the Act and the RNA holds each exhibitor responsible to discharge its obligations to provide and maintain a safe place and system of work during occupation by the exhibitor of any area of the Showgrounds.
2. Each exhibitor/competitor will assess the risk to themselves, staff, volunteers, family, other exhibitors, RNA staff, show visitors, children and any person foreseeably affected by the presentation of their exhibit.
3. Risks identified by exhibitors/competitors will be eliminated or controlled by the exhibitor/competitor and particular attention will be paid to ensuring public safety and safety of other exhibitors/competitors.
4. Exhibits will only be held and handled by competent persons whose experience is known to the exhibitor/competitor.
5. A "No Smoking Policy" will be strictly adhered to and policed by exhibitors/competitors and exhibitors/competitors are advised that the use of Primus stoves, any heating or lighting appliances of a like character, or any naked light, is strictly prohibited in the pavilions.
6. Any exhibitors/competitors intending to bring electrical equipment to the Showgrounds will be required to ensure that such equipment is fitted with residual current protection and that all electrical leads, tools and appliances have been inspected by a licensed electrical contractor and currently tagged. The use of double adaptors is prohibited and all power boards must also be tested and tagged.
7. All exhibitors/competitors will comply with the requirements of the Act and its Regulations and Standards in every other respect. This is essential for the safety of all exhibitors/competitors and the general public. The Act imposes very severe penalties in the event of noncompliance with its provisions. Any exhibitors/competitors who do not comply will not be allowed to exhibit at the Royal Queensland Show.
8. The Brisbane Showgrounds is subject to a Special Facility License issued under the Liquor Act 1992 and strict laws related to the consumption and possession of liquor across the Brisbane Showgrounds site. The consumption or possession of liquor outside of the licensed bar areas is not authorised by the RNA and in many cases may be an offence for which on the spot fines can be issued by Police and Liquor Licensing Investigators.

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

132. It there is any inconsistency between By-laws 133 - 153 and any other By-laws of the Association, By-laws 133 - 153 will prevail.
133. The functions of the Disciplinary Committee shall be to hear and determine all complaints, allegations and other matters relating to:
- prohibited substances, as defined in these By-laws or Sectional Regulations.
 - any alleged breach of the Rules, By-Laws and Regulations of the Association by an exhibitor and relating to an exhibit or to a competition, except if the alleged breach is of a kind that the Chairman of a Sectional Committee considers is of a less serious nature and should properly be dealt with by the Sectional Committee, and
 - any other alleged breach of the Rules, By-Laws and Regulations of the Association that may be referred to Disciplinary Committee pursuant to By-Law 137 (a).
147. The Disciplinary Committee may announce its decision orally or in writing. A decision that is announced orally shall have effect in accordance with its terms.
148. If the opinion of the Disciplinary Committee is not unanimous, the decision of the majority shall prevail. If the Disciplinary Committee are equally divided on any question concerning the guilt or innocence of a person, the question shall be resolved in that person's favour.
149. If the Disciplinary Committee considers that there has been a breach of the rules, By-laws or regulations of the Association, it may impose such a penalty as it considers to be appropriate, including without limitation:
- a reprimand;
 - a monetary fine (payable at such time/s as the Disciplinary Committee may determine);
 - withdrawal or withholding of any award or ribbon;
 - disqualification in respect of any class;
 - expulsion from the Showground;
 - where the person concerned is a member, a suspension or termination of that membership;
 - a ban;
 - exclusion;
 - prohibiting a Person from exhibiting or competing at the current Show or at any future Show;
 - a direction that an Exhibit be removed from the Showground;
 - any other mandatory requirement; and
 - any other penalty provided for in other regulations of the Association.
150. There shall be no appeal from any decision of the Disciplinary Committee.

INSURANCE

161. The RNA may (but is not obliged to) take out a policy of insurance in respect of the legal liability on the part of an Exhibitor for loss or damage suffered by a third party caused by any act or omission of an Exhibit or the Exhibitor.
162. The RNA, RNA Staff Members and Officials of the RNA are not liable to any Exhibitor if the RNA fails to take out a policy of insurance effectively protecting any Exhibitor or Exhibit, or if any such policy does not operate to indemnify the Exhibitor in respect of the loss or damage in question.

REGULATIONS & BY-LAWS

All Entries and Exhibitors are subject to RNA Regulations and By- Laws set out in this schedule as well as other By-Laws that may pertain to this competition

Full copies of the RNA By-Laws may be obtained upon application to the Competitions Department.

BUSH POETRY REGULATIONS

The time limit (including preamble) for all performers is six (6) minutes. Three points will be deducted by each judge to any performer exceeding the six minutes.

Material that the judges deem to be offensive will not be scored.

A random draw for the order of performances will be held after 26 July 2019. Organisers reserve the right to adjust the draw to avoid "same poems" being performed consecutively.

All performers must submit entries under their own name to be eligible to perform.

BUSH POETRY

OPEN CLASSES

Open to performers who have previously won a Novice Competition or performers who prefer to enter an Open Class Competition. This section is NOT open to school students.

Class 1 Ekka Open - Established Poem

The poem selected can be from any published author other than the person performing.

First: Certificate, \$250, Ribbon, Trophy; **Second:** Certificate, \$150, Ribbon; **Third:** Certificate, \$50, Ribbon

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Class 2 Ekka Open - Original Poem

The poem selected must have been written by the performer.

First: Certificate, \$250, Ribbon, Trophy; **Second:** Certificate, \$150, Ribbon; **Third:** Certificate, \$50, Ribbon

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OVERALL CHAMPION

For the best bush poetry performance in the OPEN class. In the event of a close result, preference will be given to original poems.

Certificate

SCHOOL CLASSES

Restricted to School Students — Junior or Senior.

Class 3 Ekka Student Performer - 12 years and under

The poem selected can be any poem from any published author or a poem written by the performer. Performer's choice.

First: Certificate, \$30, Ribbon, Trophy; **Second:** Certificate, \$15, Ribbon; **Third:** Certificate, \$5, Ribbon

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Class 4 Ekka Student Performer - 13 years and under 18 years old

The poem selected can be any poem from any published author or a poem written by the performer. Performer's choice.

First: Certificate, \$30, Ribbon, Trophy; **Second:** Certificate, \$15, Ribbon; **Third:** Certificate, \$5, Ribbon

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