

The 'Lost in the Bush'



History Writing

Competition

This competition is designed to contribute a writer's perspective on the Wimmera in the 1800s era for the "Lost in the Bush" Celebrations, August 15th and 16th, 2015, held in the shires of West Wimmera and Horsham Rural City. It aims to foster an awareness of the Wimmera Region's past, and to encourage the craft of writing about history.

Prizes: \$100 for first in each of the three categories.

1. Non –Fiction NF (with sources):

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2. Narrative History NH :

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3. Creative Writing:

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Subjects for both NF & NH

The Jardwadjali in the 1800s **or** Tom

Wills **or**

The Duff children Lost in bush **or**

Johnny Mullagh & the First Eleven **or**

The Maryvale Murders.

"Loss," set in the 1800s **or a Story for**

Children/Teens set in the 1800s.

A Wimmera Wordsmiths initiative.

Entries now close July 31. Open to residents of Australia.

Up to 4,000 words.

EMAIL ENTRIES ONLY to wimmerawordsmiths@gmail.com to be **ATTACHED AS A WORD DOCUMENT**, in Times New Roman 14 or Arial 14. Writers can enter once for each category.

Please use a separate title page with the author's name, email address, and residential address, the category; (nonfiction, narrative history or creative), the title of the story, and a statement of authenticity of the submitted story.

Pages should be numbered from the first page of text, and should carry the title of the story on each page, with no information identifying the author.

Publicity and Publication: Some stories submitted to the Lost in the Bush Celebrations Competition may be used for result publication by the WimmeraWordsmiths group, in conjunction with the Weekend in Wimmera festival. In submitting their stories, authors indicate their consent to these initiatives, are aware that they retain copyright, and declare the work submitted in any category is their own work and that no part has been **copied** from any other source. All statements taken from **other writers** must be fully **noted and acknowledged**. See Facebook page:

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