Eastwood/Hills Fellowship of Australian Writers

Boree Log Award for Bush Verse 2025



First Prize: \$100 plus a trophy and certificate

Highly Commended and Commended certificates awarded at judge's discretion

Father Patrick Hartigan (1872-1952) was ordained in 1903 and served in various positions, including twenty-seven years as parish priest at Narrandera. Writing under the pseudonym John O'Brien he published two volumes of poetry: *Around the Boree Log* in 1921, and, posthumously, *The Church at St Mel's*. He is fondly remembered for poems such as 'Said Hanrahan' and 'The Old Bush School'. He is buried in North Rocks near Parramatta.

Closing Date: Thursday 15th May, 2025 (entries must be post marked on or before this date)

Entry Fee: \$8 per entry or \$30 for 4 entries

<u>Cheques</u> or <u>money orders</u> payable to: **Fellowship of Australian Writers** <u>or direct deposit</u> to our Westpac account: BSB 032180, Account: 360308 Please include your **Surname Initial LC** in remitter/description line.

Do not send cash in the mail. No receipts will be sent.

Entries to: Competition Secretary, Eastwood/Hills FAW

PO Box 4663

North Rocks, NSW 2151

OR email to: hillsfawcomp@gmail.com Email submissions must be sent as a Microsoft Word file

(.doc or docx). A separate scanned entry form must be included with email submissions

Enquiries: Carolyn Alfonzetti, email: carolyn.alfonzetti@me.com

Conditions of Entry

<u>Please note</u>: **Entries not meeting ALL conditions will not be judged**, nor will entry fee be refunded.

- 1. Entries to be in **English**, the **original** and **unpublished** work of the entrant and **not to have won a monetary prize** in another competition
- 2. Ballad to be in perfect rhyme and metre, with max 80 lines and an Australian bush theme
- 3. Each entry must be accompanied by a **separate signed entry form** e.g. 3 poems = 3 forms
- 4. No more than 4 entries per person
- 5. **No name to appear on manuscript** (only on entry form)
- 6. Entries to be typed on one side of A4 paper
- 7. **Pages number** and **entry's title** to be on top or bottom of **each** page
- 8. For entry fee paid by EFT, please attach receipt to entry form
- 9. **For posted entries, two copies** of each entry are required
- 10. Where a posted entry is **more than one page**, all pages must be **stapled** together

The decision of the judge is final. The winner will be notified by email and announced in the fellowship's bulletin **Writers Voice** and our Prize Presentation will be at a ZOOM event on **Saturday 2nd August, 2025**

Entries will be destroyed after prize presentation.

Results and the judge's comments will be published on our website as soon as possible after Presentation – http://hillsfaw.wordpress.com/

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ENTRY FORM

One entry form for each entry

(Category, title and word count/line number must be clearly indicated)

Entrant:	
Postcode:	
Email:	_
Phone (if no email):	_
<u>Category</u> <u>Title</u>	Exact No. <u>Lines</u>
Boree Log	
Payment Method: (please tick) Cheque Money Order Electronic Funds Transfer (please attach receipt) (multiple entries may be covered by one cheque, MO or EFT) Total Amount Paid: Declaration:	
 I have read the conditions of entry into this competition and agree to abide by them. This entry is my own original work and has NOT been composed with the help of AI. 	
 My entry has NOT won a monetary prize in any previous competition and has NOT been published in print, online or on social media. 	
 My entry will NOT be entered into another competition until after the close of this competition. 	
• I understand that copyright of my entry will remain with me at all times.	
Please cross box if you'd prefer not to be reminded about this competition via email next year.	
Signed Date	