



**2017**

**BERT DAVIS SPOKEN WORD AWARDS**

**A POETRY AND SPOKEN  
WORD COMPETITION**

**To promote  
poetry in the community**

**Sunday 2 April 2017**

**From 2:30 pm**

**At the historic**

**Three Brothers Arms Hotel,  
Macclesfield,  
South Australia.**

**NOW OPEN FOR ENTRIES**

**\$\$\$ PRIZES \$\$\$**

**Presented by  
MACCY SHY POETS**

**in conjunction with**

**SA BUSH POETS**

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# 2017 BERT DAVIS SPOKEN WORD AWARDS

## ABOUT THESE AWARDS

### *“Creativity at any Age”*

Albert Victor (Bert) Davis discovered at the age of 75, after retiring from dairy farming, that he possessed a talent for creating, memorizing and reciting spoken verse about his life in and around Macclesfield.

He also had an innate ability to remember and relate stories of his own life and those he heard from relatives and friends.

From that time until the age of 86, when his 2 year battle with illness started, he enjoyed a fine reputation for his poetry and his presentations at local gatherings. Bert passed away on 19 June 2014 at the age of 88.



*Bert Davis (1925- 2014)*

## AWARDS & PRIZES

Best Spoken Word Award .....\$400

Runner-Up Award ..... \$50

People’s Choice Award.....\$TBA

Possible other awards at the discretion of the Judges.

Consolation prizes courtesy of Strong & Bold Publishing.

Entries will be judged based on creativity, content, relevance to the “Creativity at any Age” theme, spoken delivery, timing and memory.

Judging results will be announced at the event.

Prizes will be awarded where possible on the day of the event or will be posted shortly afterwards.

Organising Committee Contacts are as follows:

Convenor:

Brian Lewis. Mob: 041 148 0935

Coordinator:

Jim Smith. Mob: 0438 402 219

SA Bush Poets Adviser:

Maurie O’Brien. Mob:0417 894 481

Previous Winners - 2015:

Best Spoken Word: Rob Morrison

Runner-up: Di Jenke

People’s choice: Rob Morrison

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## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

**Aim:** To promote the skill of creating, memorizing, speaking and performing the spoken word as a story or poem in honour of Bert Davis who acquired this skill somewhat to his surprise after retiring from dairy farming at the age of 75.

**Definitions:**

Spoken word: The creation and delivery of an original poem or story from memory not exceeding 10 minutes in length.

Organiser: Maccy Shy Poets in conjunction with SA Bush Poets and supported by Macclesfield Community Association Inc.

**Entries:**

1. Entries to be completed and signed as confirmation that the conditions of entry are understood and accepted.
2. Entry fees to accompany the entry form and to reach the nominated address before the closing date.
3. Entry fees will not be refunded for any reason.
4. A printed copy of the proposed presentation to be supplied with the entry form.
5. The decision of the Judges will be accepted without argument.
6. Presentation and Judging will take place at Macclesfield:  
Sunday 2 April 2017 from 2:30 pm.
7. Entries to be the sole work and property of the entrant.
8. Entries have not previously been published.

**Disqualifications:** A contestant may be disqualified if he/she has not complied with the Conditions of Entry or if any performance is considered by the Judges to contravene any Australian law or risk defamation of any individual or organisation.

**Cancellation:** If the event is cancelled for any reason it is agreed that the entrant shall not pursue the Organiser or the supporting

body for recovery of any lost income or damages arising from such cancellation.

Applications may be submitted by post or email and must include a completed entry and payment form together with a printed copy of the proposed presentation.

## Entries close on 12 March 2017.

Open to those aged 18 or over at 12 March 2017.

Entry Fee is: \$20.00

**PAYMENT METHODS are:**

1. By cheque or money order payable to:

**Macclesfield Community Association Inc.**

2. By direct deposit EFT to:

**Account Name: Macclesfield Community Association**

**BSB: 065 515**

**Account No: 10054093.**

**Ref: Your Name Bert Davis Awards**

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## ENTRY FORM

To: Maccy Shy Poets  
c/o Brian Lewis, Convener,  
Po Box 535,  
Macclesfield SA 5153.

**OR**

Email to: [strongbold@adam.com.au](mailto:strongbold@adam.com.au)

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announcement and any  
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**Declaration:** I have read and understand the Conditions of Entry and agree to comply with all the conditions stated therein and agree to my name being published in connection with this competition.

**Signature:**  
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**Entry Forms also available from:**

[strongbold@adam.com.au](mailto:strongbold@adam.com.au)

**Closing date for entries is 12 March 2017 but an early entry is preferred to facilitate planning of the event.**

**THANK YOU.**