

**MOORA SHOW**

**WRITING AND POETRY COMPETITION 2026**

Instructions and inspiration

This year we are focusing on the theme, ***'life on the farm'***. Entrants are kindly asked to take inspiration and focus on farm life and farm machinery. Describe, depict, and focus on what life may seem like on a farm, the sights, scenes, smells, animals, and experience of living in country and working with the land.

Requirements

- Submissions may be handwritten or typed.
- If typed, please use size 12, Arial Font.
- Under no circumstances is use of AI allowed.
- There will be immediate disqualification of the entry if any use of artificial intelligence is found.
- Applicants may submit in both categories of poetry and writing.
- Please state upon entry what category you have chosen.
- If submitting in both categories, please submit **ONLY ONE** poem submission and **ONLY ONE**, story submission.
- **Please email all submissions to the following: [admin@moorashow.com.au](mailto:admin@moorashow.com.au)**
- **Please drop-off submissions at the following address: Bits & Bobbins, 52 Padbury Street, Moora**
- **Include in your submission your:** Name and Surname  
Age  
Title of Poem/Story

**Junior Category (Ages 5-16 years old) Story Writing Submission**

- \* Write a story of **150-400 words** based on the theme, ***"life on the farm."***
- \* Reflective writing, descriptive writing, narrative writing will be accepted.
- \* Paragraphs and correct punctuation use is strongly encouraged.
- \* Include a word count at the end of your work.

**Open Category (Ages 17 and over) Story Writing Submission**

- \* Write a story of **500-1200 words** based on the theme, ***"life on the farm."***
- \* Reflective writing, descriptive writing, narrative writing will be accepted.
- \* Paragraphs and correct punctuation use is strongly encouraged.
- \* Include a word count at the end of your work.

**Junior Category (Ages 5-16 years old) Poetry Submission**

- \* Write a poem of **10-30 lines**, inspired by the theme, ***"life on the farm."***
- \* Devices such as rhyme, similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia etc. may be used.

**Open Category (Ages 17 and over) Poetry Submission**

- \* Write a poem of **15-50 lines**, inspired by the theme, ***"life on the farm."***
- \* Devices such as rhyme, similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia etc. may be used.