

BUCHAN HERITAGE SOCIETY
DORIC WRITING COMPETITION RULES
POETRY AND STORY

Please read the competition rules thoroughly before entering the competition.

Classes: Junior 1	Aged 10 and under
Junior	Ages 11-12
Intermediate	Ages 13 – 17
Open	

1 Entries must be received before **31st March 2019**

2 All entries must be in Doric and be the original work of the entrant. Works entered should not have been previously published or entered in any other competition.

3 The Story writing can be in any prose genre and should fall within the following parameters: Junior 1 – up to 150 words; Junior and Intermediate – up to 500 words; Open – up to 2000 words. Poems may be of any length.

4 The competitor's name or school name should **NOT** appear on the poem or prose. For individual entries a separate sheet should be included with the entry giving the name and address of the entrant together with a completed entry form. **For School or other block entries a submission sheet should be completed and submitted along with the entries. All entry forms are available on the web site under STRICHEN FESTIVAL – ENTRY FORMS or from M Taylor, Craigdam, Rora, Longside, AB42 4NU.Tel: 01779 821349. Email: doricwriting@btinternet.com**

5 All entries should be typewritten on A4 plain paper, (Junior Sections may be handwritten.) Photocopied entries will not be eligible.

6 Judging criteria will include: the relevant use of Doric words as well as creativity, structure and grammar. The decision of the judges will be final.

7 Entries will not be returned. Copyright remains with the author, but Buchan Heritage Society reserves the right to have entries published in any of its publications, subject to acknowledgement of the author's name.

8 The Junior 1, Junior and Intermediate Section age limits may be changed at the discretion of the competition organisers depending on the number of entries.

9 Entries not complying with the competition rules will not be considered.

10 Awards of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Highly Commended and Commended will be given in each class and a trophy awarded to each section winner. **Trophies should be engraved and returned to the organiser one month prior to the following year's competition.** Participation Certificates will be awarded to all entrants. Buchan Heritage Society reserves the right to withhold awards in any section where the judges consider there are no entries of merit.