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LOWER MURRAY DARLING CATCHMENT PHOTO COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The winners for the 2008 “Environment & People of the Catchment” photographic competition were announced at the Wentworth Show on Saturday 30 August 2008.

Primary Category

- 1st place “Orange Sunset” – Tiffany Cullinan, Palinyewah
- 2nd place “Bush Feathers” – Natalie Wescombe, Dareton
- 3rd place (no winner announced)

Secondary Category

- 1st place “Landscape” – Chloe Hill, Wentworth
- 2nd place “A Little Ray of Sunshine” – Ashleigh Davidson, Dareton
- 3rd place “Machine & Tomato” – Sophie Nutt, Broken Hill
- Encouragement Award “Tucker’s Creek – Gums” – Daisy Lamb, Wentworth

Mr Mark King, LMD CMA Chair, said that each entry was assessed on a short criteria list which included composition, suitability to the theme, image exposure and creativity.

Although the number of entries were down on our 2006 competition, the quality of the end result was good.

Tiffany Cullinan’s “Orange Sunset” was extremely eye-catching and creative. The composition and depth of the photograph is excellent and shows the richness of colour found in the catchment sky at sunset with our native vegetation silhouetted against it.

The textures in Natalie Wescombe’s “Bush Feathers” of native grass against a background of a river bank created the feel of being there and wanting to touch the silky “feathers” of this plant.

Chloe Hill, a year 12 student, certainly created a feeling of misty quiet over the landscape in the early hours of the morning in her “Landscape”. Her technique of the play of light across the scene and the balance of light and shade showed that Chloe certainly knows what she is doing.

A pelican floating lazily on the water was Ashleigh Davidson’s theme for her “Little Ray of Sunshine” entry. Her excitement in achieving a prize will ensure that she tries again in next year’s competition.

The Broken Hill entry was a surprising change from landscapes. Here Sophie Nutt's contrast of an old piece of farm machinery and a tomato plant nestled between the sheets of steel, was a definite twist on this year's theme.

Daisy Lamb's photo "Tucker's Creek Gums" was taken about three steps from her back door. Her dad will be encouraging her to take a few more steps further from the backdoor for next year's entry.

"In general, the standard of photographs submitted was excellent. My advice to future participants is to think about the theme and consider being more creative in the way your photograph can match the theme" Mr King said.

The winning entries will grace the monthly pages of the LMD CMA's 2009 Desk Calendar which is distributed to landholders and other enterprises prior to Christmas. To ensure that you don't miss out on receiving your copy, contact Susan Walla at the LMD CMA on 03 5021 9460.



Primary Category – 2nd place – Natalie Wescombe "Bush Feathers"



Secondary Category – 2nd place – Ashleigh Davidson “Little Ray of Sunshine”



Secondary Category – 3rd place – Sophie Nutt “Machine & Tomato”



Secondary Category – Encouragement Award – Daisy Lamb “Tuckers Creek Gums”