

Bookmark Competition

Terms and Conditions 2025

1. Introduction

Welcome to the Yass Valley Library Design a Bookmark Competition! We invite all creative individuals to design a bookmark to celebrate the opening of our community's brand-new library.

To enter, simply collect a bookmark competition entry form from Yass Valley Library or the Mobile Library. Or download a copy from our website.

If you have any questions, please email us at library@yass.nsw.gov.au.

One winner will be selected in each of the following age categories: **0-3 years old, 4-7 years old, 8-11 years old, 12-17 years old, and 18+ years old.**

Winning designs will be printed as bookmarks and made available to the public, for free from Yass Valley Library. Winners will be notified by Friday 21 November 2025.

By submitting an entry, you agree to these Terms and Conditions.

2. Eligibility

1. **Age Categories:** Entrants must fit within one of the applicable entrant categories outlined below:
 - a. 0-3 years old
 - b. 4-7 years old
 - c. 8-11 years old
 - d. 12-17 years old
 - e. 18+ years old
2. **Library Membership:** Entrants must be a Yass Valley library member.
3. Yass Valley Council staff, contractors and Councillors are not eligible for entry into the competition.

4. **Originality:** All artwork must be original and created solely by the entrant. Plagiarised or copyrighted material will be disqualified.

3. Entry Process

1. The competition opens 9.30am Wednesday 1 October 2025 and closes 1.00pm Saturday 1 November 2025.
2. Postal entries must be postmarked by 1 November 2025 and sent to **PO Box 36 Yass NSW 2582**.
3. Late entries will not be accepted.
4. Entry to the competition is free.
5. All entry details are final at the time of submission of an entry. Entrants are unable to make edits to an entry once an entry has been submitted.
6. Only one entry per person is permitted.
7. **Submission Requirements:**
 - a. Entries may be submitted in person at Yass Library or the Mobile Library, or by Post. Electronic submissions will not be accepted.
 - b. Artwork must:
 - i. Be original and hand-drawn (no digital artwork).
 - ii. Fit within the provided template dimensions: 5.6cm x 20.6cm.
 - iii. Avoid inappropriate content including offensive, discriminatory or political material.
 - c. Each entry must include a fully completed entry form.
 - d. Entrants under the age of 18 must have a parent/guardian's permission to enter.
8. **Publication:**
 - a. Entries may be displayed online, in print and on social media by Yass Valley Council.
 - b. Entrants consent to having their first name being published with their artwork.

4. Judging

1. Entries will be judged anonymously by a panel of library and council staff.
2. **Judging Criteria:** Entries will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
 - a. **Creativity:** Imagination and use of design elements.

- b. **Originality:** Uniqueness and distinctiveness of the artwork.
 - c. **Artistic Merit:** Overall aesthetic appeal and execution of the design.
 - d. **Suitability:** Graphic quality for printing as a bookmark.
3. **All** decisions of the judging panel are final. No correspondence will be entered into.

5. Prizes

- 1. **Winners:** There will be one winner selected from each age category.
- 2. **Prize Details:** Winners will each receive a \$30 Shop Yass Valley Gift Card. Prizes are non-transferable, and not redeemable for cash.
- 3. **Notification:** Winners will be notified by **21 November 2025** via email or phone.
- 4. **Prize Distribution:** Prizes will be distributed either in person at the Yass Valley Library or mailed to the winner's provided address.
- 5. An entrant can only win one (1) prize.
- 6. Prizes for winners under 18 will be awarded in the presence of a parent or guardian.

6. Privacy

- 1. Personal information collected during the entry process will be used solely for the purpose of administering the competition.
- 2. Council will collect full names and contact details to notify the winner and arrange prize delivery.
- 3. Only first names will be published with the winning entries.
- 4. All personal data will be handled in accordance with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) and will not be shared with third parties.

7. Copyright

- 1. **Entrants** retain copyright of their artwork.
- 2. By entering, participants grant Yass Valley Council a royalty-free licence to reproduce and display their artwork for promotional, educational, and archival purposes related to the competition and library service.

8. Disqualification

Yass Valley Library reserves the right to disqualify any entry that:

- Does not comply with these Terms and Conditions.
- Is inappropriate, offensive, or unlawful.
- Is plagiarised or not the original work of the entrant.
- Is incomplete or submitted in the wrong format.

9. General Conditions

1. Yass Valley Council reserves the right to amend these Terms and Conditions at any time. Any changes will be published on Yass Valley Library social media.
2. The competition is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.
3. Council is not liable for any loss, damage, or injury related to participation in the competition.
4. Council is not responsible for late, lost, or misdirected entries.

10. Winner Announcement and Display

1. Winners will be announced via the Yass Valley Library social media and at Yass Valley Library.
2. All entries, including winning entries, may be displayed at Yass Valley Library and online.