

THE AWARDS

The SA Press Club Awards recognise excellence in South Australian journalism across traditional and contemporary platforms.

They were established by the SAPC so that professionals in the industry can be freely judged by their peers..

There are 19 categories and a Gold Award which is presented to the Journalist of the Year selected from category winners. Each category winner will receive a trophy and \$250, while the Gold Award recipient will receive a trophy and \$1,000 cash.

Entries are now open and will close on Tuesday 4th October 2016 with the Awards Night to be held on Friday 18th November 2016, at the Hotel Grand Chancellor on Hindley.

All entrants must complete the entry form and abide by the rules and judging criteria.

THE CATEGORIES

News Ltd Best News Report in Print or Digital
Telstra Best Feature in Print or Digital
Telstra Best Sports Story in any Medium
Best News Photograph Print or Digital
Best Features Photograph Print or Digital
Lion Best Sports Photograph Print or Digital (Ray Titus Perpetual Shield)
Seven Network Best Television News Report
HWL Ebsworth Lawyers Best Long Form Television Report (3 minutes or more)
Best Broadcaster (Television, Radio or Online)
Nine News Best News Camera Coverage
FIVEaa Best Radio Report
People's Choice Credit Union Best Community Report in Any Medium
Hotel Grand Chancellor on Hindley Best Regional or Rural Affairs Report in Any Medium
RAA Transport Journalism Award in any Medium
People's Choice Credit Union Best Three Headlines in any Medium
People's Choice Credit Union Best Graphics, Illustration or Cartoon in any Medium
Jeff Tims Manufacturing Jeweller Best Columnist / Blogger Print or Online Digital
Indaily Best Investigative Coverage of an Issue or Event in any Medium
Network Ten Best Scoop of the Year in any Medium

University of South Australia Student Journalism Award

(Comprising 3 pieces to be submitted which have been published or broadcast in some form – print, radio, TV or online – and/or submitted as official assignments.)

Young Journalist of the Year

(Up to three pieces, together with a statement on personal drive and integrity, Journalists must have less than 5 years' experience and a letter of support from the applicant's manager/supervisor should confirm this aspect and their capability and commitment. Selected by the SAPC committee of judges.)

Gold Award

(Selected from category winners by the SAPC committee of judges. Excludes the University of South Australia Student Journalism Award and the Young Journalist of the Year.)

Lifetime Achievement Award

(Selected by the SA Press Club committee of judges.)

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. The SA Press Club Awards were established to promote and recognise excellence in South Australian journalism. Accordingly, entry is restricted to entries, as determined by the judges, to have a sufficient connection with South Australia. The judges may utilise any or all of the following criteria in arriving at such determination:

- 1.1 Entrant is employed by a South Australian media organisation.
- 1.2 Entrants works primarily in South Australia,
- 1.3 Entrant has been sent from South Australia on a specific interstate or overseas assignment for a South Australian media organisation.

The term "South Australian media organisation" is understood to mean an organisation that conducts substantial publishing or broadcasting activities in South Australia.

2. Each entry must have been first published or broadcast during the period from 1 October 2015 and 30 September 2016. Any newspaper or magazine article submitted as part of an entry must be published on a masthead bearing a date between 1 October 2015 and 30 September 2016 inclusive.
3. Entries must be submitted no later than 5.00p.m. on Tuesday 4 October 2016. No late entries will be accepted.
4. Each entry must comply with accepted journalistic ethics and standards.
5. Entrants must declare any subsequent formal corrections, claims of plagiarism or other legal proceedings commenced in relation to the entry.
6. Each entry may submit a maximum of two (2) entries in any one category, but **must not** submit the same entry in more than one (1) category (exception being the Young Journalist of the Year or the Best Investigative Coverage of an Issue or Event in any Medium). The judges reserve the right to transfer an entry to another category and to reject an entry that, in the opinion of the judges, does not comply with the requirements of the awards.
7. Each entrant must certify that the entry is their original work and that it complies with all copyright requirements of the awards.

8. The judges reserve the right to utilise and reproduce all entries submitted for the purposes of promoting the awards.
9. The judges' decision is final and there will be no right of review or appeal. Entries will not be returned and the entrant should keep copies of all work submitted.
10. SAPC committee members shall be eligible to enter. A committee member or entrant who enters any category shall be ineligible to serve as a judge in respect of that category or any other category.
11. Each entrant must in respect of each entry nominate one article, broadcast or pictorial item as the primary item to be considered by the judges. Where the primary item forms part of a series or package, up to two (2) further associated items may be submitted by the entrant, to provide necessary context. If this condition is not adhered to the judges may in their discretion either one (i) selected one item from those submitted by the entrant as the primary item, or (ii) exclude the entry from consideration.

THE JUDGING CRITERIA

1. **Degree of Difficulty** (in landing / chasing the story and then getting it across the line)
2. **Excellence of execution** (use of the medium, writing, scripting, delivery, live etc)
3. **Importance** of the subject matter and impact