



May 2008 Children's Colouring and Caption Competition Winners

THREE WINNERS

Our Independent Panel of judges had a very difficult time choosing the winner of the May 2008 Hotham Valley Railway Colouring and Caption Competition. So hard in fact that they split the entries into three age groups and declared a winner in each category.

“We were delighted to receive a large number of very well-prepared entries,” said competition organiser Philip Moore. “They showed us that imagination and having fun are alive and well.”

But receiving so many splendid entries made the task of choosing the winner a difficult one. “We decided to support the Independent Panel’s decision and give three prizes instead of one, with each of the three winners receiving a basket of merchandise valued at \$100 and a voucher for free rides on the Dwellingup Forest Train up to a maximum value of \$50 each.

A PRIZE FOR ALL THE ENTRANTS

In fact we are so pleased with the standard of entries, we are awarding a small prize to all the others who entered the competition.” Philip added.

THE WINNERS

The three winning entries are:



The winner in the Age 0 up to 3 Category was **Joshua Triggs** aged 2 from Canning Vale. The caption was “WELCOME ABOARD THE FUN TRAIN”.

We liked the use of colour by one so young and the fact that much of it is on the train. We also liked the caption’s reference to the Fun Train.



The winner in the Age 3 up to 8 Category was **Cloe Seberry** aged 6 from Margaret River. The caption was “ALL ABOARD”.

We liked the care taken in keeping within the lines of the drawing. We were particularly impressed with the use of glitter for the wheels, smoke, dome, windows, smoke box and carriage roofs.



The Age 8 to 12 Category winner was **Ryan Donkersley** aged 9 from Yangebup. The caption was “ALL ABOARD THE HOTHAM VALLEY EXPRESS”.

We were impressed with the imaginative use of colour and the additions to the original line drawing, including a warning sign, trees, bushes, smoke, extra track, and even ballast under the track.