

MEDIA RELEASE

SIMPSON PRIZE 2010

The Hon Alan Griffin, MP, Minister for Veterans Affairs announced the winners of the prestigious Simpson Prize at a ceremony in Canberra on Monday 15th March 2010.

The recipients for each state flew to Canberra for the special presentation at the Australian War Memorial.

The winners from all the Australian states and Territories will be flown to Turkey for the Anzac Day Service at Gallipoli on Anzac Day.

The competition was open to all Australian year 9 and 10 students and required an essay to be written on the topic

“Are there voices missing from the Anzac Legend?”

The WA winner was Dale Atkinson from Wesley College

The WA runner up was Jariah Knuckey From Newton Moore Senior High School

(formerly of Newton Moore Senior High School)

During their visit to Canberra the students had an extensive tour of the Australian War Memorial, a visit to Parliament House, dinner at Duntroon Military College and a visit to the National Museum.

Please contact the students if you wish to share their experiences of this excellent competition which is sponsored by the Australian Government through the Civics and Citizenship program which is administered by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and the Department of Veterans Affairs. It is managed by the History Teachers' Association of Australia.

Ms Jacqui Bolt from Girrawheen Senior High School has been selected to accompany the students going to Gallipoli.

For further information please contact the WA Coordinator who would be delighted to provide any further information.

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