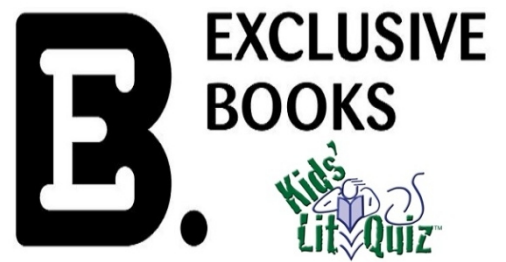


KLQ 2017 Report



Summary

Over 100 schools (represented by 166 teams) took part in the Kids Lit Quiz in South Africa this year, in seven regions: Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg, Knysna, Pietermaritzburg, Port Elizabeth and Pretoria.

The regional heats took place during February, and on 1 March the National Finals were held at Roedean School in Johannesburg, with ten teams participating from around the country. Three regions had two teams representing the region, as in the regional heats they had 30 teams or more.

Regional winners

Regional teams at the National Finals were:



The Ridge, Johannesburg region



St John's Preparatory, Johannesburg region



Manor Gardens 2, Durban region



Manor Gardens 1, Durban region



Oakhill School, Knysna region



St Cyprians, Cape Town region



Sweet Valley, Cape Townregion



Wykeham Collegiate, Pietermaritzburg region



Heronbridge, Pretoria region



Kingswood, Port Elizabeth region



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The cash prizes and book voucher prizes for the regional heats and the cash and book prizes for the national finals, really fulfilled the vision that Wayne Mills, founder of the quiz had – to reward good readers.



Quizmaster: Wayne Mills

It is a huge challenge for Wayne to have unseen categories in the regional heats each year, and to stay on top of new fiction.

I want to pay tribute to what this quiz has meant to school libraries and reading in SA:

- The library stock of participating schools has broadened.
- Pupils are encouraged to read beyond their favourite genre and author.
- Most of all, readers feel recognised and a sense of being part of a broader group of bibliophiles who understand the joy of reading.

The National Finals!

After a nail-biting final, the winners were St John's with 26 points, Heronbridge with 23 points and Manor Gardens 2 with 21 points. Themes for this final included Sidekicks, Authors, Novel openings, Titles and Characters in literature. This all-boy, winning SA team is now preparing to take on the winners of the international heats in Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Canada, USA, and Hong Kong in Toronto, in July.



Second Place: Heronbridge



Third Place: Manor Gardens 2



National Winners 2017 – St John's Prep!