

NFMS "Illustrious Bulletin Editors" Contest-**Judge's Score Sheet – Poetry** – (Please Print Clearly)

Editor's Name _____

Editor's Club: _____

Poetry Title _____

Entry's Published Month & Year _____ (Judges: No award or penalty for color reproduction)

Title Appropriate/Editor Identified (Maximum points -5) Points deducted _____

Appeal/Interest (Circle A or B) (Maximum points-25)

- A. General audience (directed at hobbyists anywhere). Does it create interest in subject, inspire, encourage, broaden knowledge, give new insight, make reader smile, etc. Points deducted _____
- B. Specialized audience (directed at local club members, a hobby focus) Does it get the message across in a pleasant manner? Points deducted _____

Meter/Rhythm (Circle A or B) (maximum points- 20)

- A. Open verse: (unrhymed) Does the rhythm flow? Are lines broken at places appropriate to rhythm/language/thought content? Points deducted _____
- B. Rhyming: Are meter/rhyme scheme consistent? Are rhyming words appropriate to content, or used as "gimmicks" to force rhyme? (Maximum points-20) Points deducted _____

Originality of Subject Material and/or Presentation (Maximum points-15)

Does it give new or unusual insights into familiar subjects? Does it use imagery, alliteration, or other poetic devices to enhance subject material? (Maximum points- 15) Points deducted _____

No Apparent copyright violation (Maximum points 5) Points deducted _____

Interest/Appeal Originality shown, grabs reader interest (Maximum points-20) Points deducted _____

Clarity & Appropriateness of Message (Circle A or B) (Maximum points-10)

- A. Serious topic or purpose. Does it make the reader think? Broaden their knowledge? Create appealing images through use of words? Points deducted _____
- B. "Just for Fun". Is levity appropriate for subject? Does it make the reader smile or see something in a more humorous way? Points deducted _____

Suitability of Verse Style for Subject (Circle A or B) (Maximum points 15)

- A. Haiku or Acoustic poem (is imagery concentrated? Clear? Has deeper meaning? Limerick is the use of words used cleverly, distinctly, originally? Points deducted _____
- B. Long stanza, two or more stanzas, ballad, narrative, etc. Does it cover topic well or does it "ramble"? Does it use the form to serve the subject material? (Maximum points 15) Points deducted _____

Maximum points which can be earned for this entry is: 100 points

Total points deducted from this entry: _____

Total points this entry earned: _____

NFMS Judge _____ Use back of sheet or separate sheet for comments