## **Clancy Of The Overflow**



# Clancy of the Overflow: Unpacking the Enigma of a Literary Legend

Have you ever encountered a character so compelling, so enigmatic, that they linger in your mind long after you've finished the book? That's the effect Clancy of the Overflow has on many readers. This isn't your typical literary superstar; Clancy is a character shrouded in mystery, a product of his environment and a testament to the power of evocative storytelling. This post will delve deep into the fascinating world of "Clancy of the Overflow," exploring its enduring appeal, its thematic depth, and its lasting impact on Australian literature. We'll unpack the character of Clancy himself, examine the novel's setting and its significance, and consider why this seemingly simple story continues to resonate with readers today.

## H2: Understanding the Context: Who is Clancy, and What's the Overflow?

Before we delve into the specifics, it's crucial to understand the context. "Clancy of the Overflow" is a poem, later adapted into a song, made famous by its association with Banjo Paterson, a celebrated Australian poet known for his bush ballads. However, the authorship is a point of contention, with some claiming Paterson didn't fully author the piece. Regardless of its precise origins, the poem and its subsequent adaptations paint a vivid picture of Clancy, a stockman working on a remote Australian cattle station (or ranch) located near a river that periodically overflows its banks – hence, "the Overflow." Clancy is portrayed as a rugged, independent individual, deeply connected to the land and its harsh realities. He embodies the spirit of the Australian bush, a character both tough and tender, resourceful and loyal.

## **H2: Clancy: More Than Just a Stockman**

Clancy is not merely a stereotypical outback hero. He represents a complex ideal: self-reliance, resilience in the face of adversity, and an unwavering commitment to his work and his mates. The poem depicts him as a skilled horseman, a courageous individual facing the dangers of the Australian landscape, and a figure who holds a unique place within his community. His actions speak volumes about his character; it's not just what he says but how he lives that truly defines him. He is a symbol of the enduring spirit of the Australian working class, a man deeply rooted in his environment and shaped by its challenges.

## H2: The Power of Setting: The Overflow as a Metaphor

The setting of "Clancy of the Overflow" is integral to the story's impact. The Overflow itself acts as a powerful metaphor. The unpredictable flooding represents the volatile nature of life in the Australian outback, a place where survival demands adaptability and resilience. The expansive landscape, the vastness of the plains, the unpredictable weather – all contribute to the sense of isolation and the need for self-sufficiency that permeates the narrative. The setting isn't merely a backdrop; it's an active participant in shaping Clancy's character and the overall narrative.

## **H2: The Enduring Legacy: Why Clancy Still Matters**

"Clancy of the Overflow" continues to resonate with readers and listeners today for several reasons. Firstly, it taps into a universal appreciation for stories of courage, resilience, and loyalty. Secondly, it captures a specific moment in Australian history and culture, offering a glimpse into the lives of those who shaped the nation. Thirdly, the poem's simple yet evocative language makes it accessible to a broad audience. It's a piece of Australian cultural heritage that transcends generations, continuing to inspire and captivate. It's a reminder of the enduring strength of the human spirit in the face of hardship.

## H2: Exploring Themes: Friendship, Loyalty, and the Australian Spirit

The poem explores several powerful themes, including friendship, loyalty, and the quintessential Australian spirit. The narrative highlights the importance of camaraderie among those who live and work in remote areas, emphasizing the bonds forged through shared experiences and mutual support. The unwavering loyalty Clancy displays towards his fellow stockmen and his deep connection to the land are central to the story's emotional core. The poem's enduring appeal stems from its celebration of these values, which remain relevant across time and cultures.

## **Conclusion**

"Clancy of the Overflow" is more than just a poem or song; it's a cultural touchstone that continues to evoke strong emotions and inspire reflection. Clancy, the enigmatic stockman, remains a powerful symbol of the Australian spirit, representing resilience, independence, and loyalty. The poem's enduring popularity speaks to the timeless appeal of its themes and the evocative power of its imagery. The story's exploration of the Australian landscape and its people ensures its place in the literary and cultural landscape of Australia.

### **FAQs**

- 1. Who actually wrote "Clancy of the Overflow"? The authorship is debated, with Banjo Paterson often credited, but the true origin remains uncertain.
- 2. What is the significance of the Overflow itself in the story? The Overflow acts as a powerful metaphor for the unpredictable nature of life in the Australian outback.
- 3. What makes Clancy such a compelling character? Clancy's resilience, independence, and loyalty, coupled with his connection to the land, create a compelling and enduring character.
- 4. What are the key themes explored in the poem? Key themes include friendship, loyalty, resilience, the Australian spirit, and the relationship between humans and the natural world.
- 5. Why is "Clancy of the Overflow" still relevant today? Its exploration of universal themes of courage, loyalty, and resilience, combined with its cultural significance, ensures its continued relevance.

clancy of the overflow: Clancy of the Overflow A B. Paterson, 2021 clancy of the overflow: Clancy of the Overflow (The Matilda Saga, #9) Jackie French, 2019-11-01 From Australia's best-loved storyteller comes the final book in the bestselling Matilda Saga This is a love song to our nation, told in a single sweeping story Jed Kelly has finally persuaded her great aunt Nancy to tell the story of her grandparents. The tale that unfolds is one of Australia's greatest romances - that of Clancy of the Overflow, who gave up everything for Rose, the woman he adored, and yet still gained all he'd lost and more. But Nancy's story is not the history that Jed expects. More tales lurk behind the folklore that surrounds Clancy - the stories of the women hidden in Australia's long history, who forged a nation and whose voices need to be heard. It is also a story of many kinds of love. Clancy's growing passion for the bush, immortalised in Paterson's poem, which speaks to him in the ripple of the river and the song of the stars, and Nancy's need to pass on her deep understanding of her country. But perhaps the most moving love story of all is the one that never happened, between Matilda O'Halloran and Clancy of the Overflow. And as Jed brings all of these stories to life in her book, Matilda and Clancy will once again waltz beside the river and the forgotten will be given a new voice. PRAISE FOR THE MATILDA SAGA 'An engrossing mystery story, an ode to strong women, and a moving exploration of the private wounds we carry ... The Last Dingo Summer is a must for your summer reading list' -- Better Reading 'The perfect read for anyone who

loves immersing themselves in Australian fiction. Gripping, emotional and moving, Facing the Flame is a great book to curl up with' -- New Idea 'Highly recommended ... this was a complete binge, read in one night because it was just too good and too gripping to put down ... a cracking story filled with rich characters both old and new and imbued with all that we hold dear about Australian love of country and mateship' -- ReadPlus

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**clancy of the overflow: Clancy of the Overflow** Andrew Barton Paterson, 2006 Picture book presentation for young children of a classic poem by A B 'Banjo' Patterson (1864-1941). The poem tells of an imagined journey of Clancy, an itinerant worker, who upon completing a shearing job, goes to Queensland as a drover. Includes glossary and notes on droving, author and illustrator.

**clancy of the overflow:** The Works of 'Banjo' Paterson Andrew Barton Paterson, 1995 Collection of 'Banjo' Paterson's poetry evoking the rough life and values of Australia's outback.

clancy of the overflow: Poetry Workbook Years 7-8 Derek Lewis, 2005

clancy of the overflow: To Love a Sunburnt Country Jackie French, 2014-12-01 In war-torn Malaya, Nancy dreams of Australia - and a young man called Michael. The year is 1942 and the world is at war. Nancy Clancy left school at fourteen to spend a year droving, just like her grandfather Clancy of the Overflow. Now sixteen, Nancy's family has sent her to Malaya to bring home her sister-in-law Moira and baby nephew Gavin. Yet despite the threat of Japanese invasion, Moira resists, wanting to stay near her husband Ben. But not even Nancy of the Overflow can stop the fall of Singapore and the capture of so many Australian troops. When their ship is bombed, Nancy, Moira and Gavin are reported missing. Back home at Gibbers Creek, Michael refuses to believe the girl he loves has died. As Darwin, Broome and even Sydney are bombed, Australians must fight to save their country. But as Michael and the families of Gibbers Creek discover, there are many ways to love your country, and many ways to fight for it. From one of Australia's most-admired storytellers comes a gripping and unforgettable novel based on true events and little-known people. This is a story about ultimate survival and the deepest kinds of love. PRAISE 'A book about a love of country that is heartwarming and heartbreaking, and hard to put down.' -- Adelaide Advertiser, 4 stars

clancy of the overflow: We're All Australians Now A B Paterson, 2015-04-01 We're All Australians Now follows the tradition of other A & R children's classics such as Mulga Bill's Bicycle and Click Go the Shears with the poem We're All Australians Now by A. B. 'Banjo' Paterson illustrated by the award-winning Mark Wilson. In 1915, Australia's much-loved bush poet Banjo Paterson wrote, as an open letter to the troops, a poem he titles 'We're All Australians Now'. In this beautifully illustrated picture book, award-winning illustrator Mark Wilson evokes the spirit of Paterson's words in memory of those who fought in World War One. PRAISE FOR WE'RE ALL AUSTRALIANS NOW 'Multi-talented illustrator Mark Wilson has taken this poem and created this outstanding version of We're All Australians Now in picture book format. Wilson's clever collage layouts of sketches and oil paintings brilliantly bring this poem to life by showing us a reflection of everyday life in 1915' -- Reading Time

clancy of the overflow: Clancy of the Undertow Christopher Currie, 2015-11-18 In a dead-end town like Barwen a girl only has to be a little different to feel like a freak. And Clancy, a typical sixteen-year-old misfit with a moderately dysfunctional family, a genuine interest in Nature Club and a major crush on the local hot girl, is packing a capital F. As the summer begins, Clancy's dad is involved in a road smash that kills two local teenagers. While the family is dealing with the

reaction of a hostile town, Clancy meets someone who could possibly—at last—become a friend. Not only that, the unattainable Sasha starts to show what may be a romantic interest. In short, this is the summer when Clancy has to figure out who the hell she is. Christopher Currie is a writer and bookseller from Brisbane, whose fiction has appeared in anthologies and journals internationally. His first book, a novel for adults called The Ottoman Motel, was shortlisted for the Commonwealth Book Prize and the Queensland Literary Awards in 2012. Clancy of the Undertow is his first novel for young adults. 'Clancy of the Undertow is a beautiful story...It's about the importance of fitting in or, failing that, finding someone to not fit in with.' Books & Publishing '[A] starkly realist depiction of life for teenagers who feel at odds with the small towns in which they live. Clancy's biting sense of humour will have readers laughing despite some heavy themes.' Readings 'Currie's storytelling reminded me of Robert Drewe and Raymond Carver...Currie may not have consciously set out to write a YA novel—but I'm glad he found 15-year-old Clancy, and I hope he comes back to this readership who will welcome any new words from him with open arms.' Alpha Reader 'A beautiful cover is matched by terrific story-telling in this coming-of-age story of the smart and funny, Clancy. Funny and heartfelt and perfect for the over 15s.' Book Birdy 'Clancy of the Undertow demanded a slow, savoured read.' Alpha Reader, Favourite Books of 2015 'A compelling coming-of-age story set in a dead-end Queensland town that's imbued with warmth, empathy and real wit...Currie has a talent for keeping his writing real. From the dialogue to narration, Clancy of the Undertow blends the excruciation, confusion and hope of being a teenager into a novel that will pull in readers of any age.' Guardian 'So real it hurts...All the Aussie references are just ace.' Dolly 'In short, if I could, I would throw free copies of this book from the rooftops just to get them into the hands of every young adult reader in the world.' Hazel and Wren 'A shining example of the power of Young Adult literature...No matter what age you are, read it, it's wonderful and engaging and I could hardly bear to put it down to go to work.' Incredible Rambling Emily 'A terrific YA book with lots of appeal. Clancy is a completely believable character, a smart, confused, tomboyish teenager who's struggling to find her identity.' Herald Sun 'This brand spanking new Australian novel has been mentioned in hushed tones alongside adolescent stalwart To Kill a Mockingbird. A better, almost equally impressive, comparison would be Jasper Jones.' Weekly Review 'Christopher Currie has captured the spirit of an Australian teen struggling to find her feet within judgmental, small town prejudice.' Diva Booknerds 'It's great to see a LGBT book that is also authentic in portraying small town Australian life.' Magpies 'Christopher Currie's writing has already been compared to John Green...An honest portrayal rather than the glossed-over version of teenage life, friendship, family, and love.' Bustle 'This book is wonderfully written with beautiful characterisation and I fell in love with it.' Reading Lark 'This Australian import has already made waves overseas and is now coming to captivate the States—Christopher Currie's writing has already been compared to John Green, if that's any indication. It feels realistic, opting for an honest portrayal rather than the glossed-over version of teenage life, friendship, family, and love.' Bustle 'As soon as I picked it up, I asked myself why I'd ever waited this long to read such a realistic and moving book which will become one of the most-loved Aussie YA books of our generation...Clancy of the Undertow is brilliant in many ways, but the way Christopher Currie has captured genuine family dynamics as well as the voice of a teen who's struggling to find her place in a small, judgmental Australian town is what makes this novel a must-read.' Written Word Worlds 'Currie does very well at getting inside a teenaged girl's head, presenting an authentic voice for Clancy. As he says in the acknowledgments at the end, 'if it helps just one person understand that being young is being confused, and that things do get better, and that none of us really know what we're doing, then this whole process will have been worth it.' This is what good young adult fiction can do, and this one is just that.' The Big Book Club

**clancy of the overflow: Clancy the Courageous Cow** Lachie Hume, 2007-03-13 The Belted Galloways are trapped in a vicious cycle. Every year their bossy neighbors, the Herefords, win the Cow Wrestling Contest. The winners get to graze on the best pasture. The losers have to wait till next year. Can a beltless Belted Galloway do anything about their plight? He can if his name is Clancy.

clancy of the overflow: The Girl from Snowy River (The Matilda Saga, #2) Jackie French, 2012-12-01 In the tradition of The Man from Snowy River comes a gripping and courageous sequel to A Waltz for Matilda The year is 1919. Thirty years have passed since the man from Snowy River made his famous ride. But World War I still casts its shadow across a valley in the heart of Australia, particularly for orphaned sixteen-year-old Flinty McAlpine, who lost a brother when the Snowy River men marched away to war. Why has the man Flinty loves returned from the war so changed and distant? Why has her brother Andy 'gone with cattle', leaving Flinty in charge of their younger brother and sister and with the threat of eviction from the farm she loves so dearly? A brumby muster held under the watchful eye of the legendary Clancy of the Overflow offers hope. Now Flinty must ride to save her farm, her family and the valley she loves. Set among the landscapes of the great poems of Australia, this book is a love song to the Snowy Mountains and a tribute to Australia's poets who immortalised so much of our land. The Girl from Snowy River combines passion, heartbreak, history and an enduring love and rich understanding of our land. PRAISE FOR A WALTZ FOR MATILDA '... this absorbing saga abounds in social and historical detail' -- Magpies

clancy of the overflow: Banjo Paterson's Poems of the Bush Andrew Barton Paterson, 2000 The poetry selected for this collection reveals Paterson's love and appreciation for the Australian bush and its people. It contains not only widely published and quoted poems such as 'On Kiley's Run' and 'Clancy of The Overflow', but also lesser known poems such as 'The Uplift' and 'The Wind's Message'. The colour plates of works by Australian artists subtly illustrate the images evoked by the poems.

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clancy of the overflow: Stranger Country Monica Tan, 2019-03-04 Tracks meets Wild in this account of Chinese Australian journalist Monica Tan's 6 month odyssey though outback Australia. 'Will I ever really belong to this country? As a Chinese Australian? As a non-Indigenous Australian? . . . I was 32 years old and barely knew the country of my birth. It was time to change that.' What happens when a 32-year-old first-generation Australian woman decides to chuck in a dream job, pack a sleeping bag and tent, and hit the long, dusty road for six months? Thirty-thousand kilometres

later, Monica Tan has the answer, and it completely surprises her. In mid-2016, Monica left Sydney, unsure of her place in Australia. As a Chinese Australian city slicker, she couldn't have felt more distant from powerful mythologies like the Digger, the Drover's Wife and Clancy of the Overflow. And more importantly, Monica wondered, how could she ever feel she truly belonged to a land that has been the spiritual domain of Indigenous Australians for over 60,000 years? Stranger Country is the riveting account of the six months Monica drove and camped her way through some of Australia's most beautiful and remote landscapes. She shared meals, beers and conversations with miners, greynomads, artists, farmers, community workers and small business owners from across the nation: some Aboriginal, some white, some Asian, and even a few who managed to be all three. The result is an enthralling and entertaining celebration of the spirit of adventure, a thoughtful quest for understanding, and a unique portrait of Australia and all it means to those who live here.

clancy of the overflow: The Cattle Dog's Revenge Jack Drake, 2012

**clancy of the overflow:** A Bush Christening Troy Dann, 2011 Action Dann tells his best friend Oakie about the young boy who hides in a log to avoid being christened. What happens next is hilarious!

clancy of the overflow: Henry and Banjo James Knight, 2015-09-29 The fascinating lives and turbulent times of Henry Lawson and Andrew 'Banjo' Paterson - the two men who wrote Australia's story. Today most of us know that Henry Lawson and Andrew 'Banjo' Paterson were famous writers. We know about Matilda, Clancy of the Overflow and the Man from Snowy River; The Drover's Wife, While the Billy Boils and Joe Wilson and his mates, but little else. Here, in a compelling and engaging work, James Knight brings Henry and Banjo's own stories to life. And there is much to tell. Both were country born, just three years and three hundred kilometres apart, Henry on the goldfields of Grenfell and Banjo on a property near Orange, but their paths to literary immortality took very different routes - indeed at times their lives were ones of savage and all too tragic contrasts. Banjo, born into a life of comparative privilege, would rise from country boy to Sydney Grammar student, solicitor, journalist, war correspondent and revered man about town. Henry's formal education only began when his feminist mother finally won her battle for a local school but illness and subsequent deafness would make continuing his lessons difficult, seeing him find work as a labourer, a coach painter and a journalist, all the while wrestling with poverty, alcoholism and mental illness. Both men would become household names during their lifetimes. Both would have regrets. Henry and Banjo details two incredibly fascinating lives and delves into the famous (and not so famous) writings of the two men who had the power to influence and change Australia.

clancy of the overflow: Clancy of the Overflow A. B. Paterson, 2011

clancy of the overflow: Banjo Grantlee Kieza, 2018-11-01 The remarkable life of Australia's greatest storyteller 'A detailed and sympathetic account ... fascinating' - The Australian A.B. 'Banjo' Paterson is rightly recognised as Australia's greatest storyteller and most celebrated poet, the boy from the bush who became the voice of a generation. He gave the nation its unofficial national anthem 'Waltzing Matilda' and treasured ballads such as 'The Man from Snowy River' and 'Clancy of the Overflow', vivid creations that helped to define Australia's national identity. But there is more, much more to Banjo's story, and in this landmark biography, award-winning writer Grantlee Kieza chronicles a rich and varied life, one that straddled two centuries and saw Australia transform from a far-flung colony to a fully fledged nation. Born in the bush, as a boy Banjo rode his pony to a one-room school along a trail frequented by outlaw Ben Hall. As a young man he befriended Breaker Morant, and covered the second Boer War as a reporter. He fudged his age to enlist during World War I, ultimately driving an ambulance before commanding a horse training unit during that conflict. Newspaper editor, columnist, foreign correspondent and ABC broadcaster, he knew countless luminaries of his time, including Rudyard Kipling, Winston Churchill, Field Marshal Haig and Henry Lawson. The tennis ace, notorious ladies' man, brilliant jockey and celebrated polo player was an eye-witness to countless key moments in Australian history, and saw Carbine and Phar Lap race. Extensively researched and written with Kieza's trademark verve, Banjo is a lively and captivating portrait of this truly great Australian. PRAISE FOR GRANTLEE KIEZA OAM 'Engagingly

written ... one of the most nuanced portraits to date' -- The Australian 'Vivid, detailed and well written' -- Daily Telegraph 'A staggering accomplishment that can't be missed by history buffs and story lovers alike' -- Betterreading.com.au 'A free-flowing biography of a great Australian figure' --- John Howard 'Clear and accessible ... well-crafted and extensively documented' -- Weekend Australian 'Kieza has added hugely to the depth of knowledge about our greatest military general in a book that is timely' Tim Fischer, Courier-Mail 'The author writes with the immediacy of a fine documentary ... an easy, informative read, bringing historic personalities to life' -- Ballarat Courier

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**clancy of the overflow:** *Tom Clancy Commander in Chief* Mark Greaney, 2015 Jack Ryan is presented with yet another deadly mission in the latest thriller by Mark Greaney, Tom Clancy's last and most successful collaborator

**clancy of the overflow:** *A Children's Treasury* Andrew Barton Paterson, 1984-01-01 Selected stories and poems by the renowned Australian writer.

**clancy of the overflow: Meet Banjo Paterson** Kristin Weidenbach, 2015 Take another look at the extraordinary men and women who have shaped Australia's history, including the bush poet Banjo Paterson Banjo Paterson is one of Australia's most loved poets. This is the story of how he came to write his legendary ballads The Man from Snowy River and Waltzing Matilda.

clancy of the overflow: The ABC Book of Australian Poetry Libby Hathorn, Cassandra Allen, Australian Broadcasting Corporation, 2010 Follow a river of poetry through country, town, the bush, the four seasons, night and day, and explore the Australian landscape through the eyes of our best Australian poets. Age 10-14. 'I am the river, gently flowing, as I wind my way to the sea.' (Mary Duroux) Follow the river of poetry through country, town, the bush, the four seasons, night and day and explore the Australian landscape through the eyes of our best Australian poets. In this beautiful collection of poems for children, award-winning author and poet, Libby Hathorn, has brought together favourites such as those by A.B. 'Banjo' Paterson, Dorothea Mackellar and C.J. Dennis, as well as more contemporary poems by Steven Herrick, Eva Johnson, Les A. Murray and others. Exquisite illustrations by Cassandra Allan make this a collection to treasure. Age 10-14.

**clancy of the overflow: James Whitcomb Riley** Elizabeth J. Van Allen, 1999 Van Allen sifts facts from fiction to construct as true a portrait of Riley as possible in the context of the society in which he lived.--BOOK JACKET.

clancy of the overflow: A Waltz for Matilda (The Matilda Saga, #1) Jackie French, 2010-12-01 The story behind Banjo Paterson's iconic Australian song. 'Once a jolly swagman camped

by a Billabong Under the shade of a Coolibah tree And he sang as he watched and waited till his Billy boiled You'll come a-waltzing Matilda with me...' In 1894, twelve-year-old Matilda flees the city slums to find her unknown father and his farm. But drought grips the land, and the shearers are on strike. Her father has turned swaggie and he's wanted by the troopers. In front of his terrified daughter, he makes a stand against them, defiant to the last. 'You'll never catch me alive, said he...' Set against a backdrop of bushfire, flood, war and jubilation, this is the story of one girl's journey towards independence. It is also the story of others who had no vote and very little but their dreams. Drawing on the well-known poem by A.B. Paterson and from events rooted in actual history, this is the untold story behind Australia's early years as an emerging nation. PRAISE 'Jackie French has a passion for history, and an enviable ability to weave the fascinating minutiae of everyday life into a good story.' -- Magpies Magazine

clancy of the overflow: Searching for the Man from Snowy River W. F. Refshauge, 2012 The Man from Snowy River appeared in Patersons first book of verse. It was an immediate success and has remained popular ever since. But Did Paterson have anyone in mind when he crafted the Australian classic was there really a Man from Snowy River? Searching for The Man from Snowy River investigates all candidates for The Man, looking at the evidence the poem, the location, and other clear criteria and yields only one possible figure. So, who was The Man from Snowy River?

**clancy of the overflow: Humorous Verses** Henry Lawson, 2007-10 HUMOROUS VERSES - CONTENTS. - PAQE MY LITERARY FRIEND Once I wrote a little poem which I thought was very fine, . . 125 MARY CALLED HIM MISTER Theyd parted but a year before-she never thought hed come, . . 127 REJECTED She says shes very sorry, as she

clancy of the overflow: <u>Banjo Paterson</u> Andrew Barton Paterson, Banjo Paterson, 1993-08-02 The poet A B 'Banjo' Paterson, best known for his rousing folk classics The Man from Snowy River and Waltzing Matilda, is widely acknowledged as Australia's greatest and most popular balladist. His poems, written with great gusto and humour, celebrate all the romance and rough-and-tumble of old Australia. In this collection, leading Paterson scholar Clement Semmler presents more than 100 of Paterson's poems that reflect the remarkable richness and range of his writings. Generously illustrated with period drawings, this first Penguin edition of Paterson's verse pays tribute to one of Australia's favourite sons – 'the Banjo of the Bush.'

clancy of the overflow: Classic Australian Poems Christopher Cheng, 2011-11-01 Australian poets have a wonderful way with words and their poems bring to life the iconic Aussie characters and unforgettable landscape that are part of our Australian heritage. Many of these - Mulga Bill, Clancy of the Overflow, The Ant Explorer, M'Dougal, The Shearer's Wife and Mr Smith - are larger than life. And the poets who created them - AB Patterson, CJ Dennis, Thomas E Spencer, Louis Esson and DH Souter - have become heroic figures in our pantheon of stars. The 60 poems in this collection appear in their original, or near original, form and are wide-ranging in their subject matter: animals, the countryside, the struggle of bush life, early transport, sport, growing old, being young and having fun with words! But whether they are humorous, serious or playful, they are simply a joy to read! No matter if we grew up reciting these classic poems at school, quote from them on important occasions or are meeting them for the first time, there is no doubt that these classic poems embody what it is to be Australian. Edited by Christopher Cheng and illustrated by Gregory Rogers.

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