

STAN'S GOLDEN GIRL GETS HER FIRST GUITAR

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Having dreamed of winning of Golden Guitar "all her life", persistence finally paid off for bush balladeer Tracy Coster.

Her dream came true last Saturday night on the Tamworth Regional Entertainment Centre stage, when she and Anne Kirkpatrick won the Vocal Collaboration Golden Guitar singing Back To the Saltbush Plains.

One of the very first Stan Coster-penned songs recorded by Slim Dusty, is a standout track from Coster Country. Tracy's latest release featuring some of her musical mates singing her father's compositions.

In true Coster style, Tracy has kept alive the bush ballad tradition and the culture of touring the country, something her dad was renowned for – taking his music to the people of Australia.

As Tracy said in her emotional speech on Awards' night: "there will be two very proud old bushies looking down on me tonight", meaning of course her beloved mum and dad, Dot and Stan.

Another old bushie up there, Slim Dusty, would have been equally as proud, to see his daughter's vocal pairing with Tracy rewarded in such a fitting manner.

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