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THE 2015 RIALTO CHANNEL 48HOURS WINNERS ARE....

Rialto Channel 48HOURS is now a teenager in its 13th year. The national filmmaking competition

winners were announced at the 2015 Grand National Final hosted on Saturday evening (4TH July) in

Auckland.

Rialto Channel 48HOURS kicked off on MAY 1 when close to 700 teams from around New Zealand

wrote, shot, edited and delivered their short films in just 48 hours.

The competition, NZ's biggest filmmaking comp, hands out awards and prizes from a prize pool

valued at over \$60,000. This year three lucky teams from Wellington and Auckland were picked by

Sir Peter Jackson as his 2015 Wildcard entries. Those films had direct nomination for best film in the

Grand National Final.

But in the end, there could only be one....

The 2015 Grand National Champion is Team CHESS CLUB, with their short "BREAD WINNER"

This is the first time TEAM CHESS CLUB have been crowned Grand National Champ after entering

Rialto Channel 48HOURS in a number of previous years. Their film 'Bread Winner" also won Best

Script.

"We're incredibly proud to be winners of this awesome competition amongst the country's best

unsung film-making talent." - Barnaby Fredric, TEAM CHESS CLUB

The Runner Up award went to team KING GAINS BURY & BICHES for "TIDE" who also took out Best

Actress & Best Cinematography. Team COUCH KUMARAS with their film "LOYAL" took out Runner

Runner Up (third place), Best Actor & Best Editing.

All 14 finalists' short films were screened at the Grand National Final at the Civic Theatre, Auckland

as part of the award ceremony where awards in 18 categories were announced.

Please see below for the complete list of winners:

Grand National Champion

CHESS CLUB - "BREAD WINNER"

Musical

Runner Up

KING GAINS BURY & BICHES - "TIDE"

Buddy Movie

Runner Runner Up

COUCH KUMARAS - "LOYAL"

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Buddy Movie

RIALTO CHANNEL Rising Talent

WOOF BLOODY WOOF - "SURVIVOR GUILT"

V Best Actress

Amanda Billing - "TIDE"

V Best Actor

Conor Cameron - "LOYAL"

Canon Best Cinematography

Roko Antonio Babich - "TIDE"

LETTERBOXD Best Director

Benjamin Brooking & Anna Duckworth - "HARD TO READ"

Best School Team

BETTER THAN MIKE - "SPUDDIES"

Best Script

Barnaby Fredric, James Kupa, Paul Harrop, Sam Bunkall, Tom Cottle - "BREAD WINNER"

Best Original SONG

Paul Williams - "HARD TO READ"

Best Original SCORE

Tane Upjohn-Beatson - "SOUND SLEEP"

Best Animation

I LOVE LOOPS - "MEATLOAF"

Best Editing

Finn O'Connor - "LOYAL"

Best Use of the Prop

PIE PRODUCTIONS - "Voodough"

Best Use of the Line

DYSTROGRAPHY STUDIOS - "POSITIVE"

Best Use of the Character

TBALC - "THE SILENT MAN"

Best Incredibly Strange

INAPPROPRIATE PICTURES - "THE WRONG JAR"

For further information about Rialto Channel 48HOURS please visit 48hours.co.nz

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