



# **INTRODUCTION:**

Thank you for choosing Bella Events to celebrate your wonderful night with family & Friends.

Participation in the ball requires the parents, debutantes and partners to be highly organised and available.

#### TRAINING:

There are 5 training sessions plus a mid-week rehearsal at the venue the week of the event. Training is at the St Peters Church Hall. 367 Urana Road Lavington. The training sessions are usually on a Sunday afternoon from 4pm. Your time slot and group will be communicated to you via group chat on Facebook prior the start of training. If training must change for one or two sessions it will usually be held on a Monday night. Again... you will be given prior notice so you can arrange to have the night free to train.

#### **REGISTRATION:**

The debutante and their partner are both to pay a registration fee to secure their spot on that debutante ball date.

The registration includes, Pre event platters, Main meal, Entertainment, security, 5 weeks of professional dance lessons, wrist corsage for the debutantes, buttonhole for the gents, Debutante sash, gifts for the official party, debutante cake, social media content creation and administration duties. Registration fees for both parties, need to be paid 90 days before the commencement of the first training.

Payments can be transferred to:

ACCOUNT NAME: B T Robertson

BSB # 640 000 A/C # 111345778

Reference to be either the Debutantes name or Partners Name whomever you are paying for. NO REFRENCE, MEANS NO REGO PAID.

On our Bella Debutante Website: <a href="www.belladebutante.com.au">www.belladebutante.com.au</a> there will be registration forms for each date of your chosen ball. Please fill this form out and save it, attach the form and email it to <a href="mailto:belladebutante@bigpond.com">belladebutante@bigpond.com</a>

# REMINDER; SPOTS ARE ONLY FILLED BY FULL PAYMENT 90 DAYS PRIOR TO COMENCING OF TRAINING.

#### **DANCE TRAINING:**

Couples will learn 5 dances in 5 weeks consisting of 4 formal dances, a fun dance as well as a very easy special guest dance.

Your Dance trainer is Dancesport Accredited coach and adjudicator Bronwyn Robertson. Bron prides herself on creating a fun environment to learn to dance however, make no mistake, Bron's main role is to ensure you go out on the night of the ball knowing exactly what you are doing. Bron expects 100% commitment to ALL 5 weeks of training and sets the rules on the 1st night of training.

These include, no chewing gum, no hats or hoodies. When Bron is giving instructions, there is no talking. If you are talking you will miss important information.

Debutantes & Partners MUST train in their shoes they will wear the night of the Ball. Your shoes for the lady may be white, tan, silver or cream. They can have a block heel or heel.

Gents will need to purchase a Black dress shoe. It is important to practice in these shoes for balance and movement.

# **MESSENGER GROUP CHATS:**

There will be a Facebook group chat created for the debutante and partner. We will also have a separate group chat for the parents.

As soon as we have everyone on the chat, we ask that you screenshot your parent's profile so a separate chat can be started.

This allows us to get important information to you quickly.

The Deb & Partner will also have the dance routines uploaded each week so you can practice in your own time.

# **COMMITMENT:**

When you select your date, and choose a partner, PLEASE make sure you are both 100% committed.

It is compulsory to attend ALL 5 training sessions.

Missing 1 training session will put you and your partner so far behind. It creates stress and anxiety not being prepared. These sessions are fast paced. It is up to you to go over the dances each week in your own time.

Please arrive on time and be respectful of your trainer's time. There are NO solo's we are all a team and must work together.

#### **TABLES & DECORATIONS:**

We invite the Debutante & Partner to decorate their own tables. Basic Table centre pieces are supplied. Round tables of 12 seats will be plated along with Glassware, cutlery and serviettes. You are responsible for your own place cards and or guest favours as well as any other decorations such as fairy lights etc.

Place cards will need to be clearly written, and if there is a dietary requirement it will need t be written clearly under the guest's name for catering staff to be able to give them the correct meal.

You may come to the venue from 12 noon till 3pm the day of the Event to decorate your table.

# NOT TO BE USED ON THE TABLES:

**DO NOT** use rubber balloons, bubbles, Glitter or glitter types of products. Leaf's, petals will need to be cleaned up when packing up your table.

**DO NOT** bring alcohol or alcohol type products into the venue. A bar service is provided.

**NO** Naked flame, only battery type candles or fairy lights are allowed. In the centre of the table nothing over 30cm.

If you are wanting to do favours for your guests, these need to be secured in jars, containers, bags or boxes for each guest individually.

#### **DEBUTANTE:**

The dress must be white and have sufficient clearance from the floor to be able to dance in, walk in and skip. Dresses with straps or sleeves are preferred, but not compulsory. Please ensure you can dance in your dress. That also means being able to lift your arms for the partner to twirl you under his arm.

You must supply your own white **GLOVES**.

SHOE'S must be a heel of some sort. They can be white, nude, silver cream. Again, you must be able to walk in them, dance and skip. If you wish to change your shoes after presentation you may do so. There will be NO bare feet in the Auditorium.

# **PARTNER:**

The style of the Gents suits has already been selected and will be hired by Ferrari Formal Wear & Bridal. Shop 4/ 439 Dean Street Albury. PH 60 21118

The cost of the suit is NOT included in your registration payment. When you hire the suit, it is your responsibility to look after it and return it.

The hire includes slacks, shirt, vest, jacket, bow tie and jacket pocket slip.

You are required to provide your own lace up black shoe's & long black socks. Shoes need to be clean, tidy and polished.

Measurements, payments and returns are between yourselves and Ferrari.

Boys do not wear gloves. Bella Events provide the boys with a flower buttonhole on the night to match the girls corsages.

Any questions regarding the suits, please refer them to Ferrari.

Bella Events take no responsibility on behalf of Ferrari's hire agreement.

# **FORMAL PROCEEDINGS:**

Guests to arrive at 6pm.

Bar opens at 6pm.

Entrée will be served at 6pm, platters to each table.

Guests will be requested to be seated by 7pm.

Following the introduction of our Guest of honour and official party the debutantes and partners will be introduced and presented to the guest of honour.

The debutante & partner will have their short profile read out by our Emcee.

4 presentation Dances will be performed as well as formations on and off the floor.

After the conclusion of the formal dances we will have our speeches, followed by gift giving and the important cutting of the cake.

Dinner will be served at 8pm. You will be called back at 9pm for the Fun Dance.

While people are eating dinner & mingling, it is a great opportunity for photos on one of our social media back drops or up on stage.

Our social media content creator may come and have a chat to you. Please advise if you do not wish to have photos used on social media or content from the night to be posted on our social media platforms.

#### SPECIAL DUTIES DURING THE PRESENTATION:

Debutantes & their partners are invited to volunteer for some duties on the evening. This includes:

Reading of the Thank you speech

Giving of the gifts

Cutting of the cake

If you wish to volunteer, please tick which box on the registration form.

# **GUEST TICKETS:**

ADULTS & TEENS \$120.

CHILDREN \$60 4 to 12 years old.

CHILDREN 3 and under are free but must be on the lap of a guest. Please do not bring your own highchair due to OH&S issues.

The cost of the ticket includes, entrée, main meal, tea, coffee & cake, entertainment drinks not included.

# NO TICKET, NO ENTRY, NO PASSOUTS

## **TABLES:**

Start inviting your friends and family now. Tables will be allocated on the basis when table requirements are received.

Tables will be established to best suit your requirements but cannot be guaranteed. You and your partner will receive 2 tables of 12 seats. This gives you 22 tickets to sell between you, as the Debutante & Partner's tickets are covered in the registration fee. It is Bella Events priority to ensure debutantes and partners are seated around or close to the dance floor. You will then be allocated a 2<sup>nd</sup> table of 12 elsewhere in the Auditorium. If in any case someone doesn't sell their entire table allocations, the spare seats will be offered to purchase.

When organising your guest list, please ensure you leave a seat for you and your partner on the table.

# **TICKET INFORMATION & GUEST LIST:**

Start making a list of your guests you would like to attend the night. It's important you discuss with your partner how many seats they require also, so you don't over sell your tables. Remember you only have an allocated 2 tables of 12.

Fill out your guest form downloaded from the <u>www.belladebutante.com.au</u> website.

Line 1.....Debutante Name

Line 2 .....Partner Name & so on.

It is your responsibility to collect all money from your guests. You may collect this in cash, or they pay into your bank account. When all money has been collected IF it is cash, please ensure it is the correct amount, labelled and in an envelope.

If it is to be transferred, please transfer the entire amount with your Name/ Partners name as a reference.

All payments to be made by the 4<sup>th</sup> Training session. Tickets handed out week 5. This gives you a week to distribute your tickets to your guests.

Bank account details are as follows:

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Your Name/ Partners name as a reference.

There is no selling of tickets or altering tables from the 4<sup>th</sup> Training sessions onwards. You can swap tickets, but only if they have not dietary requirements.

The catering staff at the SS&A only cater for 4 options.

# GLUTEN FREE VEGETARIAN LACTOSE / DAIRY FREE NUT ALLERGY

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY:**

We are proud to be partnered with Christina Marcuzzi Photography.

Christina offers various packages. Her packages will be made available via group chat messenger. A full timetable will be available for you to choose a suitable time for your photos.

These will include portrait photos of the debutante & partner taken early afternoon at the Venue.

Family portraits will be available to book for the night session and families will be notified through the evening when to make their way to the photo room.

It is important the girls make all necessary appointments i.e. Hair & Make up the morning of the Event. This allows time for your photo's.

Compulsory "Twirl Shots" will be taken at a location close to the venue at from 3.45pm. Please ensure you are at the SS&A Auditorium by 3.30pm to be prepared for your photo's.

All packages and pricing will be through Christina Marcuzzi Ph 0418 238 640

#### **VIDEOGRAPHY:**

We are proud to be partnered with Kate Norton Smith of Norton Smith Videography. Kate has various packages and will cover you through out the day and night. Package pricing will be made clear on the group chats closer to the Event. Again, all pricing and package prices are through KATE.

# **SECURITY SAFETY GUIDELINES:**

It is a requirement for the SS&A and Bella Events to have security present. Not only are they there to check guest tickets, but they are also there to monitor guests behaviour and enforce rules in relations to the service of alcohol.

Guests 18 to 25 who wish to purchase alcohol will have their identification checked by security and will be issued a wrist band.

Debutantes and partners in that age bracket will have their identification checked and be issues a wrist band after the formalities.

Remember there are no pass outs. When you leave the event, you will not be allowed back in.

No smoking or vaping at the Event. You will need to go to the designated smoking & Vaping area. You must be accompanied by an adult if you are under 18 whilst in the club.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Underage drinking is **NOT TOLERATED** as well as buying drinks for an underage person. Intoxication, vaping inside the venue and or under the influence of drugs will result in being removed immediately from the Event.

If the Debutante OR Partner have consumed any alcohol/drugs before the presentation, they will be unable to participate in the evening,