

Moree Masonic Lodge 2016 Debutante Ball

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Nathan 0409 713 927 or Gwanita 0409 072 042



2016 Enrolment Information

This sheet should be read prior to filling out an application form.

AGE REQUIREMENTS`

The 2016 Debutante Ball is open to Debs who are turning 16 years old **before 28th May, 2016** or older.

DATES & TIMES

The Ball will be held on Saturday 28th May, 2016. Doors open at 6:45pm for a 7:00pm start. Presentation of debs at 8:00pm.

PRACTICE

Practice will be held on Sunday and Wednesday nights; commencing on **March 9th** and further practice sessions will be held on **March 13th, 16th, 20th, 23rd, 30th April 3rd, 6th, 27th May 1st, 4th, 8th, 11th, 15th, 18th**. **Full dress rehearsals will be held on May 22nd, 26th, 27th**. Practice will be held at Moree Masonic Centre, Crn Heber & Chester Streets, Moree commencing at 6.00pm and will run for two (2) hours. **Please note: Attendance is compulsory at all practices. If you or your partner are unable to make this commitment then please do not apply. If unforeseen circumstances arise please speak to the dance instructor.**

COST

There is a cost of \$110 per Debutante. The \$110 fee is to accompany the enrolment form when submitted. Early Bird Special available. (Conditions apply) **There is no refund if you withdraw after the second practice session.** Payment plans can be organised.

Banking Details:

BSB: 932-000 Acc: 666718

Ref: Deb – *Debs Name*

Payment can also be made online using your Credit Card. Visit www.lodgecourallie.com

ENROLMENT FORM

Enrolment forms are to be returned to Lodge Courallie, P.O.BOX 71 Moree NSW 2400 accompanied by the \$110 enrolment fee. This can be paid online www.lodgecourallie.com, To ensure your place return your form as early as possible. **Enrolments must be received by Friday, 4th March 2016.**

INFORMATION NIGHT

There will be an **information night on Sunday, March 6th 2016** at Moree Masonic Centre, Cnr Heber & Chester Streets, Moree commencing at 5.30pm. It is compulsory that all Debutantes and Partners with at least one of the Debutante's parents attends or forwards an apology. This will confirm your place in the group.

PARENT/GUARDIAN DECLARATION

Parents/guardians of both the Debutante and their partner are required to sign a "Parent/Guardian Declaration". This form basically says that the parent/s attending the Ball will be responsible for all guests whose tickets are purchased under their child's name and that they will act as guardian for any of these guests who may be under 18 years of age. If you are not willing to sign this form then your child will not be able to participate.

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EXPECTATIONS

It is necessary that the Debutantes and their Partners wear suitable shoes from the first week of training; by the third practice they should be wearing the shoes they will wear on the night of the Deb. If you do not have the shoes you will wear on the evening please speak to the dance instructor to make arrangements. If you do not wear suitable footwear you will be required to practice in socks. Sneakers, thongs, rubber and heavy soled shoes are not suitable and will not be accepted for practice at any time. The sole of the shoe must have a leather or synthetic sole. Materials that grip the floor are not suitable.

By the fifth practice, it is preferred that the girls wear a frock of approximately the length and fullness of their Deb frock. If they are wearing a petticoat under their deb dress this would be perfect for practice. When girls are choosing their dress they should remember that they must be able to dance, raise their arm above the head and curtsy onto one knee in their selected frock. Due to the safety of those dancing, no part of the girls dress can touch the ground; this means that dresses with trains are not permitted. Also, girl's shoes must have some mechanism that keeps the shoe on the girl's foot. In other words a full heel or strap. Slides are not suitable. Changing of partners in the middle of training sessions is not ideal so please give some thought to your selection. It is also very necessary that your partner is fully aware of his commitment. Most guys really enjoy being a partner, but it is a big commitment and the girl will suffer greatly if the boy is not willing to attend practice regularly and is not really happy about being part of the set.

Any participant, whose behavior is affecting the enjoyment of the training for others, will be given a written formal warning. If the inappropriate behavior continues they may be removed from the group. Copy of the warning will be forwarded by mail to parents.

Enrolment forms are to be returned to Hill Fitzsimmons Moree Att: Gwanita, with the enrolment fee of \$110. **THE ENROLMENT IS NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE 2ND PRACTICE HAS BEEN COMPLETED.** Enrolments will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Please get your enrolment form and enrolment fee in as soon as possible to secure your place. Before completing this enrolment form, you, your partner and your parents must read this information sheet and be willing to conform to **ALL** requirements. We hope that Deb practice can be enjoyable and fun however this is only possible if everybody is willing to co-operate. A copy of the Enrolment Information

TICKETS

Tickets will go on sale to the public on **Monday, 4th January 2016**. Debutantes must have their ticket order prior to **Monday, 2nd May 2016** to guarantee their places (Tickets must be paid for in full by this date). More information will be available at the information night.

PHOTOGRAPHER

A Photographer will be appointed for the evening. There will a pricing guided handed out at the information evening.
The cost of the photos is not included in your enrolment fee.

SMOKE FREE ZONES

Due to legislation, there is no smoking inside the venue. A smoking area is located on the northern side of the breezeway, outside the ballroom. Patrons are requested to only smoke in this area. No pass-outs will be issued to smokers wanting to smoke at the front (western entrance) of the building.

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GUARDIAN DECLARATION

Parents are asked to sign a declaration accepting responsibility for all your guests and agreeing to act as guardian for all ticket holders who are under 18 years of age who have purchased tickets in your child's name. Older brothers, sisters, debs or deb partners are not able to sign the declaration. It is felt that to take a responsible approach to the issue of minors drinking alcohol and guests general behaviour that we require an older person who has had the experience of dealing with teenage children to accept the responsibility on the evening. The declaration states:

"I will be in attendance on the 28th May 2016 and agree to act as guardian for any person under the age of 18 who have purchased tickets in my child's name.

I agree to ensure that if any person under the age of 18 is asked to leave as his/her behaviour is not acceptable, I will organise appropriate arrangements for this person so as he/she will not be left in a situation which could be dangerous to themselves or others."

This form must be signed whether alcohol is available at your table or not, also the age of guests does not matter. A signature must be provided for each debutante and partner before they commence practices. ID will be checked at the door at the beginning of the evening and Moree Masonic Lodge reserves the right to ask for identification of any patron during the evening.

Everyone at the Ball will be issued with a wristband (one colour for under 18's and one colour for over 18's). Anyone not wearing a wristband or with an under 18 wristband will not be served alcohol during the evening. As an organisation we are legally bound to comply with the requirements of the Liquor Act. As such, any patron supplying alcohol to a minor will be subject to the requirements of the Act, even if the child you are serving is your own. If parents are not willing to sign the form then your child will not be able to participate in the Debutante Ball.

Tickets must be presented at the door for admittance and be held by the guest for the entire evening. Guests must be able to produce ticket on request; failure to do so could result in guest being asked to leave.

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DEBUTANTES INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone No.: _____ Email address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ School attending if applicable: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

PARTNERS INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone No.: _____ Email address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ School attending if applicable: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

DEBUTANTE/PARTNER AGREEMENT

I have read the conditions attached and agree to conform to all requirements and understand that the enrolment fee is non-refundable after completion of the second practice session. I further agree to official Debutante Ball photographs being used for promotional purposes including but not limited to website and print media.

Signed _____ (Debutante) _____ (Partner)

PARENTS/GUARDIAN DECLARATION

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We have read and agree to the conditions and are aware of and support the commitment our children have undertaken and understand that the enrolment fee is non-refundable after completion of the second practice session. We agree to act as guardians for any guest whose ticket has been purchased under the debutante's name.

Signed _____ (Debutante's Parent or Guardian)

_____ (Partner's Parent or Guardian)