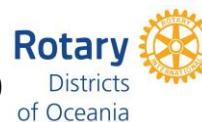




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We welcome to the inaugural Ballarat Begonia Belle Pageant 2020

The Ballarat Begonia Belle Pageant is a celebration of “Etiquette, Elegance & Eloquence”.

The pageant is a performance-based presentation where you can achieve your personal best.

ALL categories are All Inclusive.

This is a fundraiser for Rotary Oceanic Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC).

Please keep this FAQ Sheet on file as it contains the relevant information for Entry & important information.

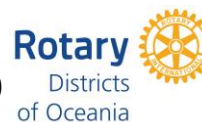
<b>QUALIFICATION</b>	<p>To qualify for entry into the pageant you must.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fill out the registration form</li> <li>2. Include in the entry a picture of yourself</li> <li>3. Be willing to participate 100% with costume changes &amp; stage presentation.</li> <li>4. Be available throughout the next 12 months for media &amp; social activities.</li> <li>5. Pay the entry fee of \$50.00 should you make the Semi-finals. This is a non-refundable administration fee.</li> <li>6. Age 18+</li> <li>7. Be a resident of the City of Ballarat or of a direct neighbouring municipalities.</li> </ol>
<b>THER ARE FOUR (4) COMPONENTS TO THE PAGEANT</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hosting - “Etiquette” - Upon the guests arriving at The Pageant you will host them by escorting them to their tables. Explaining the pageant to them if asked. Small talk to make them feel welcome &amp; comfortable.</li> <li>2. Question Time – “Eloquence”- You will be given prior to the Pageant a question on Ballarat. Questions will be in relevance to the Ballarat Begonia Festival or Ballarat History. Answers will be approximately 1 minute.</li> <li>3. Dance – “Elegance” - As a group you will be required to perform a small dance. You will be coached on this dance prior to the event.</li> </ol>
<b>YOU WILL REQUIRE 3 OUTFITS/COSTUMES (MINIMUM)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Hosting &amp; question time.</li> <li>b) Group Dance</li> <li>c) Evening Gown</li> </ol> <p>Your dresses and costumes need not be expensive. Be thrifty and think outside the box.</p>
<b>THE PRIZE POOL -Overall Winner -Runner Up</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Winner of The Ballarat Begonia Belle will receive a Crown, winners Sash &amp; Prize Pack plus the honour of being known as the Ballarat Begonia Belle 2020.</li> <li>2. Runner Up will receive a Tiara &amp; Sash plus a Prize Pack.</li> <li>3. Every Semi-finalist will receive a Semi-finalists sash.</li> <li>4. The winner of the Pageant will be crowned The Ballarat Begonia Belle and lead the Ballarat Begonia Parade on Monday the 9th of March (with agreement from the Festival Parade organizers) and will be the Ambassador for the Begonia Festival for 12 months.</li> <li>5. All competitors are also invited to attend the parade.</li> </ol>
<b>COMPETITION DATES</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pageant Entry: Opens 7th January 2020</li> <li>2. Pageant Entry: Closes 25<sup>th</sup> April 2020</li> <li>3. Semi-finalists announced: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2020</li> </ol>



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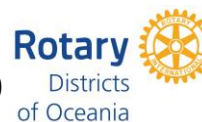
	<p>4. Workshop/Meet &amp; Greet: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020, 7pm, at The Canberra Hotel, 812 Macarthur St Ballarat Central, Ballarat VIC 3350. Approx. 2 Hours.</p> <p>5. Dance Coaching: TBA</p> <p>6. Technical Rehearsal: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 To be confirmed.</p> <p>7. Pageant Day: Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2020, arrive by 3:30pm. Set up, get comfortable, prepare.</p> <p>8. Event Start: Saturday, 23rd May 2020, 7:00pm.</p> <p>The Pageant will take approximately 3 hours. With entertainment between each of the components.</p>
<b>COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Attend the first Meet &amp; Greet on Friday, TBA</li> </ul> <p>It is to your advantage to attend this meetup as this is where you start to build your networks &amp; relationships with the Administration &amp; other Competitors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Attend photo opportunities to promote The Ballarat Begonia Belle Pageant (times and dates to be confirmed through agreement of organiser and contestant).</li> </ul>
<b>COMPETITION TERMS &amp; CONDITIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The competition will be held at St Patricks Hall, Ballarat. 23rd May 2020 at 7:00pm.</li> <li>● Contestants must check into the BMI Green Room by 3:30pm on the day of the competition. Contestants not arriving on time may miss the opportunity to take part in the competition.</li> <li>● Contestants must conduct themselves in a respectful manner, always remain fully attired and family appropriate.</li> <li>● Be entertaining &amp; have Fun!</li> <li>● Contestants will be judged on their Clothing, Deportment, Crowd Interaction &amp; originality. (Hair and Make-up as well)</li> <li>● The judges' decision will be final, and no correspondence will be entered.</li> <li>● Prizes will be awarded to the winners on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at the competition.</li> <li>● Prizes must be claimed and redeemed within 1 months of the competition.</li> <li>● Contestants bringing the Competition into disrepute will be disqualified from the competition, this includes a NO bullying policy. If bullying is found to be happening the competitor will be immediately disqualified.</li> </ul>
<b>CONSENT, WARRANTIES &amp; AUTHORISATIONS</b>	<p>1. Warranties</p> <p>The contestant agrees to, by applying for entry into The Ballarat Begonia Pageant 2020 to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>be bound by these guidelines, terms and conditions of entry; and</li> <li>abide by the competition guidelines and terms and conditions and any interview, activity, promotion or publicity in connection with the competition as devised from time to time by the event coordinators, or any party authorised by the event coordinators, and will accept by the event coordinator's decision as final;</li> </ol> <p>2. Privacy authorisation and consent:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The contestant consents to the event coordinators collecting the personal information provided by the contestant in or in conjunction with this application. The contestant acknowledges and accepts that by the event coordinators may retain this personal information as part of a record of persons who have applied to be contestants in the competition for a period of 5 years and that it may use this information to contact the contestant.</li> </ol>



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	<p>ii. The contestant understands that if the details they provide in, or in connection with, the application change or if they want to access or update the personal information held about them, they may contact by the event coordinator on mb: 0438003512.</p> <p>3. Consent and Release for Interview, Photographing and/or Website Use, etc: By applying for entry into The Ballarat Begonia Pageant 2020, the contestant consents to interview(s), photography, publication and exhibition to be used for public relations, news articles or telecasts, education, advertising, research, inclusion on by the event coordinators website, fundraising, or any other purpose by the event coordinators and its affiliates. The competitor also consents to such uses, which may otherwise constitute an infringement of the contestant's moral rights. The contestant releases the event coordinators, its officers and employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the taking, recording, or publication of said interviews, photographs, slides, computer images, videotapes, sound recordings, or any other media.</p> <p>4. You, the Competition Applicant waive all rights you may have to any claim for payment or royalties regarding any exhibition, televising, or other publication of these materials, regardless of the purpose or sponsoring of the exhibition, broadcasting, or other publication irrespective of whether a fee for admission or film rental is charged. You also waive any right to inspect or approve any photo, video, or film taken by the event coordinators or it's designate. You release and discharge the event coordinators and its affiliates from any liability for any blurring, distortion, alteration, optical illusion, or use in composite form, intentional or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in the taking of pictures or in any processing toward the completion of the finished product. All negatives and positives, whether prints, video, film, or sound recording are the property of the event coordinators or its designate, solely and completely.</p> <p>5. All Costs incurred in participating in the Competition are at the Contestants expense.</p>
<b>IN CONCLUSION</b>	<p>Thank you for entering The Ballarat Begonia Pageant 2020. Should you be a successful entrant you will find that you not only will learn and build confidence, but you will make some new, long term friendships.</p> <p>HAVE FUN!</p>

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