



***The Committee of The 64th Australian National Square Dance Convention
invites all dancers to attend the second
Convention ever to be held in Darwin, Northern Territory***

THEME

The theme for the Convention is: **DREAM ONCE MORE—DARWIN 2024.**

The Convention is from **Monday 20 May — Friday 24 May 2024**. Our theme night is Friday—dress as your dream – maybe you dreamed of being someone special when you were younger, or you have a dream destination in mind that you want to dress for – let your imagination take flight!

VENUE

The single venue is the Marrara Indoor Stadium, Abala Road, Marrara NT. It is an air-conditioned venue with ample seating and parking spaces for all dancers.

DANCE SESSIONS AT A GLANCE

Dance sessions are: Monday evening (Trail-In Dance), Tuesday afternoon, Tuesday evening (Opening Ceremony), Wednesday afternoon, Wednesday evening (Dressed Set Parade), Thursday afternoon, Thursday evening (Closing Ceremony), Friday afternoon, Friday evening (Theme night).

DELEGATES REGISTRATION

Online registration forms are available through our website, or you can complete a written registration form and send it with a copy of your EFT receipt/cheque/money order to our Registrar, Kaye Chandler, P.O. Box 294, Glenorchy, Tas, 7010, or email to tassquare@bigpond.com.au. Non dancers should also register in order to receive a ribbon. There is no charge for non-dancers. A \$10 fee per delegate will be charged for cancellations. All cancellations to be in writing to the Registrar at the above address/email.

Registration packs will not be posted in advance. They will be available for collection at Marrara Indoor Stadium from 2.00 to 5.00pm on Monday 20 May and prior to each session.

JUNIOR DANCER / CHILD MINDING

A registration fee of \$60 will be charged for junior dancers aged 18 and under and child minding (children under 12 only). Child minding is subject to staff availability. Please register before 2 February 2024. Health and dietary request forms will be forwarded to parents to complete before the Convention.

REFRESHMENTS

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available at all sessions at no cost to dancers. Please bring your own mugs and water bottles.

PRE-CONVENTION WELCOME NIGHT

Thanks to a generous grant from the Northern Territory, we are able to offer dancers a **Complimentary Sunset Function** under the stars at the Darwin Trailer Boat Club (8 Atkins Drive, Fannie Bay) on Sunday 19 May from 5.30pm. This is for both dancers and non-dancers who are registered to attend the convention. Drinks (own cost) at bar prices. Please ensure you RSVP before 1 May 2024, for catering purposes.

CALLER/ CUER REGISTRATION

Callers and Cuers who are interested in being programmed must register as dancers as well as completing the Caller/Cuer registration form. Closing date for Callers and Cuers is 31 January 2024. One Music Licence is required before registering.

Registration does not guarantee a call or cue at this convention.

DRESSED SET PARADE

Clubs wishing to be included in the Dressed Set Parade on Wednesday evening must provide relevant details on the registration form prior to 30 April 2024, or contact the committee at Darwinnational2024@gmail.com.

PROGRAM

The program will be available on the website: <https://www.darwin2024.com/> after 1 May, 2024. Please also refer to the website for other information regarding the convention. It will be updated on a regular basis.

BOOTHS

Booth space will be available at the stadium at a cost of \$50 for one table. Please indicate on the registration form if you will be requiring a booth at the convention. Neither the 64th Convention Committee, nor the Management of Marrara Indoor Stadium, accept any responsibility for any loss of or damage to goods in booths. Vendor electrical equipment must be tested and tagged prior to entry to the venue. Booth registrations close 1 April 2024.

ADVERTISING

We welcome advertising in our Program Booklet at a cost of \$50 for a full page (A6 size). Artwork should be emailed in MS Word, PDF or JPEG format no later than 28 February 2024 to Darwinnational2024@gmail.com. Inclusion of advertisements is at the discretion of the committee.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Smoking is not permitted inside the venue or within 10 metres of any doorway.

Shoes of less than 25 mm or 1" square are not permitted on the floor.

Single session tickets are not available.

Only dancers, visitors and children registered to attend this Convention are covered by Public Liability Insurance.

Convention ribbons must be worn at all times.

Correct Square Dance attire must be worn at the evening sessions, other than theme nights and demonstrations.

No unmanned tripods to be left on the floor.

Seats shall not be reserved in the dance halls at a National Square Dance Convention.

All items brought to the Convention are the responsibility of their owners. The Committee accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage incurred.

