



## **Blossom Festival Princess and Prince 2024**

### **Important information for Float Conveners**

When you choose a Princess for your float, please pass on the following details to them

**Entrants must be 16 to 25 years as of 1st September, the year of the festival**

We realise it's not easy to find young people willing to go on floats, but it's been found over the years, those aged 16 years and over have greater maturity and are able to present themselves and your float to the best advantage. If you are unable to find a contestant, contact the Princess Convener (Dianne Eliot 448 6614) who may be able to assist.

Your Princess should be proud to represent your organisation and Alexandra and must be aware of their commitments in the weeks leading up to the Blossom Festival, and what is required should they become the Festival Queen.

There are certain compulsory duties required of each contestant the weeks prior to Blossom Festival, such as the photograph session; official judging and lunch; Senior Queen Competition and the official opening function. These are all occasions when the judges will be observing the contestants as part of the judging process. The procession and Official Ceremony on the Saturday afternoon are the highlight of the weekend.

There are other occasions, which (whilst not compulsory), are beneficial and an important part of Blossom Festival, such as their appearance at the Mardi gras, and the Round the Clock Event on Friday night. There may be other events that the contestants will be notified about.

The three successful contestants have duties which they are required to perform and events which they must attend during the week following their crowning. These include appearance at the Musical Society's production, and attending the Garden Tour (Sunday)

At each function, the Queen and the two runners up finalists will be accompanied by either the Chairperson of the Blossom Festival Committee, or the Princess/Prince Convener. On all occasions, sashes must be worn. For some of the events, smart casual attire such as jeans is allowed. On others, more appropriate clothing is required. If in doubt, ask the Princess/Prince Convener. Please ensure that your contestant is available the week 20<sup>th</sup> September through to Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of September.

The contestants will be judged by a panel of judges; Float conveners are reminded that once the floats are in the park, Princesses and Princes are required to remain on the floats until the voting closes at 3.00 pm. Please ensure that someone from your organisation is responsible for ensuring your contestant has coats or wraps if the weather is cooler, as well as bottles of water.

The Committee wishes your organisation and your contestant, good luck for this year's Blossom Festival.

Best wishes  
Martin McPherson  
Event Manager  
021879849

Need Help finding a Princess or Prince:  
Dianne Elliot  
Princess/Prince Convener  
021 946 522



## Registration Form

Please note that your Princess is to be aged between 16-25 years.

Name:

Age:

Date of Birth:

Occupation:

Address:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email:

Hobbies:

Favourite things about Alexandra:

Name of the Float:

Float Convenor:

Contact Details:

Sponsors:

**Please return forms by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

Alexandra Blossom Festival

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