



Well as another year draws to a close, we look forward to a year ahead in 2023 of health fun and laughter.

With only 66 days to our Fair Maidens of the Round Table convention, the Royal Court and Scarlett Belles have been busy counting and putting finishing touches where needed.

Allergies

Our menu has been selected; if you have not yet informed Janice (ricci46@bigpond.com) re allergies, please do so we can ensure your special meals are provided on the nights of the convention. We want to ensure everyone is happy and well fed, so please do not call the hotel but inform Janice.

Tours

Our tours are being finalised. If you are booked on the **Peninsula** tour, you will be asked to fill out your lunch preference prior to the tour leaving on Saturday morning.

There are still a few places left on the **Luv A Duck** tour which is excellent and great value. Together with a cooking demonstration you will enjoy a fully cooked meal, glass of wine and a coffee and make it back to the hotel in time for a swim or a nanny nap in preparation for the Gala night.

Ladies who have their names down for the **hat making** will be given a ticket when checking in which will enable them to do the class. As room space and numbers are restricted, we cannot take any further bookings.

We have some great entertainment lined up for you as well as a surprise on St Patrick’s breakfast morning.

Vendors

Vendors are busy organising stock to bring and I am sure we will have a variety for purchase. Who doesn’t need that 24th red hat, or 5th purple outfit or the 78th piece of jewellery? After all we are Red Hatters!!

I have been told that quite a few chapters have been busy making matching costumes so it will be exciting to see their creations.

To recap **costume** requirements.

Friday evening – Birthday night	Saturday evening - Gala night.	Sunday morning - St Pat’s brekky
Red hat birthday attire, you can wear a purple bow, head band hat or fascinator in your hair.	Medieval (have been told of amazing finds in op shops)	Green attire.

Remember ladies if you prefer to wear your Red and Purple throughout the evenings instead of costumes you are more than welcome to do so.

We will have plenty of photo props for each event so please take advantage of these for your group photos

I have endeavoured to organize tables and hopefully I will please at least 95%, but please remember we are all friends - ones we know and ones we are yet to meet. So please make this event an opportunity to make a new friend. As Melbourne was voted this year as the friendliest city in the world let’s live up to that reputation.

Scarlett Belles hope you all had a wonderful Christmas, and we wish you a very safe, healthy and happy New Year.

Queen Travelot, (Vivienne)