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WEDDINGS on the Water!

-A completely unique wedding experience combining spectacular Blue Mountains Scenery, Classic Cruise Boats & Award Winning Hospitality.

"... I would just like to thank all the staff for making it a Wonderful day. All the guests had a great day and have raved about the service, menu and scenery...."

Gale & Phil Horsley – Reception 19/04/08.

Imagine if you could have a completely unique Wedding Day. Something a little different from all other functions. A reception that adds the "unforgettable" to your Special Day.

Wouldn't it be nice to know that none of your guests were bored or felt indifferent about your Wedding venue? Or that they were being attended to only by experienced professional staff?

Imagine you and your guests experiencing the old-world style nostalgia of a true paddlewheel showboat with stained timber interiors and reliving the romance and excitement of the glory days of Australia's riverboat pioneers.

Or perhaps you would find it interesting to hold your reception on a modern cruise boat, designed specifically for functions, fitted out with light open interiors, reflecting a stylish ambiance and with large windows and a number of viewing decks providing your guests with wonderful views of the spectacular ever-changing scenery?

For over 28 years, the Nepean Belle Paddlewheeler and more recently the Penrith Platypus Cruiser have been delighting bridal parties. You and your guests will always remember your special day onboard the Nepean Belle or Penrith Platypus Cruiser. Offering an experience combining classic vessels, the calm and tranquil waters of the largest East coast river system in Australia- the mighty Nepean -Hawkesbury, the best river gorge and mountain landscape views in NSW, friendly experienced staff to assist you in planning a reception and the comforting knowledge that you are dealing with an award winning company that has been in continual operation with the same owners for 28 years. Can any other venue even claim to offer you all this?

"...thank you for making both our wedding day and our first anniversary such an enjoyable day! We were married on the 10th Feb 2007. On both of these occasions, the food that was served and the level of service was exceptional... We look forward to seeing you again – no later than our 2nd Anniversary." Darren & Lorena Butler. Reception 10/02/07. 1st Anniversary Feb 08.

A wedding package onboard the Nepean Belle or Penrith Platypus offers you the following benefits:

- Classic, well presented and maintained cruise boats. Choose either the traditional and nostalgic atmosphere of the Nepean Belle Paddlewheeler or alternatively the modern contemporary style of the Penrith Platypus.
- Wedding packages designed to meet varying individual requirements, ranging from informal or casual styles such as an afternoon cocktail reception, through to a formal dinner cruise.
- A spectacular cruise visiting wilderness areas of the Blue Mountains National Park and the Nepean Gorge, sunlit by day or floodlit from the vessel by night, the sandstone peaks of the Nepean Gorge towering up to 150 meters above the water and forming a striking backdrop to your function, providing great photo opportunities and delighting and entertaining your guests in a manner simply not possible in a stationary, windowless function hall or club.
- A Range of inclusions at no extra cost – such as bridal cloths and chair coverings on the bridal table and our onboard DJ who can also act as your MC.
- Access to experienced staff who can help you plan your function and offer advice and recommendations including referrals for quality and reliable local service providers such as celebrants, photographers, car hire, accommodation, florists and wedding cake suppliers.
- A venue that understands that the menu and the quality of the food is one of the biggest influences on your guest's satisfaction. Our range of Cocktail, Buffet, Banquet and Served menus allow you to choose the menu style that suits your preference. A combination of a Banquet main course with served entrée and desserts allow your guests their own individual choice for their main course while you can set your own theme with the two served courses. Vegetarian and Gluten free options are available.

Over the years, many of our Brides, Grooms and their families have offered to recommend our service and atmosphere. We have a folder full of such testimonials which you are welcome to peruse at our office. Here's what some of our happy couples have written to say :

"The service provided to us from day one until the end of the cruise was exceptional. Special thanks to Luke (cruise manager) for his expertise and ability to create the perfect atmosphere. The crew was fantastic and the food delicious, receiving great reviews from our guests. We will have no hesitation in recommending you....."
Craig & Sinead McKechnie. Reception 4/12/2010.

"We would also like to thank the crew and staff on the Platypus that afternoon for their wonderful and friendly service..... Personally this is the best wedding reception that I have ever attended" Peter & Carmen Downie-
Reception 26/07/08.

*"...the food was fantastic and the waiters and waitresses did a wonderful job. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and our guests commented on the quality of the food and the service.
A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL, FOR AN EXCELLENT DAY."* Karen & Ken Anderson. Reception 17/02/08

We invite you and your fiancé to take a dinner cruise with us to try our food and our service. We know you won't be disappointed and it's the perfect way for you to trial our services before you make your final decision on venues.

Prices and Packages

No doubt you have seen in the news that some reception operators in Sydney will charge up to \$25,000 or \$30,000 for their wedding packages. This pricing is difficult to justify unless you are completely designing, customising and organising an extensive wedding package from the ground up. **Our most extensive January to October reception package with 120 guests comes in at a little under \$10000 plus drinks. However you may choose to have a smaller intimate or less extravagant reception. Our least costly wedding package offers you a small day-time cocktail reception from as little as \$2500 plus drinks. There are a number of packages that fit between these two options.** We also have an extremely cost effective option for small wedding groups that hold their reception onboard part of the vessel on a regular lunch or dinner cruise, rather than privately hiring the whole boat.

We have refined our packages over the years so that they appeal to a wide range of tastes and needs. Come and have a chat with us, we'll ask you about your needs and preferences. We look forward to combining all the essential elements for you and your guests so that your special day is truly an unforgettable experience.

If your idea of the unforgettable wedding day is to provide a unique experience, a day so different from all other receptions that it reflects upon you as an individual, then with the Nepean Belle Paddlewheeler and Penrith Platypus Cruise you have found a venue that offers something extraordinary. **Call our office now to ensure our availability on your preferred Wedding Date**, book your reception on the Nepean Belle Paddlewheeler or Penrith Platypus Cruiser and let us begin the preparation and planning of your unique special day.

Please find our price list and menus attached.

Best Regards

David Wakeling
Manager - Cruises.

PS. Remember - The unique combination of our Classic Cruise Boats, Spectacular Blue Mountains Scenery, Great Food and Service will ensure your Wedding Reception is an unforgettable experience for all concerned. Your wedding day will stand out in the minds of your Wedding Guests as something very individual and special – unlike any other reception they have ever attended. To take advantage of our great packages call our office today.

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**NEPEAN BELLE PADDLEWHEELER & PENRITH PLATYPUS
WEDDING PRICE LIST. Jan 2011 - December 2011.**

Saturday nights January to October & Sunday to Thursday nights November & December.

There is a Minimum number of guests charged for at each price level.					
Menu / Hours	Vessel	50	60	80	100
3 Hour 2 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$106 \$87	\$96 \$79	\$80 \$67	\$68 \$62
3 Hour 3 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$112 \$93	\$102 \$85	\$85 \$73	\$74 \$67
3 Hour 3 course Banquet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$119 \$99	\$107 \$90	\$90 \$78	\$78 \$72
4 Hour 3 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$121 \$101	\$110 \$92	\$91 \$78	\$79 \$72
4 Hour 3 course Banquet or Served	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$128 \$108	\$115 \$97	\$96 \$83	\$83 \$77
3 Hour Cocktail	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$101 \$82	\$91 \$74	\$75 \$62	\$63 \$57

Day time prices January to December and Sunday to Friday Nights January to October.

Day time functions on Saturday Jan - Dec and Friday Nov - Dec are to be completed by 4:00pm.

There is a Minimum number of guests charged for at each price level.					
Menu / Hours	Vessel	50	60	80	100
3 Hour 2 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$89 \$77	\$82 \$71	\$69 \$61	\$60 \$56
3 Hour 3 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$95 \$83	\$88 \$77	\$75 \$66	\$65 \$61
3 Hour 3 course Banquet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$101 \$89	\$94 \$82	\$80 \$71	\$69 \$65
4 Hour 3 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$105 \$91	\$95 \$84	\$81 \$71	\$70 \$65
4 Hour 3 course Banquet or Served	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$111 \$98	\$102 \$89	\$86 \$77	\$74 \$70
3 Hour Cocktail	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$84 \$72	\$77 \$66	\$64 \$56	\$55 \$51

Friday and Saturday Nights during November & December. (Peak period price - NA New Years Eve)

There is a Minimum number of guests charged for at each price level.					
Menu / Hours	Vessel	50	60	80	100
3 Hour 2 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$127 \$113	\$113 \$99	\$93 \$84	\$79 \$79
3 Hour 3 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$133 \$119	\$119 \$103	\$99 \$88	\$84 \$88
3 Hour 3 course Banquet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$139 \$125	\$125 \$104	\$103 \$89	\$88 \$89
4 Hour 3 course Buffet	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$143 \$127	\$127 \$104	\$104 \$89	\$89 \$89
4 Hour 3 course Banquet or Served	Nepean Belle Penrith Platypus	\$149 \$133	\$133 \$109	\$109 \$93	\$93 \$93

Please Note that drinks are charged extra. You may operate a drinks account and set a limit to which the account can accrue and select the types of drinks to be included. As a guide, for a 4 hour function you could expect your guests to consume \$20-\$25 pp of beer, wine & soft-drink.

Upgrades to above options— For an extra hours charter time add \$500.

NOTES *Confirmation requires a \$25 per person deposit. Tentative bookings will only be guaranteed for 10 days without confirmation, after that time should another group wish to book your date you will generally have 24 hours to confirm before the charter period becomes available to others. In any event, if a tentative booking is not confirmed within one month it will be assumed to be no longer required. Note: The above prices are guaranteed for bookings made 2 months from the date of quotation. When a booking is made and confirmed with the relevant deposit, the price quoted for that booking is exempt from any price increases for functions to be held prior to the 30th December 2011. Note: For Wedding charter terms & conditions refer to our charter agreement.