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CELEBRITY BALLROOM TOPS \$88,000



Ondina of Ondina Studios and Marko Pekkarinen were the champions of Celebrity Ballroom 2008 and are shown here performing a Samba routine - Inset, Gary Humphries judging the celebrity contestants.

Celebrity Ballroom was a tremendous success with over \$88,000 raised at the May 3rd event. Nearly 500 members of the Canberra community attended turned out in satin gowns and freshly-pressed suits for a night of dancing, delicious food and of course, to support Snowy Hydro SouthCare.

The evening began with the first round of dances by the eight local celebrities, including, Leanne Close, Jessica Good, John Hargreaves, Ondina, Lisa Ridgley, Mario Sanfrancesco, Tom Snow and Steve Whan. Each celebrity was paired with a professional dance partner from Danzon Social Dancing Australia, where each of them completed dance lessons to prepare for the evening.

During the evening, each celebrity performed two routines which were judged by Ben Benedictos and Becky Fleming from the local dance community, and Senator Gary Humphries. Of the three judges, Gary was particularly hard to please assigning low scores to most of the performers. However, several celebrities did so well, they were even able to get a score of ten from Gary. This elite group included Jessica Good whose

performance Gary described as being, "crisp as a freshly-washed lettuce."

Ondina became the new event champion by performing a Samba and Viennese Waltz with Marko Pekkarinen. After both performances, loud applause commenced while several tables of Ondina's supporters held up home-made "10" signs while cheering her. In addition to the celebrity performances, there were special performances from Annette Ellis, the 2008 Celebrity Ballroom Champion, and Marko Pekkarinen, Sharon and Marko Pekkarinen from the ABC Series *Strictly Dancing* and World Salsa Champions Luda Kroitor and Oliver Pineda.

The evening continued on with lively music by Limelight for all to dance to and special presentation by the the Snowy Hydro SouthCare flight crews. Four members of the flight and medical crew stepped onto the dancefloor in their flight suits, while Limelight played the song "Heroes," highlighting the importance of Snowy Hydro SouthCare's life-saving services. The crew received a standing ovation for their appearance and for their continued efforts to save the lives of those in our community.



SUPABARN COMMUNITY DAY

28 JUNE 2008

Join Supabarn and Snowy Hydro SouthCare for a morning of fun and family activities at the Canberra City Supabarn. This event will include tasty food, face-painting, give-aways and the opportunity to learn more about Snowy Hydro SouthCare. Show your support for our local rescue helicopter by joining the fun on 28 June from 10:00-1:00pm at the Canberra City Supabarn.

To volunteer with this event, contact Alison Tonkin at (02) 6207-8375 or at AlisonSHSC@bigpond.com.

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Pictured below from left: Jessica Good, John Hargreaves and Ralene Woodbury, Lisa Ridgley, Mario Sanfrancesco and Fiona McFarlane, Tom Snow and Sharon Pekkarinen.



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