

Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT DO MY FEES COVER

1. All coaching tuition including extended & holiday classes * exception is specialist classes or private tuition*
2. All costumes – whether hire or new (materials, sequins and other trims)
3. Administration costs
4. Pupil/team competition Entry fee
5. In 2019 it includes 2 seats for our Special 50th Anniversary Presentation Dinner Dance, to be held on **Saturday 9th November, 2019** @ Pakenham Racecourse (A Compulsory Event)
6. Pupil camp fee. Mothers cost is additional.
7. Fundraising levy \$100 (Redeemable by volunteering at Dandenong Solo Competition March 22-24th OR Bunning BBQ July 13th)

***ADDITIONAL EXPENSES – Not covered in Fees (may/could include)**

*CVI Registration \$80 (covers insurance against injury and contributes to CVIs administration expenses)

*At competitions there is an entry fee for anyone who is not competing. (approx \$20-25)

*Club uniform for wearing to and from competitions (\$120-150 approx)

*Leg tan, foundation, lipstick, eyelashes (\$60 approx) (Eyelashes not applicable to Tinies)

*Clubs (\$25)- once only unless Clubs are broken- replacement (\$30) (not applicable to Tinies)

*Shoes & Wig *purchased from the club (\$55 each approx)

*Accommodation at Ballarat approx(\$150 for two, if shared accommodation)

*Meals at Ballarat and local competitions. Canteens are generally provided.

*Bodysuits – available from Dance shops (\$20+)

*Rods and Rod covers (*compulsory*) (\$20-25 approx)

*Level examination fees (*optional expense*) (\$130 -210 approx) (not applicable to Tinies)

*Team photos (*taken each year by a professional photographer*) (\$ 9 each approx)

*Concert Tickets (*November*) (\$30 each approx) Concert DVD (approx. \$40)

CLASS ATTIRE AND WHAT TO BRING TO CLASS

- Plain black leotard, black/flesh coloured footless tights or shorts
- A black crossover can be worn for colder weather
- Hair is to be neat and tied back
- Rod, Practice skirt & Clubs (only Subbies-masters) These can be purchased through the club at class
- Drink Bottle

CLASSES - Does my child need to attend class regularly

Attendance at all classes is compulsory. Practice sessions are held once a week and extended/extra practices can be held during the school holidays or week before a competition. **Punctuality is important**, as there is a lot to be achieved in each session.

Participants are dependent on each other for stage positioning and often work in pairs, so please keep this in mind.

Practice at home is important. When teams are selected the Coach will record all music on a blank CD for your child to go through her routines at home.

If you wish your child to do well and gain the most benefit from calisthenics, regular attendance is most IMPORTANT. If your child is ill or is going to be absent from a class, a message or telephone call to the coach/Team manager is required ASAP.

Parents are asked not to come into the Class area, during class, unless invited by the coach. The coach requires the girl's full attention for their routines without any distractions. Viewing sessions are held regularly throughout the year. If you need to talk to your child's coach please make a time to see her before or after class.

WILL I HAVE TO MAKE/SEW COSTUMES

While the Parent is responsible for sewing their own child's costumes and for sewing sequins and trims, this is often done in group working bee's and assistance is given to those who are not comfortable sewing. Costume Co-Ordinator's assist with instructions, advice and moral support!

Depending on circumstances you may have a lot or a little sewing to do, help can be given with sewing techniques. Costume repairs during the year are the wearer's responsibility and they must be completed and clean for competitions. Please seek washing instructions from your Costume Co-Ordinator before washing.

All costumes, new or used, remain the property of the Club. This allows complete sets of costumes to be re-used where possible. At the end of the year, costumes will be collected at the end of the concert by the Costume Co-Ordinator.

ARE COMPETITIONS COMPULSORY

Berwick Calisthenics club is a competitive club. ALL girls are required to compete throughout the competition season. Competitions are held July through to October.

Once signing our Registration you are committing to be being available to attend ALL Competitions entered.

Most Competitions entered are in the Melbourne Metro Area, SubJuniors to Seniors sections do attend one Competition in Ballarat (October). Competitions are at the Coaches discretion.

PLEASE NOTE: The Club has no control over when competitions are scheduled. Some competitions may be held on any day during school holidays. You will be issued with a schedule when All Competition dates are out, this is usually in mid June.

So it is HIGHLY Recommended that Holidays are not booked till the Dates have been announced.

