

2025 ABC Doll Club National Convention Registration Information

Every two years, the ABC Doll Club holds its National Convention. Next year, the 21st convention will be in Sydney, from **August 22-24 2025**. Here is some basic information, and further details will be available in the coming months. Registration opens on **1 May 2024**.

Who: Registration is only available to ABC club members, who must be 14 years or over on 1/8/2025.

When: The convention commences on Friday 22 August 2025 with a welcome cocktail party, where delegates may display their competition entries.

On Saturday 23 August there will be presentations, workshops and games. On Saturday evening there is a gala 3-course dinner during which we will hold the Fashion Show.

On Sunday 24 August there will be a salesroom, and further workshops and presentations. Throughout the weekend there will be raffle prizes drawn and prizes for games.

Where: Pullman Sydney Airport Hotel, 191 O'Riordan Street, Mascot NSW 2020, (02) 8398 4600. This is a five-star hotel, and is a short shuttle bus or taxi ride from the airport (as you would expect!). A special rate of \$250 per night for a Superior King or Twin room is available from 21-26 August 2025. A link to make bookings is at: <u>https://www.idem.events/r/australian-barbie-club-2025bfb7d21b</u>

Accommodation is also available at the adjoining Ibis Sydney Airport Hotel for around \$175 per night.

How: Registrations will be accepted from 01/05/24. These may be emailed to:2025convention@gmail.com or sent to: ABC 2025 Convention, 2 King Street Ashfield NSW 2131

Registration Fee includes: morning and afternoon tea and lunch on Saturday and Sunday; a gala dinner on Saturday night; a Friday evening cocktail party and all presentations, workshops, entertainment and activities. You will have access to raffles, games and prizes, the competition room, table gifts, and admittance to the sales room. Each delegate will have the option to participate in the fashion parade as well as the opportunity to be a table host.

- Early-bird Registration full payment of \$495 received by 1/1/25.
 - If payment is made in full immediately, 4 bonus gold (\$5) raffle tickets will be given.

- Full Registration full payment of \$550 received between 1/1/25 and 1/5/25.
- Installments A deposit of \$150 may be paid; the balance, payable in 3 instalments, due by 1/1/25 for Early Bird and by 1/5/25 for Full Registration.
- Late registration full payment of \$595 received after 1/05/25 and before 1/8/25.

Convention Doll – The Convention Doll will be an exclusive, limited edition doll and will be restricted to one doll per delegate, who must be in attendance to receive her. The cost of the Convention Doll is \$135 and the final date for doll orders will be 1/5/25 unless sold out prior to this date. A deposit of \$70 may be paid; the balance is due by 1/5/25. If immediate payment in full is made, then 2 bonus gold (\$5) raffle tickets will be given.

Payment – Payment may be made by cheque, money order or direct deposit - please see the Registration Form for payment details. If paying in instalments, you will be contacted to arrange the frequency of the payments.

Refund policy – Delegates should advise of cancellation by letter or email before 01/07/25. Cancellations made before 01/04/25 will forfeit \$50 of the registration payment/deposit. Cancellations made between 01/04/25 and 01/07/25 will forfeit \$100. After 01/07/25 no refund will be available. No refund will be offered on the Convention Doll unless another buyer is found. Further information will be in the delegate booklet.

Please return your completed registration form, whether paying by cheque or direct deposit, to

- Email: 2025convention@gmail.com
- ABC Doll Club Convention, 2 King Street, Ashfield NSW 2131

Donations for Raffles

Donations for the raffles to support convention are greatly appreciated, and donors (prior to 1/7/25) will be thanked in the Souvenir booklet and have the option of placing a business-card size ad in the booklet. Please let us know what items you are donating and if you will be sending or bringing them.

After registration, further details will be sent to delegates for:

- Sales Room including selling items on Communal Sales table
- Competition
- Pre-purchase of Raffle Tickets
- Workshops
- Fashion Show
- Table Hosts
- Accommodation
- Travel /tourism information
- Convention Facebook group
- Notifying dietary requirements

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact: Megan Carter, Convention Chair, Email: megan.carter@gmail.com or phone (02) 9716 7427

It is 10 years since Sydney last hosted a convention, and we are very excited to make sure you all enjoy this opportunity to meet with your fellow collectors and have a fun weekend. We hope you can join us!