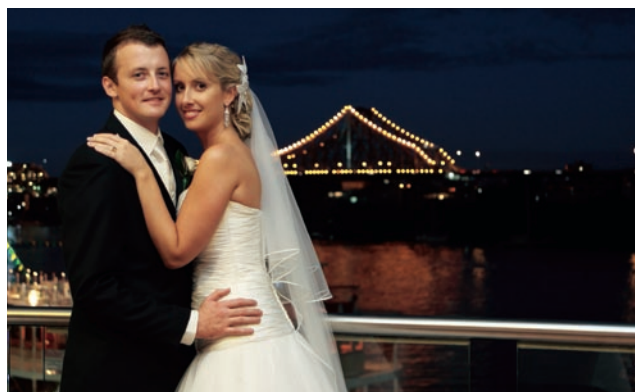


Renee and William



Queensland Rugby Club Downtown

The History

✦ The couple: Renee Geran (nee Geran) and William Bligh ✦ The history: We first met when we were out in the city with our friends. ✦ The proposal: While I was away on a girl's weekend, Bill spent the entire weekend making arrangements for his proposal. He made a romantic roast dinner, covered the living room in flowers and candles and set up a beautiful picnic on the living room floor. ✦ Date of wedding: 2nd May 2009 ✦ Wedding party: Head Bridesmaid, Jessica Geran; Bridesmaids, Andrea Conway and Lisa Clifford; Best Man, Tom Bligh; Groomsmen: Simon McSweeney and Shaun Taylor ✦ Ceremony location: St Patrick's Catholic Church, Fortitude Valley ✦ Reception location: The Queensland Rugby Club Downtown, Eagle Street Pier, Brisbane ✦ Photographer: Anne Bremner Photography ✦ Honeymoon destination: Hawaii

The Venue

✦ What made you choose the venue? When we first walked into the Rugby Club and saw the venue, we loved it. It had a great feel about it and we knew it was just perfect for us. Great views, intimate atmosphere and fabulous food. ✦ Describe the service in five words: Friendly, welcoming, hospitable, accommodating and professional ✦ What was the food and presentation like? The food was fantastic. Great variety, generous portion sizes, excellent presentation and reasonable prices. ✦ What other things did the venue organise? The Rugby Club had a preferred supplier list that we used for chair covers and DJ. The suppliers that they recommended were very professional and knew the venue well, so they were able to give great advice, make the room look fantastic and made the process a lot easier for us. ✦ How did the venue help make your day run smoothly? As much as we loved the venue, it was the staff, in particular Mary-Anne (Front of House Manager) who made our wedding day so special. From our very first meeting she was always so helpful, friendly and obliging. We really cannot speak highly enough of the service we received. We always felt very confident that the reception would run smoothly, and we were not disappointed. ✦ What was the most helpful piece of advice they offered you? Mary-Anne suggested that we keep our table centrepieces low and simple as not to detract from the view of the river and Story Bridge. It is easy to get carried away with some of the finer details like table decorations, but we decided to listen to the advice and found some small ornate candle holders for the tables and added some flower petals and it suited the room perfectly. ✦ One sentence to sum up your special day? Perfect!