"The Spoonful" Code of Conduct

A.k.a. How to behave like a decent human and not get kicked out.

We want to create an environment that is fun, safe and inclusive. Provided here is a set of guidelines for expectations of behaviour throughout the event:

Respect

Respect people's personal and physical boundaries which may differ to yours.

We welcome all dancers and lovers of music regardless of gender/gender identity, ability, race, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, age, religion and so on.

Harassment free zone

Harassment, abuse or assault will not be tolerated. Harassment is unwanted or unwelcome behaviour (sexual or otherwise) which makes a person feel offended, humiliated or intimidated.

Consent

- Use your words to ask for things. "Would you like to dance?"
- You can say no. Decline politely, but you don't have to give a reason.
- You can say no anytime, even halfway through a dance.
- Be ok with people saying no. Respect their decision.

Even if you've been given consent before, ask every time.

Practice Good Dance Etiquette

- Be aware of non-verbal signals and respect their personal space.
- Due to the close nature of some blues connections ensure good personal hygiene.
- Communicate and Listen. *Is your partner still comfortable* with the space, positions and movement within a dance? If you're not sure ask!
- Tell your partner if they are making you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or are hurting you.

Need help? Feel threatened?

Injured? Require Medical attention?

Want to make us aware of inappropriate behaviour?

If you observe or experience inappropriate or unsafe behaviour please let us know.

- Talk to Cassie Hayton, Royce Townsend or the DJ
- Email <u>ch.perth9@gmail.com</u> or <u>rdtownsend@gmail.com</u>
- Call or Text 041 797 4307