



White is all right

IT HAS been said that Brisbane party people won't play fantasy dress. It's a myth. Fact is they will if they're given the right excuse. Viludos restaurateur and entrepreneur Michael Hade gave them one when he launched his Private Members Club at an exuberant in-house shindig for 300 bright-eyed guests.

The event was labelled The White Party. Invitations specified an appearance in white couture. The call was heard by 95 per cent of the extravagant players, who gave the gig a North Pole glow.

And then there was Viludos Restaurant, respectfully made over by Mr Hade to retain the charms of its yesteryear existence as Dods House, the creation of renowned Brisbane architect Robin Dods.

As for the Private Members Club, it's a kind of cabal for folks who like to pay for various privileges such as travelling by Bentley to dine with Michael.

He laid on the pleasures at his party. They included the importing of funky Stateside DJ Ravidrums, famous for beating out rhythms at *Playboy* tycoon Hugh Hefner's Bunny-drenched bashes. Cool is cooler when it's all white.

The Australian PGA Championships, an annual December golfing event played out at the still-stunning Hyatt Regency Resort at Coolool, has morphed into a celebrity showcase. This year, savvy star spotters had a ball checking out familiar faces on and off the famous fairways.

Business babes gathered at Gianni's Portside for their annual Christmas bash and gifted SEQ designer and retail dynamo Julie Tengdahl has opened a fashion boutique in The Valley's Emporium: Totally fitting!

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