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DANCING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED



“Dancing will not be allowed at indoor hospitality venues or nightclubs” – COVID-19 restrictions, Australia, 23 June 2021.

Dancing will not be allowed – do not even imagine a two-step; do not tap your feet.

Dancing will not be allowed – though, if you’re a billionaire, feel free to board your private jet.

Dancing will not be allowed – skipping on the footpath may be possible next week.

Dancing will not be allowed – and we’re also concerned about unwarranted happiness.

Dancing will not be allowed – the Australian character prefers a planted elbow and laconic beer.

Dancing will not be allowed – try a boutique ice cream from the fridge.

Dancing will not be allowed – but your grandparents may hum a wedding waltz on their anniversary.

Dancing will not be allowed – no jazz hands, please!

Dancing will not be allowed – we’ve already said we won’t fund the arts.

Dancing will not be allowed – but you’re permitted to stand near train tracks to feel the shudder in your bones.

Dancing will not be allowed – improvisations may even lead to imprisonment.

Dancing will not be allowed – there can be no salsa on your chips.

Dancing will not be allowed – please enjoy your cake (without the walk), at the appropriate distance.

Dancing will not be allowed – under no circumstances should you attempt to touch your spouse.

Cassandra Atherton and Paul Hetherington

