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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Sister's in law are doing it for themselves**

PEOPLE from the Fylde Coast are being encouraged to take a walk in a Winter Wonderland as two sisters in law raise money for their local hospital.

Clare Harvey and Rebecca Jayne Johnson are working together to launch their events company 2Elegant starting with a charity event for the Neonatal Unit at Blackpool Victoria Hospital in December.

The event promises to be a fun filled family variety show compered by Radio Wave's Ged Mills and with special guest Tony Adkins, who was Simon Cowell's bodyguard. All proceeds from the evening will be donated to Blue Skies Hospitals Fund, the charity of Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, and will be used directly on the Unit. So far around 200 tickets have already been sold and the pair are hoping for a bumper night.

Clare, who is 26 and lives in Bispham, said: "This is the first year we have held this event and we are really excited. When we were thinking about doing something originally we didn't know what charity to pick but I was born prematurely and was on the Unit so it's something which is close to my heart.

"We wanted to do something a bit different so came up with a Winter Wonderland theme. It's a family event and all are welcome."

Clare, who recently got married, continued: "My husband Chris is a Graphic Designer so he has done all the posters which has been fantastic. I really want to do events as my career; I really enjoy it and I'm currently doing a home course with the Open University in Events Management. It's difficult to manage an event when we are both working full time but we are really committed to doing it and spend most our weekends arranging it."

Rebecca, 20 who lives in Thornton, said: "We set up as 2Elegant this year because we really wanted to do events together. We know lots of people who have used the Neonatal Unit so we wanted to raise money for it.

"I've put on shows in the past so I have the experience side of things and Clare is doing the course so will have the academic side of things covered so we think we'll work together really well.

"It's a variety show with lots of entertainment. I'm really confident that the event will go well especially as we are working together. In a way it's brought

us a lot closer because we spend so much time together. We're both very passionate about events. It's nice that we get to do it and then our other halves spend time with each other too; usually playing on the Xbox!

"We definitely want to do more events together and are thinking of doing something around Valentine's Day. Over all we have sold around 200 tickets for this event and people can come and pay on the door."

Clare is a Claim's Handler at Auto Indemnity in South Shore and Rebecca is a Hairdresser at Studio 10 in Cleveleys.

The event will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at the Marine Hall in Fleetwood from 7.30pm to 10.30pm with tickets costing £5. To buy tickets or for more information call Clare on 07966840497 or Rebecca Jayne on 07891723048.



PICS: L-R Rebecca Jayne Johnson and Clare Harvey.

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