



REVELLERS: Bianca and Dorothy Barlow.



LIGHT FANTASTIC: Burswood celebrates.

Glittering debut for Ruby Room

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SOME of the biggest names in Australian entertainment descended on Burswood last night to launch the resort's new nightclub, The Ruby Room.

Wendy Matthews opened the highly anticipated lavish evening and, in keeping with the ruby theme, was surrounded by 250 rose bushes.

Vanessa Amorosi and Madison Avenue added to the star-studded line-up.

MCs Richard Wilkins and Deborah Hutton jettied in from Sydney. Wilkins arrived in a black Porsche 911 and did a lap of the piazza at speed. Hutton arrived on a butterfly throne carried by gold-painted men.

Seven-hundred invited guests — Perth's elite — sipped Tasmanian champagne and Leeuwin Estate Art Series and Cape Mentelle wine.

On departure, each guest received an 18-carat gold butterfly pin valued at more than \$100. One lucky guest walked away with a \$24,000 18-carat gold pendant featuring a 2.6-carat ruby surrounded by diamonds.

Bill Wyllie, a director of Burswood International Resort Casino, said the Ruby Room would put Burswood back on the map.



STAR LINE-UP: Madison Avenue in harmony.



ALL SMILES: MCs Deborah Hutton and Richard Wilkins



ON CUE: Singer Vanessa Amorosi the Ruby Room at Burswood last night