

Lockdown Waltz

The Bloomfield Waltz

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This waltz is named after the Director General of Health at the time of the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic. Dr Ashley Bloomfield appeared on the live news feed at 1pm each day to update the nation on the statistics from the previous 24 hours, and calmly and clearly answer questions fired at him (and the Prime Minister, Jacinda Adhern) by the media. Merchandise was soon available, including tea towels and bags with his face on. My acknowledgement of his contribution to the safety of the nation is to name this waltz in his honour.