

2002 Mayfair Valentine Ball Report

The Mayfair Valentine Ball proved to be the most successful fund raising event so far, raising approximately £17,000 for the Lowe Syndrome Trust. The event started with a champagne reception and pre-dinner speech on the trust by TV presenter Gaby Roslin, followed by dinner and auction hosted by trustee Jonathan Ross.



Trustee Jonathan Ross and Gaby Roslin

Many fabulous items had been donated for the auction including an England shirt autographed by Sven-Goran Eriksson and Tord Grip, an Arsenal shirt worn and signed by Dennis Bergkamp, Arsenal and Manchester United footballs autographed by the teams, Harry Potter book set autographed by J K Rowling, Darcey Bussell's autographed ballet shoes and an original Valentine painting by Carol Payne. Jonathan Ross ended the bidding with a surprise auction item - his designer suit - which raised the most amount and a huge round of applause.



Jonathan Ross, Tris Payne and trustees during the auction



Table Magician Richard Pinner with Andrew & Catherine McNaught (Trustee)

Guests were also entertained at the tables by Magician Richard Pinner and caricaturist Les Barton with Palm and Tarot reading in the Blue room by Psychic Solutions. After the auction TV presenter Tris Payne introduced a guest star appearance of the fabulous FABBA girls followed by dancing into the early hours to the Below Average White Band.



The Below Average White Band



The FABBA girls with Tris Payne