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## SOCIAL REPORT

### OCC Pre Season Thames Cruise - Saturday 17th April 2010

As a change to tradition, Sat 16 April saw the OCC descend on London for our start of season social event, a Thames Boat Cruise! After much planning and preparation the day had finally arrived, and thankfully the Sun shone on everyone as we had a few warm up drinks at the Anchor Pub, next door to our departure point, The Thameside Pier.

After leaving the pier just a few minutes late [Pabs there is always one straggler in the party isn't there?!], everyone settled down to the early buffet and daylight views of the Thames as we proceeded through London. The drinks started to flow and we carried out the early raffle [many thanks to Kelly for donating some of the prizes and to several helpers who added their charms to selling the tickets including a special mention for Jodie Wissmiller]. At this point we also took the opportunity to award the best dressed person award to Leigh, this award being decided by the crew on board the boat.

The latter part of the evening saw the casino get into full swing [thanks here to a number of helpers throughout the night who helped to make this part of the evening an enjoyable addition], the drinks continue to flow, and the music tended towards the cheesy variety which even saw some of the more 'experienced' people on board strut their stuff! As the evening came to a close, the winning casino player prize was awarded to Rachael Beach, and we finalised the secret auction.

Overall I think this event was a resounding success. My specific thanks must go to Chris and Jon W, without their vision and passion, such an ambitious event would never have got off the ground. It was great to see everyone dressing up and having a good time. The only regret seemed to be that it had all come to an end when we docked back at the pier. Thanks to everyone who supported this event and for those that helped it to be run so efficiently on the night. I have no doubt that we will be back on the Thames at some point in the future and I look forward to seeing you all then.

For a full set of the pictures taken on the night, please [click here](#).

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