



The fifth Barnes Charity Ball 2011 took place on Friday 4th February 2011 and was a great success. This year's theme was Ice Ball with Kitson Hall and St Mary's decorated magnificently to the icy and snowy theme and many of the 300 guests dressed for the occasion.

After being welcomed by Nina's reindeer on arrival at Kitson Hall, guests were treated to a champagne reception accompanied by balalaika and accordion music. Greeted by England rugby star Martin Bayfield, guests went through into a stunningly decorated St Mary's Church where they were welcomed by Queen Ice and Jack Frost on stilts before enjoying a gourmet candlelit dinner. Entertainment was from Bibs Ekkel and his balalaika group Russian Tornado with Russian dancing from the Volkovsti Cossacks. After dinner Martin Bayfield led an Open Auction with outstanding prizes such as a Private Shopping Event with Jimmy Choo and Dinner cooked by Tom Aikens, along with a Silent Auction. Dancing to Laura Vane and the Lowdown continued into the early hours of the morning.

The charities being supported by the event were Under Tree Schools in Southern Sudan, the Friends of St Mary's Barnes, Castelnau Centre, West London Homeless, Barnes Scouts and Barnes Guides and the total raised for these charities was over £65,000. The Ball Committee would like to thank the many local donors, sponsors and guests for their generous contributions.



Dressed for the occasion



Jack Frost and Queen Ice greet guests



Martin Bayfield and ball guests at champagne reception



Candlelit Dinner in St Mary's



Volkovsti Cossaks with Bibs Ekkel & Russian Tornados



Martin Bayfield leads the Auction



Wonderful table decorations



Dancing to Laura Vane & The Lowdown



The Ball Committee