

*You are cordially invited to our...*



## *10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball*

*In Celebration of Brainwave's South East Centre*



## *Layer Marney Tower*

*Near Colchester, Essex CO5 9US*

*Saturday 17 June 2017*

*6:30pm – 12:00am*



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### **The Event**

The Ball is in celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Brainwave's South East Centre, based in Witham, Essex. The evening starts with a champagne and canapé reception, followed by a 3-course meal with unlimited wine throughout the evening. The entertainment will include:

- a classical violinist to serenade guests throughout the drinks reception
- a table magician, who will delight you with his sleight of hand and close up magic
- an opportunity to hear Tony Bullimore, our patron, talk about his ocean adventures
- an auction of unusual and unique prizes
- live music throughout the meal and for dancing until midnight

The evening will take place in the beautiful Long Hall, where guests can also enjoy the formal gardens, with spectacular views over the Essex countryside.

## The Venue

Layer Marney Tower, England's tallest Tudor Gatehouse stands in the Essex countryside and has commanding views to the River Blackwater and beyond.

Built in the reign of Henry VIII, Layer Marney Tower is a statement house, which shows its original owner was a rich and influential friend of the King, who stayed there in August 1522. Queen Elizabeth I also stayed there in 1579.

It is now home to the Charrington family and with its magnificent rooms and beautiful gardens, is the perfect venue for this exclusive event.



## Tony Bullimore

Tony has been a Patron of Brainwave for 15 years and will be joining us on the night to tell us more about how he overcame the challenges of survival and why he supports Brainwave.

Whilst competing in the Vendee Globe single-handed non-stop round-the-world race in 1997, Tony's yacht, the Exide Challenger, capsized in the Southern Ocean trapping him in the hull of the yacht.

Tony was found and rescued five days later, having survived on "a little chocolate, water and sheer determination". It was estimated that the living quarters where Tony crouched only had enough air to last him 6 days!

## Transport

Travel in style on our vintage London Routemaster Bus. This complimentary bus service will be picking up guests from Witham train station and the Crowne Plaza Hotel, then returning them back to these destinations once the evening's events are finished.



## Accommodation

For those guests travelling from afar or for those who would like to experience a night within the grounds of Layer Marney, we have the ultimate Glamping (glamorous camping) experience. At Featherdown Farm, guests can enjoy a luxurious break in the peace and calm of the countryside.

Each encampment sleeps up to 6 people in comfortable beds and essential amenities such as running water, battery operated lights, a private shower and a plumbed in toilet! There are also indoor and outdoor cooking stoves, fuelled by logs that are provided. Additionally for those looking for that added luxurious touch, 3 of these encampments include outdoor hot tubs.

Rooms will also be available at the Crowne Plaza, Golf and Country Club Hotel at a discounted rate for our guests.

Overnight stays are not included in the ticket price and are subject to availability.

For more information about either of the above, please visit:

[www.cpcolchester.co.uk/](http://www.cpcolchester.co.uk/)

[www.layermarneytower.co.uk/glamping/](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk/glamping/)



## The Charity ([www.brainwave.org.uk](http://www.brainwave.org.uk))

Brainwave Children's Charity provides a unique programme of physical and educational therapies for children with disabilities and additional needs.

The children have a range of conditions including cerebral palsy, Down's syndrome, autism, and rare genetic and chromosomal disorders. Our programmes increase children's mobility, communication skills and learning potential, and improves quality of life for their whole family. The Charity supports over 600 children a year, at Centres throughout the UK and Satellite clinics in London and Scotland.

## Tickets

Individual places £110 per person or tables of 10 people at £1,000.

## Booking Your Tickets

Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

To book your places please visit [www.brainwave.org.uk/layer-marney-tower-gala-ball](http://www.brainwave.org.uk/layer-marney-tower-gala-ball)

Or for more information please contact Denise on:

[denisestpier@brainwave.org.uk](mailto:denisestpier@brainwave.org.uk) or 01376 503608

## We also still have several supporting sponsorship opportunities available:

### Bronze Sponsor - £500

Benefits received:

- 1/4 page advert in the programme
- Acknowledgment in the programme
- Acknowledgment on website post event
- Company flyer or product sample in event goody bags

### Donation of Auction prizes

Benefits received:

- Acknowledgement in programme
- Acknowledgement and logo on auction advertising materials

### Donation of Raffle Prizes

Benefit received:

- Acknowledgement in programme



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