



## Interesting Times – Still in a good way

Once again, the Rescorla-Edwardes year has been action-packed, so we're chicking out of telling you about it and letting the pictures do the talking. The two biggest events this year were Philip's investiture as an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, which was awarded at Buckingham Palace by Prince Charles; and his subsequent award of a coat of arms – apparently, the first coat of arms awarded to a Rescorla. The arms show an azure wave (Cornish sea and River Thames) above a gold background (Cornish shield) with three choughs (the bird of Cornwall) holding treasury purses (his career). Above it is a setting sun (the West) with a fourth chough holding a peony (the Pink Singers).

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## January



28<sup>th</sup> – London by night from Blackfriars Bridge

## March



1<sup>st</sup> – The opening of the Olympic pool at Stratford. One of the tiny figures is Tom Daly



14<sup>th</sup> – Philip's OBE investiture at Buckingham Palace, with Matthew, Sheila and Martin

## April



2<sup>nd</sup> – At Gender Outlaws, a photographic exhibition by Darius Amini



14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> – Ah, Vienna! The Austrian Parliament

## May



21<sup>st</sup> – Philip holds forth in *Bar Wotever* at the Royal Vauxhall Tavern

## June



28<sup>th</sup> – London Pride (means our own dear town to us)

## July



7<sup>th</sup> – The Tour de France comes through Stratford

## August



19<sup>th</sup> – Carpenter's Lock & Mirror Bridge: boat trip through Olympic Park

## October



15<sup>th</sup> – Philip's crest and letters patent awarded



29<sup>th</sup> – With Natalie, Martin, Aaron, Leslie and Georgina at Concerto in Westfield, Stratford

## November



4<sup>th</sup> – The poppies at the Tower of London



10<sup>th</sup> – Pink Singers with Peter Tatchell at Tate Britain

## That Techie Stuff

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