

## Gearing Up 4 Gorillas

Reg Charity: 1111663  
presents the 2009

# 'Gorilla Gala'

Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup> 2009

Arora International Hotel - Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6LW

7.00 for 7.30pm – 1.00am  
a music filled, enchanting evening, Congolese style

**Black Tie**  
**Punch & Canapés on arrival**  
**3 Course Meal & Coffee**  
**Mini Congolese nibbles later...**

After dinner address  
**Ian Redmond OBE**  
Ambassador for the UN 'Year of the Gorilla - 2009'

Congolese band  
**Kasai Masai**  
& dancers  
...and the one and only  
**Mungo Jerry**

### Raffle & Auction

raising awareness and funds for  
**'Gearing Up 4 Gorillas'**  
Tickets - £100 or Table for 10 - £1,000  
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'Gearing Up 4 Gorillas' (G4G) is the only UK charity that focuses 100% on the conservation of the mountain gorilla in Virunga National Park, eastern DR Congo through directly supporting the rangers whose job it is to protect them



## **Ian Redmond OBE – Ambassador for the UN 2009 'Year of the Gorilla'.**

Ian is a tropical field biologist and conservationist. As with his mentor, the late Dr Dian Fossey, the main focus of his work shifted from research to conservation, after poachers killed the young silverback Digit. Finding the headless, handless body of a gorilla he regarded as a friend was a turning point in his life.

Ian Redmond chairs the **Ape Alliance**, the **African Ele-Fund** and the **UK Rhino Group**. He is now Chief Consultant with **GRASP**, the **UNEP/ UNESCO Great Apes Survival Project** he helped launch in 2001.

Ian introduced Sir David Attenborough to the gorillas in 1978 and taught Sigourney Weaver to grunt like a gorilla in 1987, for her award-winning role in the film **Gorillas in the Mist**.

## **Kasai Masai**

**Kasai Masai** are led by London-based Congolese singer, songwriter, drummer and dancer **Nickens Nkoso**. They will bring the traditional sound of remote equatorial African villages to you, with a contemporary twist. Nickens says 'Congolese music is so rich!'

**Kasai Masai** have played at the **Womad Festival**, **Sarawak Rainforest World Music Festival**, **Wychwood Festival**, the **Barbican** and the **Royal Festival Hall**.

We dare you not to dance....

## **Mungo Jerry**

**Mungo Jerry's** charismatic front man and songwriter, **Ray Dorset** was still working in a Timex factory when their sun drenched jug band anthem "**In the Summertime**" took the charts by storm reaching No 1 in June, 1970, "I had to ask my boss for the afternoon off to do Top of the Pops" he recalls. Over thirty years later, that song has sold a staggering thirty million copies. Many diverse musical projects have followed: A song for **ELVIS**, an album with **PETER GREEN** of **FLEETWOOD MAC**, a cover by **SHAGGY** of 'IN THE SUMMERTIME'...and a CD with top comedian Johnny Vegas. The story does not end there and Ray is still in recording studios releasing the much acclaimed 'NAKED FROM THE HEART' CD last year and a new album due for 2010, in addition to the Mungo Jerry extensive UK and European commitments on stage and TV.

Mungo Jerry's live performances are renowned, with front man Ray Dorset never failing to get everybody involved.

## **Gearing Up 4 Gorillas (G4G)**

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**G4G** believes the best way to protect the 200 mountain gorillas in DR Congo is to help the rangers whose job it is to protect them. For decades, rebel fighting and poachers have made their job a very dangerous one. Over 100 rangers have died in the line of duty in the last decade. The execution of gorillas during 2007 and intense fighting of 2007/8 made these years especially difficult. A briquette production programme is in full flow, to reduce reliance on charcoal made illegally from the Virunga forests – the greatest threat to the survival of the mountain gorillas.