**Most memorable moment: award will be given to person who nominated this as best moment**

1. The whole David Walliams evening. Surreal and memorable.
2. First taste of Sharon’s chocolate chip cookies
3. Tracy asking for tea and biscuits from a boat crew
4. Pauline, Chloe and Pam being accused by a fisherman of ruining the river during catch up swim 4
5. Buscot – Kelmscot: the huge rainstorm, with raindrops hitting the water hard looked like masses of tiny fairy synchro dancing columns
6. The beautiful stretch of river with the purple flowers (I think it was Swim #7) that ended up in Pam’s hat
7. Red Arrows over the Thames
8. Claire teaching us synchronised swimming

Angela & Henry joining us for a wetsuitless dip at Northmoor

**Most 'interesting' walk!!! (open to interpretation) – award as above**

1. The pretty bit between Tadpole Bridge and Shifford Lock
2. The run through the gardens of the Trout at Tadpole bridge after the catch up of that swim was funny though. As were the expressions of on-lookers.
3. Being forced to march fifteen miles from the source
4. Swim 1 from Cricklade!!
5. Susan’s walk through the marauding cows, fully clad in neoprene head to toe in 25 degree heat!!
6. Clare walking up the high street of Oxford on her own, in wetsuit!
7. 26 rubber-clad people on a hot day between The Swan at Radcot and Grafton Lock

**Landlady/landlord of the year! Award may be in relation to those taking part!**

1. The witch at the Swan - the dreaded Swan landlady shouted at us across the river as we set off to the lock that
”You can’t swim in the river”
“Why not” (Tracy)
“There’s a fishing competition today downstream”
“Does that stop the boats coming through then as well” (Pam)
“Well in any case there was a sewage leak up at Faringdon yesterday”
Muttered “Nothing’s stopping me”  (Pam)
“and you can’t leave your cars in my car park
2. The rude landlady at the Trout, Tadpole Bridge: “You can’t park here”; “Well we just spoke to someone who said it would be OK as we are staying for lunch” (Jeremy); “Well you didn’t speak to me!” horrible, nasty landlady... “Right, we’re off then you horrible old witch” (Jo).. well OK, not quite like that, but sort of!
3. The lovely landlady at the Red Lion, Castle Eaton, who made lots of room for us and let us use the loos!
4. The pub at The Trout, Lechalde at Camp number 1. Just an all round good sort of folks.

**Worst (or best) cheat! – award will be for person/s nominated**

1. All those who wear fins. (Tracey esp).
2. Pam for getting in to the swim early and having to go back later to do a five minute swim
3. Clare Tuckett how many times did she start from the end and then say she had already swam it
4. Mr Jo in his canoe
5. Everyone involved in the last km swim (or should I say walk) from Kings Lock to the Trout Inn at Wolvercote – we saw you!!!!
6. Pam’s commando crawling – this is definitely in the category best cheat!
7. Jo, for trying to drown Tracy (editor: hmmm, think this was the other way round on numerous occasions!)
8. Pam for denying the rights of fin users and extreme waders, before succumbing herself

**Best scavenge: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Tea and biccies from boat owners.
2. Tracy's cup of tea on a barge
3. Birthday cake from a passing boat on catch up swim #10
4. Jo’s sparkly pink Stetson coming into Oxford
5. Adam posing wrapped around a tree, clad in wetsuit and pink sparkly Stetson!
6. All of us for the many shuttles scavenged in Colin's people carrier

**Casanova award - romance no knows bounds on the river?! award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Tracey - on the catch up of swim to Tadpole bridge! (Fishermen and boat owners) - Tracy made it her business to chat up every one of the 14 competing fishermen who were spread out along the riverbank downstream of the lock and even asked to inspect the organiser’s catch of tiddlers
2. Pam: engaged to two others while still married
3. Tracy; For her chat up of the blonde lady on the boat ("Don't I know you from the telly")
4. Jeremy (for all the Mrs Wellinghams)

**Most inappropriate changing moment: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Not so much inappropriate as just downright funny: Paul scrambling free of his new wetsuits at Binsey
2. Jeremy’s towel being too small
3. Adam’s bun fondling in Farmoor, and subsequent telling off from neighbours!
4. Jeremy going "bottomless" in the Hinksey Lido carpark

**Best comedy moment: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Sliding plank/seal like out at Tadpole bridge (we had not been informed of steps).
2. Being ambushed by two swimmers camoflauged with reeds before meeting DW.
3. Paul’s wetsuit removal at the Perch
4. Watching people obediently doing butterfly under the bridges
5. Sef drinking river water Rehearsal for The One Show
6. Pam’s hot potatoes!
7. Adam’s swan wrangling
8. Sef falling in a hole and disappearing from site as we were walking a patch Swim #4 – just like The Vicar of Dibley moment!
9. Claire; For organizing the Thames Synchronised swimming troupe/ Falange of Bobboons and Thames Barrier performed for Angela Rippon
10. Putting a random man right (shouting after him as he went into a restaurant) when he said "everyone's at it since Walliams".

**Most improved swimmer: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Neil - For consistently improving on his personal best distances and for his tenacious steady swim to the each finish
2. Viv’s front crawl
3. Adam

**Most backward sliding swimmer!! award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Colin. He started off swimming the channel. And how much has he swum of late?!
2. anyone who uses or threatens to use fins – Jo, Tracy, Pam
3. Adam who in his own words “made like a triathlete” on November 13th and “came back to be a bobber
4. Sharon doing backstroke!!
5. Claire; For arriving part way through swims and managing to look like she was there from the start all along
6. Sef (nominated herself!)

**Best swimming toy/accessory: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Jeremy's pink marigolds (and Pam’s blue ones!)
2. Bex’s flowery swimming hat
3. The whole of the Neoprene Ninja!
4. Susan’s kidney warmers – “nobody could push my buttons!”
5. Elvis!
6. Graham's bright orange floaty thing should get a mention especially as I hear it can take lunch with you
7. Sue; For her swimming torpedo float and her heat pad where its activation imitates life
8. Mr Jo’s canoe

**Best recipe: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Pauline's flapjacks.
2. Mrs Muller’s pistachio and white chocolate.
3. Chocolate chip and orange cookies – Sharon
4. Steven’s flapjacks
5. Pauline’s bounty cake
6. Pam’s flapjacks
7. Clare T’s banana muffins
8. Claire S’s melty cake
9. Viv's sausage rolls

**Most memorable camping moment: award will be for person/s nominated or person nominating**

1. bacongate Northmoor Lock – Ginny instructing Chris on how to do the bacon
2. Several people sleeping through the police helicopter visit at Radcot
3. Paul sleep talking
4. The campfire at Northmoor Lock - At Northmoor Lock, after doing the swim Northmoor -> Bablockhythe, Jeremy had got a lovely camp fire going, we were warm as we sat round chatting,
the sky was clear, the moon rose and shone through the trees, joined by
Jupiter. You can't hope for conditions as good as that in Britain, and yet
we got them and it was mid-September
5. Team Hollis anniversary celebration - sausages and beer; and seeing Viv’s decorated Swim the Thames book
6. Angela; For eventually jumping in at Northmoor camp and joining us all for a swim. Much deserved reward for all the unstinting support she has given to our mad epic adventure.

**Best quote: award will be for person/s nominated or person nominating**

1. You've completely ruined the river' (Fisherman on catch up swim #4).
2. “Jeremy, that towel is too small” by Ginny at Northmoor Lock.   “Not it’s not, after that cold swim it’s the right size
3. “Charles is on the bank” – no Sharon, we were trying to tell you that the Red Arrows were above your head!!!
4. “Why are you swimming in the river today?”... “Because we were busy yesterday” (Jo)
5. “whose phone is that buzzing?”... “no, that’s not a phone, its me!!” (Jo)
6. Will the real Mrs Wellingham please stand up"
7. Chris: "Is that a swim hat in your trunks or are you just pleased to see us?"
8. Ginny: "That's not how you cook bacon" (approximate quote)

**Best nickname: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Mrs Wellinhgham (s)
2. Angelina Ballerina
3. The Pillbox Pevert
4. The phantom flasher of Farmoor
5. Platypus Pam

**Most travelled swimmer: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Paula - For not only traveling the furthest but doing it by train, bus, 'plane? and on foot complete with camping gear
2. five who have completed all the sections so far including the walk
3. Chris Dalton/Jo Arbon,  always on Facebook from foreign climes
4. Paul – including best use of public transport

**Bossy britches: award will be for person/s nominated**

1. Ginny - campfire co-ordinator
2. Pam – slow, medium, fast swimmer arrangements
3. Jo – Rose Revived travel arrangements!
4. Chris; For consistently getting everyone on the move at the start after changing and keeping the faffing stage reasonable short - we WILL walk