LEAD THE CHANGE
JULY - 2021
INTERNAL GROWTH

Life is all about growth and change. It's not static. It's not about some destination.

- Bill Burnett

In an ever-changing world where the only constant changes, to maintain internal growth Round Table has impacted members in an immensely positive way. It is a safe place where with friends you can feel comfortable even if you don’t succeed at once.
RTI President

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Whatever your passion is Round Table has friends who share the same calling in life and are there for you to share your success, to enhance your progress, to motivate and to learn from you. Be it singing or your favourite sport you have hundreds of friends that are waiting to connect and talk about it.

RT University manager Jayant Agrawal has started several initiatives for learning and personality development. They range from leadership training, social media training, talk shows by celebrities, tablers, international sportsmen and international visionaries, training on Tabler World app and many more.

Round Table International magazine for years has been a pool of information and inspiration to tablers across the world. Every month the magazine covers multiple thought-provoking articles from board members, board assistants, associations and stories of change by tablers. It also covers information on upcoming events from RTI.

This is just the tip of an iceberg friends Round Table is all about internal growth. The only thing we have to do is make an effort to connect with our friends from across the globe and inspire each other.

Your friend
Tabler D K Singh
President
Round Table International
Dear brothers,

I hope you all are keeping safe and healthy. What an absolute honour & privilege it is for me to serve the greatest young men's organisation on the global stage. For the readers who do not know me yet, I would like to give you a short introduction of myself. My name is Paul Hoeksema from the picturesque and sunny Southern Africa. I am a media manager, graphic designer, content creator by trade and aspiring traditional artist (acrylics) and photographer. I joined Round Table in 2014 and haven’t looked back since. As RTI Content Manager I am delighted to live out my passion for disseminating the life-changing message that is Round Table by means of design and relevant content creation. I proudly represent my local club, Round Table Mossel Bay 32 as Chairman and South Cape Area as Public and International Relations Officer. In recent years, I have also been fortunate enough to assist my beloved National Association, Round Table Southern Africa with various design campaigns.

All across the globe, Round Table’s social media presence has never been more active or relevant. It truly is inspiring to see so many Associations and Clubs consistently utilising various media platforms to spread the actioning of our defined aims and objectives. I find daily inspiration in everyday post gems from an array of active pages and profiles. The extensive use
and importance of these platforms cannot be overstated as our global society depends on digital interaction now more than ever. With every Tabler in mind, the Round Table International Public Relations and Social Media Team have launched several initiatives & by design, created various assets to help you promote the RT brand in your Clubs both locally & internationally. Thank you to all the members out there who are working tirelessly & passionately to promote their local clubs and ultimately Round Table as a whole.

Remember to consistently shout about the good & to showcase your Table’s unique personality when it comes to media and public relations work. How consistently you post should be specific to each social media site you’re utilising. Some platforms like Twitter and Instagram Stories require you to be active multiple times per day to get the maximum potential from your audience. Other post types, like regular Instagram Posts and Facebook updates, don’t have as much urgency and can be used less sparingly. When determining your post strategy, look at factors such as how the algorithm works for each platform. Research your preferred platform’s algorithm, be relevant and post accordingly:


Round Table not only changed the lives of the countless beneficiaries over a span of decades, but it also changes you personally and elevates you to previously unknown heights. These changes are what sets us aside from other organisations out there.

If you find inspiration in your journey and in the journey of other Tablers, your content will always yield results.

Keep up the great work & feel free to contact us should you need any assistance.

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Yours in Table& friendship,
Paul Hoeksema
CONTENT MANAGER,
RT INTERNATIONAL, 2020-21
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REMINDER!
LAST DAY FOR AWARDS AND MOTIONS FOR THE WORLD MEETING IS THE 13TH OF AUGUST AT 12H00 CEST.
RECEIVING BACK FROM RTSA – a 41’ers story how RTSA assisted in his time of need.

Through all my years in table, being a Joe tabler, running through portfolios on my table, to serving on area councils, and ultimately being Area chairman and part of ASSCO, would I have never thought how much Round Table will mean for me in my darkest days.

In the early hours of 8th of February 2020, I was shot by an intruder while trying to force him outside the house. My wife and kids drove me to hospital where I have done the initial assessment of damage, but also where I have been sedated, and the last memory I would have for two weeks.

As my thoughts was in the clouds and enjoying dreamland, surviving was another issue for my family as I am the breadwinner in the house. Family and friends came over and stayed for a while, but it was Round Table that came to our salvation. RT54 tabler, Russel Human, is a family friend for a few years and knows the ins’ and outs’ of our family. He also realized that without help, my family already worried about me in hospital that needed to undergo surgery after surgery, can’t also have the financial impact to think and worry about. With this he reported to South African Round Table STNOFS Area council.

STNOFS Chairman, Bradley Rhodes, sent out a request to RTSA and without hesitation Round Table Southern Africa answered his call. The original request was to gather funds to
assist me to stay in private hospital, but with the high medical costs it was a steep hill to climb, but then came the RTSA miracle. For 3 weeks I was away from my desk, and another 2 weeks in recovery thereafter, meaning that no work, no fees, no survival. The money so graciously donated by my brothers in Round Table have put my wife in a position to make all payments and buy the needed groceries for February and March.

I had tears in my eyes for days to come as I read through messages and seen the wonders Round Table has done for me and my family. Another and just as equally important factor of Round Table is the emotional support my wife and I received from Round Table. If it was from a local, area or old ASSCO whatsapp group, calls from friends we’ve made over the years, it all truly assisted us in feeling that we are not alone, and do not have to carry all these burdens on our own.

I will still phone each person or table whom donated and thank them personally. We always know how good it feels when giving to the community, but gents, as a recipient of your goodwill I can tell you, the impact you have on people and their lives can’t be measured in only smiles or tears of joy. I can tell you, how big or small the contributions, assistants or attendance, it will always remain in our hearts.

I thank our Lord that He has brought me to Round Table, I thank Him for all the good I was able to do in those years, I thank Him for all the friends I have made in those years, and again I am on my knees thanking Him for bringing my brothers to my aid in time of need.

I love Round Table, I love all its past, present and future members and leave you with this thought: “As tablers we spend more time together as most families. Round Tablers are our families, treat and love each other accordingly”

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In spring 2020 New York City became the epicenter of the pandemic in the United States. Like most clubs, Round Table 1 went virtual and online poker became one of our main activities. We raised funds through a couple of charity poker games to support Round Table 20 Blantyrein building a computer room for a reformatory home in Malawi. Ladies Circle USA started a fundraiser to help New York City’s frontline workers in the early days of the pandemic.

New York City recovered in no time and Round Table 1 started to have regular in person meetings as early as last summer. We had fun activities in a less busy and almost tourist-free New York. Our activities included playing golf at Chelsea Piers, a visit to the Museum of Illusions, steak dinner at an Argentinian restaurant, axe throwing, bowling and barbecues in our Treasurer’s backyard.

In typical years Round Table 1 welcomes up to 30 visitors from abroad and we miss the exchange with international Tablers. Round Table USA hosted a gala dinner at our IRO’s patio in June. We even had a visitor from Round Table Seychelles. Further, we have been joined by the RTI IPP on a couple of occasions.
Needless to mention that expansion and recruitment slowed down during the pandemic. However, Round Table 1 is making progress and inducted two new members on July 28. Three more prospects are currently in the pipeline. Our fellows in Boston have been working towards their charter until they experienced a major setback when four members left because of the pandemic. Also, we are happy to report that our 41ers resumed meetings in June.

Round Table USA plans a side by side event with Ladies Circle USA in September and another event to support our Boston fellows is in the making. Round Table 1 is exploring new fundraising and recruitment opportunities like celebrity bartending at one of our favourite bars which could be blueprint for other clubs.

Travel restrictions are expected to be upheld in light of the Delta variant but we can’t wait to welcome friends from all over the world once restrictions are lifted. Our 2023 AGM will be a side by side event with Ladies Circle USA. Last year, RT Americas gained momentum just before the pandemic hit and we hope to revive the fellowship in 2023.

**Stephan Wagner**
RT USA, President
Dear fellow tablers,

After a difficult year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this year started off more hopeful and should gradually become a fairly normal year. The new National Board is therefore ready for a smashing year. However, we also want to look back at last year. Despite the pandemic, our clubs continued to operate as well as possible, albeit mostly digitally. In total, all clubs together raised 728,911€ which is really impressive since no events were allowed to take place while we normally get most of our revenue from these events. Since we will be organizing several “liberation parties” soon, this year will be much better. Our focus this year will be mainly on the recruitment of new members because this has ground to a halt last year and we had to let some very good members go, because they had reached their “retirement age”.

The last year has also taught us how important friendship is and how difficult it is when we are not allowed to see each other. This actually seems like an interesting thing to take with us over the next few months as we try together to convince future members to join us. We all missed a lot of things because we were not allowed to leave our own homes, but most of all we missed the beautiful moments that we could not experience together. Let us take this feeling with us and convey it when we talk about our association. Even more important than the beautiful projects that we realize each year is the friendship that we can experience among ourselves.

Of course we also hope to be able to visit various countries because we not only had to miss our family and friends in our own country but also our international friends. We are looking forward to welcoming you in our beautiful country so you can enjoy our wonderful beer and other culinary delights and we hope that we can come and see as many of your beautiful cities as possible. After all, the international nature of our wonderful association is what makes it even more magical. It is always overwhelming to feel how quickly it feels comfortable between tablers who have never met before and this despite the great distance or sometimes different culture. Let’s continue to cherish this and enjoy it to the fullest again this year.

Steven Arrazola de Oñate
National PRO
Dear fellow tablers,

The COVID19 pandemic has hampered our associations for far too long. It is time to work together to keep the channels of communication open and to see each other whether digitally or physically and share some fun moments together. Sure, we have to talk about the serious stuff too, but despite and considering the challenges we have to face, don’t we all feel the hunger for tabling? Let’s hope all of us can get vaccinated soon, so we can sit across from each other at the table once again, to share a good joke, share a good glass of wine, and share another special table moment.

A friend in need is a friend indeed. The floods in Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands have taught us that money can’t always solve everything. Sometimes what people need is a helping hand to get the water out of the house, to clean up, to provide a place to shower and freshen up, to prepare a cooked meal and support one another mentally. It is in these troubled times that we can really show what true tablers are made of. It is therefore, with pride that I can say that initiatives have been started in Belgium to help those people (tablers and non-tablers) in need in the regions most affected by the flood.

My fellow tablers, I had the good fortune to travel to the lovely town of Faenza, for the AGM in Italy from the 2nd to the 4th of July 2021. How wonderful the feeling that things are almost back to normal. That, with the aid of a (negative) PCR test, hand sanitizer and a surgical mask we can see each other again and share happy table moments together. Ok, Italy did win the football match against Belgium on the 2nd of July 2021, but the joy of the Italian tablers was not only from their national team beating the Belgian national team at football. It was the joy of organizing a physical AGM once again and sharing this experience with tablers around the world.

In Belgium we wish to convey that same sense of togetherness at our next AGM, which will take place in Leuven (Belgium’s oldest university town, which has its own brewery!) from the 22nd to the 24th of April 2022. A pretour will be organized for the international guests on the 21st of April 2022. We hope you will all enroll and join us for our first physical AGM in three years!

Meet the future of tabling, come to the national AGM in Leuven, Belgium.

Michael D’Aubrey
National IRO
Forget me not - Francesco Chiarelli: "The Round Table Association between solidarity and the business world" April 2, 2021

The weekly column "DON'T FORGET ME", by the editorial staff of tribunapoliticaweb.sm, aims to be a collection of testimonies, through interviews, of all those who work daily in favour of the Republic of San Marino, of the institutions San Marino citizens, the economy and the community in general. Of all those who are committed, even if only in a personal capacity, to promote in the best way the image of the Republic of San Marino, inside and outside our borders. To those that we can ultimately consider the Guardian Angels of the oldest Republic in the world.

What are the activities that the Round Table Association carries out in San Marino and that it has carried out especially in this year so difficult due to Covid?

RTSM has always been committed to social issues, as a club service we have always been committed to organizing cultural activities open both to members only, people linked to the world of entrepreneurship, and to aspirants (with the formula of 3 evenings and then choose to enter or stay out of it) with which we are able to obtain funds to be donated to the community and to social projects that need concrete help. For example, the last year we organized virtual meetings to manage the company in times of crisis and how to overcome it, aimed at young entrepreneurs and artisans to whom we have made available a "course" with slides produced by successful managers who have led their experiences and shared it with the members.

The Round Table Association has always been strongly committed to social issues.

What are the initiatives you have completed in 2020 and 2021?

In 2020 we are committed to coping with the Covid emergency and we have donated our funds entirely to the community, specifically to the ISS, previously we have helped a rehabilitation center for people with disabilities in San Marino and the elementary school of Fiorentino that we have helped build a park for pupils. In previous years we have also helped build a school in Malawi (Africa)

On an international level, what are your relations with other European realities and beyond?

Our international relations are incredibly strong and solid, we had an international president of San Marino for 2 consecutive years in 99/00, the fact that we are independent from Italy gives us a lot of visibility and we are recognized by the whole world as a solid organization. Every year we participate in international meetings and we are lucky enough to meet other influential tablers (we call ourselves that) in every country in Europe and in the world.

What does it mean to be a member of the Association and what burdens does it entail?

When I walked in 2015/16 I had no idea what it meant deep down, they just told me it was a one-time train and I jumped on.
Today, after so many years and the last 3 years of presidency, I can say that I have found a group of deeply linked friends, people you always know you can count on, both in San Marino and in the world even after many years, my career has suffered profound influences and helped me a lot but above all I made our motto my own: adopt, adopt, improve, or adopt, adopt and improve everything both in work and in life. The burden that it entails, provided you have the requisites to enter, is nothing compared to what you can find and the most important thing is to understand the true value of philanthropy, to help people concretely. Their eyes and smiles are the most fulfilling experience you can get in life.
TRT 54: Procurement of Doppler Ultra sonography and Digital Retinography system as facilitator of CSR activity of

KRT 79: Donation of Automated Hospital beds to General Hospital Kottayam

MCRT 82: Adopted the CS theme "Donate a limb, donate a livelihood" this year and contributed 42 limbs to 42 children from rural areas through Freedom Trust.

MMRT 3: in association with the Sethu Foundation distributed 430 hygiene kits to the slum children around Teynampet, Chennai.

Area 3: Mumbai Covid Team Completes 300 days of uninterrupted continuous Meal Delivery Service “WE CARE” for Senior Citizens of Mumbai

Area 5: 600 days Mega Food Drive! non stop from 1st July 2019 to 21st Feb 2021. And with all your love and support, let's pray that this journey keeps going on

ART 279 & ATRT 329: A joint Blood donation event, lot of tablers participated in large no. & donated 33 units of blood. The event was done on the birthday of Tr DK Singh 'President RT International'

BMRT 275: Laptop Donation drive, which was a NEED OF THE HOUR, considering the pandemic situation where the offline schools are not working, to help the merit students continue with the studies.

ACRT 322: Every Month villages are identified where there are no toilets. This step has been taken as an initiative to help people who still have to go a long way everyday in absence of common toilets in the village..

BNRT 25: Along with Embassy Foundation distributed student Health Kits to Govt Schools Children.
CCRT 31: A very unique project. They electrified two tribal villages Dhoomanurand Sembukarai. A truly unique CS project which put a feather on the cap of Area 7.

CSRT 323: Donated an ambulance worth ₹8 lakhs to an old age home.

BRT 45: A vision for Nation Initiative where 320 Cataract operations were done & most of the tables from Area participated in the initiative making it a Grand Success & benefitting almost 320 families.

HKRT 178: Animal rescue Mission, donated a omni car, snake rescuing equipment's, first aid kit, cage, shoes and gloves to Mr. Sangamesh who rescues animals and leave them back into the wild. Project costed 175000/-

HRT 37: Donated 6 Sewing Machines To Ladies who had lost jobs in this pandemic to start their livelihood. Project costed 36000/-

GRT 86: Spirit of Giving, they donated Blanket & Shoe to needy. Also they done activates like financial support towards girl's education, donating lunches at orphanage, etc.

KURT 306: Massive Sanitization Drive Campaign. The past year has been nothing less than a ‘chaos’ created by the pandemic. With better times ahead, there has been a realization of an urgent need of ‘Sanitization’.

JRRT 215: Along with JNU hospital organized Medical camp across 6 RTI FTE Schools. Nearly 500 students got their health check done & more than 40 students admitted to JNU hospital for further treatment.
CRT 164: Clean Giri, did their bit in cleaning the Mullainagiri mountain, with assistance from the public works and sanitation departments.

SMART 266: took up the task of cleaning the Gutyappaconoity school on account of republic day, as the school was shut for 10 months. This benefitted 116 students.

Area 14: RT 238, RT 239, RT 320, RT 248 & RT 332 jointly initiated a session of Good Touch -Bad Touch & Self Defense for underprivileged children across area

SRT 252: Sponsored one year education for the entire primary school which comprises 50 students

PMRT 65: Continued with their commitment of 52 weeks of CS activity by donating meals at AAHDAR SAMAJIK SANSTHA an organization having 4 centers across Pune.

RURT 284: Project GARV, have done multiple events. Where they donated sewing machine to this widow, constructed a small shop for an underprivileged family, donated gas stove with basic supply for one month to this young lady, etc.

RURT 284: Organized a mega health check up camp for all 52 wards of Ranchi. They catered to about 500 needy dwellers. They also provided on spot medicines to the dwellers. They also provided on spot medicines to the needy.

IRT 242: 35 biscuit and snacks distribution to covid centers

KRT 79: Donation of Automated Hospital beds to General Hospital Kottayam

CURT 270: DurbalyaRaksha - 10000+ distribution of sanitary napkins along with good touch bad touch LAPD

Area 18: Zero Hunger Project for six months weekly food distribution done by LRT 188, CRT 216 and YNRT 340
ROUND TABLE INDIA

ROUND TABLE INDIA (RTI) is an organization of non-political & non-sectarian young men between the age group of 18 to 40 with an aim to promote service, fellowship, and goodwill in national and international affairs.

Round Table India, the association, was formed in 1982 with 100 members. It has, over the last 6 decades, grown to become an association with 4600+ member strength. The members are handpicked individuals who can rise above personal concerns to seek and serve the larger needs of the community. Round Table India Trust is a Trust floated by its parent body.

We have 300+ chapters called 'Tables' located in 124+ cities and towns of India, comprising of 4600+ young Active members and an extended family of around 10,000 + retired past Members from various backgrounds comprising of business people, entrepreneurs, technocrats, & professionals - all passionate about extending service through fellowship. The retirement age from the organization is 40 Years, so the organization always remains young and vibrant, full of fresh and new ideas.

ZERO OVERHEAD ORGANIZATION:
Round Table India is a service organization with a National Executive and it is a well-structured organization. We have an independent budget for administration which takes care of the administrative costs of our organization, thereby making it one of the very few "Zero Overhead Organizations" in the country today. What it means to a donor is that Round Table India does not levy any Admin Charges towards handling & utilizing donations, so each and every penny donated to Round Table India only goes towards all the social causes.

COMPLIANCE:
Round Table India Trust is a Public Charitable Trust registered u/s 12AA of IT Act. It has got 80 G approval issued by ITO, Chennai. It has also obtained FCRA registration from Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi to receive foreign donations. It also has CSR registration with MCA which allows to receive corporate donations under CSR initiatives.

FREEDOM THROUGH EDUCATION

FREEDOM THROUGH EDUCATION (FTE):
Even after 74 years of independence, Millions of Indian children have never, ever been to school. Illiteracy is a self-fulfilling curse that perpetuates the chain of poverty, degradation, and child labor. To reach out to this group of underprivileged children, since the year 1996, Round Table India across the country started adopting projects aimed at providing quality school infrastructure, and then in 1998, this project was formalized and thus gave birth to the National Project of Round Table India. "Freedom Through Education" - In pursuit of educating underprivileged children.

Round Table India’s focus on Infrastructure-Building is aimed at promoting Education for Posterity and hence RTI has put in colossal efforts to build FTE School Blocks across the nation.
UNDER THE FTE PROGRAM:

Our Members (addressed as Tablers) identify needy Schools for underprivileged that are operating from dilapidated or open structures; schools that have land available but little resources to take up high-value expenditures like Infrastructure Development. It is here that RTI steps in and builds School Classroom Blocks and Amenities like Toilet Blocks, Science Labs, Playgrounds, Computer Labs, Smart Classrooms, Drinking Water Facility, Rainwater Harvesting, Solar Panel Installation, etc. across India to help such efforts and hands over newly constructed quality school Blocks & amenities to the school bodies.

FTE

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Total projects worth 20 cr (approx) executed between 1st July 2020 and 18th June 2021

OTHER SOCIAL CAUSES:

Apart from the long term project of Freedom Through Education, Round Table India has also been active with a lot of other social causes, as per the requirements accessed by our members across the country.

In the past as well as currently, our local chapters have addressed the needs of the society through a range of community service activities like blood donation drives, Plantation Drives, Sweater & Stationary Donations to school children, Limb Donation, feeding the hungry, eye checkup camps, donation of sanitary napkins & medicines, cataract surgery to name a few and also encourage raising awareness through our sessions on health awareness, good touch, bad touch, menstrual hygiene, etc.

Round Table India, through its local chapters, have also offered their assistance at Disaster Relief during the times of Kashmir Floods, Gujarat Earthquake, Tsunami, Odisha Cyclone in the past to relief post most recent Natural Disasters – Aamphan & Hyderabad Floods.
25th July 2021

Finnish summer. So short and cold but it still gives us many opportunities to do some amazing tabling around country. Here’s a couple of examples.

"Cannonball Presidents Run"
Summer special in Finland is Cannonball Presidents Run. Goal is to drive with special cars through Finland route Hanko-Vaasa-Rovaniemi-Kuopio-Hanko in four days and it’s over 2000km. Round Table and Old Tablers brothers from all over Finland took part in the race. There was all kinds of vehicles from old classics to new sports cars and motorcycles. In Rovaniemi, the brothers crossed the ArcKc Circle and the race finally ended in the magnificent port of Hanko.

Hope that some day we can make through Europe and organize a great international event.

"Round Table Disc Golf Event"
After a long and covid-19 filled winter and spring RT-75 Tornio organized the second annual RT Jallufrisbee golf (Disc golf tournament spiced up with infamous Finnish cut cognac). Fortunately covid-19 infections had decreased for summertime and we could enjoy the event without restrictions. The event gathered about 20 Tablers and one Circler all around Finland for playful competition of disc golf for nine fairways. The atmosphere was "through the roof" since there hadn’t been that many occasions for Tabling/Circling events for the past year. The organizing team was happy to see smiling faces of participants. The evening ended traditionally with Finnish sauna and some cold beverages.
ROUND TABLE
SUOMI-FINLAND

“Round Table Padel World Championships”
The first annual Round Table World Padel Championships were held in 2020 in Finland. The tournament is organized every summer in Seinäjoki, the padel capital of Finland. The event brings together tablers from all over the Finland. Hopefully in the future even from all over the world. This kind of events are a great way to get to know each other, make new friends and playing sports together.

“SideBySide”
I don’t get any story about this picture, but the is an example of many get together parties in SideBySide cooperation spirit. Many clubs do amazing thing together whit brothers, sisters and their families in summertime.
“RTSF Midnight Sun Golf Joensuu”
Sunny golf course located between lakes and the beautiful forested hills of Northern Karelia hosted the annual RTSF Midnight Sun Golf Open tournament. Brothers from all around Finland gathered to Karelia Golf to see which one of them has the longest drive, which one hits their ball closest to “Salmiakki” and who wins the title after two rounds of golf. Most of the players had played for years but we even had a participating brother who had just finished his green card and was on his first round of golf! After golf, Brothers had some good time in Sauna and in hot tubs located in the yard of our hotel. Maybe someone even got their feet on the dance floor during the night... Great event with lots of “long time no see” -mentality!

Best Regards / YiT

Antti Helle
RT-75 Tornio
RTSF IRO 2021 - 2023
Brand Exposure

Werner Swanepoel, Association Branding Manager and Strategic Planner of Round Table Southern Africa, 2020-2021, took it upon himself to apply his knowledge and field of expertise of brand exposure to better Round Table Southern Africa brand. He visited all the areas throughout the year to explain and create GEES! (Enthusiasm and Spirit for lack of a better English description).

We created our own change making ‘virus’ called - Impactful Change. It spread like wildfire amongst our members and was seen on every social media platform, shirt, coin and pin released during Werner’s year as branding manager.

This brand awareness campaign really took off when Round Table Southern Africa aired their first ever television commercial on National and Continental Television via DSTV, ETV and Open View reaching the entire South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Ghana, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, Kenya, Zimbabwe and Malawi. 40 million people reached with an estimated marketing and advertising value of R4,600,000. (€268,400)

Winter knights RTSA Annual Winter Warm-Up Drive

Winter Knights is a proudly Round Table Southern Africa Project which was first adopted as an Association Project in 2010 and has grown and getting bigger each year.

Winter Knights is a registered trademark, and we as Round Tablers are proud to call it our own!

The initial concept was for Tablers to spend a few hours in Winter, wearing light clothing, to experience the plight suffered by so many less fortunate people. It was hoped that members of their communities would come forth with blankets and old clothing, which the Tablers could use to keep warm and then once the project was concluded, donate on to worthy causes.

The project has evolved over the years, with many Tables showing great initiative and forward-thinking in their approach—everything from grocery trolleys being filled at Shopping Malls, door-to-door collections, tinned food collections, corporate donations and even businesses sponsoring a street corner for the day.
TWALOLOKA PROJECT

The Twaloloka project had a huge impact – not only on our Tablers but on the Namibian Community as large. It was incredibly heartwarming to see Namibians opening their hearts and pockets and doing so during a time of great uncertainty. The exposure we received by simply doing what the duty of every responsible citizen is, was immense. Twaloloka narrowed the gap between the Association in Namibia and the community of Namibia. The project created awareness of who we are, what we do, and why we do it. Large Businesses approached Round Table 36 to distribute funds and items instead of Government Institutions. Through the exposure we received, we were able to receive funds for our other projects. To name an example – at the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, we started the “Feed a Family” project. In October 2020, we received a donation of N$200 000.00 from Nambia towards this project. This would not have been possible without the exposure we received from the Twololoka Project.

A Table consisting of 6 Tablers were able to raise N$3,650 921.55 by pulling together when called upon and working as a team. When some Tablers were unable to be on the ground during regular working hours, they assisted after hours and weekends. Everyone did their part.

Round Table 36 built bridges and made essential connections – this will assist us in future. In the words of Mister Rodgers: “When I was a boy, and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, look for the helpers, you will always find people who are helping.” This is us – Round Table Walvis Bay 36 driving #impactfulchange!
One Table within RTSA went the extra mile in every aspect. They raised and donated just over R2,000,000. How they raised these funds were astounding. Always including the entire community and looking after their own has led to them receiving the Past Presidents Award for Table of the Year within RTSA. This award is not handed out yearly but only at the President's discretion for outstanding service rendered.

At the bottom of the Lesotho Highlands, a small-town Underberg is a very rural town with a big farming community. They took hands with all the farmers and shop owners and continually, throughout hard lockdown, fed 1,000 families left without an income. They raised over R600,000 with an online auction and, throughout their successes, remained humble, living the ethos of Round Table. They have remained so humble that if questions were not raised regarding their various projects within their community, it might have gone unnoticed.

The town knows and supports the Rondel, and the Rondel supports its town.

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A journey started about 2 years ago when they decided to start up their very own Round Table in Yzerfontein. Even though it has been less than a year, we are proud of what they have achieved to date. Their first get together was 20 October 2019 and Table View 246 were quick, to not only support them, but to become their sponsoring Table. To date they have had more than 15 Business Meetings. Even though Yzerfontein is a small holiday town on the West Coast (about an hour’s drive from Cape Town), they have 7 great tablers who are all new members.
ROUND TABLE
SOUTHERN AFRICA

Various sponsorships

RTSA also partnered with First National Bank / RMB/ Grain Carriers/ Unigrain to distribute 17,500 tons of Maize meal in Limpopo-, Mpumalanga- and the Free State Province

RTSA has also been privileged to receive an ASSCO kit sponsorship from Galito’s and we cannot thank DSTV and ETV enough for the Round Table commercials aired on various channels.

Ofm Groot VETKOEK Proe-Jek

RTSA was privileged enough to partner with OFM, the Sound of your Life to run an Alliance project known as die Goot Vet Kombers Proe-jek.

The alliance project was run over the course of 4 weeks in 4 different towns in 3 different areas or provinces, which all fall within the broadcast area of OFM.

The project entailed that OFM would do an on site broadcast in the relevant town with the team creating a drive-thru and sell vetkoekie at a minimum donation of R35 each. The community would then pay the minimum donation of R35 and some would even pay more.....the largest donation was R10'000......

The team travelled in excess of 2700 km to the various towns.
RTSA was represented by 4 tables situated in the Free State, Stnofs and Northern Cape areas, making it the 2nd biggest RTSA alliance project to the Winter Knight alliance with Toyota.

The project started in Vryburg on 10 June and travelled to Potchefstroom (17 June), Upington (24 June) and finished in Welkom on 1 July on OFM’s 35th Birthday.

The initial idea was sell 500 vetkoekie per day and the team ended up selling in excess of 4000 vetkoekie over the course of the 4 days...

The alliance partnership was able to raise R450’000 with Welkom 40 collecting R146 420, Potchefstroom 47 R126 856, Upington 79 R107 555
Generally, with any target or goal, you stumble across some roadblocks and obstructions, forcing you to adjust your mindset, reassessing your situation and continuing to pursue the successful completion of your end goal actively. A perfect example would be the recent success (32-12) of the Springboks in the 2019 Rugby World Cup. They suffered an initial loss to the All Blacks and had to face the fact that no team has ever lost a pool game and gone on to win the World Cup. The adage still holds: Records are there to be broken. They remained focussed on the task at hand, as they were still in the running, still relevant and still a treat to be reckoned with. We all know how dangerous the Springboks are with their backs against the wall, as it has been proven time and time again.

As Round Table Southern Africa Members, we found ourselves in a similar situation amidst the Covid-19 pandemic, wreaking havoc with the way we go about our daily lives, our business objectives, and most notably, how we can serve our community, as we have done for close on 70 years. However, true to “Springbok Spirit”, we have reassessed, evaluated, and adapted to the unfamiliar environment, trying to make the best out of an uncertain situation. We have managed to complete our statutory requirements in terms of meetings both at Association Level, Area Level and Table Level. Our 1st Aim and Objective: “To develop fellowship...” has not entirely been left by the wayside, and it has been pleasing to see the amount of “ZOOM Raids” that have taken place over this period. These “ZOOM Raids” will never, and can never, replace the bonds we forge during physical interactions but can still be seen as the foundation needed to strengthen the bonds, we as Tablers build together. Nevertheless, even in the face of adversity, we have seen a massive increase in the effort and willingness by Tables across our Association to actively endeavour to drive Impactful Change within our local communities and will continue doing so for the foreseeable future.

Our Association, faithful to the warriors they are, raised in excess of R26,000,000 (1509878 Euros) for their communities in dire need of assistance. Every Table contributed to a successful year even when faced with great adversity.

Like the Springboks, we suffered the initial loss, but we were mindful that: we ARE still focussed, we ARE still making an Impactful Change, and we ARE still relevant, maybe now more than ever.
ROUND TABLE
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

GROWING THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES – RTTT SF#1

Continuing to reach further

Our little twin-island gem of Trinidad & Tobago, just like every other country globally, continues to be greatly unfavourably affected in all areas by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Undoubtedly, for such a small Republic with very limited resources this has proven to be a very daunting and overwhelming situation for our population. Nevertheless, our little band of Tablers has persisted in our efforts to assist in alleviating in whatever small way that we can the burdens of those who have fallen on hard-times as a result. Our established ‘Food or $40’ and ‘Feed-a-Family (FaF)’ programmes, continue to be resounding successes. FaF yielded approximately two hundred hampers which assisted numerous families and, incidentally, brought RTTT a NEA Award which all members of RTTT are very proud. RTTT is very much appreciative and honoured by the recognition, consequently we seek to expand our charitable drive by introducing new initiatives, which are; ‘Forty for Forty (FfF)’ and a Charitable Receptacle placement drive.

Our ‘FfF’ initiative was based on participants setting aside for charity one non-perishable food item or hygiene product for each of the forty days during the Lenten period, resulting in at least 40 items per participant. Although this was initially done by just the RTTT Members, we decided to try to expand the number of participants and consequently the collections for donation by reaching out to members of the public. This year being our first expanded attempt, we are very happy to state that this drive was extremely well supported, beyond our wildest expectations, resulting in RTTT lending assistance to numerous individual families and single mothers, organisations such as Mothers’ Union Children’s Home, Court Shamrock (Home for Displaced Persons) as well as aid to St. Vincent and the Grenadines following their volcano disaster.

We have commissioned and built six receptacle containers which are to be placed at supermarkets, pharmacies, convenience stores or other similar businesses/establishments. This facilitates a constant collection cycle of items for donation, as members of the public can contribute on a continuous basis. These receptacles are outfitted with RTTT’s branding and speak to the purpose of the collection. This also has gotten off to a ‘flyer’!

Serious ‘ting’

With our continued commitment to protecting the well-being of all by following all safety regulations and protocols, we held a successful in-person AGM in October 2020, and we expect to achieve same in 2021. Regulations have eased somewhat due to a decrease in cases. However, we are mindful of the variants that exist and are paying close attention to local, regional and international developments so all appropriate measures can be taken to safeguard the health of all members and our families.

As still a young developing Table, we were very appreciative of the training seminars hosted by RTI in the areas of Social Media, Treasurer Responsibilities and most recently, President’s Year. All have been of immense value and has enlightened our members of what it takes, in-part, to operate a club with professionalism, integrity and honour, we are indeed grateful and hope RTI continues such seminars going forward.

T&T’s vaccination effort has ramped up and we are optimistic about returning to some level of normalcy sooner rather than later. We hope and pray for same for all our Round Table brothers as well as non-Tablers in all countries.

Fellowship, fun and ‘lime’

Well, folks…it is what it is! RTTT SF #1 has unfortunately been severely hindered in our efforts in this regard which the rest of the Tabling world would undoubtedly have also experienced. We had to cancel and/or postpone all carded 2020 fund-raising and
Fellowship events including our yearly Christmas Parang, Boat Cruise and the hosting of the RT Americas fellowship meeting which we were tremendously excited and honoured to do in 2021. We look forward to the time when all events can be executed and we strive to return ‘bigger, better and stronger’ in our efforts.

RTTT SF #1 has, however, managed to host an in-person small fellowship Old-Years / New-Years ‘lime’ for Members in January 2021. We understand the importance of building morale and maintaining mental health in these trying times, for together we are stronger. We, therefore, recognize the need to re-enforce the bonds of Tabling which might grow thin in the absence of physical interaction. We therefore seek every opportunity to safely meet in-person by adhering to all safety regulations and protocols.

RTTT always strives to keep in-stride with RTI’s initiatives and programmes, which is why we were glad to stand in solidarity with our Tabling brothers for ‘Blood Brothers’ and ‘Movember’. In these tough times, such activities have proven to be a great source of support and encouragement for numerous persons. RTTT pledges its continued support for these and other such initiatives.

Further, RTTT SF #1 has introduced the e-club via the WhatsApp platform for the purposes of engaging prospective new members in a social setting in lieu of the physical meet-up which is restricted due to safety protocols. This has been met with enthusiasm and has been hailed as an innovative way for current members and prospects to interact and get familiar with each other.

The future

We hope that with the heavy vaccination drive on-going throughout Trinidad and Tobago, coupled with the adherence to all safety regulations, Tabling can soon return to its original and intended vision, but also enhanced by the lessons learned from this unprecedented experience. We take this opportunity to extend an invitation to all Tablers to visit our shores when these difficult times are behind us; ‘sun, sea and fun’ await you in T&T! The future is ours my brothers .... ’see allyuh soon...laterz; +ve vibes!’
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Afternoon Gents. RT Zimbabwe’s Mark Wilson (Harare 23) is currently cycling over 3,000km to raise funds and awareness for Old Age Pensioners in our country as part of the Old Legs Silver Back Tour. Mark will be flying the Round Table flag high as he and a group of other volunteers cycle from Zim, across Zambia, Tanzania, Rwanda and finally into Uganda to look for gorillas in the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest. They are currently making their way through Zambia and if you would like to follow their progress visit their Facebook Page www.facebook.com/oldlegsbikeride. As most of you are aware many pensioners in Zimbabwe has been left destitute and rely heavily on fundraising initiatives like this to survive. So, if there are any National Associations, Tables, or individual Tablers who would like to make a donation please do so via the Old Legs Website: https://oldlegstour.co.zw/
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14TH AUGUST 2021 | 15:00 CEST
ZOOM MEETING ID: 848 9741 5938
PASSCODE: TW
1. What is Round Table Eats?
   - a. Service project to donate food.
   - b. It enables fellow members to find restaurants, bars, etc owned by Tablers across the globe.
   - c. Food fest organised at World Meet.
   - d. None of the above

2. Round Table The Netherlands celebrated which anniversary in 2021?
   - a. 75
   - b. 80
   - c. 50
   - d. 60

3. 41 clubs international was founded in which country?
   - a. France,
   - b. GB&I,
   - c. Belgium,
   - d. Germany,
   - e. All of above

4. Where did Ladies Circle start?
   - a. France,
   - b. GB&I,
   - c. Belgium
   - d. Germany
   - e. All of above

5. When was Round Table Denmark formed?
   - a. 1946
   - b. 1936
   - c. 1952
   - d. None of the above

The Tabler that wins the maximum number of quizzes will be recognized by the RTI President at the World Meet 2021 with a special RTI Branded gift.

Stay tuned for the next issue for the answers of Vol 10.
1. Graham is a member of which association
   - RTBI
   - Germany
   - Southern Africa
   - Canada

2. What is Graham’s RT Club number in this national association
   - 217
   - 218
   - 281
   - 271

3. In which year did Graham Join Round Table
   - 2014
   - 2016
   - 2017
   - 2018

4. Has Graham help any posts in RT International before becoming RTI VP
   - No
   - Yes, RTI Secretary
   - Yes, RTI Treasurer for one year
   - Yes, RTI Treasurer for two years

5. Is Graham’s wife a part of Ladies Circle International (LCI) Board members
   - Graham is unmarried.
   - No, she is not a part of LC.
   - Yes, she is LCI Treasurer.
   - Yes, she is LCI President.
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