

News Flash

March 2016



Main RTI Events

Africa Meeting Kenya, 21-24 April 2016

ASPA Meeting Sri Lanka, 27-29 May 2016

EMA Meeting Tunisia, 14-17 July 2016

RTI World Meeting

Nepal, 31 Aug - 4 Sept 2016

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AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE- MY TABLING JOURNEY FROM BEING JOE TABLER TO AMI **CHAIRMAN**

Ten months ago, I gave my candidacy speech in Dubai and told the audience of tablers that I would lead the region

on behalf of Joe tablers for I considered myself to be a Joe tabler. The slogan was 'One Africa' and the plan based on three concepts, namely geographical expansion, improving our tablers' experience and finally transforming our region's realities into a catalyst for innovation across the Round Table movement worldwide.

My central task has been to focus in turning our region around by getting its voice heard and also by setting the base for future growth. I realised that by concentrating on execution with the precious help of fellow tablers within the region and from around the world, we are succeeding in getting the fundamentals right. Since September last, our region has been confidently on the move endeavouring to achieve the following:



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- 1. Support RT Eastern Africa's turnaround (Project Phoenix) and RT Central Africa's split into RT Botswana, Malawi and Zimbabwe (Project Liberty)
- 2. Create an Affiliate member status for our region partnering with RT France (Reunion Island)
- 3. Get the region associations to adopt the RTI Code of Conduct as part of their constitutions
- 4. Establish the RT Seychelles Regatta into the region's first international tabling festival
- 5. Ensure that all associations devise their Vision 2018 strategic goals and objectives
- 6. Complete the signing of MOUs between all associations and 41 Clubs and Ladies Circles
- 7. Rebrand Africa Region to become 'Africa Middle East Indian Ocean' (AMI) Region
- 8. Nurture good relations with Rotaract in Africa in view of learning from one another
- 9. Participate in a world-wide blood donation drive to mark Round Table Day on the 14th of March
- 10. Encourage the participation of at least two clubs in the region to annual Euromeetings

I am now half way through my year and it has been a fantastic

ride thus far. Aside from progress on all the above points, RT Eastern Africa's Klimbmanjaro - the climbing of Africa's highest moun-tain peak has been a resounding success. RT Eastern Africa will be in the limelight again in April as it hosts the first AMI meeting in Diani Beach, Mombassa. In terms of tabling experience, AMI associations will be working towards an RTI diversity charter.

My message to my brothers all around the world can be summarized in two words - 'Do more!' I would encourage tablers from around the world to do more, by getting involved and taking the lead. This is what tabling is all about, it is a movement which enables us to learn, to grow and to share.

So when I look back at my personal journey in table, I just realize that what as important all along is to live your dreams, to make the most of the time and above all, to be grateful for the opportunity to serve!

Yours in International Tabling Irshad Paurobally: AMI Chairman & RTI Secretary 2015/16



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TIME TO SHARE SOME EXPERIENCES

Dear Tablers!

A lot has happened and less than half of the season is remaining! Let's make it unforgettable!

CTM- Meeting

On January I kept my promise to drive by bike all the way to Luxemburg to

our CTM-Meeting. On the previous weekend there was CNR 2016 (France's Half years's meeting in Chablis), from where on an early monday morning went towards the unknown. The temperature was arround -2C and the first day's drive to Troyes was 89km.

Along me there was a service car carrying my bags and some snacks. At the end of the first day, driving alone I refueld myself with a delicious Carbonara, then I drove 600km by car to Luxembug, as I had to pick up my cycling buddy Juri Kubin, so he would be on time for the early morning start. We were back in Troyes late at night at 3:30am, so we got to enjoy only four hours of sleep!

As we started in the early morning the mood was cheerful. We

drove in a a good spirit about 90km to Chalons en Champagne, where we had the opportunity to enjoy the french hospitality by being home hosted. We also met the local tablers and had dinner with them, of course enjoying champange aswel. Thank you Table Ronde Chalons en Champagne!

On Wednesday the journey was almost as long as it was on the previous days aprox.80-90km, towards the end the driving felt easier. I even discovered new muscles in my butt.

The willingness of people was unbelievable, if you ask for help you will definitely get it! We also did our share on helping the local postman and even the farmer in the barn! We spent the evening in the city of Verdun with local tablers. Thank you Table Ronde Verdun!

On Thursday it was the Grande Finale driving from Verdun to Luxemburg aprox.85km. We kept our good mood driving and enjoying the scenery even the temperature was -5C! As we arrived in Luxemburg the RT-President of Luxemburg Thierry Hirtz passed us by and stopped us 150m from the hotel. Thierry came to hug us and BUM! I had a fine swedish innovation arround my neck: airbag helmet exploded! Our faces were worth seeing! I recommend the airbag helmet: light to carry, comfortable and it works!

Big thanks for the journey and its arrangements goes to Christian, Thierry, Pierre-Yves, Olivier, Kristof, Leny, Laurent, Morgan, Aymeric, Jerome, Matti and JURI.

Even though Juri's, Matti's and my french is relatively weak: "Everybody smile in the same language!".

Round Table Russia re-charter!

I think we still don't comprehend what we have just achieved. A new country has joined the RT- family. Three years ago with Estonia's IRO Hannes "Salmiakki" Rosenberg we started to built a bridge to Russia and now on the 5th of March of 2016 we could witnessed the first official board meeting of RT- Russia. 75 tablers attended from different countries! Big thanks to RT-Finland Board for organizing these past three years one board meeting in Russia every year.

The new RT-Russia Board is; President Andrei Beck, Vice-President Pavel Litovchenko, Secretary Vladimir Kulichenko, IRO Alexander Rostovsky and Treasurer Roman Yatseyko. Congratulations and success to our new tablers!

YIIT Saku Hyttinen: Ema-chairman 2015-16









COLOMBO RT 5 HOST A CHARITY FUNDRAISER EVENT WITH CELEBRITY CHEF

The godfather of modern cooking, three Michelin Star celebrity chef and Judge of MasterChef Australia, Marco Pierre White was hosted by Cinnamon Hotels & Resorts and Trekurious in collaboration with Colombo Paradise Round Table 5, for our Charity Fundraiser Event on the 22nd of January 2016.

Marco Pierre White is a British chef, celebrity restaurateur and television personality. He is noted for his contributions to contemporary British cuisine. White has been dubbed the first celebrity chef, and a trend setter of the UK restaurant scene. White was, at the time, the youngest chef ever to have been awarded three Michelin Stars. He has trained chefs including Gordon Ramsay, Curtis Stone and Shannon Bennett.

At the Fundraiser, Colombo Paradise Round Table 5 presented Chef Marco Pierre White with our Table Pin, as an Honored Guest of Round Table 5 and in recognition of his contribution towards the Table's charity: The Ceylon School for the Deaf and Blind, Ratmalana.

Colombo Paradise Round Table 5 hosted a function on the 22nd of January where funds were raised through ticket sales as well

as personally autographed aprons by Marco Pierre White. Nett proceeds are to be donated to The Ceylon School for the Deaf and Blind, Ratmalana.

Speaking at the Event, Round Table 5 Secretary, Mr. Rae Devadason stated "We are proud to present Chef Marco Pierre White with our Pin as an Honorary Guest of the Colombo Paradise Round Table 5 in recognition of his contribution towards our Charity. This is a great moment in highlighting the needs of differently abled persons, and we as a community should strive to uplift the lives of those who need our support."

Round Table 5 has completed a variety of community service projects in the past such as the Renovation of an Elders Home (2013), raising all the funds required for building a Vocational Activities Centre for "The Refuge – Home for Girls" (2014), providing Audio Visual and Essential Equipment for the Ceylon School for the Deaf and Blind (2015); as well as meeting the needs of other charitable institutions. Colombo Paradise Round Table 5 President, Hazim AbdulCader stated "We as a Table of young businessman are proud to be doing our part towards our community".





ABU DHABI ROUND TABLE NO. 2: OFF TO A FRESH START



From the late 70's until late 90's Abu Dhabi Round Table (ADRT) was a flourishing oasis in the desert environment for Tablers and their families. For the last two decades there were some attempts to restart the Table with mixed results. At the occasion of the Round Table Day 2016, we got together to go through decades of old regalia, found amazing pictures from the 1980s, old directories from Round Table Arabian Gulf (RTAG), account statements before the internet-era and plenty of banners. Remembering and honouring our Tabler fathers of RTAG we thus decided that it's time for a new era of ADRT and that we'll put joined efforts into re-starting the Table after a long period of silence. Lead by Tablers, who all live in Abu Dhabi, we're gathering contact details and are on the hunt for hungry Tablers who share our dream to have a solid Table for years to come. With overwhelming support from the RT Community world-wide, we received leads to Tablers & Prospects who live in Abu Dhabi and got connected to the legendary No. 2 meeting which we hope to attend. We still have a long way to go and are thankful for any advice on our journey to re-start Abu Dhabi Round Table.

YiT Sebastian Walter (RTAG IRO 2015-2016)



PAST EMA CHAIRMAN HAS A WORD!

Another year is ending, another opportunity to look at the past before projecting in the future... I am now writing article since 10 years so already been able to share many experiences and friendship that shaped my Tabler's international experience.

Indeed the truth is international tabling! To share with your spouse, in family or not it is always a fantastic pleasure: pure moments of friendship, fellowship and fun!

So what new here? well I will try to summarise my experience by giving my point of view with my personal list of events RT to do, knowing that I almost did everything as a guineae pig:-))

The first and foremost is the Euromeeting/number meeting, but you already know about it I guess, otherwise please make sure that you attend yours as soon as possible...

Then my top 5 events and the reason why:

- CNR in France, RT France, RT biggest event in the world (in number of paid registrations), FYI Friday is the best but Saturday gala following is getting better every year ...
- The Carnival of Venice RT11 (the events to share with his half almost necessarily)
- The Hakapikken RT Tromso, Norway (the "polar circle ceremony", or swimming in March in water to 2/3 °C beyond the Arctic Circle, for couples (common organization RT / LC) really top: the atmosphere, the challenge and the organization ...
- The Quad Tour RT Tunisia is an AGM, but also an unforget-table experience in the desert ... for the whole family (children (female) follow in 4 * 4) Or as a couple or alone, a Table time of rare intensity, alone in the desert ...
- The only charity event of the top 5: The sails of hope in France (les voiles de l'espoir), a week of sailing with children in remission from cancer (leukaemia), a boat with 8 Tablers and 2 children, forcing the club to find children to convince parents, etc... an extraordinary human adventure....

After there are other events which are great too:

- The AGM ARTSA (South Africa) and AGM India, AGMs but something out of the ordinary for their atmosphere ...
- NTM (Nordic Table Meeting) between man only, a beautiful summary of the RT in Scandinavian countries ...
- Funta by RT Germany, yes, for info is a copy of the CNR ...
- RTI WM (AGM RTI), RTI HWM (RTI mi-AGM), the EMATM (EMA AGM), ARM (AGM Africa) always interesting times, to share with your partner easily ...
- Euroski meeting, superb week of skiing atmosphere, negative points: expensive and mostly shot 41.
- AGMs of small associations are always nice for privacy and proximity with local Tablers (including RT Malta & RT Israel)
- The RT REGATA end of Aug. by RT Seychelles, THEIR UNIQUE charity on a weekend regatta boats broadcast on the whole island, to raise funds for medical equipment.
- NSW the UK, so why not, it's nice but full of "old" (age limit of 45 years for UK) and those involved were suddenly on average actually 45, because it is open to former tablers ...
- STM (South Table Meeting) to see with family / couple, very intimate because small but really nice and (almost) always in the Mediterranean ...
- CTM (Central Table meeting) RTB is part of this group, and it's always a nice secondhand partying with Belgian tablers (still very strong this +/- 35) abroad ...

Voila, it is surely not exhaustive and EMEA oriented, but close I think :-)) Obviously, if you have any other question about a specific event do not hesitate to ask.

Enjoy!

Yours In International Tabling

Nicolas Perrin RTB National Past President 2015/2016 Past EMA chairman 2012/2013

THE MAGIC OF INTERNATIONAL TABLING



You just got off the plane in a foreign country. You don't speak the local language, you only have a vague idea of where you need to go, and you don't know anybody.... Or do you? Right when you walk pass security, you see this guy you've never met before. But you recognise the logo on his shirt. It's a fellow Tabler. You greet each other and you immediately know you have this thing in common. He gives you a ride into town, invites you to his home and introduces you to his club. Experience the magic of being guided through a foreign country and a different culture whilst feeling at home. It's an unforgettable feeling that will stick with you for the rest of your life. Round Table really is where you meet an old friend for the first time.



As a member of Round Table, you've got the unique opportunity to meet over 30.000 new friends world wide. You will find them from the plains of Africa to the favelas of Brazil. From the mountains of Nepal to the skyline of New York. Round Table is a worldwide organisation, so don't hesitate to get a taste of its magnitude. There are lots of options to experience Round Table on an international level. Whether you're interested in traditional events such as AGM's or number meetings, or you just prefer to improvise, you'll discover your next destination on www.rtinternational.org!

Round Table knows no race or religion. Each country and every club has its own customs and traditions. As a foreign visitor you'll adopt a new way of Tabling, you'll adapt to the new circumstances, and you'll use the opportunity to improve yourself and your association. That is what Tabling internationally is all about. We aim to foster fellowship between young men through our various activities, and to promote and extend cooperation, friendship and understanding between nations and people.

Word of warning: international Tabling can be addictive. Getting a taste of different cultures is an enriching experience, and once you try it, you will only want more. Nevertheless, I would encourage you to make use of the opportunity that is before you. International Tabling is something you should try at leat once in a lifetime. Don't think twice! If you get the chance to visit a club or an event abroad, jump right on it. You'll be in for an amazing adventure and it will give you a whole new perspective on Tabling. And it works both ways, so be welcoming to foreign visitors that dream of a taste of Round Table in your country as well. We are all RT missionaries in some way, so I implore you to go forth and spread the Round Table love. Onward brothers!

YiT Yann Tavernier RT Belgium

OPEN AIR FACTORY OF CULTURE - ROUND TABLE 7, PAPHOS CYPRUS, STRENGTHENS AND SUPPORTS THE CULTURAL CAPITAL OF EUROPE ORGANISATION - PAFOS2017

On the 4th March 2016, during a meeting in the offices of the Cultural Capital Organisation Pafos2017, a protocol of cooperation was signed between Pafos2017 and Round Table 7, Paphos.

The protocol mentions the cooperation between the two organisations on joint actions regarding volunteerism, organizing events and also the active promotion of the actions of Pafos 2017. With the ultimate goal set as the systematic evolution of cooperation and the maximization of the result, the two parties agreed that during the period 2016-2017 two joint projects take place:

Open Houses and Access City

The first project, Open Houses, deals with the hospitality of multi-membered missions from overseas (e.g. choirs and youth

groups) during 2017, mainly in houses and families. The second project that Round Table 7 continues to develop is Access City that they are working on with different actions. Pafos2017 will participate in this project, promoting and strengthening the plan with the best possible way.

Welcoming the signing of the agreement, Mr. Simos Tselepos thanked the President and members of Round Table 7 for the initiative they have shown and hoped that other volunteer organisations will follow their example.

The President of Round Table 7 Mr. Christos Theophanous conveyed the willingness of the members of Round Table to help make the organizing of Pafos2017 a success, but also the promotion of Pafos culture within Cyprus but also internationally.





VIVA LA VIDA – VIETNAM...

Fellowship Event: Boyz International outbound Place: Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam Attendance: 9 Tablers, 2 HTs and 1 NHT Duration of the trip: 5 days [Feb 27 – March 2] Key Highlights: Induction of Tr. Vikesh Batra and Celebration of Tr. Ali's 33rd Birthday

Probably the first international BOYZ outbound in the history of PMRT 65! While it was late in coming, but boy, what a fantastic trip it turned out to be. There were so many fun-filled moments from the trip that will live in our hearts for a long, long time. Needless to say that it presented a fantastic opportunity for the tablers, young and the younger, to bond with everyone.

The real fun started at the Mumbai International Airport with the room allocation process [we had rented a plush six bedroom villa with a private pool and a Jacuzzi]. Each tabler was made to pick up a chit that would decide who they share their room with. While everyone seemed to be happy at the end of the process, our NHT Sanjay Mathrani was having nightmares just with the thought of sharing the room, that too in the one that had a bunk bed, with our very own "mafia" who was infamous for his musical performance while asleep.

The first day of the trip was eventful with the induction of

tabler Vikesh Batra which was the first ever international induction for PMRT 65. Vikesh seems to be a promising tabler with curiosity to learn about tabling and enthusiasm to contribute to the movement. This was followed up with the live streaming of the India-Pak cricket match, thanks to our techie Tr. Rahul who managed to get his sleek projector just for this event. There seemed to be no end to the fun as we wrapped up the day by partying at a plush lounge in Ho Chi Minh City.

Trivia: We spent 1cr (Vietnamese Dong) on dinner and drinks in just three hours that night. Guess how?

The next couple of days were spent sightseeing and getting to know Vietnam's history, especially the historic war [popularly known as the guerilla warfare] between the US and Vietnam which lasted for over 20 years. While the communist Vietnamese government did a phenomenal job to force the US army out of their country, some of the atrocities committed on the locals during these times were really heartwarming to see. Key sightseeing places included the Presidential Palace, War museum, Chu Chi Tunnels and Mekong Delta.

Another fun moment from the trip was the grand celebration of Tr. Ali's 33rd birthday at a very popular night club in the city.

The tablers had arranged for a very special gift for Ali which was very well appreciated.

The last day was reserved for some shopping for the lovely wives and kids who were all eagerly waiting to get a first hand update of the fun we all had on the trip. All-in-all, it was a great time for fun and fellowship and we all left the country with a mutual feeling....YEAH DIL MANGE MORE...

I would also like to mention that our NHT Sanjay's tea making skills [a ritual he performs for his lovely wife daily in the morning] came in very handy during the trip. On a personal note, I am still missing our "chai pe charcha" every morning. As they say that "Pictures Speak a Thousand Words", I will end this short summary with some memorable pictures from our trip.

P.S. Special thanks to our very own HTs Manav and Nikhil for conceiving the idea and bringing it to life and our rocking chairman Tr. Nitin for sowing the seeds and bringing everyone together for this trip.

Yours in Tabling

Tr.Nitin Bellara Chairman (2015-2016) Poona Mid-Town Round Table-65









VENICE CARNIVAL BETWEEN MAGIC AND DREAM

Ok, that's the moment, we talked about it since the beginning of the tabling year, and now it's time to make this magnificent spell live.

In front of us we have three full days with friends from all over the world, we made promises, built expectations, and, most of all, the past editions were absolutely successful; so this year the target has been settled so high and we must be at our top.

Every event is irreplaceable, has got its own history and its affectionate Tablers. It's soon easy to understand what this event means for the people who's usually to come here, a lot of hugs and phrases like "I'm happy to be here again!", "What we have to expect this year?" I think we're gonna receive a lot of affect an good times with all these guests...sorry these friends!

Tuesday, welcome dinner: a moment to make presentations between the locals and the guests (for me to welcome my friends) and to chill out from the trips to Venice, the check-in at the desk is fast and careful, sorry, but this time everybody had to congratulate with Italian organization.

A few minutes and, without hurry, we are eating typical Neapolitan pizza at the restaurant with rivers of the best Italians wines, well is usual to drink beer with pizza, but our guests are not

in Italy every day so "What a better chance?"; it's fantastic to see people meet each other just saying: "How do you do?" an spending a relaxing and special evening all together, that's tabling.

Friday, gala dinner and ball: welcome ladies and Tablers, tonight it's gonna be the main event of the weekend, since the end of the afternoon, wearing our costumes, we can have an idea of what we're gonna live in the next hours. The boat trip through the Canal Grande is just a poetical preparation to the experience of the night, docking at the private pier of the palace we are passing the gate between reality and fantastic. After a Prosecco appetizer we climb the stairs to the dinning room, all lighted by candles, electricity is not a prerogative of our dream tonight, the only contact with reality is the cameras we use to keep memories of this special night. Our smiles, our costumes, our masks; tonight those doors protect us and the world has been left outside, with all its problems, with all its fears; tonight we are nobody and we can be everyone and everything we want to be. Just the sun could have the power to wake us up



Saturday, Venice tour and Banner exchange dinner: not the end, but we need some hours to refresh and to realize that tomorrow we have to come back to our lives, holding in our hearts those special feelings, the Banner exchange is always a special moment but, to be honest, I've never seen Banners filled of compliments and greetings like this time. This is the perfect reward to all the work behind and during the carnival, I have to admit I've been so touched by all this sympathy.

Sunday, farewell brunch, it's time to leave: we see everybody wants to take advantage of every minute of that trip, someone makes the last visit in Venice, someone stays in the hotel lobby drinking something or talking with other friends about this incredible experience.

All the smiles and greetings make us believe that, even this year, we've achieved the goal, we made it!!!

Y.i.i.T

Edgardo Daidone Round Table Italy National I.R.O. 2015 - 2017







Dear friends,

The RT Madagascar is most happy to invite you to their AGM, which will be held in Antananarivo from 18th to 22nd of May 2016. (20 years of Tabling in Madagascar).

The agenda is the following;

18th May: Little pretour - One day at Ampefy and Karting session.

19th May : Welcome Party at Rija's home

20th May : Nations' Night 21st May : AGM / Gala Dinner

22nd May: Brunch

Early Bird on package (not including pretour): 180 euros. Deadline: 19th April.

Home hosting can be arranged. If you prefer a hotel accommodation, just let us know your budget so that we can provide the best selection and solution to you.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

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RTI DAY IN MADAGASCAR

On 14th March 2016, the RT Madagascar celebrated the RTI day, by organising a blood donation session on the Fun Bike site, in Antananarivo.

All the entities of the Quatalagor Malagasy were represented at this early morning operation which gave the opportunity to collect 20l pouches of blood. There is no need to put the stress on the importance of this donation of a part of ourselves.

A well deserved breakfast was organised after the blood collection. Having regained strength, the Tablers met in the afternoon for a Fustsal game. Obviously, a fraternal and festive "get together" ended the evening.



MEMORABLE WEEKEND IN TAMATAVE

The Round Table is not a Service Club actually. We prefer to be referred to as an Actions Club. However, in a country where a huge poverty is the daily bread of an important part of the population, how many young men, involved in management, could remain insensitive. In this context, the Tamatave Round Table n°3, in association with the Club 41 Analamanga, organised ta ceremony during which medical equipments were gifted to the Hospital of Tamatave and to the Primary Health Care Centre of Ankirihiry.

The event took place the last weekend of February.

All the entities of the Quatalagor moved down to Tamatave for the occasion to attend the exceptional programme whose details follows:

- Handing over by TRMT3 in association with C41 Analamanga, of 9 oxygen extractors and of 4 mucus aspirators to the Hopital Be (Tamatave) in favour of the pneumology department and of the pediatric and intensive care units.
- Inauguration of the playground for the pediatric department of the Hospital of Tamatave, This playground was completely rehabilatated by LC4 Tamatave in association with TRMT3.
- Handing over of an oxygen extractor and of a mucus aspirator to the Health Care Centre of Ankirihiry, by TRMT3 and by C41 Analamanga.
- Second visit of the Mercy Ship, organised by TRMT3 for the whole party of the QUATALAGOR of Madagascar who was highly represented.
- Common Business Meeting commun of TRMT3 and of C41 during which the following took place: the memorable induction ceremony of Irfane to the Round Table, the surprise celebration of the birthday of Hoby (President of C41), the induction en Buffalo of Messrs Philippe Couture (IRO C41), Zohar Badroudine (Past Président of TRMT3) and of Jason DAVIS (who organsised the vist of the Mercy Ship).

This weekend will remain one of our fond memories... and we are happy to share it with all the Tablers in the world.





MRT9 - FASHION NIGHT - 13 FEBRUARY 2016

The newly chartered Mauritius Round Table No.9 has marked it's first year of existance in truly memorable fashion. As a new table still seeking to establish it's own identity, our tablers went out to celebrate the very expression of identity through the promotion of a Fashion Night.

Our very own Avinash Govind, incoming Chairman and lead designer of Kanasik Clothing and our Project Manager turned Events Manager prospect Teej Chuttur led the team to organize what turned out to be a sellout event.

Mrt9 spared no expense in the organization of this memorable event and the feedback was truly stunning. Our 20 models were none other than the team of Miss Supranational and our thanks go to the designers and friends of MRT9 who contributed greatly in making this event a resounding success – particularly VS FASHION, VINTIDUI, KANASIK CLOTHING, QUIKSILVER, ROXY, RITU KUMAR, POSSAL, DEENA A.

Another notable guest appearance was MRT9 friend DJ ASSAD from NRJ Radio France who graced us with his presence and was at the decks to get the crowd on the dancefloor. Due to a heavy tabling events calendar, we were only able to count

on the presence of a handful of tablers, nevertheless, the public responded favourably to the event and we accommodated some 120 people at Talents (Pierrefonds) for a night which closed at 3am.

The event was promoted for the benefit of Urgence Toxida and Lacaz A who both received cheques for the amount of Rs 45,000 and Rs 20,000 respectively for the furtherance of their activities in the field of social work with drug addicts and their families.

Our team is actively working on the second edition of the Fashion Night and we shall be conveying you all to this grand event which will surely become part of the yearly tabler's calendar for years to come.

This event would not have been achievable without the support of every single tabler of MRT9 who acted as one army and all our sponsors to whom our heartiest thanks are extended. Until next time, this is all from MRT9 – the new table on the block.

Deeraj Heeraman: Chairman



