





#### ANNUAL REPORT

1ST JULY 08—30TH JUNE 09

### FELLOWSHIP CONVENOR'S REPORT BY TR. PUNEET GUPTA



CELEBRATING LIFE AS WE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

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The TABLING YEAR is already getting over. Time passes so quickly in tabling. It feels like we just started but a lot has been done already.

We, at LRT 188, have had a great time in Tabling as always.

We have had parties, dancing and loads of fun.

Please find a concise repertory of the fellowship activities that took place in our table.

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## AIMS AND OBJECTS OF ROUND TABLE:

To develop the fellowship of young men through the medium of their business and professional occupations and community service activities.

To encourage active and responsible citizenship by cultivating the highest ideals in business, professional and civic traditions

To promote and further international understanding, friendship and co-operation.

To promote the extension of the association.



#### Annual General Meeting held on 5th July 2008 at Tandoors, The Mall, Ludhiana.

LRT 188 lived up to its expectation and held its Annual General Meeting on 5th July, 2008 at Tandoors, The Mall, Ludhiana.

What a party it was !!!

The Outgoing Headboard did an excellent job in hosting a wonderful event. Chairman Varun showcased LRT's entire year's activities in the most entertaining manner. All the convenor reports were presented in the form of a powerpoint presentation, much to the surprise of everyone.



## Incoming Headboard

Chairman Tr. Varun Khemka, after a successful tabling year, passed the baton to the dynamic & dashing Tr. Nitin Gupta.

Tr. Nitin Gupta presented a small presentation highlighting his vision for LRT in the coming times.

Incoming Chairman Tr. Nitin Gupta introduced his team to the floor as follows:

Tr. Pravjit S. Bal—Vice Chairman

Tr. Jitesh Jain—Secretary

Tr. Jaideep S. Anand—Treasurer

Tr. Varun Khemka—IPC & IRO

Chairman Tr. Nitin thanked everybody who made the event such a success. This was followed by a rocking party which went on till the wee hours of the morning.

#### Attendance

LRT was in good attendance barring Tr. Jaideep S. Anand and Tr. Amrit Khosla who could not make it due to their being out of station.

LRT was proud to play host to Tablers from all across the Area and Nationals.

LRT wishes to thank the following people for gracing the occasion with their presence: Puneet Gupta (AREA VC), Manish Kapoor (50), Rajeev Jain (Billu-Area IPC), Ravi Baid (Area Chairman -Area Observer), Gagan Anand (LIRT), Pratik (LIRT), Sunbir (24), Rishi Arora (24). Vinay Mittal (LIRT), Nakul Sehgal (ART), Ashish (Charter Chairman -ART), Amit (ART), Rajesh (ART), Pankaj Vats (5), Gautam (LIRT), Pradeep (Guest - Sri Lanka), Asri (Guest - Sri Lanka), Binni (LIRT), Karan Bal (Guest), Amit (LIRT), Parul (LIRT), Rocky (LIRT), Tarun







#### **DUM MARO DUM** held on 14th August, 2008 at

Black Pearl, Ludhiana.

Social Host for the night Tr. Anand and Cr. Shivani Gupta made LRT proud by facilitating an excellent Social.

The entire décor was meticulously done as per the theme. Hukka's, Ground floor setting, Hare Rama Hare Krishna outfits, etc. everything was just out of this world.

LRT tablers came in dressed like hippies with great costumes and accessories. Tr. Gurpreet S. Gogia was the best dressed and most aptly suited hippie of the night.





#### HARE RAM HARE KRISHNA



The dance floor was thronged with men and women dressed in fabulous costumes. With booze flowing like a river and hukkas smoking like a chimney, LRT must have put Dev Anand's original Dum maro Dum to test.

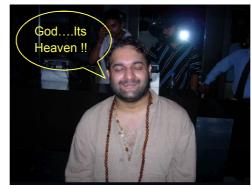
The party went on till 3 'o clock in the night with everyone dancing to amazing music.

#### **Attendance**

LRT's Social was in good attendance barring Tr. Amit Gupta and Tr. Narender Agarwal who were mysteriously absent.

We were joined by 4 couples from Amritsar Table and 5-6 couples from LIRT.

Everyone had a BLAST !!!!





# BIGGEST LOOSER JEETEGA 1ST August—31st August

LRT is not only a Rocking Table but also believes in keeping fit and healthy.

Of course with all the partying and eating Punjabi food, gaining weight is a common phenomenon.

Tr. Anand Gupta took the initiative and launched Weight loss competition titled, 'Biggest Looser Jeetega'.

The idea behind it was to loose as much weight as possible in one months time and the one who looses the most shall win.



#### LOOSER TEAMS



6 Teams of 3 members each were formed namely:

Team Jack Daniels, Team Blue Label, Team Black Dog, Team Chivas Regal, Team Teachers & Team Ballantines.

Everyone exhibited extreme determination and some even tried to sabotage other teams efforts. Some even managed to gain weight resultantly.

#### **LOOSERS**

But in the end, Team BLUE LABEL won comprising of Tr. Anand, Tr. Puneet and Cr. Niti.

They lost maximum weight in %age terms and thus were awarded the title 'LOOSERS'.

Needless to say, there was a Parantha Party after the contest ended in a bid to regain the lost weight.





#### **JOURNEY TO STARDOM**

20th August—3rd September (MAKING OF THE PLAY)

LRT, the bunch of actors that we are, owe this talent to the amazing Punjabi spirit.

Being the incumbent at the Area AGM, a lot was expected from LRT. We had raised the bar and so this time around, we needed to put in more effort to win the coveted title.

So we started the conception and practice of the Play about 15 days before the Area AGM.

It started with a Pot Luck Dinner at Tr. Narender Agarwal's residence on a brain storming session.





#### **SCRIPTING**



A lot of thought went into the script as we were given a very difficult subject. LRT was to perform on a combo of 'Disco Dancer' & 'Chak de India'.

Suggestions and inputs were invited from all Tablers, Circlers & wives and finally a script was finalized.

Everyday Practice was held at homes of Tablers and it was a good example of fellowship and bonding.

#### DRESS REHEARSALS

We had a lot of fun during the making of play esp. when we were also competing amongst ourselves for Biggest Looser Jeetega contest. Weight comparisons during the play practices were inevitable.

Final Dress Rehearsal took place at Tr. Anand Gupta's residence wherein Cr. Shivani had arranged beautiful costumes for everyone.







# AREA V AGM 5th September—7th September TIMBER TRAIL HEIGHTS

AREA V AGM has always been an amazing fellowship event for LRT tablers, circlers and wives.

Every year we look forward to the AREA AGM and this time it was no exception. What an event it is! It has become an integral part of our lives.

The frenzy that it generates amongst tablers is simply superb. LRT went to the AGM with high spirits to attain Nirvana at TT Heights.

The accommodation, the ambience, the arrangements were excellent and even the Rain Gods could not deter us to



have fun. Twinklers also had a great time with loads of games and toys on the offering.



#### THE BIG STAGE



Informal Night saw LRT bloom with talent. What a performance!!

We beat every other table hands down. Our Dharam Paaji urf Tr. Nitin Gupta gave a superlative performance as Shahzaida Salim. Tr. Jaideep's performance as Badshah Akbar urf Fckbar generated humor in the play. It was a collective effort and everyone played their parts to perfection.

AND WE WON 1ST PRIZE !!!

#### **ACCOLADES**

LRT won many awards and trophies owing to our rocking performance in the preceding year.

All the Tablers came back with happy memories which we all shall cherish for the rest of our lives.

A big compliment and many thanks to Team Nirvana who made this event such a cherish able one.

AREA V RULES !!





#### LAS VEGAS PARTY

#### 11th September LAS VEGAS II PUB, LUDHIANA

It was finally Party Time for LRT 188 for we had the perfect excuse. We had just come back from AREA 5 AGM with a whole cache of Awards & Trophies.

Our spirits soured with enthusiasm and passion and what better way to celebrate then to party—LAS VEGAS STYLE.

Tr. Sudeept Agarwal, the social host for the night, made all the arrangements in quick time as the BM cum Social was called in suddenly to commemorate the success of LRT. It was an excellent effort as always.

Chairman Tr. Nitin headed the BM and



apprised the whole table of various feats achieved by the table at the AGM. It was a nostalgic moment for everyone.











#### THE FECILITATIONS



LRT won the following at the AGM:

- Trophy 1st Prize for Best Play
- Trophy for Best Actor—Tr. Nitin
- COM for Extension
- COM for Best Chairman—Tr. Varun
- COM for Best Balanced Activity
- COM for Best Floor Tabler—Tr. Jaideep S. Anand
- Trophy for Most Promising Circler— Cr. Shivani Gupta

#### **CEREMONY**

All the Trophies and COM were showcased for everyone to see and Chairman Tr. Nitin gave away the awards to tablers who were not at the AGM.

LRT's performance at the Play was screened on the Big TV and we laughed our guts out at the super duper performance of everybody.

LRT ROCKS !!!





#### JOHNY WALKER PARTY

#### 12th September 2008 HOTEL PARK PLAZA, LUDHIANA

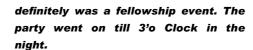
We are definitely Party Animals. What else would you say when after a rocking LRT Las Vegas Party, the night before, most of us landed at Johny Walker Party the next evening.

As rocking as we are, we don't like to miss out on any of the happening events in Ludhiana.

We got to know of the Johny Walker Party at the Las Vegas Party and everybody got excited. Passes were arranged and we got down to business of dancing and drinking.

Although it was not a LRT event, but it











#### THE WALKERS KEPT WALKING



It was a promotional event organized by Johny Walker group to publicize their brands to Ludhianvi's. As Punjabi's would have it, Mahima Choudhary, was brought as Chief Guest.

Chairman Tr. Nitin and Tr. Puneet had the good fortune of dancing with the beauty much to her chagrin.

The pictures being very explicit cannot been shown here. (Pun intended).



#### **FORMULA 1**

Team Johny Walker's Formula 1 was also displayed and Tr. Jaideep S. Anand tried hard to get some forging orders from the makers. Details are still pouring but are pretty sketchy whether he got successful or not.

Party animals included Tr. Jitesh & Cr. Boski, Tr. Amrit & Cr. Ekta, Tr. Jaideep S. Anand, Tr. Puneet and Cr. Shweta, Tr. Nitin Gupta & Cr. Niti, Tr. Nischay & Ritika. It was a blast till the last.







# CASINO NITE 25th October 2008 Tr. Nitin's Farm House, LUDHIANA

LRT organized a fund-raiser at Chairman Nitin Gupta's farm house. The glitteratti of the city arrived in their Sunday best for this much publicized event.







#### THE GREAT GAMBLERS



The weather was perfect and guests got down to business soon - Ludhianavis are known for their penchant for gambling. There were jars on each table in which ecstatic winners would put in part of their earnings. The night wore long and the interest in the proceedings was steady.



#### PARTY ON.....

Eventually when some fortunes had been made, (and a few lost)...the party continued to a night of music and dance which is inevitable for any LRT-188 function.







#### "DOSTANA" Premiere

#### 13th November 2008 Waves Cinemas, LUDHIANA

DOSTANA — premiere of the mega block buster (yash raj banner) DOSTANA was organized by LRT 188 on 13 nov 08 at Waves Cinemas LDH. It generated a lot of publicity of LRT 188 & Round Table India & good amount of funds were raised by selling the tickets at a premium & also getting sponserships. A small clipping of Round table & its long term goal of educating poor kids was showcased & all the audience was much touched with the same & had all praises for it.





#### **SHOW STOPPERS**



Special passes were printed with logos of the sponsorers & seat numbers to give it a elite look. A press conference was also organized before the show & the event was covered by most of the newspapers.

#### LRT DOSTANA .....







#### T20 CRICKET MATCH (LRT188 vs LIRT202)

#### 7th December 2008 Kullu's Farm House, LUDHIANA

The city came to a standstill as the much awaited and much hyped clash between the two titans of subcontinental, cricket LRT-188 and LIRT-202 clashed for their annual match.

Still smarting from their last year's defeat, LRT was determined was back with a vengeance. After the usual hiccups for boundary definitions and rules, the match got underway. LRT - now emboldened by presence of their chairman who was also European cricketer of year (2008), Nitin Gupta, smashed 75 runs in the allotted 8 overs. LIRT in their turn got bundled out for 65 giving

the first taste of victory.







#### THE CLASH OF THE TITANS



In the second match, the story was repeated and LRT went home with a convincing win. 2-0!

Tr. Kullu of LIRT whose farm house was the venue played the gracious host and a sumptuous meal of poori bhaaji, chilled beer, music followed. The kids had a great time enjoying the winter sun while the ladies enjoyed a lazy Sunday afternoon watching the boys play cricket.





#### AND THE WINNERS ARE .....LRT 188

With this match now happening for second year in a row, its all set to become an annual event.





#### ROCK ON 27th February 2009 Black Pearl, LUDHIANA



The name ROCK ON is best suited to LRT 188 because when it comes to music n dance, then nothing comes in the way of LRT. The whole table is so much involved at that time that the DJ also has difficulty in controlling the party...;).



#### THE LRT ROCKSTARS



This party was hosted by Puneet Gupta (fellowship convener) at Yello chilli on 27-2-09 & everything was done on the rock on theme ie décor, dress code etc etc.

#### LRT MAGIK CONTINUES.....

The party went on till 4 am & there were 2 prospective also present in the party who are floor tablers now ie Jatin & Pankaj.





#### RAFTING TRIP

12th—15th March 2009 Camp Snow Leopard, Uttrakhand



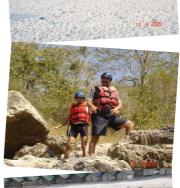
A very nice & adventurous trip was organized to snow leopard Rishikesh from 12 to 15 march 09....where 4 couples from LRT 188, Munshi & 10-12 couples from Jaipur were present. It was such a fabulous experience living in tents river side in the hills with no electricity at all& using kerosene lamps in the dark.



#### THE LRT RAFTERS .....



The arrangements | food etc etc were all so well managed & organized. In the evenings tablers had fun playing volley ball in sand & kids having fun making sand houses etc etc & ladies involved in their own activities. At night barbeque was arranged for both the nights & dance & antakshri etc activities were done to make the holiday really interesting & enjoyable.



#### LRT DARE DEVILS ....

The best part was the experience of river rafting. Many were a bit scared but then all had the best of times rafting & many boys had fun by jumping in ice cold water & swimming with the rafts....!!

Everybody enjoyed the holiday very much.







#### **BOOND BOOND RAIN DANCE**

9th May 2009 Prana Spa, Ludhiana



The event was organized around the theme rain-dance. One of the most exclusive private resorts of the city was booked for the event. The venue (Prana Spa) is known for extra-ordinary natural beauty and fitted very well with the theme.

The target audience was the elite section of the society. Keeping in mind the nature of the event and the need for publicity, it was principally decided to target the the page-3 crowd of Ludhiana. Entry of single males was strictly banned making the party even more elitist.



#### THE LRT GRIND ....



A pass was priced at Rs. 3000 per couple which was quite steep by the city's standards but it helped in attracting only the top notch crowd. To give an exclusive feel, the number of passes was highly limited thereby creating a shortage within a few days of announcing the event and created immense word-of-mouth publicity.

The party was a huge hit. People danced till 4 am and enjoyed every bit of the event. Days after the party - it remained the talk of the cocktail circuit of the city. Facebook and other social networking sites had hundreds of comments from people going to check out the party photographs and videos.



LRT PARTIES HARD



#### PRE-TEXT PARTY

#### 15th May 2009 Farm House, Ludhiana



It was an amazing night of fellowship. Never had so many tablers from different tables come together in Ludhiana. Credit goes to Text committee for choosing Kikar Lodge as their Text Venue for incoming Chairmen and Secretaries thereby giving a chance to LRT 188 and LIRT 202 to hold a joint social in their honour.







#### THE PRE-TEXT NIGHT



Tablers from a number of Delhi & Jaipur tables and even Ahmdabad Tables had gathered prior to the commencement of Text Program which was to be held on 16th May at Kikar Lodge.

It was a great fellowship even with AVC Tr. Manish Kapoor's concept of Buffalo really kicked in. It was all laughs.





#### LRT ROADIES ....

The party went on till 3 am in the night. Everyone present had a great time.





#### **LRT TEAM 08-09**

CHAIRMAN—TR. NITIN GUPTA
V. CHAIRMAN—TR. PRAVJIT
SECRETARY—TR. JITESH

TREASURER—TR. JAIDEEP



# FLASHBACK



# Ludhiana Round Table donates van to school

#### EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

LUDHIANA, MAY 4

LUDHIANA Round Table-188, a part of Round Table, a worldwide organisation, donated a Maruti van to Ekjot Apahij Bacheyan Da School. This school is dedicated to the care and education of mentally and physically handicapped children. Varun Khemka, chairman of Ludhiana Round Table-188, said the aim of the organisation is to

promote service, fellowship and goodwill in national and international affairs. The organisation focuses on education for underprivileged children.

Puneet Gupta, the convener of the project, said the funds for the van were raised by the members through the sale of greeting eards, donations from corporates and other fund raising activities. The organisation has constructed about 1000 schools in India alone and is teaching 5 lakh children.