



Newsletter October 2009

The Punjabi Cultural & Sports Club thank all the sponsors and organisers who put a tremendous effort in making the Dinner Dance (ਸਾਂਚਾਂ ਦੇ ਝਰੋਖੇ) a success. The dinner dance was held over the long weekend in a splendidly fashion at the Melville Civic Centre Hall. The theme of this evening was a walk through the sweet cultural memories of Punjabis, the early settlers in Perth and to honour the distinctive individuals for their efforts in shaping the present face of the community. The contribution of all the past SAWA and Land Building committees was acknowledged. We were honoured by the presence of the current and past SAWA presidents and LBC ex chairman Sarvan Singh Vegal.

The guests enjoyed a range of solo performances by Inderpreet Singh Aulakh, Aman Bassi (accompanied by Saheb and Ishan), Jasleen Kaur, Gursharn Kaur Bagga, Amarjit Singh Amar and Prem Singh Kumar. Simrat Singh Malhotra accompanied the singers with his melodious tabla. The first ever Bhangra Group in Perth consisting of Raj Kaur Gill, Jasleen Kaur, Pritpal Kaur, DevRaj Singh, Ragupat Tha, Jagdev Singh Dhillon, Amarjit Singh Amar also revived their memories on Prem's lyrics. There were also three group performances by Nachda Punjab Group, choreographed by Kulwinder Singh Sidhu.

PCSC's young Bhangra Group (Amrit, Anahat, Gursheer, Mit, Manvir and Gurkamal) performed a thrilling Bhangra on Apni Boli Apna Desh, followed by Rangla Punjab (Vipin, Jatinder, Sarbpreet and Kulwinder). Our DJ Manny Uppal and Dholi Amun Grewal set the dance floor alight with their desi beats. The President of SAWA, Daljit Singh Dhillon, PCSC Chairman, Sonny Punia and Ex-President of SAWA Balbir Singh also delivered thought provoking speeches. PCSC committee members, Dr Manjit Mudhar, Amritpal Singh, Parmdeep Gill, Sonu Cheema, Tarlochan Singh and Sonny Punia also worked tirelessly in organising the function.

Special thanks goes to Ajmer Singh and Kinni Sidhu for rendering their technical expertises and our sponsors, Lana Thai, Punjab, Suhana Saffar, Captain Trading and Dominant Property Services, without whom this function would not have been a success.

Unfortunately, with the accolades we have also received constructive criticism. One of the key points raised, was the lack of punctuality by ticket holders. Whilst the Dinner and Dance was scheduled for a 6.30pm start,



majority of the guests did not arrive until 7.45pm, this in turn, led to the whole evening of events being delayed. Regrettably, our presentation of more than 150 slides comprising of old photographs and a video of the first Bhangra Performance in Perth could not be displayed due to the lack to time. The Club humbly requests that we should all respect and value each others time, so that we can enjoy the future events to the fullest. We have received a lot of feedback, both constructive and appreciative for this function and all the issues raised are being addressed to the best of our ability.

The Club's AGM will be held on 15th of Nov 2009, all financial members will be notified of further details. Thank you for your continued support for PCSC and we look forward to seeing you at our next function.
