

Fashion show boost for laser fund

THE best fashion show Largs has ever seen brought Largs and District Round Table's contribution to local charities to well over £2000 in three months.

Scottish Television's exciting and unique show which came to the Marine & Curlinghall Hotel on Friday as one of the few venues on its Scottish tour thrilled an audience of 500.

It featured the work of such internationally famous designers as Gina Fratini, Caroline Charles, Bruce Oldfield and Maureen Baker and it highlighted the Scotland Today Fashion Designer Award in conjunction with the Scottish Woollen Publicity Council.

Forty-three of the winning designs which were demonstrated, nay, choreographed by the professional models were produced by The Vilene Organisation. Other sections featured the products of Lyle & Scott, Barrie Knitwear and Pringle — all of Hawick.



One of the models "giving a twirl" at the STV / Round Table fashion show.

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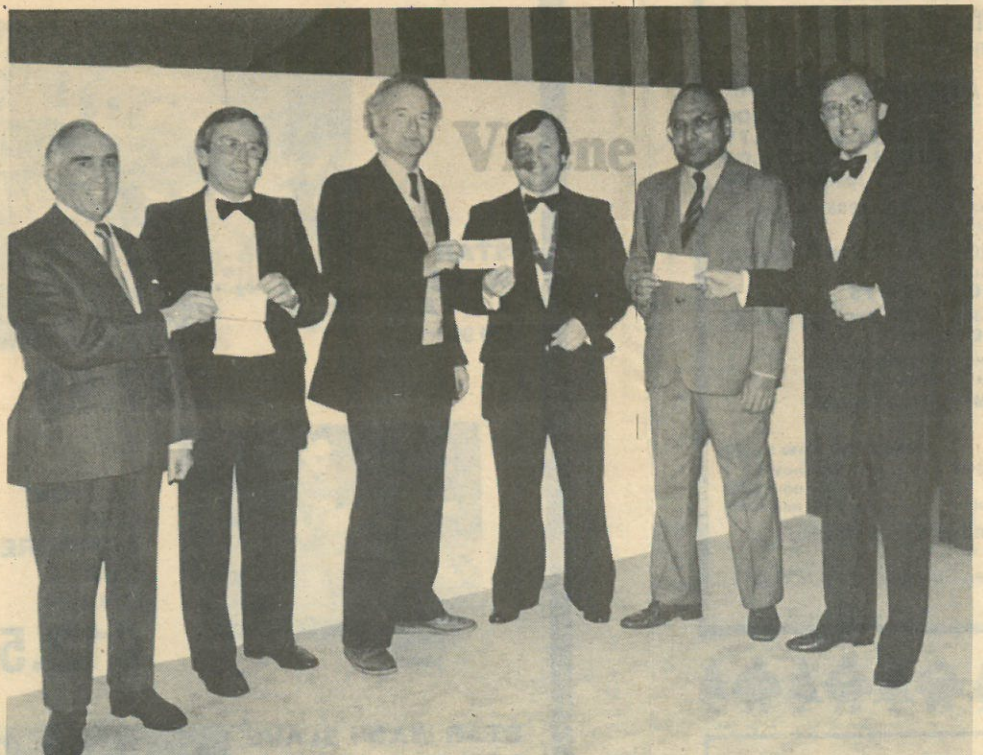
Round Table's organisation of the event is expected to have collected £1100 for the Inverclyde Hospital Laser Appeal. Dr Gupta of Inverclyde who has been leading the campaign attended the occasion to receive a cheque from Ways and Means convener, Mr Tom McClymont.

Largs doctor Tom Clark — a Round Tabler — spoke of the misery that blindness caused to so many people in the district and how common loss of sight was.

However with the laser machine costing £35,000 hundreds of people could have their sight saved every year at the Greenock hospital.

Round Table chairman, Mr John Nordbo said that blindness was a frightening thing and his organisation was delighted to have run the fashion show for such a worthwhile cause.

Also in attendance at the fashion show were Viscount Kelburn, chairman of the Viking Festival Committee, and Councillor William Donald, chairman of Age Concern who each received substantial cheques from Mr Nordbo and vice-chairman Mr David Dye for their organisations as a result of recent Round Table ventures.



Largs Round Table handed over the proceeds from recent events with presentations to various organisations. Pictured receiving cheques are Willie Donald (Age Concern) from Round Table vice-chairman David Dye; Viscount Kelburn (Viking Festival) from Chairman John Nordbo; and Dr Gupta (Inverclyde Hospital) from Round Table member Tom McClymont.