



Pictured above: Musical artist and former X-Factor UK contestant Souli Roots and her daughter.

Epsom Rotary Club is about community, charity, fun and friendship. They run social events throughout the year and are involved in projects in both the local and international communities. Having been involved in many charitable events across the borough (They donated PPE and a seat to Epsom Hospital in 2020) they're well known in the borough as a powerful charitable and social force.

They also run the Epsom and Ewell Showcase, which took place in April, featuring a number of performers and raising funds for multiple charities. Featuring artists such as Protogem, Souli Roots and the Epsom & Ewell Silver Band, the showcase is a fantastic event meant to raise money for good causes, and celebrate the local artistic talent in a community-driven way.



Protégem, an Epsom dance troupe

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"Wow! What a great evening. I run a group, can we sign up for next year. Weren't the Mencap group a joy. Can I get a CD?" These were just some of the comments we got after the hugely successful Epsom and Ewell Showcase which Epsom Rotary Club produced last night. (19 April 2022). It was a truly incredible evening which is what you get when you have performers who love to be on stage supporting a cause which they believe in. It's just amazing the drive that is shown as everyone wants to do their best. People went home with a spring in their steps. When you saw some of the young dancers you felt that some stars were born last night. Pictures are of Protégem dancers and Souli Roots and her daughter arriving



for rehearsals."

Needless to add, all the performers enjoyed their experiences and the Epsom Rotary team achieved a massive sense of pride in being part of the show. The funds were raised for four charities involved, Age Concern, Dyscover, Mid Surrey Mencap and Mary Francis Trust and we were able to raise profits to the tune of approximately £2,400. The lineup was three dance groups - Ambition School of Dance, Bharatha Kalalayam Dance, Protegeim, bands - Badger Set, Epsom & Ewell Silver Band and Low Key Affair, solo artists, Daniel, Cam and Jamie respectively doing sets on vocals and guitar, and keyboard and Leatherhead Link for Mencap and not least duo act Souli Roots and with a tribute to the Queen's Jubilee - the National Anthem where the audience all joyfully waved flags.

The Rotary Club's Press officer Maria Antiss told me "Our aspiration for the future is to expand membership so that we can achieve more community work and raise funds for good causes both locally and internationally"

With the Rotary Club's eye's set on expansion, now would be a very good time to get involved with a great local organisation.

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If you are interested in the work that Epsom Rotary Club does, or interested in helping out in their volunteering events, then please get in contact with them via their website or social media channels.