



### **Vimba Winter Warmer Report**

Vimba's Winter Warmer was the first Vimba event in Cape Town and was held at the Rondebosch Golfclub. The team was made up of Michelle Ryan, Dylan Edwards and Elise Farley. There were many challenges along the way but in the end, the night was a great success and a very good start to Vimba's new life in Cape Town.

We managed to get four really wonderful performers: Saul, a refugee who lives under the bridge and who Adonis has helped; Matt Gair who is an amazing guitarist and singer who really set the tone for the rest of the evening; D7, an a'capella group who were the highlight of the evening, being devilishly handsome, amusing and stunningly talented; (we certainly would have made millions if we could have auctioned them off ☺); and Irvine, who played a chilled set and bought the evening to a good end.

We were very lucky to have had all of these musicians at the event as at one stage things did not seem to be working out and we were stuck with no musicians, but then we were struck hard with the lucky stick and managed to get the above involved.

We also had many raffle prizes including toiletry hampers, Virgin Active hampers, wine tasting vouchers, an Ethiopian Dinner for 6, and a shocking-pink iPod! We also received very generous donations.

The funds raised from the evening were sent to the Adonis Musati Project. This project is very close to the whole Vimba CT team's hearts as we have all had the opportunity to go and help out first-hand with the refugees and we have seen the amazing work the Project does and the change it brings to people's lives.

We were fortunate enough to have some Adonis Musati Project representatives and beneficiaries at the event and so Terry Hodson, one of the founders of Adonis, spoke about the Project and we showed a heart-wrenching documentary about the work they do.

We raised R3200 in total for the Adonis Musati Project and this donation has been well received. The Project has used the funds to buy food to make packages for the refugees and the money is also going to go towards the costs of the shelter and rent for those who are being housed in Woodstock. We really enjoyed working to raise funds for the Adonis Musati Project and hope we can be of assistance in the future.

We are looking forward to more Vimba CT events!