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**CCLEF'S SPLENDOURS OF THE COMMONWEALTH**

The Commonwealth Countries League Education Fund (CCLEF) celebrated this year's London Fashion Week by hosting 'Splendours of the Commonwealth' on 12 September 2013 at the May Fair Hotel. The event was a glittering occasion featuring fashion, musical performances and fundraising.

The designers taking part represented various regions from the Commonwealth, while the finale was by Jenny Packham, one of the UK's top designers. Judith Fisher, event organiser and CCLEF Honorary Treasurer said, 'Splendours of the Commonwealth was our inaugural event to support our girls sponsored by the CCLEF. The response has been truly inspiring.'

1 CCLEF Honorary Treasurer Ms Judith Fisher, CCLEF Chairman Ms Jenny Groves, Mr Russell Amerasekera and CCLEF alumna Ms Ladi Dariya  
 2 Mrs Babli Sharma with CCLEF patrons Baroness Shreela Flather and Baroness Betty Boothroyd  
 3 Chairman of the Pacific Islands Society of the UK and Ireland Ms Chris Luxton and High Commissioner for Papua New Guinea Her Excellency Ms Winnie Kiap

4 CCLEF Trustee Ms Parveen Yusuf, Dr Casmir Chanda (CCLEF) and CCLEF alumna Ms Ladi Dariya  
 5 Dancers from the Ngati Ranana London Maori Club from New Zealand  
 6 Reggie Balavu on Kundu Drum from Papua New Guinea, ushering guests into the Danzinger Room  
 7 Secretary General of the Commonwealth Mr Kamallesh Sharma  
 8 The CSI Steel Pan Quartet sponsored by

the Trinidad and Tobago High Commission  
 9 Ms Tessa Sanderson, CBE and Ms Judith Fisher  
 10 Paralympic medallist Mr Ade Adepitan and Baroness Betty Boothroyd  
 11 Mrs Joyce Kallaghe (Tanzania) and Mrs Zarina Hasan (Pakistan)  
 12 Catwalk Finale by Jenny Packham, one of Europe's most successful and independent fashion brands