

# Heavyweight backing for new £100,000 challenge

**LEICESTER** Tigers stars have celebrated the launch of a restaurant's new bid to help charities raise £100,000.

Chef & Spice, in Hinckley Road, Leicester, opened in March and owner Syed Rahman has invited charities and members of the public to hold their own fund-raising nights, when profits from the food and the bar will go to charity.

On Wednesday, Tigers players including Martin Castrogiovanni and Manu Tuilagi joined Syed at the all-you-can-eat buffet restaurant.

Syed said: "We had a party of 15 and we all had a very good night. We don't have any char-

ity nights lined up yet but I hope we will very soon."

Syed's other restaurant, Cuisine of India, in Wigston, opened in 2007 and last year hit its target of helping to raise £100,000 for charities including Loros hospice, the Menphys centre for disabled children, the Motor Neurone Disease Association, the Meningitis Trust and MS charities.

People wanting to hold fund-raising events can invite diners who pay £15 each to eat – and £9 of that will go to the chosen charity.

To organise your own charity night, call Chef & Spice on 0116 242 2240.



**FRONT ROW:** Syed Rahman, centre, with Tigers Martin Castrogiovanni, left, and Manu Tuilagi

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