

Chilli Raj Restaurant wins Tilda Award

The Chilli Raj Restaurant in Stanhope Road, St Albans, has beaten off fierce competition to win the silver trophy in the Tilda Tiffin Cup Curry Awards held at the House of Commons on Wednesday, 9th of July, 2008.

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The Chilli Raj was one of the ten regional finalists selected from entrants from around the country to a final



'cook off' competition in the Palace of Westminster, which was judged by ten experts including celebrity chef Ainsley Harriott and the Editor of Tandoori Magazine, Humayun Hussain.

Anne Main, MP for St Albans who was present at the final and celebrated the win with the owners of the restaurant said: "The standard of cuisine on offer was absolutely top class, so it is a real testament to everyone at the Chilli Raj that they did so well. There were some nail biting moments as the top three restaurants were announced and the owners Kashim and Tarek and their prize-winning chef, were absolutely delighted to win such a prestigious award,

which recognises them as one of the top curry restaurants in the country.

Ainsley Harriott was particularly impressed by their salmon-based fusion dish and commended the chef's light touch. He even went as far as saying that he would be making a special visit to St Albans in the near future to sample further delights from the Chilli Raj.

Kashim, one of the owners of the restaurant, said: "This was an extremely tough competition. We were up against



some of the best restaurants from across the country and to come first runners-up proves that we can compete with the very best restaurants in the country has to offer. We

have always believed that the team of chefs at the Chilli Raj are naturally gifted and this win justifies our belief."

This award underlines once again that St Albans is a great destination for food lovers. The Chilli Raj is on the corner of Stanhope Road and it's certainly worth making the effort to seek it out.

For reservations call 01727 855564/848197.