

The disco-shuttle is back, and the Free Bus works for three

A trio of free buses will link nightspots during the weekend from 10 p.m. till dawn, to reduce risks of driving under the effects of alcohol. The Council is working on a permanent service.

Less traffic, less risks, less tickets – further pros, after the mishaps in Piazza Vittorio - and the mobility scheme of a large European city: it seems like the experiment conducted on March 29th was a success, so it's time for Traffic Kills community to get things on the move once again.

Offering the possibility to leave cars behind, the two all-city free buses linking more than ten venues and clubs have now become three. A northbound line, a circle line downtown and a southbound line will meet in different points, linking Evadamo Club in Via Schiapparelli with Faster Club in Strada Mondina, Moncalieri, stopping along the way at all nightspots which support the initiative: United, Café Liber, Bourreau Bourré, Tre Galli, Birrificio Torino, Caffè Rossini, Société Lutèce, Lab, Drogheria, Scapadacà, El Dar, Margò, Shamrock Inn, Fluido, Horas, Sud, Velvet, Birreria Petrarca and Hiroshima Mon Amour.

Everything starts at 10 p.m. tomorrow night and ends at 6 a.m. on Sunday morning, with 20-45 minute intervals between buses and a total capacity of 90 persons. Which is not a huge number, but nonetheless an excellent start.

In the meantime, it looks as though something is starting to move on institutional levels, too: the City Council, in collaboration with the University Student Senate (with the support of the Student Union and the L.I.L.A., Italian association against Aids) is officially supporting the initiative, and negotiations have started with the departments of youth policies, environment policies and road networking to create a permanent, free night bus service during weekends.