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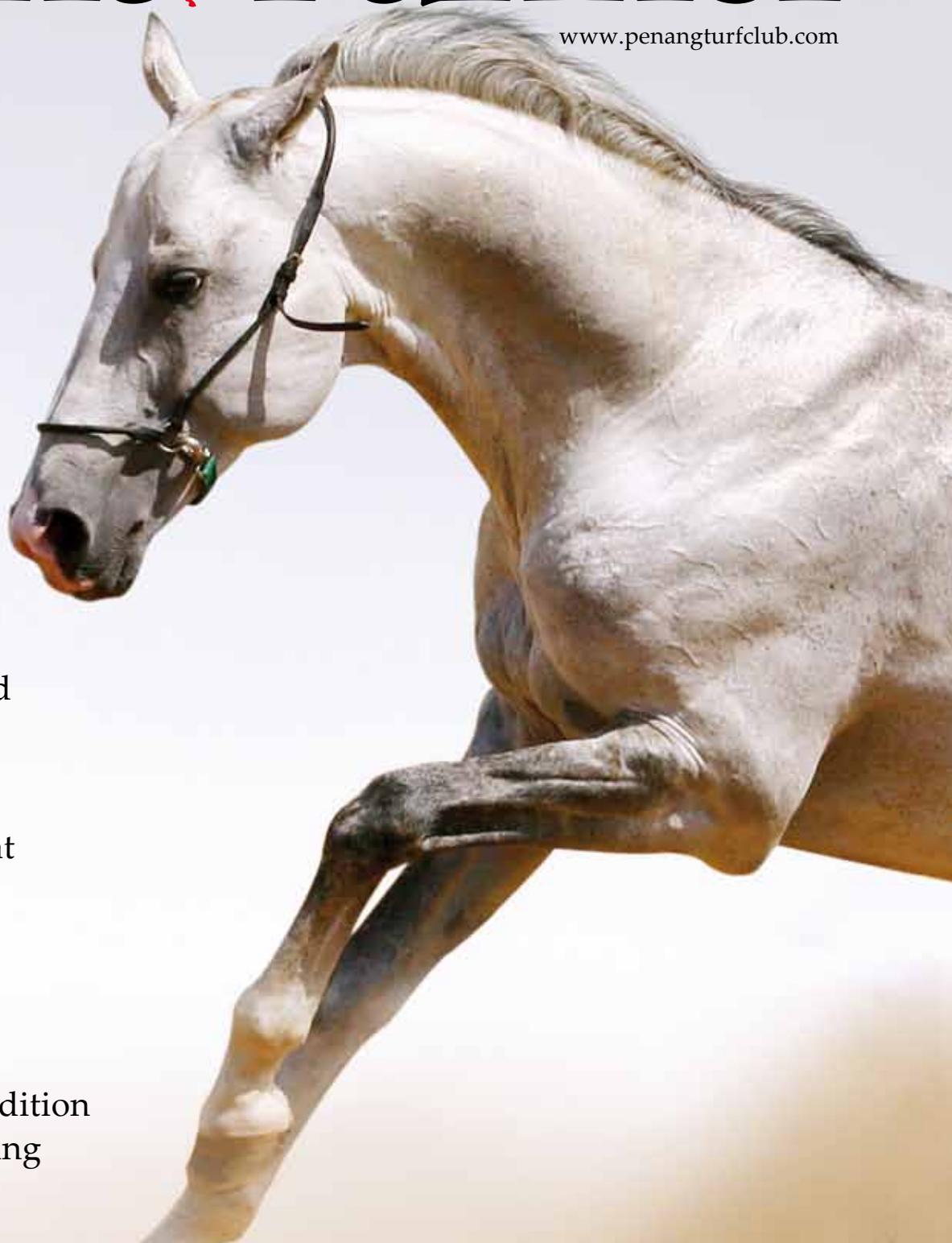
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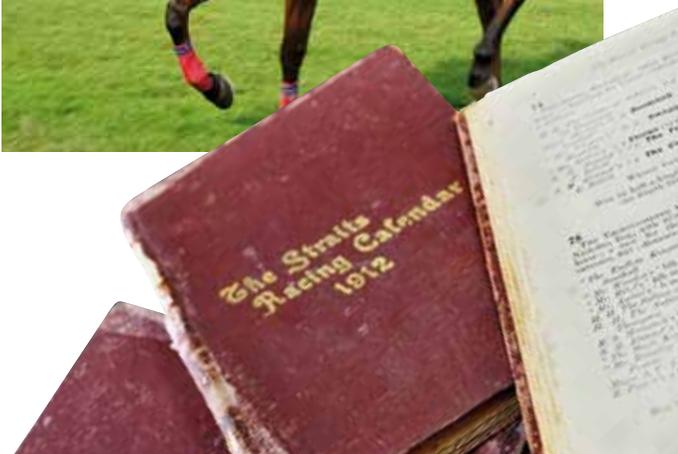
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# Editor's Note

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The renewal and the rebirth of the Club is now completed with the re-opening of the second turf track in April, which was extensively revamped. This is the first time such repairs have been carried out to this track since 1939. This training track will complement the main turf track which was completely refurbished last year. With both race tracks rejuvenated at substantial costs, the Club should now sustain thoroughbred racing at Batu Gantong for the foreseeable future.

With the upgrading of the racing facilities, we are now second to none in terms of promoting excellence in horse racing in our region. We should now be in a position to reclaim our status as the "Home of Champions" which was achieved for many years up to the early 90's. In addition, all the existing stables have been completely renovated to accommodate the relocation of the upper stables following the sale of part of our Club's land and the expected increase in the horse population at Batu Gantong. The main grandstand is currently in the midst of extensive repairs and renovations which when completed, will cater to the needs and demands of present racing fans. There will be additional seating areas which will make the public stands more accessible and comfortable.

The "new" grandstand will be ready in time for the Sprint Trophy Meeting in July when we welcome our many overseas guests.

Over the years, we have expressed our deep concern over the aging and greying of our members and the race-going public. It is with this in mind that the Committee made it a policy to recruit as many young members as possible into the Club to provide continuity. The untimely demise of our Committee Member, Oon Jin Leong, age 51, in March is therefore a tremendous loss to the Club. His contributions and the time he devoted to the Club during his short tenure in the Committee are deeply appreciated and will always be remembered. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and parents.

This year, the Club will be staging the National Horse Show from November 29 to December 2, 2012. It will be a grand affair with showjumping, dressage and carriage driving competitions. Many competitors from overseas are expected to participate in this event. In conjunction with the horse show, we will also have a carnival for the young and old. We are grateful to the Ministry of Finance and Lembaga Totalisator Malaysia for their generous grants to make the horse show possible.



# A GRAND AFFAIR

**Penang Turf Club plays host to 300 guests at Festive Charity Programme**

It was certainly a day to remember for more than 300 guests from various charitable organisations throughout the state when Penang Turf Club (PNTC) rolled out the red carpet for them as part of its Chinese New Year Festive Charity Programme on February 23, 2012.

Unlike in previous years, this year's charity programme was fully sponsored and organised by PNTC but continued with the theme of 'A tradition of sharing and caring'.

The celebration began with a Chinese orchestra performance, face painting, balloon clown and magical clown performances, and these shows really had the specially invited guests bursting into hearty laughter.

There was also a Chinese acrobatic lion dance, mask changing display and face painting to entertain the younger audience at the event.

Penang State Executive Councillor for Health, Welfare, Caring Society and Environment Phee Boon Poh officiated at the event.

In his speech, Phee thanked Penang Turf Club for their continued strong commitment and dedication in bringing cheer and hope to the underprivileged community in Penang during the festive season.

"The Penang Turf Club Chinese New Year Festive Charity Programme is certainly a good example of how the private sector

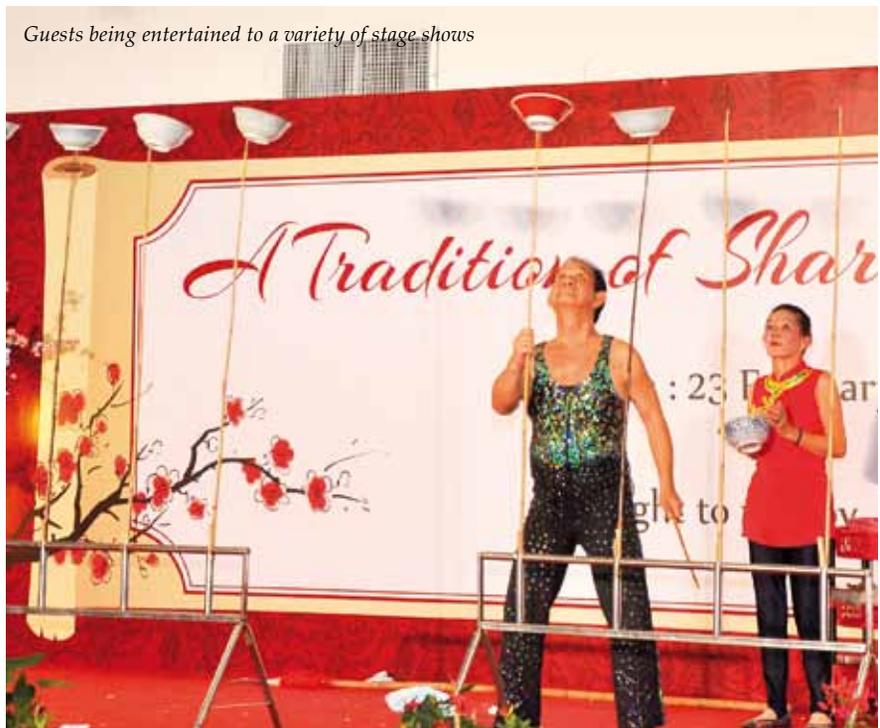
*Representatives of the charitable organisations pose for a photo after the cheque presentation*



can support and complement the Government's efforts in lending a hand to the needy.

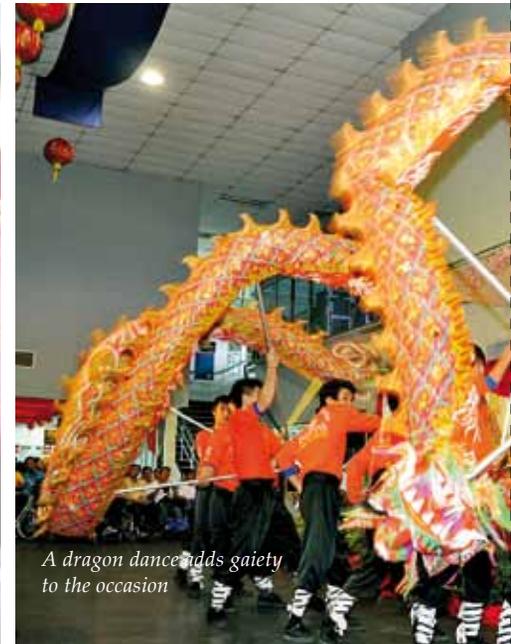
"It is said that the Year of the Dragon is a symbol of power, happiness, excellence and heroism, and what better time to start the act of kindness and happiness than on this auspicious festival. Penang Turf Club's generous contribution to the community truly reflects their exemplary corporate citizenship befitting their prominent stature in corporate Malaysia.

"By organising this charity programme and involving people of the different races in our state, the Penang Turf Club is doing its part to promote the all-important racial harmony so essential to the continued growth of Malaysia. At the same time, this programme also highlights the plight of the underprivileged and the important roles played by charitable organisations.





*Phee Boon Poh handing out an 'ang pow' to a young guest. Looking on are (from left) Dato Ong Eng Khuan, Saw Lip Khai and John Alexander Rodgers*



*A dragon dance adds gaiety to the occasion*



*Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng distributing 'ang pow' to guests*



*Saw Lip Khai presenting Phee Boon Poh with a hamper as a token of appreciation*

My compliments to the Penang Turf Club, an organisation to which the term 'Corporate Social Responsibility' is not just a tagline, but something in which they proudly excel in," Phee said.

At the event, a total of RM178,000 was donated to 30 charitable organisations.

"The financial assistance is aimed at supporting the development and sustainability of services for the needy, especially the disabled, elderly and orphans," said PNTC General Manager and Secretary Leow Khin Ming.

Lion's Resource Centre for Autistic Children caretaker M. L. Leong, 43, said the various colourful activities

should be able to cheer the children up.

"We have 14 kids coming over to join in the merrymaking.

"Based on our observations, some autistic children can display more emotions while watching the performances of the clowns and magician," she said.

Among the VIPs at the function were PNTC President Dato Ong Eng Khuan, senior Committee Member Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng as well as Committee Members John Alexander Rodgers, Dato Robert Chan Woot Khoon, Dato Dr Henry Ooi Kwee Lin, (the late) Oon Jin Leong and Saw Lip Khai.

*A representative receiving the cheque from Phee Boon Poh*







# Amazing THAILAND

## Penang Turf Club's Ordinary Members' trip to Pattaya and Bangkok

It was a trip like never before; though the Penang Turf Club's trip to Thailand has been an annual affair for all Ordinary Members, this year's trip somehow took an unsuspecting turn, yet ended on a high note nevertheless.

### 12th January 2012, Thursday

The seventy-two member delegation from Penang Turf Club assembled on time and in an orderly fashion for their flight amidst a somewhat chaotic situation at the Penang International Airport due to upgrading works. High spirited and excited, check-in was smooth and orderly; conversations were a buzz on the exciting four-day activities which were ahead of them, all carefully thought out by the club.

However, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Bangkok-bound flight was delayed. Despite the fact

that the members were disappointed, that did not dampen their spirits at all. They remained calm, collected and enthusiastic until the flight eventually took off and landed safely at Suvarnabhumi International Airport, where the group was warmly greeted by the Thais' "Sawadee-krup". They were then transferred by shuttle to Pattaya, where they checked into the Pattaya Marriott Resort and Spa, home for the next two nights.

### 13th January 2012, Friday

After a good night's rest, it was a flurry of activities once again at the Lobby of the Pattaya Marriott Resort and Spa. Led by Committee Member Dato Robert Chan and Financial Controller Tan Hock Lim, avid golfers of the club gathered for an early morning tee off at the St. Andrews Golf Club.

The rest of the members then had the entire day planned out for them starting with a brief stop at Khao Chi Chan in Chonburi en route to Nong Nooch Village. Khao Chi Chan, a place of worship, features a park and the biggest Buddha image in Pattaya. Measuring 109 metres, this immense image of Buddha which is called *Phra Phutta Maha Wachira Uttamopat Satsada* is laser sculpted on the cliff of Khao Chi Chan hill. It was a royalty-initiated project, constructed under the unity of Thais from all over the country to commemorate the auspicious occasion of the 50th Anniversary of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej's accession to the Throne. It was indeed a mesmerising sight, so much as to get many members off the coach and into the blistering sun to snap a few good pictures. The journey then continued on to Nong Nooch Village, a tropical garden renowned for its impressive Elephant and Thai Cultural Shows.

The first stop at Nong Nooch Village was the Orchid and Bromeliad Display Garden. Members took the chance to walk around the garden to admire the array of colourful flowers. That was enough to work up an appetite for the specially prepared lunch thereafter. A delicious feast of local Thai menu, ranging from chicken curry to sticky



rice with Thai custard, which was all part of the private buffet lunch.

After a delightful lunch, the group then made their way to watch Nong Nooch's popular Thai Cultural Show. Needless to say, the talented music and dance performance followed by a surprise baby elephant appearance kept the group engrossed for the whole duration of the show. After that, they were all ushered to the next popular attraction - the Elephant Show. And one has to really see it to believe that elephants are able to dance, draw elaborate pictures, play soccer and basketball, and even shoot targets accurately. It was undeniably a thrilling experience for all.

Next on the agenda was a visit to the Bottle Art Museum of Pattaya. However, much to the joy of the group, a brief shopping stop was made on the way to the museum, where souvenirs and local produce were aplenty.

The Bottle Art Museum features a huge collection of more than 300 pieces of artwork contained in glass bottles. The group was given an opportunity to learn how miniature houses, boats and other art pieces are intricately assembled in bottles of all sizes. To complement the entire experience, the tour of the museum ended with a visit to its hand-made souvenir shop where the group had a chance to purchase a piece or two of the unique craft.

Dinner at night was yet another scrumptious meal at Amorn Seafood Restaurant. Like excited tourists, members of the group exchanged their experiences for the day. The group then concluded their night by exploring the streets of Pattaya where shopping for souvenirs and snacks were aplenty, before retiring for the night.



**14th January 2012, Saturday**

*Rise and shine!* It is undoubtedly the call of the golf course which had all of the golfers up and running before the morning sun for tee off at Siam Country Club, while the rest of the group recuperated from the activities the day before.

After a hearty breakfast, the rest of the group packed up and bade farewell to Pattaya as they were transferred by coach to Bangkok, just on time to meet up with the rest of the group after their game of golf.

A bountiful Japanese buffet lunch at The Emerald awaited the group upon arrival into Bangkok. Tired and hungry from the long journey, the group skilfully navigated their way along the buffet line and enjoyed a hearty Japanese meal such as sashimi, sushi and tempura of sorts.

After checking into Centara Grand at Central World, the group had leisure time until dinner time. Needless to say, many immediately headed out to the newly





refurbished Central World Plaza as well as other major shopping malls along the bustling street of downtown Bangkok.

Dinner at the Bua Restaurant was a lively atmosphere with chit chat and laughter as the group rekindled old friendships with representatives from the Royal Turf Club of Thailand. Chairman, General Boonlert Kaewprasit and his lovely wife, Mrs Thida hosted the group to a delectable spread of Thai delicacies.





### 15th January 2012, Sunday

The group's enthusiastic golfers once again beat the rest to rising early for their first game of golf in Bangkok this trip, at Lam Lukka Country Club. Meanwhile the rest of the group had leisurely time before heading to the Royal Turf Club of Thailand for races.

Some 28 members of the group witnessed the THB300,000 Penang Turf Club Trophy race which was run over a 1200m distance. *Kump Thun*, trained by trainer Chatchawan Sangesung, clocked 10.94 seconds to bag the first prize. *Kump Thun* was ridden by jockey Kongkrapan and owned by Bann Kluay Stable.

Committee Members Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng, Dato Robert Chan Woot Khoon, Saw Lip Khai, Teoh Mei Shean and (the late) Oon Jin Leong were on hand to present the trophies to the winning owner, trainer and jockey.

After the conclusion of the day's races, race-goers were joined by the golfers and other members alike for dinner hosted by the Royal Turf Club of Thailand at the Club's premise. Again, the group was served a feast of Thailand's best teamed with entertainment by a three piece band which managed to get the groove on many of the members. Members took to the dance floor and eventually sang their hearts out during the karaoke session, much to the delight of our hosts, who were beaming from ear to ear. Many hidden vocal and dance talents were unveiled that night, and here, a picture speaks a thousand words. It was truly a time of fun and entertainment which allowed everyone to become acquainted in a more relaxed environment.



**16th January 2012, Monday**

The last day of the trip saw golfers heading out to the Royal Golf and Country Club of Bangkok for one final shot at a hole-in-one. At the same time, many others took to the streets of trendy Bangkok once more for their final fete on all things Thai.

The Penang bound flight departed on time with exhausted but happy members of the Penang Turf Club in tow with souvenirs and shopping abound. Yet, it was the astounding hospitality and warmth of our Thai friends which made the trip the most memorable of all.

*Report by Adeline Goh,  
Events and Communications  
Manager who went on the trip  
together with staff members  
Ooi Jean Lee, Racing Officer,  
Leu You Chin, HR Executive  
and Ooi Lay Lee, Golf Section  
Administrative Executive.*



*Tears To Diamonds is Malaysia Horse Of The Year for 2011*

# GLITTERING SEASON

**Tears To Diamonds voted Malaysia Horse Of The Year for 2011**

**T***ears To Diamonds*, who had a phenomenal first season last year, was the overwhelming favourite to be named Malaysia Horse of the Year for 2011.

That was exactly what happened when the racing fraternity gathered to cast their votes early in the year.

*Tears To Diamonds* was originally purchased by trainer Dr Yeoh Kheng Chye for A\$38,000 as a yearling. But before he could begin his campaign in Singapore, he was transferred to Malaysia to come under Richard Lines.

Singapore's loss is Malaysia's gain, as *Tears To Diamonds* (*Royal Academy - Tears Of Argentina* by *Umatilla*) went on to win six races and was placed second twice in nine starts in 2011.

After his initial win in Restricted Maiden company, *Tears To Diamonds* reeled off three consecutive wins in Class 4. Never before in the history of racing in Malaysia has a horse 'jumped' from Class 4 to a major race.

So history was created when *Tears To Diamonds* beat a decent field to win the Charity Cup (2,000m) in Ipoh. And to prove that the win was no fluke, the Australian gelding followed up with

another resounding victory in the Yang di-Pertua Negeri Gold Cup (2,200m).

Tivic Stable, the owner of *Tears To Diamonds*, was presented with the Horse of the Year trophy at the MRA Awards presentation in Penang on March 25, 2012, in conjunction with the running of the 2012 MRA Cup.

Also honoured at the event was the owner of *Beautiful Choice* who was named National Stud Farm Malaysian Bred Champion Horse for 2011.

*Beautiful Choice* (*Super Istana - Bliss* by *Serheed*) raced just seven times last year for three wins and three seconds. Besides capturing the National Stud Farm Silver Bowl and Challenge Cup, the gelding ended the season winning the RM300,000 Wira Malaysia Cup (1,600m), the 'derby' for Malaysian breds.

The respective champions of 2011 also received their trophies during the ceremony.

Golden Knight Stable, headed by Beh Chin Pheng, was the top owner once again earning RM3,236,535 in prizemoney.

After a thrilling tussle, trainer Richard Lines captured his premiership saddling 70 winners, with *Tears To Diamonds* topping his list of winners.

Apprentice Lai Kin Man, who is indentured to Chong Keng Leong, was the top apprentice, riding 29 winners.



*Goh Mur Lin receiving the Horse Of The Year trophy from Singapore Turf Club Chairman Tan Guong Ching*



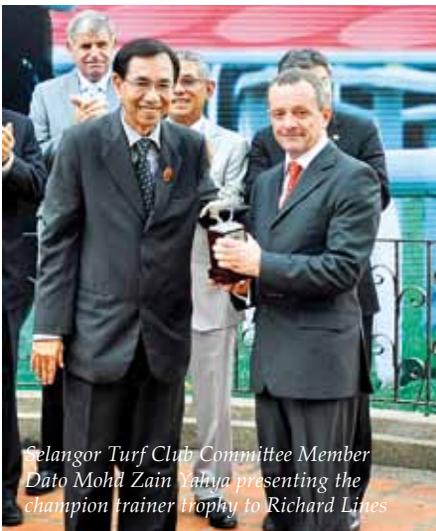
*Penang Turf Club Committee Member Saw Lip Khai presenting the National Stud Farm Malaysian Bred Champion Horse trophy to trainer Nor Azman*



*Champion owner Beh Chin Pheng of Golden Knight Stable receiving his trophy from Penang Turf Club President Dato Ong Eng Khuan*



*A group photo after the trophy presentation*



*Selangor Turf Club Committee Member Dato Mohd Zain Nanyu presenting the champion trainer trophy to Richard Lines*



*Champion jockey Jackson Low receiving his trophy from Perak Turf Club Deputy Chairman Dato Cheah Choon King*



*Dato Ong Eng Khuan presenting the champion apprentice trophy to Lai Kin Man*

# MRA DINNER 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2012





# MY U.K. DIARY

## Penang Turf Club Committee Member Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng reports on his recent visit



Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng with the Royal plaque of RosSDales Equine Hospital

I arrived in the UK on Friday 20 April and was at the Newbury races the next day (Saturday 21 April). Although the weather was very wet, the attendance was still good. Many people who attended enjoyed it as a social occasion with many people dressing up and coming with friends and family members. Among the VIP guests was The Queen who was celebrating her 86th birthday.

Although Newbury Racecourse might not be as well-known or as grand as Ascot or even Newmarket, the weekend is an important one in the racing calendar. This is when the Flat Racing Season in the UK officially begins with all eyes on the Greenham Stakes. Held each year in April at Newbury, the Greenham Stakes is open to 3-year-old thoroughbred colts and geldings and for this reason, is considered a very important race. The prize fund is £65,000, but the stakes are even higher as the horse who wins the Greenham Stakes usually goes on to become the favourite at future Classic races. In particular the race has proven to be a good indicator

of form for the 2,000 Guineas race at Newmarket. Last year's Greenham winner, *Frankel*, went on to put in an outstanding performance winning the 2,000 Guineas.

This year the winner was *Caspar Netscher*, ridden by Shane Kelly and trained by Alan McCabe, beating *Boomerang Bob* by one-length. The race

favourite, *Bronterre*, led briefly but did not go clear as expected and eventually came in third. In general the crowd seemed happy enough, but there was a more subdued reaction among regular race-goers and racing experts. This was largely down to the race just featuring five runners after two popular horses (*Top Offer* and *Tales of Grimm*) were withdrawn overnight because of the soft ground.

Another interesting horse at Newbury was *Frankel's* brother, *Noble Mission*, who won over a mile and looks an interesting prospect.

I visited Peter RosSDale's equine hospital in Newmarket for a brief tour and met some of the staff. Set up in 1959, today it is the largest equine hospital in the UK and Europe, with over 30 veterinary surgeons and almost 100 support staff. What is especially impressive is the extremely high level of standards and

quality of care, and from speaking to the staff, it is clear that there is a continued investment in the latest technology and techniques to make sure that the hospital remains the very best in its field. It really was worth a visit and is an excellent example which we should aim to follow if possible.

I also visited Dalham Hall Stud, located just a few miles out of Newmarket, which is owned by Sheikh



Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng with mare and foal at Estcourt Estate (Prince Khalid Abdullah's farm in Tetbury, Gloucestershire)



Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng with New Approach at Dalham Hall Stud (owned by Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum)



Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. One of the staff, Richard Knight, kindly met us and showed us some of the stallions. I saw *Exceed and Excel* by *Danehill* out of *Patrona*, who looked very strong with powerful quarters, and *New Approach*, a new promising stallion by *Galileo* out of *Park Express*.

I arrived early at about 11.30am for the 2,000 Guineas, to soak in the atmosphere. There was already a large crowd a good two hours before the first race which was not due to start until 2.00pm. The majority of race-goers were there for the social aspect as well as the racing itself, many turned up early to enjoy the fantastic facilities, including enjoying a good lunch and meeting friends. We were very fortunate with the weather which added to the overall enjoyment of the day. There was a wonderful atmosphere, contributed to by the lively crowd which was a real mixture: plenty of families with children as well as groups of corporate race-goers. It was interesting to see future generations of race-goers being initiated into the sport at an early age with many children looking around the paddocks and taking an interest in the races.

The race most people were looking forward to was the 2,000 Guineas race. This race is always a great crowd pleaser. This year's favourite was *Camelot*, ridden by Joseph O'Brien and trained by Aidan O'Brien. By complete contrast to last year's race, which *Frankel* won by six clear lengths, this year's was a tight battle between *Camelot* and *French Fifteen*, with *Camelot* eventually winning by a neck. It was clear the crowd enjoyed the race and the majority of race goers were behind *Camelot*, cheering loudly when he won.

It was also good to see last year's winner *Frankel* who we saw gallop just before 1pm. He looked in excellent condition, and was rounder, having bulked up over the last few months. *Frankel's* brother, *Noble Mission*, also put in a good performance at Newmarket winning the Qatar Racing Newmarket Stakes over a mile and a quarter.

Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng  
at Newmarket Races



Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng with James Cowe  
(farm manager of Juddmonte Estcourt Farm)  
under the ancient oak tree which is over 800  
years old.

## Sunday 6 May

I visited Estcourt Estate, Prince Khalid Abdullah's farm in Tetbury, Gloucestershire. This 1,700+ acre farm is truly a stunning property with a few houses. We met with Jim Cowe the farm manager and his wife, who were introduced to me by an old friend, Jim Power from Newmarket. Jim took us around the grounds of the property in a car as the grounds were so large.

The animals looked extremely happy and well-looked after. From the sheep with their new-born lambs to the Highland cattle who grazed exclusively on green grass and hay in the winter. There was also a gigantic oak tree which I was told is one of the ten oldest in Europe. I have visited a number of farms over the years, and this is one of the most well-looked after and impressive I have seen.

## Monday 7 May

I attended the Bath races. This was a Bank Holiday i.e. a public holiday so even though the weather was rainy and it was a Monday, there was a very good crowd. The course is a small one in comparison to others like Ascot and Newmarket but the races were still quite interesting.

Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng's trip was funded by Lembaga Totalisator Malaysia.

The Honorable Frederick James Granter  
1921 ~ 2012



# LOSS OF A FRIEND

Penang Turf Club (PNTC) lost a dear friend with the passing of The Honorable Frederick James Granter of Bendigo Jockey Club, Victoria, Australia on May 14, 2012. He was 91 years of age.

Granter, better known as Jock to his friends, was instrumental in the establishment of PNTC's first tie with a horse racing club in Australia. Granter was in Bendigo's delegation when they made their inaugural visit to PNTC for our July Meeting in 1990.

Granter also visited the Club in 1993 for the July/August Meeting. The Club staged a Bendigo Jockey Club Trophy race on August 7, 1993. Despite his seniority and his political connections with the Victorian government, he is an amiable person who is always approachable and easy to strike a conversation with.

The Club made its first visit to Bendigo in April 1994 and we have since had reciprocal races with Bendigo Jockey Club every year.

The long-serving Liberal parliamentarian served on numerous



central highlands boards and organisations including Heathcote Hospital and the Bendigo Jockey Club and was a "mover and shaker" for many projects including the construction of Lake Eppalock. Granter is survived by wife Ena. Victorian Premier Ted Baillieu has announced a state funeral for Granter.

*Flashback: F. J. Granter (extreme right) and then PNTC President Datuk Lee Saik Kee (second from right) with some Committee Members of Bendigo Jockey Club and PNTC after the running of the 1990 Bendigo Jockey Club Trophy in Penang*



# FAREWELL CHRISTINE DAWS

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It is with sadness that we received news of the passing of Christine Daws, the beloved wife of Mr. Graham Daws of DAWSON STUD PERTH on 19th May 2012. Christine was 63 years old. The club first forged links with Dawson Stud when they sponsored a race here in the year 2000. Indeed, the passing of Christine is a great loss to the breeding industry. Over the years Dawson Stud has been one of our staunch supporters of our Sprint Trophy Meetings and has to-date sponsored seven races at Batu Gantong. Christine was present at our club to witness the Dawson Stud race here in 2005 and Graham has been here many times to present prizes for Dawson Stud races as well as on behalf of Perth Racing as he is on the Committee of Western Australian Turf Club. It is indeed a privilege for us to have known Christine and we extend our deepest sympathies to Graham Daws and his family.



# New Exciting Chapter

**First Sprint Trophy on re-laid main track last year ends in a deadheat**



*Eagle (in red) and Blue Tosca storm home on the outside to record a historic deadheat in the Sprint Trophy last year*

**H**istory was created last year when the locally trained *Eagle* (*Clangalang - Unbeatable* by *Casual Lies*) and *Blue Tosca* (*Canny Lad - Desert Bride* by *Desert King*) battled to a deadheat in the Sprint Trophy, a first in the history of the 1,400m premier event which was first run in 1981.

Another highlight in the series was when *Captain Obvious* (grey Australian gelding by *Verglas - Shathor* by *Tirol*) scored the biggest win seen in any classic on the local turf when he trounced the opposition by 12 lengths in the Sprint Trophy in 2010. *Captain Obvious* won 10 races in Malaysia before conquering Singapore and Dubai.

But since 1999, the race was dodged by three cancellations due to adverse weather and the consequent unsafe

track conditions, the first occasion in 1999 and the second time in 2007.

In 2008, the Sprint Trophy weekend was called off and the big race was re-scheduled to be held during the Gold

Cup meeting in December. *Cheyenne Dancer* (brown Australian gelding by *Indian Danehill - Daylight Hour* by *Brief Truce*), then trained in Kuala Lumpur and had captured a cross-border race at Kranji that year, proved his class once again to lead all the way for a convincing win.

With the weather playing havoc with the Sprint Trophy, the Penang Turf Club decided to switch the race from the traditional August/September date to early July to avoid the monsoon season in 2010.

That year, the club also undertook to re-lay the main track at the Batu Gantong racecourse immediately after the Sprint Trophy meeting and for 10 months Penang meetings were either held in Ipoh or Kuala Lumpur.

And the first Sprint Trophy held on the 'new' track last year proved to be a sensational start to a new chapter in the history of the race.



*The 2010 winner Captain Obvious has since gone on to record victories in Singapore and Dubai*



*Cheyenne Dancer triumphs in the 2008 Sprint Trophy*

Although the Sprint Trophy has the shortest history of the major sprints in Malaysia, it quickly became the richest, the most eagerly awaited sprint each season. The inclusion of Singapore horses in 2005 further elevated the status of the event.

But Malaysian trained horses have always held their own against raiders from south of the border.

In 2005, Penang trained *Jeram New Village* (chestnut New Zealand gelding by *Faltaat - Encarta* by *Westminster*) scored a resounding win to lead a Malaysian 1-2-3 finish in the Sprint Trophy.

The next season, Ipoh trained *Triple Happy* (brown Australian gelding by *Bletchley Park - Red Marya* by *Red Anchor*) romped to a five-length victory, with Singapore entry *Tom Higgs* (bay New Zealand gelding by *Al Akbar - Moon Voy* by *Western Symphony*) running him closest.

In 2009, *Triple Luck* (grey Australian gelding by *Akhenaton - Casual Lies* by *Hungtingdale*) led *Good Nature* (brown Australian horse by *Way Of Light - Tears We Cry* by *French Deputy*) to a 1-2 finish for Malaysia while *Cheyenne Dancer*, by then trained in Singapore, finished third.

Sixteen years after retiring from

training, Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng still holds the record for the most number of victories in the Sprint Trophy series.

After the success of *Sovereign Escort II* (chestnut Irish horse by *St Chad - Alynda*), trained by the late Lee Seng Hap, in the inaugural running, Teh quickly made his mark in the series with *Ten Hugs* (grey English gelding by *Comedy Star - Maid Of Honour*) the following year. That was the only two years the Sprint Trophy was run as a handicap. The Sprint Trophy was then staged as a weight-for-age until 2009 when it became a set-weights event.

After his initial success with *Ten Hugs*, Teh chalked up his second win in the series with *Teetoy* (dark bay or brown American horse by *Blade - Good Tee Shot* by *Advocator*) in 1986. *Teetoy* had raced in the United Kingdom before coming over to Malaysia.

*Batman* (grey New Zealand gelding by *Godswalk - Orchid Vale* by *Gallant Man*), one of the best horses Teh ever trained, romped to victory in 1989, making Maree Lyndon the first-ever woman jockey to win the series. *Batman* was to repeat the success two years later, this time with Kim Clapperton on board.

Clapperton became the first jockey to win the Sprint Trophy twice, the

second time was in 1993, on the Teh-trained *Beta Ray Bill* (brown New Zealand gelding by *Sound Reason - Dentine* by *Noble Bijou*).

The next successful trainer was Malcolm Thwaites whose initial success came in 1988 when *He's Dawan* (chestnut American gelding by *Coulee Man - Stroll* by *Walkers*) literally frightened away his potential rivals. Only five horses took on the champion sprinter who coasted home by six-and-half lengths without being extended.

In 1995 and 1996, Thwaites scored back-to-back wins with *Fischer* (chestnut Australian gelding by *Al Khawaaneeg - Wayette Coghlin* by *Youth*) and the gelding triumphed again in 1998 and is the only three-time winner of the Sprint Trophy.

When the Sprint Trophy was switched from a handicap to a weight-for-age event, the "stayers" immediately began to have their say as well. That year, proven stayer *Andermatt* (bay New Zealand gelding by *Amalgam - Aminona* by *Oakville*) upset the champion sprinter *Added Advantage II* (bay Irish horse by *Welsh Saint - Shade* by *Gratitude*).

The next great stayer to triumph was *St Gallen* (bay New Zealand gelding by *Decies - Aminona* by *Oakville*), a half-

brother to *Andermatt* and twice winner of the Yang di-Pertua Negeri Gold Cup (2,200m) and a Singapore Gold Cup (2,200m) winner, who won by eight-and-a-half lengths in 1987!

Then there was *Colonial Chief* (bay New Zealand gelding by *Vice Regal* - *Gold Seine* by *Gold Sovereign*), winner of the MRA Cup over 2,000m in 1988 and the Singapore Gold Cup the following year, who romped home by seven lengths in 1990.

*Confidence V* (chestnut Australian gelding by *Serheed* - *Cherie Avion* by *Captain's Wings*) is another stayer who made his mark in 1997 and for three years running from 2001, the "stayers" also made the race their own.

*Smooth Sailing* (bay New Zealand gelding by *Kinjite* - *Quiescent* by *Gleam Machine*), who has been placed in the Yang di-Pertua Negeri Gold Cup (2,200m) and Tunku Gold Cup (2,000m), out-sprinted the rest to win in 2001.

In 2002, *Opposing Force* (chestnut New Zealand gelding by *Jetball* - *Delia's Choice* by *Sir Tristram*), winner of two Perak Derby over 2,400m, stormed home on the extreme outside of the track to score an emphatic win.

Champion mare *Confluence* (bay or brown New Zealand mare by *Paris Opera* - *Tristrams Jewel* by *Sir Tristram*) outshone everyone else to win in 2003 after having won the Selangor Gold Cup over 2,000m.

The Sprint Trophy became the richest sprint and the second richest race in Malaysia with prizemoney of RM700,000 in 2000. That year, *Seaside Bank* (chestnut Australian gelding by *Sikorsky* - *Casper Lady* by *Christmas Tree*) emerged victorious after a thrilling duel with *Endanger* (brown Australian gelding by *Danehill* - *Hyerer* by *Gay Mecene*).

Prizemoney of the Sprint Trophy was raised to RM750,000 in 2002 and the Penang Turf Club created history with the sponsorship of Astro Wah Lai Toi in 2003 when they were able to push the total prizemoney to RM1million. That year, *Confluence* (bay or brown New Zealand mare by *Paris Opera* - *Tristrams Jewel* by *Sir Tristram*), ridden by Oscar Chavez, scored a memorable win.

Chavez, who rode *Confluence* to victory in 2003, was back in the winner's circle in 2005 when he partnered *Hunii* (black or brown Australian gelding by *Clay Hero* - *Arvada Miss* by *Osmunda*)

to victory, stealing a run on *Flying Diamond* (brown Australian gelding by *Telesto* - *Innocente* by *Centaine*) who flashed home too late to catch the winner.

After the retirement of Teh, Richard Lines became the first Penang trainer to win the Sprint Trophy when *Opposing Force* triumphed in 2002 and Frank Maynard captured his first classic on the local turf when he saddled *Jeram New Village* to victory in 2005. Maynard repeated the success with *Cheyenne Dancer* in 2008 when he was based at Sungei Besi. Incidentally, *Opposing Force* was purchased by Teh as a yearling for NZ\$70,000.

In 2009, the Sprint Trophy was run at set-weights for the first time, in line with most other classic races in Malaysia.

With the end of Astro Wah Lai Loi's sponsorship, the prizemoney for the Sprint Trophy was reduced to RM500,000 last year due to reduced funding. But should there be five or more starters from Singapore, the club is offering an additional RM600,000, bringing the total prizemoney to RM1.1million.



Triple Luck winning the 2009 Sprint Trophy



# Sprint Trophy Winners

Race known as Astro Wah Lai Toi Sprint Trophy from 2003-2010

YEAR	HORSE	OWNER	WGT	DIST.	TIME	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1981	<b>Sovereign Escort II (IRE)</b>	Ng's Stable	49.5	1400m	1:24.8	L Khoo	S H Lee
1982	<b>Ten Hugs (GB)</b>	Auric Stable	51	1400m	1:25.1	R Rajoo	Teh Choon Beng
1983	<b>Andermatt (NZ)</b>	Equus Stable	57	1400m	1:22.9	T Lucas	I W Allan
1984	<b>Our Saint (NZ)</b>	Agasam Stable	57	1400m	1:23.2	T S Chiam	G Bougoure
1985	<b>Happiness II (GB)</b>	Triomphe Stable	58.5	1400m	1:28.2	M Johnston	K Leong
1986	<b>Teetoy (USA)</b>	Goodman Stable	56	1400m	1:24.3	P Johnson	Teh Choon Beng
1987	<b>St Gallen (NZ)</b>	Equus Stable	58.5	1400m	1:29.2	L Danis	C Read
1988	<b>He's Dawan (USA)</b>	He's Dawan Stable	58.5	1400m	1:25.7	T Lucas	M Thwaites
1989	<b>Batman (NZ)</b>	Auric Stable	56	1400m	1:29.7	M Lyndon	Teh Choon Beng
1990	<b>Colonial Chief (NZ)</b>	Promise Stable	58.5	1400m	1:26.1	K L Oo	I W Allan
1991	<b>Batman (NZ)</b>	Auric & Olympia Stable	57	1400m	1:22.4	K Clapperton	Teh Choon Beng
1992	<b>The Kingfighter (AUS)</b>	Selangor Stable	58.5	1400m	1:27.9	S Y Leong	J Ho
1993	<b>Beta Ray Bill (NZ)</b>	Auric Stable	57.5	1400m	1:23.1	K Clapperton	Teh Choon Beng
1994	<b>Kim Kim II (NZ)</b>	Kimmui's Stable	58.5	1400m	1:22.8	I Albuiño	J Brink
1995	<b>Fischer (AUS)</b>	Eres Tu Stable	57	1400m	1:26.9	R Woodworth	M Thwaites
1996	<b>Fischer (AUS)</b>	Eres Tu Stable	58.5	1400m	1:26.9	S Y Leong	M Thwaites
1997	<b>Confidence V (AUS)</b>	Confidence Stable	58.5	1400m	1:28.8	S Price	F Nathan
1998	<b>Fischer (AUS)</b>	Eres Tu Stable	58.5	1400m	1:22.5	J Saimee	M Thwaites
1999	<i>Race cancelled due to adverse track conditions</i>						
2000	<b>Seaside Bank (AUS)</b>	Winning Stable	58	1400m	1:24.6	D O'Heare	K C Tiang
2001	<b>Smooth Sailing (NZ)</b>	Resourceful Stable	58	1400m	1:23.8	K K Loh	B Chua
2002	<b>Opposing Force (NZ)</b>	Revenge Stable	58	1400m	1:30.1	S H Lee	R Lines
2003	<b>Confluence (NZ)</b>	Confidence Stable	56.5	1400m	1:30.1	O Chavez	F Nathan
2004	<b>Hunii (AUS)</b>	Jackpot Stable	58	1400m	1:22.5	O Chavez	M Breukelen
2005	<b>Jeram New Village (NZ)</b>	Gold Plus Stable	58	1400m	1:21.7	L Sofhan	F Maynard
2006	<b>Triple Happy (AUS)</b>	Mdm Kong Sau Leng	57.5	1400m	1:24.6	C Segeon	S Liew
2007	<i>Race cancelled due to adverse track conditions</i>						
2008	<b>Cheyenne Dancer (AUS)</b>	Cheyenne Stable	58	1400m	1:23.2	R Burnett	F Maynard
2009	<b>Triple Luck (AUS)</b>	Mdm Kong Sau Leng	56	1400m	1:33.6	K Eirwan	S Liew
2010	<b>Captain Obvious (AUS)</b>	Milton Stable	54	1400m	1:24.11	R Woodworth	K L Chong
2011	<b>Blue Tosca (AUS)</b> <b>Eagle (AUS)</b>	Blue Grass Stable Mdm Tey Pei Geok	52 53	1400m	1:22.21	M Wepner J Low	S Cook T Gillespie



*Cizen World storms home on the outside to snatch a thrilling win*

# RAGS TO RICHES

## Penang-trained Cizen World rules in MRA Cup

Although *Cizen World* (*Savabeel - Danish Wedding* by *Danasinga*) managed four wins in two seasons in 2010 and 2011, it was only when he was transferred to trainer Dr Tan Swee Hock at the tail-end of 2011 that he blossomed into a top-notch galloper.

And the New Zealand gelding, who cost just NZ\$3,000 as a yearling, turned giant killer to win the RM300,000 Malayan Racing Association Cup over 1,400m in Penang on March 25, 2012.

It was Penang Turf Club's turn to stage the Cup this year and what an exciting race it turned out to be after attracting a top-class field.

*Unified Spirit*, a runaway winner over 1,600m in soft going the previous start, took command on settling down with the well-performed five-time winner *Mudhish* keeping pace. *Cizen World* was a handy third early.

The field bunched up making the turn into the home straight with only three lengths covering the first 11 horses at the 400m.

*Cizen World*, switched out from the rails by jockey Mohd Eirwan Khalid, looked poised to strike but for a long while, just could not overhaul the leaders. And it was *Eagle* (*Clangalang - Unbeatable* by *Casual Lies*) who appeared heading for victory when he charged through between runners at the 200m to take the lead, with *Tears To Diamonds* (*Royal Academy - Tears Of Argentina* by *Umatilla*) giving chase. *Mudhish* and *Cizen World* were still in the picture.

It was only in the final 100m that *Cizen World* finally quickened stride and got up in

the shadows of the winning post to pip *Eagle* by a short head. *Tears To Diamonds* was another neck away third.

*Eagle* had deadheaded with *Blue Tosca* to win the Sprint Trophy last year and *Tears To Diamonds* had a phenomenal 2011 season reeling off five consecutive wins including the Yang di-Pertua Negeri Gold Cup (2,200m) in Penang and was subsequently voted *Malaysia Horse Of The Year*.

*Cizen World*, however, had shown his potential when he rewrote the Penang 1,400m course record with a time of 1 minute 21.16 seconds a month earlier. He failed to match that time in the MRA Cup but the way he battled on all the way up the home stretch spoke volumes of his fighting qualities. It was his seventh win in 28 starts.

*Janet Tan receiving the trophy from Singapore Turf Club Chairman Tan Guong Ching*



*Janet Tan leading in Cizen World*



*Perak Turf Club Deputy Chairman Dato Cheah Choon King (right) presenting the trophy to trainer Dr Tan Swee Hock*



*Jockey Eirwan Khalid receiving his trophy from Selangor Turf Club Committee Member Dato Mohd Zain Yahya*

## 2012 MRA CUP

Open Set Weights – 1,400m

CIZEN WORLD (NZ)	4 G	S H Tan	51.5	K Eirwan	1
EAGLE (AUS)	5 G	H S Lim	55.5	Z Khairil	2
TEARS TO DIAMONDS (AUS)	4 G	R Lines	52	J Low	3
MR AMBASSADOR (NZ)	6 G	J Tan	53.5	G Hind	4
MUDHISH (AUS)	5 G	A Selvaratnam	54.5	O Chavez	5
GOOD BABY (AUS)	4 G	K Coetzee	50.5	I Azhar	6
SPEED EAGLE (AUS)	5 G	K Coetzee	50	H Barnabas	7
GOOD JUDGEMENT (AUS)	5 G	K Coetzee	57	B Tai	8
BE SURE (AUS)	4 G	W C Lim	51,5	S H Lee	9
TIME SPEED (AUS)	7 G	K Coetzee	56.5	J Shankar	10
GOOD FEEL (NZ)	7 G	B T Lim	55	C Goon	11
TRIPLE LUCK (AUS)	8 G	S Liew	55	S Sani	12
THE BANK (AUS)	6 G	B T Lim	51	H S Gill	13
UNIFIED SPIRIT (AUS)	6 G	E Breukelen	51	A Kumar	14

Time: 1min 21.84secs

Margins: Short head, neck, 1 ¼ lengths



*A group photo after the trophy presentation*

# Hot & Cold

Contrasting wins in Penang leg of 3YO championship heats



*Colin The Firth coasting to an easy win*

*The happy owners leading in Colin The Firth*



*Penang Turf Club committee member Teoh Mei Shean presenting the trophy to jockey Mohd Eirwan Khalid*



The Penang leg of the Malaysia 2012 3YO Championship heats started off on a bright note for punters when odds-on favourite *Colin The Firth* (*All Bar One - Orchis* by *Octagonal*) took the first heat over 1,100m on May 6, 2012.

But punters were dealt a huge shock in the next heat run over 1,200m when rank outsider *Alien* (*Elusive Quality - Belle Amici* by *Catbird*) caused a spectacular upset.

Having won three of his first five starts, *Colin The Firth*, trained by John Brink and ridden by Mohd Eirwan Khalid, was the obvious choice to lift the first heat. After jumping well, the Australian gelding disputed the early lead with *Honestly Speaking* (*Ishiguru - Killinchy* by *Deputy Governor*).

*Colin The Firth* had a slight advantage making the turn into the home straight but as the 'heavy' track condition began to take its toll on the rest of the field, the Australian gelding in contrast quickened strides and cleared away to win by five and a half lengths from *Honestly Speaking*.



*Winning connections of Colin The Firth pose for a photo with Committee Members of Penang Turf Club*



Trainer Kevin Coetzee receiving his trophy from Penang Turf Club committee member Teoh Mei Shean

*Alien* is trained by Kevin Coetzee who also prepared the even-money favourite *Well Nature* (*Elusive Quality - Kenbella* by *Kenmare*) in the second heat.

*Well Nature* had come from a long way back to finish second in his debut a month earlier and was expected to go one better. Second favourite *Joyful* (*Howbaddouwantit - Maplewood* by *Oregon*) was the only runner in the field who had tasted success previously, having scored twice in his first five starts.

While *Well Nature* and *Joyful* raced just behind the pace early, *Alien*, ridden by Salee Saad, was second last and a long way from the leader *Comet Baby*.

The leaders bunched up at the home turn with *Joyful* looking most threatening. *Well Nature* appeared to

struggle in the heavy going and *Alien* was still well off the pace but closing in on the leaders.

*Super Tora* was the first to hit the front at the top of the straight. Just as *Joyful* collared him at the 200m, *Alien* quickly staked his claim wide out. In the final 100m, it was *Alien* who opened up with giant strides to win drawing away by two and a quarter lengths. *Joyful* held on for second ahead of *Well Nature*. The winner paid RM540 for a win, the biggest payout for Malaysian race in 2012 up to that point.

Trophies for the winning connections were presented by Penang Turf Club Committee Member Teoh Mei Shean.



Penang Turf Club committee member Teoh Mei Shean presenting the trophy to jockey Salee Saad



*Alien* wins drawing away



A group photo after the prize presentation

# Triple Joy

First big win for Mr Ambassador, jockey and trainer in Perak Derby



Australian Group 3 winner *Mr Ambassador* (*Danasinga-ScotchAndWater* by *Lake Coniston*) got off the mark in Malaysia in style when he captured the RM500,000 Perak Derby over 2,400m in Ipoh on April 22, 2012.

Ridden by Tomas Lukasek, the New Zealand gelding romped home by two and three-quarter lengths from *Good Winning* (*Al Maher - Hy Fuji* by *Fuji Kiseki*) who was aiming for his fourth consecutive win. *Angki* (*Pupil - West Bay* by *Foxbay*) finished third of seven runners.

It was the first win by a Penang trained horse in the Perak Derby since the Frank Maynard-trained *Gold Arrow* in 2006.

The Perak Derby was also the first big race success in Malaysia for the Czech rider and trainer Jerome Tan who was granted his 'A' licence in 2009.

*Mr Ambassador* was sold for NZ\$100,000 at the Ready To Run sale and had a win in New Zealand before chalking five more victories in Australia, including the Group 3 Randwick City Stakes (2,000m), when racing as *The Embassy*.

*Mr Ambassador* struggled to find his Australian form in his first nine starts in Malaysia but having won over



*Mr Ambassador returns to scale with Tomas Lukasek astride*

*Mr Ambassador finishes well clear of Good Winning*



*A group photo after the prize presentation*



*Perak Turf Club Deputy Chairman Dato Cheah Choon King presenting the winner's trophy to Hsu King Hoe*

2,400m down under, he proved to be the one who stayed the distance best in the Perak Derby.

The Perak Derby field got off to an even start but no one was keen to lead. So Lukasek decided to send *Mr Ambassador*, who was pulling his head off, to the front. The six-year-old quickly opened up a huge lead and passing the winning post for the first time, was 15 lengths in front of the rest of the field.

*Mr Ambassador* maintained a cracking in the back straight and although he came back to the field gradually, he was still seven lengths clear of second-placed *Good Winning* at the 600m.

*Mr Ambassador* started to come under pressure at the top of the home straight and began to drift out, but in the end he held on to his advantage tenaciously.



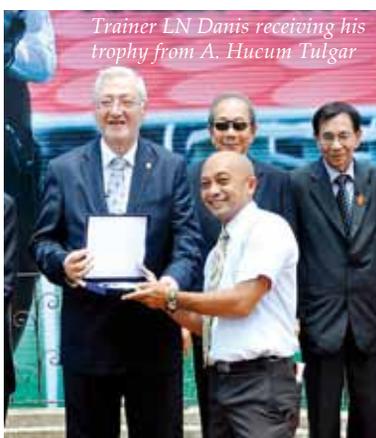
*Penang based trainer Jerome Tan receiving his trophy from Dato Cheah Choon King*



*Jockey Tomas Lukasek was all smiles as he receives his trophy from Dato Cheah Choon King*



Farrand leads Break Free home in the Jockey Club of Turkey Trophy



Trainer LN Danis receiving his trophy from A. Hucum Tulgar

# New Lease of Life

## Farrand outshines stablemate to win Jockey Club Of Turkey Trophy

With two in-form horses in the line-up, trainer Luke Danis was expected to win the RM95,000 Jockey Club Of Turkey Trophy for Class 2 horses over 1,300m in Penang on March 25, 2012.

*Coffeeshop Gossip* (El Moxie - Manzie De Lago by Encosta De Lago) went into the race on the back of four consecutive wins followed by back-to-back second placing and, not surprisingly, started odds-on in the 10-horse field.

But it was Danis' other runner *Farrand* (King Cugat - Happy Play by Barathea) who emerged triumphant after a superb ride by champion jockey Azhar Ismail.

After jumping away well, *Farrand* was tucked behind the leader *Yours Truly* who set a brisk pace right from the word "go". *Yours Truly* was a clear leader making the turn into the home straight and it was then Azhar switched *Farrand*

out from the rails to go after the leader.

*Farrand* collared the tiring *Yours Truly* 300m out and kicked away to win by one and a half lengths from rank outsider *Break Free* (*Fasliyev - Tehama* by *Centaine*) who made a spirited challenge in the final 100m. *Coffeeshop Gossip* struggled all the way and finished third.

*Farrand* has enjoyed a new lease of life in Malaysia after losing his way in Singapore. The Australian gelding won his debut at Kranji in October 2009 followed by another success two starts later. But after a long sequence of unplaced runs, he was shipped to Ipoh to join Danis.

Under his new trainer, *Farrand* showed an instant return to form to win his Malaysian debut and went on to win again in three of his next five starts, culminating with his victory in the Jockey Club Of Turkey Trophy.

*Farrand* was purchased for A\$25,000 as a yearling. His dam, who won two races at 1,100m and 1,250m, is a half-sister to *Lim's Passion* who won seven races from 1,200m to 1,600m in Singapore.

Trophies for the Jockey Club Of Turkey Trophy were presented by Jockey Club Of Turkey board member A. Hucum Tulgar.



Penang Turf Club President Dato Ong Eng Khuan presenting a memento to A. Hucum Tulgar



The winning connections pose for a group photo



*Power Of Khan returns to scale*

# Show of Force

## Power Of Khan rises from Class 3 to win Selangor Gold Cup

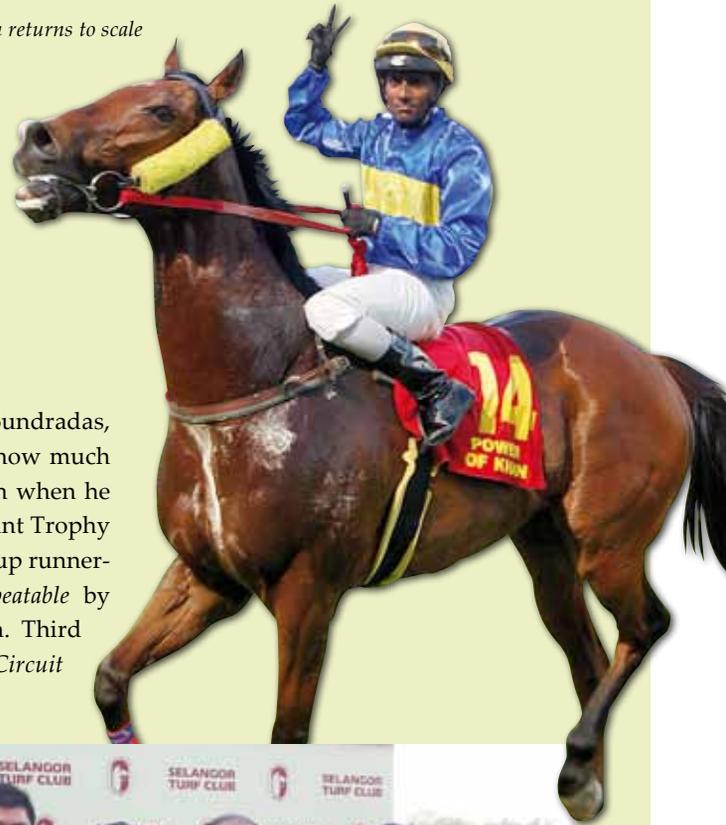
It's amazing how a change of environment and a new name can transform a horse such as *Power Of Khan* (*General Nediym - Flurry's Gem* by *Perugino*).

Purchased for A\$80,000 as a yearling, the gelding managed just one win in 10 starts over two seasons in Australia when racing as *Toluka*.

Renamed *Power Of Khan* when he landed in Malaysia two years ago, he was placed in his first three starts before getting off the mark in June last year. But he suffered a setback after the win and had to be sidelined for nearly nine months.

Making up for lost time, *Power Of Khan* quickly brought off a double in Class 3 at Sungei Besi when he resumed racing in March which earned him a crack at the RM300,000 Selangor Gold Cup (1,600m) at the same track on April 8, 2012.

Ridden by Andrew John Sundradas, *Power Of Khan* showed just how much he had improved this season when he defeated last year's joint Sprint Trophy winner and the 2012 MRA Cup runner-up *Eagle* (*Clangalang - Unbeatable* by *Casual Lies*) by half-a-length. Third was *Banks' Gift* (*Over - Golf Circuit* by *Groucho*).



*The winning connections with their trophies*



*Power Of Khan proves a shade too good for Eagle*

Photos courtesy of Yee Khai Seng & Amy Loh

# In The Limelight

## Noname City scores narrow win in Penang Turf Club Trophy in Perth

The oddly-named *Noname City* (*State City - Femme by Surtee*) cemented his reputation as a 1,000m specialist when he carved out a narrow win in the A\$48,000 Penang Turf Club Trophy at Ascot Racecourse in Perth on February 11, 2012.

The reciprocal race was staged in conjunction with the annual 'MRA Day' and *Noname City* had achieved all his previous five victories over that distance. However, it had been 10 months since the gelding last tasted success and a change of trainer in the new year turned out to be what the gelding needed.

Racing for just the second time for trainer Sean Casey and ridden for the first time by Shaun O'Donnell, *Noname City* sprang back to form in the Penang Turf Club Trophy.

After scrambling at the start, the four-year-old went on to lead all the way to beat the fast-finishing *Cavallo Pazzo* (*Not A Single Doubt - Annuity by Euclase*) by a long neck. Third was *Mabel Grace* (*Kendel Star - Belle Heed by Serheed*).

Penang Turf Club Committee Member Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng was on hand to present the trophies to the winning connections.



A group photo after the prize presentation



Dato Seri Teh Choon Beng giving a speech at the prize presentation



# ACE IN THE PACK

## Mighty Triple Ace wins Tunku Gold Cup win

A new chapter in the history of Malaysian racing was created on January 24 this year when *Mighty Triple Ace* captured the RM300,000 Tunku Gold Cup over 1,200m at Sungei Besi.

The Australian gelding's trainer Katherine Hughes, who is having her second season in Malaysia, became the first woman trainer to win one of the Cup races on the local circuit.

For *Mighty Triple Ace* (*Testa Rossa - Brave Scene* by *Scenic*), it was a return to winning ways after a lapse of 18 months.

*Mighty Triple Ace* enjoyed a prolific 36-month period starting August 2007 when he won eight races in 22 starts, including the Astro Wah Lai Toi Vase in 2009. In early 2011, he crossed the causeway but failed to show up in 10 outings at Kranji.

Returning to Malaysia and coming under Hughes for the first time, the seven-year-old began to show his old dash again and was on board in three of four starts leading up to the Tunku Gold Cup, but punters did not fancy him against some in-form horses.

Ridden by Mohd Eirwan Khalid, *Mighty Triple Ace* just edged out *Good Judgement* (*Lonhro - Agile* by *Canny Lad*) by a neck with *Mudhish* (*Redoute's Choice - Alzahra* by *Sir Cat*) a further neck away third.



*Eirwan and Katherine Hughes with their trophies*



*Mighty Triple Ace returns to scale with Mohd Eirwan Khalid astride*



*A group photo after the trophy presentation*

Photos courtesy of Yee Khai Seng & Amy Loh



*Jockey Umberto Rispoli stands high in the saddle as he crosses the line on Rulership*



*Umberto Rispoli kisses Rulership after the race*

# Audemars Piguet QEII Cup Hong Kong

An Italian jockey and a super Japanese racehorse ran away with the HK\$14 million Audemars Piguet QEII Cup at the Sha Tin racecourse on April 29, 2012.

Italian jockey Umberto Rispoli signed off his brief Hong Kong assignment with an outstanding performance to seize the QEII Cup on the Katsuhiko Sumii-trained *Rulership* (King Kamehameha- Air Groove by Tony Bin) adorning the colours of one of the world's leading owners, Katsumi Yoshida who flew to Hong Kong for the race. The win put the Japanese back on track in the winner's circle for the first time in over six years.

Japanese horses had been in the forefront of international races in the

early part of this century including back-to-back wins in the QEII Cup by *Eishin Preston* in 2002 and 2003 and their stunning effort to win three of the four international races in Hong Kong in December 2001 (*Agnes Digital - Cup*, *Stay Gold - Vase* and *Eishin Preston - Mile*).

*Rulership* jumped well to seize the box seat run from the beginning and railed behind the leader *Fay Fay* at the home turn. *Rulership* darted to the front 400m out to cruise home 3¾ lengths in front of *Thumbs Up* (*Shinko King - Regelle* by *Exploding Prospect*). The win was remarkable as the Japanese bred *Rulership* had never won a Group 1 race before. The payout was HK\$55.50 for a win.



*From left, Louis Romanet, Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges and Dato Ong Eng Khuan at the QEII Gala Party*

The Sha Tin track was "good to yielding" despite a four-hour downpour in the morning of 120mm. This may have contributed to the poor attendance at Sha Tin which dropped to 29,000.

**Report by Dato Ong Eng Khuan, President of Penang Turf Club who was in Hong Kong**



By (Ms) Chai Yoon Fei

# Day Out at Sha Tin

PNTC Ordinary Member witnesses the Mercedes-Benz Hong Kong Derby



*Fay Fay leads the field home in the Mercedes-Benz Hong Kong Derby  
- photo courtesy of Hong Kong Jockey Club*

The 135th running of the Mercedes-Benz Hong Kong Derby took place on March 18, 2012.

First run in 1873, it is one of the most prestigious and historic events on the Hong Kong racing calendar. And the chance to witness the event was simply too good to turn down. Therefore, I excused myself from school work and joined 53,000 enthusiastic race-goers at Sha Tin Racecourse on a glorious Sunday afternoon.

The Hong Kong Derby was held at Happy Valley Racecourse prior to being permanently transferred to the current location at Sha Tin in 1979 following the completion of the new racecourse in 1978. Initially the distance was one and a half miles. The distance was later changed several times.

The Derby became a four-year-old event in 1981 run over 1,800m. The distance was changed to 2,000m in 2000m and has been sponsored by Mercedes-Benz since 2004. With a purse of HK\$16 million, the race has become a battlefield for some outstanding four-year-olds originating from all corners of the globe. Who would not want to be at or be involved in such an exciting occasion?

Ten races were scheduled for Derby day this year with the big race slotted for Race 8 at 4.35pm when the crowd held their breath for two minutes to witness the birth of a new champion.

At the end of the gruelling contest, it was the New Zealand gelding *Fay Fay* (Falkirk – Glamaine by Centaine), a New Zealand bred horse owned by Hong Kong business Alexander Wong, who emerged triumphant despite being drawn in the outside barrier.

Ridden by talented South African jockey Douglas Whyte, *Fay Fay* gave trainer John Size his very first win in the prestigious Derby.

English bred *Same World* (Hawk Wing – Spinamix by Spinning World), trained by John Moore, came second and the raging favourite, American bred *Sweet Orange* (War Front – Good Vibes by Unbridled's Song) flashed home for third. Such was the interest that HK\$1,204million was wagered on the event.

The Mercedes-Benz Hong Kong Derby never fails to generate tremendous interest and buzz amongst the racing fraternity and this year was no exception. I feel lucky to have been part of the event this time.



*Racegoers picking the parade ring  
at the Sha Tin racecourse  
- photo by Chai Yoon Fei*



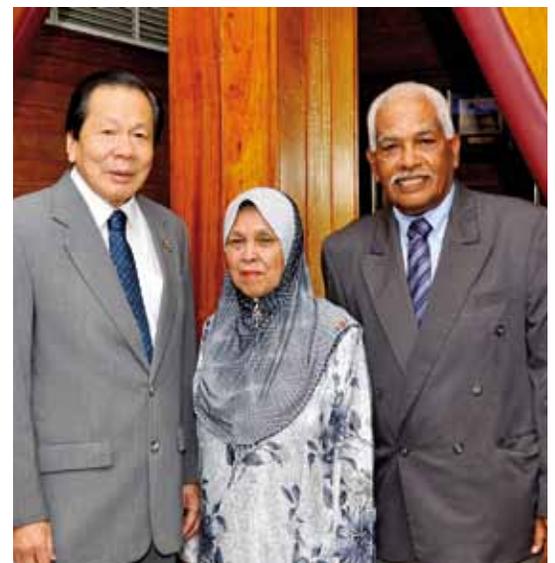
*Jockey Douglas Whyte kisses Fay Fay  
after winning the Derby  
- photo courtesy of Hong Kong Jockey Club*



hello there!

Some of the distinguished guests and visitors at the Penang Turf Club recently







### **MONEY NOT ENOUGH**

Sellam Handicap  
 Class 5 – 1100m  
 Date : 4.2.2012  
 Owner : Super King Stable  
 Trainer : LN Danis  
 Jockey : K Eirwan



### **FARRAND**

Royalty Handicap  
 Class 3 – 1200m  
 Date : 5.2.2012  
 Owner : Northwest Racing Stable  
 Trainer : LN Danis  
 Jockey : J Nizam



### **THRILL SEEKER**

Mountain Belle Handicap  
 Class 5 – 1200m  
 Date : 11.2.2012  
 Owner : King Croesus Stable  
 Trainer : S Liew  
 Jockey : J Shankar



### **SPACE INVADER**

Refill Handicap  
 Class 5 – 1700m  
 Date : 11.2.2012  
 Owner : Ho Yik Kwong  
 Trainer : K Coetzee  
 Jockey : J Shankar

# Congratulations to all the Winners

Here are some of the owners with victories at the Club's meetings recently



### **HUNTER**

Movalong Handicap  
 Class 5 – 1400m  
 Date : 5.2.2012  
 Owner : Midas Touch Stable  
 Trainer : LN Danis  
 Jockey : S Fauzi



### **SENTOSA**

Speedometer Handicap  
 Class 5 – 1100m  
 Date : 5.2.2012  
 Owner : Sentosa Stable  
 Trainer : S Liew  
 Jockey : L L Tai



### **YEHLAISANG**

Silent Merchant Handicap  
 Class 5 – 1700m  
 Date : 11.2.2012  
 Owner : Super King Stable  
 Trainer : LN Danis  
 Jockey : K Eirwan



**CIZEN WORLD**

Head Of The Bill Stakes  
Table 1 – 1400m  
Date : 12.2.2012  
Owner : Paint Emperor Stable  
Trainer : SH Tan  
Jockey : J De Souza



**ARANDA**

High Forrest Stakes  
Table 1 – 1400m  
Date : 12.2.2012  
Owner : Yamakazi Racing Stable  
Trainer : K Coetzee  
Jockey : J Shankar



**CITY OF HOPE**

Ramona Handicap  
Class 5 (Home Based) – 1600m  
Date : 24.3.2012  
Owner : Bright Star Stable  
Trainer : KM Noordin  
Jockey : K Eirwan



**BEAM ME UP**

Get Up Handicap  
Class 4 – 1200m  
Date : 24.3.2012  
Owner : Kim Chee Men  
Trainer : LN Danis  
Jockey : KM Lai



**GOOD ARTIST**

Bust Up Handicap  
Class 4 – 1200m  
Date : 24.3.2012  
Owner : Golden Knight Stable  
Trainer : K Coetzee  
Jockey : I Azhar



**HONEST BENG**

Davidia Handicap  
Class 5 – 1400m  
Date : 24.3.2012  
Owner : Honest Stable  
Trainer : SH Tan  
Jockey : J Shankar



**PAGSANJAN**

Pil Marshal Handicap  
Class 5 – 1400m  
Date : 25.2.2012  
Owner : Loh Kim Tai  
Trainer : SH Tan  
Jockey : O Chavez



**BEST WRESTLER**

Etona Handicap  
Class 4 – 1700m  
Date : 25.3.2012  
Owner : Ming Kingdom Stable  
Trainer : SH Tan  
Jockey : HS Gill



**RIE'S PET**

Sunspark Handicap  
Class 4 – 1200m  
Date : 25.3.2012  
Owner : Loh Kim Tai  
Trainer : SH Tan  
Jockey : K Eirwan

# CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

Significant milestones in the history of the Malayan Racing Association



Captain Francis Light



The Penang Turf Club racecourse at Macalister Road



Spectators on wooden stands at Macalister Road

**1786** Francis Light forms the British Settlement on Penang Island (Prince of Wales Island) in the name of English East India Company.

**1805** Penang is raised to the status of a British Indian Presidency under the East India Company.

**1819** Stamford Raffles forms the British Settlement on the Island of Singapore.

**1826** Penang, Malacca and Singapore are joined together to form the Presidency of the Straits Settlements with its capital in Penang.

**1830** The Presidency of the Straits Settlements is reduced to a Residency under the direct supervision of the East India Company's government at Calcutta.

**1831** The capital of the Straits Settlements is transferred from Penang to Singapore.

**1842** Establishment of the Singapore Turf Club at Farrer Park.

**1864** Establishment of the Penang Turf Club at Jalan Macalister.

**1867** Transfer of control of the Straits Settlements from India to the Colonial Office, London. The opening of the Suez Canal.

**1874** The Pangkor Engagement, by which the British recognize Raja Abdullah as Sultan of Perak and impose a British adviser (Resident) on him. British adviser (Resident) imposed on Selangor.

**1886** First Perak Turf Club is established in Taiping.

**1896** Straits Racing Association is established. Creation of the Federated Malay States (Negeri Sembilan, Pahang, Perak and Selangor). Selangor Turf Club is established in Ampang.

**1921** First Penang Gold Cup.

**1924** First Singapore Gold Cup.

**1941** December — Japan invades Malaya and Singapore.

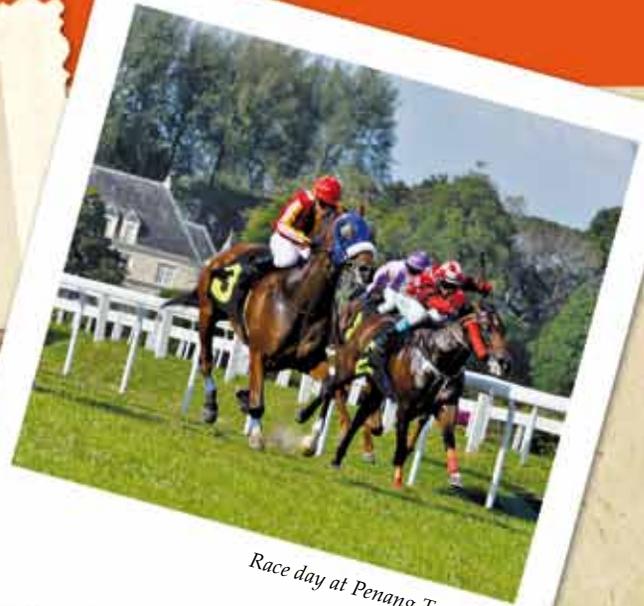
**1945** September — British forces land in Penang and Singapore.

Racing resumes in Penang Turf Club with Grand Victory Meeting at Batu Gantong on September 29.

**1946** April — Singapore becomes a separate crown colony from Straits Settlements and Malay States.



*The grandstand at Batu Gantong racecourse in 1939*



*Race day at Penang Turf Club*

- 1957** Birth of the Federation of Malaya.
- 1961** Straits Racing Association becomes Malayan Racing Association. Racing (Totalisator Board) Act, Federation of Malaya — an Act to provide for the establishment of a Totalisator Board with the powers to conduct betting, equine research and to establish, maintain and improve the Malaysian Turf Clubs.
- 1963** Singapore, British North Borneo and Sarawak join Malaya to form the Malaysian Federation.
- 1965** Singapore separates from Malaysia to become a Republic.
- 1993** Selangor Turf Club moves to new racecourse at Sungei Besi.
- 1999** September — Singapore Turf Club moves to new racecourse in Kranji. Twilight and night racing begins.
- 2000** First running of Singapore Airlines International Cup. Yang Di Pertua Negeri Gold Cup becomes the first million-ringgit race in Malaysia.
- 2002** November — Penang Turf Club members vote to build a new ultra-modern racecourse. Yang Di Pertua Negeri Gold Cup stakes is raised to RM1.3 million.
- 2003** September — Astro Wah Lai Toi sponsors Penang Sprint Trophy. Stakes increased to RM1 million. Yang Di Pertua Negeri Gold Cup stakes is raised to RM1.35 million.
- 2005** March — Youth and Sports Minister Dato Azalina Othman Said officiates at the ground breaking ceremony of the Penang International Equestrian Centre.
- 2009** Stakes for Malaysian Magic Millions Classic raised to RM1 million, making Penang the first club to host three million-ringgit races.

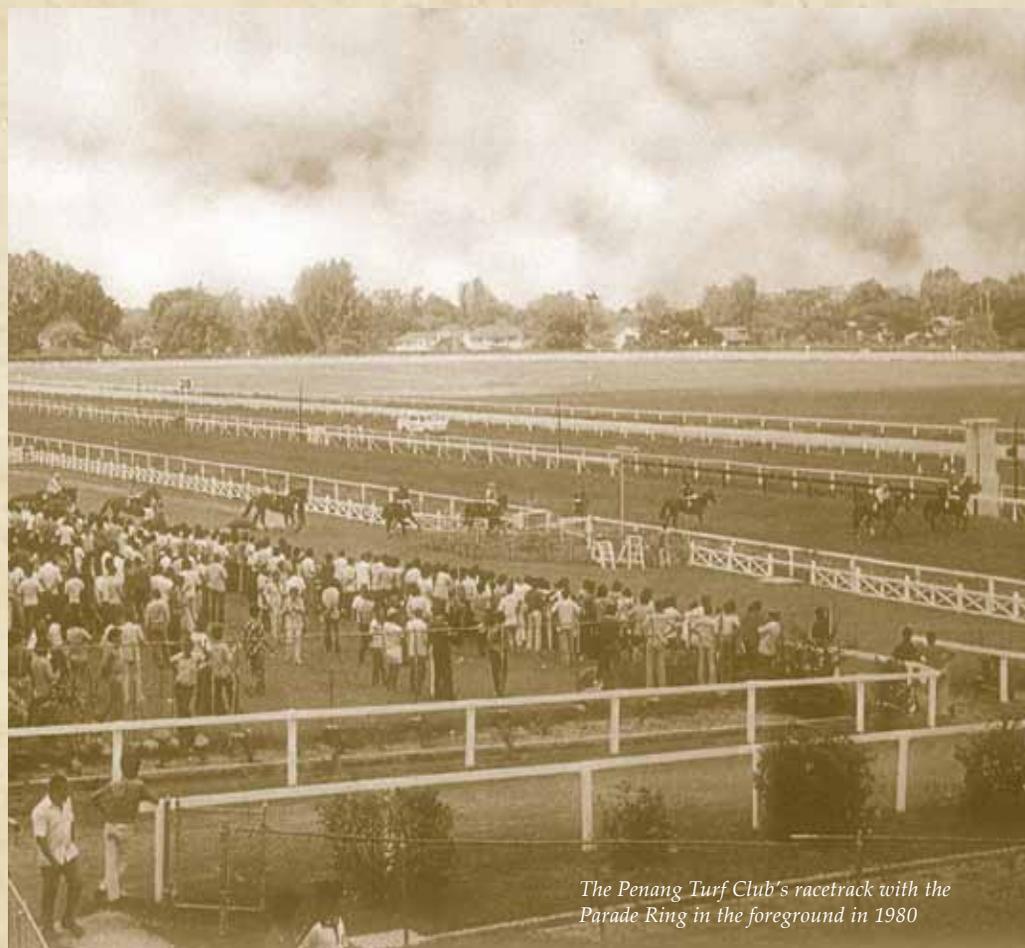
# BRIEF HISTORY OF PENANG TURF CLUB



*David Brown, the first President of Penang Turf Club*



*Datuk Lim Huck Aik, the longest serving President of Penang Turf Club*



*The Penang Turf Club's racetrack with the Parade Ring in the foreground in 1980*

There has been organised racing in Penang for 148 years, with the Penang Turf Club having been founded in 1864.

But the first ponies from England started to arrive in Penang (formerly known as Prince of Wales Island) as soon as Francis Light hoisted the Union Jack in 1786 at the Esplanade in honour of George, Prince of Wales, who later became King George IV.

An oil painting by William Daniell in 1818 (a year before the founding of Singapore) shows the view of North Beach from the Council House, depicts clearly four horses on the beach with their strappers.

However, the Sport of Kings only took off with the establishment of the Penang Turf Club. It was natural that David Brown, a member of the celebrated Gelugor family, should have

been the first President and that a son of his, D A M Brown, should at the turn of the century be Secretary and Clerk of the Course and in due time President.

The Club received a free land grant in Macalister Road for its course of seven furlongs and 81 3/4 yards. Here the first stands and buildings of wood and attap were put up in 1869 and small annual meetings were started. Prizemonies were never more than \$600 for the whole meeting then.

The racecourse became the venue for recreation for the English gentlemen and ladies as the sport was confined exclusively to the Europeans. Even then, the influence of the East was prevalent as can be seen in a trophy laced with Chinese dragons in 1878.

By 1898, Penang was holding two meetings a year, two days in January and two in July, known as the Spring



and Autumn races. Prizemoney for the year totalled \$5,950. Race days were usually on Wednesdays and Saturdays and were declared public holidays in the Straits Settlement of Penang.

Even the funicular hill railway timetable was scheduled to coincide with race days. Hence, the late trains up the hill were on Wednesdays and Saturdays. This practice was discontinued only recently.

In 1900, new and substantial stands were built. These were to serve the Club for nearly 40 years until the Club acquired its present 93-hectare site for \$250,000 at Batu Gantong in 1935.

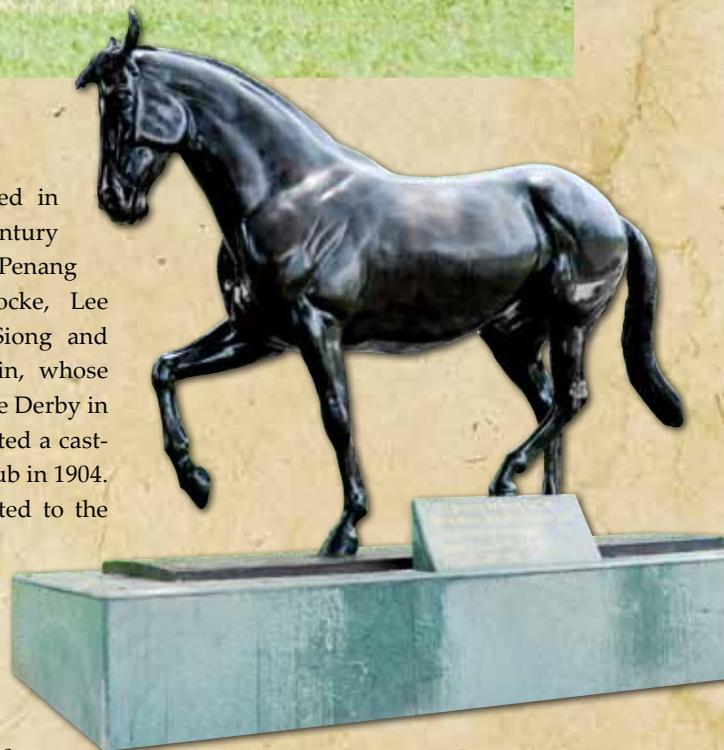
At the three-day January meeting in 1907, the stakes totalled \$26,000. There were entries from the Federated Malay States, Singapore, Burma, the Netherlands Indies and India.

Membership was then 500.

Locals became involved in racing by the turn of the century and among the prominent Penang owners were Dr P V Locke, Lee Toon Poon, Chung Thye Siong and his brother Chung Thye Pin, whose Devilment won the Singapore Derby in 1905. Chung Thye Pin donated a cast-iron water fountain to the Club in 1904. This fountain is now relocated to the front of the golf clubhouse.

World War I held up the growth of racing throughout the region and it had barely had time to get going again before it was badly affected by the Depression of the Thirties.

Nevertheless, Penang went ahead with the purchase and construction of the new course and stands at Batu





Gantong in a splendid setting. Work was completed at a cost of \$350,000 and the course was opened on May 27, 1939 by J D Kemp, who was President when work began in 1936.

The course is nine furlongs and 94 yards. The Club also has a golf course with seven holes in the centre of the course proper and 11 holes in adjoining areas. The three-floor grandstand is of the most modern design, giving all seats a clear view of racing. There are excellent totalisator and other facilities and an infield indicator board. Racing can also be viewed from tea pavilions for members and Ordinary Members.

When World War II broke out there were over 100 horses in training at Penang. Largely due to the efforts of Ong Huck Lim, a prominent Chancery lawyer who later became President of the Club, racing managed to carry on between 1942 and 1945.

With Lieutenant Colonel Drake-Brockman, Ong worked on rehabilitation after the war and they were later joined by C D D Hogan, a former President, in ensuring a return to pre-war standards. Lee Toon Poon, for many years a prominent supporter of the Club, became President and he was succeeded by Tan Sri Lee Tiang Keng and Datuk Lim Huck Aik.

Datuk Lim was the longest serving President, from November 1958 until his retirement in July 1982. He must be remembered as the person who is instrumental in turning the Penang Turf Club from the verge of

bankruptcy (in those early days) to what it is today.

The end of 1978 marked the opening of the Grandstand Extension Building which was built adjacent to the existing grandstand. The new grandstand is a commendable piece of architecture that cost about RM4.5 million and took two years to build. This extension, which provides seating for 3,000 and standing room for 2,000, brought the Club's capacity to 8,000.

The new building with two tiers of public gallery and split level rows of chairs, gives an unobstructed view of racing. The top floor houses the VIP suite, luxuriously finished with boxed in windows and skylights that allow for natural lighting of the lounge behind the viewing boxes. There were also cafeterias on the first and second floors.

The year 1980 was a very busy one for the Club. It marked the complete installation of a closed-circuit television system and also a new

computerised tote sell/pay system. In December that year, the Yang Di Pertua Negeri Gold Cup Meeting was transmitted to the Perak Turf Club, marking the first-ever "live" telecast of races on the local circuit.

The year 2000 was also a significant one for the Penang Turf Club. Firstly, the Club co-hosted the 27th Asian Racing Conference with the Singapore Turf Club.

The same year, the Club staged the first million-ringgit race in Malaysia with the running of the Yang Di Pertua Negeri Gold Cup.

In 2003, Penang Turf Club added a second million-ringgit race to its calendar when prizemoney for the Sprint Trophy was raised to RM1 million with the sponsorship of Astro Wah Lai Toi.

In 2009, stakes for the Malaysian Magic Millions Classic was raised to RM1 million, making Penang Turf Club the first to stage three million-ringgit races in the country.





# VIP BOXES & CORPORATE BOXES

Experience the thrills at the races and watch all the action live in the comforts of a private box



## VIP Boxes

*Level 3, New Building*

### ON-COURSE RACES RM1,200 per day

- 12 VIP box badges
- 3 'A' car stickers
- 3 sets of car entry coupons
- Complimentary tea, coffee & snacks during tea time
- Complimentary race books

#### Dress Code

- Gentlemen – Business suit and tie
- Ladies – Dress or pant suit

### OFF-COURSE RACES RM700 per day

- 12 VIP box badges
- 3 'A' car stickers
- 3 sets of car entry coupons
- Complimentary tea, coffee & snacks during tea time

#### Dress Code

- Gentlemen – Smart casual
- Ladies – Smart casual



## Corporate Boxes

*Level 2, O.M. Enclosure & Horseshoe Bistro*

### ON-COURSE RACES RM950 per day

- 12 corporate box badges
- 3 'A' car stickers
- 3 sets of car entry coupons
- Complimentary tea, coffee & snacks during tea time
- Complimentary race books

#### Dress Code:

- Gentlemen – Smart casual
- Ladies – Smart casual

### OFF-COURSE RACES RM700 per day

- 12 corporate box badges
- 3 'A' car stickers
- 3 sets of car entry coupons
- Complimentary tea, coffee & snacks during tea time

#### Dress Code:

- Gentlemen – Smart casual
- Ladies – Smart casual

Prices are subject to change | For more information and bookings, please contact Ms Jaime Lim at (604) 229 3233



Located at Level 2 of the Club, the Horseshoe Bistro is an enclosure exclusively available to Ordinary Members and their guests, Privilege Card members, invited guests as well as tourists

# THE HORSESHOE BISTRO

## TOURIST PACKAGE

The Tourist Package is a specially designed package for visitors who are interested to attend the local races. At RM48 per person, it includes:

- Admission ticket
- RM14 prepaid betting slips
- Club postcards and brochures
- Complimentary parking

## Dress Code

- Gentlemen – Smart casual
- Ladies – Smart casual

The Tourist Package can be pre-purchased or purchased on race days at the main entrance of the club.

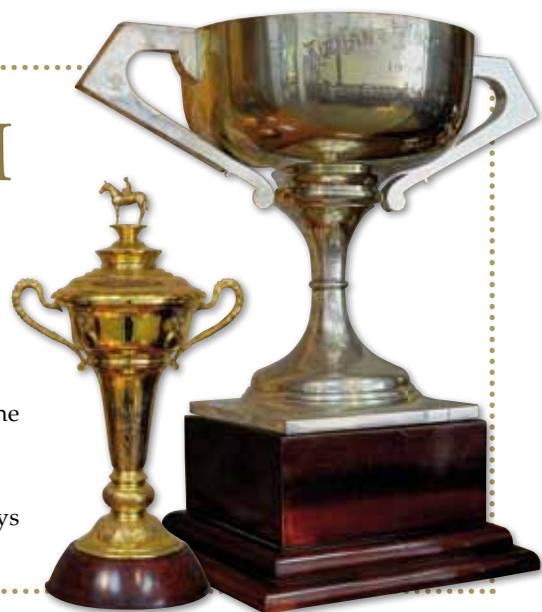
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Ms Adeline Goh at (604) 229 3233*

## THE PNTC MUSEUM

**Take a trip down memory lane where the Club's oldest and fondest are housed**

From antique trophies, cups and other valuables to paraphernalia like badges, admission tickets, race books and racing calendars dating back to 1912; a wide range of artefacts can be found in the museum located at the Ground Floor of the Club.

Take the opportunity to browse through the exhibits on on-course race days and learn more about the history of the club.





# THE PTC GOLF SECTION

A 18-hole golf course nestled within the grounds of the club



Established in 1948, the golf course was constructed under the supervision of Tom Verity, a former professional at the Royal Selangor Golf Club. The course started with 9 holes in 1966 and later expanded to 18 holes with 9 holes constructed within the racing tracks, the most unique feature of the course.

## Course Information

- 18 holes Par 68
- **Men:** 5117 metres, **slope rating:** 119, **course rating:** 66.8
- **Ladies:** 4468 metres, **slope rating:** 118, **course rating:** 68.1
- **Turf:** Cow grass on fairways and rough Serangoon on greens

## Operational Hours

Driving range

Monday – Wednesday

(Closed Thursday – Sunday & Public Holidays)

8:30am – 12:00noon

3:00pm – 7:00pm

## FEES & CHARGES GREEN FEES FOR 18 HOLES

### Weekdays

- Visitors (*walk-in*) RM95.40 (RM90 + 6% Gov Tax)
- Guests of Members RM74.20 (RM70 + 6% Gov Tax)

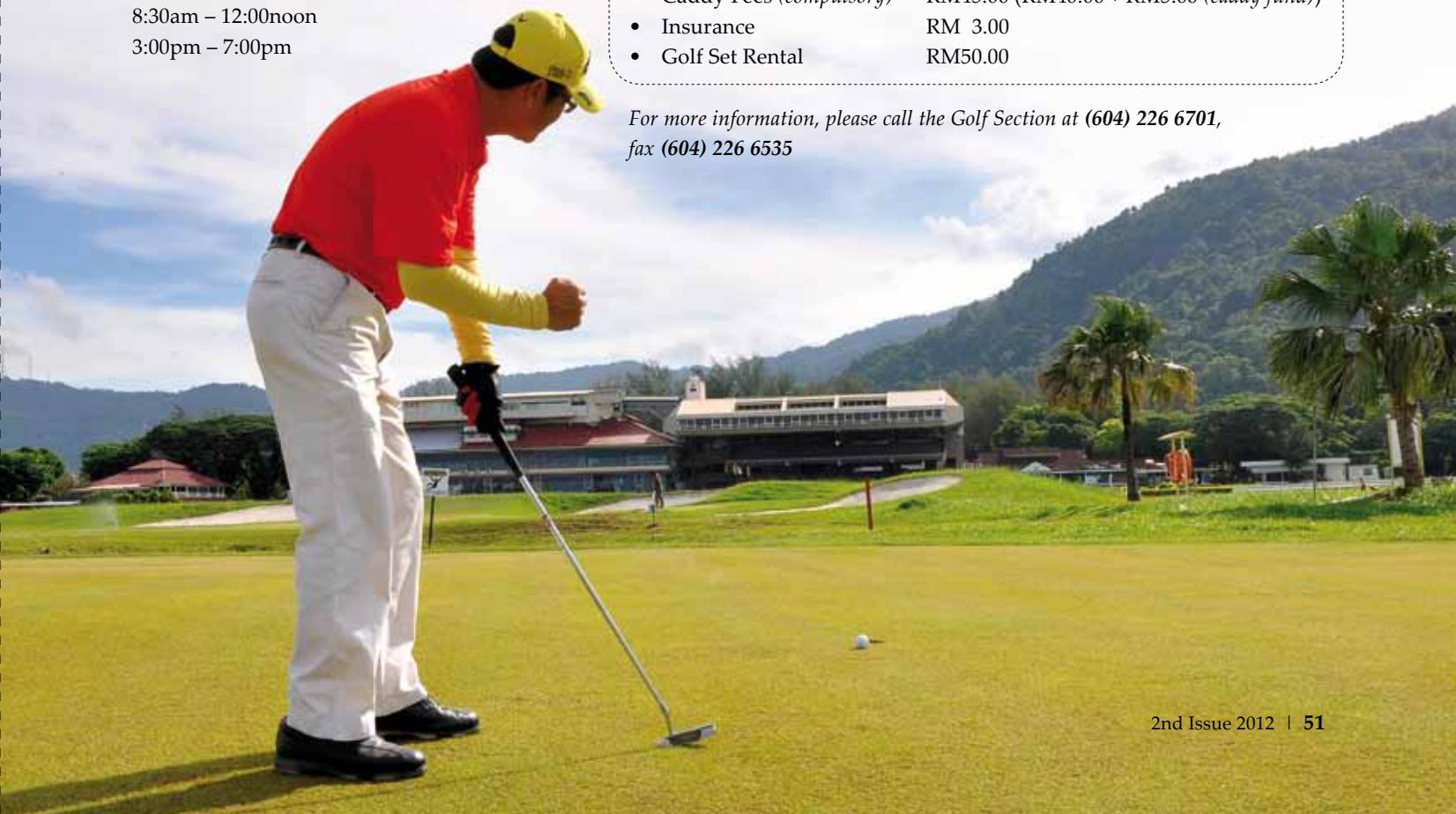
### Weekends & Public Holidays

- Visitors (*walk-in*) RM180.20 (RM170 + 6% Gov Tax)
- Guests of Members RM116.60 (RM110 + 6% Gov Tax)

### Other Charges

- Caddy Fees (*compulsory*) RM45.00 (RM40.00 + RM5.00 (*caddy fund*))
- Insurance RM 3.00
- Golf Set Rental RM50.00

For more information, please call the Golf Section at (604) 226 6701, fax (604) 226 6535



# PNTC EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

Your chance to ride in style amidst nature's most untainted environment

Strategically located in the heart of Georgetown, the Penang Turf Club Equestrian Club provides equestrian facilities for both the leisure and performance rider. It is a riding school to best introduce you to the world of dressage, show jumping and good horsemanship by qualified coaches.



## HORSE RIDING PACKAGES & FEE STRUCTURE

### ORIENTATION Level Horse Management Course (Compulsory)

- 32 hour course inclusive of assessment.
- Certificate of Attendance upon completion of course.
- RM371.00 per person (inclusive of 6% Gov Tax and RM180.00 registration with Majlis Ekuin Malaysia)

### BEGINNERS Riding Package

- Tailored to suit a group of two or more beginners/riders wishing to resume riding after a long break.
- Approximately 40 minutes per session with 25- 30 minutes of riding lesson.
- RM498.20 for a package of 8 lessons (inclusive of 6% Gov Tax)



**PNTC EQUESTRIAN CLUB (PNTCEC) REGISTRATION**

	<b>Adult</b>	<b>Child (Below 18 years of age)</b>
Registration (one-off)	RM100	RM 50
Annual Fee	RM 50	RM 50
“O” Level Horse Management (Compulsory for all newly registered riders)	RM371	RM371
<b>Total</b>	<b>RM521</b>	<b>RM471</b>

**PENANG EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION (PEA) MEMBERSHIP**

	<b>Adult</b>	<b>Child (Below 18 years of age)</b>
Registration (one-off)	RM100	RM 30
Annual Fee	RM100	RM 30
<b>Total</b>	<b>RM200</b>	<b>RM 60</b>

Payment for PEA membership registration can be made with  
 En Nazari Bakharin (Secretary) at **012-472 1509** or Mr Charlie See (Treasurer) at **017-477 5222**

**OPERATIONAL HOURS**

- **Tuesday to Saturday**  
 7:00am – 12:00noon  
 2:00pm – 6:00pm
- **Sunday**  
 Riding For The Disabled  
 8:00am – 10:00am
- **Monday**  
 Rest Day

**OTHER SERVICES (ENQUIRE WITHIN)**

- Carriage rental services for wedding ceremonies, photography and special functions.
- Organised field trips to the Equestrian Centre.
- Riding For The Disabled Programme.

For more information and bookings, please contact the  
 Equestrian Centre Office at **(604) 827 6598**, Johari **016-410 0807**,  
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**STANDARD Riding Package**

- Caters to a group of two or more riders combined, according to the riders’ level of competency and age. Riders at this level should be able to ride independently.
- Approximately 40 minutes per session with 25-30 minutes of riding lesson.
- RM424.00 for a package of 8 lessons (inclusive of 6% Gov Tax)
- RM254.40 for a package of 8 lessons (inclusive of 6% Gov Tax) for Ordinary Members of PNTC

**ADVANCED Riding Package**

- Suitable for competitive riders who require improvements on their standards and riding skills.
- Lessons are either in groups of 2 - 4 riders or on individual basis.
- Approximately 40 minutes per session
- RM538.60 for a package of 8 lessons (inclusive of 6% Gov Tax)
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*View from Penang Hill, photo courtesy of Leong Chee Kheong*



**BUNGALOW AMENITIES**

- Fully furnished master bedroom with King sized bed and en suite equipped with shower stalls and water heater
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2 Nights Weekend Package	RM400	Friday	Sunday
		Saturday	Monday
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Weekdays	RM200	Monday - Thursday	Next Day
Friday / Saturday / Sunday	RM250	per night	
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Public Holidays	RM250	per night	
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**\*TERMS & CONDITIONS**

1. Available for rental to Penang Turf Club Ordinary Members (OM) only.
2. Bookings must be made at least 2 weeks in advance and will only be accepted with full payment.
3. A security deposit of RM500.00 will be applicable with each booking. This deposit shall be used to make good against any property damages howsoever caused by the member or his guest(s) during period of stay.
4. A cancellation charge equivalent to a night's stay (RM200.00 or RM250.00) shall be charged for any cancellation made after booking has been confirmed and/or accepted by the Club.
5. Please note that all bookings are subject to availability.
6. Priority will be given to the Club's functions and activities

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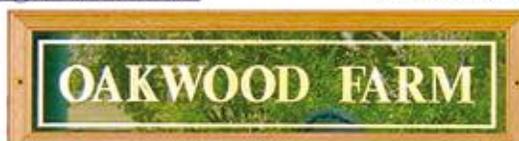
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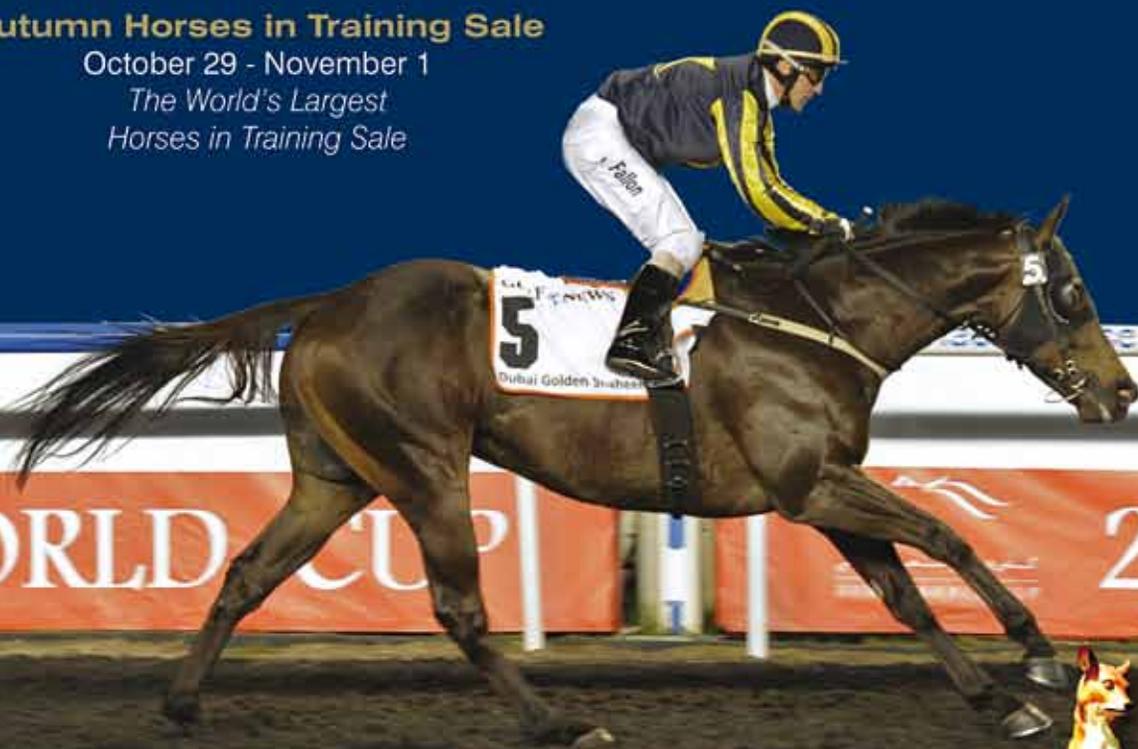
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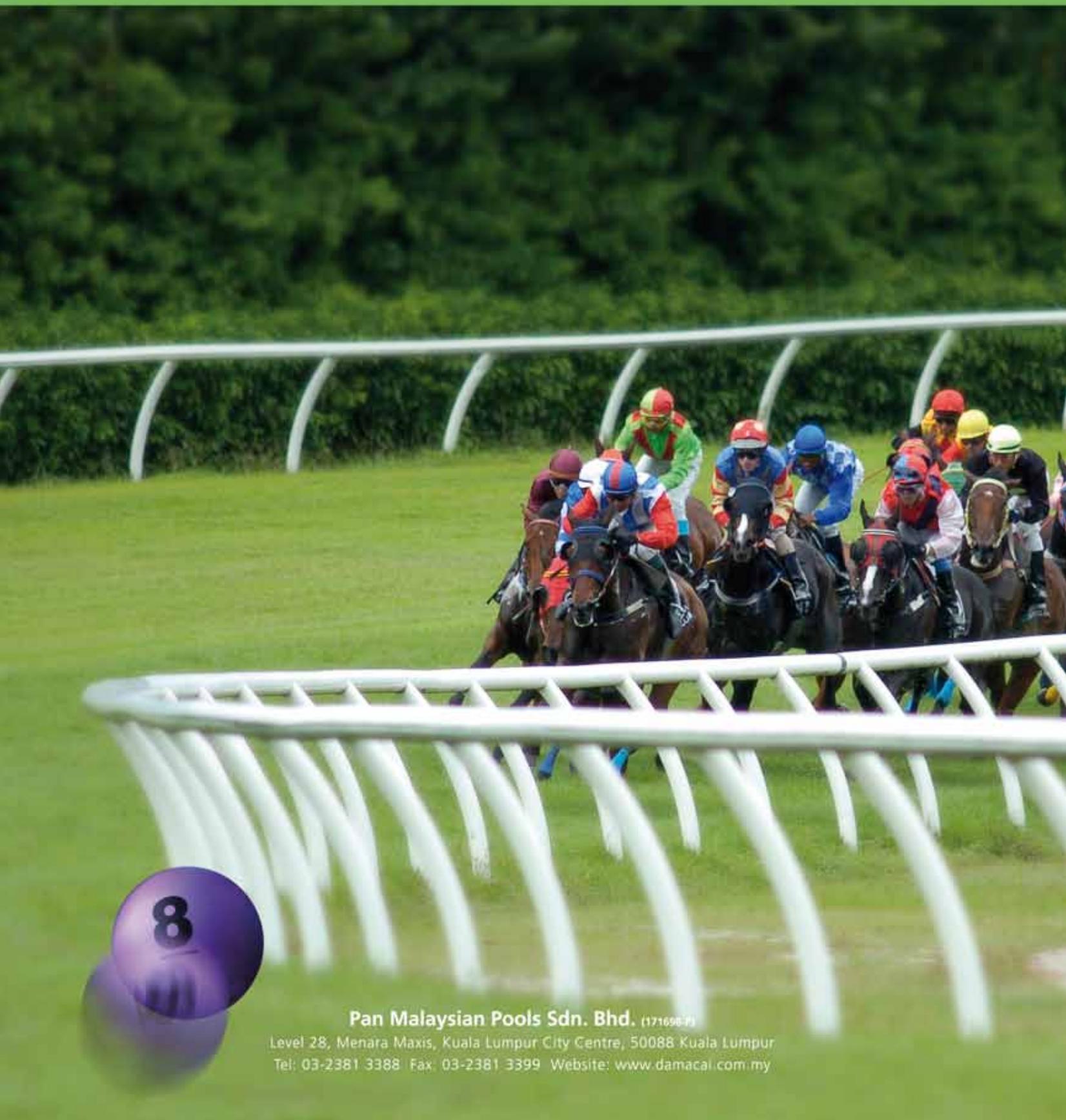
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