



## **PENANG PESTA DRAGON BOAT RACE 2012**

**TELUK BAHANG DAM, PENANG, MALAYSIA**

**8 & 9 DECEMBER 2012**

### **INFORMATION BULLETIN NO.1**

#### **To: All local and overseas Dragon Boat Crews**

The Penang International Dragon Boat Festival Committee (PIDBF) in conjunction with the Penang Pesta Dragon Boat Race 2012 cordially invites Crews from around the world to participate in our dragon boat race which will be held at the Teluk Bahang Dam, Penang, Malaysia on **8 and 9 December 2012**. This event is fully supported by the Penang State Government and is an affiliated festival of the International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF). For your information, Penang has more than 30 years of experience in organizing dragon boat races benefitted with the technical expertise of a large number of experienced IDBF Technical Officials.

#### **Competition Regulations and Racing Rules**

This race will comply with IDBF Competition Regulations and will be under the IDBF Rules of Racing. All participating crews are required to return the Confirmed Entry Form to PIDBF no later than **30 September 2012**.

#### **Divisions, Racing & Competition Classes and Distances**

The Competition Divisions, Racing and Competition Classes that will be contested are listed below, provided a minimum of 4 entries are received for each competition class.

- 1) Penang Closed – 500m (22 Racers)
- 2) Premier Open – 500m (22 Racers)
- 3) Premier Women – 500m (12 Racers)
- 4) Premier Mixed – 500m (22 Racers)
- 5) Senior 40 Open – 500m (12 Racers)
- 6) Junior U18 Open – 500m (12 Racers)
- 7) Junior U23 Open – 500m (12 Racers)
- 8) Premier Open – 2 x 250m Relay (12 Racers)
- 9) Premier Mixed – 2 x 250m Relay (12 Racers)
- 10) Junior U23 Open – 2 x 250m Relay (12 Racers)

## **Division**

**Premier** – the primary class of racing. There are no restrictions on competitor's age. Open to all crews.

**Senior 40** – Aged 40 years and above (born on or before year 1972); with the exception of the drummer.

**Junior Under 18** – Aged 12 years but under 18 years (born between year 1995 and 2000); with the exception of the steerer (helm).

**Junior Under 23** – Aged 12 years but under 23 years (born between year 1990 and 2000); with the exception of the steerer (helm).

## **Racing Class**

**Open** – no restriction on crew composition (gender)

**Women** – for female crews only including the Drummer and Steerer

**Mixed** – **22 Racers** : minimum of eight (8) and maximum of twelve (12) female paddlers

- **12 Racers** : minimum of four (4) and maximum of six (6) female paddlers

**Relay** – Each club will form two 12 Racers crews to race over a 250m course. Eg; In each race Crew A from each club will start at the Finish Line (in either Lane 2, 4 or 6) and race to the 250m Start Line. When Crew A crosses the Start Line and pass a flag to Crew B (in either Lane 1, 3 or 5), Crew B will then race back to the Finish Line to complete the relay race.

## **Distance**

500 metres only

**Racing Style** – seated

**Boat** – Standard boat for 22 Racers and 12 Racers event

**No. of Competitors** : **22 Racers** - Maximum 26 competitors

18 to 20 paddlers

1 drummer

1 steerer

4 reserves

**12 Racers** - Maximum 14 competitors

8 to 10 paddlers

1 drummer

1 steerer

2 reserves

**Entry Fee:** 500 m (12 Racers) – US\$38 (RM120)

500 m (22 Racers) - US\$58 (RM180)

2 x 250m (12 Racers) Relay - US\$58 (RM180)

## Outline Programme

Thu, 6 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Crews arrival</li></ul>
Fri, 7 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Practice sessions</li><li>• Crew Manager's Meeting</li></ul>
Sat, 8 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opening Ceremony</li><li>• Race Day</li></ul>
Sun, 9 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Race Day</li></ul>
Mon, 10 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sightseeing in Penang (optional) or crews departure</li></ul>

The above programme is provisional and is provided to assist crews with their initial planning. This programme is subject to changes. The competition classes by day will be confirmed after all confirmed Entry Forms have been received.

## Prizes

Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded to the winners.

## Ground Arrangement Package

The Organizing Committee has made arrangements for a choice of accommodation from 3-stars to 4-stars beach or city hotels. All the official accommodation locations are 15 – 30 minutes from the regatta site by car or bus. The cost ranges from **US\$40 to US\$60 per person, per night** will include:

1. Airport transfer (for group of at least 10 pax)
2. Hotel accommodation
3. Transport to & from race course
4. Daily breakfast at hotel

Those interested to take up the package, are welcome to write to us for further details.

## Confirmed Entry Form Submission

**Closing date – 30 September 2012**

## Payment Mode

All payments can be made by **telegraphic transfer (US\$) or direct bank-in (RM)** no later than the relevant deadlines, thereafter **email a copy of the transaction slip** to [secretary@penangdragonboat.gov.my](mailto:secretary@penangdragonboat.gov.my). **Bank charges are to be absorbed by crews themselves.** Bank details are as follows:

<b>Account Name</b>	Penang International Dragon Boat Festival
<b>Bank</b>	Maybank Islamic Berhad
<b>Address</b>	No.1 Arked Ria 1, KOMTAR, 10000 Penang, Malaysia

<b>Swift Code</b>	MBBEMYKL
<b>Account No.</b>	557054501765
<b>Reference</b>	Please provide name of crew and description of payment being made (eg. Entry Fee)

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