

News Release

OVER 770 PLAYERS, FROM 18 COUNTRIES TO COMPETE IN THE REDTONE 11TH KL INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR OPEN SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

Tournament is from Dec 5 to 10; REDtone is title sponsor for 6th consecutive year

Kuala Lumpur, Wednesday (November 28, 2017) – THE REDtone 11th KL Junior Open Squash Championships to be held on Dec 5-10 seemed to be the favourite tourney for the juniors - both locally and abroad - as can be gauged from the record number of entries in this year's edition.

A total of 774 participants from 18 countries have confirmed participation surpassing the previous mark of 660 entries from 15 countries recorded last year.

Six countries namely Botswana, Saudi Arabia, the Philippines, United States of America, South Africa and Egypt will be making their debut. The regulars are Singapore, Indonesia, Hong Kong, China, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Australia, New Zealand, Korea, Japan and hosts Malaysia will join the fray.

They will be divided into six age groups both in the Boys' and Girls' sections. The categories are BU9, BU11, BU13, BU15, BU17, BU19 and GU9, GU11, GU13, GU15, GU17 GU19.

The tourney will be held in three venues The Royal Lake Club (only BU13), Jalan Duta squash courts (Boys/Girls Under-9, Boys/Girls' Under-11 and Girls' Under13) while the remaining matches will be held at the National Squash Courts in Bukit Jalil.

This is the 6th consecutive year that the leading telecommunications and digital infrastructure services provider, REDtone International Bhd (REDtone) is supporting the championship as the title sponsor.

“As a homegrown Malaysian brand, REDtone is committed to sponsoring junior sports events and helping foster youth, which is part of an array of diverse initiatives aimed at contributing broadly to social progress. I’m pleased to note that the event has grown steadily in size, stature and popularity over the past decade. Not surprisingly, it is now the biggest junior sporting event in Asia”

“We truly believe that the REDtone Kuala Lumpur International Junior Open Squash Championships will continue to be a great platform to elevate the confidence and skills of our junior squash players, and ultimately, empower them to compete on the global stage. I would like to express my sincere thanks to SRAFT for once again giving us the opportunity to be part of this amazing event. “said REDtone Group CEO, Mr Lau Bik Soon during a media briefing today.

Meanwhile, Squash Rackets Association of Federal Territory (SRAFT) President and Organising Chairman Steven Kwan who was also present at the briefing was all smiles and said "We are proud to see good response for this event year after year. This is also the third consecutive year the annual event has passed the 600-mark bracket. We are committed to ensure the participants gain a lot of experience and go back with fond memories".

From the record number of entries, it is evident that the REDtone 11th KL Junior Open can be in the Malaysia Book of Records (unofficial) both in terms of participants and number of countries.

So far, the 2007 Milo All Stars hold the record with 695 participants and 16 countries.

Members of the public can catch the tournament for free. For the games schedule, please visit www.tournamentsoftware.com

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