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Diving Team From BSP Wins Award

THE Brunei-based Panaga Sub-Aqua Club (PSAC) has won the Duke of Edinburgh’s Prize for a Platform Environmental Project on Brunei Shell Petroleum’s (BSP) offshore platforms.

Club members Steve Holyoak, Doug Bell and John Elder get to go to Buckingham Palace on 2 Nov to receive the prize from Prince Philip! Steve, Doug and John are BSP’s Production Seismologist, Head of Environmental Affairs and Production Geologist respectively.

The Platform Environmental Project began in 2003, with the objective of documenting and spreading awareness of the platform ecosystem. A second aim was to provide information that would assist in the argument regarding the placement of possible future artificial reefs and platform decommissioning.

Amongst other things it demonstrated the profusion of well-established, rich ecosystems around the submerged jackets or legs of the Ampa and Fairley platforms with the recently commissioned Egret Platform’s ecosystem already rapidly developing. Additionally nearly 100 species of fish were recorded at the platforms.

When he was President of the Club the Duke of Edinburgh offered this annual prize for the best underwater scientific project carried out by members. This is now the premier award made by the British Sub-Aqua Club. By agreement with the Club the Jubilee Trust administers the Prize. Applications are sent to the trust and its trustees who represent a wide range of scientific expertise, select a short-list and submit these to the Duke for his final selection. Anyone who has done anything of a “research or discovery” nature can enter for the Prize.

New Firefighters For BSP Fire Services

BRUNEI Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) now has 10 more firefighters. On 18 May, ten new candidates were inducted for an intensive fire training programme by the Fire Department and they recently passed with flying colours.

Their training, which was conducted both in house at BSP and at the Megamas training site, included Defensive Training and the basic training for all Fire Team Members.

All candidates were also given training by the Panaga Health Clinic on Basic Life Support and Advanced Senior First Aid, all part of the basic fire training programme.

Special training for dealing with hydrocarbon, gas and oil fires were also conducted by Shell’s own fire officers at the BLNG fireground training site.

Out of ten chosen candidates, the Fire Department, saw three potential firefighters that exceeded their basic expectations. Hj Mohd Firdaus Hj Derius succeeded in attaining the best in theory award, Mutrazilah Rado won the Best in practical award and the overall award for best recruit was given to Mohd Aswady Hj Sumardi.

The training programme, which took three months to be completed, was closed with a ‘Doa Selamat Ceremony’ (Thanksgiving) held at the Bomba headquarters. Attendees included the families of the new recruits and several community figures.
Of Ownership & Compliance

Colleagues,

The company belongs to everyone and I would like to think that the recent achievements of some very good safety performances in BSP are evidence of this; if not the actual result of this sense of ownership. With 10 million manhours without an LTI and almost 5 million manhours without a TRCF, I would like to say well done to everyone and we should all be very pleased.

There are, however, underlying concerns and we can all do much more to improve further through a sense of ownership, which can be enhanced in each individual’s mind and translated into actions that reflect an Enterprise First behaviour. Everyone has in his or her hands a piece of the company, with each individual an ‘owner’ of a process or asset, from the smallest to the biggest piece of equipment one can think of; to the simplest and most complex processes or procedures to be complied with.

When I visit our locations, I still see too many areas of non-compliance and basic safety infringements; areas that need further improvements against our very high standards for safety. In this respect, everyone must ensure that his or her team know the 10 BSP House Rules and ensure all-round compliance. I am confident that we all can achieve better safety performances and raise our sense of ownership. It was evident to me as I began my work in BSP earlier this year that everyone whom I came into first contact with was very helpful and demonstrated their ownership in the particular area of their expertise. I was assisted in every way I could imagine, which helped into building my own sense of ownership for the company’s business.

With people being of high priority to me, I am pleased to report very good progress on the Shell Peoples Survey follow-up, and we will soon be introducing feedback to you on a monthly basis, together with highlights from individual departments. I would like to ensure that we have an open dialogue on improvements being made and any issues arising. To assist in this, we will soon introduce sessions between Directors and Managers, together with HR representatives and staff.

I am very interested to hear views from staff on performance improvement especially in areas where we can do better in the future. We have been analysing how performance may be improved in 8 such priority areas. Some of the resulting actions are already taking place, whilst the rollout plan for other initiatives are being further discussed to ensure full understanding and ownership before implementation. Once complete, the actions from the priority areas will be widely shared with staff, but, in the meantime, I would like to gather more views from staff.

I would like to finish by sharing my views and concern on safety for staff. Safety is not just the company’s top priority but is also the top priority in your life, with your family in and outside the home. I would like everyone to take as a personal responsibility to safeguard safety outside of work, so please take the 10 House Rules home and ensure that your family wear their seatbelts, observe road signs and hold handrails when using stairs, among others. It is all about ownership of safety procedures, and it begins at home.

Best regards - Grahaene

HML’s Emergency Response Roadshow

By Normah Hj Jamudin, SSN, Panaga Health Centre

ON 6 and 7 September 2005, Panaga Health Centre successfully organized an Emergency Response Roadshow with a theme “Think Big, Act Fast, Save Lives, Every Second Counts” The two-day Road show saw participation of the Emergency Response Nurses (HML/11), First Aid Trainers (HML/84), Offshore Occupational Health Nurses (HML/83) from Panaga Health Centre and Occupational Health Nurses from BLNG (HSEQ/5) and Brunei Shell Fire Department (HSE/11) and was held in the HQ Atrium.

The launching ceremony was held on the 6th officiated by Asset Director Haji Salleh Bostaman. Managers, Heads of Departments, Section Heads, Senior staff from SSB Hospital, HSE focal points and over 100 Certified Senior First Aiders attended the launching ceremony. Dr Yahya Abdullah, a guest speaker from the Ministry of Health’s Health Services, delivered a talk on improvements being made and any issues arising. To assist in this, we will soon introduce sessions between Directors and Managers, together with HR representatives and staff.

The objective of the Road Show was to inform Brunei Shell Employees and its contractors of the roles and services provided by each participating element in our emergency response team, to generate awareness and encourage the “charitable” spirit within the community.

Statistics all over the world have shown that heart related disease is the leading cause of death. Death from heart disease and injury can occur anywhere from several minutes to several hours after the event. In addition to death, permanent disability may also result, which is costly not only in terms of money but also in human suffering. Thus the need for improved methods of caring for injured patients is as great as it has ever been. A good knowledge of First aid and basic life support can save lives. It is a known medical fact that after three minutes without oxygen, the brain cells start to die. So if we can intervene and institute appropriate First Aid and CPR within minutes of a person’s collapse, e.g heart attack, we will grossly improve the casualty’s chance of survival. That is the basis for BSP’s requirement that a trained first aider will respond within 4 minutes of a person’s collapse. Last year, our BSP ambulance and nurses were activated over 100 times, half of which were due to road traffic accidents.

In 2003, Panaga Health Centre underwent reorganization in response to changing health needs as well as improved standard of health care in the public sector here. Since that time, the health department has been putting emphasis on preventive medicine and so we see an increase drive on the healthy life style programme, in occupational health with the implementation of the seven Minimum Health Management Standards and in Emergency Response and First Aid.

The two-day Road show put on display activities of the Emergency Response Team and the fire department. There were demonstration on basic life support for qualified first aids, hands-on CPR experience and quizzes and was attended by about 450 people from BSP as well as contractors. To date, the First Aid Trainers section from Panaga Health Centre has successfully trained up to 1500 staff on Senior First Aid registered with St. John’s Ambulance Australia. The First aid Section has carried out regular drills and re-certification every 2 years as an important part of maintaining skills.

Doctors and nurses from Panaga Health Centre continue to maintain their skills and knowledge by undergoing regular in-house training, drills as well as courses in the region.

Guidelines and procedures are in place for handling on- and offshore emergencies as well as disasters. Regular training programmes are also organized with ambulance men from the BSP fire station. Our Vision in Panaga Health Centre is to become a recognized Centre of Excellence in Emergency Medicine in Brunei Darussalam.
‘Malam Gemerlapan’ was held as one of the grand finale events of His Majesty’s 59th birthday celebrations in Belait district. It was held on 7th August 2005 at Padang Bandaran, Kuala Belait and has drawn more than 20,000 crowds.

This event was co-sponsored by Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd and Brunei LNG Sdn Bhd.

The guest of honour was Dato Paduka Hj Mat Suny bin Haji Mohd Hussein, Deputy Minister of Development, accompanied by his wife, Datin Hjh Maimunah CA Mohammad. Also in attendance were Dato Paduka Hj Yussop bin Bakar and wife, Datin Hjh Rupiah Hussin as well as Haji Zainal Abidin Hj Mohd Ali, Deputy Managing Director of BSP and Datin Paduka Hjh Hayati Pehin Hj Mohd Salih.

Among the local entertainers lined-up for the concert were finalists of the Passport-To-Fame (P2F) competition, winners of KB Idol and the Gerak Budaya BSP dance troupe who performed two dances.

The foreign guest artists were Malaysian celebrities, an award winner comedian known as Saiful Apek and singer Yassin.

HIS Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam graced the “Konsert Muhibbah DiRaja” at the Jerudong Park and Country Club Amphitheatre on 5 August 2005.

Also in attendance were Her Majesty Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince Pengiran Muda Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, HRH Pengiran Anak Isteri Pengiran Anak Sarah, HRH Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, HRH Pengiran Anak Isteri Pengiran Anak Zariah, HRH Prince ‘Abdul Azim, HRH Prince ‘Abdul Malik, HRH Prince ‘Abdul Mateen and other members of the royal family.

The concert was a joint-effort project between Radio Television Brunei (RTB) and Radio Television Malaysia (RTM) hence the combined performances from Brunei Darussalam and Malaysia.

Brunei Darussalam was represented by various singers and dance troupes including Gerak Budaya BSP. Malaysia, on the other hand, presented their singing sensations namely Siti Nurhaliza, Khatijah Ibrahim, Ramli Sarip, Francesca Peter, Ezlynn, Vince and Nassir Wahab.

BSP, BLNG, BST and BSM sponsored a total of $30,000 for this concert.
BRUNEI Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) is pleased to announce that it has made a successful exploration discovery of new oil and gas in a new structure in the Seria North Flank area. This success follows a discovery made in September 2004 in the same area but in a different structure.

The well was drilled four-kilometres offshore in nine meters of water by the self-propelled multi-purpose drilling rig, the BIMA. More than 2000 metres of open hole section was drilled which is a record in BIMA's drilling history.

Grahaeme Henderson, Managing Director of BSP, said: “This is an exciting and very important discovery for Brunei, representing a new milestone in the history of the Seria Field, an existing oil and gas field. Oil and associated gas were found in a section of approximately 140 meters of net sands with good reservoir quality. We are currently evaluating the options to produce from this area to maximise the commercial opportunity for Brunei.”

The BIMA drilling rig will now continue to drill at least two more Seria North Flank structures this year. In 2006, the plans are to drill a further five wells.

The Seria North Flank is one of the new fields, which BSP focuses in accelerating its development. This is in line with one of the four strategies in BSP, mature oil growth, in view of the large portfolio of hydrocarbon resources in Brunei Darussalam. The strategies are underpinned by the Company’s utmost priorities on safety, people and performance.

BRUNEI crude oil secured a new market with the conclusion of a new oil sale agreement by Brunei Shell Petroleum Co. Sdn Bhd (BSP) for supply into the Japanese electric power sector. Under the supply arrangement BSP will deliver its flagship export grade Seria Light Export Blend amounting to 1.2 million barrels from 1 July 2005 to 31 March 2006 to Mitsubishi Corporation for Japan’s leading power company Tokyo Electric Power Co Ltd.

The sale agreement signing took place in Singapore on Tuesday 12 July 2005 with Awg Shahbudin Hj Musa, BSP Head of Oil Trading representing seller and Mr Yoshinobu Satomi, Mitsubishi Assistant General Manager of Crude Oil Trading signing on behalf of the buyer.

The new sales will be lifted in four shipments each of 300,000 barrels beginning in September 2005 with the final cargo planned for February 2006. The contract also followed recent supplies by BSP on spot basis to meet supplementary demand of the Japanese power company in meeting peak electricity power usage in the country.

The power generation market in Japan is a well established user of crude oil for thermal power generation fuel in addition to other electricity generating energy source such as nuclear, hydro power, coal, fuel oil and gas from LNG. In its sector, Tokyo Electric Power is a leading player as a regular user of fuel oil and suitable crude oils from the region.

IN parallel to its community development commitment to offer recreation for the Belait residents, Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sendirian Berhad (BSP) through its Oil and Gas Discovery Centre (OGDC) will screen its inaugural cinema flick on 20 August 2005 at its very owned state of the art 3D Theatre.

An agreement between MVision Cinemas Sendirian Berhad and OGDC was signed on 19 August 2005 to lease OGDC 3D theatre as cinema.

MVision Cinemas Sdn Bhd was represented by Pengiran Ariffin bin Pengiran Omar, Managing Director of MVision Cinemas Sendirian Berhad and Hajah Masni Haji Munir, Head of External Affairs in her capacity as the Acting Corporate External Affairs Adviser of BSP on behalf of OGDC.

The signing ceremony was witnessed by Haji Zainal Abidin Haji Mohd Ali, Acting Managing Director of BSP.

The Theatre will convert as a cinema in the evening only and it has a capacity of 75 seats.
BRUNEI Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) has successfully installed one of the world’s most advanced smart field platforms, Champion West in 70m of water offshore Brunei. With this project, Brunei is reinforcing its role as a global leader in smart field technology, with Champion West not only being a frontrunner in the Shell Group, but also the oil and gas industry.

The Champion West project has been a challenging engineering feat for BSP. It is hailed as a key demonstrator project, and a more effective way of developing oil and gas in the 21st century. The reservoir is one of the largest undeveloped resources in Brunei and will support the country’s oil and gas production for the next 20 years and beyond.

As air is released from the jacket’s tubular framework to help it sink, the super-lift floating crane helps the jacket to assume its final position as the legs for the CWDP-1 smart platform.
Dr Grahaeme Henderson, Managing Director of said “This development brings together a number of cutting edge technologies including very long horizontal ‘snake wells’, downhole fibre-optic pressure and temperature sensors, and remote control using high width connections to the shoreline.

“IT will allow engineers in BSP’s Head Office to continuously monitor and improve the performance of the offshore wells and facilities, through a computer-controlled system on the platform, which allows remote well testing. The platform will be normally unmanned and only visited a few times per month by operators. The result will be improved reserve recovery and reduced development costs for this key asset.”

The platform and topsides were successfully installed at the end of July. Drilling of the wells is expected to commence in October 2005 and followed by the second phase in the next few years.

“BSP has become a recognised global centre of excellence in the use of smart oil and field technologies through pioneering smart well installations at its South West Ampatiron Duke Fields, ” Henderson said. “The Champion West smart field reinforces our ship in this important new area.”

A distinctive feature of this project is the extensive involvement of Bruneian engineers from BSP, and local vendors and service providers. Both the subsurface jacket, and the structure and facilities were constructed in BSP’s fabrication facility at Kuala Belait. The topside was the largest ever constructed at the yard and weighed close to 1200 tonnes.

Dr Grahaeme Henderson said, “BSP is committed to developing local expertise and using the work content undertaken in Brunei. With an extensive programme of work in future, the oil and gas industry will continue to play an important role in the economy.”
BRUNEI Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) emerged in the third position of the Float and Lantern Procession competition held in conjunction with His Majesty’s 59th birthday celebration in Bandar Seri Begawan on 6 August 2005.

The first prize went to Brunei LNG Sdn Bhd (BLNG) for the second consecutive year while the Ministry of Development came in second. All the prizes were presented by His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam.

The carnival-oriented event was organised by the Land Transport Department of the Ministry of Communications. More than 15 floats participated in the competition representing various ministries and departments as well as other private organisations in the Sultanate.

The BSP float “Arabian Night” was led by Haji Mohd Zaini Hj Awg Omar, Corporate External Affairs Adviser of Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP).

It featured an Arabian fantasy comprised majestic palace, the magic carpet accompanied by the Arabian music throughout the journey.

The route of the float started at Jalan Tasek Lama to Jalan MacArthur leading to the Royal Dias through the Jalan Sultan before entering the Taman Sir Muda Omar Ali Saifuddien Sa’adul Khairi Waddien and march passed in front of the audience of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and Her Majesty as well as other members of the royal family.

The grand finale was the fireworks display which were enjoyed by members of the public. It also marked the end of the nightly celebrations which were held since 15 July.

Also happening on the same evening was the Borneo Tug-of-war championship which saw participation from Sabah, Labuan, Sarawak, Kalimantan and host Brunei Darussalam culminated with the performance of Malam Serumpun.

“CLEAN, Beautiful and Green Environment for all” was the chosen theme for this year’s landscape competition for Belait district. It was organised in conjunction with His Majesty’s 59th birthday celebration by Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd and the Environment and Recreation Parks department (Belait district).

The primary objectives of this competition was to create understanding and enhance awareness to all levels of community on the importance of a clean environment with an impressive landscape designs.

The competition also aimed to increase the creativity of the community so they are more sensitive towards a clean and beautiful environment.

Apart from sharing experiences and knowledge of landscape related work, it also encouraged team work and interaction among one another.

A total of six categories were competed: National/citizen housing scheme category, public housing category, residence of Government or BSP category, Government and Non-government primary school category, Government and non government secondary school and vocational, government and private sectors’ buildings including the police station, fire services stations, mosques and suraus.

The criterion of the adjudication were the culture’s perfection i.e free from any attack or disease (30%), creativity(20%), special feature of the landscape (15%), cleanliness, safety and neatness (10%) and innovation (25%).

For the national/citizen housing scheme, first place went to Awg Jaafar Hj Mohd Paun followed by Awg Tan Tong Boon and Awg Semail Hj Hashim.

In the public housing category, Hj Abd Razak bin Kepli grabbed the first spot, Gerald Simons in second and Radzali bin Haji Timbang in third.

Saudah binti Abdullah clinched the first position for the Government/BSP housing while Japar Hj Duraman came in second followed by Haryati Hj Abdul Razak.

Sekolah Rendah Sungai Teraban won the government and non-government primary school followed by Sekolah Rendah Kuala Belait and Sekolah Rendah Pg Setia Negara Pg Mohd Yusof, Lorong Tiga Seria.

For the government and non-government secondary school and vocational institutions, Perdana Wazir Secondary school came in the first place, second went to PIN Mumong Secondary School and Anthony Abell College in Seria in third place.

The last category was for government and non-government’s building, police stations, fire services stations, mosques and suraus.

The first place went to the Department of Environment and Recreational Parks Belait, second was Seria Police station and third was Kuala Belait and Seria Municipal Department.
5000th Cargo Delivery to Japan

By Mizobuchi Tateki, MKR

BRUNEI has successfully delivered its 5000th cargo to Japan on 13 June 2005. The memorable cargo was delivered to Tokyo Gas Negishi LNG Terminal onboard Bilis, one of the seven LNG ships that have operated since the start of LNG deliveries from Brunei in 1972. A ceremony to commemorate the milestone was held onboard Bilis on 14 June 2005. Mr. Koichi Abe, Senior Manager of Negishi LNG Terminal and representing the other two Japanese Buyers of Tokyo Electric and Osaka Gas, commented that “this milestone could not have been reached without the strong relationship and the mutual cooperation with Brunei LNG” and conveyed their appreciation for the safe delivery of LNG over the past 33 years.

The onboard ceremony was opened by Captain A. D. Guillaume of Bilis, followed by a message from Mohamad Damit, General Manager Marketing of Brunei LNG, congratulating the fleet for its long standing record and commemorating the fleet for setting the benchmark of high standard operation for the LNG shipping industry. He also assured the Japanese Buyers that Brunei LNG would continue the reliable and stable delivery of LNG. After the speech by the Japanese Buyers, gifts were presented from Brunei LNG to Bilis and the Negishi LNG Terminal. The ceremony was blessed with a prayer by Hj Ibrahim Bin Hj Mohd Yassin, Acting Managing Director of Brunei Gas Carriers, the owner of the eighth LNG ship being used by Brunei LNG for its deliveries since 1999.

Brunei LNG has delivered 168 million tons of LNG to Japan over the past 33 years, which is consumed by Tokyo Electric, Tokyo Gas and Osaka gas mainly as a source of electric generation and city gas. In 1973, Japan has imported 2.4 million tons of LNG, which has now grown to 60.0 million tons. Brunei LNG delivers approximately 10% of LNG demand in Japan and approximately 20% of total LNG demand of the three Japanese Buyers of Brunei LNG.

Brunei LNG also plans to commemorate this significant milestone with a reception in September, inviting all Japanese customers, stakeholders and service providers.

New Chemical Blending Plant - BLNG/PTAS Winning LBD Formula

SINCE 1990, PTAS has been servicing BLNG in the Provision of Chemicals for the Cooling Tower System. The services have been consistently maintained at a very high level of commitment to the customer’s quality specifications. In addition, strong HSE management, reliability of supply and commercial competitiveness have in turn enabled PTAS to upgrade its services to BLNG.

Over the past 14 years, chemicals have been regularly shipped into Brunei from Singapore. Considering that half of the finished product is made up of demineralised (DI) water, and to improve the economics in the supply chain, the option to blend chemicals locally was looked into very seriously.

From the perspective of local business development (LBD) and sustainability, BLNG requested PTAS to look at “value-added” enhancements in the process. PTAS responded by committing to invest in a chemical blending facility and also to train and develop local Bruneian employees to fully manage the plant. With the full technical support of their principal, NALCO PACIFIC PTE LTD in design and equipment selection, operational and QA/QC support, PTAS is now a licensed Manufacturer. There are currently five full time Bruneians employed in its manufacturing operation.

The chemical blending plant includes a chemical store, a 10 m³ blending tank complete with DI water system, chiller, cooling tower, laboratory and offices. A second unit of 13.25 m³ blender is scheduled to be installed in the next month or so in order to increase the blending capability of the plant.

A HAZOP study was performed by NALCO’s Singapore Plant Manager and Corporate HSE Manager from Australia in Oct 2004. All risks and potential hazards were identified for all processes involved to manage the activities within the plant. By 1st quarter 2005, all outstanding issues raised during the HAZOP were satisfactorily closed out.

On the same 5 acre site in the Kuala Belait Industrial Area is a new two-storey office and training facility for PTAS Inspection and Testing Services. Investment for the chemical blending plant and inspection services buildings is estimated at B$3.0 million, bringing the total PTAS investment in the KB Industrial Area to around B$5.5 million.

BLNG’s continuous support of local business development has enabled PTAS to create “in-country value”, with PTAS committing to investing in its infrastructure and creating job opportunities for local Bruneians.

The new facility was officially opened on 1st Aug 2005, by YM Dato Paduka Haji Hamdillah bin Haji Abdul Wahab Deputy Minister of Industry and Primary Resources.

MIPR oversees the Brunei Industrial Development Authority, responsible for allocating Industrial Land in Brunei Darussalam’s push for industrialization.
Twenty New Road Tankers To Deliver More Fuels

Twenty newly-designed road tankers were officially launched by Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Laila Setia Dato Paduka Haji Abdul Rahman bin Haji Ibrahim, second Minister of Finance and Pg Hj Yasmin Pg Hj Mohamad, BSM-MD at the Seria Refinery and BSM Muara Terminal to various sites throughout Brunei.

According to Pg Hj Yasmin bin Pg Hj Mohamad, Managing Director of BSM in his welcoming speech, the new tankers are specially designed and build to comply with Shell Oil Product standards, United Nations’ regulations for International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (UN/ADR) and Brunei’s vehicle regulations. The new tankers, which are significantly bigger in size, will be able to deliver larger volume which entails less trips and less road exposure, further improving road safety.

Each contractor will operate and manage 10 of the new tankers.

Also present were BSM Board of Directors, senior government officials from Ministry of Industries and Primary Resources, Ministry of Finance, Petroleum Unit, Royal Brunei Police Force, Royal Brunei Navy, Bomba, as well as representatives from BSP and BLNG, Contractors and Petrol Stations Dealers and Owners.

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Shell Rimula Cup Brunei Basketball Tournament

FOR the fifth time, Brunei Shell Marketing Co. Sdn. Bhd. was again associated with one of the most-anticipated sporting event of the year. This event is one of the major contributions to the country’s social development particularly in sports, which has included among others, football, squash, go-kart, futsal, badminton and golf. It is also in line with the company’s health lifestyle programme as well as the government’s ongoing effort to promote good physical and mental health through various physical activities.

This year, the standard of the tournament were significantly raised with the presence of several professional teams from various countries around Asia including Sk Knights from the Korean League, Toshiba Bravehunters the current champions of the Japanese Super-League, Indonesian All-Stars, Shandong Jinsindun Lions from Republic Of China and from the Republic Of Philippines the Elite Pba All-Stars and Alaska Aces, one of the top teams in the Philippines Basketball Association.

Through this tournament, as our commitment “caring for the needy”, some of the proceeds were donated to various charity bodies, namely the national orphanage funds and The Crown Prince Pengiran Muda Al-Muhtadee Billah Orphanage Fund.
BRUNEI Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) and Brunei LNG Sdn Bhd (BLNG) organised a two-day career roadshow at the Chancellor Hall of Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD) on 4 and 5 August 2005.

The theme chosen for this year was “Nurturing Inspired Professionals”.

It was launched by Yang Mulia Pengiran Dato Seri Setia Pg Hj Mohd bin Abdul Rahman, Deputy Minister of Education as the guest of honour.

The function started with the recital of Al-Fatihah followed by a speech by Haji Zainal Abidin Hj Mohd Ali, Deputy Managing Director of Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd.

Haji Zainal Abidin said that the chosen theme “Nurturing Inspired Professionals” is in line with the Company’s strategy to strengthen its workforce, not only in terms of numbers but also the quality of their competencies.

“The objective of this roadshow is to inform job-seekers among the graduates on the job opportunities that are available in both BSP and BLNG.”

The focus this year is to recruit more graduates in both the technical and non-technical disciplines.

“BSP and BLNG as technical organisations require competent Bruneians in its workforce. The oil and gas industry has a competitive global market and due to this reason the workforce in BSP and BLNG must have a high level of expertise and on par with others of the global market.”

The Deputy Minister of Education, Yang Mulia Pengiran Dato Seri Setia Pg Hj Mohd bin Abdul Rahman, underlined that it is a pride to work with both BSP and BLNG since the two companies drive the nation’s main resources of oil and gas.

He also stated that such opportunities would provide vast experiences for the locals and it is aspired that one day with the expertise and experience that they have acquired, the locals are not left behind in managing these resources. This, he added, is also a demonstration of high patriotism spirit among the graduates.

The Deputy Minister lauded BSP and BLNG for their contributions in developing the country’s socio-economy and assistance in various kinds, sponsorships and donations to all levels across the community especially in education like the implementation of the Geoscience Petroleum programme in UBD.

“We are also thankful with the grant of scholarships to further their studies in and outside the country.”

Currently, there are 42 undergraduates studying abroad and in 2005, and 28 students will be with scholarships including 8 who have commenced their studies last February.

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Haji Zainal Abidin Hj Mohd Ali, Deputy Managing Director of Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) and Brunei LNG Sdn Bhd (BLNG) delivering his speech
Rafting Klassik A Success

It was another successful and memorable Rafting Klassik 2005 yesterday (Sunday) held at the Kuala Belait Boat Club (KBBC) by Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP).

It was the first time this event was organised to commemorate His Majesty’s birthday celebrations in Belait district as in the previous years it was held at the fourth quarter of the year.

In attendance to grace the fun-packed event was Yang Mulia Dato Paduka Hj Yussop bin Bakar, Belait District Officer as the guest of honour.

It was learnt that next year, this event would be opened to members of the public not limited to employees of BSP, BLNG, BST and BSM.

Among the objectives of Rafting Klassik are to test the ingenuity, creativity and stamina of the participants in terms of constructing and operating the rafts.

It also served to provide a fun-packed day for residents of Belait and to foster the spirit of friendship and goodwill among participants.

Hailed as the most awaited event in the BSP calendar, participation from staff has increased from year to year since it was introduced in 1989.

A total of 39 teams took part yesterday with various types of rafts and themes competing in four different categories. The rafts were built from PVC pipes, drums, logs and bamboos with different concepts and colours.

All teams were armed with water-guns and water balloons to attack their opponents while racing against one another.

The first category was the ‘Pedal Powered Raft’ which was won by Armada (Raft No.6) followed by runner-ups, SMR Eagle (Raft No.35) and SCO Voyagers (Raft No.23).

The second category was the ‘Paddle Powered Raft’. Tiger Shary (Raft no.33) emerged as champion followed by Bahtera Nakhoda Ragam (Raft no 24) and Pink Panther (raft no.13) in third place.

For the ‘Wind Powered Raft’ category, first place was clinched by Terlambat Sudah Team (Raft no 39) while Lanun Kayu (Raft no 19) and HD Matrix (Raft no 22) came in second and third respectively.

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