



SABAH BIRD RACE

'MOKITOMBOLOG'



Registration Fee : RM 60.00 per team of 3 members
Registration close : 5.00pm, 20 October 2022
Briefing: 9.00am, 22 October 2022
Race flag-off: 10.00am, 22 October 2022
Race ends: 10.00am, 23 October 2022

RACE RULES

1. The welfare of the birds and protection of habitats must come first. Caged, restrained, injured or dead birds or birds declared by the Arbitrators as escapees will not be counted. Care must also be taken to not cause distress to both the birds and its habitat.
2. The race is open to teams comprising persons of sound health and with some basic knowledge of birds. The use of Field Guides Book is encouraged.
3. Teams must consist of three (3) persons, with at least one of them being an experienced birder and will be the captain of the team and be answerable for the actions and conducts of his team. The team must be officially registered to the Organiser by submitting the official Entry Form.
4. The winning team will be the one that records the highest number of bird species on the log book provided, teams are encouraged to note down interesting observations as well. Names of species must conform to those listed in the Official Checklist.
5. All birds must be seen by the majority (at least 2 members) of the team members and must identify the bird species beyond any doubt.
6. Teams may record birds from any part of the designated race route. The specific areas and route for the race will be briefed before the event. Be reminded: Race site only within Rainforest Discovery Centre area. Race not extended to private property.
7. Attracting birds with any form of audio/playback equipment or artificial objects is totally prohibited.
8. Flash photography of nesting birds is totally prohibited. The organisers however, highly encourage photographs of birds deemed rare and/or are possible new records for verification purposes.
9. The Arbitrators may request team members to provide verbally details of the species sighted and recorded and failure to do so may result in a penalty. Any violation of the Rules and Regulations will result to disqualification.
10. **IMPORTANT:** The organisers and others associated with the event will not be held responsible for any damages, injury or loss of life and/or limb. Participation in the Bird Race is solely at one's own risk. A Release Form must be signed upon registration.
11. The Organisers reserves the right to decline any registration for the race without giving any explanation for doing so.
12. The Organiser/Arbitrators' decision is final. No appeal, complain, or correspondence will be entertained. By virtue of entering the Sabah Bird Race, the participants signify their acceptance of the rules. There may changes or updates in Rules above, due to requirement by organiser or the authority.
13. Late submission (Logbook - upon official registration) to the Arbitrators after 10.00AM on 23 October 2022 (Sunday), will be penalized at the rate of one species per minute. The Arbitrators will stop accepting logs at 10.00AM, at which point teams that have not submitted their log book would be deemed on holiday and disqualified with our thanks and well wishes!
14. All teams **MUST** attend the Race briefing to identify race sites and to discuss safety procedures.
15. A mock flag-off for the Race shall be officiated by the Guest of Honor at 10.30AM on 22 October 2022 (Saturday) @ Outdoor stage, RDC.
16. **WINNERS:** Species list from participants will be compared to the checklist gathered by Arbitrators/Bird race Stewards on duty.
17. Teams are advised to bring along: Bird guidebook, photography or Optic gears (binoculars/ scope), water bottles.

HOW TO REGISTER

Email us a completed form which can be downloaded from our website www.borneobirdfestival.com and proof of contest fee payment for verification by or before 5.00PM, 20 OCTOBER 2022 ;

Payment can be made to:
Account Name: Sandakan Borneo Bird Club Sabah
Bank: CIMB Bank
Address: Bandar Utama, Sandakan.
Account Number: 8005700238
Swift Code: CIBBMYKL

Thank you, good birding and have a fun race !