

Kuantan Biggest Morning Tea: A Charity Event to Support the Hearing Impaired Society



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Custom made souvenir mugs for sale

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The Audiology Unit, Department of ORL-HNS, International Islamic University Malaysia in collaboration with the MMA (Pahang Branch) and the Kuantan Municipal Council had successfully organised a charity event called Kuantan Biggest Morning Tea. The event was held in Taman Gelora, Kuantan on 8 August 2010. The main aim was to promote and raise funds for the DENGAR society, while at the same time promoting a healthy lifestyle to the local community. The DENGAR society stands for 'Persatuan Individu Bermasalah Pendengaran Kuantan' and is a registered non-profit organisation that supports hearing impaired persons in Kuantan. So far, there are nearly 200 registered members that consist of hearing impaired individuals, the family members, school teachers and healthcare professionals.

Participants were invited for various choices of healthy breakfast sold by participating food outlets. There were also stalls selling used clothes and souvenirs. Before the breakfast, an aerobic session and light exercise in the park was held under the guidance of professional instructors. Participants also had the opportunity for a free hearing screening and free medical check-up. During the event, a colouring contest was held for children, and the adults participated in the tug-of-war and *ketupat* making contests. Dato' Suhaimi, the state assemblyman (ADUN) of Sg Lembing had officiated at the event on behalf of the Chief Minister of Pahang. There were some 1,000 participants and the total collection of the day went to the DENGAR society. Due to the overwhelming success of the event, the society (DENGAR) plans to make this an annual event.

Cheerio from Pahang.



Buntings displayed with the organising committee and the state MMA chairman



Kids too get involved in the charity programme



Aerobic session in progress



Who you think would win?