Organisers:-

Panti Bird Race, Johor - 2024
27th & 28th April 2024

Official Registration Form

Name of Team :				
Full Name	I/C No. (Passport No. for Non-Malaysian)	Nationality	Tel. No. / Email add.	Tshirt Size (Malaysia Standard Size)

Category (please tick category)			Fees		
Novice (3/team)	Advanced (3/team)	Photo Race (2/team)	Malaysians (RM50/pax)	Non-Malaysians (RM100/pax)	TOTAL (RM)

Note: Fees shown above is for each team member; RM50 for each Malaysian and RM100 for non-Malaysian.

Disclaimer and Release of Liability

We, the undersigned members of ………………………………………………………………[Name of Team], acknowledge and accept the risks associated with participating in the Panti Bird Race, Johor 2024. We understand and agree that the organizers will not be held responsible for any injury, loss, or damage resulting from our participation in this event.

We affirm that we are of sound health and fitness to participate in the competition and hereby waive any claims against the organizers arising from our participation.

Furthermore, we grant the organizers full permission to use our names and likenesses in any broadcast or written account of the race for promotional and informational purposes.

By signing below, we confirm that we have read, understood, and agreed to the terms outlined in this disclaimer.

Participants' Name: -   Signatures:-

1) ……………………………………………   …………………………………………..

2) ……………………………………………   …………………………………………..

3) ……………………………………………   …………………………………………..

We enclose herewith the payment slip no…………………………………. for RM………………………..
being the non-refundable registration fee paid to :-

MALAYSIAN NATURE SOCIETY JOHOR BRANCH
Bank: Hong Leong Bank Bhd
Acc no: 00500068085

Please submit signed registration form together with payment by email to
johorbirdrace@gmail.com

Closing Date for registration: <mark>12 April 2024</mark>

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Rules & Regulations

Below are the rules and regulations under which the Bird Race team members are expected to adhere to. All participants must familiarize themselves with the under-mentioned rules and agree and comply with them fully to compete. Failure to do so will lead to team penalties or disqualification.

<u>Date</u>: 27 & 28 April 2024
<u>Start</u>: Flag off from Panti Bird Sanctuary Complex at 10.00am on 27/4/2024
<u>End</u>: Official Log Sheet to be handed in by 11.00am on 28/4/2024
<u>Location</u>: Participants are allowed to bird within Panti Bird Sanctuary and **on foot** only.

<u>Categories & Team composition</u>:

1) Novice Team*: 3 pax per team
2) Advanced Team: 3 pax per team
3) Photo Race Team: 2 pax per team

*Novice Team: Team members with 2 years or less of birding experience. The organisers may, at their discretion, upgrade participants from Novice to Advance.

<u>Counting Species</u>:
a. All teams will be issued the **official bird race Log Sheet.**

b. For the Novice and Advance categories, species must be sighted by majority of the team (i.e. at least 2 of the team members) and their identity agreed by all members of the team before it can be registered. Species identified by calls only must not be included.

c. For the Photo Race Category, all species listed must be photographed and correctly identified before it can be registered.

d. Species registered by all categories must be submitted in the **official bird race Log Sheet**.

e. Teams can use draft lists during the race but must hand in the official completed list to the arbitrators **at the finish line by the stipulated time**. (NOTE: Teams are advised to allocate sufficient time for

checking and finalizing before the finish time. Photo Race Teams must allocate extra time to sort and save images into the Pen-drive).

f. The arbitrators may elect to penalize a team for late submission (one species for each minute).

g. Handwriting in submissions list **must be legible**. The arbitrators reserve the right to delete any species because of illegible handwriting.

h. All team members must race together as a team during the duration of race.

Photo Race Category
a. Participants must submit the following at the end of the race:

   i. Completed official bird race Log Sheet.

   ii. ONE pen-drive with the images (JPEG) captured during the race.

b. Participants need to bring their own laptop and pen-drive to sort out the pictures before submission (pen-drive will be returned to participants after judging).

c. All species photographed by the team shall be consolidated into only pen-drive before submission.

d. Only Pen-drive to be used for submission.

e. Only ONE picture per species shall be submitted.

f. Species photographed must be correctly identified and recorded into official log sheet.

g. Pictures must be submitted in JPEG format. Please ensure **original exif data** must be present for all photographs.

h. The arbitrators reserve the right to delete any species which cannot be positively identified e.g. some juvenile birds or pond-herons in non-breeding plumage.

i. **Note:** A Photo Race is NOT a photography competition. It's the same as any bird race but each species must be photographed and a photo of the species submitted together with the log sheet as mentioned above.

Results of the Race
a. The winning team in each category will be the one with the highest total number of species recorded, and accepted by the judges.

b. In the event of a **tie**, the team who submitted the Log Sheet earlier will be the winner.

c. The arbitrators' decision will be final, and no appeals will be entertained.

Submission of records for rare or unusual sightings
Arbitrators reserve the right to request for details of exceptional records or for species not listed in Checklist of Birds of Panti Forest Reserve. This can be a comprehensive description or other evidences e.g. sketches and photographs. This will help arbitrators review if the sighting is acceptable.

Acceptance is subjected to the decision of the arbitrators whose decision is final.

Prohibitions and Exclusions

a. The welfare of the birds must come first. Trapped, caged or otherwise restrained birds, or birds declared as escapees by arbitrators, will not count.

b. Oiled, sick or dead birds are to be excluded.

c. Attracting and luring bird with tape recorders or other audio instruments are prohibited.

Penalties and Disqualifications

a. Late finishing teams will be penalized. For every minute late, one (1) point will be deducted.

b. The arbitrators reserve the right to disqualify team that breaches any of the Rules and Regulations of Race.

Copyright

All photos submitted by the photographers remain the sole property of its owner, but organisers and its authorized agencies reserve the right to use them for reports and promotional purposes after the event in both digital and printed format. All photo used will be acknowledged.

Data collected from this event may be used for research purposes by the organisers and its authorized agencies.

In addition to the above rules and conditions, please note that by participating in the Race, you agree to abide by the following terms and conditions:

a. Understand, accept and acknowledge that by providing my personal data, information, I give my consent to the organisers to collect, use and disclose my personal data for the specified purposes of enabling the organisers to communicate with me; to facilitate the organisation of future activities, events and trips (including overseas trips); to provide me with products and/or services; to respond to my enquiries or complaints; to provide me with information, invitations and/or updates; and to disclose the same to any relevant third parties that the organisers has engaged for the specified purposes.

b. Understand, accept and acknowledge that by registering for this activity, the organisers retain the rights to use any and all photos taken during the activity as deemed necessary without seeking consent of any person captured in the photographs.

c. Understand, accept and acknowledge that I am solely responsible for my own safety during the course of the activity and will not hold the organisers or the trip leader and/or co-leaders responsible for any mishap, accident, injury or death as well as loss or damage to personal property that may occur in the course of the activity.

d. Understand, accept and acknowledge that I am required to read the safety instructions provided, as well as attend the safety briefing before the commencement of the activity and will adhere to it at all times during the activity.