Society’s AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Society was held on Tuesday 24 June 2014 at the Travellers Club, Pall Mall.

In his remarks Dato’ Zahir Cama, Chairman of the Society, said it had been an exciting year and new members continue to join. He also said there was a need to interact with other societies and to attract more corporate members.

At the end of the formal meeting Datuk Yunus Raiss read his poem in commemoration of Sultan Azlan Shah during the 100 days of mourning. A copy of his poem can be found on the 2014 past events page of our website.

The AGM was followed by the President’s Reception hosted by BMS President Sir Mark Moody-Stuart

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Martin Barrow
Dato’ Johan Raslan
Michael Thompson
Dato’ Anthony Cooper
Rahiyah Yahya

Palm oil – from cradle to colossus
A Talk by John Goodwin

John Goodwin gave an exhilarating talk on the palm oil industry, focusing especially on United Plantations, in Indonesia and Malaysia.

He said palm oil was cultivated and processed in a sustainable manner by the company.

UP’s subsidiary companies are engaged in several downstream activities such as processing palm oil, manufacturing, packing and distributing end products in the form of cooking oils, edible oils, specialty fats and soap products.

He said United Plantations Berhad is known for its high level of social responsibility and environmental awareness together with the Company’s leading role in the research and development of high yielding palm products.

John moved into the plantation sector, as a senior executive in United Plantations, after an initial career in investment banking, including five years in Malaysia.

The event was held at The Travellers Club, Pall Mall, London, on 10 September 2014.

FORTHCOMING BMS EVENTS

Tuesday 28 October
Annual Dinner
Venue: Parliament Chamber
Inner Temple
London EC4Y 7HL
Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Thursday 13 November
Talk by Professor Hugh
Montgomery - Matters for survival
Venue: Imperial College London
Time: 6.30pm

Wednesday 10 December
Chairman’s Christmas Reception
Time: 6.00 – 8.00pm

OTHER MALAYSIAN EVENTS IN LONDON
Sunday 5 October
Merdeka Carnival 2014
Venue: Tun Abdul Razak Research Centre
Brickendenbary
Hertford SG13 8NL
Time: 10.00 – 5.00pm

3 - 6 November
World Travel Market
Tourism Malaysia Participation

Saturday 8 November
Lord Mayor’s Show
Tourism Malaysia Participation

20 – 23 November
Taste of London Winter Malaysian participation

23 November - 5 December
"Malaysia Art Showcase London 2014”
Venue: La Galleria, Pall Mall, London
Time: 10.30 – 5pm (Mon-Fri)
Organised by MATRADE

Eid Celebratory Dinner
The Society held its Eid Celebratory Dinner at Satay House on 6 August 2014. Malaysian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, H.E Dato’ Ahmad Rasidi and his wife Datin Rosilawati Ab Raffar attended the function.

High Commissioner’s Eid Open House
H.E Dato’ Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi Malaysian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom and his wife Datin Rosilawati Ab Raffar held an Eid Open House at his residence on 4 August. Members of BMS attended the event.

Malaysian organisations wishing to have their major events listed in the Forthcoming Events section for Winter Edition (January-March 2015) of the BMS Newsletter, please forward listing by 15 December 2014 to: newsletter@thebritishmalaysiansociety.org
Malaysia Night 2014 at Trafalgar Square

Trafalgar Square gave itself over to Malaysia Night hosting a night market that introduced Londoners to the delights of Malaysia, 26 September 2014.

Malaysia Night was launched by Datuk Dr Wong Lai Sum, CEO Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE)

More than 20 of the UK’s best Malaysian eateries offered up satay, laks (spicy noodle soup), char kway teow (stir-fried flat noodle), rendang (intensely spicy meat dish), nasi goreng (fried rice) and apam balik (turnover pancake).

An estimated 40,000 people enjoyed the night at Trafalgar Square.

The event was organized by MATRADE and Malaysia Kitchen, and supported by The Mayor of London.

Links: www.malaysiakitchen.co.uk
www.matrade.gov.my

British High Commissioner designate to Malaysia

British High Commissioner designate to Malaysia, Vicki Treadell CMG, MVO, met the Malaysian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, H.E Dato' Ahmad Rashid Hazizi at the High Commission of Malaysia, London, on 4 September 2014.

The British Malaysian Society extends its best wishes to her on her new post in Kuala Lumpur.

Satay House Eid open house

Malaysian restaurant Satay House held an Eid open house for its patrons and BMS members on 23 August 2014.

Satay House is a corporate member of The British Malaysian Society.

Join BMS

With a new structure and more regular events for British Malaysian Society members it has never been a better time to join! Whatever your connection to Malaysia there is likely to be something for you within the society.

Members who have worked and lived in Malaysia and have an interesting anecdote to tell, please send a short write-up to: newsletter@thebritishmalaysiansociety.org
Eid open house at High Commission of Malaysia London

Malaysia Kitchen Spring Market in London
LONDON, 3–4 May - Twelve restaurants gathered along the Southbank, between the OXO Tower and Waterloo Bridge, to showcase the very best in Malaysian cuisine, at the first-ever Malaysia Kitchen Spring Market, selling tasters and meals ranging from beef rendang, laksa to satay. Malaysian food combines Malay, Chinese and Indian flavours to produce some of the best loved dishes in the world.

Visitors experienced this unique country through its food as well as learning about Malaysian culture through performances and entertainment throughout the day.

Visitors also bought Malaysian ingredients to try and recreate the authentic dishes at home.

Malaysian Kitchen aims to bring the exotic food of Malaysia to the UK and this foodie festival on the Southbank was the perfect place to try it out!

Malaysia celebrates 57th Merdeka Day
By Rahaynah Rahman The Star Sunday August 31, 2014

In Merdeka parade, a more steely Malaysia on display

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia marked its 57th Merdeka Day in subdued fashion as more than 100,000 people from all walks of life gathered at Dataran Merdeka here on Sunday.

Themed "Malaysia, Where Love Grows", the parade started as soon as the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Hajah Hamnah arrived at 8am.

Their Majesties were welcomed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and his wife Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor.

The King then saluted before the Negaraku was played by the Royal Malay Regiment's main band.

The Yang di-Pertuan Agong inspected a guard of honour mounted by 103 member of the regiment, which was followed by three shots of "Daulat Tuanku (Long Live the King)" and hoisting of the national flag accompanied by the singing of Negaraku and later, the firing of a 14-gun salute.

Malaysians at the iconic Dataran Merdeka also observed a moment of silence in prayers for the country's patriots and fallen soldiers who had fought for the country's independence.

Also present were Deputy Prime Minister Tun Sri Muhdyeddin Yassin, former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Cabinet Ministers, and foreign leaders as well as other dignitaries.

http://www.thestar.com.my

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Malaysian artist's exhibition at ROA Gallery, London
One East Asia mounts first solo show by Malaysian artist Chang Fee Ming in London

The Undying Spirit, 1992

Chang Fee Ming: A Traveller’s Diary (A Private Collection) is the first solo exhibition in London of works by the acclaimed Malaysian watercolour artist Chang Fee Ming.

It ran from 24 June to 4 July at the ROA Gallery, Royal Opera Arcade, Pall Mall.

A book to accompany the exhibition, A Traveller’s Diary (2014) has been published by One East Asia, Singapore. www.roa-galleria.com / oneeastasia.org