Girl Guides reminded to uphold their promise and law

KOTA KINABALU—Some 400 participants of the just-concluded 89th Anniversary Sabah Girl Guides International Borneo Eco Camp 2014 were reminded to uphold the Guide Promise and the Guide Law.

Consort to the Head of State, Toh Puan Datuk Seri Panglima Hjh Norlidah Binti Tan Sri Datuk R.M. Jasni gave the reminder at the Patron’s Appreciation Night Dinner which she hosted at Kompleks Dewan Kuliah Perdana 2 UMS.


The Guide Promise is to do one’s best to God, King and Country Malaysia, and to help people at all times. Toh Puan Norlidah urged the girl guides to abide by the 10 Guide Laws, singling out the Sixth Law, which is “A Guide is a friend to animals and cares for the environment”. Three other Guide Laws are a Guide’s honour is to be trusted, and a Guide’s duty is to be useful and help others. The Patron hoped the participants would cherish memories of their activities in the Borneo Eco Camp.

The inaugural camp at Kolej C and D on the grounds of Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) was organised by GGAM Sabah branch in collaboration with UMS Eco Management Centre.

Of the 400 girl guides, 36 were from foreign countries (Hong Kong, Japan, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Philippines and Australia. The rest were from Malaysia, including 150 from Sabah. In Malaysia, guides are divided into three categories based on age, namely Brownie Guides (9-12), Junior Guides (13-15) and Ranger Guides (16-18).

In her welcoming address, State Branch Commissioner of Girl Guides, Norhah Datuk Hj Jaffar said the objectives of the event were to commemorate 89 years of the guiding movement in Sabah, to provide local girl guides the opportunity to interact and share experiences with their counterparts from the rest of the country, as well as international participants, and to sample cultural exchange. Also present were President of GGAM Sabah Branch, Datuk Naomi Chong Set Mei, UMS Vice-Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Harun Abdullah, Patron Rebecca Green from the guide movement in Melbourne, Australia, State Deputy Director of Education, Hjh Maimunah Hj Sulaiman and Dayang Mas who represented the Ministry of Youth and Sports.