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Musa to step down as president

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EQUESTRIAN Association of Malaysia president Tan Sri Musa Hitam will step down when the association hold their annual general meeting at the Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club today.

Musa, a former Deputy Prime Minister, held the post for the last five years and has been credited for the rapid growth of the sport in Malaysia.

Musa said the keen interest shown by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was the prime factor behind equestrian's progress and popularity in the country. Musa also credited former vice-president Fathil Mahmood, a founder member of EAM, for his contributions.

Fathil will face Azar Ismail, for the presidency.

Fathil, who was bestowed a Special Award during the National Sports Awards ceremony last year for his contribution to the sport, is the owner of the 3Q Equestrian Centre, which successfully hosted the Southeast Asian-World Cup qualifiers showjumping event last week.

For the vice-president's post, Razak Abdul Latiff will be involved in a three-cornered fight with City Hall's Bakar Affendi and Selangor Polo Club's Ahmad Mustaffa.

Secretary Syed Bakar Almohdzar is also stepping down and the contest will be between Selangor Polo Club's Lau Choo Seng and Mohamed Azmi Razali of 3Q.

Suhaimi Shamsuddin was returned unopposed as assistant secretary. So was Asraff Deva Mohamad Ali for the treasurer's post.

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