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Golf membership for RM12,000

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KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - Golden Valley Golf & Country Club is offering golf membership for only RM12,000 to 200 visitors of the Malacca Tourism Festival 2000 being held at Persiaran KLCC.

The discount is well below the original rate of RM36,000 for individual membership at Malacca's largest golf course at Air Panas in the Bemban district.

GVGCC administrative officer A. Bushnal Az Abdul Ghani said this "New Millennium Offer" was only open to city residents as its objective was to "promote historical Malacca as a golfers' paradise".

"Those interested in taking up the golf membership can pay the entire amount or participate in our easy payment scheme which requires a downpayment of RM6,000 and six monthly instalments of RM1,000.

He said GVGCC had made a similar offer in Singapore last year.

"The response was very encouraging ... This is why we are having a similar offer for local golfers here."

GVGCC has a 36-hole fairway which comprises the lake course and mountain course.

It is among 82 establishments which are participating in the six-day festival organised by the Malacca Government and the private sector.

The festival, launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Friday, ends on Wednesday.

One of the exhibitors is Buana Hijau Fertilisers Sdn Bhd which is promoting its water-based fertiliser.

Its sales and promotions executive, Ahmad Yazid Md Lani, said the fertiliser could "work wonders for plants".

"Our product is enriched with aloe vera and humic acid. It is very suitable for flowers such as orchids, vegetables and fruit trees, grass and turf, palm oil and bonsai."

He said the locally-manufactured product could be an alternative to imported chemical-based fertilisers which were more expensive. It comes in one-litre and four-litre packs.

"Besides being cheap, it is also easy to use. Just add water and spray onto the plants, and experience the amazing results in 10 days," he added.

Meanwhile, the Malacca Islamic Religious Department invites Muslims who wish to learn more about the progress of Islam during the Malay Sultanate in the 15th century to visit Malacca.

Department officer Rabeah Ramlan, 21, said there were many ancient mosques which could provide an insight into how Islam arrived and spread in the peninsula.

"By visiting these ancient places of worship, Muslims can gain a better understanding of Islam during that period."

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