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`Jog with mayor' draws 1,500

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DESPITE the gloomy weather, about 1,500 people including schoolchildren, turned up at the Kuala Lumpur City Hall's Taman Bukit Jalil Recreation Park to jog with Datuk Bandar Tan Sri Kamaruzzaman Shariff last Sunday.

The event, themed "Jog with the Mayor" began at 7am after a 15-minute warm-up session.

The route covered about three kilometres in the 20.23ha park.

Clad in white T-shirts distributed by the City Hall, the participants comprised head of departments, City Hall staff, residents from nearby Taman Petaling and students from the nearby schools.

Free drinks were distributed to participants and park visitors.

For the children, a colouring contest was held, with the subject matter on the park's scenery. The winners were given hampers.

The City Hall's Enforcement Directorate's brass band also gave a performance. Adding to the fun was a lucky draw and spot quiz.

The recreation park was officially opened by the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Oct 15, last year, in conjunction with the Millennium Tree Planting campaign held nationwide.

The park comprises 10 mini parks resembling the ones found in Japan, China, Indonesia, Peru, Canada, Iran, Denmark, Thailand, England and Malaysia.