

# Malaysian Society of Animal Production (Persatuan Produksi Haiwan Malaysia)

# Newsletter

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### Editor's Note

The long awaited MSAP newsletter is fresh out from the printers. This issue presents to you the "new" MSAP EXCO line-up and much more.

This newsletter would not be possible without the support and generous contributions of its members. I would like to extend an invitation to all members to contribute articles and photographs to share with our members in our future newsletter.

On behalf of the Society, wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sumita

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## MSAP Executive Committee (2006/2008)

The appointment of the 2006/2008 MSAP EXCO was held during the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the MSAP, held on Sept 12, 2006 at the Palm Garden Hotel, IOI Resort, Putrajaya.

The new MSAP EXCO line-up are as follows:

### President

Dr. Johari Jiken (MARDI)

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### Journal Editor

Prof. Dahlan Ismail (UPM)

### 28th MSAP Annual Conference

The 28<sup>th</sup> MSAP Annual Conference was successfully held between the 29<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> May 2007, at Crowne Plaza Riverside Kuching, Sarawak. The Conference, themed, "*Good Animal Husbandry Practices: The Way Forward*", was organised to discuss the challenges to transform and uplift the animal industry in Malaysia

The Conference was officiated by the YAB Deputy Chief Minister of Sarawak, Tan Sri George Chan, on behalf of YAB Chief Minister of Sarawak Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud. On 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2007, the Sarawak State Government hosted the Conference dinner at the Crowne Plaza Riverside Kuching.

One hundred and twenty participants from Australia, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Taiwan and Vietnam attended the 3 day Conference, with a total of 70 scientific papers presented in the plenary, oral and poster sessions.

The MSAP President, Dr. Johari Jiken delivered his closing remarks at the closing ceremony, where he also announced the six recipients for the young scientists award. The award was given by the Society in recognition for the six young scientists' outstanding scientific oral and poster presentation. It also serves as a catalyst to encourage young members to be scientifically active in their field of research.

The Organizing Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all the invited speakers, participants, and individuals for their contributions, in ensuring the success of the Conference. To all sponsors, the Organizing Committee offered their utmost gratitude.



Dr Johari Jiken briefing Tan Sri Dr George Chan Hong Nam (right), while Sarawak State Assistant Director Veterinary Dr Humrawali Khan looks on. [The Star Online: 1st June, 2007]



Prof. Dr. Abd Razak Alimon, the Organising Chairman, giving his welcoming speech.



Conference delegates at the opening ceremony.



Tan Sri Dr. George Tan officiating the opening of the 28th MSAP Annual Conference



Group shot – MSAP Conference Secretariat with Tan Sri Dr. George Tan and Datin Hajah Fatimah Abdullah





MSAP Conference technical tour





MSAP fraternity dinner

## Malaysian Journal of Animal Science

We need full continuous support from MSAP members and non-members, especially through contribution of articles to ensure the survival of the Malaysian Journal of Animal science (MJAS). Contribution of scientific papers can be in the form of current issues, research reports or review papers in animal science and livestock production.

For those of you who would like to contribute, kindly send your articles or contact the acting Editor-in-Chief, Prof Dr. Abdul Razak Alimon (<a href="mailto:ralimon@agri.upm.edu.my">ralimon@agri.upm.edu.my</a>) at the Dept. of Animal Science, Universiti Putra Malaysia. Completed paper can also be emailed or forwarded to these email addresses <a href="mailto:hali@agri.upm.edu.my">hali@agri.upm.edu.my</a> (Dr. Halimatun Yaakub) or <a href="mailto:jothi@agri.upm.edu.my">jothi@agri.upm.edu.my</a> (Dr. Jothi Panandam).

### Upcoming Events

# 8th Indian Veterinary Congress & XV Annual conference of IAAVR and National Symposium

Feb 22 - 24, 2008

Kolkata, West Bengal, INDIA

http://www.iaavr.org/event.htm

# Victam Asia 2008 - South East Asia's Premier Exhibition and Conferences for the Animal & Aquatic feed, Rice & Tapioca Production Industries

March 05 - 07, 2008

Bangkok, THAILAND

http://www.victam.com/asia.php

### Livestock & Global Climate Change

May 17 - 20, 2008

Hammamet, TUNISIA

http://www.bsas.org.uk/Meetings & Workshops/Livestock & Global Climate Change/

### World Aquaculture 2008

May 19 - 23, 2008

Busan, KOREA

https://www.was.org/meetings/ConferenceInfo.asp?MeetingCode=WA2008

### National Conference on Animals in Disaster

Jun 2 – 6, 2008

Sacramento, California, USA

http://www.hsus.org/hsus\_field/hsus\_disaster\_center/conference/national\_conference\_2008.html

### 13th International Congress on Infectious Diseases

Jun 19 - 22, 2008

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

http://www.isid.org/13th icid/

### XXIII World's Poultry Congress

Jun 30 - Jul 04, 2008

Brisbane, Queensland, AUSTRALIA

http://www.wpc2008.com/default.htm

### 16th International Congress on Animal Reproduction

July 13 – 17, 2008

Budapest, HUNGARY

http://www.icar2008.org/

## Reminder

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