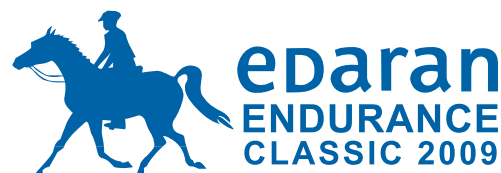


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**EDARAN ENDURANCE CLASSIC 2009**  
 Terengganu International Endurance Park, Lembah Bidong, Terengganu  
 22 - 24 May 2009,

The Edaran Endurance Classic is back with its 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the Championship. EDARAN ENDURANCE CLASSIC 2009 will be held from 22 till 24 May at the Terengganu International Endurance Park (TIEP) in Lembah Bidong, Setiu, Terengganu, the venue of the World Endurance Championship 2008 (WEC 2008).

### Ride Categories

*FEI 3\* 160KM Sanctioned as Qualifying Ride For WEG 2010*

This year's Classic will feature 4 competition categories namely the FEI-CEI 3\* 160KM, the FEI-CEI 2\* 120KM, the 80KM and the 40KM categories.

The main 160KM ride will likely see the participation of riders vying to compete in the forthcoming World Equestrian Games (WEG) in Kentucky, USA, next year as the ride is sanctioned as a qualifying ride for WEG 2010. Similarly the 120KM ride will see those who are attempting to qualify for the World Junior Endurance Championship to be held later this year in Hungary.

The 6-phased 160KM and 5-phased 120KM rides will be flagged off on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 4.00pm followed by the 80KM and 40KM at 5.00pm. Participants in both the 160KM and 120Km rides are expected to complete the rides by 11am the following day.

The Event anticipates once again the participation of His Majesty The Yang Di-Pertuan Agong who has been a regular and committed rider in the Edaran Endurance Classic series.

This year's Championship will also feature a novelty VIP Ride of 20KM.

### Cash Prizes

The total prize money for this edition of the Classic stands at RM72,500 which will be allocated as follows:

	160KM	120KM	80KM
1 <sup>st</sup> place	RM15,000	RM7,000	RM5,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	RM 8,000	RM5,000	RM4,000
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	RM 6,000	RM4,000	RM3,000
4 <sup>th</sup> place	RM 4,000	RM3,000	RM2,000
5 <sup>th</sup> place	RM 2,000	RM1,500	RM1,000
'Best Condition Horse'	RM2,000	-	-

Prizes for the 40KM ride will be in kind.

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### **Registration & Stabling Fees**

Participation is open to both Malaysian and foreign riders and registration forms for participation must reach the Secretariat before 27 April 2009. Registration fees range from RM50 for the 40KM ride, RM150 for the 80KM ride, RM200 for the 120KM ride to RM250 for the FEI 3\* 160KM ride. Stabling fees are fixed at RM200 for all categories. Registration Forms can be obtained at The Secretariat.

### **Transportation of Horses**

Transportation to float participants' horses from Kuala Lumpur to TIEP, Lembah Bidong and back can be arranged. The pick-up point for horses will be at ar-Raudhah Equine Centre, Kuang, Selangor. Interested parties may contact the Competition Director Encik Mohamad Din Mat at HP:012-3455033 before 11 May 2009 for further details on the transportation of their horses.

"A tremendous degree of momentum in the sport of endurance riding has been built up in the course of our country's preparation to host the World Endurance Championship 2008. This momentum which has helped to raise the level of awareness of the sport within Malaysia must be kept and sustained for the further development of the sport and our endurance riders. We believe the Edaran Endurance Classic can play its part in helping to do that, " said Dato Abdul Hamid Mustapha, Chairman of the Organising Committee.

The Edaran Endurance Classic which was initiated in 2003 with the objective of developing and promoting the sport of endurance, has since earned recognition as one of the most committed and organized endurance championships in Malaysia.

Edaran Endurance Classic 2009 is jointly organized by EDARAN Berhad, a Company with diverse business activities centred around IT and the State Government of Terengganu. It is endorsed and supported by the Ministry of Youth and Sports. The Ride is sanctioned by the Equestrian Association of Malaysia (EAM) and the International Equestrian Federation (FEI).

### **Sponsors**

Official sponsors of this year's Ride include Proton Holdings Berhad who is the official car sponsor and Samsung Malaysia Electronics Sdn Bhd.

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