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In line with boosting the State's economic activities as it moves forward from the impact of COVID-19, a launch ceremony was held on 23rd March 2021 to mark Ayer Keroh Country Club (AKCC) as a new sub sector of Sports Tourism in Melaka for 2021.

The event was launched by YB Datuk Muhammad Jailani Bin Khamis, EXCO Tourism, Heritage & Culture of Melaka and Chairman of AKCCB, witnessed by YB Dato' Sri Hajah Nancy Shukri, Minister of Tourism Arts and Culture (MOTAC). Also present at the ceremony were YBhg. Dato' Dr. Noor Zari bin Hamat, Secretary General of MOTAC, YBhg. Datuk Wira Dr. Ir. Ahmad Zaini bin Mohd Amin, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of AKCCB as well as YBhg Dato' Sri Yap Ngan Choy, Founder and Managing Director NCT Group of Companies.

AKCC's well-established presence in the region as the first and largest golf club in Melaka with a 27-hole golf course is set to strengthen Melaka's position as a top sports destination in Malaysia.

Founded in 1963, AKCC is amongst the earliest golf courses in Melaka to be certified by the Malaysian Golf Association. A prestigious recreational club situated at the heart of Ayer Keroh, AKCC is a strategic and attractive location to local and international tourists, particularly from Korea and Japan. Since its establishment, AKCC has hosted various championships including the 1989 Benson & Hedges Malaysian Open, the Panasonic Malaysian Open Amateur Championship and The Pan West Malaysian Open Amateur Championships.

YB Datuk Muhammad Jailani Bin Khamis, EXCO Tourism, Heritage & Culture of Melaka State and Chairman of AKCCB said at the event, "We are honoured to lead the way in promoting sports tourism through golf in the state of Melaka. AKCC's long-standing track record coupled its lush and tranquil surrounding makes for a great destination to unwind, relax and rejuvenate. Most importantly, AKCC will serve as a catalyst to reviving Melaka's tourism sector and contribute positively to the growth of the State economy."



"Ayer Keroh Country Club (AKCC) as a new sub sector of Sports Tourism."

Additionally, the establishment of Ion Forte Green City (IFGC) by NCT Group of Companies within AKCC creates a new, exciting and invigorating element with the availability of a reputable hotel, branded residences, wellness suites, an International Club House as well as a lakeside retail boulevard.

The development offers a holistic experience to visitors with a range of outdoor activities such as sky jogging track, a fully equipped gymnasium, and swimming pool to be enjoyed amidst AKCC's picturesque surroundings.

These luxury and convenient facilities will further enhance the attractiveness of AKCC while providing property ownership opportunities to visitors.

Further to this, UUM International School Melaka (UUMISM), led by Mr. David Jeong, Founder and President of UUMISM and Mr. V. Gunalan, the former Malaysian Team Coach in 2009 till 2017 will render its support to AKCC by providing specialised golf programmes and educational golf courses which will be made available to visitors.

"IFGC provides property ownership opportunities to its visitors."





NCT & AKCCB inks agreement to boost Melaka's sports tourism sector

Buyers to enjoy 2000 free golf memberships with Ayer Keroh Country Club Berhad.

Leveraging its strengths as a key property developer in Melaka, NCT Group of Companies (NCT Group) aims to boost the development of sports tourism sector in the state. It recently signed up for 2,000 golf memberships with Ayer Keroh Country Club Berhad (AKCCB).

With the ongoing development of NCT's Ion Forte Green City (IFGC) located at Ayer Keroh Country Club, the partnership will enable buyers to enjoy complimentary golf membership with their property purchase.

The signing ceremony was witnessed by the Chief Minister of Melaka, YAB Datuk Seri Utama (Dr.) Hj. Sulaiman bin Md Ali and EXCO Tourism, Heritage & Culture of Melaka and Chairman of AKCCB, YB Datuk Muhammad Jailani Bin Khamis. Also present during the ceremony was Founder and Group Managing Director of NCT Group, YBhg Dato' Sri Yap Ngan Choy; Deputy Chairman of AKCCB, YBhg. Datuk Zainal bin Abu; Director of AKCCB, YBhg. Datuk Ir. Othman bin Abdul Rahim, and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of AKCCB, Datuk Wira Dr Ir Ahmad Zaini Bin Mohd Amin.

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of AKCCB, Datuk Wira Dr Ir Ahmad Zaini Bin Mohd Amin said "We are pleased to embark on this partnership with NCT Group, a well-established property developer, experienced in the revival of abandoned project all across Malaysia.



IFGC's attractiveness lies in its unique location of being on a 23 acre land within AKCC which features a 27-hole golf course. The partnership is set to benefit IFGC buyers as they are not limited to utilise their golf memberships only at AKCC but at other golf courses that are affiliated with us, both locally and internationally. To this end, we are optimistic of the response for this attractive package as we tap into Melaka's potential as a sports tourism destination."

Founded in 1963, AKCC is the first golf club to be established in Melaka and the third oldest golf club in Malaysia with a 27-hole golf course. AKCC is amongst Melaka's flagship, affiliated with more than 60 other golf course in Malaysia as well as foreign countries such as Australia, Thailand, Hong Kong, Indonesia, China and more. Strategically located at the heart of Ayer Keroh, AKCC presents a rejuvenating experience to all golf enthusiasts.

Founder and Group Managing Director of NCT Group, YBhg. Dato' Sri Yap Ngan Choy said "We are honoured to sign on for the membership agreement with AKCCB as this initiative will certainly complement the lifestyle and experience presented by IFGC. The combination of luxurious, modern amenities and lush surroundings of IFGC coupled with its strategic location are essential components of its vision to create a wellness living concept for potential buyers. We are pleased with the progress of the IFGC development thus far and we look forward to the launching of the next few phases.

IFGC is a prestigious development by NCT Group featuring five precincts which consists of luxury serviced residences, wellness suites, club house as well as a lifestyle lakeside retail boulevard. The development is located 10 minutes away from the Ayer Keroh Junction of the North-South Highway and 14 kilometers from Melaka City Center, surrounded by various landmarks and tourist attractions such as Melaka International Trade Centre (MITC), Melaka Zoo, Melaka Planetarium, Dataran Sejarah, Skytrex Adventure, and Seri Negeri Melaka.

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Raya

Hari Raya Aidilfitri is just around the corner! Excitement is building up as the festivity approaches and many families have started decking out their homes with adorable ornaments such as cutesy ketupat and colourful tassels.

Many seem to be geared up for this festive season, but are you really ready to usher in the jolly festivity? How about being prepared for one of the best parts about Hari Raya - extending duit raya?

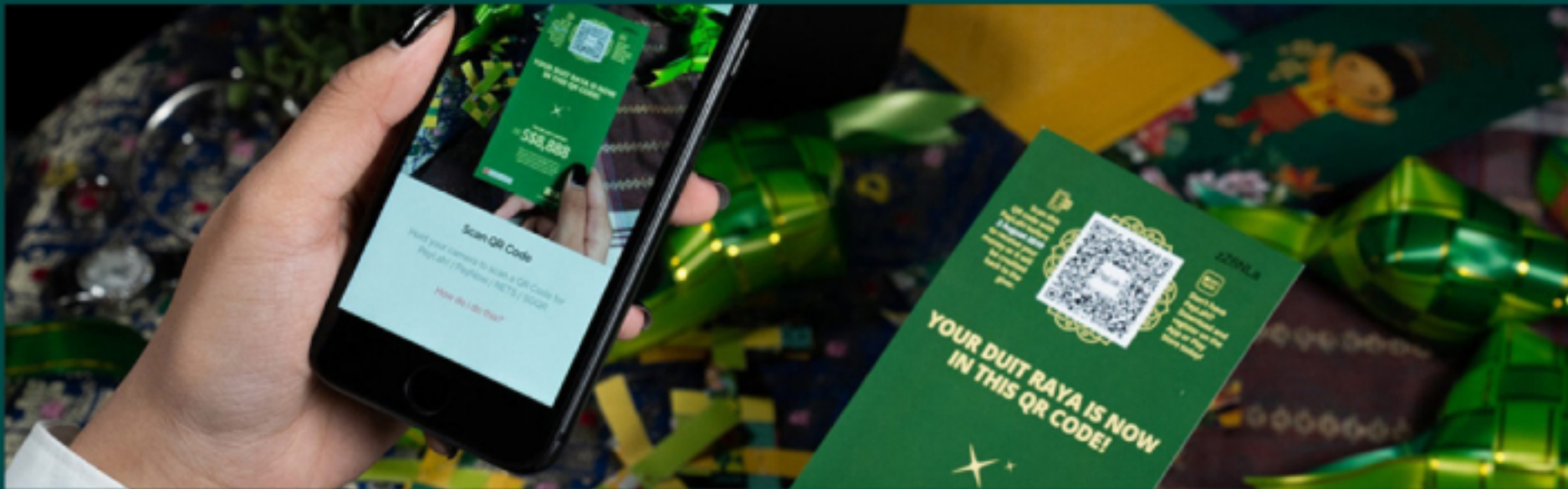
Fret not, we have got you covered! In conjunction with this forthcoming Hari Raya, we are holding a massive Raya Packet giveaway where we are also rewarding you with a chance to walk away with RM10,000 of Duit Raya!

Simply head over to our Facebook page by searching NCT Group of Companies and follow the simple steps to be qualified for the contest. Giveaway is valid until 14th May 2021. Now you have just got yourself a set of Raya Packet and a chance to win RM10,000 of Duit Raya!

May the joy of this festive season light your life with love, peace and hope. Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri!



Raya Packets Giveaway



A DIFFERENT KIND OF EID

LIVELIER CELEBRATION DESPITE PANDEMIC



This year, Hari Raya will look a lot more different than the traditional ways it's been celebrated throughout the years. The new norm of travelling restrictions and strict SOPs - no thanks to Covid-19, means that the usual big family gatherings and visiting traditions are out the window. That does not mean that you can't still celebrate joyfully. We're here to share how you can have an Eid Mubarak a little differently.

Technology is a friend.

The eid morning tradition of asking each other for forgiveness can be done over Facetime or a Zoom call. Technology has made it easier for loved ones far from each other to remain connected, so make full use of it!

Give out E-Duit Raya.

The joyful act of giving and receiving duit raya (money packets), need not stop. Various

banking and e-wallet platforms offers this service. The act is also sustainable and reduces waste of money packets too!

Order your kuih raya and Hari Raya dishes online.

The world is now quite literally at our fingertips. Just because you can't balik kampung doesn't mean you cannot enjoy all the Raya offerings. Lemang, ketupat, rendang and all sorts of kuih raya are available for order and delivery nowadays. Check your local listings and support small entrepreneurs!

// Share your thoughts with us on how you are going to celebrate this Hari Raya Aidilfitri. We would like to know!

**Selamat Hari Raya,
Maaf Zahir & Batin
from all of us at
NCT Group of
Companies.**

**Keep safe, stay
home and have a
blessed Eid with
your loved ones!**



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