



The Sabah contingent.

Police sport meet begins in spectacular fashion

KOTA KINABALU: The eighth edition of the triangular sports meet involving the Sabah, Sarawak and Brunei police contingents began in spectacular fashion at the Universiti Malaysia Sabah sports complex, here Thursday.

More than 400 athletes from the three police departments would be competing in eight events including football, golf, badminton and sepak takraw, among others, in the three-day competition.

Sabah Commissioner of Police, DCP Datuk Mangsor Ismail said the triangular event, which was first held in 1996 in Brunei Darussalam, is an excellent way to foster relations and camaraderie between the three police forces.

He said the competition also augurs well for the aim of each department, which is to have police officers and personnel who are healthy physically, spiritually and mentally.

"I am very pleased to say that since the inception of this event, the response from the Sabah, Sarawak and Brunei police forces has been encouraging and I hope that will continue.



From right: Sarawak CP, Datuk Talib Jamal, Brunei CP, Pehin Datu Kerma Setia CP Dato Paduka Seri Zainuddin Jalani, Mangsor, Bakri and Amin.

"Of course in every sport there will be a winner and a loser. And there might be disagreements or differences but we should not let that stop us from showing what true sportsmanship means and the objective of these games," he said to the three contingents.

Over 200 spectators turned up for the launching at about 3.30pm and were earlier treated to a dazzling fireworks display.

The Sabah contingent was led by chef de

mission ACP Cheong Koon Kock.

Also on hand to witness the opening were Sarawak Commissioner of Police, DCP Datuk Talib Jamal, Brunei Commissioner of Police, Pehin Datu Kerma Setia CP Dato Paduka Seri Zainuddin Jalani, Sabah Deputy Commissioner of Police, SAC I Datuk Bakri Zinin, Sabah Management Head, SAC II Mohd Amin Abdullah and Mayor Datuk Ilyas Ibrahim. — Durie Rainer Fong