UMS nine-a-side open football tournament next month

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will be organising a nine-a-side open football tournament next month.

UMS Sports Centre director Mohd Asyraaf Fong Abdullah said the tournament is among the numerous activities to be held in conjunction with its convocation ceremony.

He said the competition is limited to 32 teams, and will take place from November 26-27.

"It is open to teams from around the state and registration will be based on first come, first served basis," he said.

"The format of the competition will be the Winner's Pool and Loser's Pool categories," he added.

"It is one of the many activities to be held in conjunction with the UMS convocation ceremony, and it is aimed to provide an avenue for interaction between the UMS fraternity and the community through the popular sport of football.

"It is also publicity for the community regarding the convocation," he said, while adding that local sports brand Carino will the main sponsor of the tournament.

"The tournament offers prize money, trophies, medals as well as Carion-branded sports goods.

At the same time, Asyraaf said the annual Tamu Gadang festival too will be ongoing during the tournament where many programmes have been lined up for the visitors.

"We hope the public will join us not only for the tournament but to visit the Tamu Gadang.

For further information on the tournament, contact Azman Soaibah at 016-8207479, Ramlan Rashid at 014-8926342 or Syariah Asilah at 010-9406713.

Interested teams can also register at the UMS Sports Centre. The closing date is on November 22.