

Panaga Outpost Pages Seria, Brunei Darussalam

July / August

Highlights:

- > Royal visit in Kuala Belait
- > Plenty of fun upcoming events!

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Welcome to Outpost

About Outpost Brunei-Seria

Outpost is an information hub for expatriate families in all stages of their posting.

We provide services such as:

- > Meet and Greet for Newcomers
- Networking Events including information mornings and boat trips
- Workshops such as CV Writing, First Aid, How to prepare your move, Wildlife in Panaga, Third culture kids
- Weekly conversational English,
 Spanish and Malay classes

...and much more.

Don't forget to check our Facebook page –Outpost Seria, Brunei – for up to date information.

Contact us:

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or: www.panagaclub.com/outpost

Facebook Group: Outpost Seria, Brunei

Or come visit!

Opening Hours:
Monday to Friday, 9 - 11 am
Please note: each Tuesday the office
will be open for courses only.

Address:

Outpost Brunei - Seria F12 Lapanpuluh A1 Panaga KB 3534

Dear Readers,

Hello again, welcome to the July/August edition of POP.

How have your summer holiday been? I am sure most of you had a fantastic and fruitful vacation. At Outpost, we have been busy too. Mdm. Yinka, Mr. Wijnand and Mdm. Pratibha as recently joined us as our new Outpost Treasurer, Secretary and Event Coordinator. The summer is meant to be occupied with



Celyn Lim Focal Point

new-comers too. We have received more than 10 families to the Panaga camp over the last one month. It is also sad that we had to bid farewell to a number of families, including our Treasurer, Christina and Event Coordinator, Marie.

The highlight of the month would be the honour of the Outpost to be given an opportunity to host a tent during the Ramah Mesra with His Majesty in the Belait district, at Padang Bandaran Kuala Belait. Our expatriate community had their golden moment of close encounter, shook hand and taking selfie with His Majesty and His Princes. On top of that, our interview during that day by the Borneo Bulletin was published on the following day.

Outpost is looking forward to an exciting month of September. Other than the routine meet & greet and relocation information service, we are gearing up our preparation of the Panaga Bazaar, a social event to help us understand the local community organization of Pusat Ehsan. We are raising fund to help the special children of Pusat Ehsan. If you have keen interest, to be volunteer or would like to co-sponsor the event, please feel free to connect our Public Relations, Thamine at outpostbrunei@shell.com.

Lastly, we welcome you back to the Panaga community. Shall you need any assistance, you know where to find us!

Regards Celyn



Royal visit in Kuala Belait

Wijnand Hoitinga Outpost Secretary

Saturday 21 st of July 2018

Also this year the people of Belait district were indulged by a visit of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal BolkiahMu'izzaddin Waddaulah Ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Of Brunei Darussalam. In honor of his majesties 72nd birthday celebration, the beloved royals walked a well designed walkway passing nine separate pavilions. Along the walkway many visitors could share a brief moment with the royal family members and make selfies or give a handshake.

The focal point of Shell Outpost Brunei, Celyn Lim, prepared an area in pavilion five where expatriates could gather and meet while waiting on the arrival of the royals. Celyn came very well prepared, from snacks for the guests to coordinating with the journalists. Her efforts rewarded Outpost with a page in the Sunday Borneo Bulletin!

Most expatriate families arrived early in the morning around nine o'clock, to ensure a position close to the walkway. Around ten, the royal helicopter landed and enthusiastic children went to the landing zone to take a peak; but let's be honest, the parents were certainly thrilled as well and joined them without hesitation. His Majesty and family started their walk in pavilion one. It would take two hours for the royals to arrive at Outpost in pavilion five, and as they approached







Rawah Mesra

one could clearly feel an increasing excitement. Their arrival was preceded by a shock wave of guests and journalists holding (phone) cameras; Everyone trying to take that perfect picture. Although the royals took their time to greet the people, before one realized what just happened, they passed by and moved to pavilion number six where a cake offered by BSP waited to receive its first cut by the Sultan himself. If one was unlucky in receiving a royal handshake or obtaining a selfie, the impressive ten-layer BSP cake was a delicious consolidation. Next year there will certainly be a new opportunity.



Newspaper article in the Sunday edition of the Borneo Bulletin.



The walk-by of His Majesty and two of his sons.



Notice Board

BSRC riding club invites you to TRY HORSE RIDING

with our team

BSRC Riding Club are offering a fantastic 'Come and Try Package'

It includes:

- Assessment (free) and 4 Lessons for the price of 3 (Lesson Type is determined after the assessment)
- > Pony Rides Package \$60 (save \$40!)
- > Lunge Lesson Package \$105 (save \$55!!)
- > Riding Lesson Package \$165 (save \$75!!!)
- > Premium Lesson Package \$210 (save \$90!!!!)



Terms and conditions apply – all riders must be over 7 years old, complete and sign a new member application form (parent complete for 16 years old and under) located on the main notice board at the Riding Club before the assessment date, not have ridden with BSRC in the previous 6 months. This package must be paid upfront before the first lesson by cash. All lessons must be completed within 30 days.





Notice Board

OUTPOST LANGUAGE CLASSES, UPDATE

Malay classes at Outpost will restart on Tuesday, 4th of September and the timing will change as follows: 8.30-9.30 Beginners class, 9.30-10.30 Intermediate class.

PET RE-HOMING

We understand that it is difficult to re-home your beloved pet(s) when you have to leave Brunei. Please contact <u>outpostbrunei@shell.com</u> with your pet posting and we will help you advertise your pet.

Outpost opening hours:

Visit us on Monday, Wednesday - Friday, 9am - 11am

Please note: each Tuesday the office will be open for courses only.

Settling in Sessions

These informal information mornings are held every Wednesday morning, from 9 am until 11 am, at the Outpost office. They are designed to answer any questions regarding relocating to Brunei and settling into the community.

Please register at outpostbrunei@shell.com





Notice Board



Volunteering in and around Brunei

Dear POP readers,

We would like to ask you to share your volunteering experiences in Brunei and the nearby countries: Where have you volunteered since moving here? How did you like it? Would you advise it to other expats? Help your fellow expats find a good cause to support! Please send you replies to Outpost Seria at outpostbrunei@shell.com or to Ksenia Odintsova at ksenia.odintsova@gmail.com.

Be a Guest Speaker at Outpost

Do you want to share your experience of setting up an on-line business? Do you want to help other expats build a portable career? Do you want to inspire others to follow their passions? Be our guest speaker! Outpost is searching for guest speakers who could tell their stories of becoming an expat-preneur!







Share your travel stories!

Outpost is looking for people who would be willing to share their unique and interesting travel stories. If you have visited an unusual destination or even taken part in an exciting activity in a well traveled place we would love to hear from you. Please email Outpost for further information on outpostbrunei@shell.com



Study or Work Space

Are you currently working from home? Do you need a quiet working space away from your house? Which kind of requirements should it meet: Location? Working hours? Internet?

Outpost Seria would like to understand if there is a need for a designated study or work space. Currently the Outpost office is open for you on Friday mornings to come and work or study undisturbed.

Please, send you replies to Outpost Seria at <u>outpostbrunei@shell.com</u> or to Ksenia Odintsova at <u>ksenia.odintsova@gmail.com</u>.



Lauguage Classes

Language classes sponsored by Outpost

Held in the Outpost office, Lapanpuluh 1 (A-B):

English

Hosted by Alvin

Day: Mondays

Time: 10:00-11:00am

Malay

Hosted by Adriana Beginner class:

Day: Tuesdays Time: 8:30 - 9:30am

Intermediate class:

Day: Tuesdays

Time: 9:30 - 10:30am

Spanish

Hosted by Carla

Day: Wednesdays Time: 8.00 - 9.15 am Held in the Annex room at Panaga Club:

English for Amahs

Hosted by Alvin

Day: Friday Evening Time 7:30 - 9:30pm





Brunei Public Calendar 2018

Date	Weekday	Holiday Name	Holiday Type
Jan 1	Monday	New Year's Day	
Feb 16	Friday	Chinese New Year	1st day of lunar month
Feb 17	Saturday	Chinese New Year Holiday	
Feb 23	Friday	National Day	Independence from the UK in 1984
Feb 24	Saturday	National Day Holiday	
Apr 16	Monday In lieu of Sat 14th	Israk and Mikraj	The Prophet's Night Journey and Ascension
May 17*	Thursday	Ramadan begins	
May 31	Thursday	Royal Brunei Armed Forces Day	RBAF formed 1961
Jun 4*	Monday In lieu of Sat 2nd	Nuzul Al-Quraan	Revelation of the Quran
Jun 15*	Friday	Hari Raya Aidil Fitri	End of Ramadan
Jun 18-19*	Mon-Tuesday In lieu of Sat 16 - Sun 17th	Hari Raya Aidil Fitri	
Jul 16	Monday In lieu of Sat Sun 15th	H.M. Sultan's Birthday Holiday	Commemorates the birthday of Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah in 1946
Aug 22*	Wednesday	Hari Raya Aidil Adha	Festival of the Sacrifice
Sep 11	Tuesday	Al-Hijra	Islamic New Year 1440
Nov 20	Tuesday	Maulud	Prophet Muhammad SAW's Birthday
Dec 25	Tuesday	Christmas Day	

^{*} date may vary due to the lunar calendar





September / October Calendar

Outpost Calendar

Saturday, Oct 6th

Outpost presents: Panaga Bazaar

Community Calendar

Saturday, Sept 1st Wednesday, Sept 19nd Saturday, Sept 22nd Saturday, Sept 29th Saturday, Oct 13th Brunei Brit: Brit's a Knockout! Muay Thai Circuit training Panaga Club Festival Bollywood Nite 2018 Flamenco Night



More information can be found on the following pages and on our Facebook page









Living in Panaga-sessions

COVERING:

- PANAGA MEDICAL CENTRE
- > SECURITY ON CAMP
- > ROAD SAFETY





20th of September 8.30 – 10.30am

Sessions will be held quarterly. Recent new joiners will receive an invite from BSP HR Services. A waiting list will be created for current Panaga residents who would like to join the meeting.

Contact outpostbrunei@shell.com for more information





Brunei Brits Presents:





F.U.N Presents:

Panaga F.U.N. (Friends United Network) is a dynamic and fun section under the Panaga Club, which organizes a series of monthly events and activities and its members consists of a group of multi-cultural volunteers. We create opportunities for Panaga community to meet new friends and to catch up with each others. Of course, trying out new FUN things is our motto.

A NEW venture is waiting for you in Sept! FUN Hit & Fit Tour!





Indian Section Presents:



Latino Community Presents:





Emergency Numbers

Government Hot lines (24Hrs)	
Ambulance:	991
Police:	
Fire & Rescue:	
Search & Rescue:	
BSP Emergency Contact Numbers	
BSP Emergency:	337 2999
BSP HQ Security (24Hrs):	337 4292
or	
BSP HSE Duty Security:	
or	
Medical & Health Services	
Ambulance (24Hrs):	337 2200
PHC Reception (Office Hours):	
or	
Dental Clinic (Office Hours):	
Animal And Vector Control (24Hrs):	
Power & Amenities (24Hrs)	
General Building / Civil / Cooker:	875 6053
Air Cond/Fridge:	
Electrical:	
Estate (Tree Cutting):	
Smoke Detector:	
External Sewerage:	
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Housing and Services (24Hrs) Housing:	873 3670
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Camp Services:	0/4 2034



Pauaga Health Centre

Panaga Health Centre Out Patient Department

Service hours

Monday to Thursday 7.00 am - 12.00 pm

1.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Friday 7.00 am - 12.00 pm

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Registration to see doctor

Monday to Thursday 7.00 am - 9.00 am

9.30 am - 11.00 am 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm

Friday 7.00 am - 11.30 am

2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Extended Hours Clinic

Monday to Friday 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm

Location Medical Emergency Response Unit

Saturdays 9.00 am to 10.00 am Location Outpatient Clinic

Sundays and public holidays 9.00 am to 10.00 am

Location Medical Emergency Response Unit



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