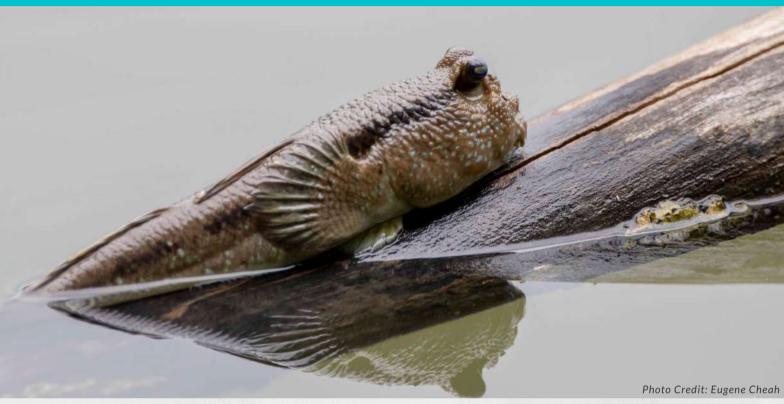
NEWSLETTER

SABAH WETLANDS CONSERVATION SOCIETY



CONTENTS 01 What's Happening 02 Throwback 03 Project 04 Guests' Comments & Upcoming Events 05 KK Wetland Ramsar Site's Membership, Volunteering & Monthly Activities





A Non-Governmental Organization working on Conservation of Wetlands in Sabah

Established on 22 August 2005

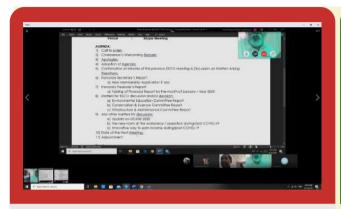
OBJECTIVES

To promote the conserva tion of wetlands in Sabah and the variety of plants, birds and other kinds of organisms found in them.

To raise public awareness and appreciation of wetlands and public involvement in protecting wetlands. To manage Kota Kinabalu Wetland (KKW) as a model wetlands centre for the purpose of conservation, education, recreation, tourism and research.



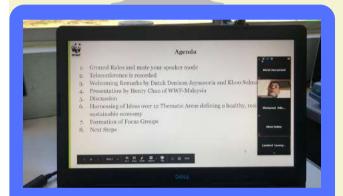
ACTIVITIES PURING RMCO



Monthly SWCS EXCO Meeting on 19 May 2020



Scientific Committee-ISCMW meeting on 27 March 2020



Discussion: A proposal on economic stimulus: Towards a Healthy, Resilient and Sustainable Economy on 04 April 2020



Scientific Committee-SCMW meeting on 10 April 2020



Scientific Committee-ISCMW meeting on 17 April 2020



World Environment Day 2020 meeting with JPAS, LKNS and WWF-my on 21 May 2020

HAPPY LEARNING WITH JESSELTON INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Jesselton International School has been joining our education programmes since January 2019. We wanted to take a moment to thank you for all the support that Jesselton International School shown throughout the programmes. Additionally, we would like to express our sincere admiration to Miss Natalie Ben Arosh and Miss Christine Wong for their amazing efforts! Not forgetting their wonderful students for their hard work and dedication ever since they joined us. On the contrary, we value their parents' for their commitment and their pivotal role in this success.

We have done many education programmes with them such as mangrove tree planting, tree identification, bio monitoring and observation, nursery work, experiments and so much more! Besides learning, we had an amazing time, laughs and lots of fun. We hope more students will develop their passion and love for the environment. Then again, we sincerely wish that we can explore ways and means of continuing to work together again in the future!

Event (World Wetlands Day 2020/20th Aniversary of KK Wetland)









HAPPY LEARNING WITH JESSELTON INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Environmental Education Programme













PROJECT PROGRESS: BANK ISLAM MANGROVE TREE PLANTING PROJECT

Project Start

2014

Project End

2015

Total Funded

RM35, 000.00

Site

Sulaman Lake Forest Reserve

Number of institution

14

Number of participant

180

Number of tree planted

2,200 mangrove trees

Mortality in 2020

10%

The highest tree 2020 (m)

11 ft









DOWN THE MEMORY LANE: KK WETLANDS IN 20 YEARS (PART 1)



Compilation of snippets : What Are Environmental News Happened In March 2020

Amazon Deforestation Rages On Despite COVID-19

Deforestation in the Amazon reaches record highs since April 2008 despite the economic impacts of COVID-19. It is assumed that illegal loggers and speculators are taking advantage of the pandemic to invade indigenous lands and protected areas in Brazil.

https://news.mongabay.com

Sumatran Rhino Program Needs More Viable Females Amidst Reproductive Setbacks

According to scientists, the prevalence of reproductive issues in Sumatran Rhino breeding programs require more fertile females to be captured from the wild. However, capturing healthy, reproductively viable rhinos is a shift from current conservation policies in which they are only to capture and try to breed naturally vulnerable rhinos that are already susceptible to reproduction failure. https://news.mongabay.com

Climate Change to Push Some Species to Higher Elevations

It has been found that some marine animals, such as the Japanese oyster can ingest virus particles as they filter seawater for food and oxygen. Previously, it was unknown that marine animals could impact virus populations.

https://www.sciencedaily.com

Extinct Marine Megafauna to Damage Functional Diversity

Marine megafauna are marine animals that exceed a body mass of 45kg and are said to be the largest animals in the ocean. If these threatened animals such as sharks, whales, and sea turtles were to be extinct, key habitat functions such as consuming large amounts of biomass and nutrient transportation will be severely hindered.

https://www.sciencedaily.com

Wildfires to Change Arctic Watershed

The number of wildfires globally have increased due to climate change, especially in the Arctic. This causes permafrost thaw that may alter the chemistry of streams and be a hazard for humans and the ecosystem. Furthermore, the after-effects of a burn can last up to 50 years and continue to have major implications on vital waterways such as the Yenisei River which flows into the Arctic Ocean.

https://www.sciencedaily.com

Guests' comments

Very good! We love it.
- Vivian Liew and Lisa Liew,
Malaysia





A COLLABORATION PROJECT BETWEEN USM-SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES WITH SABAH WETLANDS CONSERVATION SOCIETY, IN ORDER TO RAISE FUND FOR WETLANDS CONSERVATION DURING THIS COVID-19 PANDEMIC FOLLOW THEM IN IG @WETLANDSQUAD TO FIND MORE INFO



VOLUNTEER **NEEDED!**

Volunteering is good for your heart

> Voluntering for KK Wetland Ramsar Site can be a great fun! If you have passion for the environment or just want to gain more outdoor experiences, this is the appropriate channel. Do not miss the chance! Sign up to be a volunteer now or contact us for more information.



Join our monthly birding activity on every 15th-17th day of the month

03 member

Benefits of being our member

- · As a member, you will be able to participate in members' events and enjoy free entry to Kota Kinabalu Wetlands Ramsar Site
- Eliaible for 50% discount for binoculars rental*.
- Most importantly, you know you are helping this ecosystem to survive and provide essential services to it.



FOR MORE INFO Call us at 088-246955 or drop us an email at swcs@sabahwetlands.org



Join the forces with us and help save our Wetlands by giving donation to Sabah Wetlands Conservation Society.

Bank Transfer to:

SWCS Account No:392-050-779-101 (HSBC)

support us by joining our programmes

1. Environmental Education Programme

- i. KK Wetlands Mangrove Experience Programme
- ii. Mangrove Conservation Experience Programme
- iii. Handcrafting from Mangrove

Environmental Voluntary Work

- i. Nursery Work
- ii. Mangrove Clean-Up

CONTRIBUTORS

Mohamad Nazri Ali Recheal jane Ronnie Mohd Nurazmeel Mokhtar Rita Ignatius

COMPILER

Mohamad Nazri Ali

REDACTOR

Rita Ignatius

