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## Allianz Junior Badminton Championship is Back with New Venues in Sabah, Sarawak and Pahang

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**Kuala Lumpur, 7 July 2023** – The Allianz Junior Badminton Championship (AJBC) which saw its maiden championship take place in 2022, is back this year with additional Qualifying Rounds in Sabah, Sarawak and Pahang, taking the overall number of locations to 10 this year. AJBC 2023 is expected to attract more than 2,500 young badminton talents, 500 more than last year.

Supported by the Malaysian Schools Sports Council (MSSM), the tournament will take place nationwide beginning in July. There will be a three-day qualifying round organised nationwide across 10 locations from July to November, with a four-day Grand Finals scheduled from 16 to 19 November at Stadium Juara, Bukit Kiara in Kuala Lumpur.

Allianz Malaysia Berhad Chief Executive Officer Sean Wang is excited for the return of the competition which now features 3 new venues. “Following last year’s success in attracting young talents across the country, we are geared up to take AJBC up a notch for this year’s championship.” said Sean.

“We’re happy to have Qualifying Rounds in Sabah, Sarawak and Kuantan, which will give many more young players an opportunity to compete in a truly national-level competition. We hope AJBC continues to uncover hidden badminton talents in all pockets of the country and, perhaps, even contribute towards the making of a future star!”

The AJBC will feature four events – boys’ singles, boys’ doubles, girls’ singles, and girls’ doubles – in the Under-13 and Under-15 categories.

AJBC 2023 Grand Finals singles and doubles winners will pocket RM1,000 and RM1,200, respectively. Winners at all ten Qualifying Rounds will take home RM500 with the doubles champion earning RM600.

AJBC 2023’s qualifying round details are as follows:

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Qualifying Round	Date	Venue	Registration Period
1	7 – 9 July 2023	Tops Arena Empire, Kuala Lumpur	16 – 30 June 2023
2	14 – 16 July 2023	Universiti Sains Malaysia, Penang	16 June – 7 July 2023
3	28 – 30 July 2023	Dewan YMCA, Ipoh, Perak	30 June – 21 July 2023
4	4 – 6 August 2023	UNIMAS, Kota Samarahan, Sarawak	14 – 28 July 2023
5	11 – 13 August 2023	Arena Badminton Juara, Putatan, Sabah	21 July – 4 August 2023
6	8 – 10 September 2023	Dewan KBA, Alor Setar, Kedah	18 August – 1 September 2023
7	29 September – 1 October 2023	NS Sports, Iskandar Puteri, Johor	8 – 22 September 2023
8	6 – 8 October 2023	Stadium Negeri, Kuala Terengganu, Terengganu	15 – 29 September 2023
9	20 – 22 October 2023	Synergy Sports Centre, Kuantan, Pahang	29 September – 13 October 2023
10	3 – 5 November 2023	NZ Badminton Arena, Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan	13 – 27 October 2023

More information regarding the Allianz Junior Badminton Championship, visit [www.allianz.com.my/ajbc](http://www.allianz.com.my/ajbc)

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In 2021, Allianz Malaysia won The Edge Billion Ringgit Club (BRC) Financial Services (below RM10 billion market capitalisation) award for the highest growth in profit after tax (PBT) over three years. The Company also bagged the Malaysia International Business Awards 2021 (Life Insurance category) and three awards at the Global Banking & Finance Awards: Insurance Brand of the Year Malaysia 2021; Best General Insurance Product Malaysia 2021; and Best Insurance Social Media Engagement Malaysia

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2021. In 2020, Allianz Malaysia was awarded the Industry Excellence Award for financial services at the MSWG-ASEAN Corporate Governance Awards. The Company also ranked seventh amongst the Top 100 Companies for Overall Corporate Governance and Performance (by Rank) and 16th amongst the Top 100 Companies for Corporate Governance Disclosure (by Rank).

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