Newsmakers
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Dateline: Penang, Malaysia
Aviatron Awards Tender to Success Construction

Standing Tall – the SAM logo prominently displayed at the Aviatron site
Towards a New Frontier - Work In progress

Aviatron (M) Sdn Bhd, which had its Ground-Breaking ceremony in April this year, has awarded a RM30 million tender to Success Construction Sdn Bhd for the construction of its building.

Success Construction started works on the site on 14 June 2011, and the building is expected to be completed by end December this year. A total of six bidders were vying for Aviatron’s official tender, and Success Construction was selected due to its track record and competitive pricing, amongst others.

Principal Architect for the project is Lee Architecture Consultancy and the architectural works is expected to take up to 28 weeks.

For Aviatron, the eagerly awaited “New Frontier” is drawing closer to reality with the initial phase of its building construction.

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SAM Malaysia Holds 17th AGM

SAM Engineering & Equipment (M) Berhad held its 17th Annual General Meeting (AGM) followed by an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) at its premises recently. The Meetings were chaired by Chairman, Mr Loh Chuk Yam, with the Board of Directors, shareholders and other relevant parties in attendance.
Chairman, Mr Loh Chuk Yam, said that he expects an upbeat growth for the Group’s Commercial Business Division, as demand for front-end semiconductor equipment is forecasted to be gaining momentum.

“We are also strengthening our aerospace business through prudently evaluated capital investment programs and acquisitions that shall enhance the competitive edge of the Group,” added Mr Loh.

A Stunning And Macho Night

SAM Malaysia held its Annual Dinner, themed “Stunning And Macho” (SAM Night) at the Matahari Ballroom of Equatorial Hotel recently. The glittering event was attended by 710 employees from across SAM Malaysia, who came dressed as stunning and as macho as they can be.

It was indeed an employees’ night – all the activities, from the Opening Act, Stage Games, SAM Talent Academy, SAM’s Next Top Model and SAM Manhunt were participated by SAM Malaysia staff who showcased their talents.
Meet our stunning ladies....

...and our Macho men
Teamwork Makes the Dream work - the Dinner started with an Opening Act by the Organizing Committee who danced to the song “I Gotta Feeling” popularized by Black-Eyed Peas... we gotta a feeling that tonight’s gonna be a good, good night....

(Left pic) CEO Jeffrey Goh, and his wife, Rosemarie; and VP of HR, Helen Luk and Group HR Manager, Nazry Murat (Right pic) enjoying a pleasant evening at the Dinner.
Champion: SAM Talent Academy.
Meet our Dancing Queens (L to R): Nurasmadatul, Ally, & Rihni wowed the crowd with their energetic dance performance. 1st Runner-up and 2nd Runner-up went to Tan Kok Pin and Mohamad Zulkahar respectively. Both Tan and Zulkahar belted out an upbeat song each. The SAM Talent Academy contest is open to employees to showcase their singing and dancing abilities.
Ladies, scream your hearts out, here come our finalists of SAM Manhunt 2011!

Guys, hold your breath.....who shall Be SAM’s Next Top Model?
The title of SAM’s Next Top Model goes to Elaine Tan, while Lim Yi Ren is the winner of SAM Manhunt 2011.

Dressed to Impress - finalists of Best-Dressed (Male). The Best-Dressed went to Razali Mohd Atar with his rocker outfit (right). Apart from parading on stage, all the Male and Female Best-Dressed finalists had to do a short dance routine on stage as well.
Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the most stunning of all? Finalists of Best-Dressed (Female). Garbed in an elegant cheongsam, Wan Rihni Ruhiza (2nd from left) stole the judges’ hearts and was awarded Best-Dressed for female category.

Lady Luck Smiles on Them – CEO, Jeffrey Goh congratulating the Top Five winners of Lucky Draw. Ong Xi Yi, (left) a machinist from Meerkat Precision, won the Grand Prize of 30g Pure Gold bar. Other prizes in the Lucky Draw include iPads, iPhones, holiday trip to Phuket, cameras, hotel stays, electrical items, and shopping vouchers.
It’s A Durian Party in SAM Malaysia

Durian, the revered and undisputed “King of Fruits” is now back in season!

And SAM Malaysia, located in Penang, a state famous for its durians, celebrated the fruit season by hosting a Durian Party for its employees. Apart from durians, there were a variety of local fruits such as mangosteen, rambutan, mangoes, nangka and longkong.

Let’s take a peek at the Durian Party across SAM Malaysia.....
“Ahh, this is a delicious one, you should try this” said Group HRM, Nazry Murat to CEO, Jeffrey Goh. Happily enjoying the durians at the background is VP of SAM Meerkat, BK Ng.

The Durian maybe a man’s best friend....
But us girls love the Coconuts! VP of HR, Helen Luk and Corporate staff enjoying a get-together at the Party

If we can eat & laugh together, we can work together...
If you want to look macho and impress girls, hold two durians like me, and all the girls will be crazy for you. 😊

**Dateline: Singapore**

**Health Talk at SAM Singapore**

The Health Promotion Board (HPB) recently conducted an educational talk at SAM Singapore on the Prevention of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) and AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

A total of 80 employees participated in the programme, which is an initiative by the HPB to increase awareness of HIV and AIDS as part of its community outreach efforts. Through the programme, employees learnt about the dangers of HIV and AIDS as well as the measures to steer clear of these deadly diseases.

Employees had a fun learning experience as the HPB incorporated a cheerleading performance and interactive games in their talk.
You learn something every day if you pay attention - Ray LeBlond

All the world is a laboratory to the inquiring mind - Martin H. Fischer
NPES scholars join SAM Singapore

SAM Singapore recently opened its doors to four pioneer scholars of the National Precision Engineering Scholarship (NPES) programme to join its workforce. The four, Vinson Ngu, Song Lulu, Chong Lih Jiu and Tan Aik Khuan graduated with a Diploma in Digital & Precision Engineering from Nanyang Polytechnic.

Chong Lih Jiu said he was thankful to be given the opportunity to become a member of the SAM family, and he hopes to put his knowledge and skills to good use and help SAM to become one of the world leading’s aerospace manufacturing powerhouse.

Song Lulu echoes the same sentiment, “I choose to join SAM because it has a world-class manufacturing environment and I am looking forward to improve challenge myself and grow with the Company.”

(L to R) Vinson Ngu, Song Lulu, Chong Lih Jiu, Tan Aik Khuan. Lulu joined the QA Dept while the rest were employed under the Beam Business Group.

The NPES scholarship is awarded by the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) and SPRING Singapore. The scholarship programme aims to develop a new breed of Precision Engineering technologists well-versed in the cutting edge technology and processes such as 3D Mould Design & Plastic Technology, Fixture Design, 3-5 axis CNC Machining, Advanced Metrology & CMM, CAD/CAM/CAE, Rapid Tooling and Shopfloor Monitoring & Scheduling System. This is a move to sustain the precision engineering industry’s competitive edge.
Dateline: Suzhou, China

Dragon Boat Festival with a Good Cause

In conjunction with the Dragon Boat Festival, SAM Suzhou participated in the “2011 ChengShan Program”, on the invitation from the Suzhou Red Cross Society.

This is the second consecutive year of participation for SAM Suzhou in this meaningful event. The "ChengShan Program" aims to raise money to help needy students obtain financial funding to complete their studies.

Row, row, row your boat, gently down the stream – two employees of SAM Suzhou were in a dragon boat named “Chengshan” (Boat No. 2) which means sincerity and mercy.

This year, SAM Suzhou donated RMB10,000 towards the programme and as a token of goodwill, two employees of SAM Suzhou, Chen Song Lin and Yao Ji Zu, both from Production Dept, were given the opportunity to take part in the Dragon Boat race held on June 6.
In addition to the contribution, SAM Suzhou also took up a booth in the “Love Charity Sale” event held on the same day. Employees donated the “merchandise” for sale at the booth, netting in a total of RMB 631, which was channelled to the Educational Fund of Suzhou Red Cross.

Welcome to the SAM Suzhou booth – the charity sale was organized by the Communication Committee and HR Department. “This festival was so joyful and meaningful for us!” said Qian Jian Hua who is the Communication Committee leader of SAM Suzhou.
The merchandises sold at the SAM Suzhou booth proved to be a hit. All items were donated generously by employees of SAM Suzhou in support of the worthy cause.

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**Departmental Badminton Competition**

More than 70 employees took part in SAM Suzhou’s Departmental Badminton Competition held in April this year at Soochow University Stadium, Dusu Lake Campus.

Organized by the HR Department and Communication committee of SAM Suzhou, the competition was a team event, and each department sent a team to compete in the men's singles, women's singles, mixed doubles, and men’s doubles categories.

Teamwork was put into play as the four-hour match saw a total of eight teams, including one from SAM Meerkat (Suzhou) competing for the championship.
SAM Meerkat (Suzhou) emerges as the Champion in the closely fought Departmental Competition. The team is seen here with the 1st and 2nd runners-up. Well Done & Congratulations to all!

Individuals score points, but teams win games

- Zig Ziglar