



Fruitful day: Unimas vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Khairuddin Ab Hamid (left) visiting one of the stalls at the Graduate Colloquium and Language Carnival.

Unimas Graduate Colloquium and Language Carnival a big success

KOTA SAMARAHAN: The first-ever Graduate Colloquium and Language Carnival organised by the Centre for Language Studies (CLS) of Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (Unimas) was a big success.

Held on Wednesday and Thursday as part of the university's 20th anniversary celebration, it attracted a large crowd and it was an eye-opener for many of them.

A series of activities were held. Exhibition booths showcasing CLS' language courses became the main attraction for visitors as language quizzes and games allowed them to go home with not only knowledge but prizes too.

There were also traditional games, khat and calligraphy workshops, and video presentations of past student performances.

Exhibitors who took part in the event included established names such as the Sarawak British Council, Edition 99 Sdn Bhd,

OurYouth.my, and Sarawak Bloggers Association.

In addition, the attendance of representatives from the Sarawak Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and radio cross-overs by Red FM brought colour to the event.

Event-goers were also seen queuing for the free drinks sample by Indocafe in the morning.

Meanwhile, CLS post-graduate students presented their research at the language colloquium.

The Best Presenter award was won by Oshodi Boluwaji, who presented "Morphological Variability among Second Language Learners: Investigating the Failed Functional Feature Hypothesis and the Missing Surface Inflection Hypothesis".

The success of this inaugural event shows that CLS is one of the crucial players in Unimas' student growth and research development.