



Firdaus (right) and MNCF Cycling For All committee member Marzuki Mustapha with their bicycles.

ALMOST 30 local cycling groups nationwide have pledged their support for Ride For Malaysia so far, said the Malaysian National Cycling Federation (MNCF).

MNCF's Cycling for All Community Bureau chairman Firdaus Arshad said the groups would send over 550 of their members for the event.

He anticipated the number to increase as the date of the event drew nearer.

"We (MNCF) fully support this event, as it focuses on maintaining a healthy lifestyle among Malaysians, using cycling to connect us all," Firdaus said.

He said MNCF had promoted the event to the various cycling clubs it was in contact with, and had gotten warm support from many of them.

"A lot of them really like the idea of cycling for unity and for a better Malaysia. Most of them see cycling as a group activity, so it's a good way to foster harmony," Firdaus said.

"Another factor is the prize money.

They say it's not common to find an event with such attractive prizes on offer!"

He added that MNCF would help Ride for Malaysia's organisers in technical and safety aspects, as well as coordinate with the police and local authorities.

Among the groups that agreed to take part are the Tekas Cycling Team, Endurance Cycling Team, the Keton Cycling Team, the Ampang Cycling Team and Obit Cycle Team.

Groups coming from out of state include the Papatih Cycling Team (Negri Sembilan), Putrajaya Cycling Team, the Procell Cycling Team (Terengganu), Kayuh Gerek Kedah cycling team, and the KotaSAS cycling team from Pahang.

There would also be representatives from the police force, Kuala Lumpur City Hall, Petaling Jaya City Council and Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia.



Star Media Group Bhd Account Servicing manager Kamariah Noor Omar (left) and Hew with the Honey Cheese flavoured Mister Potato crisps.

2,400 cans of crunchy snacks await cyclists

CYCLISTS taking part in the Ride for Malaysia 2017 can look forward to getting Mister Potato chips in their goodie bags to munch on after the ride.

Mamee-Double Decker (M) Sdn Bhd is sponsoring 2,400 cans of Honey Cheese flavoured Mister Potato crisps, one of the first sweet variance of chips from the brand.

The company's senior brand manager Hester Hew Ve-Han said the spirit of the ride coincides with their intent of bringing Malaysians together.

"I think cycling has become a very popular sporting event in recent years and through Ride for Malaysia, we can bring cyclists together.

"We tend to neglect sports and other healthy activities in our hectic lives, especially when we are busy with work, but an event such as this can give people a reason to participate and mix around with others with the same interest.

"As a local brand, we are proud to support local events such as Ride for Malaysia," she said.