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Children taking part in a colouring contest session at the event

Ampang Jaya residents showing off their dancing skills during a zumba session at the first car-free day in Ampang Jaya.

— Photos: LOW LAY PHON/The Star

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Residents happy to have event taking place closer to their neighbourhood

THE first car-free day in Ampang Jaya was held recently, much to residents' delight.

Some 1,000 people, mostly families living around the surround-ing areas walked, cycled and even roller-skated around the Padang Perbandaran MPAJ in Jalan Pandan Utama.

For about three hours, the 3km route along the usually busy area was cordoned off to traffic.

Pandan Indah resident Shaffie Hamzah, 45, and his three children were seen snapping family photos as they walked around the area.

"We have been participating in

the Kuala Lumpur car-free morn-

ing for the past two years.

"It is a nice change to be able to do this near our neighbourhood instead," he said, adding that it felt safer for his children

that it felt safer for his children with the smaller crowd.

Siti Junaida Siti Ramli, 16, hoped there would be food trucks in the next edition.

"With food trucks, at least my friends and I can hang out after cycling and enjoy the atmosphere," she said.

The car-free day was organised by the Ampang Jaya Municipal (MPAJ) and will be held on the second Sunday of each month.

MPAJ deputy president Hasrolnizam Shaari said the pro-gramme was part of the council's continuous efforts towards becoming a low-carbon munici-

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"As this is our first attempt, we will conduct a post-morten to get feedback from residents on how we can improve the pro-gramme.

"We hope Ampang Jaya resi-dents will continue to support the activities," he said.

Other activities during the event included colouring contest, archery, zumba, and recycling activities.



The area was closed off to traffic, allowing participants to cycle, walk and even roller skate with ease.



MPAJ deputy president Hasrolnizam Shaari trying his hand at archery. — Photos: LOW LAY PHON/The

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