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MEDIA RELEASE

To News Editors

NSMEN SWAM 21,898 LAPS TO BREAK SINGAPORE RECORD FOR MOST NUMBER OF LAPS SWAM IN SIX HOURS AT SAFRA SWIM FOR HOPE 2012

SAFRA Swim For Hope 2012 has earned a place in the Singapore Book of Records for the most number of laps swam in six hours. More than 320 NSmen and swimming enthusiasts helped clocked a total of 21,898 laps to raise funds for the Children's Cancer Foundation.

Organised by SAFRA Tampines for the second time, the amazing record was set earlier this afternoon, Sunday, 7 October 2012 inspite of an hour-long shower at the start of the event.

A total of \$20,000 was raised and the funds will help facilitate the continued provision and improvement of various programmes and services for the Children's Cancer Foundation beneficiaries and their families.

This year, the Hydro Chain Challenge was introduced for the very first time to promote bonding among NSmen, recognising their efforts and contributions to National Service. A total of eight teams battled it out at the swimming pool to see which team could retrieve and don on the Singapore Armed Forces Number Four Uniform in the fastest time possible. The challenge was a great test of teamwork between the team members, allowing them to foster greater ties and bond with each other.

Mr Tommy Ang, Club Manager of SAFRA Tampines, commented: "We are heartened by the overwhelming response to this charity event and would like to thank NSmen and their friends who have participated for their efforts and hard work. Through this event, we hope to have encouraged NSmen to come together for a day of fun, engaging in friendly competition while challenging their fitness and endurance at the same time, all while doing their part for charity."

The event was graced by CPT (NS) Andy Tan Heok, Chairman of SAFRA Tampines Executive Committee. The top three swimmers who swam the most number of laps walked away with more than \$440 worth of prizes.

Please refer to the following attachments for more information:

- Annex A – Fact Sheet

About SAFRA National Service Association

SAFRA was formed in 1972 to provide for the social and recreational needs of NSmen and their families through quality sports, social, educational and cultural programmes to recognise NSmen for their contributions to National Defence.

SAFRA currently has a network of four clubs conveniently located in Jurong, Mount Faber, Tampines and Yishun; the oldest SAFRA club located in Toa Payoh is being redeveloped and is due to open by October 2012. Complementing the modern facilities at SAFRA clubs is a host of quality membership benefits and activities specially packaged for over 200,000 members and their families.

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**SAFRA SWIM FOR HOPE 2012
SUNDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2012**

FACT SHEET

REGISTRATION FEES

Category	Fees (per person)
SAFRA member	\$10.70
Non-member	\$16.05

PRIZES

Category	Prizes
Top 3 swimmers (completed most number of laps)	Top three swimmers will each receive prize worth \$440, including a Soleus watch, Trophy and a pair of CEP Compression Tight.

CHILDREN'S CANCER FOUNDATION

For more information, visit www.ccf.org.sg.

SPONSORSHIP

	Company	Cash Sponsorship
1	Lee Foundation	\$10,000
2	Tote Board	\$2500
3	Castillon Security Pte Ltd	\$100
4	Ramky Cleantech Services	\$1,500