

Volunteers clean up Bukit Lalang

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BUKIT LALANG in Broga near Semenyih was given a clean-up by 160 volunteers from UCSI University, Everfit Yoga Centre and Outdoor Team Building Centre last Sunday.

Event organiser Dr Yap Heng Kai said some 100kg of rubbish was collected from the hill by the volunteers.

He said this was the first time such an effort had been initiated to clean up the popular hiking spot.

"The idea of clearing discarded items on the hill came about when a group of women from Everfit

Yoga Centre voiced their concerns about the cleanliness of the area.

"There are discarded cigarette butts at the hilltop which is a fire hazard. The area is overgrown with lalang and last September, there was a fire," he said.

"We want to create awareness among the hikers who frequent Bukit Lalang and reduce the

amount of garbage that are brought along with them."

He said food containers, empty water bottles and even shoes were among the rubbish that were strwn all over the trail.

Following the success of the clean-up, more will be organised once every three months, he added.



Caring lot: The volunteers with the rubbish collected after the clean-up effort.