



THE CHAMPIONS AND BRIDESMAIDS: HELP University College (all red) with runners-up UCSI (red with white sleeves) and third placed INTI University College (blue).

HELP win Mapcu badminton

HELP University College retained the Malaysian Private Colleges and Universities (Mapcu) inter-team badminton tournament with a 3-1 victory over University College Sedaya International (UCSI) in Cheras recently.

Twelve teams - Help, ICSJ, TCHT, Sunway, IMU, APIIT, UCSI, HICT, Nottingham, Inti, Nilai and Metropolitan - took part, with three in each group and the top teams advancing into the semis.

All the teams played the best of five categories to decide the winners.

However it regrettable to see that teams who

were already leading 3-0 giving away the remaining matches or the losers opting to give a walkover.

Help brushed aside Nilai University College 3-0 in the semis, while UCSI overcame Sunway University College.

Help team manager, Christopher Pereira was in jubilant mood after his team emerged champions.

"I'm very delighted as this is my first title since I was given the task to take charge of sports from the previous manager.

"It is also our first title in the Mapcu games

this year. We have failed to win honours in chess, scrabble, table-tennis and football.

"This Saturday there is the squash tournament which will be hosted by IMU," added Christopher Indonesian Tommy Gunawan and Wilson Tan stole the thunder in Help's bid to win the title. Both of them downed their opponents with a clinical display of badminton.

Tommy, studying for a Diploma in Business Studies, was impressive and he, according to Christopher, was a protégé of Indonesian star Taufik Hidayat. - BY KAMARUZAMAN AHMAD