



PSAS DISPATCH

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Dr. Jezie A. Acorda delivering his lecture to the participants of the PSAS 2013 1st Outreach: PSAS Writeshop on Research Design and Scientific Writing at the Avalon Beach Club, Sta. Ana, Cagayan (Photo by MBBejo)

PSAS GC warmly welcomed in Region 2 for 1st Writeshop Series

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In celebration of its 50th anniversary, the Philippine Society of Animal Science (PSAS) held its first outreach program for the year, the “PSAS Writeshop on Research Design and Scientific Writing”, on February 15 and 16, 2013 at the Avalon Beach Club, Sta. Ana, Cagayan. The event commenced with an opening prayer led by Ms. Girlie May Acorda and was followed by the welcome remarks of PSAS Immediate Past President Dr. William C. Medrano. Dr. Maricel Campañano of the Department of Agriculture-Regional Field Unit 2 (DA-RFU 2) introduced the participants who came from state universities and DA offices within the region. The brief opening program, which was hosted by PSAS GC member Dr. Flomella A. Caguicla and Dr. Judith Tattao, also of DA-RFO 2, ended with the presentation of

the writeshop’s rationale, objectives and house rules by PSAS Vice-president Dr. Rosalina M. Lapitan.



Participants of the PSAS 2013 Outreach at Sta Ana, Cagayan (Photo by MBBejo).

Two main topics were presented in the writeshop proper: “Scientific Writing for Publication” and “Research Design” with Philippine Journal of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (PJVAS) Editor-in-Chief Dr. Jezie A.

Acorda and PSAS Secretary Veneranda A. Magpantay serving as resource speakers, respectively. The two esteemed UPLB professors were also instrumental in the drafting of the manuals used in the writeshop, which featured simplified discussions and exercises on scientific writing and research design. Other PSAS Governing Council (GC) members who served as facilitators in the writeshop were PSAS treasurer Dr. Nenita L. De Castro, Dr. Ma. Cynthia R. Oliveros, Dr. Michelle Grace V. Paraso and Dr. Mafeo B. Bejo, who also documented the event with his reliable SLR camera.

Initially a brainchild of Dr. Acorda, the writeshop was developed by the PSAS GC to assist its members in various regions of the country in designing research and in creating publishable scientific articles with the hope of increasing paper submissions not only to the PSAS annual scientific convention but also to its affiliated journal, the PJVAS. The successful conduct of the writeshop in Cagayan was made

possible through the laudable efforts of Dr. Geronima G. Ludan, current PSAS President and Chief of the Livestock Division of the DA-RFU 2, and the PSAS Cagayan Chapter.



Dr. Geronima Ludan and Dr. Rosalina Lapitan, 2013 PSAS President and Vice-President, respectively recognizing a participant in the writeshop (Photo by MBBejo)



Smiling faces of participants and 2013 PSAS governing council members (Photo by MBBejo).