Dedy cool silences Perak

KUALA LUMPUR — Dedy Ariyadi Jumaidi turned hero for underdogs Malacca as they bagged the 53rd TNB Tun Abdul Razak Cup Division One crown with a 1-0 win over defending champions Perak.

Dedy’s 30th minute goal at the National Hockey Stadium in Bukit Jalil yesterday came off a deflection from Firdaus Omar’s shot outside the circle, beating national No 2 goalkeeper Roslan Jamaluddin.

This is Malacca’s third Razak Cup victory, having won the title in 2005 by beating Johor 2-1. In the 2009 final, they defeated the Project 2013 team by the same score.

Malacca received RM10,000 for winning champions while Perak, who were aiming for a third back-to-back title, took RM7,000. Third placed Kuala Lumpur received RM5,000.

They edged Johor 3-2 on penalties after the third-fourth playoff match finished 2-2 in regulation time.

Syamim Yusof gave KL the lead in the third minute but Johor went 2-1 ahead with field goals from Syafiq Zain (28th) and Faiz Helmi Jali (56th). Harvinder Singh then struck to take the game into a shootout.

In the Division 2 final, former national player Baljit Singh scored a hattrick as Police defeated Selangor 6-2 to gain promotion to Division 1 next year.

For their efforts, Police took RM5,000 while Selangor received RM3,000.