

Seoul Sisters Trade Mud for Makeup

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PHOTOS BY PENELOPE BROOK AND KATRIN GUETE

Seoul Sisters' rugby club members exchanged mud for makeup recently as they overcame modesty and posed for the club's annual calendar.

The club's fourth to date, the calendar is one of its major fundraisers and helps to pay for ground fees, uniforms and balls.

There will be a different look about the 2011 calendar. The club has teamed up with photographers Penelope Brook and Katrin Guete again this year and the overall mood of the photos is different.

Photographer Penelope Brook said the girls had a clearer idea this year of what they wanted, and opted to use props in the photos like rugby balls, jerseys, and boots.

She said the aim is to always get the best shot for each girl, and one she is comfortable with.

"Women often have a very clear idea of how they view their body. They understand what they like and don't like about it. Therefore, a good place to start is by asking them a few questions - what don't you like about your body? What do you like? What don't they want to show and so forth," she said.

Club member Bridget Tunnicliffe, who was also in last year's calendar, said it was a fun experience. "It's always a bit nerve [redacted] you feel really comfortable. And compared to last year when it was completely nude, we used props and sometimes clothing this year. I think the calendar is more sporty this time and has a fun feel to it," she said.

Penelope Brook said some of the girls came prepared and knew just what type of pose they wanted to do. "Most of them were spot on. If they don't, we try a few poses based on what we as photographers want to try by looking at the girls shape and see if the image we have in mind will work for her body type."

For Emilie Godefroid, who has been with the club for over two years, she saw it as a rare opportunity to have a professional photo taken.

"It's not every day you get to be part of a photo shoot and it's something I can keep for myself. I think the resulting calendar is going to be pretty stunning," she said.

The launch of the 2011 calendar will be held at Berlin Bar in Itaewon on Dec. 4 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.. For any inquires or to order a calendar email: seoulsisters827@gmail.com.





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