

# Newly-paired Mun Yee- Dhabitah aim to prove themselves

VETERAN diver Leong Mun Yee is happy that the spotlight is not on her.

But that has not stopped the 33-year-old from quietly hoping for a medal of her own in the 10m synchro event when the diving competition starts at the Optus Aquatic Centre today.

Mun Yee will team up with Nur Dhabitah Sabri but all eyes will be on Olympic silver medallists and World Championships bronze medallist Pandelega Rinong and Cheong Jun Hoong to deliver the goods.

Mun Yee, who is in her fourth Games appearance, believes she and her 18-year-old partner cannot be overlooked.

"Pandelega-Jun Hoong are the focus in the 10m synchro while Dhabitah and I are just the other pair," mused Mun Yee.

"It's going to be a tough as all the divers are ranked in the top three.

"My partnership with Dhabitah is quite new and this is our first year diving together.

"But we are doing the same degree of difficulty as the others and are hoping for the best."

Mun Yee-Dhabitah will also compete in the 3m springboard synchro today.

"It'll be a challenge because the weather here is cold, windy and hot at the same time," said Mun Yee, who has only trained in 3m synchro for three months.

"I'm excited to get started but I'll keep my focus," she added.

The other Malaysians in action today are Ooi Tze Liang, Ahmad Amsyar Azman and Mohd Syafiq Puteh in the men's 1m springboard individual.

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