

Time Out



Iwaki City Monthly Event & Information Guide

Festivals & Events

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29th July-7th August: U-15 Baseball World Cup @ Iwaki Green Stadium (Joban), Nambu Stadium (Nakoso) and Taira Baseball Stadium. Iwaki's first major international sports event is coming to Iwaki. 12 nations and regions including the host nation, Japan, will take part in over 50 matches during the weeklong tournament. Entry to all venues is free. For a detailed schedule including all matches and venues, visit:

<http://static.wbsec.org.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/Official-Schedule-WBSC-U-15-Baseball-World-Cup-2016-Iwaki.pdf>.

Official website in English: <http://www.wbsec.org/tournaments/2016-u15-baseball-world-cup/>.

3rd-4th August: Iwaki Leg of the 1000km Relay to Tokyo @ route from Kaiseizan Athletics Track to Aquamarine Park. Although applications to run in the relay are closed, you can still help cheer on the runners along the Iwaki leg of the course. On the 4th August, the runners will start from Aquamarine Park at 9:15am and make their way to Ibaraki Prefecture. For inquiries, please email info@1000km.jp.

6th August: Iwaki Fireworks Festival @ Aquamarine Park. From 7-8:30pm. The Iwaki Fireworks Festival is one of the largest fireworks festivals in the Tohoku Region, with over 20,000 individual fireworks arranged alongside music. This year is expected to be on an even larger scale to coincide with Iwaki City's 50th Anniversary celebrations. For inquiries, please contact the Iwaki Fireworks Festival Action Committee: TEL 0246-53-5677.

6th-8th August: Taira Tanabata Festival @ Taira Shopping District. From 10am-9:30pm (until 9pm on the 8th August). The main shopping streets of Taira will be decorated with Tanabata decorations. Stalls offering food and selling festival goods will also line the streets. For inquiries, please contact the Taira Tanabata Festival Action Committee: TEL 0246-25-9151.

8th August: Iwaki Odori @ main street in front of Iwaki Station. From 4:25-8:40pm. The main leg of the Iwaki Odori attracts thousands of dancers and spectators, with people dancing along the main street in various groups. For inquiries, please contact the Iwaki Odori Action Committee: TEL 0246-44-6545.

9th August: Sumo Wrestling Summer Tour @ Iwaki City General Gymnasium, Taira. From 8am-3pm. To coincide with Iwaki's 50th Anniversary celebrations, there will be a Sumo Wrestling Tournament held in Iwaki. Ringside seating from ¥13,000-¥14,000. Pair seating from ¥20,000-¥24,000 for two people. Other seating including balcony and wheelchair seating from ¥4000-¥8000. Various seating conditions also apply. To reserve a ticket, you must directly purchase at the information desk of Alios. For inquiries, please contact the TUF Project Planning Division: TEL 024-531-8815.

13th-15th August: Iwaki Kaiten Yagura Bon Odori Festival @ area in front of Uchigo Station. From 1-9pm on the 13th, 4-9pm on the 14th and 5-9pm on the 15th August. Held every year during the Obon period in Uchigo, this festival features a giant rotating tower known as Kaiten Yagura and anyone is free to dance around the tower. For inquiries, please contact the Iwaki Kaiten Yagura Bon Odori Action Committee: TEL 0246-26-1256.

20th August: Natsugawa River Lantern Floating Festival @ lantern floating: Heishin Bridge, fireworks: Natsugawa Riverside; Taira. From 6-8:30pm. Lantern floating is from 6:40pm and Fireworks are from 7:45pm. For inquiries, please contact the Natsugawa River Lantern Floating Festival Action Committee: TEL 090-7791-0201.

21st August: Iwaki Global Citizens' Festival @ Taira Central Park (in front of Alios). From 11am-4pm. Held at the same time and venue as the Alios Park Festival, this festival includes booths where you can make your own solar panels, charity bazaar and various international themed booths. For inquiries, please contact the Iwaki International Association: TEL 0246-22-7409.

21st-22nd August: Hula Girls Koshien (competition) and Exhibition Show @ Main Hall, Alios (21st August) and Spa Resort Hawaiians (22nd August). From 12pm (doors open at 11am) on the 21st and from 10am on the 22nd August. 25 high schools across Japan will compete in this annual Tahitian dance competition. The school performances and guest performances as well as the awards ceremony will be held at Alios. The winning school will then perform at Spa Resort Hawaiians on the following day. Tickets can be reserved in advance or purchased on the day. Ticket prices are ¥1500 for 1st floor seating and ¥1000 for 4th floor seating. For tickets, please contact the Alios Ticket Centre: TEL 0246-22-5800 (closed Tuesdays). For details, visit: <http://www.hula-girls.net/>.



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*The following event information may be subject to cancellations or changes. Before attending any events, please confirm with the event sponsors in advance.



Iwaki Hospital Guide



The following is a guide to hospitals open on Sundays and public holidays in Iwaki City during August and early September

August Guide

Sunday 7 August

Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Taira Area	Shiga Seikeigeka-Geka (orthopaedics & surgery)	9-12	23-5050
Onahama Area	Fukaya Jibiinkoka (ear, nose & throat)	9-5	58-1187
Nakoso Area	Nakoso Hospital	9-5	65-7755
Joban Area	Hisa lin	9-5	43-2313
Onahama Area	Shiga Kodomo Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	58-5505

Thursday 11 August

Onahama Area	Yamaguchi Seikeigeka (orthopaedic surgery)	9-5	29-7000
Tono Area	Komatsu lin	9-5	89-2041
Joban Area	Tokiwakai Joban Hospital	9-5	43-4175

Sunday 14 August

Onahama Area	Muraoka Sanfujinka lin (obstetrics and gynaecology)	9-5	92-4578
Nakoso Area	Kushida Hospital	9-5	63-3202
Joban Area	Iwaki Yumoto Hospital	9-5	42-3188
Joban Area	Iwaki Kusakidai General Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	28-1145

Sunday 21 August

Taira Area	Yamaguchi lin	9-5	24-1811
Onahama Area	Kashima Hospital	9-5	58-8010
Nakoso Area	Kojima Jiai Hospital	9-5	63-5141
Joban Area	Kato Naika Clinic (internal)	9-5	72-0072
Nakoso Area	Mori no Kodomo Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	38-7227

Sunday 28 August

Taira Area	Endo Clinic	9-5	35-3533
Onahama Area	Iwaki Central Clinic	9-5	53-3511
Nakoso Area	Kureha General Hospital	9-5	63-2181
Joban Area	Sakamoto Naika Ichoka Clinic (internal and gastroenterology)	9-5	72-2022
Taira Area	Watanabe Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	25-1170

Counselling Service for Foreigners

Yoriso Hotline (Helpline for Foreigners): Consultation service available in Japanese, English, Korean, Tagalog, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese and Thai. Available languages vary depending on time. Are you having a problem with your visa, nationality, family, work, everyday living, discrimination, domestic violence, confinement or human trafficking? Please call us about any problem you may have. Your privacy will be protected.
Free. TEL: 0120-279-226. Mon-Fri, 10am-10pm.

TELL Lifeline: TELL is a professional non-profit organisation that provides counselling to English-speaking foreigners all over Japan. The lifeline is staffed by highly trained volunteer phone counsellors and provides free, non-judgemental and confidential phone counselling and information 365 days a year from 9am - 11pm.

TEL: 03-5774-0992. For more information, check out their website at <http://www.telljp.com> or e-mail them at admin@telljp.com.

Safety and Consultation Centre for Women (Police Box in front of Iwaki Station): For consultations related to women's safety. Free. Can only speak Japanese. 10am-6pm daily.

TEL: 0246-25-9344.

September Guide

Sunday 4 September

Taira Area	Shimada Ganka lin	9-12	22-1677
Taira Area	Yamaguchi lin	9-5	24-1811
Onahama Area	Ishii Noshinkei Geka Ganka Hospital (neurosurgery and ophthalmology)	9-5	58-3121
Nakoso Area	Yabuki Hospital	9-5	63-1818
Joban Area	Yoshinari Naika (internal)	9-5	42-2220
Onahama Area	Kodomo Clinic Suzuki (paediatrics)	9-12	56-6336

Sunday 11 September

Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-5	46-1231
Onahama Area	Izumi Central Clinic	9-5	56-6677
Nakoso Area	Kureha General Hospital	9-5	63-2181
Joban Area	Iwaki Yumoto Hospital	9-5	42-3188
Taira Area	Wakamatsu lin (paediatrics)	9-12	22-3838



Legal Consultations:

Iwaki City Hall provides free general legal consultations. Scheduled days are as listed on the calendar; however these are subject to change. Please contact City Hall (Hometown Revitalisation Division TEL 0246-22-7438) and confirm the date, time and place. Reservations are required for consultations.

For Iwaki City Council of Social Welfare consultations (held at the Social Welfare Centre), please contact 0246-23-3320.

Emergencies

Emergency Dental Care

All emergency dental care will be provided at the **General Health and Welfare Centre** (*Sogo Hoken Fukushi Senta*) in Uchigo.

This centre is open on Sundays and all national holidays from 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm. The reception closes at 3:30pm.

For more information please contact the centre on 27-8620.

*15th-16th August: 9am – 12pm, 1pm – 4pm
(reception closes at 3:30pm)

After Hours and Holiday Emergency Treatment Centre

(Located in Iwaki Kyoritsu Hospital)

If you need to see a doctor urgently in the evening or on a weekend or public holiday, the **After Hours and Holiday Emergency Treatment Centre** is open at the following times:

Weekdays: 8pm - 12am

Saturdays: 8pm - 7am (next day)

Sundays: 1pm - 12am.

Public Holidays: 9am - 12am.

*Obon holidays, 13th August: 9am - 7am (next day)

14th-15th August: 9am - 12am

TEL: 27-1208

Please make sure whenever possible to bring a Japanese- speaker with you when visiting the hospital in Iwaki.

Emergency Contact Numbers

Police: 110

Fire & Ambulance: 119

Children Emergency, First-Aid Telephone Consultations

The Fukushima Prefecture Children Emergency, First-Aid Telephone Consultation Centre (*Fukushima-ken Kodomo Kyukyu Denwa Sodan*) is a free telephone service that provides professional advice when your child has become sick during the night. This telephone service is available in Japanese only.

TEL: 024-521-3790 or #8000

From 7pm to 8am.

AUGUST 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Onahama Marine Festival Shitoki Dam Festival	The 3rd WBSC U-15 Baseball World Cup 2016 in Iwaki			Golfish Hand Catching Contest	Iwaki Odori (Onahama) Yappe Odori (Yumoto)	Taira Tanabata Festival Iwaki Fireworks Festival Taira Jangara Performances
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Taira Tanabata Festival The 3 rd WBSC U-15 Baseball World Cup 2016 in Iwaki (finals game & closing ceremony)	Iwaki Odori <i>3rd Place Finals: From 10am Finals Game: From 2:30pm Venue: Iwaki Green Stadium</i>		10 Free Legal Consultations (City Hall)	11 Mountain Day 		Kaiten Yagura Bon Odori
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Kaiten Yagura Bon Odori La La Mew Janagara Performance	Ueda Summer Evening Citizens' Bon Odori	Yotsukura Respose of Souls and Revival Fireworks	17 Free Legal Consultations (City Hall) Yumoto Onsen Great Costume Bon Odori and Fireworks	18 Lac lâm Thai		20 Natsuigawa Lantern Floating Festival
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Iwaki Global Citizen's Festival Hula Girls Koshien (competition)			24 Free Legal Consultations (City Hall) Très bien	25 Primary and JHS Opening Ceremonies Lac lâm Thai		27 Musueum Night Horuru Event
28	29	30	31	Sep 1	Sep 2	Sep 3
Museum Night Horuru Event IIA Indonesian Cooking Class						

IIA Custom-made Plans

	Très bien – Inquiries to Yamazaki-san 090-1934-0506
	Yu no Hanakai – Inquiries to Ohba-san 0246-42-2135
	Nihongo no Kai – Inquiries to Suzuki-san 0246-62-3218
	Lac lâm Thai - Inquiries to Nakano-san 090-2881-4433
	Please confirm the event date with the relevant representative if you're participating for the first time

From the Editor

It has been a pretty busy time of year in the lead up to the U-15 Baseball World Cup. Now that it's the summer break, it's the perfect time to go to the stadium and support your favourite team. If you're not quite familiar enough with baseball, there's no need to worry as there are plenty of other events and festivals going on this month (too many to include all of them in this edition of Time Out!).

It has also been one year since I came to Iwaki. I'm quite amazed when I think about how many things I have done in such a short period of time. Whilst I and most of us JETs move onto our next year in Iwaki, some people will unfortunately be leaving soon. So I'd like to wish you a safe trip back home and all the best for whichever road you decide to take in life. I hope you'll come back and visit Iwaki again sometime too!

