Minamiboso Events Calendar

English Version、November 2014

Check out these events going on in the heart of Minamiboso

November 1

2014 Mineokayama Open Base Event

The 2014 open base event is the 59th anniversary of the founding of the Mineokayama Sub-Base.

Details TBA.

November 1, 3, 8, 15, 22, 24, 29

Feed Baby Cows

Want to feed milk to cute newborn calves? You can do just that at the Chiba Dairy Village on Saturdays and holidays in November.

When you're holding a baby bottle, the calves will come right to you! This is an experience that young children and their parents can share. Please take advantage of this is a rare opportunity.

When: ① 10:00AM ② 2:00PM

Capacity: 3 participants each time (Priority will be

given to those with reservations.) **Fee:** ¥500 per person

Length: About 20 minutes

Where: Chiba Prefecture Dairy Village, Maruyama **Contact:** Phone: 0470-46-8181 Fax: 0470-46-8182

Email: info@e-makiba.jp

Open Hours: 9:30AM-4:30PM

*Closed on Mondays, unless Monday is a holiday.

*The feedings may be canceled without notice.

November 1-3, 22-24

Resort Awa Train

The Resort Awa Train, which runs each season, will make one roundtrip from Hamakanaya Station to Awa Kamogawa Station each day for six days this November.

Onboard the train there will be an exhibition by local photographer Shizuyoshi Kawae. You will also be able to buy local Awa Beer, whale croquettes, and *biwa* citrus fruit products along the way at Chikura Station.

You can always look forward to a unique experience onboard the Resort Awa Train!

Price: The cost of a regular train ticket (Seat reservations are an additional ¥520)

Reservations: Seat reservations can be made up to one month in advance. Tickets can be purchased on the day of the event.

For more Information: (Japanese only) Flyer



November 1

Experiencing Forest Therapy (For the Public)

In the spring of 2014, Minamiboso was certified as a "forest therapy site." "Forest therapy" uses the scientifically verified healing power of taking walks in the woods.

There will be two types of activities to let the people of Minamiboso experience what it means to be a forest therapy site. One is for the general public and the other is aimed toward the tourism industry.

Dates:

Public- November 1, December 6, January 31 Tourism- November 4, December 9, January 22

Who Should Attend: Healthy people over 20 years old (for public event) and people who work in tourism (for tourism industry event).

Fee: ¥100 per person

Meeting Place: Taibusa Misaki Nature Park public

parking lot Information Center

Time: Check-in: starting at 9:15AM

Event Starts: 9:30AM

Ends: 12:00PM

Participant Limit: 10 each time. Please make a

reservation.

What to Bring: something to drink while walking, clothes and shoes that are easy to move in, rainwear, and a backpack

*Activities are the same each time.

*Will still take place in light rain, but will be canceled in the event of stormy weather.

Reservation: At least 5 days in advance

Contact: Minamiboso Taibusa Misaki Children's Nature House. 299-2404 Minamiboso City

Tomiura-cho Tadara 1212-23

Phone: 0470-33-4561

November 1-3

Autumn Harvest Festival

There's an Autumn Harvest Festival at the Furari Roadside Station!

For all three days, Mr. Tsuruta from the Aomori Roadside station will be selling apples and grapes. See the Hakkeijima Mobile Aquarium on the 1^{st} . On the 2^{nd} , hear the annual mini concert by the Texas Wranglers, see their target practice, and more. You can also look forward to seeing the cosmos flowers starting to bloom.

And of course, there will be lots of tasty food to eat.

Where: Roadside Station Furari in Tomiyama

Phone: 0470-57-2601

November 2

Flea Market

There will be vendors selling children's clothing, books, hats, and much more. Maybe you'll find a good deal.

When: November 2. Starting at 10:00 AM

Where: Behind Hanamaru Market at Rosemary

Park, Maruyama

Contact: Rosemary Park Information

Phone: 0470-46-2882

November 2

Miyoshi Night Festival

The festival is divided into a daytime portion and a nighttime portion.

There are so many things to see: the festival band, various taiko performances, shamisen and cheerleading performances, hula and hip hop dance, and more!

After the night portion there will be a gorgeous fireworks show.

There will also be plenty of food to enjoy.

Time: 11:00AM-9:00PM

Where: Roadside Station Miyoshi Hina no Sato

Phone: 0470-36-4116

November 7-9

2014 Minamiboso Sazanami Film Festival

The Minamiboso Film Rockets, a non-government city-planning organization, are holding the first Minamiboso Film Festival.

Because the southern Chiba area does not have any movie theaters, Minamiboso citizens and people from nearby areas alike are welcome at this festival.

14 films in all will be shown over the 3 days of this event.

Tickets are on sale at Miyazawa Book Store and Family Restaurant Michibataya.

When:

Friday, November 7 - 7:30PM to end of first night activities

Saturday, November 8 – open at 10:00AM, films from 10:30AM to end of last film

Sunday, November 9 - open at 10:00AM, films from 10:30AM to end of last film

*There will be a party starting at 9:00PM on the 11/8

Price: 1 day: ¥1,000 2 days: ¥1,500 (there are also free-to-enter screenings)

*Please make reservations for the party on 11/8.

Where: Tomiyama Public Hall, Minamiboso

Contact: Minamiboso Film Rockets

Phone: 090-4924-9292

November 8

Minamiboso Twilight View Marathon

Come to the Iwai coast to enjoy watching a competitive marathon and a beautiful view of the setting sun.

When: November 8. 1:00-6:00 PM

Participants Expected: 600 (online entries)

Where: Tomiyama, Iwai Coast (Minamiboso City)

Hosted by: The Japan International Open Water

Swimming Association, with support from the

Minamiboso Tourism Association

Contact: The Twilight View Marathon National

Secretariat

Phone: 0120-846-598



November 8

Tateyama Sunset Walking

Come and take a leisurely walk with the citizens of Tateyama. This event promotes staying active and healthy, as well as appreciating the beauty of Tateyama.

When: 2:30-5:00PM

Meeting Place: Tateyama Yuuhi Wharf (next to

Nagisa no Eki Tateyama) **Cost:** ¥100 per person

What to Bring: a small towel, a drink, a hat, etc.
*It will get dark near the end of the walk, so please
wear bright clothing for safety.

Application: Apply directly to the Sports Division, by fax, or by post card. Include address, name, age, and phone number.

*Participants must be able to walk 5 kilometers.

*Children of elementary school age and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

Contact: Tateyama City Board of Education Sports Division. 294-8601 Tateyama City, Hojo 1145-1 Phone: 22-3696 Fax: 23-3115

November 8, 22

Children's Shogi Dojo

Twice every month, the Shogi (Japanese chess) Club holds a "Children's Shogi Dojo" to teach this traditional game.

When: November 8 and 22 1:00PM–3:30PM

Where: Tateyama City Community Center,

Learning Room #1

What: Shoqi Dojo: 1:30-3:30PM

Beginner Classroom: 1:00-2:00 PM

Instructors: Tateyama City Central Public Hall

Shoqi Club members

How to Apply: Apply directly at the venue.

Who Can Apply: Elementary School students and

up (including Adults)

Contact: Tateyama City Central Public Hall, Event

Promotion Section

Phone: 0470-23-3111 Fax: 0470-22-6560

E-mail: kouminkan@city.tateyama.chiba.jp

November 9

Searching for my Town's History -Hojo-

Discover history firsthand while exploring the Hojo district with an illustrated map.

*Will continue in light rain. Will be rescheduled for November 22 in the event of a storm.

*Wear clothes and shoes that are easy to walk in.

Time: 1:00-4:00PM

Meeting Place: Tateyama Community Center

Parking Lot #2

Course: Community Center parking lot > (1) Ebisu Shrine > (2) Kontai-Ji > (3) Shinmei Shrine > (4) Kaizou-ji > (5) Raifuku-ji > (6) Nagasuka Urajuku > (7) Nagasuka Omotemachi > (8) Kumano Shrine > Community Center parking lot

Application Deadline: November 3

How to Apply: Apply to the Tateyama City Museum Main Building by phone or email. If applying by email, please include your name, phone number, address, and age.

Fee: ¥50 (for insurance and materials)

Access: The Tateyama Culture Festival is going on at the same time and the parking lot will be full. Please come by bicycle or mass transit if possible.

Contact: Tateyama City Museum, Arts and

Sciences Section (Main Building)

Phone: 0470-23-5213 Fax: 0470-23-5213 Email: hakubutukan@city.tateyama.chiba.jp

November 14

Sing and Learn Children's Songs

Come and learn songs that have been passed from parent to child for generations. We will also have fun reading picture books together.

Anyone is welcome, including babies, young children, pregnant women, and anyone with an interest in singing these songs.

When: November 14. 10:30-11:30AM

Where: Tateyama City Library, meeting room **Contact:** Tateyama City Library, Management

Section. 1740 Hojo, Tateyama

Phone: 0470-22-0701 Fax: 0470-22-1533 E-mail: tosyokan@city.tateyama.chiba.jp

November 15, 29

Lectures on the Awa Region

Researchers studying the Awa region will be giving easy-to-understand lectures in 2 different fields related to Awa. These fields and their associated museums are: "Awa History and Culture" from The Tateyama City Museum, and "Life by the sea on the Boso Peninsula" from the Shoreline Museum.

Lecture Topics:

15- "Early Modern Times in Awa as Seen in Travel Diaries"

29- "Cultural Transition Seen through 120 Years of Forest Research"

When: November 15 and 29. 1:30–3:30PM **Where:** Shoreline Museum (Annex of the City Museum), Umibe Hiroba Lecture Room

Fee: ¥200 per lecture

Attendees: 60 (first come, first served) **Contact:** Tateyama City Museum, Arts and

Sciences Department (Main Building)

Phone: 0470-23-5212 Fax: 0470-23-5213

E-mail: hakubutukan@city.tateyama.chiba.jp

November 21-30

Special Event: Three Temples Open to Public

See Buddhist statues and carvings at Komatsu-ji, Mano-ji, and Ishidou-ji, three temples that are ordinarily closed to the public.

There will also be an festival for viewing autumn leaves at Komatsu-ji Temple on November 30.

Entry Fee: ¥300 to each temple (You will receive a

free commemorative postcard.)

Hours: 9:00AM-4:00PM

Where:

Komatsu-ji (Minamiboso, Chikura Oonuki 1057)

Mano-ji (Minamiboso, Kubo 587) Ishidou-ji (Minamiboso, Ishidou 302)

Contact: Komatsu-ji – Phone: 0470-44-2502

Mano-ji – Phone: 0470-46-2590 Ishidou-ji – Phone: 0470-46-2218



Komatsu-ji Temple's famous autumn leaves

November 21, 22

Physical Fitness Health Check

The Physical Health Fitness Check is an event by the Tateyama Board of Education. In this day and age, we know a lot about health and problems such as Locomotive Syndrome. This event is an opportunity to check on your own physical health and see how you rank in your age range.

Where: Tateyama City Gymnasium

When: 6:45-9:00AM (Check-in stats at 6:30)

Cost: ¥100 per person

Contact: Tateyama Board of Education, Sports

Division, Sports Promotion Section

Phone: 0470-22-3696

November 23

Takabe Shrine New Crop Thanksgiving Festival and Knife Ceremony

Takabe Shrine is famous for its Knife Ceremony, in which a skilled chef prepares various fish with only a knife and chopsticks, never touching the food with his hands. Because this tradition has been performed since the Heian period, the practitioners still wear traditional robes and lacquered hats. The solemn ceremony transmits Japan's ancient cooking traditions across time to the present day.

When: Festival starts at 11:00AM Ceremony starts at 12:00PM

Entry: Free

Where: Takabe Shrine (Minamiboso City, Chikura

Town, Minami-Asaina 164)

Transportation: Take the Nitto Bus Line from Chikura Station (on the JR Naibou Line) toward Shirahama. Get off in front of Sekiya Hospital, and

it is a 10-minute walk to the shrine.

Contact: Takabe Shrine Office

Phone: 0470-44-5625

November 23-30

Komatsu-Ji Temple Illuminated Autumn Leaves

Come see a lit-up nighttime display of autumn leaves at Komatsu-ji Temple, a spot famous in southern Chiba for its changing colors in fall. Entry is free.

Where: Komatsu-ji Temple, Chikura, Minamiboso

Contact: Minamiboso Tourism Division

Phone: 0470-28-5307



November 30

The 6th Minamiboso Local Goods Festival

Buy fresh produce and seafood, specialty goods from our sister city, and snacks and refreshments. See special attractions and performances.

Adults and children alike can enjoy this day of fun.

More details to come. **Time:** 9:30AM-3:00PM

Where: Chikura

Contact: Local Industry Festivals Planning

Committee – Phone: 0470-44-1331

November 30

Taibusami Campers' Lunch #2 [Shirahama's Satomi Pork]: Charcoal-Cooked Burgers and Bread!

Minamiboso is blessed with so much delicious food. Join us at Tabisa Misaki Nature Park to cooking one of those tasty foods over a fire. Whether you are camping there or just dropping by, everyone is welcome.

The Menu:

Campfire grilled Shirahama Satomi Pork burgers on handmade buns!

What is Satomi Pork?

Satomi Pork is produced in the Shirahama region of Minamiboso. The pigs, who lead completely stress-free lives, are raised lovingly on wide open land. What makes the meat special is the sweetness imparted by the pigs' diet of grains, including wheat, corn, and potatoes. You will get a handmade burger made with a luxurious Satomi Pork patty nestled inside bread baked on-site in a Dutch oven.

Time: 10:00AM-3:00PM

Who: Anyone

Where: Taibusa Misaki Nature Park, Minamiboso,

Tomiura-cho, Tadara 1212-29

Price: ¥2,000 for middle school students and up. ¥1,500 for elementary school students and below (must be accompanied by a quardian).

Reservation: Required.

Call the Taibusa Business Center

Phone: 0470-33-4551



November 30

Minamiboso Gender Equality Seminar

The theme of this Minamiboso gender equality seminar is "Nurturing Our Local Treasures Together ~Raising Children and Grandchildren with a Smile~"

Time: Check-in: 1:00PM Seminar: 1:30-3:10PM

Capacity: 100 participants (First come. first served by application.) Free child care (6 months up to school age) provided for first 10 to apply (deadline is November 18).

Participation Cost: Free

Program:

Lecture 1: About "Tateyama City Genki Plaza"

activities.

Lecture 2: About Treasure Box (NPO)'s Activities Conversation: "Raising Children in this Region." A talk between the two lecturers

Where: Wada Community Center

Presented by: Chiba Prefecture Gender Equality Local Promotion Group (Minamiboso Region),

Chiba Prefecture Gender Equality Center

Contact: Minamiboso Civic Collaboration Division

Phone: 0470-33-1005

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Megane-Bashi Illumintation

The area around the Megane-Bashi Bridge is lit up every year. The lights come on at sunset and give the historic bridge a atmosphere different from most nights.

Where: Shirahama, Minamiboso

Contact: Tourism Promotion Division

Phone: 0470-33-1091



A Christmas-themed gel candle. Try making your own!

Ongoing Events:

Through March 31

Craft Classroom

Try your hand at making these items yourself at the Chiba Dairy Village.

Ice cream - ¥700

Gel candles - ¥1,100 – 1,600

White cow dairy products - ¥1,000

Wall hangings - ¥540

Reservations: Required Hours: 10:00AM-3:00PM

*Depending on the individual and the craft being made, the time to make an item can vary from about 30 minutes to 1 hour.

*The Craft Class may be cancelled on certain days due to other events. Please check in advance.

Where: Chiba Prefecture Dairy Village, Maruyama

Phone: 0470-46-8181

Through November 30

Hiking from the Station

Hike around the Chikura district starting and ending at the train station. Along the way you will see Takabe Shrine, the only shrine in Japan dedicated to the gods of cooking, and visit other shrines and temples where you can see carvings of famous people who once called Chikura home. Come and enjoy the special charms of Chikura, Minamiboso.

Fee: Free

Time: Any time from 9:00AM to 6:00PM

Reservation: Not needed. Come directly to the

Chikura Tourist Center to check in.

Phone: 0470-44-3581

Through November 3

Dairy Village Art Exhibition

Artwork by elementary school students from around the Awa region will be on display in the Multipurpose Hall at the Dairy Village Museum until November 3. The two themes, both focused on dairy farming, were natural scenery and scenes of people working. The students' pictures featured people interacting with animals, white cows and goats, and local landscapes. In total, there were 263 entries from 22 schools.

With the help of local Maruyama painter Chiaki Katou, 131 pieces were selected for awards and put on display. Some of the distinctions given were Dairy Village Center President's Prize, the Dairy Village Prize, the Award for Boldness, the Award for Most Beautiful, the Award for most Elegant, and more.

Admission: Free

Hours: 9:30AM-4:30PM. Closed on Mondays (If Monday is a holiday, will be closed on the previous

weekday)

Contact: Chiba Prefecture Dairy Village

Phone: 0470-46-8181

Address: Minamiboso City, Ooi 686



Some prize-winning entries