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## CFAY Hosts Navy Awesome Café to Foster U.S.-Japan Friendship

Story and photo by Eryn Navarro, CFAY Public Affairs

The Japanese Media Relations division of Public Affairs at Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) hosted Navy Awesome Café June 24, 2025. The event brought 21 participants together for a morning of games, conversation and cultural exchange.

The group was comprised 11 U.S. Sailors, six Japanese civilians and four members of the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF). Participants engaged in icebreaker games, shared stories and learned about each other's customs and traditions.

Navy Awesome Café was introduced in 2016 as a way for U.S. Navy personnel and Japanese locals to connect. Nine years later, the program remains popular and continues to grow.

Kyoko Sugita, CFAY community relations specialist, kicked off the event by leading a round of charades. The group quickly erupted in laughter as volunteers acted out prompts like “a rush hour train car causes you to miss your stop” and “an American at an onsen (hot spring) for the first time.”

“The first game is tough for Japanese people,” said one Japanese participant who asked to remain anonymous. “We talked about how hard it is for us to step forward or stand out. Maybe it’s just a cultural thing – but it was funny to notice that!”

Participants later broke into small groups to discuss a range of topics. U.S. Sailors asked about Japanese customs and daily life, while Japanese attendees were curious about how the Americans were adjusting to life in Japan.

Some participants relied on event organizers to assist with translation.

“We encourage all interested Japanese persons to attend Navy Awesome Café, even those who don’t speak English,” Sugita said. “Many of them believe they will never have the chance to communicate with American service members, but we are here to support and facilitate those conversations.”

Every 15 minutes, participants rotated tables and changed conversation partners.

“Each group had a totally different vibe – some super energetic and others more relaxed,” said the anonymous Japanese

participant.

As attendees grew more comfortable, discussions became livelier. People shared photos of their pets and talked about favorite sports teams as new friendships began to form as the event progressed.

As the event wrapped up, participants took selfies and exchanged contact information.

“The feedback from both Japanese and U.S. service members is always excellent,” said Kazuyuki Takagi, CFAY information and editorial specialist. “By the end, people are less shy and excited to talk, learn more about each other and establish friendships.”

This session was especially notable due to the participation of members of the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF). It provided a valuable opportunity for JMSDF and U.S. Navy personnel to connect on a personal level. Events like this play a vital role in strengthening the U.S.-Japan alliance.

Navy Awesome Café, the most popular exchange event, is part of CFAY’s ongoing community engagement efforts to deepen the mutual understanding and strengthen relationships between U.S. Navy Sailors and the local Japanese community.

For more information visit <https://cnrj.cnmc.navy.mil/Installations/CFA-Yokosuka/>



***Sailors talk to Japanese nationals and Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force members during Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka’s (CFAY) Navy Awesome Cafe.***



# TCCOR

DEFINITIONS  
RESPONSES  
GUIDELINES

**TCCOR 4**  
DESTRUCTIVE WINDS  
POSSIBLE WITHIN  
**72 hours**



**STOCK UP**

- water
- food
- supplies

**TCCOR 3**  
DESTRUCTIVE WINDS  
POSSIBLE WITHIN  
**48 hours**



**CONDUCT**  
general clean up

**CHECK**  
emergency kits  
and fuel

**TCCOR 2**  
DESTRUCTIVE WINDS  
POSSIBLE WITHIN  
**24 hours**



**SECURE**  
outside items



**TCCOR 1**  
DESTRUCTIVE WINDS  
ANTICIPATED WITHIN  
**12 hours**



All nonessential  
activities **SHOULD** be  
discontinued.  
Commanders may  
curtail activities.  
DODEA close

**FINAL CHECK**  
food and emergency  
supplies

**TCCOR 1**  
**EMERGENCY**

DESTRUCTIVE WINDS ARE  
OCCURRING



All but emergency  
personnel remain  
in quarters.

**DODEA**  
**REMAIN CLOSED**

**TCCOR 1**  
**RECOVERY**



Destructive winds are no  
longer occurring or  
forecasted to occur but  
hazards may exist from  
typhoon aftermath.  
Nonessential functions  
remain closed, until All  
Clear is established. All but  
emergency personnel  
remain in quarters.

**DODEA**  
**REMAIN CLOSED**

**TCCOR**  
**STORM WATCH**



High winds may include gusts  
exceeding 50 knots and/or  
sustained winds meeting  
TCCOR-1 C criteria. The storm  
is also close enough to the  
area that a heightened alert  
status is necessary in order to  
rapidly establish elevated  
TCCOR conditions.  
Nonessential functions  
remain closed, until All Clear  
is established. All but  
emergency personnel  
remain in quarters.

**DODEA**  
**REMAIN CLOSED**

**TCCOR**  
**ALL CLEAR**

THE STORM IS OVER

The storm is over and not  
forecasted to return and  
recovery efforts are  
complete.



**RESUME**  
normal activities  
**BEGIN**  
general clean up

## CPR Training, Basic Life Support, Baby Sitting Basics, and Mindful Movement

### CPR/AED/First Aid Course

- Thursday July 31, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Thursday Aug. 7, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Thursday Aug. 21, 1 to 4 p.m.

### Basic Life Support

- Thursday July 24, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Thursday Aug. 14, 1 to 4 p.m.

### Baby Sitting Basics

- Sunday July 13, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Monday Aug. 4, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Mindful Movement - Family and Adult only class (Free class. No referral needed)

Learn movement, breathing and relaxation techniques.

- Email your class request at least two weeks in advance. [Yokosuka@redcross.org](mailto:Yokosuka@redcross.org)

**Classes may be added based on community need and instructor availability.**

**All classes are Blended Learning Courses with an online and an instructor led classroom skills session. To register, email: [Yokosuka@redcross.org](mailto:Yokosuka@redcross.org) with the class and preferred date/time. You will receive a payment link and be asked to send your receipt in order to guarantee a spot in the course. Enroll today!**



**American  
Red Cross**





## Effective Resume Writing: Federal

July 24  
9:00 a.m.  
VIRTUAL

This Federal Resume Workshop will include an overview of resumes used for federal positions found on USAJobs.gov.

Learn how to tailor and optimize your resume toward a specific vacancy or type of federal occupation.

Registration Required:



243-3372



FFSCinfo@us.navy.mil

Yokosuka Child & Youth Programs Present  
the Missoula Children's Theatre in ...

# Robin Hood



MISSOULA  
CHILDREN'S  
THEATRE

A PRODUCTION OF MCT, INC.

August  
4 - 8

Auditions are Monday August 4 at KHS Little Theater. Open to students that are entering first grade (completed kindergarten) through 12th grade. Performances will be Friday, August 8 at KHS Little Theater. For more information call the CYO Office at DSN: 243-4079 or 046-816-4079 or contact the School Liaison Officer at MWR\_Yokosuka\_School\_Liaison@us.navy.mil



Child and Youth Programs



MISSOULA  
CHILDREN'S  
THEATRE

A PRODUCTION OF MCT, INC.



## ZUSHI-HAYAMA TOUR

Tour Guided by: Jazmin Zeman & Darlene Hernandez-Purvis

Registration  
Required!

July 25th 1000-1400  
Meet at Ikego-FFSC Office

- Intro to local transportation
- Explore Morito-Damyojin Shrine
- Discover Zushi area shops & groceries
- Shop Kamegaoka Shrine flea market



For more information, please call 243-3372 or email FFSCinfo@us.navy.mil



## Become a Family Child Care (FCC) Provider

Some advantages of being a FCC Provider are:

- Independent work environment; work from your own home
- Great source of income while saving you the expense of childcare
- Free promotion, advertising and referrals
- Free monthly training and CPR / First Aid training
- Low cost liability insurance & on-site assistance and advice
- Assistance with Child Development Associate Credential
- A job that moves with you and certification that is transferable
- Take the next step! Complete an FCC Provider interest form at <https://militarychildcare.csd.disa.mil/sms/registration/register#>



For more information call 241-2978 or 046-896-2978 or 070-1201-7944 or contact MWR\_YOKOSUKA\_FCC@us.navy.mil



Child and Youth Programs





## WIC OVERSEAS

WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN OVERSEAS  
YOKOSUKA OFFICE

The WIC Overseas Program provides several important benefits to help you and your family lead healthier lives.

Program services are provided to eligible participants living overseas:

- Active Duty Military & their Dependents
- DoD Civilian Employees & their Family Members
- DoD Contractors & their Family Members

Those who may be eligible for the WIC Overseas Services include:

- Pregnant women—during pregnancy & throughout the first 6 weeks after giving birth
- Mothers—until the infant is 6 months if bottle feeding or age 1 if breastfeeding
- Infants & children—until the end of the month in which they turn age 5 years

The WIC Overseas Program provides participants & their families with important benefits, including:

- Nutrition & health screenings
- Nutritious foods- Redeemable food checks called "drafts," which can be redeemed for specific foods and quantities in overseas commissaries
  - Tips on how to prepare balanced meals
- Access to other resources that help families lead healthier lives

Contact your local WIC Overseas office to determine if you and your children are eligible for the WIC Overseas Program!

*\*Families who did not qualify in the U.S. might qualify overseas!*

**YOKOSUKA OFFICE HOURS:**  
MON - FRI 0730-1600

DSN: 243-9426  
JPN Phone: 046-816-9426  
US Phone: 011-81-46-816-9426



## PRIME RIB *Night*

**CPO Club**      **Club Alliance**  
Tuesdays • 4 - 8 p.m.      Thursdays • 5 - 9 p.m.  
**Officers' Club**  
Last Thursday of each month • 4 - 8 p.m.

## MONGOLIAN BBQ

**Officers' Club**  
Tuesdays • 5 - 8 p.m.

**CPO Club**  
Wednesdays • 4 - 8 p.m.

**SATISFY your HUNGER!**



Indulge your appetite at one of our

## BRUNCHES

**CPO Club**  
Saturdays • 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Officers' Club**  
Sundays • 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Club Takemiya**  
Sundays • 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.



# Mt. Fuji

## Online Safety Brief

<https://www.navymwryokosuka.com/recreation/mt-fuji-climbing-season>

Interested in climbing Mt. Fuji? Our Mt. Fuji online safety briefing is designed to prepare you, and make your hike up Japan's highest mountain a memorable experience! After completing this mandatory safety brief, print out the certificate and bring it to Outdoor Recreation Center to sign up for Mt. Fuji trips.

## Mt. Fuji Day Hikes

What a story to tell back home! Trek, climb, and taste the victory of climbing Japan's tallest mountain, an absolute must-do when visiting Japan! The hike begins at Mt. Fuji's 5th station and challenges even the fittest and most experienced hikers. Bring ¥4000 for admission fee and extra yen to purchase a Fuji Stick and/or stamps for your stick. Minimum age is 10 years old.

**July: 19 & 26**

**August: 2, 9, 23, & 30**

**\$80 / person • \$60 / Blue Jacket**

## Mt. Fuji Sticks

Head over to Outdoor Recreation Center and purchase a Fuji Stick branded with our very own stamp to start your journey.



For more information, please call 046-816-5732.

# FUJI YOSHIDA FIRE FESTIVAL



## TUE. 26 AUG. 26

Named one of Japan's Three Most Unique Festivals, the Yoshida-no-Himatsuri has long mesmerized spectators who come from far and wide to witness the towering torches set ablaze along the main thoroughfare in the heart of the city.

It is an autumnal festival held on August 26 & 27 every year at Kitaguchi Hongu Fuji Sengen Shrine and Suwa Jinja Shrine to mark the end of Mt. Fuji climbing season.



# CPO CLUB



## Monday | T-Bone Steak 4 - 8 p.m.

Premium choice T-bone steak charbroiled to your preference served with bread, choice of side and vegetables. **\$45**



## Tuesday | Smoked Prime Rib Night 4 - 8 p.m.

Juicy hickory smoked prime rib seasoned to perfection, cooked to your liking and served with hearty vegetables, soup, baked potato and garden salad. **\$19**



## Wednesday | Mongolian BBQ 4 - 8 p.m.

A huge variety of meats, vegetables, sauces, soup, pancit, steamed rice and fried rice. Limited menu also available. **85¢ per ounce.**



## Thursday | Texas Style Smoked Brisket 4 - 8 p.m.

Juicy and tender, melt in your mouth brisket, slow cooked and smoked to perfection with our blend of spices. Served with pulled pork, white bread, and your choice of side. **\$12.50**



## Friday | Garlic Shrimp w/ Coconut Rice 4 - 8 p.m.

Plump and juicy shrimp served in a delicious garlic butter sauce. This Hawaiian staple is served with coconut rice and fresh vegetables. **\$8**



## Saturday | Brunch 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

An all-you-can-eat buffet that includes a breakfast section, special carving stations and Japanese food station. Reservations not required but highly recommended.



## Bartending Flair Show\*

Daily • 7 - 9 p.m. • CPO Club Cove Bar (Authorized patrons only)  
CPO bartender will be providing dynamic and exciting experiences while making cocktails.



## Cruise Inn

Monday - Friday • 6 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Closed on Saturdays, Sundays & Holidays  
Fuel your day from our delicious breakfast menu on the go.

For details call 046-816-5506. Bon Appétit!

\*The Department of the Navy does not endorse any company, sponsor or their products or services. Drink responsibly. Do not Drink and Drive.

# SUMMER POOL HOURS

## Green Beach Pool\*

Now - Aug 17

### Lap Swim Only

Monday, Tuesday & Friday • 6 - 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday & Thursday • 6 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Recreation & Lap Swim

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday  
9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday & Thursday • Closed

## Ikego Pool\*

Now - Aug 17

### Recreation Swim

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday  
9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
Monday & Tuesday • Closed

## Purdy Pool

Closed for maintenance until August 17.

## \*After August 17

Green Beach and Ikego Pools will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekends only through Labor Day.

Schedule is subject to change.

# Takanami Curry Day

JULY 25

Officers' Club • CPO Club • Club Alliance\* • Club Takemiya



**\$6**

PER PLATE

A delicious curry collaboration between our JMSDF partners and MWR featuring curry, vegetables and crispy chicken katsu over steamed rice.

Available at all MWR clubs. \*Not available for delivery.

# Green Bay Marina

**JULY 26**

## ASA Safe Boating Course

This one day powerboat handling course will teach the skills necessary to maneuver a powerboat confidently, competently and safely in tight spaces. Successful completion of the program indicates the student has demonstrated proficiency in handling a single outboard / stern drive vessel in close quarters and in light wind and / or currents. Upon successful completion, a certification accredited by the American Sailing Association will be awarded.

### Sign up at the marina.

**\$300 / person (includes Powerboat Handling Book)**  
**\$270 / person (without Powerboat Handling Book)**

Boating license is required to rent Green Bay Marina boats.

For more information, please call 046-816-4155.

## Hours of Operation

Thurs. - Mon. • 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Wed. - Closed

### Every Thursday & Sunday

Stand-Up Paddle Board & Kayak rentals  
\$1 / 1hr.



# BEYOND THE GATE



## Kamakura Fireworks Festival July 18 (Friday)

7:20 to 8:10 p.m. | Yuigahama and Zaimokuza Beaches (20-minute walk from JR Kamakura Station, JO-07)  
Kamakura Fireworks Festival is known for using its speciality “underwater fireworks”, which explodes in the water instead of in the air. The Festival takes place at Yuigahama and Zaimokuza beaches on the coast of Kamakura City and will see around 2,500 fireworks shot into the sky.



## BMX Freestyle Japan Cup July. 18 (Friday) - 21 (Monday)

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. | Umikaze Park (15-minute walk from Keikyu Kenritsu Daigaku Station, KK-60)  
Friday: Official practice. Saturday: Elite class qualifying. Sunday and Monday: Elite class finals. There will be Yokosuka local gourmet food booths on July 20 and 21.

## Kawasaki Daishi Wind Chime Market

Until July 21 (Monday)

10 a.m. to 5 p.m./Until 7 p.m. on Sunday, July 20 |  
Kawasaki Daishi (8-minute walk from Keikyu Kawasaki-daishi Station, KK-23)

The Kawasaki Daishi Wind Chime Market is an annual event where makers from all over the country gather at Kawasaki Daishi. While wind chimes are a common sight during the summer festivals, the market at Kawasaki Daishi is on another scale. More than 30,000 wind chimes are on sale in all different shapes and sizes.

## JGSDF Kurihama Garrison Summer Festival

July 24 (Thursday)

5 to 8:30 p.m. | JGSDF Kurihama Garrison (16-minute walk from JR Kurihama Station, JO-01/14-minute walk from Keikyu Kurihama Station, KK-67)

The Kurihama Garrison Summer Festival is scheduled Wednesday, July 24 at Japan Ground Self-Defense Force Kurihama Garrison, weather permitting. The garrison is set to open to the public beginning at 5 p.m. The summer festival will include food stalls, Bon Odori, and ends with a fireworks show.



## Hayama Beach Hanabi (fireworks) 2025

July 23 (Wednesday) and 25 (Friday)

7:30 to 7:40 p.m. | Isshiki Beach (July 23) and Morito Beach (July 25) (15-minute bus ride from Keikyu Zushi-Hayama Station, KK-53, Line 11 or 12, or JR Zushi Station, JO-06, Line 3)

More than 480 (Isshiki) and 610 (Morito) fireworks will light up the night sky at Isshiki and Morito Beaches in Hayama.



# NEWS AND NOTICES

## USNH YOKOSUKA'S BASIC BREASTFEEDING COURSE

Do you have questions about breastfeeding? USNH Yokosuka is here to help. Register for our Basic Breastfeeding Course held every 3rd Thursday of each month. This class is tailor-made for parents who want to get off to a great start with their bundle of joy. Call Pediatrics Clinic to reserve a spot at 243-5505, (046) 816-5505. Classes start July 17.

## LICENSE OFFICE CLOSURE

CFAY Driver's License Office will be closed on July 21 due to MLC holiday. For questions, call 243-9089/6721/5647, or email: [license@us.navy.mil](mailto:license@us.navy.mil).

## VEHICLE REGISTRATION OFFICE CLOSURE

Vehicle Registration Office will be closed on July 21 due to MLC holiday. Normal hours of 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. will resume on Tuesday, July 22.

## USNH YOKOSUKA PATIENT FAMILY PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

Want to effect change and be a part of healthcare solutions that affect our Sailors and their families? Join the Patient and Family Partnership Council at USNH Yokosuka. Engage directly with hospital leadership in matters that concern the health and welfare of CFAY. Join us at the upcoming meetings.

- Aug. 12 from 9 to 10 a.m. at Community Resource Center Fuyu Room.
- Sept. 9 from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at USNH Yokosuka 3rd floor Command Auditorium.

To learn more, please email: [dha.yokosuka.Yokosuka-NH.list.pfpc@health.mil](mailto:dha.yokosuka.Yokosuka-NH.list.pfpc@health.mil), visit <https://yokosuka.tricare.mil/Patient-Resources/Patient-and-Family-Partnership-Council>

## DODEA STUDENT SPORTS PHYSICALS

The next round of student sports physicals will be held on Wednesday, July 23 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at USNH Yokosuka's Pediatric Clinic.

**How to schedule:** Call the appointment line at 243-5352 or Pediatric Clinic at 243-5505. Open to all TRICARE beneficiaries and Space A personnel.

- Physicals are for students participating in DoDEA sponsored sports.
- Sports Physical forms need to be completed prior to the appointment.
- Unaccompanied minors over the age of 16 must have consent completed by time of appointment to be seen without a parent.
- These physicals are not required for CYP sports. To access the required Student Sports Physical Forms Packet, visit: <https://yokosuka.tricare.mil/Patient-Resources/Forms>.

## LOOKING FOR GIRL SCOUT VOLUNTEERS

Yokosuka Girl Scouts is supported by a dedicated group of volunteers to make Girl Scout magic happen.

### Open roles include:

- Committee Chair
  - Registrar - to help families get connected to Girl Scouts
  - Cookie Manager - to manage the Girl Scout cookie fun
  - Secretary - to share all of the awesome things our Girl Scouts are doing!
- Want to learn more and make a difference at Yokosuka? Email: [amiller@girlscouts.org](mailto:amiller@girlscouts.org).

## CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURES

**Yokosuka:** Decatur Avenue full road closure from Aug. 4 to 9 for SRF-JRMC Command event "Bon-Odori 2025"

- Howard Street and Nimitz Boulevard partial closure from until Sept. 28. Closures will only be on the weekends. Two way traffic will be maintained. Flagmen will be posted around work areas.
- Vacant Lot full closure until Dec. 30. The vacant lot between the Post Office and NMCRS Thrift Shop will be used as a laydown area for contractors doing various work around base. This will not affect the parking lot at the NMCRS Thrift Shop.
- Nimitz Boulevard partial closure until July 31. Single lane alternating traffic. Flagmen will be posted. Will restore and release the site on daily basis by 4 p.m. for full 2-way traffic.
- C Street full closure until Sept. 25. The Yokopon bus will be re-routed down Leahy street, stops will remain the same. Pedestrian routes will be open on either side of the project.

• Gridley Tunnel full road closure. Closure period: Until July 31, Aug. 1 to July 31, 2028. First closure is for temporary high voltage power bypass. Second closure is for permanent high voltage power repairs. The second closure is only for vehicular traffic. Tunnel will be open for pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

• Carney Gate water line replacement. Construction period until Nov. 26. Expect detours and periodic closures for waterline replacement construction. Two-way traffic to be maintained. Most of the work will occur overnight.

• Howard Street partial closure until Aug. 6. Five parking spots will be taken for the work. Pedestrian walkway will be set up around work area. Only one lane southbound will be affected, turning into a small merge. Exiting parking area onto Howard from Fleet Rec will not be affected.

• Nimitz Boulevard and Gridley Lane partial road closure. Closure period from Sept. 20 to Nov. 26, 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Two-way traffic will be maintained with flagmen.

• Vandegrift Lane full road closure until October.

• The parking lot immediately in front of ATG is secured through 2027 in support of the NSST Shiphandling Trainer construction. Additionally, half of the 12-hour parking lot is also secured to support NSST construction material laydown and management.

**Ikego:** Yasakayato Street will be partially closed from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until Dec. 25. Installation of communication and electrical lines. Connect water main to new Child and Youth programs building. Flagmen will be posted on both sides to allow two-way traffic.

• Ikego CDC parking lot partial closure until Sept. 30. 14 additional parking spots and Five parallel spots will be closed for the new CDC construction area.

• A Government of Japan Contractor will perform excavation work on Shisagi Street until Aug. 31, 2025. Working hours will be between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Excavation site will be controlled as one-way alternating traffic control road during the daytime work. After daily working hours, road should be re-opened.

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