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4th Annual Cosmos Road Race in Kamogawa

When: October 9th (Holiday Monday) 9:00~11:30

Registration: 8:00~

Where: Kamogawa City Hall

What: 3k Race for middle schoolers

5k/10k Race for high schoolers and older

Racing Fee: 2,000 yen

Free for middle schoolers and younger

Application Deadline: 8/31 (Thurs)

Register with the Environmental Division:

Phone: 04-7093-7838

E-mail: kankyo@city.kamogawa.lg.jp

Fax: 04-7093-7851

Kamogawa SeaWorld Summer Performance

Cool off this summer with the splashtastic summer shows at Kamogawa SeaWorld. From now until Thursday, August 31st, Kamogawa SeaWorld will be running their summer performances. The highlight of which, is the Splash Performance with SeaWorld's famous killer whales. Using their 1.5 meter wide tales to send massive amounts of water into the crowd, the audience is sure to some relief from the summer heat.

Kamogawa SeaWorld's Marine Theater, which is where the beluga performances are shown, will be under construction beginning Tuesday, September 19th, and will continue through March. This summer will be the last chance to see the belugas for six months, so don't miss your chance!

For more information visit Kamogawa SeaWorld's Webpage at www.kamogawa-seaworld.jp/english/

Summer Firework Events in Chiba

8/1 (Tues)

Katori 19:00~21:00 (8,000 fireworks)

8/2 (Wed)

Funabashi 19:30~20:30 (10,000 fireworks)

8/3 (Thurs)

Onjuku 19:30~ (1,500 fireworks)

8/5 (Sat)

Sakura 19:00~20:30 (16,000 fireworks)

Kimitsu 19:30~20:30 (5,000 fireworks)

Matsudo 19:15~20:20 (10,000 fireworks)

Makuhari Beach 19:30~20:30 (20,000 fireworks)

Minami Boso 19:40~20:20 (3,000 fireworks)

Sodegaura 19:30~20:00 (2,000 fireworks)

Kashiwa 19:00~20:30 (13,500 fireworks)

Choshi 19:30~21:00 (6,000 fireworks)

Tomisato 20:20~20:50 (1,000 fireworks)

Kujukuri 20:15~ (1,000 fireworks)

Ichinomiya 19:10~20:30 (5,000 fireworks)

8/8 (Tues)

Tateyama 19:30~20:45 (10,000 fireworks)

8/12 (Sat)

Katsuura 19:15~ (2,000 fireworks)

8/14 (Mon)

Isumi 19:00~21:00 (200 fireworks + festival)

8/15 (Tues)

Kisarazu 19:10~20:30 (10,000 fireworks)

8/19 (Sat)

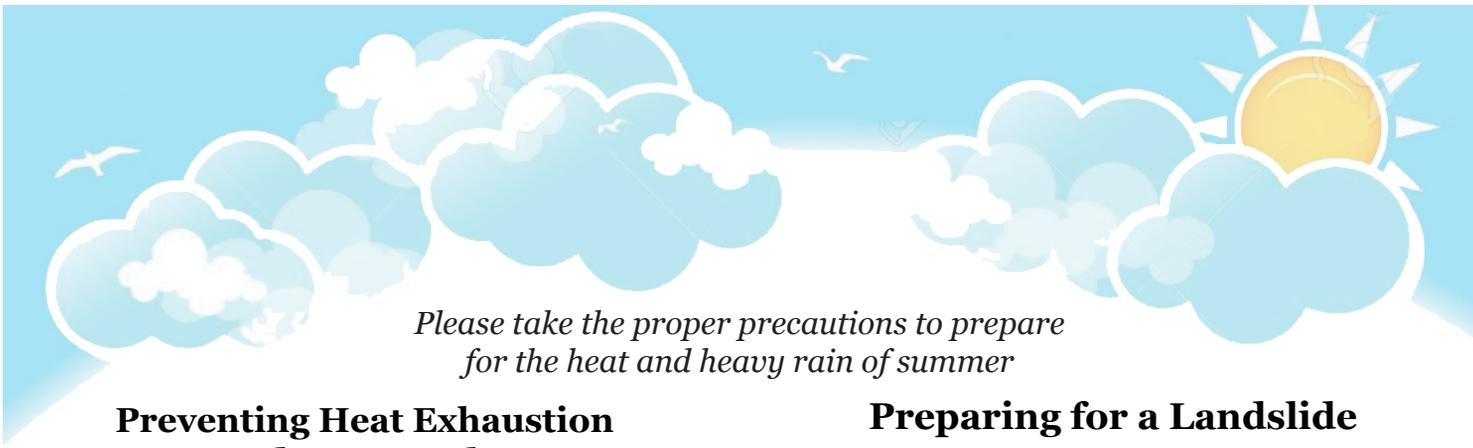
Nagareyama 19:00-20:20 (14,000 fireworks)

8/26 (Sat)

Kamogawa, Kominato port 20:30~20:50



Living in Kamogawa



Please take the proper precautions to prepare for the heat and heavy rain of summer

Preventing Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke

Heat stroke occurs when the body is exposed to hot temperatures, and becomes unable to balance body fluids and regulate body temperature. Heat stroke is a medical emergency that is often fatal if not properly and promptly treated.

Common symptoms and signs of heat stroke include:

- High body temperature
- The absence of sweating
- Rapid pulse
- Difficulty breathing
- Confusion
- Agitation
- Disorientation

When out and about try taking the following precautions:

- Wear lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing
- Protect yourself from the sun by wearing a hat or using an umbrella
- Use sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 30 or more
- Drink plenty of water before starting an outdoor activity. Drink more water than usual all day. Outside of high temperatures, heat related illnesses are also caused by a lack of fluids.
- Drink fewer beverages that contain caffeine like tea, coffee, or soda, and avoid alcohol.
- When participating in outdoor activities, make an effort to take frequent breaks and replenish your body with fluids every 15 to 20 minutes even if you do not feel thirsty.

Preparing for a Landslide

As the ocean around Chiba begins to warm with the summer heat, typhoon season is on its way. Typhoons can often bring large waves and lots of rain which increase the chance of landslides and flooding. Here is how to make sure your family is properly prepared for a disaster.

Heavy Rain

Escaping in the event of flooding and landslides

- ① Collect reliable information about oncoming typhoon or storms
- ② Evacuate before the storm, and if possible while it is light out. Help small children, the elderly, and others who need assistance evacuating.
- ③ When evacuating wear easy to move in shoes and a helmet if possible.
- ④ Cooperate with neighbors and evacuate in groups
- ⑤ While evacuating avoid bridges and dangerous crossings
- ⑥ If evacuation is dangerous, stay in your home. Be sure to separate yourself from the path of landslides as much as possible.

Signs of a Landslide

It is often hard to predict when a landslide will occur. If you feel you are in danger, leave the area immediately.

Heavy or prolonged rainfall can erode cliff faces and cause landslides. Landslides happen quickly, sweeping up large rocks, trees, and anything in their path. Because there is not often much time to escape, precaution is a necessity.

Warning signs include: cracks in the cliff face, water spraying from the ground, falling trees, or low rumbling sounds.

Trash Management Reminder

Paper and Cloth Material Trash

Recyclable paper and cloth material trash are not recyclable when they are wet. Please either put these items in the recycle trash bag (資源ごみ) on rainy collection days, or wait until the next collection day.

Hazardous Flammable Trash

Please bring in matches, warning flares, unused fireworks, and other like hazardous trash items directly to the Garbage Center. If these items are mixed with regular combustible trash and collected by the trash trunk, they will cause explosions. Lighters that are completely used should be collected in the hardware trash bag (金物類). Disposable gas can cylinders and aerosol cans must be completely empty before they are disposed with other aluminum cans.

For any questions, please contact the Environmental Division: 04-7093-7838

Single Parent Child Rearing Allowance Status Reports

This August, Kamogawa is asking that any resident that receives a single parent child rearing allowance submit a "Single Parent Child Rearing Allowance Status Report." Anyone receiving an allowance should have already received the forms in the mail.

The forms need to be completed and submitted by August 30th (Thurs). You can submit the form to the Fureai Center (Child Support Division). If you do not submit this form, you will stop receiving child allowance payments, so make sure you submit your form on time!

You will need your inkan (personal seal), the insurance card of both the child and whoever receives the payments, and the payment certificate of whomever receives the payments.

If you moved to Kamogawa after January 1st, please also submit an income statement (you can receive this from wherever you were living on or before January 1st).

For more information, please contact the Child Support Division at: 04-7093-7113

American Summer Water Games

Does the summer heat have you beat? Then come on out and join KIRA for a day of summer water games that American kids play to keep cool!

Date: August 24th (Thurs), 9:30~10:30

Location: Kamogawa Fureai Kinen Park

(Past Seimon Gate at Josai International University)

Price: 100 yen (insurance fee)

Please bring a towel, something to drink, shoes that are easy to run in, and clothes you that can get wet.

The event is limited to just 30 kids so sign up now! (Limited to children age 4 or 5)

To register or for more information, call KIRA at: 04-7093-7828

August Events

Local Festivals Schedule

8/5 (Sat) Hamaogi/ Kifune Shrine
04-7094-0323

8/5 (Sat) Oyama District Festival
04-7098-0297

8/26 (Sat) Amatsu Fishing Port Festival
04-7095-2218

Kamogawa Fireworks

8/1 (Sun) – 8/20 (Sun) 20:15~20:30
Location: Kominato Fishing Port
100 fireworks every night (1,500 on 8/16)!
04-7095-2218

8/10 (Thurs) 19:30~19:45
Location: Kominato Fishing Port
100 fireworks
04-7095-2218

8/12 (Sat) 19:30~19:40
Location: Emi Fishing Port
300 fireworks
090-3210-2820

8/16 (Sun) 20:15~20:45
Location: Kominato Fishing Port
1,500 fireworks
04-7095-2218



What's Happening This Month

8/1 (Tues) 8:00~

Morning Market

Location: Amatsu Shinmeigu Shrine

Amatsu Shinmeigu Shrine will host another wonderful morning flea market.

Information: 04-7094-0323)

8/5 (Sat) 16:00~21:00

Shinmachi Street Pedestrian Heaven

Location: Shinmachi Street

Information: 04-7092-0320

8/5 (Sat)

Hamaogi Kifune Shrine Festival

Location: Hamaogi District

Watch the proceedings of the Kifune Shrine Festival! If you're lucky, you will catch a glimpse of the long-nosed goblin that will promenade around town! Don't forget to bring your camera! For more information, please contact Amatsu Shinmeigu Shrine.

Information: 04-7094-0323

8/5 (Sat)

Oyama District Festival

Location: Oyama District

The people of Oyama district will come together in a large celebration of their seven shrines. Participants will climb steps made of stone to reach their shrine. Then while having water poured on them, they will carry their respective portable shrines around town.

Information: 04-7098-0297

8/5 (Sat) & 8/6 (Sun) 9:30~11:30 each day

Kamogawa Library's Children Festival

Location: Kamogawa Municipal Library

Information: 04-7092-0312

8/10 (Thurs)

Toro Nagashi

Location: Tanjoji Temple 19:00~

On the 10th of August every year, several thousand lanterns made with paper pasted on to bamboo or wood frames are cast afloat on the sea together with prayers that the spirits of the dead will rest in peace. There will also be fireworks to follow.

Information: 04-7095-2621

8/14 (Mon) & 8/15 (Tues) 18:30-20:00

Little Sumo Competition

Location: Kominato Elementary School

A tradition continued from the Edo period where young kids take part in the art of sumo.

Information: 090-4069-5761

8/18 (Fri) 15:00~17:00

"American Trio Talk Show"

Location: Kamogawa Cultural Property Center

Come and hear Kamogawa's Coordinator for International Relations and Assistant Language Teachers talk about why they decided to come to Kamogawa. Afterwards, meet the Kamogawa students that visited our sister city Manitowoc this summer.

Information: 090-6119-0478

8/19 (Sat) 18:00~

Summer Night Festival

Location: Megumi no Sato Multipurpose Plaza

There will be Bon Festival dancing, food stalls, and even fireworks!

Information: 04-7098-1000

8/20 (Sun) 13:30~

"The Boy and the Sea Turtle" Movie Screening

Location: Kamogawa Municipal Library

Come and watch an animated movie set during World War II in the Okinawa.

Information: 04-7092-0312

8/20 (Sun) 14:00~

Kamogawa Junior Chorus Summer Concert

Location: Nanso Culture Hall

Come watch a musical based on real 12 year old girl.

Information: 04-7093-0041

8/27 (Sun) 8:30 departure

Orca Kamogawa vs. SFIDA Setagaya

Meeting place: Kamogawa City Hall

Come and cheer Kamogawa's female soccer team at their away game in Tokyo!

Fee: 5,000 yen (3,000 yen for children 4 and under)

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