

FREE!

METROPOLIS

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Cooking friends from Japan and other countries meet once a month to make and eat good food from around the world. steve1212@gmail.com

Free and friendly conversation space in Japanese. If you really want to improve your Japanese, come join us in Ikebukuro. Japanese and foreigners share their own cultures, thoughts, knowledge, etc., in Japanese. ILAP-owner@yahoo.com

Hapa Japan. We represent mixed race people in Tokyo, especially half-Japanese. Check out our events. wombatzwombat@hotmail.com www.hapajapan.org/

Harvard Club of Japan is open to Harvard students, alumni, faculty and parents. See website for details and events. info@harvardclubofjapan.org www.harvardclubofjapan.org

Ikebukuro cooking circle. We meet monthly to cook and eat worldwide food in an international and relaxed atmosphere. Half of the participants are foreigners. ikebukurocooking@yahoo.co.jp

InternationalDykeCommunity. Info, dinners, outings, weekend retreats, activities in Tokyo and beyond. Call Chu 03-3726-9112 or Laurie 090-9242-2062. Email queerlove1969@yahoo.co.jp or rollypig@hotmail.com

International Karaoke Club. New members welcome. We gather once a month for karaoke in Tokyo. We basically sing English songs, but any language/nationality ok. Email for info on next meeting. timafu@hotmail.com

Japan/Indonesia Economic Forum. Established Apr 16, '03 to create understanding, friendship and cooperation between Japanese and Indonesians, particularly in the economic and financial sector. Membership free. info@japanindonesia.com <http://japanindonesia.com>

Korean Club. Koreans, gypops, and anyone interested in the Korean culture and language, please join. This is a social club for gatherings and activities such as eating at restaurants, drinking, etc. 080-3405-9197. han_lee1@hotmail.com

Kotoba Club. Women only. We are all women enjoying eating, drinking and chatting while learning Japanese language together in Tokyo. Age doesn't matter. hime4232@yahoo.com

Repatriates in Tokyo. Did you grow up on foreign soil? Are you in central Tokyo? Then join this club. Meetings every third Wed night in Hiroo. shunji_matsuzawa@yahoo.com

14.3 SPORTS



FIVE-DAY SOCCER CAMPS for kids hosted by the British Football Academy. Tokyo: Aug 8-12, Tokyo International School, Tamachi. Yokohama: Aug 15-19, Yokohama Country and Athletic Club. All kids ages 4-18 and all abilities welcome. Football-fun for all! More info/sign up online at 03-3770-0288. www.bfat.jp



THE BRITISH FOOTBALL ACADEMY holds regular soccer sessions for kids aged 4 to 18 in Tokyo and Yokohama. All sessions coached in English, all nationalities and abilities welcome. For more info about regular sessions/kids summer camps, info@footyJapan.com or visit www.bfat.jp

DON'S HALF-FAST FLASH-MOB Weekend Urban Bicycle Rides halffastcycling@hotmail.com

HALF-FAST CYCLISTS of all treads meet each first Wednesday at The Pink Cow for slide shows, lectures, ride-planning, etc. halffastcycling@hotmail.com

Absolutely Fun Motorcycling. International team holds hassle-free, safety-first track day at Ebisu Circuit on Saturdays. Beginners/advanced, most motorcycles ok. E/Sp/Fr/J spoken. Feel the need for speed? trackdaysinJapan@hotmail.com

Ahoy there! Interested in boating or sailing? We organize regular socials, courses and sailing trips. Tokyo Sail and Power Squadron. www.tpsjapan.org

All-Nationality Touch Football seeks touch rugby and oz tag players. We play every Sat from 10am at Tatsumi. M/F and beginners welcome! Good exercise and fun! Email for more details, tokyoroughbyleague@hotmail.com

American Basketball Club in Tokyo seeks foreign and Japanese players for weekly games. All levels welcome. Ten minutes from Shibuya. Call Sam Arnold, 070-5571-7340. sabatokyo@hotmail.com

American Tennis Club in Tokyo seeks foreign and Japanese players for regular matchplay. All levels welcome. Ten minutes from Shibuya. Call Sam Arnold, 070-5571-7340. sabatokyo@hotmail.com

Australian Rules Football. Tokyo Goannas seeks members of all ages and nationalities. Geckos women's team seeks playing members, too! Don't let the heat get you down, come for a taste of the Australian way of life! <http://www.tokyogoannas.com>

Badminton. Small badminton club in Tokyo is now seeking international friends. We can coach beginners. sakenomi2003@hotmail.com <http://www.nn.ij4u.or.jp/~munel/>

Baseball amateur team. New JSBB Amateur Baseball team forming. All nationalities welcome. See website for team tryout information. <http://www.BallCharts.com/Hammers>

Basketball Kanagawa. Join us and stay informed about our upcoming 3 on 3 tournaments in Kanagawa. All abilities and ages welcome. Join our group, it's free! We play for fun! greatpowers@yahoo.com http://groups.yahoo.com/group/basketball_kanagawa

Celtic Supporters Club. Japan's first CSC welcomes all fans of the Glasgow boys and Scottish football to join us in watching matches and other events. tokyobho@yahoo.com.au

Cricket! Have a hit with the Ichihara Sharks in 2005. Regular trainings at our indoor nets in Chiba. League games start in April. All levels and nationalities welcome. info@ichiharasharks.com

Foreign tennis players wanted for tennis club. We play at Jujo, near Ikebukuro. We are an informal circle. Please email Takeshi, tea@gol.com

Horseback Riders Japan. For horse lovers and people interested in exchanging ideas about horses and riding together. Free. Just a circle of international friends having fun in Japan. chikichan600@yahoo.com <http://groups.msn.com/Danielahorsebackriding>

Ice Hockey. Players wanted for all-foreigner hockey team. Practices/practice games only in Yokohama/Sagamihara. Mature, experienced players preferred, but all levels/nationalities welcome! Members of other Tokyo/Kanagawa teams encouraged to join. kantoguyshockey@yahoo.com

Inline Roller Hockey. Players welcome for hockey on inline skates. Pickup games every Sun, 2-5pm, Aoyama, Tokyo. Contact for details. okasurfer@yahoo.com

International Adventure Club. Regular meetings in Shibuya first Sunday of every month. Members are truly international and active in hiking, cycling, skiing, kayaking, diving, etc. All welcome. committee@iac-tokyo.org www.iac-tokyo.org

JUE/TokyoScuba. Organization of divers meets every first/third Thu 6:30pm. Exchange latest updates on diving the Izu Peninsula. Soft drinks and beer provided. 0334470530@gmap.jp

Komae Touch Rugby Club. Australian-style touch football. Meet people and keep fit. M/F teams, many members. All Japan Champions, tournaments and training regularly. <http://homepage3.nifty.com/hashimoto2touch/>

Roaming Ravens in Motosumi. Looking to establish a running club in Kawasaki using the Jeff Galloway method: less pain and more gain! Let's train together in Tokyo. remodesu@hotmail.com

Scuba Diving Club in Tokyo seeks certified divers to take diving trips together, mostly to the Izu area, and to exchange diving information. Regular meetings and social/dinking events. tokyo-escargot@hotmail.com

Soccer Kanagawa holds fun 4 on 4 and 5 on 5 soccer tournaments in Kanagawa. Join our free club and let's play soccer! All abilities and ages welcome! greatpowers@yahoo.com http://groups.yahoo.com/group/soccer_kanagawa

Soccer team needs players. Team that plays in TML Division 1 and 2 seeks new players for all positions. We have weekly training and numerous socials, etc. wsgeckoes@hotmail.com

Softball League in Tokyo is looking for capable players/teams to join our 11-team slow-pitch Tokyo International Softball League. We play on a beautiful grass field in Minami Tama. marcfu@fox.com

Street Hockey in Tokyo. Every Sun at Komazawa Koen. This is street hockey without rollerblades. Foreigners and Japanese of all skill levels are welcome. www.tokyohockey.com

Tokyo Basketball Group. Come play hoops for fun with people from Japan and all over the world. We have competitive level and fun games for M/F players, all nationalities welcome. No membership fee! basketball@tokyogaijins.com

Women's Soccer Club. 5-a-side, 11-a-side on grass fields. Two practices/matches on Sundays. All nationalities, experience levels, beginners welcome. Happy and friendly club! We have many socials. djnorio0417@yahoo.co.jp

Yokohama Jujutsu Club meets Sun mornings. Learn Ketsugo Jujutsu free. We practice and train in a principle-based Goshinjutsu in English. Practice self-preservation in a safe environment. Come empty your cup. ricokuma@hotmail.com

14.4 LEISURE

Tokyo Gaijins. Join the international community. Meet Japanese and people from all over the world through sports, outdoor and social gatherings, language exchange, international parties and more. Everyone is welcome! info@tokyogaijins.com

Azabu tap circle meets weekly in Roppongi to practice tap dancing. Beginner and advanced sessions available. 090-3224-0557. schmaltz@twics.com

Club Check Mate. Enjoy basic games and practice chess in Shinagawa or Yokohama area. No membership charged. tt4sph2d3@mx6.ttcn.ne.jp

Jizake Association. Social circle for those who enjoy drinking jizake and those who would like to find out more about it. Tastings and other events related to sake planned. jizake_association@hotmail.com

Outdoor Japan is a guide to the Japanese outdoors. Activities, onsen, area guides, live weather, accommodation, gear, outdoor companies, festivals, columns and features, bulletin board and more. Join Japan's outdoor community, it's free! www.outdoorjapan.com

Scrabble Unlimited. Meet fun, interesting people who spell well. Or at least play a game or two. tall_guy_in_tokyo_1@yahoo.co.jp

Tokyo Reiki International. Nonprofit gathering. Energy for mind and body. All welcome. Free. reikityokyo@pobox.com

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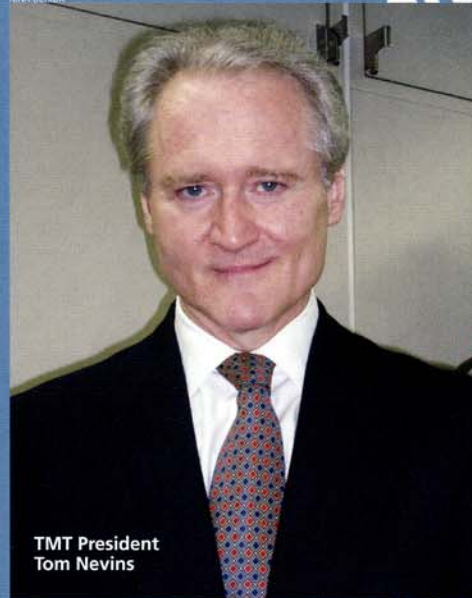
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