Eriko’s List of Local Happenings
Wednesday, 4 April 2018

Buddha’s Birthday is April 8th. The parade was held last year. But I haven’t heard anything about the event this year. I’m just wondering if it’s held this year or not. I googled it but I could not find anything. If you know, please let me know.

No.1 Event this weekend!
The 37th Nagushiyama Azalea Festival
Saturday, 7 April to Sunday, 6 May
Nagushiyama Park in Shikamachi-cho
Google map coordinates: 33.257824, 129.579489
Admission: Y500 (high school student to 69 years old), Y400 (70 years old or older), Y400 (group rate, more than 15 people), Y250 (disabled people), Free (middle school student or younger)
Mt. Nagushi (Nagushi-yama) will be covered with azalea blossoms all over. They are beautiful. You can enjoy the views of north 99 idlands as well. Visit the web: www.nagushiyama.jp to check the photos. Regarding the events below, call the park office in Japanese at 0956-71-4111.

Opening Ceremony
Saturday, 7 April
Yamato Taiko Team will perform

Nagushiyama (Mt. Nagushi) Kid’s Day
Saturday, 14 April
Kindergarten children’s show, balloon artist performance, and dance shows are scheduled. Sounds very much fun!

Sasebo Candies Show
Sunday, 15 April
Sasebo Candies is a female vocal trio. They sing very well.

Nagushiyama (Mt. Nagushi) Thanksgiving Day
Saturday, 21 April
Raffle drawings that you have a chance to get good prizes, tag-of-war, and local people’s shows are programed. Have fun with local people.

Mochi (Rice cake) Pounding Show and Hula Dance Show
Sunday, 22 April
The Kawachi Family will demonstrate how to pound mochi (rice cakes). They are very entertaining. They will get the audience involved. Please do not be shy if you have a chance to pound mochi. It will be a good memory of Japan.

Bow-wow Festival
Sunday, 29 April
Very interesting events such as dog fashion show, cats and dogs photo shooting, M-1 (Mate=Wait) Contest, and a flea market. Sounds very much fun.

Nagushiyama (Mt. Nagushi) Family Day
Monday, 30 April (Japanese Holiday)
Chinese Changing Mask Show, live music shows and flea market are scheduled.

Big Raffle Drawing
Thursday, 3 to Sunday, 6 May (Golden Week)
Check how lucky you are!
**No.2 Event this weekend!**

**Oto-sai (Cherry Blossoms and Chinaware Festival)**  
**Saturday, 7 and Sunday, 8 April**  
Nakao-san (Mt. Nakao) in Hasami-cho  
Google map coordinates: 33.120324, 129.930740  
Google map coordinates for car park: 33.141339, 129.910375  
This festival is very popular among local people. There are about 20 kilns on the hillside of Mt. Nakano. The each kiln creates an original year plate or a year bowl every year. Visitors hop around the kilns to find their favorite ones. The year plate or bowl are served with lunch. Visitors enjoy lunch and take the plate home. The price range is from ¥2,000 to ¥3,000. I bought a cup of tea for ¥300. I thought it’s a bit too steep at first. However, the price wasn’t only for tea but the cup. I use the cup every day. It’s very inexpensive to get your favorite cup. You can park at the Yakimono Park, and catch a free shuttle bus to Mt. Nakao. If I remember correctly, the parking fee is ¥500 all day. Complete to visit all of the kilns and gathered the stamps, you will get a small moemnnoto at the administrative tent. It’s fun. Please visit there. Please call the festival committee office in Japanese at 0956-82-2273 for more information.

**No.3 Event this weekend!**

**The 30th Senryu Sake Factory Open Barrel Festival**  
**Saturday, 7 April 0900-1700**  
**Sunday, 8 April 0900-1600**  
Senryu Sake Factory  
Google map coordinates: 33.310582, 129.626607  
Senryu Sake Factory has a long history of 330 years. As well as sake (rice wine) tasting, you will enjoy mochi (rice cake) pounding demonstration and free distribution of freshly pounded mochi (rice cake), and local products sale and more. If you use MR train, catch a free shuttle bus from the MR Emukae-Shikamachi station. If you drive, park your car at the MR Emukae-Shikamachi station and catch a shuttle bus. Please decide who will be your designated driver before you taste any wine.

**Minami (South) Shimabara Sakura (Cherry Blossom) Festival**  
**Sunday, 8 April 1000**  
Kuchinotsu Middle School ground  
Google map coordinates: 32.616629, 130.185342  
In addition to local products sale, *somen* (thine flour noodles) eating battle is held. In Iwate prefecture, challenging soba (buckwheat noodle) eating battle, called “Wanko-soba” is very popular. A challenger keeps on eating noodles that a server constantly pour in his/her bowl. The challenger keeps eating noodles to his/her limit until he/she drops. It’s not really a healthy eating. But very popular. They will do it with *somen* noodles, which are speciality products of Shimabara. Stage events and a flea market are also scheduled. Call the event organizer, Hayashi-san in Japanese at 090-8357-8226 for more information.

**Saikai Bridges Spring Whirlpool Festival**  
**Until Sunday, 8 April**  
Saikai Bridges and the vicinity
Google map coordinates: 33.053138, 129.757848
Two beautiful bridges connecting Sasebo city and Saikai city are called “Saikai Bridge” and “New Saikai Bridge.” Two strong currents meet underneath of the bridges make whirlpools. Local people enjoy watching whirlpools and cherry blossoms together! There are 1,000 cherry blossom trees in Sasebo city side. Another 1,000 cherry blossom trees in Saikai city side. 2,000 in total, they bloom beautifully. Please do not miss the chance. You can take pictures that show “I’m in Japan.” There are some entertainments scheduled. Call Saikai Bridge Area Revitalization Project office in Japanese at 0956-58-2004 for more information.

Bio Park Touching Zoo
**Sunday, 8 April**
Saikai Bridge Lawn Park (Sasebo side)
Google map coordinates: 33.055825, 129.756644

Seihi-cho Uzushio Taiko (Drum) Show
**Sunday, 8 April**
Saikai Bridge Lawn Park (Sasebo side)
Google map coordinates: 33.055825, 129.756644

**Hizen Emuakae Mayudama (Cocoon Balls) Festival 2018**
**Until Sunday, 8 April**
Emuakae Shopping Street
Google map coordinates: 33.308573, 129.629148
Mayudama (Cocoon Balls) are displayed in Emuakae-cho as well as Hina Dolls (Girl’s Festival dolls). The cocoon balls are now made of Styrofoam instead of real cocoons. They are symbol of prosperity. They are like Easter eggs for them. The styroforam balls are wrapped with very colorful Japanese fablcs and look so beautiful. 5 to 10 balls are on a skewer looks like a model of the solar system stars on a skewer. Kimono fitting service (Y4,000) is also available. Contact either Yamashita-san at 080-6457-0872 or Watagawa-san at 090-5924-8576 in Japanese for more information.

**International Friendship Sasebo Cherry Blossom Festival**
**Until Sunday, 8 April**
Sasebo Park between Nimitz Park and the Sasebo River
Please call the festival committee office in Japanese at 0956-46-6868 for more information.

**The 10th Doronko (Muddy) Shukaku-sai (Harvest Festival)**
**Friday, 13 and Saturday, 14 April**
Shimanose Park in Ginza
5 local farmer’s markets bring their products such as fresh vegetables, flowers, agricultural products to Shimanose Park. Call Sasebo city hall in Japanese at 0956-24-1111 for more information.

**“Mirai, the Pirate Boat” Treasure Hunting Quiz**
**Until Sunday, 6 May**
Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967
Fare: Y1, 400 (adult) / Y700 (child)
Answer some questions that are hidden in the boat. You only have 40 mintues to find the questions and answer them. Successful finishers will be presented a sticker as a reward. Please call the boat ticket office in Japanese at 0956-28-1999 for more information.

**99 Islands Pearl Sea Center “Underwater Zoo” Festival**
Until Sunday, 13 May 0900-1800
99 Islands Pearl Sea Center
Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967
Phone #: 0956-28-4187
Admission: Y1,440 (adult), Y720 (4 years old to middle school student)
Sasebo resident discount: Y1,020 (adult), Y520 (4 years old to middle school student)
Please show your ID card at the ticket booth.
23 kinds about 150 fish that named after animals because of their resemblance to them are displayed at the aquarium such as Panda goldfish. It should be fun to see them. Join the stamp rally in Umi-kirara aquarium and Mori-kirara zoo (6 stamps).

**Flea Markets**

**Daito Shopping Center Flea Market**
Address: 14-2 Daito-cho, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-1161
Phone #: 0956-27-2222
Wednesday, 11 April 1000-1500
AEON Daito Shopping Center Parking Lot (2nd floor of the three-story high parking next to the main building of the store. Please find Mr. Donuts, leave the main building, and you will find it on your left.)
The bi-monthly flea market is held on the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Wednesday every month. You can reserve your stall for several hundred yen. Please contact Mr. Yasunaga in Japanese at 090-4572-1899 for more information. It will be held rain or shine.

**Sasebo Morning Market Flea Market**
Google map coordinates: 33.164545,129.720377
Phone #: 0956-22-9890
Saturdays, 7, 14, 21, 28 April 0300-0900
Morning Market across water from the Navy Lodge
The enroll fee to have a space for your store is Y500. You don’t have to open your store at 0300. Whenever you’re ready until 0900. You find the market the busiest from 0600 to 0730. Please visit the website: [http://sasebo-asaichi.com/](http://sasebo-asaichi.com/) to learn about it in details.
Call in Japanese at 0956-22-9890 for more information.

**Top-kun Flea Market**
Sunday, 22 April 0950-1600
Sasebo Bicycle Race Arena on Route 11, next to the Sasebo Minato Interchange
Google map coordinates: 33.155455,129.730262
Phone #: 0956-31-4797
About 60 stalls welcome the shoppers! Red Hiro shows are held twice at 1200 and 1500. Kid’s games and air toys are available. Sounds exciting!
**EM Design** organizes this flea market. If you would like to participate in any of these, please contact EM Design in Japanese at 0956-66-8770 for more information. Please visit the website: [http://emd.syoutengai.com/](http://emd.syoutengai.com/)
Pearl Sea Center (former Saikai Pearl Sea Center) Information

Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967
Phone #: 0956-28-4187

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Parking fee increases by Y100 for an hour for over 5 hours at any car parking. Bus parking fee increases by Y300 for an hour for over 5 hours. The highest car parking fee is Y600 up to for 12 hours and bus parking fee is Y1,800.

Note: The parking fees remain the same as before the tax increase.

I know this chart may be different from the one you find in the pamphlet you get from the Sasebo city hall. However, this chart is much easier to understand the fee. When I got the chart, I didn’t understand it at first. I called the Sasebo city hall and made sure the fee increase along with the length you park.

You may be wondering which ones are #3 to #5 car parking. Because you don’t have to pay anything until you park your car over 4 hours. If you know the supermarket, “Marina,” you know them. The car parking left to the supermarket is #3, and the one in front of the supermarket is #4. Car parking #5 is on Route 11 next to the 99 Island Hotel. If you are staying there over 5 hours, any car parking fee is the same. The car parking #1 is in front of the aquarium. The car parking #2 is located in the left of #1 close to the beach.

If you park your car for 4 hours or less, park either #3 or #4. If you are planning to stay there longer, any car parking fee is the same. But if you are staying there over 6 hours, spend there all day for Y600 of car parking. You may spend a lot more money for your meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks), though.

It’s not only bad news from the Pearl Sea Center. The other day, I found they have new equipments at the aquarium called “AQUA SCOPE.” It’s a radio-shaped portable mechanical guide that gives you explanation in the aquarium. When you move to the certain spots, it speaks automatically. It’s like a friend who knows about the aquarium very well explains when you visit there with him/her. It’s a very cool device. I believe your kids would love it. The service is available in different languages (Chinese, English, Korean and Japanese). The service is free of charge. Please ask whichever you like to listen.

99 Island Pearl Sea Resort Aquarium
Y1,440 (high school student or older), Y720 (4 years old to middle school student)
Special Discount for Sasebonians (Sasebo habitants): Y1,020 (high school student and older), Y520 (4 years old to middle school student). Please show your Military ID card.
Please call the office at 0956-28-4187 for more information.

Class
Amamoba (Shallow water) Playroom in Umikirarra (Shining Ocean) Aquarium
If not mentioned, the tuition is free. The admission to the aquarium is still required, though.
Saturdays, 7, 14, 21, 28 April 1130-1200, 1430-1500
Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967
Phone #: 0956-28-4187
Admission: Y620 (adult, Sasebo citizen), Y150 (child, Sasebo citizen)
Please show your ID card at the ticket office.
Some fish have skills to catch bugs by shooting water to them or hiding secretly between pebbles. They are like Ninjas. Check them out at the aquarium! Call the Pearl Sea Center office in Japanese at 0956-28-4187 for more information. Please remember the following campaign.

Sightseeing Boats
Pearl Queen Cruise
Everyday 1000, 1100, 1300, 1400, 1500
Duration of the tour: 50 minutes
Fare: Y1,400 (middle school student or older), Y700 (4 years old to middle school student, 9th grade), Free for children 3 years old or under
Note: children ages under 3 years old are free of charge. Please ask the staff about the admission fee.
Pearl Queen Sunset Cruise
Saturdays, Sundays, and Japanese holidays until Sunday, 29 October
Duration of the trip: about 60 minutes
Fee: Y1,400 (adult), Y700 (4 years old to middle school student)
The departure time depends on the sunset time of the day. Please check it by calling the office in Japanese at 0956-28-1999.

Sea Kayak Experience
Every Sunday and Japanese holidays till October 1100-1530
99 Island Marina
Note: It’s not a tour but an experience. The kayaks never go out from the bay.
Fee: Y520 (single), Y1,030 (tandem, two passengers)
After 10 minutes lecture, you will paddle around the kayak in the marina. The class starts every 30 minutes and the duration of the class is 45 minutes. You don’t have to sign up ahead of time.

Sailboat Experience
Everyday 1110, 1210, 1310, 1410, 1510, 1610
Duration of the experience: about 60 minutes
Fee: Y2,050 (adult), Y1,30 (4 years old to middle school student)
The max number of passengers is 10
The participants take a sailboat and cruise in the 99 Islands. You have a chance to navigate the boat.

99 Island Relax Cruise
Everyday 1120, 1220, 1320, 1420, 1520, 1620
Duration of the cruise: about 50 minutes
The max number of passengers is 12
The river boat takes you to where big boats can’t go. The boat cruises very smoothly and you are so close to the water. You feel like you are flying over the water.

99 Island Visitor Center Programs
Programs held at the 99 Island Visitor Center require small amount of fee. Contact the center at 0956-28-7919 or visit website:  http://www.kujukushima-visitorcenter.jp/

Saikai National Park Kujukushima Zoological and Botanical Garden Events
The phone number there is 0956-28-0011. Tuition for the following classes is free unless it is specifically noted. You only pay the zoo admission fee.
The whole zoo becomes non-smoking area. Please be careful.
Address: 2171 Funakoshi-cho, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-1231
Google map coordinates: 33.151185, 129.689476
Phone #: 0956-28-0011

The Penguin Aquarium
The new penguin aquarium has been finished at the 99 Island Zoological and Botanical garden lately. 22 penguins entertain the visitors. The admission fees to the 99 Island Zoological and Botanical Garden have been changed. Please see the chart below. Please show your ID card with your driver’s license at the entrance, which proves you live in Sasebo city. You can get the Sasebo citizen discount. The car park at the zoo remains free.

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Unique Animals, Insects and Plants in the Desert Exhibition
Until Sunday, 6 May
99 Islands Mori-kirara Zoological and Botanical Garden
Google map coordinates: 33.151185, 129.689476
Phone #: 0956-28-0011

Desert Creatures Touching Time
Fureai (Friendship) Stage
Saturday, 7 and Sunday, 8 April 1500-1530
Saturday, 14 and Sunday, 15 April 1500-1530
Saturday, 21 and Sunday, 22 April 1500-1530

Animal Photos that Zookeepers Took!
Please visit the facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/sasebo.morikirara
The photos that only zookeepers could have taken are exhibited on the facebook.

Note: The volunteer activity “SAZANBOS” has been in hiatus, meaning they are not doing the volunteer activities now. I checked it on Friday, 24 June 2016. It’ll be announced in monthly Sasebo Newsletter when they restart the activities.

The Original Post Cards and Magnets are for Sale
Now the amazing photos of zoo animals and plants are printed on magnets and post cards. Original magnets are 14 different pieces (Y394 each), and post cards are 20 different pieces (Y108 each).

Note: The nursing room is available in the zoo. The facility is for parents with babies. The facility has a nursing room to change diapers and feed babies. Please refrain from bringing your pets to the zoo.

Mt. Eboshi Sports Village Information
Address: 128 Eboshi-cho, Sasebo, Nagasaki 857-0001
Phone #: 0956-24-6669
“Dog Run” Park has been completed!
It’ opens now at Mt. Eboshi Sports Village
Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays and Japanese Holidays.
Admission: Y300 per dog, Annual membership: Y3,000 per dog
Do you know what we mean when we say “Dog Run”? Now, I know it’s been very difficult for you to find parks to walk or run your pet dogs freely in Sasebo. This facility is only for dogs but they must be pre-registered at the park office. The registration fee is Y500. The owner of dogs should be at least 18 years. Your dog’s shot records and owner’s ID card is required when you register your dog(s). Please call Sasebo City Hall Park Maintenance Office at 0956-24-1111 for more information.

Youth Science Museum
Address: 12-31 Hotate-cho, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-0031
Wednesday to Sunday and Monday 0900-1700
Closed on Tuesday and Japanese holidays. Phone number: 0956-23-1517
Sasebo Planetarium was closed and newly the Youth Science Museum opened in Hotatecho. Visit there once. It’s a new facility with decent and free parking lot.

**Planetarium**
Max number of attendees is 68. The duration of the show is 45 minutes.
Admission: **Y310 (adult), Y150 (4 years old to middle school student)**
Closed on Tuesdays and Japanese holidays.

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**Sasebo Local Library**
Google map coordinates: 33.174613, 129.721180
Phone #: 0956-22-5618
**Sunday** 1000-1800
**Tuesday to Friday, and Saturday** 1000-2000
Closed on Mondays and Japanese holidays. Contact the library at 0956-22-5618 for more information.

**The History of Sasebo Data Base Exhibition**
Whenever the library is open 1000-1755
Please come to the local history section on the 2nd floor. You can observe the historical information.

**CD Check Outs**
Commencing February this year, you can borrow 6 CDs instead of 3 CDs.

Have you ever visited the local library? There is a mezzanine where you saw the local authors’ information chronologically in the glass cases. The local library serves the space for everyone to display your art and crafts for free commencing in April this year. Give them a call in Japanese at 0956-22-5618 for more information.

**Huis Ten Bosch Events**
I try my best to get correct and current information of the theme park but flyers I get occasionally from Huis Ten Bosch confuse me. I think I’m very patient to get the information of events usually. I called the information center but I’m afraid the staff
works there do not answer my questions promptly. I have to say the following information is the one to my best knowledge. They can be reached at 0570-064-110. However, you can’t dial the number from the base phones. I used my cell phone to call and only the recording guidance in Japanese answered. I had an impression that they don’t want to be reached. It seems you pay how much ever you are told at the gate of Huis Ten Bosch and enjoy whatever available on that day. The following number in Fukuoka is better to get hold of them: 092-411-0800. Or visit their web site: www.huistenbosch.co.jp
Google map coordinates: 33.086328, 129.787208
Address: 1-1 Huis Ten Bosch-cho, Sasebo, Nagasaki Prefecture 859-3292
Phone #: 0570-064-110
Despite their unfriendly attitude, Huis Ten Bosch is well-known all through Japan and pays taxes to Sasebo city. They hire local people, too. Let’s support the theme park.

Below is the admission chart and fee for the New Huis Ten Bosch. You can bring your pet with you. Of course it’s not free. You pay Y500 per pet.

**ADMISSION FEE** Revised February 2018

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Please call the information center at 0570-064-110 using your cell phone. The base phones don’t work to call the number.

Huis Ten Bosch
Google map coordinates: 33.086509, 129.787180
Admission: Y6,900 (adult, one day passport)
1,000,000 tulips in 700 different kinds are in bloom in Huis Ten Bosch. They will be lit up beautifully with lights at night. Tulip is a national flower in Holland. The tulip festival is a must go event at Huis Ten Bosch. If you don’t take any rides at the park, you can purchase the simple admission ticket with Y4,400.
Huis Ten Bosch Chrysanthemum Flower Exhibition
Until Sunday, 6 May
Admission: Y700 (general ticket), Y500 (with HTB membership)
Note: In addition, you are to pay the admission fee at the gate
Call HTB navigation dial in Japanese at 0570-064-110 to get information.

Robot Kingdom Grand Opening!
Huis Ten Bosch
Do you like Robot Animes such as “Gundom?” Please do not miss this chance. There will be “Gundam Show,” “Battle King Show” and other robot shows. You can enjoy dining at the “Hen-na Restaurant.” A robot chef prepares your dish. I’m going to check the kingdom this weekend.

White Ferris Wheel!
Huis Ten Bosch
Ticket to ride: Y700
New “White Ferris Wheel” is now in service. The tickets are Y700 for 11-minute ride. 1% of ticket sales go to the charity fund for the Northern Japan Earthquakes and Tsunami Victims. Please see Huis Ten Bosch information section. There are a lot of events scheduled. Call Huis Ten Bosch at 0570-064-110 for more information.

Huis Ten Bosch Wander Vehicle “Duck Tour”
Everyday, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1400, 1500, 1600
Fee: Y2,500 (adult), Y1,800 (3 to elementary school student), Y500 (2 years old and under)
Have you seen the amphibious bus at the Huis Ten Bosch yet? When I saw it, it was crossing the street. Yes, it looks like a boat but yet can drive on the road! The bus drives on the road for 25 minutes and ducks in the water for 20 minutes. You don’t have to sign up, come to the Huis Ten Bosch Entrance 15 minutes prior to the tour that you wish to take. I’m thinking to take my brother and his family to ride on this bus. Please call HTB Tourism Office at 0956-27-0360 for more information.

Adventure Park
A little birdie told me that the Adventure Park is open at the Huis Ten Bosch. The park opened March 3rd. There are two facilities in the park; “Tenku-no-shiro (Castle in the Sky)” and “Shooting Star (Zip-line).”

The 5-story high mega maze, “The Maze” opened at the Adventure Park.

“Shooting Star (Zip-line)” consists of a pulley suspended on a cable mounted on an incline. It is designed to enable a user propelled by holding on or attaching to the freely moving pulley. One at the park goes over the channel and it is 300 meters (1000 feet) long.

“Tenku-no-shiro (Castle in the Sky)” is a big jungle gym that reminds you a boot camp. The highest point of the jungle gym is 9 meters from the ground (30 feet high).
Please call Camp Ten Bosch Administrative Office at 0956-27-0284 for detailed information. If you do not speak Japanese, please ask any Japanese friends to help you. Why don’t you go there with them? That should be fun!

**FFSC Classes**

**English as a Second Language**
Tuesdays, **10, 17, 24 April 1000-1100**
Main Base FFSC Conference Room
Tuition: Free

**Hario Village English Café**
Hario Village Chaplain’s Building Classroom C and D
Tuition: Free
**Note:** Classes in March have been cancelled.

**Japanese Phrase Class**
Tuesdays, **10, 17, 24 April 1130-1230**
Main Base FFSC Conference Room
Tuition: Free
No need to sign up.

**Japanese Cafe**
Tuesdays, **10, 17, 24 April 1000-1100**
Hario Village Chaplain’s Building Classroom E
Tuition: Free
**Note:** Families are welcome to this class. No need to sign up. Just show up!