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International Y's Men's Club of Takarazuka



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Kick-off meeting 2024-2025



New cabinet with CP W. Nagao, the 4th from the left, and Mr. T. Ono, DG of Rokko District, the 4th from the right.

The Kick-off Meeting, under the period of Mr. Tsuyoshi Uniya, RD West Japan was held on July 10, 2024. Mr. Wataru Nagao, CP declared opening by the bell.

“Let’s enjoy the activities of YMCA and the local communities with pleasant meetings!” is his main theme this year.

Each committee released its thematic subject as follows :

1. YMCA & YOUTH Service: Support the YMCA activities
2. Service for the communities & the environment: Taking care of the relationship with the communities to make stronger and better relationship
3. EMC: Let’s enjoy Y’s lives together!!
4. International (Cultural) Exchange: Let’s enjoy exchanging activities joyfully and issuing “Newsletter” appealing Takarazuka Club activities
5. Public Department (Bulletin Editor): To appeal and show our club activities
6. Menette: Support and cooperate Mens’ activities

Here, we would like to hope every member’s great efforts to obtain his/ her purpose!
Unfortunately we can’t deny there are some problems in our club!

1. Aging of the members
2. Difficulties of acquisition of young members

In order to find the betterment we distinctively set up a tentative membership system to strength our activities named “Associate member”. They have supported us a lot when manpower needed and marvelous idea given during the past a few years.

We wish that they would develop their status to be official members someday.

(Hiroko Fukuda)

YUKAYA day for the YMCA Japanese Class students

On July 12th, 2024, 12 Japanese Language Class students of Kobe YMCA had a very interesting and exciting experience with some YMCA staff and 3 of members of Takarazuka Club. This is OUTING in YUKATA, a Japanese casual summer KIMONO to feel a traditional Japanese culture. Nowadays young people often love to wear YUKATA at local summer events and firework festival. Luckily they were provided the chance how to wear the clothes learning from us and felt something different from their everyday life. We were so happy to see those lovely students with beautiful YUKATA.

After everything set up, they went downtown Kobe lively as shown in the pictures.

(Michiko Aoyagi)



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