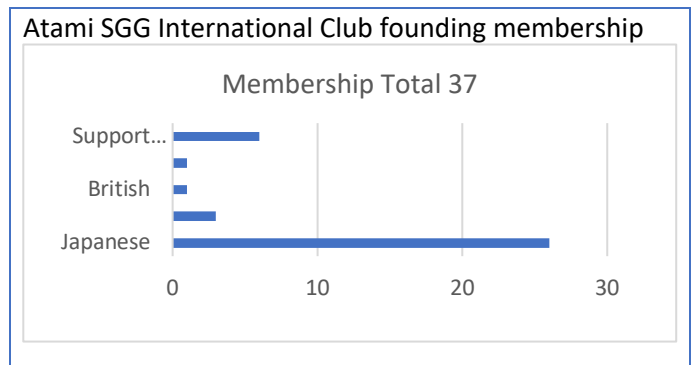
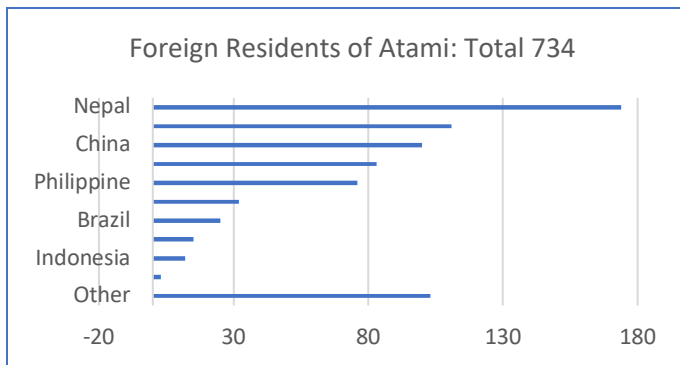


Welcome to Atami SGG International Club and our first newsletter. We are a group of like-minded volunteers, Japanese and foreign, all living in Atami.

What are we about? We have three primary purposes:

1. To deepen communication with people from various countries living in Atami, based on the spirit of volunteerism and cooperate with each other to promote a more international city.
2. To provide assistance for new arrivals from abroad to navigate Japan life's essentials.
3. Help visitors from overseas to feel comfortable and promote Atami as a tourist city to the world.



Kathy Matsunami, USA, living in Atami for 10 years

I have been lucky to call Atami home for 10 years. I am originally from the U.S. but have been living in Japan for longer. Yes, the big city has advantages, but the beauty and charm of Atami is what I like the most. The hills of Atami provide a spectacular views of Sagami Bay and Hatsushima and I understand why it was home to many famous Japanese writers. My favorite thing about Atami is the fireworks on a summer evening. Atami continues to change each year and I am looking forward to seeing this vibrancy continue.



Yuri Ueno (call me Yuri!), Japanese, living in Atami, English-speaker

I am Yuri Ueno (call me Yuri!), a new member to SGG. I recently started a travel agency (Curious Travel) here in Atami. I am from Tokyo and still quite new to Atami, but I feel Atami (and Izu overall) is one of the most underestimated (or even unknown?!) tourist destinations for foreign visitors, despite its gorgeous landscape, great seafood, onsen, history, culture and more! Now travel is back, and I plan to operate various tours in English to help foreign visitors learn and enjoy Atami more. I look forward to meeting SGG members and talking about how we can help Atami to become a diamond, rather than a hidden (unknown?) gem.

Atami Events in April

4/1-9th: Fifth Nakano Kajigawa Cherry Blossom Festival, Nakano Kajigawa Park. Park Taga Tourism 0557-67-2255
 4/14th-16th: Izusan Shrine annual festival, Izusan Shrine. Izusan Onsen Tourist Assoc. 0557-81-2631
 4/15th: Atami Spring Fireworks Festival, Atami Marina. Atami Tourist Assoc. 0557-85-2222
 4/29-5/27: Himenosawa Park Flower Festival, Himenosawa Park. Himenosawa Park Facility 0557-83-5301

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We would like to hear from Professional Services, such as doctors, dentists, lawyers, real-estate with foreign languages so that we can share your details, free, on our website, social media and issues of our newsletter. Please contact us by email: info@atamisgg.com

Atami SGG International Club Meetings and Events

We will be holding regular meetings and events. If you would like to find out more and meet some of us, please join us at our first event or our next meeting:
 1st event: "using Google Translate on mobile" is 8th April, 10-11:30
 Next meeting: 10th April, 2023 monthly Atami SGG Club meeting
 Venue: 6th Floor, Iki Iki Plaza, 1-25 Chuo Cho



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