

AUGUST 2026

EVENT CALENDAR

SMP Hiroshima Aeon Mall Trip

1 Aug (Sat) 0930-1730

Hornet's Nest

SMP patrons will travel to the Hiroshima Aeon Mall to enjoy a day of shopping, food, and free time.

SMP On-Base Cleanup

4 Aug (Tue) 0800 – 1100

Hornet's Nest

Join the Single Marine Program in a base wide clean-up to help the community look better. Patrons will receive volunteer hours for their time.

FROZEN MONDAY

3 Aug (Mon)

Celebrate National Ice Cream Sandwich Day with the USO! We'll be distributing frozen treats to units and active-duty service members around base.

BACK TO SCHOOL BINGO

5 Aug (Wed) 1700-1830

Celebrate the start of a new school year with Back to School Bingo at the USO! Families are invited to join us for an evening of fun as we kick off the school year together.

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SMP Committee Meeting

6 Aug (Thurs) 1500 – 1600

Hornet's Nest

Come out and participate in our monthly forum to have your ideas heard. Learn more about what's happening with the SMP, volunteer opportunities, and ways to get involved in your community.

SMP Yanai Goldfish Lantern Festival

13 Aug (Thurs) 1430-2230

Hornet's Nest

SMP volunteers will take part in Yanai's annual Kingyo Goldfish Lantern Festival.

Yanai Goldfish Lantern Festival

Aug 13 (Thurs) 1600-2230 IT&T

Enjoy the Local Yanai Goldfish Lantern Festival! Features goldfish floats, goldfish lanterns, food booths, music, a walk down White Wall Street, and more.

This year's main attraction will feature an authentic Neputa float from Aomori Prefecture.

SMP Trading Card Night

14 Aug (Fri) 1700 – 1800

Hornet's Nest

SMP is holding its monthly Trading Card Night where patrons can meet up and compete. Come and partake in our Magic the Gathering at the Hornet's Nest and enjoy a night of gaming and showing off the rarest in your collection.

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BACK TO SCHOOL CARNIVAL & MOVIE

14 Aug (Fri) 1800-2000

Join the USO at the Back to School Carnival and Movie hosted by MCCS! Celebrate the start of a brand-new school year at the Outdoor Pool and Bldg.411 parking lot.

Whether you're new or returning for another year, this is the perfect way to gear up for school while having a blast with our Iwakuni community!

NATIONAL POTATO DAY: SOUP'S ON!

19 Aug (Wed) 100-1300

Calling all spud lovers!

Celebrate National Potato Day with the USO and stop by for a warm cup of potato soup while supplies last.

Don't be a couch potato!

Grab a bowl and

have a good soup-er time!

USO FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

17 Aug (Mon)

Think you have what it takes to build the ultimate fantasy football team? Join the USO Fantasy Football League! Players will compete locally at USO Iwakuni, then work together to create one USO Iwakuni team to challenge other USO centers across Japan!

SMP Shimonoseki Aquarium Trip

22 Aug (Sat) 0730-1730

Hornet's Nest

SMP patrons will travel to Shimonoseki to enjoy the marine life at the Aquarium and food at the nearby fish market.

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SMP Chess Night

26 Aug (Wed) 1800-1900

Hornet's Nest

SMP is hosting its monthly Chess Night. Come out and learn and practice your skills in preparation for our

Quarterly Chess Tournament.

CRAFTERNOON: CATCH THE SUN

28 Aug (Fri) 1300 - 1500

Join us for a relaxing

Crafternoon as we create DIY glass painted suncatchers to add a little sparkle to your space!

Event will be held at the USO center.

Space is limited to 15 participants.

SMP Commissary Walkthrough

28 Aug (Fri) 0900-1000

Hornet's Nest

SMP is hosting a Commissary Tour with Health & Promotions, to upgrade their nutrition, improve their performance, and build better eating habits without sacrificing taste or convenience. Participants will receive a FREE bag of food at the end of the tour.

Neon Night Run

28 Aug (Fri) 1900-2200

Atago Sports Complex

Light up the night with your LED accessories and complete the Neon Night Run at the Atago Sports Complex! Bring your friends, have fun, and get some miles in! Pick up your accessories at the event, enjoy the nighttime run, and stick around for the Prize Giveaway at the end!