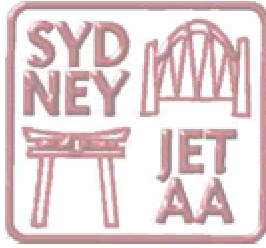


# JETAASYDNEY - MAY 2006 MINUTES



**Held:** Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> May 2006  
**Location:** Japanese Consulate  
**Time:** Start 6:40pm, End 7.55pm

**Next Meeting:** **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2006**  
**Location:** Japanese Consulate, Level 33,  
52 Martin Place, Sydney  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Email:** [jetaasydney@yahoo.com.au](mailto:jetaasydney@yahoo.com.au)

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**Present** - Mike Adams, Julio Santana, Michelle Morita, Arai-san, Yvonne Adams, Tammie Lee, Sasha Anderson and Sam Ishizuka

**Apologies** - David Boyd and Sharon Van Etten

- 1. Welcome and Apologies**
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting** – All accepted
- 3. Pre-departure Orientation:** Mike will email out to everyone a revised schedule and will invite David Leary and Mimori-sensei to our next meeting for a dry run of the day's events. All is set now.
- 4. Newsletter:** Tammie has kindly offered to write a food editorial for our next newsletter in June/July.
- 5. Ikebana/Obentou:** Michelle has found information at a community college for people wanting to learn Ikebana and how to make an Obentou. She will put it together ready to be sent out to members.
- 6. Taiko Night:** So far we have had one response for the Taiko concert 26<sup>th</sup> May at Enmore Theatre. Unfortunately, Sam sent out the wrong address for the social coordinator so will send out a new email in the next few days. Once Michelle gets everyone together, she will purchase the tickets for the event and arrange to meet everyone on the night to give him or her their ticket. Tammie is learning Taiko with the Taiko group and will find out if it is possible for a one-off Taiko practice session with the Taiko group.
- 7. Kimono Day:** Tammie offered to organise Kimono Day in September 2006. Mike has information (from Sharon) about a Kimono teacher that we can approach to come along and help us run the session. September was chosen as the best month as it is just before the Australia/Japan Year of Exchange Matsuri in October. We will be charging an entry fee that will be determined closer to the date.
- 8. Photo Competition:** The Canberra JETAA chapter suggested that we theme the photo competition as 'Building Relationships'. However, the Sydney JETAA chapter already liked 'Crossing Boundaries'. Therefore, we all agreed to merge the two names and make that the theme of the photo competition, i.e. 'Building Relationships – Crossing Boundaries'. There was a big discussion about whether we should allow JETs and their families to participate and decided that on the form they complete with their submission, candidates should write something about their affiliation with the JET program. We will be speaking to David about the competition rules as he is in the process of putting them together.
- 9. Trivia Night:** We are still thinking about places to go for our Trivia night, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August. We have now decided on eating steamboat (Chinese hotpot) but are still looking at a good location.

**Next Meeting: Japanese Consulate Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2006**