

HEC September 2019 Newsletter

Hello, everyone!

The HAJET Welcome Party season has officially begun and HEC will be out there at every party raising funds for HEC 2020! We can't wait to see you all out there for great food, drinks, games, and friendship.

On September 7th, we kicked off our welcome party fundraising campaign. We got a lot of wonderful donations and had a blast with an impromptu water pong tournament. We received so much wonderful support and were able to chat with many folks who are interested in volunteering. Thanks to everyone who came out and supported HEC! To the folks in other regions, we'll be coming to your neck of the woods very soon. If you'd like to show your support, check out our welcome party poster for info on how to get involved: https://hec.hajet.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/HEC-Poster_Night.png

We are gearing up for the next four parties, but we also have other awesome chances to give and volunteer on the horizon. The registration period for the fall stamp rally has begun, so if you're looking to have an adventure and win prizes, then check out the competition at hec.hajet.org/fallstamp. The rally begins October 12 so be sure to sign up before then. Also, do you like Halloween? Do you like volunteering? Look no further than Higashikagura's Halloween event on October 26. HEC will be volunteering as a group. Please contact hec@hajet.org for more info.

Finally, we are actively searching for camp coordinators, a test coordinator, and an events coordinator. If you want to play a major role in crafting the best camp in Hokkaido, then contact hec@hajet.org for more information or check out our flyer in the August Polestar: <http://online.fliphtml5.com/xgrow/nzkd/> !

No HEC. No life.

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HEC 2020's Timeline

December 2019 - February 2020	Test registration
March 2020	Test opens
April 2020	Test closes
May 2020	Winners and campers are notified
May 2020	General call for camp volunteers
July 2020	HEC 2020!

Chances to give, volunteer, and frolick

Date	Event	Activities	Description
Sep 14	HEC at Southwestern Welcome Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The First Annual HEC N-ergy Games HEC Farmer's Market HEC Bar 	<p>Toyako? Toya let's go!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete as a team to capture glory for you and your region in a mix of mini- games. Win sick prizes! Try out food made by the best chefs, brewers, and bakers in all the lands. You too can bring a food item of your choice to donate. We will be eternally grateful. Get crunk. It's for the kids!
Sep 21	HEC at Eastern Welcome Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The First Annual HEC N-ergy Games HEC Farmer's Market HEC Bar 	<p>Come for the beautiful lakes and stay for the good vibes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete as a team to capture glory for you and your region in a mix of mini- games. Win sick prizes! Try out food made by the best chefs, brewers, and bakers in all the lands. You too can bring a food item of your choice to donate. We will be eternally grateful. Get crunk. It's for the kids!
Sep 28	HEC at Central Welcome Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The First Annual HEC N-ergy Games HEC Farmer's Market HEC Bar 	<p>This is my region. I will be rigging the competitions so we win. Come be a part of the totally legitimate competition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete as a team to capture glory for you and your region in a mix of mini- games. Win sick prizes! Try out food made by the best chefs, brewers, and bakers in all the lands. You too can bring a food item of your choice to donate. We will be eternally grateful. Get crunk. It's for the kids!
Oct 5	HEC at Sapporo Welcome Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The First Annual HEC N-ergy Games HEC Farmer's Market 	<p>Bring your team to the city to see which region walks away with the grand prize.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compete as a team to capture glory for you and your region in a mix of mini- games. Win sick prizes! Try out food made by the best chefs, brewers, and bakers in all the lands. You too can bring a food item of your choice to donate. We will be eternally grateful.
Oct 12 to Nov 23	HEC Fall Stamp Rally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.hec.hajet.org/fallstamprally/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new fundraiser for all those who want to explore more of Hokkaido! To check out the rally requirements and prizes, go to hec.hajet.org/fallstamprally. Registration can be done online, but those who sign up at any of the above events receive an edge over the competition!
Oct 26	HEC at Halloween in Higashikagura	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ready to get spooky? We need volunteers to help run a haunted house in Higashikagura! Please contact hec@hajet.org to get rides and couches to crash on sorted out and for more info. 	
Nov 11- 12	HEC at Sapporo Development Conference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We'll have a lovely presentation to explain what HEC is and why it matters to you. We'll have all of the important registration and testing dates ready along with information so that you and your fellow teachers can be fully informed before approaching interested students. 	
Nov 23- 24	HEC at HAJET Fall Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We'll talk more about the testing process, how to make sure you and your students have the best experience they can, executive volunteer roles, and more. HEC will also be planning rad events for the enkai, so keep an eye out! 	

WELCOME TO HOKKAIDO!

SUPPORT HEC



AT THE HAJET WELCOME PARTIES

Find the region closest to you or
come to any of the parties!

NORTHERN: 9/7
SOUTHWEST: 9/14
EASTERN: 9/21

CENTRAL: 9/28
SAPPORO: 10/5

featuring:
HEC FUNDRAISERS

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THE 1ST ANNUAL HEC
N-ERGY GAMES



Form an unstoppable team and compete in exciting mini-games! Only 500 yen per person.

Bonus: Win some SICK prizes

Want to form a team?

Contact HEC!

HEC Farmer's Market

Love to cook, bake, or brew? Want to impress everyone with your superb skills? Look no further! We're looking for delicious donations to be sold at our Farmer's Market.



Contact HEC!

HEC BAR



Enjoy your favorite drinks all night long! Want to test your bar tending skills or donate a bottle? **Contact HEC!**

CONTACT HEC

Questions? Donations? Want to participate?
Email us at hec@hajet.org

Learn more about HEC at hec.hajet.org



HEC Fall Stamp Rally

Road stops (michi no eki) 2

Train stations 2

Onsen 2

Attractions 5
museums, art galleries, zoos, aquariums, parks, etc.

HEC/HAJET Events 0
Replaces 3 of the above stamps

Option 1

Explorer

2

2

2

5

0

11
stamps
total

Option 2

Challenger

Any combination
of 8

8

1

9
stamps
total

Start Date: October 12, 2019 End Date: November 23, 2019

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What is a stamp rally?

A stamp rally is a political rally, but only stamps are allowed to attend. I kid. A stamp rally is a contest to collect stamps from locations around a given area. In this case, Hokkaido is the area and the stamps are ripe for the collecting at train stations, road stops, onsens, attractions, and HAJET/HEC events. It's a race to collect them and prove it to us you did before other competitors do, so collect with the quickness!

The rally options

There are two options. Option 1, Explorer, requires 2 stamps from road stops, 2 stamps from train stations, 2 stamps from onsens, and 5 stamps from attractions. With Option 2, Challenger, we aren't so fussy. A single HAJET/HEC event stamp, which you can get BEFORE the official start date, sets you free to get any combination of 8 stamps the other categories. Hint: get your HAJET/HEC stamp when you sign up. Let's enjoying stamp rally together!

How do I compete?

- Pay a 1000 yen entry fee to HEC. (There will be no prizes if we don't get at least 15 paid entrants.)
- Print the five booklet pages.
- Craft your booklet.
- Explore Hokkaido!

- Collect your stamps after the start date and before the end date.
- Send your finished booklet to hec@hajet.org as images or PDF as soon as possible. You snooze, you lose!
- Win sweet prizes all for a great cause!

The prizes *trumpet blast*

- 1st: 5000 yen
- 2nd: 2500 yen
- 3rd: An HEC T-shirt of your choice
- 4th-10th: Various goodies

Rules

- The rally begins October 12 and ends on November 23.
- Stamps must be readable.
- Stamps must come from within Hokkaido.
- Only paid entrants can win prizes.
- Stamps must include the name of the attraction.
- Attraction stamps cannot be repeated; i.e., two stamps from the same zoo is not allowed.
- Prizes are based on submission time. Email pictures or scans of your completed booklet to hec@hajet.org.

To print your booklet, please visit hec.hajet.org/fallstamprally.