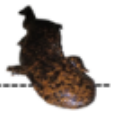
History of the Hanzaki



Hanzaki (200 million years ago)

1826

Old fossil of a giant salamander was found in Europe

Siebold

918

Japanese Names of Medical Herbs

1592-1596

Killing of a Hanzaki by Hikoshiro Mitsui

Everyone in the Mitsui familv is dead

The villagers were built a small shrine, and is known as the Hanzaki Grand Shrine

1693

Complication of the "Sakuyoushi" by Emura Soshin

1874

Rein and Rorentz (authors of "Japan") came to the Chugoku Region for 2 years to research the Hanzaki

1829

Siebold returned to Holland with two Giant Salamander

1880

Chujiro Sasaki collected Hanzaki from Iga Region

Chujiro Sasaki

A photograph by Chiyomatsu Ishikawao of the Hanzaki Grand Shrine

Hikoshiro Mitsui's reports regarding the near-extinction of Giant salamanders by "Sakuyoshi"

1881

Siebold's Giant Salamanders passed away in Amsterdam's aquarium

1887

Chujiro Sasaki was the first presentation on Japanese Giant Salamanders by a Japanese person

Chiyomatsu Ishikawa

1883

Siebold published "Japan's Animals" (which introduced Giant Salamanders to the world)

"Japan's Animals"

Siebold's Giant Salamander

1898

Chiyomatsu Ishikawa completed his first set of research in Yubara (Kamesaburo Teshima was helped out)

Discovered the existence of "Hanzaki Grand Shrine" and later recorded it in a research report

1899

Chiyomatsu Ishikawa came to Yubara for a second report

Hanzaki Stone Monument

Hanzaki Protected Species Memorial Stone

1901

Chiyomatsu Ishikawa published his "Giant Salamander Report"

1902

500 Japanese Giant Salamanders were born in Amsterdam

1914

Hanzaki Stone erected by head of Mizushima-kan

Kumahichi Mikamo's Hanzaki Raising Pond

1916

Kumahichi Mikamo created a pond in which to raise Hanzaki

1921

Chiyomatsu Ishikawa created a "Hanzaki Film" for his 60th Birthday

1921

Chiyomatsu Ishikaawa also bought part of the land of the Hanzaki Grand Shrine

1925

Katsuya Tago researched Futakawa (a part of Yubara town) for 3 years

1927

Report of the Budapest International Congress of zoology

1943

Katsuya Tago death (66 years old)

1927

The Giant Salamander designated a nationally protectedspecies. Yubara, Chuka, Kawakami, Futakawa (all currently Maniwa) all designated habitats for Giant Salamanders

1933

Tekkan Yosanoand and his wife Akiko Yosano, when staying in Yubara, composed the Hanzaki Tanka (a short poem 5 lines)

Chiyomatsu Ishikawa death (75 years old)

Tekkan Yosano and Akiko Yosano

1952

The Giant Salamander designated a protected species

Seishi Yamaguchi, Hanzaki Haiku Stone

1967

Researcher of Yubara's Hanzaki, published "Hanzaki Fudoki" article in a collection of articles about the Giant Salamander

1971 Hanzaki Center Established

1973 Publication of "Japan's Giant Salamander's" in Yoshihiro Ikoma Ikoma. (by Tsuyama Science Museum-leader Kenzo Morimoto)

1976 Special Memorial Emergency Survey Report 1 (Giant Salamander Habiats) by Okayama Educational Board (Leading member : Shiro Kawaguchi)

2000 Publication of "Report on Local Environment of the Protected Giant Salamander Species" (written by Shiro Kawaguchi)

Success in reduction in breeding of Giant Salamanders in Asa Zoo in Hiroshima Pref

2000

The novelist Mariko Ichihara wrote a short story called "Hanzaki Komachi"

Artificial hatching facility in Asa Zoo

2010

7th Japanese Giant Salamander Association Meeting (held in Yubara, Maniwa)

Hanzaki Observation Meeting

2011

Launch of Okayama Giant Salamander Association

2013

Okayama Giant Salamander Meeting Outdoor Research Begin (Led by Kazushi Kuwabara)

Inspection for Shijihara Sanchanzu vill in Kitahiroshima Town and Asa Zoo

2014

Employment of Yoshiko Hanzaki and Mariko Ichihara in Hanzaki Komachi

2015~

Okayama Giant Salamander Association Study Group, Investigation Committee and Observation meeting

Found the breeding cave in Tabane area

Asa Zoo provides giant salamander larvae

2017

Hanzaki Center Renewal

In the case is a Giant Salamander's fossil

Supervisioned by Japanese Giant Salamander Society President Kazushi Kiwabara

2017 U-suke, the author of many picture books, released a new book titled "Zakihan"

2018 The 120th Anniversary of Chiyomatsu Ishikawa's Yubara Survey

1955

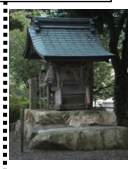
Creation of Preservation Society for the Hanzaki Grand Shrine

1962 1st Hanzaki Festival

1969 Yubara Town bought part of the land of the Hanzaki Grand Shrine

During construction Hanzaki Center

Hanzaki Grand Shrine Supporters' Association



first paper-mache Hanzaki

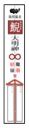
2011 50th Anniversary of the creation of the Hanzaki Nebuta Float

2012-16 Hanzaki's sign was maintained

Hanzaki Komachi Yoshiko Hanzaki

Hanzaki Komachi Mariko Ichihara

Hanzaki Onsen Town FootLights-Hanzaki Design

Talisman (for marriage) offering

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