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Asahidake visitor center News letter

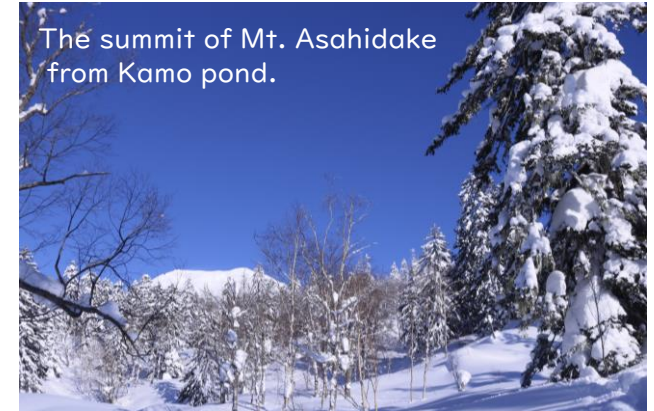
- Issuer : Asahidake Visitor Center staff : Daisuke Tsukagoshi
- Asahidake Visitor Center 9:00~17:00 (TEL) 0166-97-2153
〒071-1472 Kamikawa-gun Higashikawa-cho Asahidake onsen
(Closed 12/31~1/5 for the year-end and New year holidays)
- Rental (Rubber Boots/Cross-country ski/Snow shoes)
- Mountain and nature information, VR goggles experience,
- HP : <https://www.asahidake-vc-2291.jp/foreign/>
- FB : <https://www.facebook.com/asahidake.vc>

Climate of Asahidake onsen area in Early February..

- Temp : Max. -7°C/Min. -13°C (Avg. of 2012~23)
- Beware of sudden weather change and winter driving.



【 Nature Information 】 Beard of the Earth God 「SARUOGASE」 (Usnea longissima)



The summit of Mt. Asahidake from Kamo pond.

A lichen plant called "SARUOGASE" grows on a branch of Ezo spruce near Kamo pond from the cross-country ski course. Saruogase is called "ni-rek" (tree beard) and "shirikoro-kamui" (beard of the earth god) in Ainu language. In the West, it is called "grandfather's beard and mustache moss." Lichens are symbionts of fungi and algae. It attaches to trees and is not parasitic, living only on vapor and photosynthesis. About 40 species have been confirmed in Japan, and they grow only in places with clean air, such as highlands and deep forests, indicating that the air around Asahidake Onsen Hot Spring Resort is clean. Let's rent snowshoes at the Visitor Center and go out to look for white whiskers hanging in the trees around the trails.

【Asahidake Onsen Resort Area Information】

【 Asahidake area skiing course in winter 】

Courses B, C, and D can be skied.

Please check the Asahidake Ropeway website for operation status and the latest information.

【 Cross-country ski course 】

All courses can be skied.

【 Asahidake Onsen 】 Please contact the facility directly for the latest information.

<Closed for winter> Nutapukaushipe, Hotel Deer Valley

【 Eco-tour and Event Information 】

For more information and application, please contact the Center.

■ Asahidake Winter Events (no entry fee, rental fee not included)

- 2/17 (Sat) Map Reading & Snowshoeing for Beginners (10:00-12:00)
- 2/24 (Sat) Snow Hike in the Snowy Mountains (10:00-12:00)
- 3/ 2 (Sat) Snow Hike in the Snowy Mountains (10:00-12:00)
- 3/ 3 (Sun) Target game with a spear (10:00-12:00)

■ Eco-tour (rental fee not included)

- 2/25 (Sun) Asahidake Onsen Snowhike trekking ¥2,500-

■ Asahidake Onsen Nature Walk

- 【DATE】 Please Refer to our tour calendar. 【TIME】 13:30~15:00
- 【PARTICIPANTS】 6 person / 1day 【FEE】 ¥1,500 (Insurance Incl.)

