

Yusuhara a Home from Home: 13. A Tale of Two Events

Stephen Woodard

The last few months have seen two major events take place one global and the other much closer to home. Let's start with the first. In spite of much discussion and disagreement from around the world, the Olympic Games of the 32nd Olympiad began and ended with subdued fanfare and a lack of usual grandeur. Of course this is no fault of any person or group of people but sadly a consequence of the time. Despite scaled back audiences and a dampened atmosphere, I think it's somewhat safe to say that the games were quite enjoyable. A mix of classic and new events breathed fresh air into a troublesome year. Team GB (Great Britain) had a successful games equaling their London 2012 medal count, their most successful games ever. I must also extend congratulations to Japan for finishing in 3rd place overall and for my introduction to many wonderful Japanese athletes.

The second is relating to the reason for the Olympic delay. I wish to say that I am happy that the recent vaccination efforts of Japan have reached Yusuhara and many people are opting to have one. I myself have had both jabs and have been fully vaccinated for a few weeks now. I hope each day that passes we are one day closer to the end of this!