

JAPAN / LE JAPON

YASUHIRO FUKASAWA

Height: 177 cm
 Weight: 62 kg
 Handedness: Left
 Started Playing in: 2000
 Nat. Team member since: 2006
 Club: Yokohama Gijuku
 Place of Birth: Fujisawa-shi, Kanagawa
 Residence: Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa
 Date of Birth: 18-Feb-77
 Occupation: Office worker
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Sponsors:
 Goals: To become a player who can contribute to the team's victory - even a little.
 Other interests: Animation, on-line games
 Results & Awards:



0.5	# 2
Class	Jersey

KOICHI OGINO

Height: 180 cm
 Weight: 68 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 1997
 Nat. Team member since: 1998
 Club: Blitz
 Place of Birth: Kaizuka-shi, Osaka
 Residence: Kamagaya-shi, Chiba
 Date of Birth: 11-Aug-66
 Occupation: Office worker
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Goals: To win a medal at the Paralympics
 Other interests: Wheelchair Twin Basketball
 Results & Awards: 2001, 2003, & 2005 Oceania Ch'ships - 3rd
 2004 Paralympic Games - 8th
 2004 Japanese Nationals - 1st & Best Player
 2002 World Championships - 8th



1.0	# 5
& Assistant Coach	

YOSHINOBU TAKAHASHI

Height: 173 cm
 Weight: 65 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 1999
 Nat. Team member since: 2001
 Coach / Mentor: Daisuke Aoyagi
 Club: Bulldogs
 Place of Birth: Uonuma-shi, Niigata
 Date of Birth: 19-Apr-75
 Occupation: Self-owned business
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Goals: To win a medal in this international competition
 Other interests: Traveling, driving
 Results & Awards: 2001, 2003, & 2005 Oceania Ch'ships - 3rd
 2004 Paralympic Games - 8th
 2004 Japanese Nationals - 2nd & Best Player
 2002 World Championships - 8th



1.0	# 1
Class	Jersey

KENJI HAMANO

Height: 174 cm
 Weight: 49 kg
 Handedness: Left
 Started Playing in: 2000
 Nat. Team member since: 2005
 Club: Blazers WRT
 Place of Birth: Kobe, Hyogo
 Residence: Kobe, Hyogo
 Date of Birth: 27-Jul-74
 Occupation: Group official
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Sponsors:
 Goals: For Japan to take part in the Paralympics, and for me to contribute & be on court in Beijing.
 Other interests: Wheelchair Twin Basketball, and watching sports on television
 Results & Awards:



1.5	# 14
Class	Jersey

SHUNSUKE KAWANO

Height: 171 cm
 Weight: 65 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 2003
 Nat. Team member since: 2005
 Club: Blitz
 Place of Birth: Hyuga-shi, Miyazaki
 Residence: Ota-ku, Tokyo
 Date of Birth: 29-Jan-76
 Occupation: Office worker
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Sponsors:
 Goals: To become a person who is valuable to the team both on and off the court
 Other interests: All sports
 Results & Awards:



1.5	# 12
Class	Jersey

MIROYUKI MISAKA

Height: 180 cm
 Weight: 70 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 2000
 Nat. Team member since: 2003
 Club: Bulldogs
 Place of Birth: Higashiosaka-shi, Osaka
 Residence: Himeji-shi, Hyogo
 Date of Birth: 21-Jun-81
 Occupation: Web designer
 Languages spoken: Japanese & a little bit of English
 Goals: To earn a world top-3 ranking and win a medal at the Paralympics with the Japanese team Personally, to take part in the overseas league.
 Other interests: Watching sports and listening to music
 Results & Awards: 2004 Paralympic Games - 8th
 2004 Japanese Nationals - 2nd & Best Player



2.0	# 8
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TAKUO MUROHASHI

Height: 174 cm
 Weight: 65 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 1999
 Nat. Team member since: 1999
 Coach / Mentor: Aoyugi Daisuke
 Club: Bulldogs
 Place of Birth: Nagaoka-shi, Niigata
 Date of Birth: 12-Jan-75
 Occupation: Office worker
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Goals: To win
 Other interests: Nothing in particular
 Results & Awards: 2001, 2003, & 2005 Oceania Ch'ships - 3rd
 2004 Paralympic Games - 8th
 2004 Japanese Nationals - 2nd & Best Player
 2002 World Championships - 8th



2.0	# 6
Class	Jersey

SHIN NAKAZATO

Height: 164 cm
 Weight: 72 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 2002
 Nat. Team member since: 2003
 Coach / Mentor: Kazuhiko Kamizato
 Clubs: Okinawa Hurricanes
 Place of Birth: Urasoe-shi, Okinawa
 Date of Birth: 06-Apr-77
 Occupation: Student
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Goals: For team Japan to win a medal at the Paralympics and for my club team to win at the Nationals.
 Other interests: Watching soccer and NBA games on TV, wheelchair basketball, music, and movies
 Results & Awards: 2004 Paralympic Games - 8th
 2003 & 2004 Japanese Nationals - Best Player



2.5	# 11
Class	Jersey

SHINGO FUJISHIMA

Height: 177 cm
 Weight: 65 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 2005
 Nat. Team member since: 2006
 Club: Blazers WRT
 Place of Birth: Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki
 Residence: Sakai-shi, Osaka
 Date of Birth: 10-May-72
 Occupation: Self-owned business
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Sponsors:
 Goals: Solidarity
 Other interests: Nothing in particular
 Results & Awards:



2.5	# 7
Class	Jersey

SHINICHI SHIMAKAWA

Height: 177 cm
 Weight: 62 kg
 Handedness: Right
 Started Playing in: 1999
 Nat. Team member since: 2001
 Club: Blitz, Phoenix Heat
 Place of Birth: Kumamoto, JAP
 Residence: Kodaira-Shi, Tokyo
 Date of Birth: 29-Jan-75
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Sponsors: Melrose
 Goals: For the Japanese team to become #1 in the world
 Other interests: Listening to music, driving
 Results & Awards: 2006 Coloplast International - 1st, MVP
 2006 Demolition Derby - 1st, MVP
 2004 Paralympic Games - 8th
 2002 World Championships - 8th



3.0	# 4
Class	Jersey

YASUO SHIOZAWA

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat.Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:
 Recent activity with team: Head coach for JAP at the 2002 Worlds
 Coaching Highlights:



Head Coach /
 Team Manager

NORIHISA IWABUCHI

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat.Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:
 Coaching Highlights:



Assistant Coach

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DAISUKE AOYAGI



Assistant Coach

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat.Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:
 Coaching Highlights:
 Recent activity with team: Equipment Manager for JAP at the 2002 Worlds

MAYUMI SHIOZAWA



Assistant Manager

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat.Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:
 Recent activity with team: Team Manager for JAP at the 2002 Worlds

MIHO IWABUCHI



Staff

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat. Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:
 Recent activity with team:

MIO ICHIEN



Staff

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat.Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:
 Recent activity with team:

MASAMI GANKE



Staff

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat. Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:

MARIKO HARADA

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat.Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese, English
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:

Staff Interpreter

YURIKO FUKASAWA

Place of Birth:
 Hometown:
 Residence:
 Started in rugby:
 With Nat. Team since:
 Home Club:
 Languages spoken: Japanese
 Occupation:
 Hobbies:
 Goals:
 Other interests:

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