

Re: Action SCUFN 14 pending items

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JCUFN has recognized that there are more than 50 features that were “tentatively” named during SCUFN-14 (2001, Tokyo) but noted as “pending Japanese national approval” or equivalent wordings.

We are sorry, but JCUFN has failed to respond to these issues during the last 10 years. However, some of these “tentative” names are included in the GEBCO Gazetteer. This is because, according to page 7 & 8 of SCUFN-15 Report (2002, Monaco), it reads as follows: “Acceptance by SCUFN-14 of the following names have been endorsed by the Japanese Committee on U.F.N. They are therefore definitively accepted.” However, JCUFN has no official records that it approved these names. So, the written statement in page 7 & 8 of SCUFN-15 Report is very suspicious, and JCUFN does not understand why this statement happened.

Anyhow, JCUFN has started reviewing these “tentatively” named features. Here, we report the results of our reviewing on the following 12 features from SCUFN-14:

- (1) Kita-Tennosei Knoll → approved as Tennosei Knoll
- (2) Hangetsu Trough & Hangetsu Seamount → rejected
- (3) Sotsujyu & Sanjyu Seamounts → approved
- (4) Matsushima, Hashidate & Miyajima Holes → approved as Yoro, Isen & Sakibaru Holes
- (5) Koho Hole & Koho Ridge → approved
- (6) Susami Seamount → approved
- (7) Shingetsu Hole → rejected

31	KITA-TENNOSEI Knoll	19°54'.5N 136°14'.3E			GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted as “Knoll” (instead of “Hill”, as shown on the chart). Relief: 500m. Least depth: 3100m.

“Tennosei” designates, in Japanese, the planet Uranus (Kita = North).

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42	HANGETSU Trough	23°19'.0N 137°34'.2E	22°25'.0N 137°07'.0E		GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted. Depression : 4900-5850m.

"Hangetsu" means Half Moon in Japanese.

43	HANGETSU Seamount	22°35'.6N 137°07'.5E			GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted. Relief: 1200m. Least depth: 4250m.

"Hangetsu" means Half Moon in Japanese.

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9	SANJU Seamount	24°58'.5N 134°04'.5 ^E			GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted. Relief: 2100m. Least depth: 2280m.

"Sanju" is the Japanese term for "80th birthday".

10	SOTSUJU Seamount	25°03'.3N 134°16'.0E			GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted. Relief: 2200m. Least depth: 2210m.

"Sotsuju" is the Japanese term for "90th birthday".

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34	MIYAJIMA Hole	27°06'.0N 130°48'.0E	Relief: 600m. Least depth: 6500m.	Along prolongation of Nansei-Syoto Trench. GEBCO 5.06
35	HASHIDATE Hole	27°20'.5N 130°41'.4E	Relief: 1000m. Least depth: 6700m.	
36	MATSUSHIMA Hole	27°45'.5N 130°36'.0E	Relief: 1300m. Least depth: 6800m.	

Tentative names accepted, subject to Japanese national approval. Not shown on Chart 6725.

Action: Japan Committee on U.F.N. to consider accepting the above three names.

Miyajima, Hashidate and Matsushima are three of the most noted scenic views of Japan.

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81	KOHO Ridge	26°37'.0N 134°23'.0E	26°42'.5N 135°36'.0E		GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted. Relief: 2500-3500m. Includes Kita-Koho Seamount.

83	KOHO Hole	26°26'.5N 135°30'.0E			GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted, pending Japanese national approval. Relief: 700m. Floor at 500m.

Action: Japanese Committee on U.F.N. to consider accepting this name.

"Koho" was the name of a Japanese research vessel in the 1930s.

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111	SUSAMI Seamount	26°40'.0N 138°01'.5E			GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted, pending Japanese national approval. Relief: 1200m. Least depth: 2850m.

Action: Japanese Committee on U.F.N. to consider accepting this name.

Named after the nearby town of Susami, on the island of Honshu, Japan.

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2	OKI-DAITO Terrace	25°20'N 131°00'E	25°00'N 131°40'E		GEBCO 5.06
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Accepted, pending Japanese national approval. Misprinted "Daito Shoto" on Chart 6725. Relief: 500m at depths of 3000-3500m.

Action: Japanese Committee on U.F.N. to consider accepting this name.

Named after the nearby island of Oki-Daito.

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Paragraph 4.2.5 (Bathymetric Chart N° 6725) – Items 2, 30, 34, 35, 36, 47, 69, 73, 74, 83, 86, 88, 92, 94, 97, 99, 100, 110, 111, 128 and 129 - Acceptance by SCUFN-14 of the following names have been endorsed by the Japanese Committee on U.F.N. They are therefore definitively accepted.

- **Oki-Daito Terrace** (25°20'N - 131°00'E to 25°00'N - 131°40'E),
- **Kinen Hill** (27°28.5'N - 131°00.5'E),
- **Miyajima Hole** (27°06.0'N - 130°48.0'E),
- **Amanohashidate Hole²** (27°20.5'N - 130°41.4'E),
- **Matsushima Hole** (27°45.5'N - 130°36.0'E),
- **Naze Valley** (28°25.0'N - 132°18.0'E to 28°23.5'N - 131°11.0'E to 28°10.5'N to 130°48.0'E),
- **Saikaido Seamount Chain** (28°29'N - 132°46'E to 28°25'N - 134°15'E to 27°15'N - 135°02'E),
- **Chikugo Hill** (28°36.0'N - 133°55.5'E),
- **Buzen Hill** (28°51.6'N - 134°34.0'E),
- **Koho Hole** (26°26.5'N - 135°30.0'E),
- **Hokusei-Ryusei Seamount** (25°52.4'N - 135°10.5'E),
- **Kyosei Seamount** (25°35'N - 136°12'E),
- **Minami-Rensei Seamount** (25°12.0'N - 135°10.2'E),
- **Junsei Seamount** (25°19.7'N - 136°00.6'E),
- **Black Hole** (25°00.0'N - 136°27.6'E),
- **Minami-Choshinsei Seamount** (24°26.5'N - 136°11.7'E),
- **Choshinsei Seamount** (24°31.8'N - 136°17.4'E),
- **Kushimoto Hole** (27°24.0'N - 137°34.5'E),
- **Susami Seamount** (26°40.0'N - 138°01.5'E),
- **Nishi-Kaitoku Hill** (25°37.0'N - 139°45.0'E), and
- **Sofu Basin** (29°50'N - 139°17'E to 28°15'N - 139°05'E to 28°40'N - 139°10'E).

Page 7 & 8 of SCUFN-15 Report (2002), Monaco