

III. Sport in Asia

III-1 Sasajima, Kohsuke. "History of Physical Education and Sport in Ancient Japan." *Canadian Journal of History of Sport* 19:2 (December 1988), 57-61.

Sketched is a history of Japan from about the 3rd Century B.C., emphasizing the importance of hunting, archery, horse riding, sumo, and falconry. The author attempts to trace important physical education and sports in the Era of Aristocracy (6th to 12th centuries) especially in the Heian Era. The origins and importance of sumo and kemari are discussed. *Nihon-Shoki* and *Wamyō Ruijū Shō* cited but no further documentation. No notes.

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