

Komatsuryu Rikishi to Join Tamanoi Beya

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SFM can today reveal that Takamasa Yamada, a 15-year-old member of Komatsuryu Dojo in Taito-ku, Tokyo, currently weighing in at 135 Kg, will be joining Tamanoi Beya from next year. The club has already produced sekitori Shunketsu (Hanaregoma Beya) and Daishodai (Oitekaze Beya) - currently fighting under the shikona Daishoyama.

Yamada will not adopt an appointed shikona but will retain his family name upon

joining.

Information along these lines first received at the Tamanoi Matsuri on October 21st was today confirmed by a family member at the 56th annual Aki Taikai at Komatsuryu.

Still in school, Takamasa's first interview will be coming the way of SFM in coming issues - timing set to take non-Japanese fan's tendency in recent years, to 'adopt' rikishi, to a whole new level.