

18 The 27th Fukuroi Shuku right in the middle of the Old Tokaido Road

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Introduction

It is the 27th shukuba right in the middle of 53 shukuba in the Old Tokaido Road. Before, the distance between Kakegawa Shuku on the east and Mitsuke Shuku on the west was long so they decided to set up Fukuroi Shuku. Therefore the opening of shukuba was in 1616, 15 years later than the others. It is also a temple town of 'Enshu Sanzan', 3 noted temples in the western Shizuoka Prefecture which are Kasuisai, Hattasan and Yusanji.

Fuji-sengengu Aka-torii at Fuji-sengengu Shrine

1 富士浅間宮赤鳥居・富士浅間宮

'Torii' is the gateway to the Shinto shrine. The large red torii at Fuji-sengengu Shrine is surrounded with row of pine trees and the building of the shrine is 800 meters ahead. 'Honden' (the sanctuary of the shrine) could not be seen from here because of the road and the factory in between. They say that it was originally built at the beginning of the Heian Period (794-1185) by Sakanoue-no-Tamuramaro who dedicated a sword to thank for his victory. The land was donated by Ashikaga Takauji to the head shrine of all Sengen Shrine in Fujinomiya City. Although it was once destroyed by the flames of war, honden, built in 1590 is an important cultural property of Japan.

Night-light of Mt. Akiha at Araya

2 新屋の秋葉山常夜灯

Worship of Akiha Daigongen, the deity of fire prevention became popular in the Edo Period (1603-1868) and night-lights became to be set up along the approach to Akiha Shrine. Later, night-lights were also installed in towns as a symbol of fire prevention. This one is wooden yakata-zukuri style decorated with marvelous carving works.



3 だまん中茶屋

A relaxation teahouse built for the travelers of the Old Tokaido Road by following the motif in ukiyoe of "Fukuroi Shuku" in "The 53 post stations of the Old Tokaido" of Hiroshige. You can take a rest and get free green tea service and buy local souvenirs. It is also a place of exchange for the local people.



Kanpukuji Temple (Heso-dera)

4 観福寺(へそ寺)

Teiseizan Kanpukuji Temple of Soto Buddhism sect is the origin of the name of Fukuroi. People call it by familiar name "Heso-dera" which means 'naval temple' as it is located in the center of Fukuroi Shuku, right in the middle of the Old Tokaido Road.



Unique parks in Fukuroi Shuku

5 袋井宿の個性的な公園

There were 3 honjin in Fukuroi Shuku: east, central and west. East honjin of Fukuroi Shuku was discovered partly by excavation investigation in 1991 and restored to Higashi-honjin Park. Fukuroi Shukuba Park is located at the center of Fukuroi Shuku and was constructed to create a

shukuba atmosphere. Hon-machi Shukuba Park at 'nishikido' (west gate of shukuba) was constructed to create a west entrance impression of shukuba, they reproduced 'dorui' (mound for defense) and 'kosatsuba' (place to put up laws and ordinances from the shogunate).

Historic Battlefield of Kihara-nawate and Kihara Dainenbutsu

6 木原暇古戦場 木原大念仏

When Ieyasu was the lord of Hamamatsu Castle, he led his soldiers to this place and fought against the Tekeda army who invaded from the south. It is said to be the prelude war to the Battle of Mikatagahara (1573) which took place in the following year and it was the only one losing battle of Ieyasu. Six years later, when villagers killed Sasada Gengo, vassal of the Tekeda clan who was spying on the Tokugawa clan, a plague has broken out. So the villagers repeated the name of Buddha and held a service to repose Gengo's spirit with all due respect. This is the origin of the 'Kihara Dainenbutsu', an intangible cultural property of Fukuroi City.



Dainichido / Mikano Nanatsu-michi

7 大日堂・三ヶ野七つ道

The area around Dainichido is called Mikano where the Takeda army and the Tokugawa army went to war. It also overlooks Fukuroi and it is an important center of traffic with 'Nanatsu-michi' (seven roads) which are Ancient Kamakura Road, Old Tokaido Road (Edo), Shichi-do (road used to go to the pawnshop), Road of Meiji, Road of Taisho, ROUTE 1 (Showa) and Iwata Bypass (Heisei).

Old Tokaido Road Walking Route

- Sidewalk
- Sidewalk narrower than 70 cm

Legend

- Information
- Parking lot
- Picturing point
- Bench
- Toilet
- "Michi-no-Eki" (Road station)
- Accessible toilet
- Convenience store
- Other old road
- Row of pine trees
- Cherry tree
- Explanatory board
- Bus stop
- Automated external defibrillator, AED
- East boundary of shukuba
- West boundary of shukuba