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East Asia Chapter



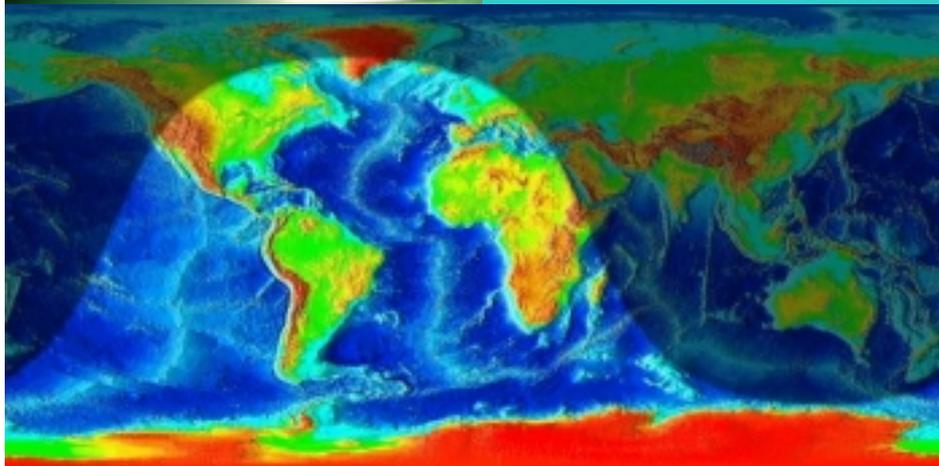
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Hi, Fellow FISTS !

One night, I was calling CQ on 40m. My station is equipped with IC-756pro3 and Cushcraft R8 which is mounted on a 3m-long-steel pipe in my front yard. Running 50 watts, I got calls from UA3 and W6 station. It was sort of exciting for me because it is rare to have such DX contacts with my tiny system. The band was so noisy at that time but the condx seemed to be good. Imagine the radio wave that was radiated from my R8, an omni directional antenna, traveled within a 7000km radius and reached the other shore of the Pacific and also reached UA3 area beyond Ural Mountains. The fact will tell you something. The ionosphere plays a wonderful role for us to reach our friends who live worldwide. "DXing" is not the word only for big guns who have enormous antennas and boatanchors but for us who have tiny equipment and less power. We can hear a lot of FISTS NA members' sigs on the web radio in S.L.C., Utah and listen to the bands with our rigs at the same time. Sometimes, your chatting is heard here in JA, so it seemed possible to exchange our FISTS numbers and messages. Hopefully, a lot of FISTS members listen attentively to the signals from overseas and catch on to whisperous signals your friends send.

This issue.....

In this issue, I'd like to introduce a new member UK/JI2MED/Manabu who is really active from Tashkent, Uzbekistan. And it will be followed by some messages of FISTS EA members. Especially, you will be interested in our new award program "MAR06" explained by Nao, JO3HPM. In closing, our sincere friend Giancarlo in Italy tells us his wonderful memory of Christmas days in his childhood.

A New Member

UK/JI2MED Manabu Shimoyashiro FISTS#15020

He has been our friend and really active on the air. Some of us have had QSOs with him from time to time .when the condx permitted. He often posts some messages on our FISTS EA message board and also an active member of JARL A1club. He has a good fist and enjoys chatting with us and other stations in EU or Russia. Living in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, he often goes on his business trip to EU or some other Russian regions and occasionally visits some HAMs there. What he does for his living in Uzbekistan? Ask him when you meet him on the bands. Hi. We are really happy to welcome him and hope him to check in our CW NET constantly.



His daughter, Yuko, born in July 2003 in Tashkent, is very busy to handle big pile-up, not disturbing her dad...



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Most Active Rag chewer in 2006 (MAR06)

By **JO3HPM / Nao, FISTS#15008**

FISTS EA has announced new annual award. In a non-English speaking country like Japan, there are few CW rag chewers using English. They all know the international Morse code, but when they meet the English language “wall”, they soon give up normal conversation and begin only to work a rubber stamp, 5NNBK type of QSO or WABUN (Japanese character code). This is sad. Our radio waves on the HF bands easily reach to all over the world. So if they can be a little courageous, they will discover more fun in their CW.

We welcome applications from all over the world.

OBJECTIVE

1. To increase participation in the FEA CW Net.
2. To encourage all amateur operators to try CW chatting, going one step beyond a rubber stamp QSO.

PERIOD

From 00:00 Jan 1st 2006 to 23:59 Dec 31st 2006, local time

SCORING

You get one point for:

1. Participation in the FEA CW Net.
2. Every QSO beyond a rubber stamp, 5NNBK, or contest style QSO. If you think you deserve a point, then it counts.

Please judge yourself fairly.

Send me a report of your points whenever and as often as you like. In addition to your QSO points, please send a comment. For example: -

“I joined the FEA CW NET 50 times consecutively”

“My longest chatting time is 150 minutes.”

“I chat for over 30 minutes once a week.”

ELIGIBLE STATIONS

All amateur stations are eligible. It's not necessary to be a member of FISTS.

AWARD

We will give an award to the station with the highest points. We will also have a special award for the comment that impresses us the most.

SEND YOUR POINTS OR QUESTIONS TO

email: jo3hpm at feacw dot net OR jo3hpm at fists dash ea dot org>

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EMAIL FORMAT

Please write “[FEA MAR06] your_call_sign” in the Subject line of the email, and your call sign, name, number of points, and comment in the body of the email.

EXAMPLE EMAIL

Subject: [FEA MAR06] JO3HPM

Message:

Call sign: JO3HPM

Name: Nao

Point: 123

Comment: I joined the FEA CW NET50times consecutively.

RESULTS

We will announce the results often on the FEA web page and in newsletters. Final results will be announced next January.

FISTS EA Most Active Ragchewer in 2006

Last Update: 2006 Feb 5

Rank	Call	Name	Point	Comment	Reporting date (Y/M/D)
1	JJ8KGZ	Leo	60	I have never had rubber stamp QSOs since last October. I always add some comments even if they want to keep their rubber stamp.	2006/1/31
2	JO3HPM	Nao	24	Please send me your report.	2006/1/29
3	JG0MWU	Ken	15	I made 15 QSOs like below. (Date Callsign Band Comment) Jan.12 JR4QUV 40m ABT WE ARE CW BEGINNER Jan.12 JA4PSV 40m ABT PRONUNCIATION OF CITY'S NAME Jan.14 JA6FOF 30m ABT HVY SNOW Jan.14 JA6AER 30m ABT HIS BEAM ANT Jan.14 JO3HPM 80m ABT ANT ES NUMBER OF QSOS ES SO ON Jan.15 NET 40m FISTS EA NET Jan.15 JG0SXC 20m ABT FISTS EA NET ES DX QSO Jan.15 JF7UTR 40m ABT HOW DEEP SNOW ABOVE GND Jan.17 JK4USW 40m ABT CHOSHU-RIKI Jan.17 JO3HPM 80m ABT NUMBER OF QSOS ES MY JOB Jan.21 DS3LHG 40m ABT HIS FB 5W QRP SIG ES ANT Jan.26 BX2AN 40m FISTS QSO ABT QSL VIA FISTS BURO SURE Jan.30 JA4SEU 40m ABT HIS NEW RIG IC-7000M Jan.30 DS3CCO 40m ABT AGE ES JOB ES I LIKE KUPPA Jan.31 JA1CCA 80m ABT MIZORE NOT SNOW SUM OF JAN.2006 = 15pts.	2006/1/31
4	JK7UST	Sugi	13	3 FISTS Member	2006/2/4
5	JE1TRV	Atsu	11	Have fun !	2006/1/28

FIST on the Snowboard

JG0MWU / Ken, FISTS# 15015



Hello FISTS members.

It is snowing very hard in this winter here in Nagano Japan. In local ski area, there is much snow about 4 meters above ground level. So I can ride on deep powder snow almost every time when I go snowboarding. I don't know how many snowboarders can work on short wave with Morse code. I think it is only a few people in the world. But I hope to meet another snowboarder on the air someday. 73. de JG0MWU "Ken"

Message from I2VRF / Giancarlo, FISTS# 8325



Dear FISTS,

Very fine edition of your bulletin. I hope to continue to receive it. I think that Christmas day has for Japanese people not the same meaning as for Europeans. It is part a religious tradition, the crib, and part, the tree, is coming from north Europe folk's traditions. Furthermore it is both in Europe and in USA Christmas mainly an occasion to exchange gifts.

When I was a kid I went with my father in the wood near my birth village on the mountains to cut a fir for the Christmas tree. He was very very pedantic: fir must be regular and high about 2, 5-3 meter. He bought similar trees when living in Bolzano and I continued in Milan and in Bresso also after the marriage until years '90. It became very difficult because of the municipality laws to get rid of it. So we mad a little synthetic tree as for the picture. We made also the crib (creche ? Presepe in Italian) with old musk that we had taken in the wood of my Valley the last time it was possible for me go back there.

And at last a picture of part of the Christmas gifts which we used to put near the tree (under the tree until it was high).

Since Dec 2003 the crib is made by my wife and the little tree by my sons. In 2004 It was the last time I could see them with my eyes. Now it is possible just through the digital camera of my daughter. I cannot more walk to the sitting room!!!! As in 2004 we four had at Christmas 2005 the meals on our bed and the same for Jan 1st. Despite of all we have much amused.

So my dear, we wish you all the very best in the year just begun.

Giancarlo



FISTS EA Activities

Suggested Calling Frequencies

You can find FISTS members on/near following recommended calling frequencies.
QSO's should be QSY'd another frequency.

FISTS	160m	80m	40m	30m	20m	17m	15m	12m	10m	6m	2m
<u>East Asia</u>	-	-	-	10.118 10.138 (*1)	14.058	18.085	21.058	24.918	28.058 28.158 (*2)	-	-
HQ/Europe	-	3.558	7.028	-	14.058	-	21.058	-	28.058	-	-
North America	1.808	3.558 3.708	7.028 7.058 7.118	10.118	14.058	18.085	21.058 21.158	24.918	28.058 28.158	50.058	144.058
Down Under	1.808	3.528	7.028	10.118	14.058	18.085	21.058 21.158	24.918	28.058 28.158	-	-
QRP calling freqs (*3)	-	-	-	10.106 10.116	14.060	18.086 18.096	21.060 21.110	24.906 24.910	28.060 28.110	-	-

(*1) BV [Taiwan] stations are allowed to use 10.130 to 10.150.

(*2) BV [Taiwan] stations are allowed to use above 28.100.

(*3) International QRP calling frequencies are neighborhood.

FISTS East Asia CW Net

We have informal CW sessions for ANYONE who wants to practice English QSO.

When	on Sundays @ East Asia
Part I	between 7.025MHz and 7.030MHz, sometimes between 18.080MHz and 18.085MHz starting 2300UTC on Saturdays (0700 Taiwan/Singapore Time, 0800 JST on Sundays)
Part II	between 14.050MHz and 14.055MHz starting 0800UTC on Sundays (1600 Taiwan/Singapore Time, 1700 JST on Sundays)
Speed	12WPM to 15WPM
Controlled by	Nao, JO3HPM, Sugi, JK7UST/JE7YTQ, and Chen, BX2AH
Managed by	Nao, JO3HPM
Any other announcements	might be posted to the English BBS.*

FISTS EA NET Result

No.	Date (Y/M/D)	Time (UTC)	Freq. (MHz)	Controller	Participant
59-2	2006/2/5	0800-0900	14.054	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	UK/JI2MED(Manabu), BX2AH(Chen), VR2DL(Tat)
59-1	2006/2/4	2300-2330	7.0255	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JJ8KGZ(Leo), JE1TRV(Atsu), JG0SXC(Man)
58-2	2006/1/29	0800-0900	14.055	JO3HPM(Nao)	JL8MIL(Jun), JE1TRV(Atsu)
58-1	2006/1/21	none	none	none	none
57-2	2006/1/22	0800-0900	14.053	JO3HPM(Nao)	UK/JI2MED(Manabu), JE1TRV(Atsu), BX2AH(Chen)
57-1	2006/1/21	2300-2440	7.0275	JO3HPM(Nao)	JJ8KGZ(Leo), JE1TRV(Atsu), JF3KNW(Nobu)
56-2	2006/1/15	0800-0820	14.0545	JO3HPM(Nao)	UK/JI2MED(Manabu)
56-1	2006/1/14	2300-2345	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JJ8KGZ(Leo), JO3HPM(Nao), JG0MWU(Ken)

