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<b>FEA CW Net Schedule</b>	40m: 2300GMT on Saturdays	20m/17m: 0800GMT on Sundays

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***From Editor***

**Harry, JL3AMK #15002**

**New Members**

Welcome to the FEA!

- #15050: Koji, JQ1BVQ - June 30
- #15051: Nathan, HS0ZHG - July 2
- #15052: Xie, BD7KBH - July 23

**Members These Days**

**John, 9V1VV #8998** got his K2 and **Yama, 7K1CPT #15028** got his K3. Many FEA members seem to like Elecraft transceivers.

**Japan Ham Fair Will Be Held on August 23rd and 24th**

"FISTS EAST ASIA" booth will be exhibited at Ham Fair 2008 in Tokyo, Japan. See you there!

***From Members***

**Japan Ham Fair 2007**

**Taro, JR0QWW #5578**

We had nice meeting in Shimbashi during ham fair last year. The guys drunk much, and had very nice time. We are also going to have an annual meeting in Tokyo on 23, Aug. Let's join together with us.



## Dream Has Come!

**Manabu, JE1RZR #15020**

Hello, my name is Manabu, JE1RZR. I moved to new QTH, Miura city, Kanagawa prefecture in May. It's located 60km south of Tokyo. Until then I lived in dormitory provided by company I work. It was a quite small and old apartment house. Even though we all family were satisfied with it I was looking for another place for not only my family but also myself where I could enjoy ham radio with big antennas.

Miura was our favorite place by my family. With a lot of nature, beautiful sea, delicious seafood and vegetables, and good air. We enjoyed driving tour there from Yokohama by a compact size car almost every weekend and were fascinated by the place more day by day. Finally we found an old house introduced by a real estate agent. It was so nice and we decided to live there.

After the reform work for the old house for several months our new life in Miura started. It takes 2 hours from home to the office located in Tokyo by train for one way. But it's O.K. because I built up a tower for radio. It was a dream for long time since I started ham radio in 1983. So my dream came true over a quarter century!

Now 3 antennas are put up on the tower; HEX beam (20m – 10m), HB9CV (6m) and 2-element YAGI (40m and 30m) from top to bottom. The maximum height of the tower reaches 21 meters and the loading point of HEX would be at 25 meters from the ground. Here, Miura has very strong wind especially in winter as it locates on the edge of peninsula and I decided to construct a crank-up typed tower to reduce negative impact by wind.



I asked a professional firm to construct a tower and a lot of friends including FISTS members came to see how a tower was built up on the day. They helped me so much and I appreciated it very much. Now I'm so happy with this new system. The only problem is that I cannot find enough time to operate radio. I, however, really enjoy talking in CW with some of FISTS members in weekend. Looking forward to seeing you for further down the log. 73

Manabu

### Sweet Music of Morse Code

Nao, JO3HPM #15008



I cannot remember for sure when I noticed first that some operator's Morse code sounds like a sweet singing music. After, I learned these operator used a bug, semi automatic key. Lately Sugi JK7UST, Manabu JE1RZR, and Atsu JE1TRV have used a bug key during the FEA net. Their influences were large and gradually, my dream that someday I also want to become a bug key operator grew in my mind. On July 13, at last, I got a GHD GN207A as my first bug key. I have been practicing the key every night with joy like a kid who got a new toy. I wonder why we are fascinated by sweet music of Morse code. Do you know?

### "Around Forties" Meeting

Manabu, JE1RZR #15020

Hoz, JL1IRB #15030, Jun, JQ1BWT #15036, Hama, JE1BKC #15038 and me gathered in a beer restaurant in Yokohama in the end of July. We, all around Forty at age, talked a lot of things like job, family, and radio drinking beer. It was a great time indeed.

If you want to join us, call CQ for around-forties on any FISTS freq in any time!

Manabu



L to R: Manabu, Jun, Hama and Hoz

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### KANHAM Meeting

Harry, JL3AMK #15002

Hama, JE1BKC #15038 and his sons took part in Kansai Amateur Radio Festival, it's called KANHAM. Kansai is a place name which means JA3 area. I met them there.



Two little boys enjoyed playing an electronic roulette game and a morse key!



## Changing Rooms

Leo, JJ8KGZ #4843

I rearranged my furniture in my shack which I had used for my ham radio operation for over 5 years because my second son moved in from his room where he used to share with his sister. He is now 14 years old and needed his own room like his older brother does. Comparing to the houses which my friends have in the USA, our Japanese ones are rather small and it is sort of difficult to have rooms for each family members. Thus, changing children's rooms are needed according to their growth.



My shack was originally installed in the corner of the bedroom of my wife and myself when this house was built. It has a lot of wall sockets and special outlet with 200V, which may be utilized when I get a KW license. Although I had been wearing headsets during my CW operation, my wife complained that my desk lamp bothered her sleeping and the tiny sound of CW from my headset was really annoying. So I decided to move my radios to my current room and I made a hole in its wall to pull in the coaxial cables.



Time flies like an arrow, and now, I have to give up my room to my son

Fortunately, he allowed me to operate in his room because he likes the sound of CW and said that he is not annoyed at all. So I removed big radios and installed a small operating table instead of my big old one and put on only two rigs, TS2000 and FT817.



I have some SKED QSOs with fellow CW operators at night.

My son does his homework as he listens to my CW... Hi.

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***From FEA Net Manager***

Nao, JO3HPM #15008

**FEA CW Net Results: No. 185 to 188**

No.	Y/M/D	GMT	MHz	Controller	Participant
188-2	2008/7/27	0800-0815	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	JK7UST(Sugi), JE1RZR(Manabu)
188-1	2008/7/26	2300-2335	7.026	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JK7UST(Sugi), JO3HPM(Nao), JA1NUT(Shin)
187-2	2008/7/20	0800-0815	14.054	JE1RZR (Manabu)	none
187-1	2008/7/19	2300-2328	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JE1RZR(Manabu), JO3HPM(Nao), JE1TRV(Atsu)
186-2	2008/7/13	0800-0855	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	VK4TJ(John)
186-1	2008/7/12	2300-0005	7.027	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JE1RZR(Manabu), JO3HPM(Nao), JK7UST(Sugi)
185-2	2008/7/6	0800-0900	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	JE1RZR(Manabu), 9M2YP(Yee)
185-1	2008/7/6	2300-0005	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JE1RZR(Manabu), JO3HPM(Nao), JE1TRV(Atsu)

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***See You Next Month!***