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<b>FEA Calling Frequencies (MHz)</b>	40m: 7.026 / 7.028	30m: 10.118 / 10.138	20m: 14.058	17m: 18.085
	15m: 21.058 / 21.138	12m: 24.918	10m: 28.058 / 28.158	
<b>FEA CW Net Schedule</b>	40m: 2300GMT on Saturdays		20m/17m: 0800GMT on Sundays	

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***From Editor***

**Harry, JL3AMK #15002**

I passed the no-code class exam in 1983 when I was 14, and passed the morse-code exam in 1985. "JL3AMK" has been licensed since November 1st, 1983 so it's just 25th anniversary :-)

**Transpacific Scheduled QSO**

One day, Joe, KC0VKN #12091 posted an article to our bulletin board on the web. He wanted to have QSO's with FEA members. Nao, JO3HPM #15008 replied, and they have tried to have a QSO several times. Unfortunately, it seems not to be success yet. They keep on trying make QSO on weekends, mainly on 20m.

**Trans-Equatorial Scheduled QSO**

Nobu, JF3KNW #15001 has had sked QSO with Tony, ZL2ALJ #9657 on sunday evening for several years. He feels his own morse code skill is improved and he thanks to Tony.

## 21.138MHz As New FEA Calling Frequency

FEA calling frequencies are similar but a little bit strange to general FISTS calling frequencies. It is because of some kind of license, frequency allocations in law, or band usage in the countries.

One reason is: general FISTS calling frequency on 40m is 7.028MHz, but in Japan, it's crowd of digital mode QSO's. Another reason is: Taiwan radio amateurs are not allowed below 10.130MHz on 30m, and below 28.100MHz on 10m either.

Three Chinese brasspounders joined a few months ago. We FEA managers have considered to add new calling frequency because China 3rd grade licensee can't operate under 21.100MHz. We know 21.158MHz is a calling frequency for novice licensee, but there are lots of SSB stations in Japan. Finally we decided to set 21.138MHz as secondary calling frequency on 15m.

Here is new chart for FISTS calling frequencies on HF:

FISTS	160m	80m	40m	30m	20m	17m	15m	12m	10m
East Asia	n/a	n/a	<u>7.026</u> 7.028 (*1)	10.118 <u>10.138</u> (*2)	14.058	18.085	21.058 <u>21.138</u> (*3)	21.918	28.058 <u>28.158</u> (*4)
HQ/Europe	1.818	3.558	7.028	10.118	14.058	18.085	21.058	24.918	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
Down Under	1.808	3.528	7.028	10.118	14.058	18.085	21.058 21.158	24.918	28.058 28.158

(\*1) JA (Japan) members are active around 7.026 because 7.028 is center of frequency allocation for digital communications in Japan

(\*2) BV (Taiwan) stations are allowed to use 10.130 to 10.150.

(\*3) Third grade of BY (China) stations are not allowed to use below 21.100.

(\*4) BV (Taiwan) stations are allowed to use above 28.100.

## Masumi's DX Vacations

**Cambodia, XU:** Masumi, JA3AVO #15029 will QRV as XU7AVO from Cambodia again from November 7th to 10th. Also his wife, Hiroko, JH3PBL will be active on SSB on HF bands. Her callsign will be XU7PBL. QSL to their home callsigns.

**Virgin Islands, KP2:** He is also planning to go to KP2 from January 17th to 22nd in 2009.

Please check October issue for further information.

***From Members***

**FIELD ACTIVITY**

**Xie, BD7KBH #15052**

There are more than 10,000,000 populations in Shenzhen now. Most of them are migrations from all over the country, include me. People in this city like to go to east-cost seashore for their holidays, swimming, diving or just site-seeing. Today Oct. 3, the 4th-day of 7-Chinese National Holiday, we enthusiastic HAM (from left to right), BD7KBH(me), BG7JNK, BH7IWC, BH7NIK, BH7KVS(up) BH7PM(down), are driving more than 80km high way to the beach for CQ activities.



We have set up a simple station, IC-718 and 3-band V Dipole in the coast nearby. After we finished all the job, we have to have lunch because families with us. After lunch we switched on the station. The exciting moment will come!

3 band V-DP and IC-718:



BH7IWC in operation:



The propagation seems not good. The time near one o'clock at noon, most stations are difficulties to tune on in 40m band and 20m band at this time in usual. We didn't give up, CQ on air again and again.

A very weak signal on 7.050 Mhz from Guangzhou, BG7ANX received! Wonderful, we succeed! Again we made successful QSO with BH7MPQ in 40m band, BG6JFL from Zhengzhou and BD3AEO from Tianjin.

Another fun for us is to try to make some CW QSOs, because 3 FEA members here, BD7KBH (#15052), BH7IWC (#15055), and BH7NIK (#15053). We are all beginners for CW, and we love CW and learn CW very

hard. After make some practice and make CQ on the frequency, a very strong signal from BG5ROP returning to my call, 599! Exciting! I am operating with my bug key. QSB very swiftly and we end the only CW QSO. Anyway, very exiting!

We completed our seashore activities at 4 O'clock, quite early, maybe the propagation will become better and better but we have to leave. The wind became stronger and stronger and we have to consider the road congestion for almost 100km highway during this holiday season.

We get together this night when we came back safely and we are all glad for today's field QSO and BH7JER, FEA member joined us the dinner.

Thank you Nao, giving us the chance to express our feelings and share feeling with us. Hope to see you again in FEA NET.

Beautiful seashore:



## Deal!

Manabu, JE1RZR #15020

Hi, folks!

I'd like to share my recent wonderful experience with radio. I had a QSO with Eric/SM1ALH on 20m CW in the end of September. CONDX was so good and I said something about global furniture shop originated in SM land. Then Eric asked me how can he get spare parts for his rotator manufactured by Japanese company "E". Actually he had some trouble on his rotators.

Next day I knew from "E" company that they are NOT able to manage any orders from abroad and asked me to relay Eric's order. So I ordered and forward parts he needs to him soon after I received them. Few days later I received a mail with attached photo of him! He tested parts and found no problem to work with.



I wrote this story on my blog <<http://je1rzs.exblog.jp/9915074/>> and Eric placed the story on his side too <<http://www.grk.se/blog/comments.asp?id=273>>. I can not read Swedish text and surely Eric does not know Japanese neither but CW makes us to understand each other!

Hoping Eric's loud signal would be heard all over the world.

Manabu, JE1RZR #15020

## **Eyeball QSO with JF3KNW**

**Nao, JO3HPM #15008**

I visited Nobu JF3KNW (#15001) October 13. He live about 50 km east of my home, but this was first time visit his home. He has a rich experience of amateur radio and often wrote nice articles in CQ ham radio magazine. He kindly showed me some articles he wrote. I saw "amateur radio at New Zealand" in 2001 May issue. He described about Ralph ZL2AOH and Tony ZL2ALJ in that article, and also about FISTS where they belong. I think a lot of Japanese ham knew the name of FISTS at that time. This was before the foundation of FEA on 2004.

I enjoyed talking with him very much and could saw his nice antenna, tower, and rigs. After I left his home, soon I found I didn't take any photo of him. I stopped my car and looked back. Attached photo was taken at that time. I felt the tower silhouette was beautiful in the twilight.



## **Coincidental Seattle Reunion**

**Jun, K6KF/JM1JOT #9117**

Hello there. Having been away from Ham Radio, this is a small contribution to the newsletter...

In October, I had a business trip to the Seattle area from Tokyo, which was my first opportunity to visit the headquarters of the company I work for, so I made an appointment with my friend John WB6Z who lives in Bellevue. Coincidentally, another friend of both of us, Mark KA6PUW had scheduled his business trip there from California, so we got together at a restaurant in downtown Bellevue. Well, actually, another friend of Mark joined the dinner who happened to be there on his business trip from Texas. He gave Mark a phone call and they knew they were near in town! We made conversation about mostly other than Ham Radio, but that was a fun night.

73, Jun K6KF/JM1JOT



L to R: John, Jun, and Mark



***From FEA Net Manager***

**Nao, JO3HPM #15008**

**FEA Net Have Held 200 Times!**

Thanks to avid members, we can celebrate 200th week memorial FEA net on October 19. We had a total of 380 nets since start. I would like to express my thanks to all participants. Next we will celebrate 4th anniversary of the net on December 23. Why don't you jo in the net?

**FEA CW Net Results: No. 198 to 201**

No.	Y/M/D	GMT	MHz	Controller	Participant
201-2	2008/10/26	0800-0850	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	JE1RZR(Manabu), VK4TJ(John)
201-1	2008/10/25	2300-2340	7.026	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JP1BJB(Aki), JQ2SFZ(Isao)
200-2	2008/10/19	0800-0900	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	VK3EFO(Albert), VK4TJ(John), JE1TRV(Atsu), BD7KBH(Xie)
200-1	2008/10/19	0000-0106	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JO3HPM(Nao), JP1BJB(Aki), JL1IRB(Hoz), JG0SXC(Man)
199-2	2008/10/12	0800-0830	14.0545	JO3HPM(Nao)	none
199-1	2008/10/12	0000-0050	7.001	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JO3HPM(Nao), JJ1TTG(Aki), JG0SXC(Man), JA1NUT(Shin)
198-2	2008/10/5	0800-0850	14.0545	JO3HPM(Nao)	9V1VV(John), BD7KBH(Xie)
198-1	2008/10/5	0000-0040	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JO3HPM(Nao), JP1BJB(Aki), JL1IRB(Hoz), JK1TCV(Kazu)

***See You Next Month!***