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From the Editor's Desk

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Good season

As the sun spot number bottomed out, we rarely have DX contacts on high bands with our tiny antenna systems. 10m has been dead for several years and the path between East Asia and the US on 15m fades out in a short time in the mornings. But crispy air in autumn season conjure up our experiences that we constantly had OSOs with DX stations in the previous sun spot cycle. After lunch on Oct.29, about 1300JST, I was supposed to call CQ with my QRP on 7.026MHz. When I stretched my hand to my Mercury paddle, I heard a weak but stable signal. I cocked up my ears...It was W7OC chatting with a station in W8. I was sort of familiarized with his CW sound which utilizes his PIC keyer and I was sure that it was his signal. Amazing! It was the first time for me to hear a signal from the US in such early afternoon. I had a fixed idea that we can hear signals from the US on 40m only between the early evening and midnight. When I wrote about it on my weblog, Shin, JA1NUT gave me a comment that he used to hear Ws on 40m in the early afternoons and even in the mornings when the band condx was good in the past decades. His comment dispelled my stereotypes. And I was excited to think that we are surely having a DX season now. I can say...the mysterious propagation of HF really captivates us.

See you on the air.

......-. What's going on in Japan?

Lawsuit brought against government over PLC by 100 or more HAMs

The Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications of Japan (MIC) revised a part of their ministerial ordinance on October 4th to amend a code of radio facilities without providing any straight answers to the questions which had been repeatedly asked by specialists. This revision of the rules leads a possibility to use PLC modems under their type approval. Under this revision of the ministerial ordinance, the utilization of PLC modems is confined to be only indoors but it does not make any differences and it is obvious that we, amateur radio stations, will have significant interference from those PLC modems. The high frequency wave provided to unbalanced power lines is easily radiated from the lines because the length of indoor wirings are quite similar to that of HF antennas and this is clear from the sequence of concrete examples overseas.

Toshikazu Kusano, JA1ELY, the editor of "Five-nine DX magazine" and Teiichi Aoyama, JA1IDY, a professor of Musashi Institute of Technology pursue legal action against the minister of MIC to stop their model specification of the PLC modems which transmit and receive signals on the carrier wave in the range from 2MHz to 30MHz.

JA1ELY recruited other HAMs to form the plaintiffs group for trial on the internet and over 100 HAMs applied to be the one of the plaintiffs. Each of them donates the cost of litigation and they are now mapping out a long-range strategy with their competent lawyers. Some of the FEA members also applied to be the claimant to get involved in this case and waiting for the mandate form from the professional representatives for the plaintiff.





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Messages from FEA members. My Windmill By Taro, JR0QWW# 5578

Hello, guys. How about your radio life?

The other day, I went to a river bank of the Shinano River, and I turned my windmill. The wind blew through the river bank, and my windmill could turn smoothly. My another hobby is to turn the windmill.

It's a kind of "soothing relief "for me. I set the Buddipole, and was on the air on 20m band, at last I caught the VK FISTS station. The QSO with DX FISTS was quite after long absence. Winter is coming soon. Although I like winter seasons, it is pity that I will not be able to have so much chance to QRV because of snow. Taro, JR0QWW (FISTS #5578, CC #1314)

My New Antenna By Sugi, JK7UST #7178

I set up my new antenna on Oct.22. It's an HB9CV for 40m band. I built it from daybreak to 10 O'clock by myself. And at 10 O'clock, three local stations came to help me. They helped me build the rest of the process of the HB9CV and erected it on the top of my tower. It took 2 hours to complete. After I got the new antenna, I became capable of sending much stronger wave to Europe. For me, the Ural Mountains used to be a kind of barrier to reach EU, but I can overleap them now. I hope to see you on 40m.

73! de JK7UST Sugi



A Message from a New Member

By 'Yama', Kiyoharu Yamada 7K1CPT #15028

Hello dear friends !

I joined Fists CW club in September 2006. I hope to enjoy CW QSOs and communication with many club members on the air and at ground meeting too. I'm living in an apartment house at Nerima-ku Tokyo. And my home has no ANT (Sometimes I set fishing rod wire antenna from window). So I often go to field to QRV. When I use my car, I set 10m pole and erect Dipole or another antenna on it. Full-size antenna works good job hi. I like to walk in nature. I sometimes go to mountains with small rigs and antenna in my DAY-PACK. It is good to see beautiful sights and QRV. I'm interested in QRP. Most of my operations I put less than 5 watts. Now my main rig is Elecraft K2. When I need a small baggage, I use K1, KX1 or Small Wonder Lab's kit, etc. Building kit rigs is fun for me. I want to QRV with home-brew rigs in the future.

I wish seeing you on the air my friends! 73



7K1CPT on Mt.Nabewari-yama

It's one of the peaks of Akagi mountains, 1332m from sea level.



7MHz Vertical antenna on the mountain top.





Dipole antenna 3.5MHz-28MHz

Loop antenna (Main is 14MHz)

A Trend in FISTS EA.

Weblogs multiplied like rabbits in the last few years. Due to their ease of creation compared to websites, weblogs have become a popular way of expressing opinions to the public online. Needless to say, a lot of FISTS EA members have their own weblogs and we enjoy reading them almost everyday. It's good to share opinions on certain things and sometimes they discuss with keen interests. For instance, topics about antenna, home brewing and how to improve their skills of head copying of CW. Here are the URLs of members' weblogs. You can see various pages of their sites but most of them are in Japanese. May be...you can expect some of their new weblogs to be updated in English...but... I'm not sure....

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http://cw.at.webry.info/ Harry, JL3AMK #15002

http://jl3amk_blogspot_com/

Sugi, JK7UST #7178

http://blogs.yahoo.co.jp/jk7cw/MYBLOG/yblog.html Leo, JJ8KGZ #4843

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Manabu, JE1RZR ex. UK/JI2MED #15020

Taro, JR0QWW #5578

http://jr0gww.moe-nifty.com/gwwcw/

Rie, JN1XLV #15024

http://www.taku27.jp/ham/ Ken, JG0MWU #15015

http://kamaken blog shinobi jp/ Man, JG0SXC #8934

http://ig0sxc.blogspot.com/

Jean, JL3SIK #9836

http://www.jl3sik.org/blog/ Nori, JR7OEF #15022

http://jr7oef.exblog.jp/

morsEAsia E-Mail Distribution

Harry, JL3AMK #15002 is planning to distribute our newsletter "morsEAsia" to FISTS members via e-mail. Please let him know your name, callsign (if you have), FISTS Number, and e-mail address. His e-mail address is <webadmin at fists-ea.org>.

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FISTS EA Activities

Suggested Calling Frequencies

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

FISTS	160m	80m	40m	30m	20m	17m	15m	12m	10m
<u>East Asia</u>	-	-	-	10.118 10.138 (<u>*1</u>)	14.058	18.085	21.058	24.918	28.058 28.158 (<u>*2</u>)
HQ/Europe	-	3.558	7.028	-	14.058	-	21.058	-	28.058
North America	1.808		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
QRP calling freqs (<u>*3</u>)	1810 1843	3540 3560	7030 7040	10.106 10.116	14.060		21.060 21.110	24.906	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	When on Sundays @ East Asia		
Part I	between 7.025MHz and 7.030MHz, sometimes between 18.080MHz and 18.085MHz, or around 10.138MHz		
	starting 2300UTC on Saturdays (0700 Taiwan/Singapore Time, 0800 JST on Sundays)		
Part II	between 14.050MHz and 14.055MHz sometimes between 18.080MHz and 18.085MHz, or around 10.138MHz		
	start ing 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 FEA English <u>BBS</u> .			
Results	Click here to show the results of past FEA CW Net.		

FISTS EA NET Result

No.	Date (Y/M/D)	Time (UTC)	Freq. (MHz)	Controller	Participant
98-2	2006/11/5	0800-0835	14.055	JO3HPM(Nao)	VK4TJ(John)
98-1	2006/11/4	2300-2420	7.002	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JO3HPM(Nao), JE1TRV(Atsu), JE1RZR(Manabu), JQ2SFZ(Isao), 7K1CPT/1(Yama)
97-2	2006/10/29	0800-0830	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	VR2DL(Tat)
97-1	2006/10/28	2300-2429	7.027	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JJ8KGZ(Leo), JO3HPM(Nao), JE1TRV(Atsu), JL3SIK(Jean), JQ2SFZ(Isao)
96-2	2006/10/22	08005-0845	14.055	JE1RZR(Manabu)	VR2DL(Tat)
96-1	2006/10/21	2300-2400	7.026	JE1RZR(Manabu)	JJ8KGZ/M(Leo), JO3HPM/5(Nao), JE1TRV(Atsu)
95-2	2006/10/1 5	0800-0900	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	VK4TJ(John), JF3KNW(Nobu)
95-1	2006/10/14	2300-2408	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JJ8KGZ(Leo), JO3HPM(Nao), JG0SXC(Man)