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From Editor

Harry, JL3AMK #15002

Members These Days

John, 9V1VV #8998 enjoyed his trip to Japan in May. He had eyeball QSO with FISTS JA members; **Manabu, JE1RZR #15020**, **Yama, 7K1CPT #15028**, **Atsu, JE1TRV #7763**, and **Hoz, JL1IRB #15030**. He wrote in his weblog. It is reprinted on next page by his permission.

Nao, JO3HPM #15008 enjoyed camping with his family. **Atsu, JE1TRV #7763** had eyeball QSO with **Sugi, JK7UST #7178**. They gave me articles. Thanks a million!

NEW FISTS / ALL-COMERS NET

FISTS Down Under will begin the net. Here's quoted from their newsletter.

Each Wednesday 7.30pm VK EST (0930 U.T.C. or 2130 N.Z.S.T) 3546 kHz

*The Net Control Station (NCS) will be on SSB
 Check Ins will be directed to a C.W. frequency in pairs for a chat.
 Duration - 30 minutes. If successful - then more time.
 Start date: 18 June 2008.*

Further information is described in June issue of FDU Newsletter. It is on members' page at FEA web site.

FISTS Members Page

FEA web site has a member-only page. There are has back issues of morsEAsia, FDU Newsletter and KeyNote, published all after April 2004.

Not only FEA members, but also all of FISTS will be permitted to access into there. Please let me know your FISTS Number and email address, then I will tell you the password. Do NOT ask on the web nor on the air, please.

From Members

Portable Operation from the Camp Site

Nao, JO3HPM #15008

We have national holidays on April 29, May 3,4, and 5. May 6 is a substitute holiday of May 4 Sunday this year. Some people take 2 weeks long holiday and go abroad cheerfully. We call this season "golden week". You might see a lot of Japanese tourist during that week.

My family planed to go camping to a cape in JA5 area fronting the Pacific Ocean this year. I loaded my car with my Elecraft K1 having 4-band and ATU, Mini-Paddle, and 5 thin long wires together with camping equipment. I wanted to attend the FISTS EA net on May 5 from camp site.

I prepared a 11.8m wire as a hot element and 10.2m, 7.0m, 5.1m, and 3.4m wires as cold elements. The hot element length was selected to avoid half wavelength of each frequency of the 4 band of my K1. And cold element length was selected quarter wavelength of these.

On Sunday morning 2300Z, I expanded long wire antenna using a tree and started to watch the 7.026MHz. But I could not find the net controller. He sometimes changes the frequency due to avoid QRM. I turned the VFO dial and found the QSO of Leo, JJ8KGZ and Sugi, JK7UST on 7.002MHz. I called them several times, but they did not reply my break call. My K1 output was only 5 watts and the band condition was not good unfortunately.

Next, I tried 20m net on evening 0800Z. Before this, I rearranged 4 cold elements on the ground to be an ideal radial pattern as far as possible. I expected it would improve radiation efficiency.

I found John, VK4TJ was calling CQ FEA net on 14.054MHz soon. He always helps the net without refusing ping-pong task. I was very surprised and

excited when he replied to my call on the first attempt beyond 7000-km distance. He has an ultrasensitive ear! I was happy my portable operation from the camp site succeeded though I didn't know the rearrangement of cold elements made a difference.

We can see friends at regular time and frequency if we keep the net. I think this tradition is great. Don't you think so?

Trip to Tokyo

John, 9V1VV #8998

Tuesday, May 27, 2008



Photo shows Manabu /JE1RZR standing at rear, Shin /JR1NHD (ex 9V1ZW), Kiyoharu san /7K1CPT, Atsu /JE1TRV, and Hoz /JL1IRB

Last weekend I combined some business with pleasure and arrived in Tokyo a couple of days prior to a meeting, in order to get together with the FISTS EA Japan guys.

Atsu-san /JE1TRV was kind enough to act as guide, ably assisted by Manabu / JE1RZR, who had made quite a long journey into the city to meet us.

After an full Saturday afternoon walking around the labyrinthine alleys of Akihabara and the ancient temple of Sensoji, we adjurned to a very comfortable restaurant where we enjoyed good food and conversation, with a few beers and wines to assist the

proceedings.

Some of us carried on at a small bar near my hotel at Shinjuku !



A good photo of Atsu san, above.



Evening in the Akihabara alleys, above.



Some GHD paddles, above.



Manabu in an old valve (tube) hi-fi shop, above.



Old radios on sale, above.



Atsu and Manabu at the temple, above.

--- This is from John's weblog "The Ancient Mariner" at <http://johnkayceedee.blogspot.com/>. All photos are reduced.

If you want to know Sensoji temple, please see following web pages:

<http://www.japan-guide.com/e/e3001.html>

http://www.japaneselifestyle.com.au/tokyo/sensoji_temple.htm

Editor

Eyeball at Machida on May-18

Atsu, JE1TRV #7763

On May-18, Sugi, JK7UST has come to Tokyo. Local FEA members gathered at a Sushi restaurant near Machida station. It was very short meeting since Sugi had another appointment. But we have enjoyed eating and chatting on the ground.



From FEA Net Manager

Nao, JO3HPM #15008

FEACW Net Results: No. 176 to 179

No.	Y/M/D	GMT	MHz	Controller	Participant
179-2	2008/5/25	0800-0913	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	VK4TJ(John), JE1TRV(Atsu), JE1RZR(Manabu), JA1NUT(Shin)
179-1	2008/5/24	2300-2340	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JE1TRV(Atsu), JQ1BWT(Jun), JG0SXC(Man)
178-2	2008/5/18	0800-0910	14.054	JO3HPM(Nao)	JF3KNW(Nobu), JE1RZR(Manabu), JE1TRV(Atsu)
178-1	2008/5/17	2300-2345	7.027	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JO3HPM(Nao), JQ2SFZ(Isao)
177-2	2008/5/11	0800-0900	14.0535	JO3HPM(Nao)	VK4TJ(John), JE1RZR(Manabu), JK7UST(Sugi)
177-1	2008/5/10	2300-0002	7.026	JE7YTQ(Sugi)	JE1TRV(Atsu), JO3HPM(Nao), JL1IRB(Hoz)
176-2	2008/5/4	0800-0900	14.054	VK4TJ(John)	JO3HPM/5(Nao), JE1RZR(Manabu)
176-1	2008/5/3	2300-0000	7.026	JJ8KGZ(Leo)	JK7UST(Sugi)

See You Next Month!